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## **Horizon Europe**

In the framework of the next EU long-term budget covering the period 2021-2027, **the European Commission has recently proposed to allocate € 100 billion for research and innovation**. The new program, **HORIZON EUROPE**, shall consolidate the results and success of the previous one (Horizon 2020) and shall allow the EU to remain at the forefront of research and innovation worldwide.

Horizon Europe represents therefore the most ambitious research and innovation program ever. While continuing to promote scientific excellence through the European Research Council (ERC) and Marie Skłodowska-Curie scholarships and exchanges, Horizon Europe will introduce some key innovations. Find below our recent information items related to Horizon Europe as well as other general articles. Always feel free to contribute your own events, courses, useful tools or news to improve the information database! When registered at <a href="https://www.wbc-rti.info">WBC-RTI.info</a>, you have the opportunity to upload content by yourself. Otherwise, you can contact us at any time via office@wbc-rti.info.

## NEWS

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## THE EU BUDGET FOR RESEARCH AND INNOVATION AFTER 2020

The EU budget plans recently released as to the period 2021 - 2027 include research activities in many areas of EU policy, not only in the formally designated Horizon Europe research programme. ...

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#### HOW TO MAKE SCIENCE DIPLOMACY WORK IN HORIZON EUROPE

Florin Zubascu writes on SciencelBusiness about international stakeholders' views on what the EU should do to foster international cooperation in research and innovation in Horizon Europe.

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## THE ROLE OF FORESIGHT IN SHAPING HORIZON EUROPE

The Commission turned to expert foresight analysis to help it design its next big research programme for the 2020s. Nikos Kastrinos, who led the study, describes how it worked in a SciencelBusiness article...

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## WESTERN BALKANS WORKING GROUP ON RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT MET IN BRUSSELS

The meeting of the Western Balkans Working Group on Research and Development (R&D) took place in Brussels on 13 June 2018. The participants focused on the possible participation of the Western Balkans...

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# GUILD PRESIDENTS CALL ON HORIZON EUROPE AND ERASMUS TO STRENGTHEN EUROPE'S GLOBAL POSITION IN SCIENCE, EDUCATION, AND INNOVATION

GUILD welcomed the European Commission's proposals for establishing Horizon Europe and Erasmus for 2021-2027 and fully supports the Commission's plans to double the budget for Erasmus to strengthen the...

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 CRITERIA FOR THE SELECTION OF RESEARCH MISSIONS IN NEXT FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME

The European Commission has recently published the criteria for selecting the research missions of the next research and innovation framework program (FP9). The report "Mission-Oriented Research & ...

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## HORIZON EUROPE: HOW DOES THE NEW FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME TAKE SHAPE?

The European Commission is about to present the package with formal proposals for the next Framework Program for Research and Innovation (FP9), thus starting the legislative process that will lead to ...

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#### UNIVERSITY ASSOCIATIONS UNITE IN RESPONSE TO EU COMMISSION PROPOSAL

More than 14 university associations discussed the Commission's proposal for Horizon Europe and outlined the most crucial elements that they regard as needing to be ironed out in the negotiating...

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## THE 6 MAIN THINGS, ACCORDING TO EC DRAFT, THAT WILL BE IMPROVED IN HORIZON EUROPE

European Commission sets itself several complex tasks in the next research programme, such as bridging the ingrained east-west divide and growing bigger tech companies. Find below an article by ...

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#### **EUA CALLS FOR FURTHER SIMPLIFICATION IN EU FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME**

With a view to the presentation of the Commission's proposal for FP9, universities call for effective simplification of EU funding management.

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## EC RELEASED INFO MATERIAL ON SCIENCE, RESEARCH AND INNOVATION PERFORMANCE 2018 REPORT

The European Commission (EC) is providing supporting information material following the presentation of its biannual flagship Report "Science, Research and Innovation Performance of the EU 2018 (SRIP)" ...

