



“Symposium on European Funding Instruments for the development of Research Infrastructures”

Date: April 19th, 2016

*Location: Institute of Health Carlos III, Avenida Monforte de Lemos, 5. Pavilion 13,
Ernest Lluch Auditorium
Madrid, Spain*

9:00 – 9:30 Registration with coffee

9:30 – 10:00 Welcoming words and key objectives of the symposium

Welcome words from ISCIII’s Director General, Jesús FERNANDEZ-CRESPO

Welcome words from EC representative, Philippe FROISSARD, Deputy HoU, Research Infrastructures, DG RTD, European Commission

Welcome words from the Symposium’s Chair, Inmaculada FIGUEROA, Deputy Vice Director General for International Relations and Europeans Affairs, Spanish Ministry of Economy and Competitiveness, MINECO

10:00 –10:20 Keynote speaker: Octavi QUINTANA, Principal Advisor on Research Policy, DG RTD, European Commission

“Research Infrastructures and the European Research Area”

10:20 – 12:30 *Plenary session 1 – Horizon2020 programme – the EU Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020)*

Moderator: Manfred HALVER, Austrian NCP for Research Infrastructures, Austrian Research Promotion Agency (FFG)

Speakers:

- *Philippe FROISSARD – Deputy HoU, Research Infrastructures, DG RTD, European Commission*
- *A. BURGUEÑO ARJONA – HoU, e-infrastructure Unit, DG CNECT, European Commission*



- *Sergi GIRONA – Operations Director, Barcelona Supercomputing Center (BSC): “PRACE: Example of beneficiaries”*
- *Marc D’HOOGE, InnovFin Programme Manager, EIB: “Objectives and Opportunities of the InnovFin Programme”*
- *Berenice BOULANGER, Head of Finance, European Synchrotron Radiation Facility, ESRF: “Example of beneficiaries, ESRF”*

Support and Advisory Services (speakers):

- *Monique BOSSI, Agency for the Promotion of European Research (APRE), RICH project coordinator: “The RICH project”*
- *Katarzyna WALCZYK-MATUSZYK, Institute of Fundamental Technological Research (IPPT-PAN), NCP WIDE.NET project coordinator: “The NCP WIDE.NET project”*

Questions, answers and debate session

12:30 – 13:30 Lunch break

13:30 – 15:30 Plenary Session 2 - Structural Funds in support of Research Infrastructures – Synergies with Cohesion Policy and the role of Smart Specialization Strategies

Moderator: *Fernando MÉRIDA, HoU, Programme Coordination, Spanish Ministry of Economy and Competitiveness, MINECO*

Speakers:

- *Katja REPPEL, Deputy Head of Unit, DG REGIO, European Commission*
- *Susana ELENA PEREZ - Joint Research Centre (JRC), European Commission: “Smart Specialization Strategies”*
- *Moisés BLANCO MACEIRAS - Deputy Vice Director General for European Territorial Cooperation and Urban Development – Spanish Ministry of Finance and Public Administration (MINHAB): “INTERREG Europe”*



Support and Advisory Services (speakers):

- *Susana ELENA PEREZ, Joint Research Centre (JRC), European Commission: "The Smart Specialization Platform: supporting regions and member states".*
- *Michael SCHALLER, Senior project engineer/SMART Division, EIB-JASPERS: "Joint Assistance to support projects in the European Regions".*

Examples of beneficiaries (speakers):

- *Juan Miguel GONZÁLEZ ARANDA, HoU, Ministry of Economy and Competitiveness of Spain: "LIFEWATCH - example of beneficiary"*
- *Jana KOLAR, Executive Director – CERIC-ERIC: "Use of Structural Funds in Poland, Czech Republic and Romania"*
- *Zlatusa NOVOTNA, Head of international relations and Grant Office CEITEC: "Success case: The South Moravian region"*

Questions, answers and debate session

15:30 -16:00 Coffee break

16:00 – 17:00 Plenary Session 3 – The European Fund for Strategic Investment (EFSI) - Support strategic investments in key areas

Moderator: Luis GUERRA, Spanish NCP for SMEs and Access to Risk Finance, Centre for the Development of Industrial Technology (CDTI)

Speakers:

- *Julia TADDEI, Seconded National Expert at the European Commission: "The EFSI Funds, EC perspective"*
- *Antonella CALVIA GÓTZ, European Investment Bank (EIB) - "Sustainability issues in funding research infrastructures"*

Support and Advisory Services (speakers):

- *Julia TADDEI, Seconded National Expert at the European Commission "The European Investment Advisory Hub (EIAH): technical assistance initiative – single entry point and coordinating*



body and European Investment Project Portal (EIPP) - potential investment opportunities in the EU"

Examples of beneficiaries (speakers):

- *Fabio MAZZOLINI, Elettra International Relations Officer - Elettra Synchrotron: FERMI experiment, Beneficiary of a Risk Sharing Finance Facility from EIB*

Questions, answers and debate session

17:00 – 17:15 Concluding remarks and Symposium closure

- *Philippe FROISSARD – Deputy HoU, Research Infrastructures, DG RTD, European Commission*
- *Inmaculada FIGUEROA, Deputy Vice Director General for International Relations and Europeans affairs, Ministry of Economy and Competitiveness, MINECO*

17:15 – 19:00 Cocktail reception