

Joint Programming Newsletter 28 May 2019

Incl. news on the Horizon Europe partnerships process, updated Strategic Research Agendas for JPND, JPIAMR and ERA-NET ICT-AGRI, and new joint research on Cultural Heritage

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About us

The joint programming officers at Wageningen University & Research follow ERA policy and strategy, the JPIs, EJPs, Art. 185 and ERA-NET Actions, with a focus on those in the areas of the bioeconomy, food, and the blue and green environment. To support WUR and its Science Groups in engaging in the public research partnerships we provide information, liaise on the national as well as the European level and ensure direct involvement. We work on alignment, valorisation and joint activities in FACCE-JPI, the International Bioeconomy Forum and other research programming initiatives. Furthermore, we established a platform of bioeconomy ERA-NET Actions, support the EU Standing Committee on Agricultural Research (SCAR) to increase visibility and European policy impact, and are academic member in the European Bioeconomy Stakeholders Panel of DG RTD. You can follow us on [Twitter](#) and contact us at jointprogramming@wur.nl.

Editorial: Value Creation

Last week I was presenting in the FACCE-JPI Governing Board meeting, giving an update on the Communication & Valorisation activities of the Joint Programming Initiative. Communication is a strategic tool. We communicate to convey a message or to achieve a goal. As it is for any other network, communication is important for FACCE-JPI: to show we exist; to show our activities; to show we have impact on society at large with these activities. When communicating, it is good to be aware of how the message will be perceived. The way in which we communicate matters. Content, offered in an attractive, easy-to-digest way, will draw people's attention quicker. One of the reasons the FACCE-JPI website has recently been renewed.

In communicating research results to stakeholders, policy makers, farmer organisations and the general public, FACCE-JPI creates value. One of the upcoming activities is the FACCE ERA-GAS 2nd Research Programme Meeting "Progress presentation of the running projects & Valorisation Workshop" on 12 June in Amsterdam. This meeting is being organised parallel and integrated in the Non-CO₂ Greenhouse Gas Symposium on 12-13-14 June, where scientists, experts, decision makers and stakeholders will come together. The ten FACCE ERA-GAS funded projects will present their mid-term results and an interesting itinerary is planned, incorporating plenary and parallel sessions,

workshops and networking opportunities. Outcomes will feed into another value creation activity, the compilation of a policy brief on agricultural greenhouse gas emissions, which account for about 10% of European greenhouse gas emissions.

Activities like these, that aim to support 'translating' scientific knowledge into science-based actions should contribute to solving the societal challenges. Considering the pressures a changing climate puts on our food systems, reduction of greenhouse gas emissions from agriculture is urgently called for. In the current preparation of the missions under the new European Framework Programme Horizon Europe, this challenge is addressed as well, in a proposed partnership on *Sustainable Food System for People, Planet & Climate*. With the work we do, the research our funding partners support, and the value creation activities we engage in, we aim to have a solid contribution. I invite you to have a look at them, participate in them, and most of all I encourage you to use the results of that profound research that is out there to make the necessary changes.



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Horizon Europe partnership preparation process speeding up

A new list prepared by the European Commission is showing forty-four possible topics for new partnerships in the upcoming Horizon Europe Framework Programme. There are eight suggested partnership topics in the broader bioeconomy area, ranging from *Farming systems transition to circular bio-based Europe* and *Water4All*. The strategic planning process between the Commission and a Committee of Member States will continue during the next months. All Member States have been given the opportunity to respond to a first draft list of partnerships and it is expected that a public draft will soon become available.

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Strengthening collaboration for Europe's regional seas and oceans

On the 16th and 17th of May, a dedicated workshop was organised at the European Maritime Day to take the next steps for coordinated and proactive cross-basin cooperation in research and innovation. Long-term cooperation is seen as a vital step in ensuring the continued sustainable ecosystem-based management of the European regional seas and oceans, in particular the Atlantic Ocean, Baltic and North Sea, Black Sea, and Mediterranean Sea. The five initiatives supporting cooperation in these seas, expressed their readiness to work together towards establishing strong, coordinated and enduring alliances.

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ERA-LEARN thematic partnership workshop: towards Horizon Europe

On May 15th and 16th, ERA-LEARN organised an interactive workshop designed to help prepare the transition towards the new partnerships. The workshop focussed in particular on increasing coherence among current and future partnerships. In preparation, five discussion papers were published. Each one analyses existing initiatives and connections between them for a specific cluster. One of the main conclusions of the workshop is that there will be a need to look across clusters in forming the new partnerships. This will remain a challenge however, just as building partnerships within the clusters.

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JPND launches updated R&I Strategy

The Joint Programming Initiative on Neurodegenerative Disease Research (JPND) has launched an updated global Research and Innovation Strategy (RIS). The update comprises the common vision of the thirty JPND member countries and forms a renewal of the strategy to tackle the major societal challenge of neurodegenerative diseases. The new RIS is built around five scientific priorities covering the full spectrum of unmet needs - the knowledge gap, the prevention gap, the early diagnosis and disease management gap, as well as the growing socio-economic challenges of caring for and assisting people faced with those diseases.

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JPIAMR releases new SRIA

The Joint Programming Initiative on antimicrobial resistance (JPIAMR) has released an updated Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda (SRIA) in which they present an overview of recent developments and future needs for AMR research. The SRIA outlines six key priority topics within the AMR field: Therapeutics, Diagnostics, Surveillance Transmission, Environment and Interventions, and has defined a set of research objectives within each priority topic.