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#### EU COMMISSION PRESENTED PROPOSAL FOR HORIZON EUROPE AND ITS KEY FEATURES

The European Commission (EC) has recently presented its proposal for Horizon Europe, the next Framework Programme for Research and Innovation the period of 2021 to 2027. The proposal was presented...

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## EARTO CALLS FOR HIGHER BUDGET FOR HORIZON EUROPE

Last week, the European Association of Research and Technology Organisations has released an official communication to comment on the European Commission's proposal for the next Multiannual Financial ...

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#### FROM H2020 TO HORIZON EUROPE: EC PRESENTS PROPOSAL FOR 2021-27 EU BUDGET

The European Commission (EC) has presented its proposal for the next Multiannual Financial Framework, the EU budget for the period of 2021 to 2027. With regard to research, the EC is proposing a budget...

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# EU FINANCING FOR BREAKTHROUGH INNOVATION SHOULD ADAPT TO THE NEEDS OF THE INNOVATOR, EXPERTS SAY

The independent High-Level Group of Innovators advising the European Commission has published its recommendations on how a European Innovation Council (EIC) should fund and nurture breakthrough innovation...

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# EIROFORUM PUBLISHES ITS POSITION ON THE NEXT EUROPEAN UNION FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME FOR RESEARCH AND INNOVATION.

EIROforum, representing Europe's eight large international research infrastructures and services providers, announced its key priorities for the ninth European Union Framework Programme for Research and...

## DOCUMENTS

MAXIMISING THE IMPACT OF EU RESEARCH AND INNOVATION (EC COMMUNICATION ON H2020)

Europe must step up investment in research and innovation in order to maximise impact, while also further refining the success story that is Horizon 2020, the EU research and innovation programme....

## POSITION PAPER OF EUSDR PRIORITY AREA "TO DEVELOP THE KNOWLEDGE SOCIETY (RESEARCH, EDUCATION AND ICT)" (PA7)

This position paper is particularly focused on Promoting Research and Innovation for the Danube Region in the upcoming EU-funding period after 2020 (particularly FP9). This position is the result of the...

#### MIND THE GAP - SUPPORTING EXCELLENCE ACROSS EUROPE IN THE 9TH FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME

Policy paper published by the Guild of European Research Universities. The motivation for this paper is to recommend effective measures to recognise, encourage and strengthen the excellence that exists...

#### THE WESTERN BALKANS AND HORIZON 2020

A recent leaflet providing an overview of Western Balkans' performances in Horizon 2020 so far. Data provided cover MSC actions, ERC grants, projects, funding, some success stories, etc. As Accession ...

#### FINAL REPORT OF BOHEMIA FORESIGHT PROJECT

The European Commission has published the final report of the BOHEMIA project, the main EU strategic foresight study to support future EU policy in research and innovation.

## MISSION-ORIENTED RESEARCH & INNOVATION IN THE EUROPEAN UNION

The European Commission, through Carlos Moedas, Commissioner for Research, Science and Innovation, invited Professor Mazzucato to draw up strategic recommendations to maximise the impact of the future...

## A RENEWED AGENDA FOR RESEARCH AND INNOVATION: EUROPE'S CHANCE TO SHAPE THE FUTURE (EC)

The Commission on 16th May presented its contribution to the informal discussion between Heads of State and Government in Sofia on research and innovation and the steps needed to ensure Europe's global...

## ANALYSIS OF HORIZON EUROPE PROPOSAL BY THE EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY ASSOCIATION

A detailed analysis of the European Commission's proposal for the Ninth Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (Horizon Europe) was recently conducted by the EUA. The Association compared the...

## EU FRAMEWORK PROGRAMMES FOR RESEARCH AND INNOVATION – EVOLUTION AND KEY DATA FROM FP1 TO HORIZON 2020 IN VIEW OF FP9

This in-depth analysis of the European framework programmes (FPs) for research feeds into the current discussions on the structure and priorities of the future FP9, i.e. the successor of Horizon 2020. ...

