

# **Update on Horizon Europe**

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## Towards the launch of Horizon Europe – cascade of pending decision-making in 2020

EU longterm budget 2021-2027 - Approval by the COUNCIL of the EU Regulation laying down the Multiannual Financial Framework for the years 2021 to 2027

Horizon Europe 2021-2027

- Approval by the EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT and the COUNCIL of the EU Regulation establishing Horizon Europe
- Approval by the COUNCIL of an EU Decision establishing the Specific Programme implementing Horizon Europe

1<sup>st</sup> Strategic Plan of HE 2021-2024

- Approval by the COMMISSION of the Implementing Act on HE's 1<sup>st</sup> Strategic Plan 2021-2024 (*comitology applies*)

1<sup>st</sup> Work programme 2021-2022

- Approval by the COMMISSION of the Financing Decision on HE's 1st Work Programme(s) 2021-20222 (comitology applies)



## Strategic plan gives direction to the work programme

Horizon Europe legal base

Strategic Plan 2021-2024

Work Programme 2021-2022

Calls for proposals incl. co-funded partnerships

R&I actions selected for EU funding

#### **Main Features**

- Early involvement and extensive exchanges with Member States
- Extensive exchanges with the European Parliament
- Consultations with stakeholders and public at large



### **Update on Cluster Health Candidate Partnerships**

**Institutional Partnerships** (Article 187 TFEU)

Innovative Health Initiative (ex-IMI2) – EC proposal adoption in Q3/2020, Start Year 2021 EU-Africa Global Health (ex-EDCTP2) – EC proposal adoption in Q3/2020, Start Year 2021 Co-funded Partnerships

	WP Year	Start Year
European Partnership on Assessment of Risk of Chemicals (PARC)	2021	2022
European Partnership on Transforming Health & Care Systems	2022	2023
European Partnership Fostering an ERA for Health	2022	2023
European Partnership on Personalised Medicine	2023	2023
European Partnership on Rare Diseases	2023	2024
European Partnership on One Health AMR	2023/24	2024/25

Additional <u>cross-cluster</u> partnership candidate on "Pandemic Preparedness and Societal Resilience" to advance cooperation between MS – <u>preliminary draft outline</u>

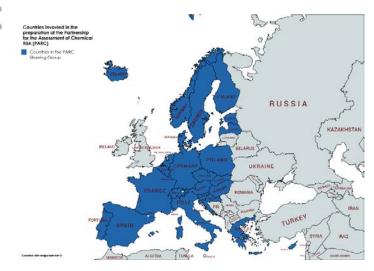
## Partnership on Chemical Risk Assessment

To stimulate R&I in chemical risk assessment through a common roadmap set by risk assessors and risk managers in consultation with all stakeholders (academia, industry, associations and others) to enable risk assessors and risk managers to respond to current and future challenges

- **General objective:** to consolidate and strengthen the EU's R&I capacity for chemical risk assessment to protect human health and the environment and contribute to a non-toxic environment and a circular economy.
  - European R&I Network to define priorities and ensure uptake of results
  - **European R&I Programme** to increase efficiency and effectiveness of testing and assessment methods/strategies and improve regulatory tools
  - R&I Capacities and Platforms for next generation risk assessment
- Partnership approach will allow to address:
  - gaps in knowledge and information on hazards, occurrence and exposures to chemicals and mixtures
  - screening, testing and assessment methods to be developed, validated and taken-up
  - persistent science-regulatory gap

#### **Concept paper published:**

https://ec.europa.eu/info/files/europeanpartnership-chemicals-risk-assessment en



**25 countries** in the steering group: AT, BE, CH, CY, CZ, DE, DK, EE, ES, FI, FR, GR, HR, HU, IS, IT, LV, LU, NL, NO, PL, PT, SE, SI, SK

→ Non-participating countries are invited to express interest in the Partnership: e.g. BG, IE, LT, MT, RO

and ECHA, EEA, EFSA, JRC, DG R&I, DG SANTE, DG ENV, DG GROW & others



#### Activities to be funded

## **Transformation of Health & Care systems**

to lay the ground to provide high-quality, fairly accessible, health promoting and resilient health and care services at affordable prices to all European citizens in a way that is sustainable for the public finances.

- **General objective:** to ensure the transition towards more sustainable, resilient, innovative and high quality people-centred health and care systems.
- Partnership approach will allow to address :
  - gaps in research and innovation,
  - In knowledge translation,
  - implementation and scaling and
  - strengthen the research and innovation capacity in this field.
- Regional dimension is important for H&C systems in Europe
- Co-funded partnership, Duration 7 years
- Funding: financial & in-kind contributions, EC co-funding 30%.

Drafting Group (BE, ES, FR, IT, LV, NL, NO, AU, PL, CH, SE, FI), with inputs from the EC (DGs R&I, SANTE, CNECT)

national and regional decision makers of health and care systems national and regional decision makers of research and innovation policy priorities

national and regional research and innovation funders

national, regional

and local health &

care providers

key actors promoting health & care innovation

all categories of end-users

Funding to R&I Support actions

Support to the Governance structure

Efforts for national coordination

#### Partners composition

Concept paper published: <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/info/files/european-partnership-health-and-care-systems-transformation\_en">https://ec.europa.eu/info/files/european-partnership-health-and-care-systems-transformation\_en</a>





'enable the active **engagement of other industry sectors** with the pharmaceutical industry to capitalise on their expertise in the development of new healthcare interventions'

## Preparation of EC Proposal (Art 187 TFEU) for the Innovative Health Initiative (IHI)

#### Goals:

- Create an EU-wide health R&I ecosystem that facilitates translation of scientific knowledge into innovations;
- Foster the development of safe, effective, people-centred and cost-effective innovations that respond to strategic unmet public health needs currently insufficiently served by industry;
- Drive cross-sectoral health innovation for a globally competitive European health industry

Covering prevention, diagnostics, treatment and disease management.

