

# **Communication**, **Dissemination and Exploitation**

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## **COMMUNICATION, DISSEMINATION & EXPLOITATION** WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE AND WHY THEY ALL MATTER

Communication

Inform, promote and communicate activities and results **Dissemination** Make knowledge and results publicly available free-of-charge

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### **Exploitation**

Make concrete use of results for commercial, societal and political purposes

Scientific, Socio-economic IMPACT







# It's about people

Communication is about talking to people

Promoting the project and its results beyond the project's own community; and communicating its work in ways that non-specialists can easily understand.

Dissemination is about sharing things with people.

Transferring the project knowledge and outputs to those who can best make use of them;

projects

Application of project results in activities beyond the project itself; and using the results to create and market new products, services or processes.

# • Exploitation is about helping people to use the outputs of the





## Communication

- What? Informs, promotes, communicates about activities and results
- Who? Various audiences, including non-specialist ones: citizens, stakeholders, media
- When? From the start until the end of the action • Why? Transparency, show benefits of research, engage with stakeholders, obtain acceptance of the technologies

+ It is a legal obligation! Article 17 & Annex 5 of Horizon Europe Grant Agreement



# Legal requirements

- EU Beneficiaries are expected to :
- Actively engage in communication activities
- Promote the projects to a nonspecialist audience: citizens, media
- Publicly acknowledge the EU support
- "the beneficiaries must promote the action and its results by providing targeted information to multiple audiences (including the media and the public), in accordance with Annex 1 and in a strategic, coherent and effective manner."





**Article 17 & Annex 5 of Horizon Europe Grant Agreement** 







# **Communication activities**

- Effective (Have clear objectives aligned with the project goals)
- **Strategic** (ad hoc efforts are NOT sufficient)
- Planned from the outset, throughout the lifespan of the project
- **Proportionate** to the scale of the action
- Inclusive (communicate to various audiences, including non-specialist
  - ones = go beyond the project community)
- Coherent (avoid contradictory messages, all partners must be aligned)









# Plan. Budget. Update

Under Horizon Europe, communication, dissemination & exploitation activities must be part

- of the proposal (admissibility condition)
- **1.** At the proposal stage, applicants must submit a first draft of the plan

for communication, dissemination, and exploitation

- Communication will be taken into consideration as part of the award criteria
- Foresee a dedicated budget for it in the proposal
- 2. Detailed plan for the dissemination and exploitation including communication activities
  - within 6 months of the project (aligned with the draft proposal)
  - o periodically updated in alignment with the project's progress !!!



## Promote the project from the outset & throughout the full project lifespan





# **Communication**, **Dissemination and Exploitation Plan**

Describe the planned measures to maximise the impact of your project

- How the project communicates with its many different stakeholders;
- to encourage innovation and long-term use
- How it shares knowledge and achieves impact; and • How the outputs of the project can be made available

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# **Recommendations**

- Set out a description and timing for each activity
- Define the main **messages**
- Define your target groups
- Use different tools and channels
  - **Project website** (within first 6 months)
  - Newsletter
  - **Press release** on major milstones / breakthroughs
  - Events: conferences, webinars, school visits, round tables, exhibitions, workshops, open days
  - **Social media** account (twitter, LinkedIn, YouTube)
  - Videos and visual materials infographics, posters, leaflets
  - Earn / Buy media







## **Clean Hydrogen Partnership Awards**

Award winners showcase hydrogen energy innovation



# Think of your project as a success story



Cleaner, quieter hydrogen-

transport takes to the road





# Acknowledge the EU funding





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Different versions and languages <u>here</u>



All projects have the legal obligation to acknowledge the EU funding received according to the signed grant agreement

(see also Model Grant Agreement, Horizon Europe, Article 17 – Communication, Dissemination and Visibility and Annex 5).



Funding statement (acknowledgment of funding) for newly funded projects:

"The project is supported by the Clean Hydrogen Partnership and its members."



**Consult our new guidelines** https://www.clean-hydrogen.europa.eu/media/visual-identity\_en



# **☑Clean Hydrogen Partnership** $\Box$ Clean Hydrogen Joint Undertaking (JU) $\rightarrow$ legal name

- **On all Communication Materials**
- On Press Releases, presentations, other material
- When talking about the Partnership
- $\rightarrow$  Avoid the use of aconyms CH, CHP, CHP JU
- $\rightarrow$  If you have to use an acronym you could use Clean Hydrogen JU











# **Maximising Impact**





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But: Dissemination and Exploitation planning starts with the project planning





## **Clean Hydrogen** Partnership Communication



- About the **project and results**
- Multiple audiences Beyond the project's own community (include the media and the public)
- Inform and reach out to **society**, show the benefits of research

- Audiences that may use the results in their own work

results

# Dissemination



## To make visible the results

e.g. peers (scientific or the project's own community), industry and other commercial actors, professional organisations, policymakers

### Enable use and uptake of

# Exploitation



- Identify **key exploitable** results
- Results generated during and after the project lifetime
- Impact Actual use of the **results** for scientific, societal, economic purposes or for policy making





# Results

Results' means any tangible or intangible effect of the action, such as data, know-how or information, whatever its form or nature, whether or not it can be protected, as well as any rights attached to it, including intellectual property rights...

