







### Conference on 'Sharing experiences from the

# Association to H2020'

## **DRAFT AGENDA**

**Date** 

30-31 May 2017

#### Venue

Codru Hotel (str. 31 August 1989, 127)

Chisinau (Republic of Moldova)

| Day 1: Tuesday, 30 May 2017   |  |  |
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| 9:00 am to 9:30 am  | Registration and Welcome Coffee  |  |
| 9:30 am to 10:15 am   | Conference Opening  - Acad. Gheorghe DUCA, President of ASM  - Thierry DEVARS, Policy Officer, DG Research and Innovation, EC  - George BONAS, Coordinator, EaP PLUS Project  Introductory Note:  Opportunities & Challenges of Association to H2020  Thierry DEVARS, Policy Officer, DG R&I, EC |  |
| 10:15 am to 10:35 am  | The EaP PLUS Project: Overview George BONAS, Coordinator, EaP PLUS, Managing Director, CeRISS  |  |
| 10:35 am to 11:05 am  | Coffee Break   |  |
| Session I: Experience of the Associated countries: National measures and instruments to support association to H2020 and integration to ERA. Achievements and common challenges |  |  |
| 11:05 am to 11:35 am  | Experiences from Serbia  Victor NEDOVIĆ, Assistant Minister, Ministry of Education, Science and Technological Development  |  |
| 11:35 am to 12:05 pm  | Experiences from Turkey  Ebru IMAMOGLU, Coordinator of national support mechanisms of H2020,  TUBITAK  |  |



| 12:05 pm to 12:35 pm   | Experiences from Israel   |  |
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|  | Ruth FRIEDEL, Israel Innovation Authority, Israel   |  |
| 12:35 pm to 12:55 pm   | Experiences from Moldova (measures taken and difficulties)  |  |
|  | Lidia ROMANCIUC, Director, Centre of International Projects, ASM  |  |
| 12:55 pm to 14:00 pm   | Standing Lunch  |  |
| 14:00 pm to 14:20 pm   | Experiences from Ukraine (measures taken and difficulties)  |  |
|  | Stella SHAPOVAL, NCP Coordinator, Ministry of Education and Science   |  |
| 14:20 pm to 14:40 pm   | Experiences from Georgia (measures taken and difficulties)  |  |
|  | Ketevan GABITASHVILI, Chief Specialist – Programme Coordination, SRNSF  |  |
| 14:40 pm to 15:00 pm   | Experiences from Armenia (measures taken and difficulties)  |  |
|  | Tigran ARZUMANYAN, NCP Coordinator, National Academy of Sciences of Armenia   |  |
|  | Open Discussion: Check-list for maximizing the impact of Association & support from available instruments                   |  |
|  | Moderator: George Bonas, CeRISS   |  |
|  | - Programme Committees;   |  |
|  | - NCP Structures;   |  |
| 15:00 pm to 16:15 pm   | - H2020 Association Promotion Measures;   |  |
|  | - Participation in ERANETs and JPIs;  |  |
|  | - Screening of active players & co-publication analyses;  |  |
|  | - Actions for Cooperation with Scientific Diaspora;   |  |
|  | - Twinning Grants through available instruments;  |  |
|  | - Etc.  |  |
| 16:15 pm to 16:45 pm   | Coffee Break  |  |
| Session II: Best practices of international cooperation activities towards EaP Countries |   |  |
|  | International Cooperation activities of KU Leuven with EaP countries  |  |
| 16:45 pm to 17:05 pm   | Jef SCHROOTEN, International Policy Officer,  |  |
|  | KU Leuven University, Belgium   |  |
| 17:05 pm to 17:25 pm   | International Cooperation activities of IAMO with EaP countries   |  |
|  | Axel WOLZ, Senior Research Associate, Leibniz Institute of Agricultural Development in Transition Economies (IAMO), Germany |  |
| 17:25 pm to 17:55 pm   | The ESFRI Roadmap and opportunities for the Associated countries  |  |
|  | Octavi QUINTANA-TRIAS, DG R&I, EC   |  |
| 17:55 pm to 18:15 pm   | Questions and Answers   |  |
| 18:30 pm   | Departure to Working Dinner   |  |



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Day: Wednesday, 31 May 2017

| 9:00 am to 9:30 am  | Registration and Coffee   |  |
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| Session III: Additional possibilities from the Association to H2020                                     |   |  |
| 9:30 am to 9:50 am  | SME Instrument (TBC)  |  |
| 9:50 am to 10:10 am   | InnovFin Antonio CASTILLO, Head of the European Investment Bank Representation in Chisinau  |  |
| 10:10 am to 10:30 am  | Knowledge and Innovation Communities (KICs)  Katerina SERETI, Seconded National Expert, Policy Support & Stakeholder Relations, EIT   |  |
| 10:30 am to 10:50 am  | Open Access and IPR as framework conditions for the integration into the ERA  Joern GRUENEWALD, Senior Scientific Officer, DLR, Germany   |  |
| 10:50 am to 11:20 am  | EU-STRAT: Towards Assessing the Impact of Scientific Co-operation with the EU on the Eastern Partnership Countries  Dimiter TOSHKOV, Associate Professor, Institute of Public Administration, Faculty of Governance and Global Affairs, Leiden University         |  |
| 11:20 am to 11:50 am  | Coffee Break  |  |
| Session IV: Optimizing framework conditions for the Association to H2020 and for integration in the ERA |   |  |
| 11:50 am to 12:10 pm  | COST Actions Katalin ALFÖLDI, Policy Officer, COST Association, Belgium (through video-conference)  |  |
| 12:10 pm to 12:30 pm  | Activities of the Policy Support Facility Thierry DEVARS, Policy Officer, DG R&I, EC  |  |
| 12:30 pm to 13:15 pm  | Open Discussion:  Moderators: George BONAS/CeRISS & Thierry DEVARS/EC  - Which are the most pressing needs for the success of the Association?  - How the EaP PLUS project can address these needs?  - How to better exploit other instruments and opportunities? |  |
| 13:15 pm to 13:30 pm  | Wrap-up Thierry DEVARS/EC & George BONAS/CeRISS   |  |
| 13:30 pm to 14:30 pm  | Networking Lunch  |  |
| 14:30 pm  | Departure of Participants   |  |

