



Policy Working Group

Horizon Europe - Strategic Planning

25 April | 09.30-12.00



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PLAN

- Debrief meeting with Permanent Representations (17/04)
- Strategic Planning
 - Current situation
 - Open consultation in June
 - R&I Days
- AOB
 - New urban partnership proposed by JPI Urban Europe
 - Upcoming Innovation & Investment WG meeting
- Next meeting on 21 May

MEETING WITH PERMANENT REPRESENTATIONS

- Common understanding with EP
- Open questions to be addressed during FI presidency
 - Synergies with other EU programmes
 - International cooperation
- Build on these discussions – regional experiences, input on synergies, targeted discussions on Horizon Europe actions

STRATEGIC PLANNING

Regulation

Specific Programme

Strategic Plan

- Multiannual – maximum 4 years, adopted by means of an implementing act
- Will define the design of the multiannual WPs and call for proposals
- Main focus pillar II but also pillar III and widening actions
- Will contain:
 - Key strategic orientations for R&I support (expected impacts, cross-cluster issues and intervention areas covered)
 - Identification of European Partnerships and Missions (definition)
 - Areas for international cooperation,
 - Specific issues (balance between R&I, gender, SSH, ethics, dissemination and exploitation)

STRATEGIC PLANNING - timeline

- Commission Expert group "shadow" Strategic Configuration of the Horizon Europe Programme Committee – appointment in May (?)
- Advisory boards for mission areas – call for expression of interest (May?)
- First draft of the Strategic Plan (3 June)
- Online consultation (open globally) on the first draft (June)
- Second draft open for consultation during R&I Days (24-26 September)

STRATEGIC PLANNING – ERRIN's focus

A COLLABORATIVE APPROACH

- Quadruple helix - focus on the wider regional development agenda and ecosystem thinking
- Regional innovation ecosystems as a crucial part of Horizon Europe

COHERENCE TO INCREASE IMPACT

- Place-based regional innovation ecosystems in Horizon Europe to better coordinate research and innovation priorities, practices – and funding – at all governance levels
- Synergies with other EU programmes

STRATEGIC PLANNING – ERRIN's focus

- **Pillar III - European Innovation Ecosystems**
 - “The EU will in synergy with other Horizon Europe activities, including those of the EIC and EIT, and with the regional smart specialisation strategies.”
 - EIC and EIT – complementarities and regional innovation ecosystems
- **Pillar II - clusters**
 - Experiences of working in a collaborative systemic approach
 - Climate, energy and mobility + Digital + Food and natural resources
 - Opportunity to connect regional innovation ecosystems – how?

STRATEGIC PLANNING – ERRIN's focus

- Missions

- Potential to enhance policy coherence and encourage bottom-up solutions
- An opportunity to have less prescriptive calls and open doors for different solutions as well as new actors
- Possibility to advocate for specific missions (within a mission area)

→ Open questions for Commission speaker at MB meeting 7 May?

OPEN CONSULTATION

- Launched after the publication of the first draft - 3 June?
- What should we focus on?
- Who will take an active role?



R&I DAYS

**EUROPEAN
RESEARCH & INNOVATION
DAYS**



24 → 26
SEPTEMBER
Brussels 📍 BELGIUM

**20
19**

- **Policy conference**
 - Input to the strategic planning – will most likely be divided according to the clusters
 - Continue to monitor to see how ERRIN can be involved
- **Innovative Europe Hub**
 - Meeting and exhibition space - brokerage places, participatory and cooperative sessions, pitch sessions and labs - for inventors, businesses, civil society
- **“Science is wonderful” exhibition**
 - For anyone - hands-on experiments, live demonstrations, face-to-face chats with researchers

AOB

- European Partnership on Sustainable and Smart Cities and Communities
 - Proposed by JPI Urban Europe
- Innovation & Investment WG meeting (6 June, 12.00)
 - EC SWD on technology infrastructures – “developing a European strategy for technology infrastructures to support industry scale-up and technology diffusion across Europe”
 - Understand the policy panorama on European research and technology infrastructures
 - The link with regional innovation ecosystems and smart specialisation strategies
- Next meeting 21 May - EIC