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Widening calls (2014-2016): Lessons Learnt

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*Spreading Excellence, Widening Participation,
Science with and for Society*

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- **Definition of policies**
- **Drafting of Work Programme**

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- **Implementation of calls for proposals**
- **Management of funded projects**



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REA mission

The REA unit B5 aims at ensuring that benefits of research and innovation are maximised and widely distributed across the Union and at building effective cooperation between science and society.

To this end the unit implements, on behalf of the Commission, actions from two specific objectives in Horizon 2020 by launching calls for proposals and funding projects dealing with the implementation of the Innovation Union and the reinforcement of the European Research Area (ERA):

- the 'Spreading Excellence and Widening Participation' programme, aiming at strengthening research and innovation performance, encouraging stronger participation in Horizon 2020 and facilitating partnering opportunities among EU Member States;*
- the 'Science with and for Society' programme, aiming, among other things, at making scientific and technological careers attractive to young students, promoting gender equality in research, encouraging citizen participation in science and promoting an ethics framework for research and innovation*

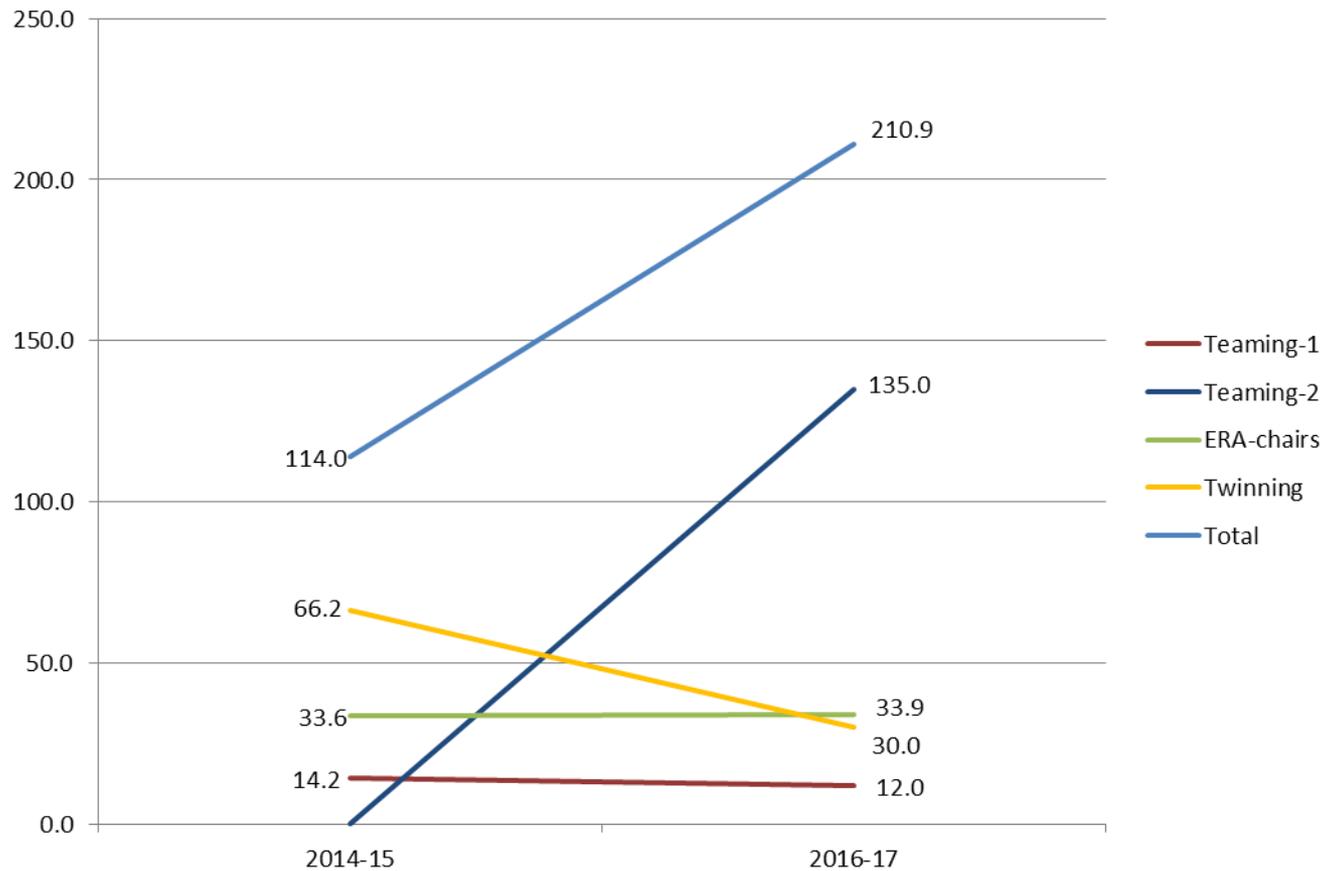
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Applications and success rates

Action	Year	type	Budget (M)	Size	Proposals	Projects	Success rate	Duration
Teaming - 1	2014	FPA&CSA	14,2	0.2 - 0.5	169	31	18%	12
Teaming - 2	2016	CSA	135	15	31	10	32%	60-84
ERA chairs	2014	CSA	33,6	max 2.5	88	14	16%	60
Twinning	2015	CSA	66,24	1	553	66	12%	36
Teaming - 1	2017	CSA	12	0.4	206	30	15%	12
ERA chairs	2017	CSA	33,9	max 2.5	?	?	?	60
Twinning	2017	CSA	30	max 1	?	?	?	36

SEWP Budget 2014/15 – 2016/17



Participant Portal: use all info

- *Work programme and all relevant annexes*
- *Read the description of the action carefully and address all*
- *FAQs*
- *Eligibility and Evaluation criteria*
- *Reference documents H2020*
Annotated Grant Agreement has all the answers

General principles: No negotiation

- *Proposal is evaluated and funded as it is submitted*
- *Any shortcomings are reflected in lower scores*
- *Carefully plan work and budget*
- *Consistency between task and budget allocation is essential*
- *Ethics issue table (part A) and self-assessment (part B)*



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Teaming

- *CSA → restricted call*
- *Common start / end date for Teaming-1*
- *Harmonised information*
- *Second stage*



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ERA-chairs

- *Ensure autonomy and strong support from institute management*
- *Conditions for attracting chair*
- *Progress on recruitment of ERA-chair*
- *KPI: reporting publications*



Twinning

- *Realistic costs in proposals*
- *KPI: reporting publications*
- *No change in coordinating institute or partners*

Links

Support for preparing proposals:

- *Horizon 2020 [Online Manual and Reference Documents](#)
work programmes, legal and guidance documents & Annex H (Evaluation Rules)*
- *For specific questions: Contact your [National Contact Point](#) or the
Horizon 2020 [helpdesk](#)*

Cross-cutting issues:

- *[Dissemination and Exploitation in H2020](#)*
- *[Ethics self-assessment guidance](#)*
- *[Guidance on Social sciences & Humanities, Open Research Data Pilot and gender dimension](#) for relevant topics*



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Thank you for your attention

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