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From:	ERAC Secretariat
To:	ERAC (European Research Area and Innovation Committee)
Subject:	PowerPoint presentation: Update on the progress of Presidency priorities in R&I

Delegations will find attached the PowerPoint presentation "Update on the progress of Presidency priorities in R&I" given by the Estonian Presidency, concerning the item 3 of the ERAC plenary agenda of 05/12/2017.



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Estonian Presidency of the EU Council: Update on the progress of Presidency priorities in R&I



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Priorities for research & innovation

- 1. The impact and value of research: providing rationale for investing in research & innovation**
- 2. Increased coherence and openness of EU research and innovation partnerships**

Deliverable: Council Conclusions „From the Interim Evaluation of Horizon 2020 towards the ninth Framework Programme“

Conference European Research Excellence – Impact and Value for Society

Some messages:

- Sense of pessimism in Europe. In a time of uncertainty, we need to create the future
- R&I are essential for uniting Europe and they have clear added-value
- Investment is vital. China has now passed European levels of investment in R&I
- Need to provide a strong argument why R&I matter and win public trust
- The impact of basic research is profound (*two great Showcases: Valeria Nicolosi and Nicole Grobert!*)
- Excellence is vital but so is impact, and academia must embrace this
- We need a comprehensive ecosystem to make effective use of research
- Need to embrace diversity by increasing opportunities for the young, women, creatives and other talent to get involved in R&I

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Brian Cox @ProfBrianCox · Oct 12

The Tallinn Call For Action we discussed today. A powerful case for enhanced European investment and collaboration in research & innovation



Competitiveness Council

1 December

- Adoption of **Council conclusions** on „From the Interim Evaluation of Horizon 2020 towards the ninth Framework Programme“
- Policy debate on **The mission-oriented approach in the 9th Framework Programme**
 - Preceded by Ministerial lunch on the mission-oriented approach in research and innovation with Prof. Mariana Mazzucato
- AOB:
 - Open Science
 - Extreme light infrastructure (ELI)
 - Work programme of the incoming Presidency

Council conclusions

Key topics:

- Increasing the impact of European R&I
 - incl. reaching the 3% goal and having significant funds for FP9
- Key principles in preparing the ninth Framework Programme
- R&I at the service of economy and society
- Rationalisation of the R&I funding landscape
 - incl. guidance and next steps for rationalising partnership landscape
- Openness and accessibility
- Implementation

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Key Presidency events

1. EUCYS 22-27 September, Tallinn
2. Conference *European Research Excellence - Impact and Value for Society*, 12 October, Tallinn
3. BONUS symposium: Science delivery for sustainable use of the Baltic Sea living resources , 17-19 Oct, Tallinn
4. Manufuture 2017, 24-25 October, Tallinn
5. Conference Nature-based solutions: From Innovation to Common-use, 24-26 October, Tallinn
6. Transnational seminar of the Baltic Science Network „New tools for spreading excellence and widening participation in research and innovation “, 16 November, Tallinn
7. COMPET Council (research) 1 December 2017, Brussels
8. **Conference Embedding digital into societal challenges, 7 December, Brussels**

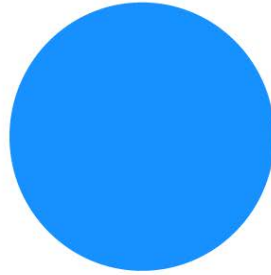


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Thank you





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