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Subject:	16th Meeting of the European Research Area and Innovation Committee (ERAC)
Date:	10 and 11 October 2013
Time:	13.30, 9.00
Venue:	Merchants' Club
	Gedimino Avenue 35
	Vilnius
	LT-01109
	Lithuania

Chairperson: Mr Rudolf Strohmeier, deputy Director-General

THURSDAY, 10 OCTOBER, 13h30 - 17h00

Introduction by the Chair

1. Adoption of the provisional agenda

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2. Approval of the draft summary conclusions of the 15th meeting of ERAC, held in Dublin (IE) on 13-14 June 2013

3. Standing information point

Information will be provided in writing to delegations prior to the meeting. Delegations will have the opportunity to ask questions in relation to the information provided.

- Communication "Measuring innovation output in Europe: towards a new indicator" (doc. 13759/13 + ADD 1 of 18 September 2013)
- Innovation Investment Package: Communication "Public-private partnerships in Horizon 2020: a powerful tool to deliver on innovation and growth in Europe" (doc. 12344/13 of 15 July 2013)
- Commission Staff Working document "Research and Innovation performance in EU Member States and Associated countries Innovation Union progress at country level (2013)" (doc. 8068/13 ADD 1-10: will be distributed in book form in English)
- "Investments in joint and open R&D programmes and analysis of their economic impact" (JOREP study)

4. ERA and Innovation policy

4.1 ERA Progress Report

Presentation of the ERA Progress Report (doc. 13812/13 of 20 September 2013 + ADD 1-5) and discussion on the main findings and recommendations on actions where further progress is needed based on ERAC's Working Group's initial analysis, in view of preparing the ERAC opinion on ERA progress before the December Competitiveness Council.

4.2 ERA-related groups

Update by Vice-Chair on the progress on the interaction on the implementation of ERA
policy with other ERA-related groups and the development of an Action Plan (based on
Council Resolution).

5. Presentation of Research and Innovation policy in Lithuania

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FRIDAY, 11 OCTOBER, 9h00 - 12h30

6. Implementation and monitoring of the Innovation Union in the context of Europe 2020

6.1 European Semester

Discussion on national R&I reforms in view of 2014 Semester, including where improvements still need to be made and possible ways to structure input on R&I and the ERA elements in the National Reform Programmes (NRPs);
 (Prior to the meeting, delegates will receive a note on main points for discussion).

6.2 R&D investment and policy measures survey

Presentation of the results of the 2013 questionnaire on R&D investment and policy measures by EU Member States and Associated Countries (ERAC survey) in the global economic context and possible links in the future with OECD surveys.
 (Prior to the meeting, delegates will receive a note on main findings of the ERAC 2013 questionnaire on R&D&I investments).

7. Mandate / Rules of Procedure/ administrative issues

7.1 Update of Work Programme

First discussions on the changes proposed to the work programme to incorporate new elements arising from the Council Resolution (e.g. more focus on innovation; developing strategic interactions with related policy areas: knowledge triangle and industrial and cohesion policy; preparing the Action Plan (with ERA-related groups) and liaising with the EPG sub-group on innovation.

7.2 Presentation and adoption of the revised Rules of Procedure

- The Vice-Chair will present the proposed revised Rules of Procedure for adoption.

8. Any other business

8.1 Next ERAC meeting (12 December, 2013, Brussels)

 The Steering Board will draw up the provisional annotated agenda of the next meeting on the basis of the Work Programme 2013-2014.

NB: To reduce costs, only documents produced in the week preceding the meeting will be available in the meeting room.

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