## 2017 REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT HIGH LEVEL GROUP ON MAXIMISING THE IMPACT OF EU RESEARCH & INNOVATION PROGRAMMES

Summary of recommendations The following recommendations are aimed at maximising the impact of future EU research and innovation programmes. Each of them is exemplified by a key action. 1. Prioritise...

## LINKS

#### HORIZON EUROPE - VIDEO

Research and innovation projects supported by the European Union are having a real impact on the life of Europe's citizens and economy. Find out what the next EU Framework Program covering the period ...

## • EU FUNDING FOR R&I 2020 - 2027: PRACTICAL LEAFLET AND PRESENTATION

Find below for download a practical official leaflet by the EC providing an overview of main features of Horizon Europe. Attached you can also find a practical powerpoint presentation prepared...

## • SUMMARY OF SOME OF THE HORIZON EUROPE HIGHLIGHTS

Horizon Europe budget will be divided into three "pillars", on open science, open innovation, and global challenges and industrial competitiveness ("open to the world", or international cooperation, will...

#### POLICY INTERVIEW WITH CARLOS MOEDAS PUBLISHED ON HORIZON EUROPE

Horizon, the EU Research and Innovation Magazine published on behalf of the European Commission's Directorate-General for Research and Innovation, published an Interview with Carlos Moedas. The interview...

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## A new Horizon for Europe and the WBC after 2020

...to stay at the forefront of research and innovation worldwide

Research & innovation is becoming a precondition to our economy and to our society. Evidence shows that the Countries which invested more in research & innovation are the most resilient, and also those where the investments are more efficient. Research and innovation must therefore, now more than ever, be considered essential drivers to re-launch Europe's competitiveness and growth. The new upcoming EU's flagship research programme, HORIZON EUROPE, shall consolidate the results and success of the previous one (Horizon 2020) and shall allow the EU to remain at the forefront of research and innovation worldwide.

The programme will be divided into three "pillars", on open science, open innovation, and global challenges and industrial competitiveness ("open to the world", or international cooperation, will be scattered throughout the programme). There will be continuity with Horizon 2020 but some innovations and some new elements will be introduced. For the first time, in preparing Horizon Europe, the Commission engaged in extensive, systematic and multi-year foresight to reflect on key societal challenges and built on specific reports and strategic recommendations to adopt a "mission-oriented approach" to define ambitious objectives and thus ensure the effectiveness of research and innovation funding and maximising the impact of investments. When it comes to the Western Balkan Countries, these are currently discussing on a common position on the Horizon Europe, primarily with a view to to make an influence on changes to the future framework programme in favor of the WB region...

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## COMMISSIONERS NAVRACSICS AND MOEDAS TO HOST WESTERN BALKANS MINISTERIAL IN BRUSSELS ON JUNE 25 AND 261

On Monday, 25 June, and Tuesday, 26 June, Education and Research Ministers from the Western Balkans will be in Brussels for the annual ministerial meeting of the Western Balkans Platforms on Education...

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# INITIAL STEPS TOWARDS MUTUAL RECOGNITION OF ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS IN WESTERN BALKANS MADE BY JOINT REGIONAL WORKING GROUP

The Joint Working Group on Recognition of Academic Qualifications (WG RAQ) has initiated steps towards recognition exercise for the Western Balkans (WB) as well as an online system to support fast-track...

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## S3 STRATEGY OF MONTENEGRO EXPECTED BY THE END OF THIS YEAR

Mid of June the Minister of Science Sanja Damjanović met with Vladimir Šucha, Director-General of the Joint Research Centre – JRC.to discuss on the Smart Specialization Strategy, which is being developed...

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#### EU-WESTERN BALKANS SUMMIT: IMPROVING CONNECTIVITY AND SECURITY IN THE REGION

Today's summit between the leaders of the European Union and the Western Balkans partners in Sofia confirmed the European perspective of the region and set out a number of concrete actions to strengthen...

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## 18TH WBIF STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN PARIS

Key WBIF stakeholders attend the 18th WBIF Steering Committee meeting (18-19 June 2018) in order to plan for future strategic developments for the Framework as well as approve €22.3 million ...

