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### **COMMUNICATION**

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

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Subject: European Research Area and Innovation Committee (ERAC) - Strategic Forum for International S&T Cooperation (SFIC) **(morning only)**

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Date: 2 March 2016

Time: 9.00

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

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- 1. Adoption of the agenda**
- 2. SFIC's contribution to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Report on the implementation of the Commission's international R&I Strategy**

*Expected outcome: Commission to give an update about the preparations for the report and on expected input by SFIC based on Commission's invitation.*

### **3. SFIC contribution to "Open to the world"**

*Expected outcome: Presentation of new draft opinion and adoption.*

### **4. External dimension of the European Research Area**

#### **a) SFIC's contribution to ERAC Annual Report: Reporting on Priority 6**

*Expected outcome: Presentation and discussion on SFIC's contribution to ERAC Annual Report 2015.*

#### **b) National ERA Roadmaps: Implementation of Priority 6 on international cooperation**

*Expected outcome: SFIC delegations are invited to briefly present progress on the implementation of the ERA Roadmap at national level, in particular concerning Priority 6. As appropriate, please contact your ERAC colleagues regarding the discussion that took place in ERAC, 14-15 January on the ERA Roadmap. A discussion will follow and input will be, where appropriate, incorporated into the SFIC's contribution to ERAC Annual Report 2015.*

### **5. State of play of Working Groups by rapporteurs**

#### **a) Brazil: Update on WG work, including revision of mandate**

#### **b) Russia: Update on WG work, including adoption of SRIA**

#### **c) USA: Update on WG work**

#### **d) China: Update on WG work**

#### **e) Toolbox: Update on WG work**

*Expected outcome: Rapporteurs will briefly inform about the state of play of their respective WG. Discussion on a new mandate and further work of the Brazil WG will take place. The SRIA prepared by the Russia WG will also be discussed in view of a SFIC opinion.*

### **6. Structured policy coordination - Strand 2 - Policy Service Facility**

*Expected outcome: Further discussion on SFIC's contribution to the PSF process based on paper prepared by the rapporteur.*

## **7. Administrative and reporting procedures**

- a) **Amendment of the SFIC Rules of Procedure (following Council conclusions on the ERA advisory structure and revision of the SFIC mandate)**
- b) **Procedure for the election of the SFIC Chair (June 2016)**

*Expected outcome: SFIC delegates to be informed about the above-mentioned sub-items, with the aim at adopting the amendments to the SFIC Rules of Procedure.*

## **8. Standing information points**

### **9. AOB**

- South Africa

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NB: Council documents are available on Extranet. A limited stock of documents produced immediately prior to the meeting will be available in the meeting room. Room attendants will provide copies on request at the earliest opportunity.

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