
Initiatives on Widening

Main news

- **Continuation** of key "widening" tools of **Teaming, Twinning** and **ERA Chairs**
- **Research costs under CSA actions** are eligible under Teaming, Twinning and ERA Chairs
- **Greater emphasis on developing research management capacities**
- **80 % of calls** must strongly emphasize the **"widening" dimension**
- **Permanent list** of eligible **Member States for the role of the coordinator** (EU13 + PT + EL) + Associated countries
- **Implementation of the "Advancing Europe" package** = a set of measures to support strengthening the participation of "low performing countries" including the Czech Republic
- A more **integrated approach and greater synergies** with regional and national policy, RIS, etc.

Goals:

- **R&I capacities** should be reformed and made more **attractive** to talented researchers from abroad
- increased participation in Horizon Europe and other programs as a **coordinator**
- to create **stronger links** between academia and the business community; innovation
- **better involvement** of regional actors in the research and innovation process



Widening participation/spreading excellence



Excellence Hubs

Newly established innovation ecosystems based on a model of cooperation of research institutions, business companies, regional authorities and various social entities.

Goals:

- to develop innovation in a regional context in "widening" countries
- to strengthen the links between research and business
- to develop cross-border strategies for the development of research and innovation
- mobilize investment in the region

Actions for better Brain Circulation

In addition to the existing ERA Chairs have been established:

ERA Fellowships build on the Widening Fellowships pilot project under the MSCA Fellowships.

ERA Talents will provide training and career development grants, promote postdoctoral career diversity, and raise awareness of good practice in employment and creating good working conditions for these talents.

Goals:

- Institutional reforms of universities in "widening" countries
- More efficient use of existing research infrastructure
- Ability to attract the best researchers and thus reverse the "brain drain"
- Improve permeability between sectors: academic and business (greater permeability when changing scientific careers)

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