



Launch of Horizon Europe – the 9th EU Research & Innovation Framework Programme (2021-2027) for a Green, Digital and Inclusive transition: new Collaboration & Mobility Opportunities

(Online)

Wednesday, July 7, 2021
15:30 – 18:30

Horizon Europe is the European Union’s key funding programme for research and innovation with a budget of EUR 95.5 billion for the years 2021-2027. The programme facilitates collaboration and strengthens research and innovation for developing, supporting and implementing EU policies. Openness to the world remains a key feature of Horizon Europe. The programme is fully aligned with the recently adopted European Commission’s Communication on the Global Approach to Research and Innovation, where the promotion of international research cooperation is a top priority. With its focus on global challenges, cross-cutting missions, partnerships, and open science policy, Horizon Europe is an excellent vehicle to enable researchers in Japan and the EU to collaborate ever more closely than before.

This webinar, the first of its type in Japan on the programme, will provide a general introduction to Horizon Europe and explain its importance and significance to researchers in Japan, particularly in terms of the mobility and collaboration opportunities which the new programme will open up. The webinar will begin with a series of welcome addresses and introductory remarks from key stakeholders in the EU and Japan. Horizon Europe and the first set of calls issued under the first Work Programme for 2021-2022 will then be explained, chiefly from the perspective of EU-Japan collaboration, frontier research, and mobility opportunities.

The event comes at an important time in EU-Japan relations for research, following the Joint Statement issued at the EU - Japan Summit in May 2021, which called for the EU and Japan to join forces to increase cooperation in research and innovation to defeat the COVID-19 pandemic and build more resilient, inclusive, green, and digital economies.

Please join this webinar to celebrate the launch of Horizon Europe in Japan and to learn more about this exciting new research programme and the many opportunities it will open for EU-Japan research collaboration and exchange.

Draft agenda:

15:30 Welcome remarks (EU)

- Dr. Patricia Flor, Ambassador of the EU to Japan
- Mrs. Maria Cristina Russo, Director, Directorate for Global Approach and International Collaboration in R&I, Directorate-General for Research and Innovation, European Commission

15:45 Introductory remarks (Japan) - 5 min each

- Mr. Yoichi Inoue, Deputy Director General, Cabinet Office
- Dr. Susumu Kajiwara, Deputy Director-General, Science and Technology Policy Bureau, Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (TBC)
- Dr. Susumu Satomi, President, Japan Society for the Promotion of Science
- Dr. Kazuo Kyuma, President, National Agriculture and Food Research Organization
- Dr. Yoshinao Mishima, President, Japan Agency for Medical Research and Development (TBC)
- Dr. Michinari Hamaguchi, President, Japan Science and Technology Agency (TBC)
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16:45 Horizon Europe - 10-15 min each

- General overview of Horizon Europe
- Overview of Work Programme 2021-2022
- Pillar 1: Excellent Science
 - Mr. Jose Labastida, Head of Unit, Support to the Scientific Council, European Research Council (presentation on European Research Council grants)
 - Mr. Manuel Gomez-Herrero, Directorate-General for Education, Youth, Sport and Culture, European Commission (presentation on Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions)
 - Ms. Agnes Robin or Ms. Lorenza Saracco, Directorate-General for Research and Innovation, European Commission (presentation on Research Infrastructure)
- Pillar 2: Global Challenges and European Industrial Competitiveness
 - Mrs. Inmaculada Penas Jimenez, Combating Diseases, Directorate-General for Research and Innovation, European Commission (presentation on Health-related calls and Global Health partnership) (TBC)
 - Mr. Philippe Quevauviller, Innovation and Industry for Security, Directorate-General for Migration and Home Affairs, European Commission (presentation on Civil Security for Society)
 - DG CNECT (TBC)
 - Mr. Ludger Rogge, Future Urban & Mobility Systems, Directorate-General for Research and Innovation, European Commission (presentation on Connected, Cooperative and Automated Mobility and the European Partnership on automated driving)

- Mr. Francky Callewaert, Low emission future industries, Directorate-General for Research and Innovation, European Commission (presentation on Clean Aviation)
 - (TBC) Clean Planet, Directorate-General for Research and Innovation, European Commission (presentation on Climate Change)
- Mr. Naomichi Yamada, National Contact Point for Horizon Europe in Japan
 - Dr. Judit Erika Magyar, Country Coordinator, EURAXESS Japan

18:20 Closing remarks (EU)

- Mrs. Nienke Buisman, Head of Unit, International Cooperation II: Asia, Africa, Middle East & External Relations, Directorate-General for Research and Innovation



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