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Delegations will find attached the PowerPoint presentation concerning the item 3 of the ERAC plenary agenda of 17 December 2019.

FINLAND'S PRESIDENCY OF THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

ERAC Plenary, 17 December 2019

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SUSTAINABLE
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FUTURE

FINLAND'S PRESIDENCY PRIORITIES

- to strengthen common values and the rule of law
- to make the EU more competitive and socially inclusive
- to strengthen the EU's position as a global leader in climate action
- to protect the security of citizens comprehensively

SUSTAINABLE GROWTH

– R&I priorities

- Europe's prosperity and competitiveness in the global context should be enhanced by creating an economically, environmentally and socially strong Europe.
- Elements of sustainable growth include:
 - Effective Single Market including modern Industrial policy,
 - *ERA as a single market for research, increased investments to R&I*
 - Transformation to low-carbon economy,
 - Digital economy as competitive edge,
 - *Digitalisation should be further promoted, e.g. through more transparent practices and thus improving quality and increasing effectiveness*
 - Skills and inclusive society.
 - *Coherent development of research, education and innovation systems*

KEY EVENTS

1 October: Joint Conference of the ERA Committee and the EU Directors-General for Higher Education

23-24 October: Conference *Research and Innovation Excellence through gender equality - New pathways and challenges*

8 November: Joint meeting for ministers of finance and education

3 December: High-Level Presidency Event on the Innovation Principle



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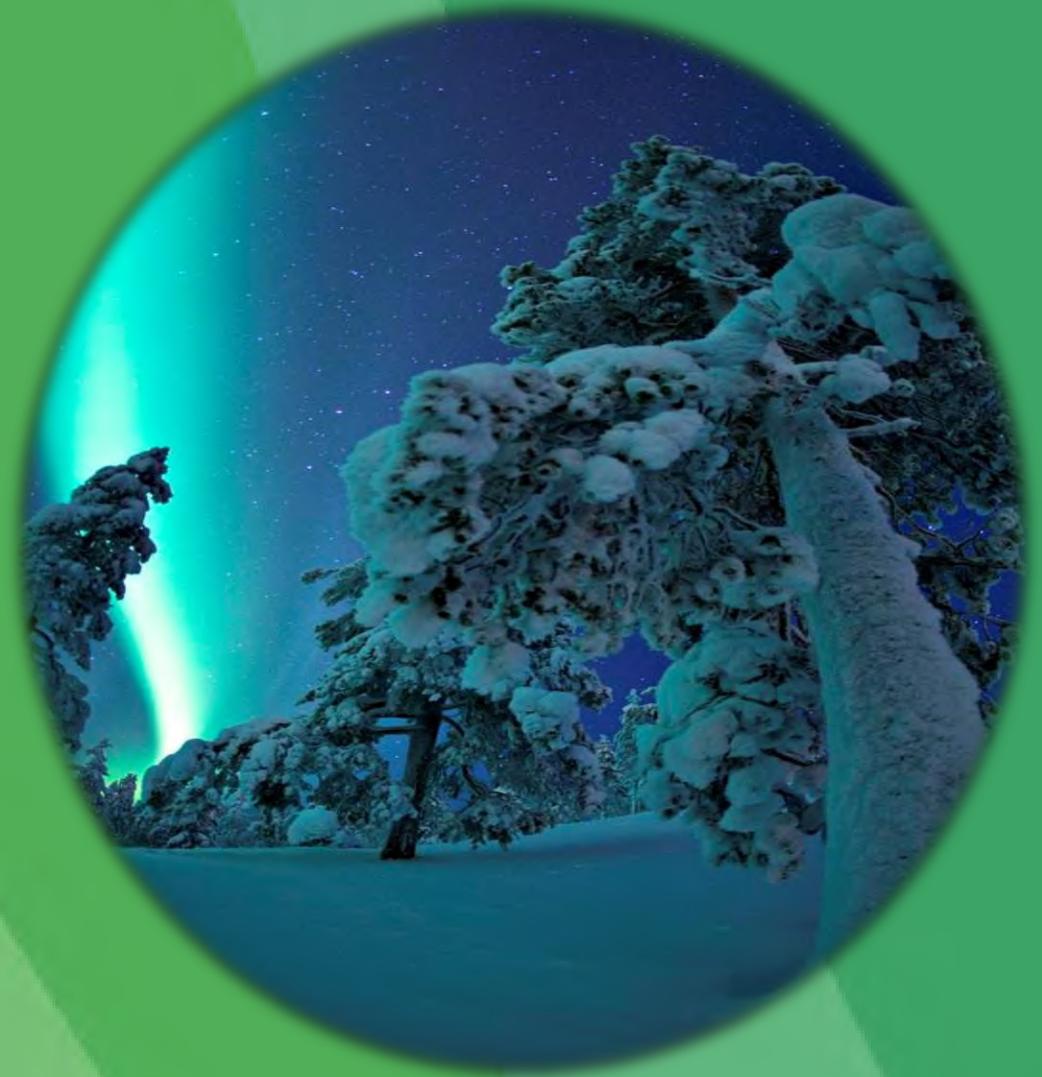
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