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## OPEN PM2 METHODOLOGY - BUILDING A COMMUNITY OF PROJECT MANAGERS IN EUROPE

PM² is a project management methodology designed by the European Commission and now accessible outside the EU Institution thanks to Open PM², an initiative under the umbrella of the ISA² Programme...

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## [EVENT AND CALL FOR PAPERS ANNOUNCEMENT] SIE2018 - INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING

SIE2018 Conference aims to provide a global forum for presenting and discussing novel issues in aim to a better comprehension of the role and importance of Industrial Engineering as well as to identify...

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## WEBCAST "2ND CALL ADRION: PROJECT PARTNERSHIP" AVAILABLE

This presentation includes information on partnership eligibility requirements regarding the second call with deadline 26th June 2018.

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EVENTS

September 27-28, 2018 | Belgrade, Serbia

## 7TH INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM OF INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING 2018 - SIE 2018

This event is organised by the Industrial Engineering department at Faculty of Mechanical Engineering, Steinbeis Advanced Risk Technologies and Innovation Center of the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering...

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## 2018 SMARTER CONFERENCE ON SMART SPECIALISATION AND TERRITORIAL DEVELOPMENT

Four years have now passed since smart specialisation officially entered European policy. This approach to territorial development through the promotion of smart, inclusive and sustainable growth represents...

• September 27-28, 2018 | Belgrade, Hotel Moskva, Serbia

## INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT ENGINEERING, ICTTE BELGRADE 2018

ICTTE Belgrade 2018 conference will cover a wide range of topics related to traffic and transport engineering, with the aim of representing the importance of all modes of traffic and...

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## **EUROPEAN WEEK OF REGIONS AND CITIES 2018**

This year, the European Committee of the Regions and the DG Regional and Urban policy join forces with 13 other Directorates-General and 3 executive agencies of the European Commission, over 140 regions...

October 16-19, 2018 | Budapest - Continental Hotel Zara\*\*\*\*, Hungary

#### **HORIZON 2020 FINANCE ACADEMY**

This brand-new four-day training programme by Europa Media will provide a complete understanding of finances in Horizon 2020 to project administrators, accountants, CFOs, financial managers, grants offices...

October 26-28, 2018 | Prihstina, Kosovo\*

#### 7THINTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON POLITICAL SCIENCE & INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (IC-PSIR 2018)

The aim of the conference is to further facilitate the exchange of knowledge between innovative scholars, academics, young researchers, post-graduate students, doctoral candidates, field experts and professionals...

• November 5-6, 2018 | Vienna, Austria

# AUSTRIAN EU COUNCIL PRESIDENCY CONFERENCE ON IMPACT OF R&I POLICY AT THE CROSSROADS OF POLICY DESIGN, IMPLEMENTATION AND EVALUATION

Research, Technology and Innovation policy is more than ever charged with demonstrating societal impact. This raises new issues at all levels of policy design, implementation and evaluation.

• November 28-29, 2018 | Vienna, Austria

# AUSTRIAN EU COUNCIL PRESIDENCY CONFERENCE ON IMPACT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES FOR A EUROPEAN RESEARCH AGENDA – VALUATION OF SSH IN MISSION-ORIENTED RESEARCH

This conference will bring the valuation (i.e. the provision of added value through SSH and arts-based research) and impact contributions of social sciences and humanities (SSH) research to transformative...

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## **GOING GREEN - CARE INNOVATION 2018**

This biennial conference focused on "Circular economy" travels between Europe, North America and Japan. It will attract more than 400 experts from all over the world. This Symposium is the only platform...

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## 6THYOUNG SCHOLARS FORUM (YSF) ON CENTRAL- AND SOUTH EAST EUROPE

"Cross-border cooperation in Central and South East Europe"

• December 4-6, 2018 | Vienna, Austria

#### **ICT 2018**

The key European ICT research and innovation event is organised by the European Commission and hosted by the 2018 Austrian Presidency.

