



Preparing for Horizon 2020

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(2) Conditions and procedure on Association

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Principle of Association

- Horizon 2020: open to association;
- Association of Enlargement countries: no additional criteria;
- Confirm principle (see proposed Article 7 of H2020);
- Association of Enlargement countries: pre-accession tool.

Conditions

- See Framework Agreements between EU and Enlargement country on general terms and conditions: with all except Kosovo* (under negotiations);
- Most important condition: financial contribution. Determined by each Union programme (see next);
- Guidelines on participation in Union programmes and model for International Agreement (no longer MoU).

Financial contribution (entry ticket)

- Based on GDP of Associated country and EU (27/28);
- Proportionality factor;
- Rebate (proposed 50%): taking into account pre-accession status ;
- Freeze of GDP (effect not negligible);
- Considering review clause;
- Possibility of reimbursement by IPA II.

Financial Contribution

COUNTRY	Estimated annual contribution in Mio Euro to Horizon 2020 in 2014 (including 50% rebate)
ALBANIA	3,2
BOSNIA & HERZEGOVINA	4,5
fYRoMacedonia	2,6
KOSOVO*	1,5
MONTENEGRO	1,1
SERBIA	10,8
TURKEY	185,7

Table financial contribution

- Estimations: can change!
- Based on draft H2020 – WP 2014 budget (no final H2020 budget);
- GDP : important factor; will change in 1st year of call of fund;
- Once established: freeze of GDP;
- Rebate: proposed by Commissioner; subject to adoption Commission;
- Close cooperation with DG ELARG and IPA II.

Procedure

- Need a request to become associated to Commissioner responsible for Union programme on research
- DG Research and Innovation can explain (follow-up to meeting to informal meeting in Vienna on 10/4/2013 (see minutes);
- DG ELARG available for guidance (meeting in Brussels with Permanent Rep. before Summer break)
- BUT: country to decide/no obligation;
- Can participate as third country but consider implications on *acquis* and pre-accession tool.

Time line

- After request: start "negotiations" on terms and conditions;
- Can start based on expression of interest;
- Exchange of drafts Agreements and explanations;
- Adoption by EC at Commission level (internal decision);
- Signing of International Agreement.

Entry into force

- After adoption and signature;
- Can foresee retro-active application;
- And announce in WP Calls that association is in pipeline;
- Entry into force in associated country: subject to own internal legal regime.



**Thank you for
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