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### COMMUNICATION

#### **NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

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Subject: 34<sup>th</sup> meeting of the European Research Area and Innovation Committee  
(ERAC)

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Date: 16 June 2017

Time: 10.00

Venue: COUNCIL  
JUSTUS LIPSIUS BUILDING  
Rue de la Loi 175, 1048 BRUSSELS

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**co-Chairpersons: Robert-Jan Smits, Director-General, DG RTD  
and  
David Wilson, Deputy Director, International Knowledge &  
Innovation, BEIS, UK.**

1. **Adoption of the provisional agenda**
2. **The draft summary conclusions of the 33<sup>rd</sup> meeting of ERAC, held in St. Julian's on 16-17 March 2017 were approved by written procedure on 24 May 2017.**
3. **Information from the co-Chairs and Presidency**
  - *The co-Chairs report back on the latest ERAC Steering Board meeting.*

4. **ERA and Innovation Policy**

- 4.1 **Interim Evaluation of Horizon 2020 and preparations for the next Framework Programme for Research and Innovation**

*Following the workshops with stakeholders and ERAC Delegates on 10-11 May in Brussels, the Rapporteur Denis Despréaux prepared an advanced draft of the Opinion which was sent for consultation to ERAC Delegates and Chairs of ERA-related groups. On [Day Month] the Rapporteur submitted a revised draft ERAC Opinion to be discussed at this meeting. The ERAC Opinion will then be submitted for adoption by written procedure and onward transmission to the incoming Estonian Presidency.*

- 4.2 **Research integrity**

*Following the Council conclusions of 1 December 2015 in which Member States endorsed the principles included in the ALLEA Code, indicating that research at EU and Member State level should be founded on those principles, a new version of the ALLEA Code was published on 24 March 2017. This is attached as background information, as well as a note on research integrity. A short debate will take place to identify current issues for Member States.*

- 4.3 **Joint EC/OECD Survey on Science, Technology and Innovation Policies**

*The joint EC-OECD survey on STI policies collects information on the main evolutions in national science, technology and innovation policies. It is carried out every two years and feeds into the OECD's STI Outlook and the Commission's European Semester analysis. The 2018 survey will be launched in Autumn 2017 with a revamped approach to data collection and analysis. The Commission and the OECD will present the new approach and the questionnaire to be used for the survey to ERAC delegates. Delegates will be invited to provide comments in writing. A validation of the questionnaire by written procedure will follow.*

5. **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.*

- *Report "Science, research and innovation performance of the EU 2018"*
- *Update on the H2020 Policy Support facility*
- *Outcome of 2017 European Semester (country reports and CSR package 2017)*
- *Follow-up on the ERA National Action Plans and strategies*

## **6. ERA Governance**

### **6.1 Review of the ERA governance foreseen in 2018**

*The MS co-Chair will give a short update to Delegates on progress and the feedback received since the latest ERAC Plenary, including issues raised in discussion there.*

### **6.2 ERAC Annual Report 2016**

*The consolidated draft ERAC Annual Report 2016 was sent to Delegates on [Day, Month] with a view to its adoption at this meeting or shortly afterwards.*

### **6.3 Updates from the ERAC Working Groups**

#### **6.3.a Ad-hoc Working Group on Measuring the Impact of EU Framework Programmes for R&I at National Level**

*On 31 May 2017, the Chair of the Ad-hoc Group Tiago Santos Pereira submitted a draft of the Report to be discussed at this meeting. The Report will then be submitted for adoption by written procedure.*

#### **6.3.b Standing Working Group on Open Science and Innovation**

### **6.4 Updates from the ERA-related groups**

*The Committee will be informed about the status of the transition of the Helsinki and SGHRM groups as ERAC Standing Working Groups before the triennial review.*

#### **6.4.a Helsinki Group on Gender in Research and Innovation**

#### **6.4.b ERA Group on Human Resources and Mobility**

## **7. Any other business**

### **7.1 35<sup>th</sup> ERAC meeting (21-22 September 2017, Tartu, Estonia)**

*The Steering Board will draw up the provisional annotated agenda of the next meeting on the basis of the updated Work Programme 2016-2017.*

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