Key results are the outputs generated during the project which can be used and create impact, either by the project partners or by other stakeholders

Project results can be reusable and exploitable (e.g. inventions, prototypes, services) as such, or elements (knowledge, technology, processes, networks) that have potential to contribute for further work on research or innovation

Source: Horizon Europe

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Industry, Innovators

**Civic Society, Citizens** 











# What is in D&E for the project?

## More opportunities for the partners



Attracts new talents to join their team





May generate a new source of income



Contributes to societal goals, thereby providing more visibility/prestige to the researcher/institution

\* According to EC Grants Guidance – Dissemination and Exploitation of research results

Provides international and interdisciplinary collaboration opportunities



Improves access to other funding opportunities



May contribute to policy making in their research field (through policy briefings)







## Legal basis - Rules for Participation state clear obligations for beneficiaries

## (Article 17 and Annex 5, HE MGA for LS)

The beneficiaries **must disseminate their results as soon as feasible**, in a publicly available format, subject to any restrictions due to the protection of intellectual property, security rules or legitimate interests. The beneficiaries **must take measures aiming to ensure exploitation of their results** — either by themselves (e.g. a beneficiary owning results uses them directly) or indirectly by others (other beneficiaries or third parties, e.g. through licensing or by transferring the ownership of results).

Beneficiaries which have received funding under the grant must —up to four years after the end of the action - use their best efforts to exploit their results

...and we have to ensure it







## **Communication, Dissemination and Exploitation steps**



\* Becomes obligatory if a key result is not exploited up to 1 year after the end of the project

Quality of the dissemination and exploitation plan is evaluated as part of the 'impact' criterion.







# **Proposal: The impact canvas**

### KEY ELEMENT OF THE IMPACT SECTION

### SPECIFIC NEEDS

What are the specific needs that triggered this project?

### Example 1

Most airports use process flow-oriented models based on static mathematical values limiting the optimal management of passenger flow and hampering the accurate use of the available resources to the actual demand of passengers.

### Example 2

Electronic components need to get smaller and lighter to match the expectations of the end-users. At the same time there is a problem of sourcing of raw materials that has an environmental impact.

### EXPECTED RESULTS

What do you expect to generate by the end of the project?

### Example 1

### Successful large-scale demonstrator: Successful large-scale demonstrator: Trial with 3 airports of an advanced forecasting system for proactive air ort

passenger flow management.

### Algorithmic model:

Novel algorithmic model for proactive airport passenger flow managemen

### Example 2

Publication of a scientific discovery on transparent electronics.

New product: More sustainable electronic circuits.

Three PhD students trained.

### Impact

### D & E & C MEASURES

What dissemination, exploitation and communication measures will you apply to the results?

### Example 1

Exploitation: Patenting the algorithmic model.

Dissemination towards the scientific community and airports: Scientific publication with the results of the large-scale demonstration.

**Communication towards citizens:** An event in a shopping mall to show how the outcomes of the action are relevant to our everyday lives.

### Example 2

Exploitation of the new product: Patenting the new product; Licencing to major electronic companies.

Dissemination towards the scientific community and industry: Participating at conferences; Developing a platform of material compositions for industry; Participation at EC project portfolios to disseminate the results as part of a group and maximise the visibility vis-àvis companies.

- Credibility of the pathways towards impact
- Possibility to present a canvas

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### TARGET GROUPS

Who will use or further up-take the results of the project? Who will benefit from the results of the project?

Example 1 9 European airports: Schippol, Brussels airport, etc.

The European Union aviation safety agen

Air passengers (indirect).

Exam End-users: consumers of electronic devic s

Majo electronic companies: Samsung, Apple etc.

Scien ific community (field of transparent electionics).

### OUTCOMES

What change do you expect to see after successful dissemination and exploitation of project results to the target group(s)?

### Example 1

Up-take by airports: 9 European airports adopt the advanced forecasting system demonstrated during the project.

### Example 2

High use of the scientific discovery published (measured with the relative rate of citation index of project publications).

A major electronic company (Samsung or Apple) exploits/uses the new product in their manufacturing.

### IMPACTS

What are the expected wider scientific, economic and societal effects of the project contributing to the expected impacts outlined in the respective destination in the work programme?

### Example 1

Scientific: New breakthrough scientific discovery on passenger forecast modelling.

Economic: Increased airport efficiency Size: 15% increase of maximum passenger capacity in European airports, leading to a 28% reduction in infrastructure expansion costs.

### Example 2

Scientific: New breakthrough scientific discovery on transparent electronics.

Economic/Technological: A new market for touch enabled electronic devices.

Societal: Lower climate impact of electronics manufacturing (including through material sourcing and waste management).

Suitability & quality of the measures to maximise expected outcomes and impact (D&E&C draft plan) - including IPR







## **Plan for the Dissemination and Exploitation of results** (incl. communication activities)

## **Measures to Maximize Dissemination & Exploitation**

Consider the capacity and role of each consortium member, and the extent to which the consortium brings together the necessary expertise

**Planned D&E measures** to *maximise the impact of projects* 

- that are **proportionate** to the scale of the project
- implemented both during and after the end of the project

**Target Audience** (e.g. scientific community, end users, financial actors, public at large) • What is the **function of the proposed target group**? How do they contribute to the **maximisation of impact**? • What is the **proposed channel** to interact with the target group?

**Follow-up plan** to foster exploitation/uptake of the results

• that contain concrete actions (i.e. stakeholders management, business and market actions, standardisation, spin-off, etc.) to be

• planned according to draft timeline of when they will reach their own outcomes/impact both during and after the project







## **Tools & Services**





The services are **free of charge**, the costs of the consultancy are covered by the European Commission.

## Supporting the D&E activities of the project, during and after the funding period



















































# Clean Hydrogen Available Resources Partnership

**Funding and Tenders Opportunities Online Portal** 

**Online Manual** 

HE Dissemination and Exploitation Guide

<u>Communicating your project – Acknowledgement of EU</u> funding

Presentation(s) at Coordinators/info day on D&E

**IPR Helpdesk** 

Helpline Trainings **IP** Resources library

**Dissemination towards potential users of results:** 

CORDIS Horizon dashboard Horizon Results Platform Innovation Radar Horizon Results Booster

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