



ERANet-LAC – Network of the European Union, Latin America and the Caribbean Countries on Joint Innovation and Research Activities

Consortium

18 partners from 16 EU-CELAC* partner countries:

EU: Finland, France, Germany, Norway, Portugal, Romania, Spain, Turkey

LAC: Argentina, Barbados, Brazil, Chile, Mexico, Panama, Peru, Uruguay

Objective of ERA-NET actions

Provide a framework for programme owners/-managers to coordinate, link or synchronize their international activities by developing joint activities. These are among others two joint transnational calls.

* Comunidad de Estados Latinoamericanos y Caribeños

1st Joint Call: Topic Finding Process and Participation

Call-topics are identified through a political process: Thematic working groups (scientists from both regions) formulated 50 topics in the areas **Bioeconomy, Health, Biodiversity/Climate, Energy and ICT**

- › The topics were endorsed by the EU-CELAC SOM* in April 2014
- › The funding organizations selected six topics for 1st Joint Call
- › 90 proposals were submitted, 61 of them were eligible for funding

- Small scale self-sustainable biorefineries: 41
- Prevention infectious diseases & well-being: 20
- Biodiversity assessment and monitoring: 16
- Towards Zero Carbon Energy Systems: 8
- Interventions metabolic & cardiovascular diseases: 3
- Screening bioactive metabolites & enzymes: 2

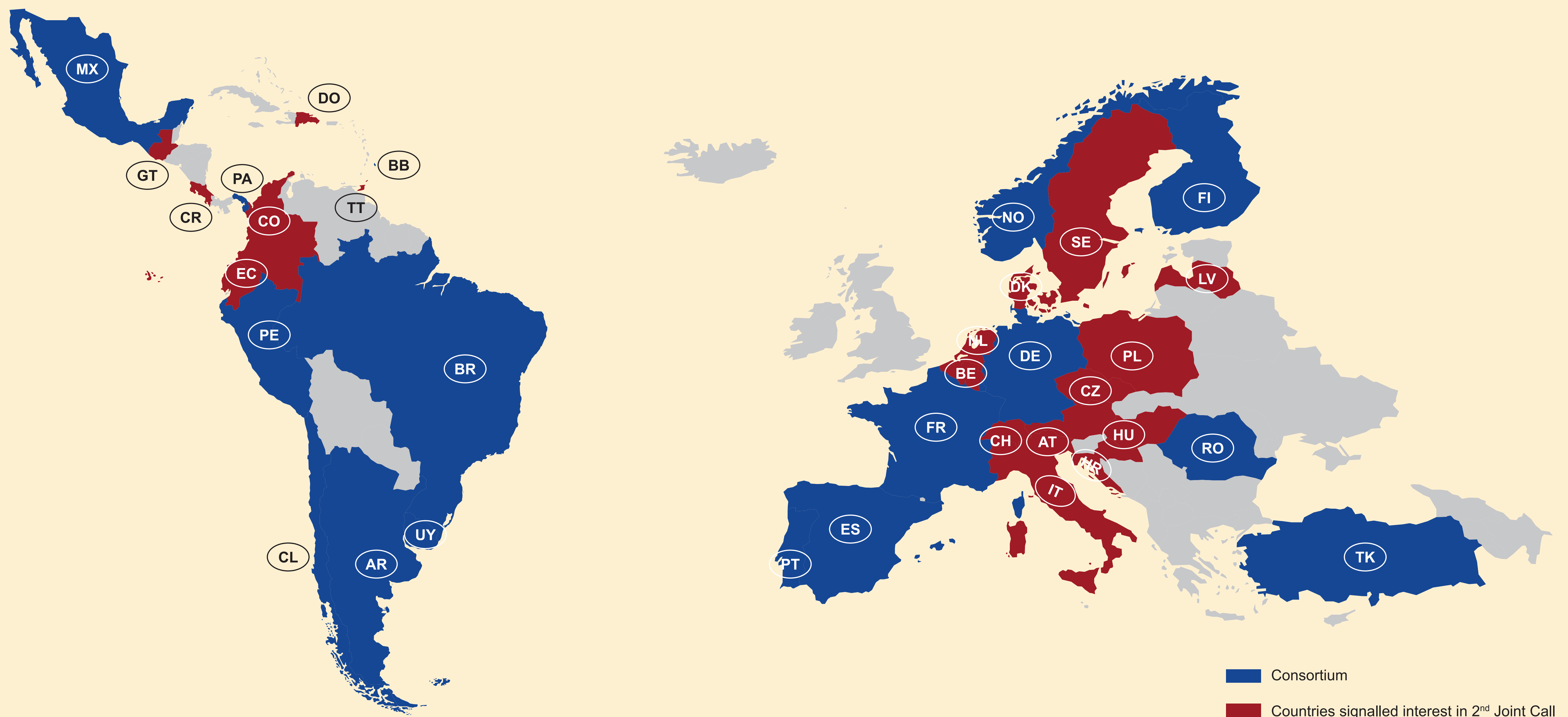
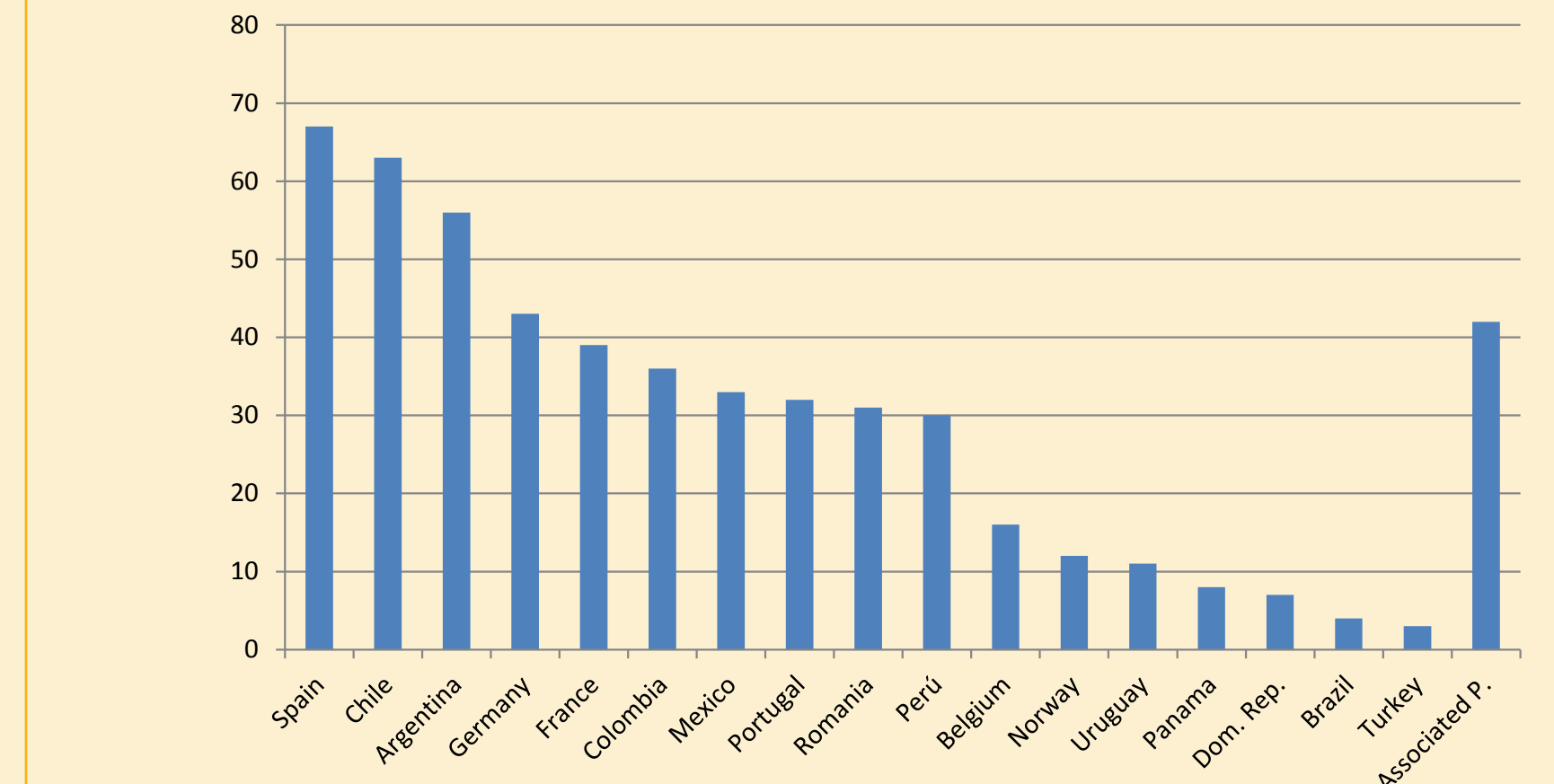
* SOM: Senior Officials meeting = Meeting of high-ranked political officials

