

Webinar

24th June, 10:30 - 12:00 CEST, IFVCNS Novi Sad, Serbia

Widening Participation in Horizon Europe: Tools and Opportunities for Accessing Research Networks for European Funding

Horizon Europe is the EU's key funding programme for research and innovation with a budget of 9,5 billion €. The geographic representation of the beneficiaries in the past Horizon 2020 programme shows a performance gap between EU13 and EU15 Member States and Associated Countries. Enhancing participation of low R&I performing countries and relevant stakeholder is crucial for achieving excellence and diversity of expertise in supported research and innovation endeavours. Only with a broad range of partners across European Research Area involved can common European and global challenges be addressed.

The Widening Participation and Spreading Excellence action under this programme aims at building research and innovation capacity for low R&I performing countries, strengthening their potential for successful transnational research and innovation processes, promote networking and access to excellence. The areas of intervention include *Teaming, Twinning, ERA Chairs*, and *European Cooperation in Science and Technology (COST) actions*. Recently the Horizon Europe *Hop-On Facility* was opened enabling a partner from a Widening country to join a project throughout its lifetime Through this Webinar, EURAGRI aims to provide information to its members and interested parties on tools and opportunities for accessing European funding through efficient networking involving widening and less-performing countries. The following points will be discussed:

- 1. How to ensure openness towards a broad range of partners and stakeholders from relevant sectors and geographical areas? How to identify relevant networks and invite them?
- 2. Involving Widening and less performing countries in the entire life cycle of the partnership is particularly important in achieving significant impact and delivering on EU policy priorities. What options are there?
- 3. Success stories and how to repeat them?

Programme:

- 1. Introduction: Dragana Miladinovic, EURAGRI board member
- 2. WIDERA under Horizon European: Opportunities for networking for excellence and widening participation, Adeline Kroll, EU Policy Officer, DG RTD
- 3. Horizon Europe and the way to a successful research project application, Sylvia Burssens, Ghent University
- 4. From a COST Action to a successful HORIZON EUROPE proposal,

 Dennis Eriksson, Department of Plant Breeding, Swedish University of Agricultural Science

Q & A

Registration link:

https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJEsdO6uqTwqHtXdvAlutY3lLgfeV0xBxIeC