







## H2020 ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE Associated to H2020: what's next? 'From Association to impact generation'

## **10 November 2016**

Venue: Ani Plaza Hotel, Garni Hall 19 Sayat-Nova Ave, Yerevan 0001 Armenia

## **DRAFT AGENDA**

Participants: up to 100 participants

**Target group:** Policy makers from Armenia, participants from EU MS/ H2020 AC, Representatives of EC DG Research & Innovation, Representatives of EU Delegation in Armenia, Nominated Horizon 2020 Programme Members, NCPs, Heads and information multiplicators of Research institutes and Universities, Representatives of industry.

Format: Conference

Materials provided by local organisers: projector, laptop, microphone

**Event room setting:** Theatre setting with stage (incl. chairs for discussion panel)

09:00 - 09:30	Registration & Welcome Coffee
09:30 – 09:45	<ul> <li>Welcome addresses - Moderator: Tigran Arzumanyan, NAS RA</li> <li>Welcome by Yuri Shoukourian, Vice-President, National Academy of Sciences of RA</li> <li>Welcome by Vardan Sahakyan, Deputy Chairman, State Committee of Science of RA</li> <li>Welcome by the representatives of EC, DG R&amp;I (TBC)</li> <li>Welcome by George Bonas, Scientific Coordinator of IncoNet EaP, CeRISS</li> </ul>
09:45 – 11:15	<ul> <li>Support measures to Associated to H2020 countries in the EaP region</li> <li>EU Support measures to H2020 Association Countries in EaP region,         Stephen Sadler, DG Research and Innovation, European Commission (20 min) (TBC)     </li> <li>Past experiences and future support to Strengthening the Research and</li> </ul>



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	Innovation cooperation with EaP countries (Presentation of the activities of the IncoNet EaP and especially the EaP+ projects funded by the EC), George Bonas, Coordinator of IncoNet EaP and EaP+ (10 min.)
	R&I activities related to Association to H2020 supported by the EU     Delegation in Armenia (10 min) (TBC)
	<ul> <li>Presentation of the achievements so far in implementing the Policy Mix Peer Review Recommendations, Representative of the SCS (TBC) (40 min)</li> </ul>
	Moderators: George Bonas-CeRISS, DLR
	Discussion (10 min)
11:15 11:45	Coffee break & Networking
	<ul> <li>2. National perspectives to association to H2020 – Moderator: CeRISS</li> <li>National activities to support and enhance the promotion and participation of national stakeholders in H2020 (nomination of members of the H2020 Programme committees, national support measures, NCP structure), speaker from the responsible ministry (20 min)</li> </ul>
11:45- 12:45	The state of the art of legislative support of R&I and international cooperation, S&T Parliament committee /responsible ministry (focus on legislative framework or recent changes or reforms (e.g. financial, administrative) (20 min)
	Discussion (20 min): Moderator: CeRISS
12:45 – 13:45	Working lunch
13:45 – 15:15	<b>3. Opportunities for Associated countries</b> – Representative of Ukraine or Moldova (TBC)



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	<ul> <li>Widening participation instruments (twinnings, teamings, ERA-Chairs, PSF) (Ulle Must, ETAg, Estonia) (15 min)</li> <li>Public-Public and Public-Private funding schemes (ERANETs, JPIs, JTIs, EIPs) (Ulle Must, ETAg, Estonia) (15 min)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Innovation funding scheme: InnovFin (general information and sharing the experience of Ukraine`s recent agreement), InnovFin representative, EIB (15 min) (TBC)</li> </ul>
	Support measures for SMEs, EEN Armenia, H2020 SME instrument Karen Gevorgyan, SME DNC Anahit Khachikyan, NAS RA (15 min)
	Discussion (20 min)
15:15-15:45	Coffee break & Networking
15:45-16:45	<ul> <li>4. Open Discussion: Moderator: Klaus Schuch, ZSI</li> <li>National perspectives of Armenia towards H2020 and experiences from EU MS and AC (Panel: Armenia, Moldova, Ukraine, Poland, Germany) <ul> <li>How to strengthen the representation to H2020 Programme Committees and the NCPs systems?</li> <li>Readiness to be involved in CO-FUND and Widening participation instruments?</li> <li>How to take advantage of schemes for Innovation and SMEs?</li> </ul> </li> <li>Discussion (30 min)</li> </ul>
16:45– 17:15	Wrap-up of the conference and conclusions, Klaus Schuch, Centre for Social Innovation (ZSI)