• December 10-13, 2018 | Cambridge, United Kingdom

## WORLD CONGRESS ON SPECIAL NEEDS EDUCATION (WCSNE-2018 - DEADLINE FOR PAPERS IS 15TH JULY)

The WCSNE is dedicated to the advancement of the theory and practices in special needs education. It promotes collaborative excellence between academicians and professionals from Educational and Industrial...

• CALLS

Deadline: July 30, 2018

# CFA: MAEIS MASTER - TRILINGUAL STUDIES - ADVANCED EUROPEAN AND INTERNATIONAL STUDIES [EXTENDED]

The one-year Master in Advanced European and International Studies - Trilingual studies (English, French and German) aims at giving students an overarching, encompassing vision of the political...

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# CALL FOR PAPERS: WORKSHOP 'TRANSNATIONAL PROCESSES OF MEMORY, MIGRATION, AND IDENTITY IN EUROPE AND BEYOND

The Council for European Studies' Research Network on Transnational Memory and Identity in Europe (hereafter, CES Memory RN) invites scholars to apply for an interdisciplinary workshop on Transnational...

Deadline: September 6, 2018

## H2020 - RESEARCH, INNOVATION AND EDUCATIONAL CAPACITIES FOR ENERGY TRANSITION

The energy sector is evolving rapidly creating new job opportunities while requiring new skills and expertise to be developed. The challenges are significant. Over the coming years, the growing low-carbon...

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#### MARIE SKŁODOWSKA-CURIE INDIVIDUAL FELLOWSHIPS (MSCA-IF-2018)

The goal of the Individual Fellowships is to enhance the creative and innovative potential of experienced researchers, wishing to diversify their individual competence in terms of skill acquisition...

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## **ERASMUS+ PROGRAMME - CALL FOR PROPOSALS 2018**

Grants for projects which aims to increase knowledges and professional aptitudes and to support the modernisation of teaching and training systems.. The call presents opportunities for organisations and...

• Deadline: November 15, 2018

## **WIDESPREAD-03-2018 TWINNING**

Specific Challenge: The specific challenge is to enhance networking activities between the research institutions of the Widening countries and internationally-leading counterparts at EU level. Driven...

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#### **EUREKA NETWORK PROJECTS**

This is a call for transnational, market-driven innovative research and development projects, labelled by EUREKA and supported by the public administrations and public funding agencies that represent ...

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#### INFRAINNOV-01-2019: STIMULATE THE INNOVATION POTENTIAL OF SMES

Specific Challenge: Providing an effective mechanism for inclusion of innovative, agile SMEs in a landscape characterised by strong presence of public pan-European e-infrastructures (in particular ...

• Deadline: February 28, 2019

## COMMISSION LAUNCHES €2 MILLION HORIZON PRIZE IN SOCIAL INNOVATION

The European Commission launched on 27 November 2017 a Horizon Prize in Social Innovation to improve the mobility of older people. Submissions will be accepted until 28 February 2019 from any legal entities...

Deadline: March 20, 2019

## INFRAIA-01-2018-2019: INTEGRATING ACTIVITIES FOR ADVANCED COMMUNITIES

European researchers need effective and convenient access to the best research infrastructures in order to conduct research for the advancement of knowledge and technology. The aim of this action is to...

Deadline: April 2, 2019

#### SWAFS-08-2019 RESEARCH INNOVATION NEEDS & SKILLS TRAINING IN PHD PROGRAMMES

Specific Challenge: Within the New Skills Agenda (adopted in June 2016)[1] and in the Modernisation Agenda (adopted in May 2017)[2] specifications on innovative employment-oriented curricula recommendations...

• Deadline: April 2, 2019

#### SWAFS-09-2018-2019 SUPPORTING RESEARCH ORGANISATIONS TO IMPLEMENT GENDER EQUALITY PLANS

Specific Challenge: Gender equality is a key priority set with the Member States and Associated countries in the European Research Area. Research funding and performing organisations and universities...

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