Industry Partners: EFPIA, COCIR, MedTech Europe, EuropaBio, Vaccines Europe Expected to start in 2021.

## Preparation of EC Proposal (Art 187 TFEU) for the EU-Africa Global Health Partnership (EDCTP3)

#### **General objectives:**

- 1. To reduce social and economic burden of infectious diseases in sub-Saharan Africa, through the development and uptake of new or improved health technologies against infectious diseases.
- 2. To increase health security in sub-Saharan Africa, and globally, by strengthening the R&I-based capacities for preparedness and response to control infectious diseases.

#### **Potential Partner Countries that have shown interest so far:**

- → From Europe: Austria, Belgium, Croatia, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Norway, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden
- → From Africa: Angola, Ethiopia, Gabon, Ghana, Mali, Mozambique, South Africa, Tanzania, The Gambia, Uganda & Zambia

#### **Other potential Associated Partners:**

- Private foundations (Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, Welcome Trust, etc)
- Industry (GSK, etc)
- Third countries (UK, Switzerland, Japan, etc)



Adaptation to climate change, including societal transformation

Healthy oceans, seas, coastal and inland waters







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**Mission** areas





Prof. Walter Ricciardi

Climate-neutral and smart cities







Soil health and food



Mr Cees Veerman

### Mission Boards outline proposals for 5 missions

(25 June 2020)

- Conquering Cancer Mission Possible
- Accelerating the transition to a climate prepared and resilient Europe
- **❖** Regenerating our Ocean and Waters
- ◆ 100 Climate-Neutral Cities by 2030 - by and for the citizens
- Caring for Soil is Caring for Life

https://ec.europa.eu/info/horizon-europenext-research-and-innovation-frameworkprogramme/missions-horizoneurope\_en&pk\_campaign=rtd\_news



### **European Research & Innovation Days 2020**

- 21-23 September 2020
- Entirely virtual event
- Central themes: ERA, Green Deal, Digitalisation, Horizon Europe, Missions, Synergies, COVID-19 + dedicated "areas" for International Cooperation, ERC, EIT and EIC
- Structure
  - 1. Policy area programme (built around 6 Hubs)
  - 2. Citizen area
  - 3. Exhibition area
- Registration will be required



### **ERAvsCorona Action Plan & International cooperation**

Rapid, pragmatic, novel way of coordinating EU action at service level by Commission and Member States to respond to EU Leaders' commitment "to do everything possible to support research, to coordinate efforts and seek synergies within European scientific and research community" (Joint Statement EU Leaders 26 March).

**10** <u>short-term</u> <u>actions</u>, <u>notably</u>: Extending clinical trials, support to innovative companies, sharing research data, EU Hackathon and a second "Call for an Expression of interest"

Global Response initiative: Nearly €10 billion pledged to support the global cooperation under the ACT-A partnerships on vaccine, diagnostics and therapeutics as well as health systems strengthening

ACT-A = Access to COVID-19 Tools (ACT) Accelerator





"Our renewed commitment to modernize our economies, making them greener, more digital and more resilient, will ensure that we come out stronger from this crisis. Research and innovation are vital to ensure a sustainable recovery for all."

Mariya Gabriel, Commissioner for Innovation, Research, Culture, Education and Youth

INVESTMENTS IN RESEARCH AND INNOVATION ARE KEY FOR A SUSTAINABLE AND INCLUSIVE RECOVERY

R&I are critical levers to ensure a sustainable and inclusive recovery, while boosting the resilience of our production sectors, the competitiveness of our economies and the transformation of our socio-economic systems. There are a number of key strategic areas where R&I initiatives can assist the recovery, and assist in the short term.



€13.5 billion proposed increase of Horizon Europe budget through Next Generation EU, a €750 billion recovery plan

# Thank you for your attention



#### More information

- EU supported health research and innovation: <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/info/research-and-innovation/research-and-innovation\_en">https://ec.europa.eu/info/research-and-innovation/research-and-innovation/research-and-innovation\_en</a>
- EU supported Coronavirus R&I: <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/info/research-and-innovation/research-area/health-research-and-innovation/coronavirus-research-and-innovation\_en">https://ec.europa.eu/info/research-and-innovation/research-area/health-research-and-innovation/research-area/health-research-and-innovation/coronavirus-research-and-innovation\_en</a>
- European COVID-19 Data Platform: https://www.covid19dataportal.org/about
- Horizon Europe: <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/info/horizon-europe-next-research-and-innovation-framework-programme\_en">https://ec.europa.eu/info/horizon-europe-next-research-and-innovation-framework-programme\_en</a>
- **HE partnership outlines:** <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/info/horizon-europe-next-research-and-innovation-framework-programme/european-partnerships-horizon-europe/candidates-european-partnerships-health\_en">https://ec.europa.eu/info/horizon-europe-next-research-and-innovation-framework-programme/european-partnerships-horizon-europe/candidates-european-partnerships-health\_en</a>
- **HE Mission outlines:** <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/info/horizon-europe-next-research-and-innovation-framework-programme/missions-horizon-europe\_en&pk\_campaign=rtd\_news">https://ec.europa.eu/info/horizon-europe-next-research-and-innovation-framework-programme/missions-horizon-europe\_en&pk\_campaign=rtd\_news</a>
- EU R&I Days, 22-24 Sept 2020: <a href="https://ec.eurolevents/european-research-and-innovation-days\_en">https://ec.eurolevents/european-research-and-innovation-days\_en</a>



