

## Chemicals Partnership Working Meeting

**Thematic Area under S3 Platform for Industrial Modernization  
25 February 2019**

Seebener Straße 22, 06114 Halle (Saale), Germany

### Main features

- Half-day format; interactive sessions;
- Introduction and discussion of draft “Scoping Paper”, collection of comments;
- Working sessions on framing partnership priorities; engagement of stakeholders and governance of the partnership.

### Expected results

- Identification of (three to four) key priorities, on which the partnership will focus
- Mutual understanding of partners’ expectations from the partnership – Vision
- Discussion on and expression of interest to be leading region/part of a priority area;
- Structuring the partnership work according to identified priorities (e.g. in working groups)
- Next steps and action plan for the following 6 months.

### Participant profiles

- Regional representatives: The ones who are actively involved and committed to the process, in the position to express the position of the region they represent;
- Regional Stakeholders: Business Leaders (Cluster managers, leaders from relevant business associations and organisations, managers of leading companies at international level);
- ReConifrm experts and ECRN
- It is expected to have up to 20 participants (max).

### Preparation required by participants

- Review of the draft “Scoping Paper”: facts presented and consequences for the priorities and organisation of the partnership;
- An overview of key priorities in your region and related policies and projects;
- An identification of capacities within your region to:
  - Take on leadership of a priority area particularly relevant to your region;
  - Organise (match-making) events between industries and businesses in the priority area.
- Concrete suggestions for actions and steps within the next six months that can be instrumental in mobilising key regional stakeholders (e.g. companies) and the development of investment projects.

## Draft agenda

Time	Content of sessions
14.30 - 14.45	<b>Registration – Coffee</b>
14.45 - 15.00	<b>Welcome – Introduction (ECRN)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Overview of the partnership development so far</li> <li>• Objectives and Organisation of the day</li> </ul>
15.00 - 15.30	<b>Introduction of the draft Scoping Paper (ReConfirm)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation and validation of key findings</li> <li>• Discussion on the regional expectations from the partnership. Setting Partnership Vision</li> </ul>
15.30 - 16.30	<b>Defining the key priority areas of the partnership - Interactive Session with the inputs of the regions on: (Moderated by ReConfirm)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Are the priority areas identified in the Scoping Paper valid or should they be complemented or modified?</li> <li>• Do the priority areas reflect key needs of your region?</li> <li>• What kind of regional stakeholders need to participate in the partnership in order to address the priority areas you would like to be involved in?</li> <li>• Is inter-regional cooperation the best way to achieve tangible outputs? Is there a sufficient mass of regions to support a priority area?</li> <li>• What specific types of projects could be developed under the priority areas?</li> </ul>
16.45 - 17.00	<b>Coffee break</b>
17.00 - 17.45	<b>Leadership of priority areas and organisational set-up - Interactive discussion with the inputs of the regions on: (Moderated by ReConfirm and ECRN)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Who is interested in contributing to develop concrete investment ideas under the selected priority areas?</li> <li>• Who of the interested partners is willing to lead a priority area?</li> <li>• What should be the next step for the development of each priority area?</li> <li>• What communication/exchange setup should be used for each group working on a key priority?</li> </ul>
17.45 - 18.15	<b>Next steps and activities until July 2019 - Interactive discussion with the inputs of the regions on: (Moderated by ReConfirm)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Partnership action plan for the next 6 months (and beyond) – finalisation of the Scoping Paper; formation of working groups per priority area;</li> <li>• Engagement of industry/cluster or other stakeholders – what steps to undertake in order to identify and mobilise them in each priority area</li> </ul>
18.15 - 18.30	<b>Conclusions (ECRN)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Summary of key conclusions of all sessions</li> <li>• Impacts on the partnership development</li> <li>• Impacts of the workshop on S3Chem meeting</li> <li>• Open questions to be addressed</li> <li>• Next meeting</li> </ul>