

Workshop in Synergies between ESIF and H2020 for Public- Public Partnerships

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Description of the example

The overall aim of the ERA-NET scheme is to develop and strengthen the coordination of public research programmes carried out at national or at regional level.

The Basque Innovation Agency (Innobasque) is supporting the Basque Government (BG) participating in ERA-NET actions since 2004.

The Basque Country is a region that has participated in 16 ERA-NETs and 1 ERA-NET Plus

The region is leading MANUNET (ERA-NET in the field of manufacturing)

The funding programme used to participate in all these actions is a funding programme co-funded by ERDF (European Regional Development Funds).



ERA-NET actions and ESIF: example of barriers

Difficulties faced

ERA-NET action:

The Commission provides a framework for actors implementing public research programmes to coordinate their activities

No difficulties

ERA-NET Plus action:

The Commission provides an incentive for the organisation of joint calls by 'topping-up' joint transnational funding with Community funds (33%)

Difficulty : Possible double funding in projects recommended in ERA-NET Plus calls



Recommendations

The new ERA-NET Co-fund has a very similar scheme of ERA-NET Plus

Regions participating in this initiatives :

- will have to participate with regional funding programmes that are not co-funded by SF **or**
- will have to be able to separate those projects recommended in ERA-NET Co-fund call from the rest of regional projects submitted to the regional funding programme. Management system clear to avoid double funding

Unless synergies between ERA-NET Co-fund and ESIF are possible

Thank you for your attention!



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