

## *Setting the Scene*

# **ESF Member Organisation Fora on Science in Society Relationships**

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# Topics

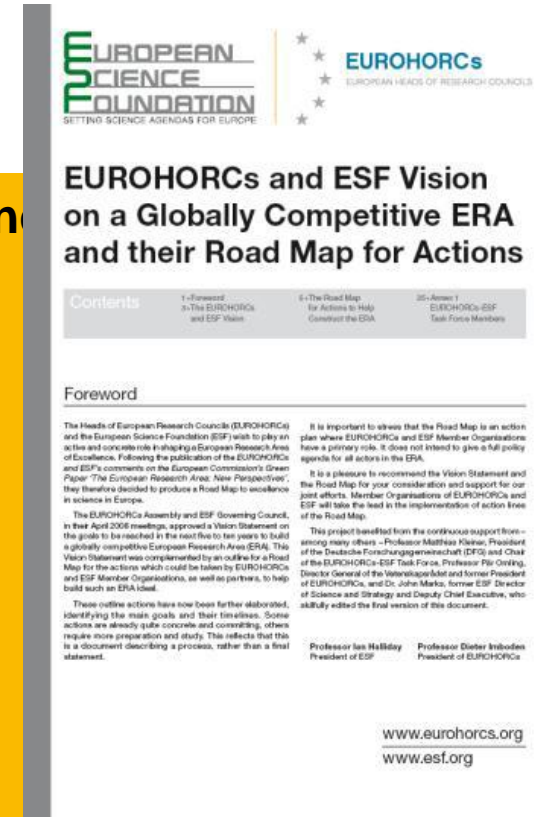
1. Background on ESF MO Fora
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# ESF Member Organisation Fora & the ERA Road Map Actions

*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 <b>relations</b> between <b>science, society and the private sector</b>	Science in Society Relationships
	Research Integrity
2. Promote <b>European research careers</b>	European Alliance on Research Career Development
3. Develop <b>scientific foresight</b> for <b>joint strategy</b>	Scientific Foresight for Joint Strategy Development
5. Address <b>peer review</b> of proposals	Peer Review
6. Develop common approaches to <b>ex-post evaluation</b>	Evaluation of Publicly Funded Research
	Evaluation: Indicators of Internationalisation
8. Develop shared funding and exploitation of <b>research infrastructure</b>	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



► [www.esf.org/mo-fora](http://www.esf.org/mo-fora)



# MO Fora Links



Source: Valerio Vercesi, INFN



# MO Forum on *Science in Society Relationships*

## Aim

- Improve and introduce practices of engagement of SiS relationships
- Make policy recommendations
- Propose interfaces for dialogue

## Objectives

Bridging public understanding to public engagement by:

- Analysing and mapping MOs practices
- Promoting science at the cultural level
- Raising awareness of the scientific community on the need for dialogue
- Developing 'listening' practices to other stakeholders

**Participation:** 29 MOs (+ 1 Observer)

## **Actions / WGs: developing policy recommendations for MOs**

1. Capacity building
2. Recognition, impact and evaluation
3. Best practices and pitfalls for audiences



# MO FORUM SiS Members

1	Austria	Austrian Science Fund (FWF)
2	Austria	Austrian Academy of Sciences (ÖAW)
3	Belgium	Fonds de la Recherche Scientifique
4	Belgium	Research Foundation – Flanders (FWO)
5	Czech Republic	Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic (ASCR)
6	Denmark	Danish National Research Foundation (DG)
7	Denmark	The Danish Council for Independent Research – Humanities
8	Estonia	Estonian Academy of Sciences
9	Finland	The Academy of Finland
10	France	National Centre for Scientific Research (CNRS)
11	France	National Institute for Development (IRD)
12	Ireland	Health Research Board
13	Ireland	Irish Research Council for Sciences, Engineering and Technology (IRCSET)
14	Ireland	Science Foundation Ireland (SFI)
15	Italy	National Research Council (CNR)
16	Lithuania	Research Council of Lithuania
17	Luxembourg	National Research Fund (FNR)
18	Netherlands	Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO)
19	Norway	Research Council of Norway
20	Slovak Republic	Slovak Research and Development Agency (APVV)
21	Slovenia	Slovenian Science Foundation (SZF)
22	Spain	Council for Scientific Research (CSIC)
23	Sweden	Riksbankens Jubileumsfond
24	Sweden	Swedish Research Council (VR)
25	Switzerland	Swiss Academies of Arts and Sciences
26	Turkey	The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TUBITAK)
27	United Kingdom	Arts and Humanities Research Council (AHRC)
28	United Kingdom	Medical Research Council (MRC)
29	United Kingdom	Research Councils UK





