

Working Group Greening Europe Conference Call: 13 January 2020

Draft meeting notes

Agenda:

- Introduction (purpose and process, Robert & Roland)
- Brief tour de table (max 10 minutes)
- Intro to the specific working group (max 5 minutes), how do we see it, our initial suggestions for topics
- First round of key topics to be brought forward by the participants (15 minutes)
- Discussion (15 minutes)
- Conclusions and next steps (10 minutes)

Participants:

Marceline Du Prie: TU Delft; Contribute to the Green Deal, visit of Green village shows possibilities

Claudia Repp: Coordinator at Shift2rail Joint Undertaking; currently in preparation of a potential future program

European construction technology platform: involved in green matters to make the construction sector more sustainable

Dagmar Auerbach: EURAMET e.V.; include climate issues in our call for 2021; interested in the stakeholder views and ideas

Dominique Darmendrail: French National Research Agency; coordinates the Water Joint Programming Initiative, which is a network of 23 members, observers and associate countries

Andris Andrusaitis: BONUS; preparing for the joint marine and maritime research and innovation program for the Baltic and the North Sea; climate neutral sustainable and productive blue economy;

Guillaume Gillet: InnoEnergy; catalyse the European economy by innovation; 250 start-ups in their portfolio; innovation projects in the field of low carbon energy

Jonas Bylund: Joint Programming Initiative Urban Europe; programming initiative mainly by public funding agencies.

Louis Lapidaire: United Academics, exploiting the consolidated open access library; aim to collect research that is dealing with the Green Deal and the new research that will emanate from Horizon Europe.

Philippe Jacques: EMIRI Energy Materials Industrial Research Initiative; advocating for advanced materials

Robert Judd: GERG; Energy systems and their transformation; decarbonisation through integration of the different parts of energy systems; the role of gas networks in the transformation;

Tanja Meyer: BBEU; Bio Based Processes and Products; circular economy; get more actions defined and from; long term perspective to work together with the European Investment F.

Angels Oduna: Executive Director SPIRE

Robbert Fisher: K4I Moderator

Roland Strauss: K4I

Priorities and objectives

- This is in a series of events leading up to the sessions during the 11th EIS. Next will be the physical breakfast meetings on the 21st of January and a second call in the last week of January.
- The sessions of the 11th EIS will round up and present recommendations, on key issues to ensure the impacts are reached from a stakeholder perspective to the EP and EC. The recommendations will be validated through discussion and debate with a wider audience.
- K4I serves as the platform of the European Parliament to bring together stakeholders; Commission and policy makers to tackle topics that are considered most critical for a specific area.
- Working groups come up with specific recommendations that are brought forth at the conference to foster a dialogue between stakeholders, the EP and the Commission, financial institutions and investors; the working groups are a mechanism to focus the discussions and run over the lifetime of Horizon Europe.
- Horizon Europe as an effort to implement strategies and orientations; reorientations over the period of seven years as well as a continuous discussion of the budget allocation.

- The instrument “K4I MEP policy brief” informs MEPs about a certain subject matter. The sessions are accompanied by those briefings that lay out the topic, the priorities, the challenges and policy options or recommendations.

Specific focus for this working group:

- How to make the needed progress
- Which perspectives or concerns need to be addressed within Horizon Europe
- Interplay between the European, national and regional level
- IT perspective
- Connection between Horizon Europe and the Green Deal (advanced stage vs. recently established)
- What new challenges does the Green Deal and its objectives pose to the budget (the GD has been formulated after the initial MMF discussions and positions)

Key perspectives

- In marine and maritime research and innovation, the macro regional level (North Sea; Baltic Sea) is very important; the topic is too big for individual MS, but too specific to be addressed on a general pan European level.
Trying to convince all stakeholders and MS; the macro regional scale is the primary scale on upon which the future marine and maritime research and innovation partnership should be built on.
- Transport is a key element; linking different transport roads together
- How to be most efficient to maximize the impact at the right level (local; international)
- Connect the pillars public research and private sector to allow transfers between them.
- Importance of distinguishing between all the climate variables in the ocean, atmosphere or on land; finding common measurements for the differences regarding ocean and atmosphere.
- Make best use of the resources available and rationalise the participation cooperation in the frame of partnerships; make use of the already acquired knowledge and innovation made in and financed by the EU
- Cooperate with the European Innovation Council
- Try to be active in research; support innovation communities around urban challenges; focus on key priorities of urban mobility energy and circular economy in urban settings; support a human centred approach and an integrated urban development

Main objectives:

- Budget distribution in relation to the ambitious goals of the Green Deal

- Better interaction throughout the different parts of Horizon Europe to improve synergies between the many existing initiatives, programmes and funding mechanisms, at EU, National and regional/local levels
- The other side of the same coin: better assess trade-offs that occur when implementing a new action/ see how projects affect each other
- Reuse ideas in different areas, knowledge and experience diffusion
- Introduce common measurement frames and measure impacts beyond publications and patents by creating an index
- Exchange and share perspectives of different partnerships in different areas