1st Joint Call: Participation by Country

533 institutes from 17 countries participated in total.

Results:

20 funding organisations from both regions will fund 14 research and innovation projects. The total granted project volume amounts to: 7,066,343 EUR.



Participation in the 2nd Joint Call

95 % of the funding organizations from the 1st Joint Call confirmed their interest in participating in the 2nd Joint Call.

In addition to the ERANet-LAC partners, 23 funding organizations from 21 countries signalled their interest in participating the 2nd Joint Call:

LAC: Brazil (2), Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Guatemala, Ecuador, Trinidad and Tobago

EU: Belgium (2), Denmark, Finland, Netherlands, Italy (2), Croatia, Latvia, Austria, Poland, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Czech Republic, Hungary

Strategy

ERANet-LAC organizes a consultation process for funding and innovation agencies in order to enhance their involvement in the joint activities of the project.

Sustainability and Plans for the Future

ERANet-LAC creates an EU-CELAC Information and Communication Platform for bi-regional joint activities and a strategy for future bi-regional funding.

- › As a result, more than 50 organizations declared their interest in forming part of the EU-CELAC Platform for Funding Organisations.

Fostering Innovation Activities

ERANet-LAC emphasizes the innovation aspect with the objective to give the R&I cooperation between both regions new and innovation-related impetus and to open new ways for future cooperation activities:

- › ERANet-LAC is organizing an Innovation Forum focused on **national innovation policies** in order to identify future collaborations among innovation funding entities, both public and private, and establish a long-term strategic cooperation frame.

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