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Subject: 33rd meeting of the European Research Area and Innovation Committee (ERAC)

Date: 16 and 17 March 2017

Time: 10.00, 9.30

Venue: ST. JULIAN'S, MALTA

**co-Chairpersons: Wolfgang Burtscher, Deputy Director-General DG RTD
and
David Wilson, Deputy Director, International Knowledge & Innovation,
BEIS, UK.**

DAY 1

- 1. Adoption of the provisional agenda**
- 2. The draft summary conclusions of the 32nd meeting of ERAC, held in Brussels on 2 December 2016, were approved by written procedure on 7 February 2017**
- 3. The ERAC Opinion on "Streamlining the R&I Monitoring and Reporting Landscape" was approved by written procedure on 2 March 2017**
- 4. Information from the co-Chairs and Presidency**
 - *The co-Chairs report back on the latest ERAC Steering Board meeting.*
- 5. ERA and Innovation Policy**

5.1 Interim Evaluation of Horizon 2020 and preparations for the next Framework Programme for Research and Innovation

Following the workshop on 15 March with the ERA-related groups, Delegates will be invited to share their views on the Interim Evaluation of Horizon 2020 and on the preparations for the next Framework Programme, for the prospective adoption of an ERAC opinion in June 2017. The discussion will be introduced by a summary of the main outcomes of the workshop. Then, there will be a presentation by the Rapporteur on the proposed way forward, and a presentation by the Commission on the Economic Case, on the Foresight and on the preliminary results from the Interim Evaluation. It is proposed to organise the discussion around some of the questions identified in the issue papers submitted to the High Level Group on Maximising the Impact of European R&I Programmes.

DAY 2

5.2 ERA National Action Plans and strategies

The Commission will make a presentation on the 2016 ERA Progress Report, and update Delegates on the follow-up of the National Action Plans as well as on the outcome of the workshop on National Action Plans, held on 15 March 2017 and devoted to Priority 1. A debate will follow.

6. Standing Information Point

Information will be provided in writing to delegations prior to the meeting. Delegations will have the opportunity to ask questions in relation to the information provided.

- *Update on the EPC's work on R&D and intangible assets*

7. ERA Governance

7.1 Review of the ERA governance foreseen in 2018

Delegates will have an exchange of views about the steps to prepare the review foreseen in 2018.

7.2 ERAC Annual Report 2016

Delegates will be informed about the proposed way forward with the preparation of the ERAC Annual Report 2016, based on the contributions from the ERA-related groups. The document should be adopted at the following plenary in June 2017.

7.3 Updates from the ERAC Working Groups

7.3.a Ad-hoc Working Group on Measuring the Impact of EU Framework Programmes for R&I at National Level

7.3.b Standing Working Group on Open Science and Innovation

7.4 Updates from the ERA-related groups

The Committee will be informed about the status of the transition of the Helsinki and SGHRM groups as ERAC Standing Working Groups before the triennial review.

8. Any other business

8.1 34th ERAC meeting (16 June 2017, Brussels)

The Steering Board will draw up the provisional annotated agenda of the next meeting on the basis of the updated Work Programme 2016-2017.