



National launching event for Horizon Europe

Virtual conference, 7th & 8th of December 2020

»Exploring Horizon Europe«

Day 1, 7th of December 2020

Opening & welcome addresses

10.00 - 10.30

*Address by the European Commissioner for Innovation, Research, Culture,
Education and Youth,*

Ms. Mariya Gabriel

Address by Head of EU Representation in Slovenia,

Mr. Zoran Stančič

Address by the Minister of Economic Development and Technology,

Mr. Zdravko Počivalšek

Address by the Minister of Education, Science and Sport,

Ms. Simona Kustec



10.30 – 12.00

High-level Policy Panel “How can Horizon Europe and the new ERA effectively address the key global challenges?”

Moderator

Mr. Tomaž Boh, Director General, Science Directorate, Ministry of Education, Science and Sport

Mr. Jean-Eric Paquet, Director General, Directorate for Research and Innovation, European Commission

Ms. Jana Kolar, Executive Director, CERIC-ERIC

Mr. Jure Gašparič, State Secretary, Ministry of Education, Science and Sport

Ms. Ajda Cuderman, State Secretary, Ministry of Economic Development and Technology

Ms. Andreja Gomboc, Chair, Science and Technology Council of the Republic of Slovenia

Mr. Janez Potočnik, Co-chair, International Resource Panel of the United Nations



12.00 – 12.10

Power break and Science month video presentation

12.10 – 13.40

Presentation of the horizontal elements of Horizon Europe

Moderator

Mr. Peter Volasko, National coordinator for Horizon Europe, Ministry of Education, Science and Sport

Strengthening the new ERA and generating synergies

Ms. Anna Panagopoulou, DG RTD, European Commission

Widening Participation & Spreading Excellence

Ms. Magda de Carli, DG RTD, European Commission

National contact points

Ms. Tanja Vertelj in Ms. Uršula Konečnik, Ministry of Education, Science and Sport

Discussion (Q&A)

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Day 2, 8th of December 2020

9.00 - 10.30

Presentation of Pillar 1 activities

Moderator

Ms. Andreja Umek Venturini, Science Sector, Ministry of Education, Science and Sport

European Research Council (ERC)

Mr. Jean-Pierre Bourguignon, President ad interim, European Research Council, (ERC)

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA)

Ms. Claire Morel, Head of Unit, DG EAC, European Commission

Research Infrastructures

Ms. Grazyna Piesiewicz, Head of Unit, DG CONNECT, European Commission

National contact points

Mr. Stojan Sorčan, Science Sector, Ministry of Education, Science and Sport

Discussion(Q&A)

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10.30 – 10.40

Power break and Science month video presentation

10.40 - 12.10

Presentation of Pillar 2 activities

Moderator

Ms. Petra Žagar, Science Sector, Ministry of Education, Science and Sport

Partnerships

Mr. Marnix Surgeon, DG RTD, European Commission

Missions

Mr. Neville Reeve, DG RTD, European Commission (TBC)

National contact points

Ms. Petra Žagar, Science Sector, Ministry of Education, Science and Sport

Discussion(Q&A)

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12.10 – 12.20

Power break and Science month video presentation

12.20- 13.40

Presentation of Pillar 3 activities

Moderator

Ms. Natalija Medica, Ministry of Economic Development and Technology

European Innovation
Council (EIC)

Mr. Jean-David Malo, Director, European Innovation Council (EIC)

European Institute of
Innovation and
Technology (EIT)

Ms. Antoaneta Angelova-Krasteva, Director, DG EAC, European Commission

National contact points

*Mr. Igor Milek, Public Agency for Entrepreneurship, Internationalization,
Foreign Investments and Technology (SPIRIT Slovenia)*

Discussion(Q&A)

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