

Setting the Scene

**ESF Member Organisation Fora on
European Alliance for Research
Career Development**

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Topics

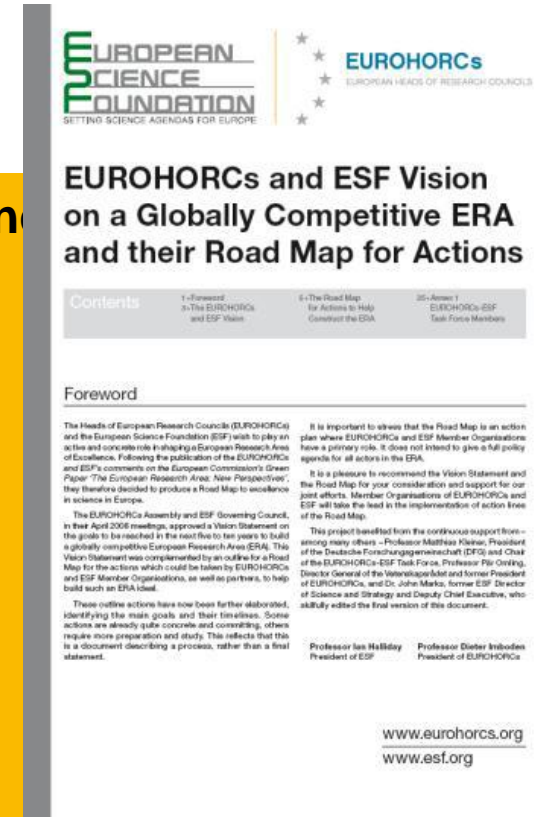
1. Background on ESF MO Fora
2. Activity of the ESF MO Fora
3. Objectives and structure of the Workshop

ESF Member Organisation Fora & the ERA Road Map Actions

Science Policy and Strategy

- *Published in 2009*
- *10 Actions:*

1. strengthen the **relations** between **science, society and the private sector**
2. **promote European research careers**
3. develop **scientific foresight** for **joint strategy**
4. create a **European Grant Union**
5. address **peer review** of proposals
6. develop common approaches to **ex-post evaluation**
7. create **ERA Connect** and **Regional Clusters of Excellence**
8. develop shared funding and exploitation of **research infrastructure**
9. implement common policy on **Open Access**
10. connect **European research to the world**





ESF Member Organisation Fora & the Road Map Actions



The EUROHORCs and ESF Vision on a Globally competitive ERA and their Road Map for Actions	ESF MO Fora on...
1. Strengthen the relations between science, society and the private sector	Science in Society Relationships
	Research Integrity
2. Promote European research careers	European Alliance on Research Career Development
3. Develop scientific foresight for joint strategy	Scientific Foresight for Joint Strategy Development
5. Address peer review of proposals	Peer Review
6. Develop common approaches to ex-post evaluation	Evaluation of Publicly Funded Research
	Evaluation: Indicators of Internationalisation
8. Develop shared funding and exploitation of research infrastructure	Research Infrastructures

ESF Member Organisation Fora: committees to address the Roadmap actions

- Output-oriented discussion platforms for Member Organisations to develop joint actions on specific issues, involving others as appropriate
- To contribute to strategy development and/or lead to the development of
 - Good practice
 - Common procedures
 - Joint activities
- Recent results:
 - European Code of Conduct for Research Integrity
 - European Peer Review Guide
 - Research Careers in Europe Landscape and Horizons



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Other MO FORA - Update / 1

- ***MO Forum on Science in Society Relationships (Action N°1)***
 - MOs Survey – Analysis Report
 - 1st Draft Policy Recommendations on “Roadmapping Science to Society”
 - Proposal to hold a session at ESOF2012 Dublin
 - Forward Look/Science Policy Briefing

- ***MO Forum on Science Foresight for Joint Strategy (Action N°3)***
 - Launch Forum survey, October 2011
 - Expects as its final outcome to develop recommendations to Member Organisations and Science Europe on how to conduct science foresight.

