

Introduction to group work in Block 2 - Outreach to other geographical regions

Group topics and assignment of moderators

Group	Room	Moderator Table A	Moderator Table B
1 - AFRICA	1	Henning KNIPSCHILD	Alex PERCY-SMITH
2 - ASIA	2	Carlos SEGOVIA	Kees KWANT
3 - GLOBAL (US, NZ etc)	3	Heather MCKHANN	Stefan LAMPEL

Questions

Question at Table A: GOOD PRACTISE & CHALLENGES

1. What are the benefits of global cooperations? Did you encounter any positive surprises?
What are you most proud of? (Good practise / Successes)
2. What are the main obstacles/hurdles that can be encountered in global ERA-NET cooperations and how can these be overcome?

Questions at Table B: GENERAL & SUGGESTIONS

1. Should there be more global cooperations?
2. What is a good balance between EU/non-EU ERA-NET partners?
Are there differences between emerging economies and industrialised countries?
(Looking at contributed funding, partners, coordination etc.)
3. What suggestions would you have for ...
 - i. other ERA-NETS who want start to act global?
 - ii. funding agencies in 3rd countries who want to cooperate with ERA-Nets?
 - iii. the EU in order to increase global cooperations?

Methodology and proceeding of group work

- after the coffee we break out in three rooms (group distribution will be handed out at the event)
- In each room there are two discussion tables, with flip-over papers on the tables to collect input on two different sets of questions, A and B. Each table has an assigned moderator.
- The rest of the region-group divides itself over the two tables.
- Round 1 Group Discussion: 3' introduction by moderator and 15' discussion to gather responses, remarks, ideas and suggestions on the questions tabled. The findings are recorded.
- Then the groups switch tables, while the moderators stay at their assigned table.
- Round 2 Group Discussion: 3' wrap up of what is already on the paper from the first round of discussion by the moderator and 15' of group discussion by the second group of participants. Again, findings are recorded. Thus all participants discuss on all questions, except the table moderators.
- After the two rounds the moderators and a few others quickly prepare to present the outcomes
- In the plenary feedback the moderators present, first question set A for all three regions, then question set B for all three regions.