News in widening actions within Horizon Europe

- 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.

**A set of these measures should lead to:**
- 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

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

**Its goal is:**
- 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, ERA Fellowships and ERA Talents 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

**Its goal is:**

• 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)