- ***MO Forum on Peer Review (Action N°5)***
 - International Workshop “Peer Review: future challenges for research funding organisations in selecting research excellence”, 6 December 2011, Brussels.
 - European Workshop “Regional preparatory meeting for the Global Summit on Merit Review”, 7 December 2011, Brussels
 - Prepare European statement on global principles (based on the Guide) for the Global Summit
 - Global Merit Review Summit, May 2012, Washington

Other MO FORA - Update / 2

- **MO Forum on Evaluation (Action N°6)**
 - survey and report on “Evaluation Function” – spring 2011
 - “The classification of research portfolios” publication and “The capture and analysis of research outputs” publication – May 2011
 - survey on “Collection of output data” – spring 2011
 - Article in Research Europe (26.5.2011): „The Public’s Right to know“
 - Draft of the Evaluation „Golden Rules“– summer 2011
 - scan on existing Impact studies; first in-depth analyses– summer 2011
 - Publication of EMRC special policy briefing on research classification approaches - 22th November 2011
 - **International Workshop on „Career Tracking“ in Luxembourg (jointly with the ESF MO Forum on Research Careers) - February 2012**

- **MO Forum on Indicators (Action N°6)**
 - *Identification set of indicators – winter 2010/2011*
 - *Identification data sources – spring 2011*
 - *Feasibility study – data collection – autum 2011*

- **MO Forum on Research Infrastructures (Action N°8)**
 - With the MERIL Project and ESFRI and the MO Forum joint conference on “European relevance” in Spring 2012:
 - provide input to the MERIL Project
 - feed into a position paper to be developed by the MO Forum

MO Forum on *European Alliance on Research Career Development*

Aim

Implementable recommendations in order to make Europe an attractive place to work as a researcher.

Objectives

- Ensuring career and professional skills development for researchers including international or inter-sectoral mobility
- Creating attractive conditions for a research career
- Providing equal playing fields for researchers of all backgrounds.

Participation

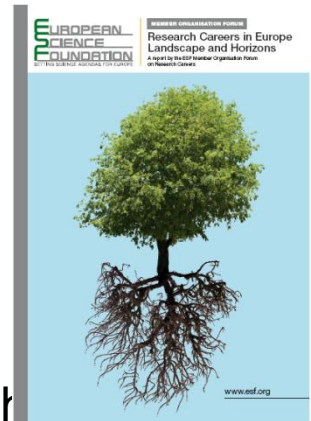
20 member organisations from 17 countries. Observers 7: European Commission, ERC, EUA, LERU, ALLEA, Vitae

