



Association to H2020: major benefits and challenges

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Major benefits

Association to Horizon 2020 facilitates the mobility of excellent Scientists, strengthens national research systems, and helps the countries Integrate into the European Research Area

- Provides rules, procedures, framework and standards to apply for projects;
- Participation in a number of big EU projects, both as partners and coordinators of H2020 projects;
- Access to performant technologies, platforms and equipment of scientific Centers from abroad;

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Major benefits

- Financial support to the participation of the Republic of Moldova in the EU programme H2020 for previous years:
 - ❖ Europe Days in Moldova;
 - ❖ Science Day;
 - ❖ “Researchers’ Night”;
 - ❖ Trainings in different countries for Moldavian scientists and officers,
 - ❖ InfoDays, Workshops,, Consultancies,
 - ❖ special grants for preparation of new EU projects, and other events

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Major benefits

Conclusions:

- Relevance of partnership initiatives contributing much to the integration of our R&I system into ERA, due to their consistency with EU policy objectives;
- Creation of opportunities for our actors from R&I sector;
- Transnational and multidisciplinary collaborations between different actors;
- Contribution to promoting excellence in research.

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Challenges

Research infrastructure:

- Aligning the research infrastructure to the European level;
- Map research infrastructure in research and innovation institutions and develop the necessary regulatory framework for its development, management and maintenance, avoiding duplication;
- Draw up a roadmap for the development of the research infrastructure in the research and innovation system;





Challenges

- Create conditions for connecting to the European research infrastructure;
- Use various tools to ensure access to the European research infrastructure through mobility of Moldovan scientific community representatives to the European centres with advanced infrastructure;
- Create conditions for connecting to the European research infrastructure;
- Associate with programs on cooperation with major infrastructures in the region;

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Challenges

- Use various tools to ensure access to the European research infrastructure through mobility of Moldovan scientific community representatives to the European centres with advanced infrastructure;
- Adjusting the salary rules inside the projects to the national salary scales;
- Weak participation of private sector in projects;
- ERA Chairs actions.

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