



# PLATFORM

## Platform of bioeconomy ERA-NET Actions

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### **Agenda of the Master Class on ERA-NET planning and management**

**25-26 June 2015**

***Organised by WP1 - Practice: Efficient, effective, and inclusive  
organisation of ERA-NET activities***

**Date:** 25 June at 11.00 - 18.00  
Meeting room 5.183 (5th floor)

26 June at 9.00 - 14.00  
Meeting room 9.183 (9th floor)

**Venue:** DG Research & Innovation  
COV2, Place Rogier 16  
1210 Brussels, Belgium



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In preparation of the Master Class, ERA-NET project managers were asked to fill in a questionnaire to collect experiences and information on how Cofund and Plus ERA-NETs are done, this was filled by six persons (*results attached to draft agenda sent on 12 June*).

For Topic C 'Fund management, practical examples and potential for alignment', instead of one CASE, information on fund management has been collected by phone interviews, which gave data from three Cofunds and three plusses (*overview sent to MC participants on June 23*).

The agenda points A-G will be based on the same structure:

- 1) CASE. By one person appointed based on answers of the questionnaire.
- 2) SHARING. Round table in which the participants share their working methods and experiences.
- 3) MODELS. The practices are summarised into a limited set of models.
- 4) DISCUSSING. To get more insight in the differences, the advantages and disadvantages, the applicability and cost-effectiveness of the approaches.
- 5) CONCLUDING AND RECOMMENDING. Concrete conclusions and recommendations from the group.

## Thursday 25 June – Cofund related issues

- 11.00** Registration and Welcome coffee
- 11:30** INTRO. Presentation PLATFORM Project *by Christine Bunthof*;  
Tour de table; Masterclass Programme and Method; Intro Cofund instrument. What is different in practice compared to an FP7 ERA-NET? (*documents with background on Cofund have been sent*)
- 12:15** **A) Optimal use of funds, practical management to decrease imbalance in requested/available funds at national level and include all funders** CASE: CORE Organic Plus, *by Ulla Sonne Bertelsen*
- 13:30** Sandwich lunch
- 14:15** **B) How to direct the calls to increase the innovation aspects and increase SME involvement**  
CASE: ERA-IB, *by Marion Karrasch*
- 15.15** **C) Fund management, practical examples and potential for alignment** Comparison based on budgets and administration procedures from Plus and Cofund ERA-NETs, *moderation by Ulla Sonne Bertelsen*
- 16:00** Coffee break
- 16.30** **D) Additional activities, practical examples with use of funds** CASE: FACCE SURPLUS, *by Nicolas Tinois*
- 17.15** **Support to Public-Public Partnerships (ERA-NET Cofund; Framework Partnership Agreement; ERA-NET Cofunds so far; P2P in WP2016/17 -including time for questions)** *by Jörg Niehoff*
- 18.00** End of the first day
- 19.45** Dinner in the centre of Brussels: Restaurant Hemispheres, 29 Rue Léopold, B-1000 Brussels

## Friday 26 June - General ERA-NET issues

- 9.00** **E) Multi-network calls – experiences and a discussion of how two or more networks can collaborate in one ERA-NET (Cofund) action** CASES: Joint call FACCE & BiodivERsA, WaterWorks 2014, *by Heather McKhann*
- 10:00** Coffee break
- 10.30** **F) Expert evaluation, what changed with Plus and Cofund, best practises** CASE: BESTF2, *by Kerry Young*
- 11.30** **G) How to manage institutional funds in calls** CASE: JPI Climate Cofund ERA4CS, *by Chloé Deygout*
- 12.30** Sandwich lunch
- 13.15** **Last points: How to justify use of unit cost; Partnering tool; Streamlining; Sharing of documents within the group networked through this MC**
- 14.10** End of meeting