# MO FORUM SiS Activities

- 1st Steering Committee – 5 February 2010, Brussels
- 1st Forum Workshop – 7/8 April 2010, Brussels (*hosted by ESF*)
  - *Survey – launched 17 June 2010*
  - *Survey Report – October 2010*
- 2nd Steering Committee – 27 September, Paris
- 2nd Forum Workshop – 3/4 November 2010, Genova (*hosted by CNR*)
- 3rd Steering Committee – 26 January 2011, Brussels (*hosted by ESF*)
  - *Forward Look scoping workshop – 10/11 January 2011, Strasbourg*
  - *Forward Look proposal submitted – May 2011*



# MO FORUM SiS Activities

- 3rd Forum Workshop – 12/13 May 2011, Dublin (*hosted by SFI-HRB*)
  - *ESOF2012 session proposal submitted – June 2011*
- 4rd Forum Workshop - 3/4 November 2011, Vienna (*hosted by FWF*)
  - *First Forum recommendations draft report – October 2011*
- NEXT 5<sup>th</sup> Forum Workshop - TBD May 2012, Stockholm (*hosted by the Swedish Research Council and the Riksbankens Jubileumsfond*)



# MO FORUM SiS - Outputs

## Current Outputs

- Draft analysis survey report
- Analysis of good practices in MOs
- Draft key bibliography references
- Draft rationale on best practices and pitfalls
- Draft rationale indicators
- Draft introduction Final report
- Contribution Forward Look Proposal
- ESOF2012 session proposal
- First draft Forum Recommendations Report on “Roadmapping Science to Society”
- ERA Consultation

## 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 Demšar, Director of the Slovenian research agency, and is asking for contributions from the MO Forum on the Science in Society relationship issue.
- JP Alix as Chair of the Forum has prepared a draft in 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 FORUM SiS Next Steps - Timeline

December 2009 – December 2012

## However:

- ESF Governing Council September 2011 decided to allocate budget to this Forum only until July 2012
  - *The approved budget includes: Workshop May 2012; ESOF session; Report Layout*
- ESF Governing Council requested ESF leadership to inform ScienceEurope on this Forum to be consider for their future activites



# Forward Look Proposal – The Future of Science in Society

- A Scoping Workshop took place on January 2011 in Strasbourg
- First draft of the proposal by end of February
- Second draft of the proposal by early April
- Final version of the proposal to be submitted to the Scientific Advisory Board (SAB) on May 23<sup>rd</sup> >> approved
- Proposal submitted for approval to the ESF Governing Council on June 22-23 >> approved
- Budget of the Forward Look submitted for approval to the ESF Governing Council on 29 September >> not started as a result of budget reductions
- Attempt proposal for a Science Policy Briefing (published by mid-2012) >> decision end-November 2011



# Structure of the Forum Workshop

## Objectives of the meeting:

1. To discuss the chapters of the Forum's recommendations report
2. To work further on the draft of the Forum's recommendations report
3. To agree on the contents of the report
4. To agree on the process of consultation with MOs top managers on regards of the Forum's recommendations
5. To agree on a timeline/action plan to deliver the report by July 2012



# Thank you for your attention

**More info:**

<http://www.esf.org/activities/mo-fora/science-in-society-relationships.html>