Working Groups

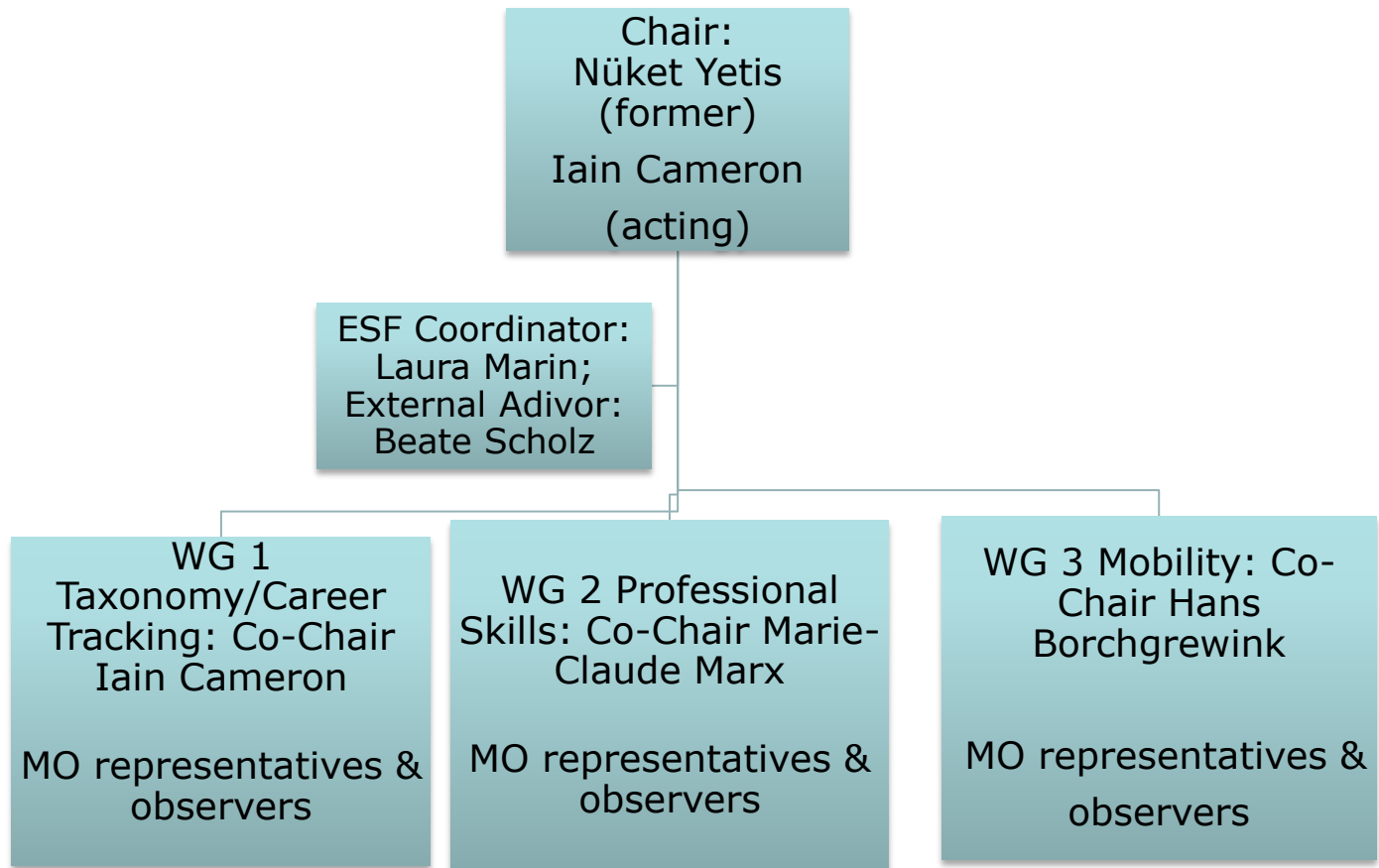
WG1 – Taxonomy of research careers (*Chair: Iain Cameron, RCUK*)

WG2 – Researcher skills (*Chair: Marie-Claude Marx, FNR Luxembourg*)

WG3 – Mobility (*Chair: Hans Borchgrewink, The Research Council of Norway*)



ESF MO Forum EARCD Structure





MO FORUM - Members

Country	Organisation	
Austria	Austrian Science Fund (FWF)	
Austria	Austrian Academy of Sciences (ÖAW)	
Belgium	Fonds de la Recherche Scientifique	
Belgium	Research Foundation – Flanders (FWO)	
Czech Republic	Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic (ASCR)	
Denmark	Danish National Research Foundation (DG)	
Estonia	Estonian Science Foundation (ETF)	
Finland	The Academy of Finland	
Germany	German Research Foundation (DFG)	
Ireland	Health Research Board	
Italy	National Institute for Nuclear Physics (INFN)	
Luxembourg	National Research Fund (FNR)	
Norway	Research Council of Norway	
Slovak Republic	Slovak Research and Development Agency (APVV)	
Spain	Council for Scientific Research (CSIC)	
Sweden	Swedish Council for Working Life and Social Research (FAS)	
Sweden	Swedish Research Council (VR)	Observers
Switzerland	Swiss National Science Foundation (SNF)	European Commission (EC)
Turkey	The Scientific and Technological Research Council of (TUBITAK)	ALL European Academies (ALLEA)
United Kingdom	Research Councils UK	European University Association (EUA)
		League of European Research Universities (LERU)
		European Research Council (ERC)
		The Foundation for Polish Science (Poland)
		VITAE (UK)

