

European Partnerships

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European Partnerships and
synergies

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New approach to European partnerships: overview

New generation of objective-driven and more ambitious partnerships in support of agreed EU policy objectives

Key features

- **Simple architecture and toolbox**
- **Common set of criteria**
- **Coherent life-cycle approach**
- **Strategic orientation**

Co-programmed

Based on Memoranda of Understanding / contractual arrangements; implemented independently by the partners and by Horizon Europe

Co-funded

Based on a joint programme agreed by partners; commitment of partners for financial and in-kind contributions & financial contribution by Horizon Europe

Institutionalised

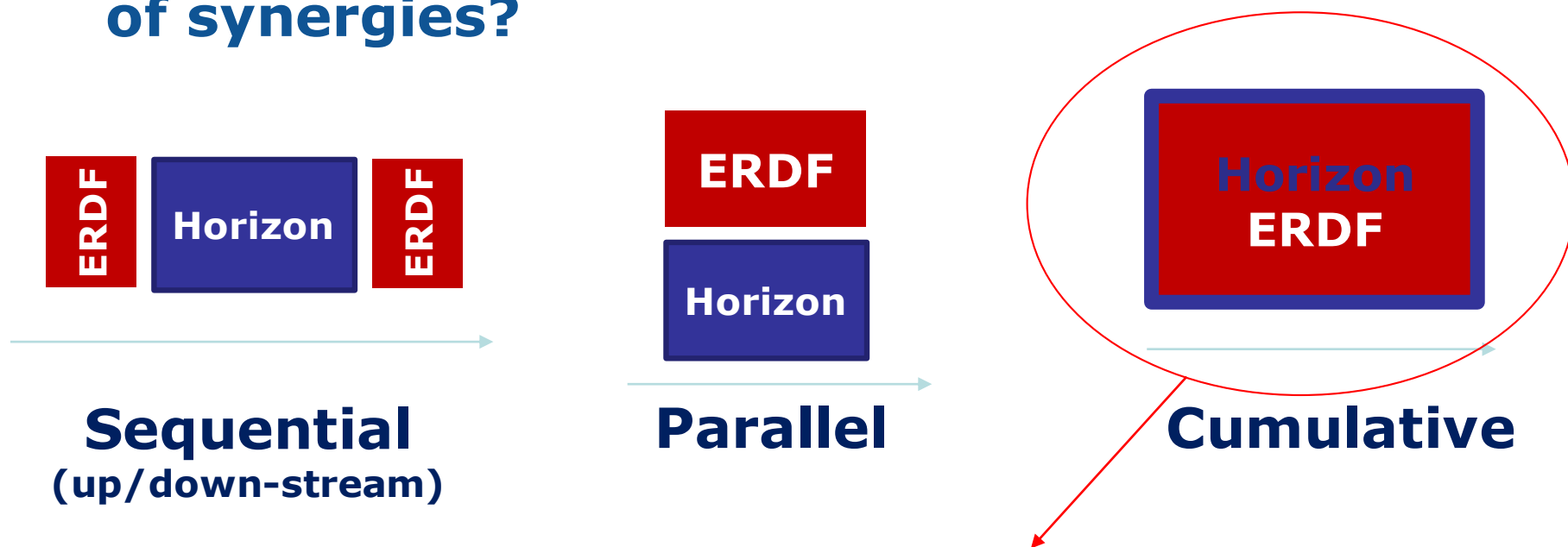
Based on long-term dimension and need for high integration; partnerships based on Articles 185 / 187 of TFEU and the EIT-Regulation supported by Horizon Europe

Coherence and synergies: context

- Partnerships aim to address **strategic and complex challenges**. They allow building critical mass and pooling investment around **common EU priorities**.
- All European Partnerships aspire take a holistic approach and foster **'systemic' transitions** → developing synergies is essential
- The main tool to develop synergies is the **SRIA**, which allows long-term planning on common priorities.
- Multiple interconnections and collaboration opportunities exist between the candidate European Partnerships
- Opportunities for collaboration with a range of EU R&I initiatives beyond Horizon Europe (CEF, DEP, IPCEI, ETS Innovation Fund, ERDF...)
- **What is different in HE compared to H2020?**
 - Systematic approach to Partnerships (incl. criteria)
 - Synergies is a high priority in HE (/ across MFF programmes)

→ **Enables to agree collaborations and synergies ex ante**

What will change in Horizon Europe in terms of synergies?



