

EaP PLUS

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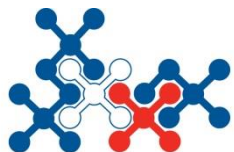
The EaP PLUS Project & its main activities

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EaP PLUS: multi-level support actions

- 3 year long **Coordination & Support Action** dedicated to the EU – EaP STI cooperation
- **Predecessor**: IncoNet EaP (2013-2016)
- **Successor**: EaP PLUS (2016-2019)
- Builds on previous FP7 and other projects addressing the region (Bilat, BS-Eranet, BSH, etc.)
- Includes partners from **all** the 6 EaP countries and from several EU MS



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Four main objectives:

- I. Support to EU-EaP *Policy Dialogue*
- II. Foster interaction between EU-EaP researchers & *promotion of H2020*
- III. Enhance the EU-EaP *research-innovation* partnership
- IV. Foster optimal framework conditions



I. Support to EU-EaP Policy Dialogue

- ✓ **Tailor-made support to the EaP Panel on R&I since 2013** (last meeting: 14 Dec. 2016);
- ✓ **Follow-up activities of the EaP Panel** (e.g. support of the **ERC Week** in Tbilisi/20-21 April 2017; support of the **SPIRE-EaP Countries** meeting in Brussels/7 April 2017, support of the **EaP Annual Event** in Minsk/Sept. 2017)
- ✓ **Maximizing the Impact of Association to H2020** (e.g. Conference on Sharing Experiences from Association (Chisinau, May 2017); Workshop for EaP Programme Committee Members (Autumn 2017), etc.);
- ✓ **Fact-finding activities for the EaP Countries** (desk research and missions) → **STI** policy recommendations **“EU-EaP Beyond 2020”**



II. Interaction between EU-EaP researchers & promotion of H2020

- ✓ **Grants for EaP researchers** to attend Brokerage Events in EU or pre-paratory meetings for H2020 (<https://www.eap-plus.eu/object/call/50>);
- ✓ **Info Days and Support to H2020 NCP Networks** in all EaP Countries (training, awareness campaigns for NCPs); 1st Info Day in UA at Kyiv Polytechnic Institute/April 2017;
- ✓ **Targeted Cooperation with Scientific Diaspora** using input from IncoNet EaP (policies & national databases); organization of 6 Diaspora workshops
- ✓ **Development of Webinars** (11 for H2020; 6 for specific innovation related topics)



III. Enhance the EU-EaP research-innovation partnership

- ✓ **Co-patenting analysis** focusing on EaP international patents
- ✓ **Trainings** for EaP technology managers
- ✓ Review of the **state of affairs** of (emerging) clusters in EaP
- ✓ Implementation of a Grant Scheme to boost **EU-EaP Cluster collaboration** & Workshop for recommendations
- ✓ Promoting **ETPs concept** in EaP (Review of State of Affairs & Workshop in Kiev)



III. Optimal framework conditions and increasing coordination in policies & programmes

- ✓ **Training seminars** for policymakers in R&I policies (Vienna in June 2017; Athens in 2018);
- ✓ **EU-EaP STI international barometer** (online until 14 April; <https://www.eap-plus.eu/object/news/76>);
- ✓ **Exploring cooperation and synergies** with Joint Programming Initiatives (JPIs), COST Actions and EU/MS countries



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Thank you for your attention!

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