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Expert session 1 EWG meeting

February 22 – 23, 2017 at TA CR (meeting room n°043), Prague

What was the key mission and targets when establishing the Competence Centres in different countries? To which extent the expectations were met and fulfilled?

Competence Centres play a crucial role in the national innovation ecosystems by developing solutions for the future-oriented structuring of research and development. The Task Force CompAct has presented an overview of the potential scope and use of the Competence Centres programmes and covered a joint and better future development of these programmes.

Expert Session 1 will focus on experience of agencies, bottom – up look. What was a success story, what did not work at all? Why? What is the role of the state? What is the perception of Competence Centres by the Agencies, by their managers? What is the perception of their clients – SMEs and/or MNCs? What is the most important aspect of successful Competence Centres in the future?

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Expert session 2 EWG meeting

April 24 – 25, 2017, Prague

Meeting of “two worlds” – wishes, plans and reality

The Report Future Competence Centres Programmes clearly states that there is a perceived need to provide more incentives and measures to allow Competence Centres to cooperate at a regional and international level, in order to further increase the quality of research performed within centres. One of the options is also the use of large infrastructures.

How does it function in practice?

What is the rationale behind establishing clusters of Competence Centres – on local, regional and cross-border level? In the period 2007 – 2013 many scientific centres and infrastructures were established in order to integrate research and development. Today, their functioning, human resources, sustainability, international co-operation is largely discussed, as well as their co-operation with Competence Centres. The internationalisation of Competence Centres is a current challenge.

There are European research infrastructures, in the ESFRI, distributed throughout Europe (some even outside the Europe). What is the implementation of these R&D infrastructures in the “local” or regional innovation ecosystems?

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What is the level of collaboration with regional and/or international enterprises? What is the impact on local economy?

EUREKA Clusters are strategically significant initiatives that develop technologies of key importance for European competitiveness. The Cluster instrument reflects synergies where European industry's research and collaboration interests, innovation capacity - and national funding opportunities meet.

What is the perception of its members?

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Annual Conference Board Meeting

June 15 - 16 2017, Prague

Too Much Data, Not Enough Power to Analyse

Data availability, collection, storage, processing, evaluation and proper use for programming and programmes implementation are neuralgic points for many agencies. Open data and involvement of volunteer and/or NGO community starts to be important, especially when considering impact evaluation. What is the experience of different agencies? Do we have some good practice to share?

Relating to digitalisation and next production revolution, there is an increasing focus on the open innovation concept. How is the concept communicated, especially to enterprises? Is there a good practice example?

Sharing the data on European level is another issue.

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Expert session 3 EWG Meeting

September 14 -15, 2017, Prague

Do we manage to fully use the innovation potential mapping?

A thorough knowledge of the market position and long-term goals and strategies of different groups of companies and other stakeholders involved in innovation ecosystem is the basic prerequisite for the effectiveness of the support tools of the innovation policy. Many agencies have experience with innovation potential mapping. How do they manage to transform the outcomes of mapping into programmes?

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Policy Forum Board Meeting

November 22-23 2017, Brussels

*Transnational mobility opens up new horizons for researchers.
Is the expectation fulfilled?*

Co-funding of regional, national and international programmes. What is the experience? Joint programming – step towards internationalisation, or exclusive club? Strengthening co-operation with the European Commission and OECD.

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	February	April	June	September	November
EWGs /Boards (Full members events)	EWG meeting I	EWG meeting II	Taftie Board meeting	EWG meeting III	Taftie Board meeting
Expert Sessions and biannual conferences (Open events)	Expert Session I	Expert Session II	Annual Conference	Expert Session III	Policy Forum
Topics	What was the key mission and targets when establishing the Competence Centres in different countries? To which extent the expectations were met and fulfilled?	Meeting of “two worlds” – wishes, plans and reality.	Too Much Data, Not Enough Power to Analyse.	Do we manage to fully use the innovation potential mapping?	Transnational mobility opens up new horizons for researchers. Is the expectation fulfilled?
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New Task Force

European Best Start-ups Community

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