Relevant provisions agreed:

- HE, Art. 8(1) (b)(c) and recital 16a
- CPR, Art. 106 and other applicable provisions of the CPR

Financial contributions from programmes co-financed by the ERDF, the ESF+, the EMFF and the EAFRD may be considered as a contribution of the participating Member State for the purpose of participating in European Partnerships, provided that Article 106 (co-financing rates) and other applicable provisions of the Common Provisions Regulation proposal and the fund-specific regulations are complied with.

The strategic planning process and European Partnerships

- Strategic Planning: identification of priorities to be addressed by partnerships (initial 44 candidates)
- Early involvement of Member States as part of the complementary strategic coordinating process
 - **Results of the structured consultation** (5 new)
- Preparation and publication of **draft proposals** for partnerships in co-creation between partners and COM ([Horizon Europe webpage](#))
- Partners are in good track for finalising draft strategic R&I agendas/ roadmaps
- **Ensure ambition and fit with EU priorities and selection criteria**
- **Ensure openness, transparency, support alignment and synergies**

Stable portfolio of candidate European Partnerships (49)

HEALTH

EU-Africa Global Health (EDCTP3)
Innovative Health Initiative
Partnership for Risk Assessment of Chemicals
Fostering an ERA for Health Research
Transformation of Health Care Systems
Personalised Medicine
Rare Diseases
One Health / Antimicrobial Resistance

DIGITAL, INDUSTRY AND SPACE

High Performance Computing
Key Digital Technologies
Smart Networks and Services
Photonics; AI, data and robotics
Clean Steel - Low Carbon Steelmaking
European Metrology; Made in Europe
Processes4Planet
Global competitive space systems

PILLAR III AND CROSS-PILLAR

EIT Climate KIC
EIT Health
EIT Manufacturing
EIT Food
EIT InnoEnergy
EIT Raw Materials
EIT Digital
EIT Urban Mobility
EIT Cultural and Creative Industries
Innovative SMEs
European Open Science Cloud (EOSC)

CLIMATE, ENERGY AND MOBILITY

Europe's Rail
Integrated Air Traffic Management;
Clean Aviation
Clean Hydrogen
Batteries
Zero-emission Waterborne Transport
Towards zero-emission road transport
Connected and Automated Mobility
Built4People
Driving urban transitions to a sustainable future
Clean Energy Transition

FOOD, BIOECONOMY, NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT

Accelerating farming systems transition
Animal Health and Welfare
Agriculture of Data
Rescuing biodiversity to Safeguard Life on Earth
A climate neutral, sustainable and productive Blue Economy
Safe and Sustainable Food System for People, Planet & Climate
Circular bio-based Europe
Water4All II: Water security for the planet

Cluster allocation tbc
Pandemic preparedness and societal resilience

How countries should best implement and take advantage of the new partnerships?

- Strategic planning of HE → **priority-setting and planning of synergies at national level** (RIS3)
 - **Broad range of activities** that go beyond R&I projects; **related to social, regulatory and market uptake** (living labs, testing environments, international cooperation, regulations and standards, regional hubs etc.)
 - **Join the partnership**
 - Partnerships with member states: participation as a partner is decided at the level of the country (e.g. co-funds)
 - Partnerships with industry: an organisation can join by becoming a member of the association or the joint undertaking
 - **Take part of the scientific and/ or MS advisory bodies** → to inform, align and coordinate R&I activities
- **Find out more from the draft proposals**
- **Reach out to partnership contact points (HE website)**

Being a partner offers important benefits

- **Critical scales of investments** and gains in cost-effectiveness
- Multi-level policy coordination by **involving the right set of actors** at the international, EU, national and local level
- Benefit from **shared knowledge, skills, infrastructure, databases** etc.
- Strengthened **science-policy interface**, and interactions with end-users of results
- Opportunities for local authorities, companies and research centers to **cooperate in transnational projects**