11th e-Concertation Meeting for Horizon2020 e-Infrastructure Projects

9 November 2015 Avenue de Beaulieu 25, 1160 Brussels

Timetable	Topic
09:00 - 09:15	Registration and coffee
09:15 - 10:00	Welcome & Update from EC – WP2016-2017
10:00 – 11:45	 AM Group Breakout Sessions a. HPC cluster & Centres of Excellence b. Biomedical and Life Sciences c. Earth Sciences, energy and environment d. Social Sciences and Humanities
11:00 – 11:15	Coffee break
11:45 – 12:30	Plenary session. Project presentations by AM project groups (focus on synergies) – (5' presentation + 5' discussion)
12:30 – 13:30	Networking lunch
13:30 – 15:15	PM Group Breakout Sessions e. Open Scholarships f. Skills and training g. Transversal services h. Integration of data and computing services i. International Cooperation
15:15 – 15:45	Coffee break
15:45 – 16:45	Plenary session. Project presentations by PM project groups (focus on synergies) – (5' presentation + 5' discussion)
16:45 – 17:30	Discussion, conclusions and wrap-up
17:30 – 17:45	Closing of the event
17:45 - 20:00	Networking drink

Welcome to the 11th e-Concertation meeting

We are delighted to welcome you to this event and hope that we will all have a productive day. Here is some useful information about the day and how to best prepare for it.

Practicalities:

- The event is not restricted to coordinators; we strongly encourage project partners to attend.
- Some projects are included in a single discussion group while others are included in several groups. We expect you to register with enough participants in order to cover all the groups in which you take part.
- 4 parallel sessions will be run in the morning and 5 in the afternoon. Your organisation can thus participate to the sessions with a limited number of people.

Before the event:

- You are invited to contact the peer projects that are part of the same group than yours. The
 <u>Digital4Science</u> platform is up and running; here you can initiate and follow discussions about
 the topics most relevant to you.
- A booklet containing the summary of the participating projects will be made available in advance. This will allow you to know more about other peer projects and exploit the networking opportunities.
- Please register your attendance using the link included in the invitation email.
 - It is mandatory you provide your ID/Passport in order to access the premises.
 - Please let us know which sessions you plan to attend. Read through this directions page about the parallel sessions and coordinate with your project colleagues; discuss internally which sessions to attend.
 - We will close the day with a networking drink. This will be an excellent opportunity to continue your discussions and network with all the participants. For organisational purposes, please let us know if you would like to attend at the time of registering.

During the event:

- Fostering good discussions and enabling future collaboration between participants are the main objectives of the day. After the welcome session we will immediately initiate the group discussions. This event is for you!!
- Breakout sessions will be run in parallel. Projects are expected to send at least one
 participant to each discussion group in which they are included. Participants whose project is
 not discussed during the AM or the PM sessions are free to join any of the ongoing
 discussions.

Fictitious example: The project "Science without borders" participates in the groups: c) Earth Sciences, energy and environment, d) Social Sciences and Humanities and g) Transversal services. This project decides to send 4 representatives to the event:

- During the morning, one person attends the c) Earth Sciences, energy and environment group another one attends d) Social Sciences and Humanities and the other 2 attend any AM discussion they are interested in.
- During the morning, one person attends the *g) Transversal services* discussion and the other 3 attend any PM discussion they are interested in.

Even if the project "Science without borders" would be able to cover all its commitments with 2 representatives, the extra participants will allow to get a broader insight about other relevant topics and discover new areas of mutual cooperation.

- Each discussion group will be chaired and animated by a Project Officer from DG CNECT.
- Participants in each discussion will be invited to introduce themselves briefly ("tour de table" format). No formal presentation or PowerPoint will be used.
- Each discussion group will be provided with a flipchart and markers in order to summarize their findings and conclusions
- One person from each discussion group is expected to present in plenary session the conclusions and agreements reached during the breakout groups. The time allocated for each group is only 5 minutes. The point is really to get into the outcome and the next steps. (You can use one or two slides in PowerPoint for visibility purposes in the plenary room.)

After the event:

- We expect that you will benefit of the day and that you will continue the conversations with your peer projects. We invite you to share your experiences through the Digital4Science platform.
- Please let us know how useful this event was and how can we improve it in the future.