- 1st Steering Committee Meeting: Brussels, 21 September 2010 (*hosted by TUBITAK*)
 - MO Fora Conference: Strasbourg, 17 November 2010
 - Reporting to Mo Forum on Research Infrastructures 2nd Workshop: Strasbourg, 3-4 February 2011
- 1st Workshop: Brussels, 9-10 February 2011 (*hosted by TUBITAK*)
 - The European Commission “Towards a European Framework for Research Careers” to be submitted to the European Council during 2011 to adopt the descriptors of the career taxonomy proposed in the Forum’s report
 - Input into the European Commission’s Mapping Exercise on Doctoral Training in Europe

- 2nd Workshop: Istanbul, 12-13 April 2011 (*hosted by TUBITAK*)
 - OECD has quoted the Forum definition of transferable skills
 - Session at the Training, Career and Mobility of Researchers in the Innovation Union Conference in Budapest, 28-29 June 2011.
 - WG2 Skills VITAE career development framework feasibility pilot project, September – December 2011, across Europe
 - Forum's survey
 - Session at the Marie Curie Conference, Paris, September 2011

- Career Tracking Workshop preparatory meeting: Luxembourg, 21 September 2011

- 3rd Workshop: Strasbourg, 21-22 November 2011

- WG1 Career Tracking Workshop (in collaboration the MO Forum on Evaluation), February 2012, Luxembourg, to be hosted by FNR

MO FORUM SiS – ERA Consultation

- ScienceEurope has established a working group on the “EU Framework Directive Public Consultation” providing recommendations for the Horizon2020 the EU.
- It is chaired by Franci Demsar, Director of the Slovenian research agency, and is asking for contributions from the MO Forum on the Science in Society relationship issue.
- I. Cameron as Chair of the Forum has been asked to prepare a draft in end October 2011.
- Other “Roadmap” groups requested contribution:
 - ESF MO Forum SiS
 - ESF MO Forum Careers
 - ESF MO Forum Research Infrastructures
 - EH WG Cross-border Research Collaboration
 - EH WG Wider International Cooperation
- Final document to be issue January/February 2012



MO Fora Links

- ❑ Link with Peer Review Forum → build on Peer Review Guide experience
- ❑ Link with Research Infrastructures Forum on their request
- ❑ Link with Science in Society Forum on “impact of SiS and public engagement policies in talent recruitment” and on “skills description” on their request
- ❑ Link with Evaluation Forum → to develop Career Tracking Workshop
- ❑ Link with Science Foresight Forum → potential topic for Impact Assessment pilot study
- ❑ Link with Science Foresight Forum → potential topic for pilot



Outline of the Forum Workshop

Objectives of the meeting:

1. To progress on each Forum's Working Group Action Plan
2. To receive feedback and input from stakeholders and other ESF MO Fora on the current results of the Forum
3. To agree on goals, activities and timeline of the Forum
4. To discuss the final output(s) of the Forum and the format of their final report
5. To agree on the Forum's Chair



Outline of the Forum Workshop

Meeting Structure:

Day 1

- General update on the MO Forum
- Overview on the Forum's Survey Results
- Plenary sessions with keynote speakers representing key stakeholders
- Progress reports by Working Groups

Day 2

- Breakout sessions dedicated to each WG
- Plenary session reporting back
- Agreement on next steps



Thank you for your attention

More info:

<http://www.esf.org/activities/mo-fora/esf-member-organisation-forum-on-european-alliance-on-research-career-development.html>