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Management Board election 2018 results

The voting of this year's elections closed last Wednesday (17 October), and we are pleased to welcome and re-welcome the following five members to the Management Board:

- ADR Nord-Est (Romania) | Mr Bogdan Chelariu
- Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes (France) | Ms Hortense Lutz-Hermellin
- Cities Northern Netherlands (the Netherlands) | Mr Pieter Faber
- Helsinki-Uusimaa Region (Finland) | Ms Krista Taipale
- South Norway (Norway) | Mr Stig Marthinsen

We look forward to working together!

We would also like to thank the other candidates – Catalonia (Spain) and Eindhoven (the Netherlands) – for their commitment and interest in being part of the ERRIN Management Board.

Finally, many thanks also to all our members who voted in this year's election.



ERRIN Strategy

Together with the Management Board, the ERRIN Secretariat is in the process of developing a new strategy.

The objective is to further profile the network, increase its impact, and bring additional benefits to members. In addition, by defining key processes, the strategy aims to establish a long-term planning framework to create a more professional network and to answer the needs of a growing secretariat.

The strategy will be finalised in the coming months. Meanwhile, all members are invited to the [dedicated page](#) on ERRIN website to learn more about the process and give feedback.

Highlights

Calls for Regions

For the **ERRIN Health Partnering event** taking place on 19th and 20th November at the Government of Catalonia Delegation to the EU we are looking for:

- **Inspirational talk** on how to successfully respond to the requirements linked to ethics in Horizon 2020 proposals to be presented on 20th November.

More information can be found [here](#). Expression of interest for regional contributions should be sent to elin.martinsson@errin.eu before 30th October

Policy Updates

The busy period on policy and the post-2020 proposals continues.

We have collected our key policy inputs on one [webpage](#) to offer a quick overview of our key recommendations. In addition, several of our upcoming events aim to provide input on Horizon Europe as well as to look at the future of smart specialisation, and opportunities on interregional cooperation.

The S3 Working Group meeting (6 November), Climate, energy and mobility cluster event (13 November) and the Policy Dialogue on Digital Innovation Hubs (22 November) will all have a strong policy dimension.

Upcoming events

S3

S3 WG Meeting: Dialogue with the European Institutions

06 November 2018 | 13.45 – 17.00

@ Helsinki EU Office, Brussels

This WG meeting will look at the state of play of the discussions on the post-2020 Cohesion policy proposal in the Council, with a focus on innovation and S3 related issues. It will also feature a dialogue with DG REGIO on the Interregional Innovation Investments (Interreg component 5). In addition, the two ERRIN regions Region SUD and the Region of Catalonia will present new features of their S3 strategies.

Transport

Transport WG Meeting: Inland Waterways

07 November 2018 | 08.45 – 11.30

@ Region Västra Götaland Office, Brussels

This WG meeting will focus on the topic of inland waterways, with speakers from Inland Navigation Europe, an Interreg Baltic Sea Region project - EMMA, and a researcher from Vrije Universiteit Brussel developing a synchronisation model for Belgian inland transport.

Opening Science

Opening Science WG Meeting: Post-Brexit – opportunities for cooperation between universities and regions

08 November 2018 | 13.00 – 15.00

@ Berlin's Liaison Office to the EU, Brussels

The aim of this WG meeting is to learn more about the political state of play and to look at already existing schemes that have been put in place to secure cooperation between universities and regions post-Brexit.



Energy & Climate Change

Horizon Europe: Climate, Energy & Mobility Cluster

13 November | 09.00 – 14.30

@ European Commission, Brussels

This high-level meeting in collaboration with DG RTD will explore how the Horizon Europe cluster on climate, energy, and mobility could be implemented to build sustainable low carbon regions and cities. Collaboration between these areas is already happening at regional and local level. The meeting will showcase examples from local and regional actors and use them to provide input to strategic planning of this cluster under Horizon Europe.

Design & Creativity

EU Design Days 2018 – Digitalisation and Design

14 November 2018 | 08.30 – 17.30

@ Representation of the European Region Tyrol-South Tyrol-Trentino, Brussels

The focus of the 7th edition of the EU Design Days is on innovation in the field of creative industries, from a regional and local point of view, with a particular focus on digitalisation. In addition to gaining new knowledge about design-related creative innovation systems and co-creative collaboration in the digital sphere, participants will get the possibility to build their network, and join interactive works.

Health

Health Partnering event

19-20 November 2018 | 13.00

@ Government of Catalonia Delegation to the EU

The aim of the event is to foster partnerships in a broader sense within ERRIN members and between ERRIN and other network members, such as CORAL, EUREGHA, ECHAlliance. The two days will host presentations, exchange of project examples and group discussions on relevant themes related to the health sector.

ICT

Digital Innovation Hubs (DIH), digitising industry and catalysing innovation-led growth

22 November 2018 | 08.45 – 14.00

@ Scotland Europa

This policy dialogue focuses on Digital Innovation Hubs (DIH) as means of supporting businesses, and notably SMEs and non-tech industry, in their digital transformation under the Digitising European Industry (DEI) initiative. The event aims to provide a broad snapshot of what currently exists and is being established across Europe, while exploring how to further support development of DIHs that also well consider end-user needs.



Save the dates

• The Baltic Sea Region – A Science Powerhouse

The event takes place on 26th November in Brussels. ERRIN Director Pirita Lindholm will moderate a session on Horizon Europe.

• NEMO – New Mobility Design Conference

The conference will be held on 27th November. ERRIN is partner of the event.

• Breakfast discussion

ERRIN will run the discussion on 4th December with the aim to explore interest and opportunities for ERRIN regions to contribute to the Week of Innovative Regions (WIRE 2019). WIRE 2019 is organised by our member ADR Nord-Est in Romania together with the European Commission in the framework of the Romanian Council Presidency.

• Innovation and Investment Working Group Meeting

The meeting will be organised in December (date to be confirmed) at the Representation of the European Region Tyrol – South Tyrol – Trentino and will focus on InvestEU.

• The ERRIN Annual General Meeting

The AGM will take place on 13th December followed by the end of the year cocktail (time and venue to be confirmed.)



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