

# ERIC Forum Policy Seminar

## Funding mechanisms for access to ERIC transnational services

14-15 September, 2020  
ONLINE – GoToTraining Platform

- **DRAFT AGENDA**

### BACKGROUND

Within the framework of the ERIC Forum project (Grant Agreement n°823798) the ERIC Forum will prepare on a yearly basis, policy briefs that will address topics that are of relevance to all of its members and that contribute to strengthening the ERA. The briefs will be presented and discussed at yearly policy seminars that will gather key stakeholders. The seminars will also be the opportunity to present the Technical and Innovation Reports, also produced within the framework of the ERIC Forum project.

This first seminar will focus on the brief entitled “Funding models for access to ERIC transnational services” and will bring together representatives of main funding bodies and ERICs to jointly identify opportunities and build recommendations to optimize the funding mechanisms for research projects requiring ERIC services.

### DAY 1 – 14 SEPTEMBER, 2020

BLOCK 1 – Introduction (11h00-11h45 CET)	
TOPIC - TIME	DESCRIPTION
Welcome Words 10 min	ERIC Forum Chair and project Coordinator welcome the audience and introduce the Forum, the project and the Seminar
Introduction – Policy Brief 1 30 min	Presentation of the policy brief – context, content, objectives and next steps
Program layout 5 min	Overview of the seminar’s program and content

**BLOCK 2 – Breakout sessions – two parallel sessions (13h00-14h30)**

TOPIC - TIME	DESCRIPTION
<b>Session A</b> <u>National Funding Schemes + ERA-Nets and EJP</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- ERIC use case on</li> <li>- Stakeholder presentation</li> <li>- Discussion on recommendations</li> </ul>	Session to discuss in depth the access of ERICs to national funding schemes (national funding, cross-border funding, “common pot”), ERA-Nets and EJPs.
<b>Session B</b> <u>Regional Funds – Technical and Innovation Report</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- ERIC use case</li> <li>- Presentation of the Technical and Innovation report</li> <li>- Stakeholder presentation</li> <li>- Discussion on recommendations</li> </ul>	Session to discuss in depth the access of ERICs regional funding schemes, and to present the Technical and Innovation Report on “ <i>Creating synergies between ERICs and the (Regional) Research and Innovation Strategies for Smart Specialisation – RIS<sup>3</sup></i> ”.

**DAY 2 – 15 SEPTEMBER, 2020**
**BLOCK 3 – Breakout Sessions – two parallel sessions (11h00 – 12h30)**

TOPIC - TIME	DESCRIPTION
<b>Session C</b> <u>ERC Funding + Horizon Europe and PPP</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- ERIC use case</li> <li>- Stakeholder presentation</li> <li>- Discussion on recommendations</li> </ul>	Session to discuss in depth the access of ERICs to ERC funding, lessons from Horizon 2020 and outlooks for Horizon Europe and Public Private Partnerships.
<b>Session D</b> <u>TNA + Short term mobility and fellowships</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- ERIC use case</li> <li>- Stakeholder presentation</li> <li>- Discussion on recommendations</li> </ul>	Session to discuss in depth the access of ERICs to TNA and the outlooks for the future of this mechanism, and other opportunities for short term mobility and fellowships.

**BLOCK 4 – Next Steps and conclusions (13h30 – 14h30)**

TOPIC - TIME	DESCRIPTION
Summary of conclusions of all parallel sessions 20 min	Summary of conclusions from the rapporteurs of the parallel sessions.
ERIC Forum Moving Forward 30 min	General discussion on the recommendations. Next steps for the ERIC Forum.
Closing Words 10 min	Chair and WP6 leaders close the meeting