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Priorities of the Spanish EU Presidency 2010

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Political context of the Spanish EU Presidency 2010

- New European Commission with a new Commissioner for research
- New Lisbon Treaty (EUT)
- European Strategy post-2010
- Economic crisis



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Overall priorities of the Spanish EU Presidency 2010:

- Innovation
- Equality



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Under this framework, the priorities in the area of research and innovation are:

- Promote the further development of the European Research Area (ERA)
- Strengthen the link between research and innovation
- Focus on the role of science in the fight against poverty and social exclusion



The further development of ERA shall be promoted on two levels:

1. Community Programmes (FP, CIP, Structural Funds, EIT)

2. Cooperation between National Programmes

ERA Governance:

-New CREST Mandate

-Other proposals



1. Community Programmes

- Consolidation of the ERC
- SIMPLIFICATION of the participation in Community Programmes
- European Innovation Plan
- ITER
- Art. 169 Initiative (BONUS) – research on the Baltic Sea
- GMES
- PPPs of the European Economic Recovery Plan (European Framework Programmes: from Economic Recovery to Sustainability, Valencia, 13-14 April)
- EIT (Launching Event of the first KICs, San Sebastián, 29-30 April)
- Synergies between Community Programmes (Week of European innovative regions, WIRE, Granada, 15 – 17 March)



2. Strengthen the cooperation between national programmes

- European Partnership for Researchers: Mobility and Career development
 - Joint work with EPSCO
- Joint Programming (JP)
 - Continue work in GPC (new themes, framework conditions)
 - Council decisions on the proposals (possible participation of the regions)
- Research Infrastructures of pan-European interest: progress in the implementation of the ESFRI list (ECRI Event, Barcelona, 22 – 24 March)



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Competitiveness Councils during the Spanish EU Presidency 2010

- **Informal Council**
San Sebastián, 7 - 9 February
- **Competitiveness Council meetings (Industry and Research)**
Brussels, 1-2 March and 25-26 May



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Events organized by the Spanish Ministry of Science and Innovation (MICINN) I

- Conference on Space and Security, Madrid, 3 – 4 February
- ICT for Energy Efficient Buildings, ICT4EE, Brussels 23 – 24 February
- Policies to stimulate private investment in research and innovation, CONCORD-2010, Seville 3 - 4 March
- Week of Innovative European Regions, WIRE, Granada, 15-17 March
- European Infrastructures, ECRI, Barcelona, 22 - 25 March



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Events MICINN II

- Campus Party Europe: Unite talent, create future, Madrid, 28 March – 4 April
- Science against Poverty, Segovia, 8-9 April
- European Framework Programmes: From Economic Recovery to Sustainability, Valencia, 13-14 April
- Launching Event of the first KICs-EIT, San Sebastián, 29-30 April
- ERAB Stakeholder Conference, Seville, 6-7 May
- Science Journalism, Madrid, 10-14 May



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Events MICINN III

- European Social agenda for science and innovation , Madrid, 12-26 May
- Commemoration 20th anniversary of the EC-EU Task Force in Biotechnology, Barcelona, 2-4 June
- Design Week ICOGRADA, Madrid, 21-25 June
- ERC Scientific Committee, Madrid and Santiago de Compostela, 28-30 June
- SOM-EU-LAC, Buenos Aires, February
- UpM, Alicante/Málaga, March
- Ministerial Conference EU-LAC, La Granja, 14 May