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New FACCE-JPI website launched

The website of the Joint Programming Initiative on Agriculture, Food Security and Climate Change has been fully renewed and updated. It is designed to boast a clean interface with a modern layout, and intuitive and consistent navigation. Information and news related to FACCE-JPI can be accessed more quickly and easily.

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ICT-AGRI published updated SRIA

In April 2019, The ERA-NET on ICT and robotics for sustainable agriculture (ICT-AGRI) published the second edition of their Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda. The SRIA was updated following a participative process which included an international consultation round. It contains a review of the main current and future challenges for sustainable agriculture and agri-food systems, key goals and a description of the state-of-art of ICT and robotics.

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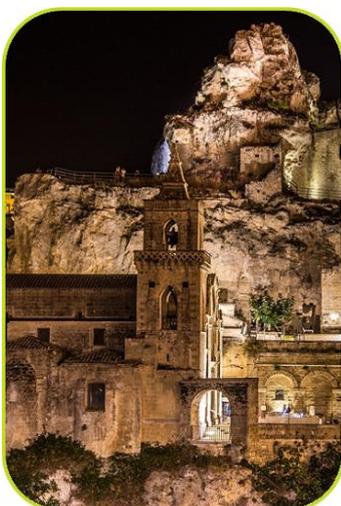
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JPI Climate's ERA4CS opens an alignment call for capacity building

The ERA-NET for Climate Services (ERA4CS) has opened a call that entails a pilot experiment for institutional alignment. The call is based on a 'Joint Capacity Building' concept, exemplified by exchange of staff at the level of decision makers, between two climate services provider institutions. The call is open for climate services provider institutions in countries participating in either ERA4CS or the Climate JPI. Participation of institutions from other EU Member States or Associated Countries is welcome. Funding covers travel and sustenance. The call has three deadlines, the first being the 30th of June 2019.

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New joint research on conservation, protection and use of cultural heritage

The Joint Programming Initiative on Cultural Heritage and Global Change (JPI CH) has announced a new funding opportunity for transnational proposals. The call will support research into strategies, methodologies and tools to safeguard and use the physical components of the European cultural heritage. Research projects that take a global approach to preserving Europe's heritage are invited to submit a proposal. The call will include four main topics, ranging from analysing and modelling change to management of cultural heritage at risk. The Netherlands is one of the funding partners. The maximum available budget amounts to EUR 6,7 million. Deadline for submission of proposals is the 3rd of September 2019.

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INTIMIC launches Knowledge Platform on Food, Diet, Intestinal Microbiomics and Human Health

The Knowledge Platform brings together fifty-two research groups from nine countries, including The Netherlands, in a multidisciplinary consortium. It is the second joint funding activity of the ERA-Net Cofund HDHL-INTIMIC. The fifteen involved funding partners invited research groups from various disciplines that started in November 2018 to work towards a joint network proposal for the platform. Within this platform the research groups will work on data standardization, harmonization, knowledge sharing and integration within the field of intestinal microbiomics, diet and health research. A total of EUR 1,6 million of funding is requested from the participating countries.

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Calls open for submission

- [JPI Climate and JPI Oceans' 'Next Generation Science for Oceans' call](#) - closing date full proposals: **14 June 2019**
- [ERA4CS alignment call](#) - first closing date for proposals: **30 June 2019**
- [JPI CH call on conservation, protection and use of cultural heritage](#) - closing date full proposals: **3 September 2019**

Upcoming Activities



Value creation from FACCE-JPI research collaborations

Two workshops will be organised to take the step from research results to value creation through these results. Researchers, together with the relevant stakeholders and end-users will exchange on how to facilitate the uptake and use of new research results. For the 2013-2014 BiodivERsA - FACCE-JPI joint call on *promoting synergies and reducing trade-offs between food supply, biodiversity and ecosystem services*, a meeting will be organised on the 3rd and 4th of June in Brussels. From June 12th to 14th, FACCE ERA-GAS is organising its 2nd Research Programme Meeting (RPM) which will include a dedicated session on valorisation of FACCE ERA-GAS research projects' results.

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FACCE ERA-GAS Summer School will welcome researchers from ten different countries

In addition to the 2nd Research Programme Meeting, The FACCE ERA-NET on monitoring and mitigation of greenhouse gases from agriculture and silviculture (ERA-GAS), is organising a Summer School. Twenty early career researchers from all over Europe and New Zealand will be participating. The event is built around learning and networking during dedicated sessions at the NCGG8, discussing GHG methodologies and inventory development with leading scientists and benefitting from interactive sessions focussed on career development and funding opportunities. It will take place from 12-14 June in Amsterdam.

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SusCrop projects will Kick-off in Belgium

From the 9th to the 11th of September, the SusCrop ERA-NET will hold its Kick-off meeting in Ghent and Merelbeke, Belgium. The funders and the researchers in the thirteen projects will have the opportunity to exchange on the objectives of the selected projects and to network amongst each other. The kick-off will be held back-to-back with a workshop on 'Sustainability and Resilience Assessment Methods' and one on 'Data Collection and Harmonization'.

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Events Calendar

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Upcoming events 2019:

27-30 May	European Biomass Conference and Exhibition, Lisbon
12 June	SCAR Conference, Brussels
12-14 June	ERA-GAS 2 nd Research Programming Meeting, Consortium Meeting and Summer School, Amsterdam
25-27 June	Circular Bioeconomy Days Conference, Foulum
8-10 July	European Bioeconomy Scene 2019, Helsinki
9-11 Sept.	SusCrop projects Kick-off meeting, Ghent
23-24 Sept.	XXXIII EURAGRI Conference, Ghent
24-26 Sept.	European Research and Innovation Days, Brussels

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