

AGENDA

24th Meeting of the Euro-Mediterranean Group of Senior Officials in Research and Innovation

25 November 2019

Secretariat of the Union for the Mediterranean (UfM)
Address: Palacio de Pedralbes Avinguda Diagonal 686,
08034 - Barcelona

- 08:30 – 09:00** **Welcome Coffee & Registration**
- 09:00 – 09:15** Welcome by UfM Secretary-General Senior Adviser for Higher Education and Research, Mrs. Itaf Ben Abdallah
- 09:15 – 09:30** Opening by the Co-chairs, Ms Maria Cristina Russo, Director International Cooperation (DG RTD), and Dr. Khaled El-Shuraydeh, Secretary-General, Higher Council Science & Technology (Jordan)

09:30 - 13:00	<u>PART I: STOCK-TAKING REGIONAL COOPERATION</u>
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- 09:30 – 10:00** UfM activities in the fields of R&I since the Valletta Ministerial Declaration (UfM)
- *Ms **Emmanuelle Gardan**, Head of Sector, Higher Education and Research, UfM Secretariat*
 - *Mr. **Giuseppe Provenzano**, Junior Expert, Higher Education and Research, UfM Secretariat*
 - *Ms **Katarzyna Marini**, Science Officer, Mediterranean Experts on Climate and Environmental Change (MedECC)*
- 10:00 – 10:30** Tour de Table on progress made at national level & Open Discussion
- 10:30 – 11:30** Update on South Mediterranean Participations in Horizon 2020 & Opportunities under the Final Work Programme 2019-2020

Presentations by:

- *Dr. **Mahmoud M. Sakr**, President, the Academy of Scientific Research & Technology (Egypt)*
- *Ms **Claire Morel**, Head of Unit Marie-Curie Sklodowska Actions, Directorate-General for Education, Youth, Sport, and Culture (EC)*
- *Mr. **Pavel Misiga**, Head of Unit Circular Economy & Bio-based Systems, Directorate-General for Research and Innovation (EC)*
- *Mr. **Omar Amawi**, Deputy Director of the PRIMA Foundation*

- *Ms Marta Iglesias, Policy Officer, Healthy Oceans and Seas Unit, Directorate-General for Research and Innovation (EC)*

11:30 – 12:30 Tour de Table & Open Discussion

12.30 – 13:30 Family Photo and Break for Lunch

13:30-15.30	<u>PART II: NEW INITIATIVES & PROMOTING SYNERGIES</u>
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13:30 – 14:30 Horizon Europe Association Policy

- *Ms Anne Haglund-Morrissey, Acting Head of Unit Horizon Europe Association, Directorate-General for Research and Innovation (EC)*

The Next Society Initiative

- *Ms Heinke Veit, Policy Officer, Directorate-General for Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations (EC)*

Start-Up Europe Mediterranean

- *Mr. Fabrizio Porrino, Director for Global Affairs at Facility Live*

Diagnostic and Benchmarking Study on Technology Transfer in Twelve Neighbouring Countries – Preliminary Findings

- *Ms Eva Baltar, Policy Officer, Joint Research Centre (EC)*

14:30 – 15:30 Open Discussion on Next Steps for further advancing regional cooperation on R&I in the Mediterranean

- *How to address the challenges of “Innovation and Employability” under the EU-Med GSO (UfM Secretariat)*

15:30 – 16:00 Wrap-up and Conclusions by the Co-chairs

Participants List (confirmed)

	NAME	POSITION
1. ALBANIA	Mr. Bleda Bicoku	Head of Deregulation, Permits, and Licenses Office, Ministry of Education, Sport, and Youth
2. ITALY	Mr. Marco MARCELLI	Professor at University of Tuscia - Laboratory of Experimental Oceanology and Marine Ecology
	Mr. Maurizio CELLURA	Professor at the University of Palermo - Engineering
	Ms Marilena Rossano	National Research Centre - Office for European and International Relations, Naples Branch
3. MALTA	Ms Glorianne CAMILLERI	Executive (Internationalisation) - Malta Council for Science & Technology
	Mr Ian Gauci Borda	Deputy Director for Internationalisation - Malta Council for Science & Technology
4. TURKEY	Ms. Ayse SAYIN UKE	Programme Coordinator - International Cooperation Department - Bilateral & Multilateral Relations Division
5. FRANCE	Ms Rozenn SAUNIER	Deputy Director for European & International Affairs - Ministry of Higher Education, Research, and Innovation
6. ROMANIA	Ms Monica Alexandru	Counsellor for European Affairs - Ministry of Research & Innovation
7. SPAIN	Mr Jose Juan Sanchez Serrano	Deputy Director General for the Internationalization of Science and Innovation at the Ministry of Science, Innovation, and Universities
8. EGYPT	Dr. Mahmoud M. Sakr	President, the Academy of Scientific Research & Technology
9. PORTUGAL	Ms. Susana Catita	Adviser to the Ministry of Science, Technology, Higher Education
	Mr. Ricardo PEREIRA	Science Officer - Portuguese Foundation for Science & Technology (FCT), Ministry of Science, Technology, and Higher Education
10. GERMANY	Ms Susanne Madders	Deputy Head of Division - Cooperation with Africa and the Middle East, Ministry of Education and Research
	Ms Birgit Wirsing	International Bureau - DLR
11. TUNISIA	Ms. Olfa Zeribi Ben Slimane	Director General of the Management Unit of the EU Framework Programme for Research and Innovation Horizon 2020
12. ISRAEL	Ms. Nili SHALEV	Managing Director of ISERD (Israel-Europe Research & Innovation Directorate)
13. ALGERIA	Mr. Tahar Sahraou	Director of Studies at the Directorate-General for Scientific Research and Technology Development - Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research