

GIURI ANNUAL EVENT

THE NEW HORIZON EUROPE AND THE COMPETITIVENESS FUND: SHAPING TOGETHER?

DATE & TIME: 12 November 2025, 18:00 – 20:00

PLACE: Brussels, Representation of the European Region Tyrol-South Tyrol-Trentino, rue de Pascale 47

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In July 2025, the European Commission presented its proposal for the next Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) post-2027, including the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (FP10) 2028–2034, the successor to Horizon Europe, with a proposed budget of €175 billion. The programme is designed to work in close synergy with the proposed European Competitiveness Fund (ECF), aiming to strengthen the Union's technological leadership and global competitiveness. This coordinated approach seeks to support the full cycle of investment – from research and development to market uptake.

How will the close integration between Horizon Europe and the ECF affect the future funding landscape? What implications will this coordination have for the governance and implementation of Horizon Europe? How can the future framework strike the right balance between excellence-driven research, industrial competitiveness, and strategic policy priorities? What novelties and changes can be expected in the next programming period?

Against this backdrop, the GIURI Annual Event 2025 will provide an opportunity to explore these questions at an important stage in the policy process. By bringing together policymakers, experts, and stakeholders, the event will offer a platform for in-depth discussion of the Commission's proposal and its main elements, shedding light on the key components of the next EU Framework Programme for R&I and the Competitiveness Fund.



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PROGRAMME

17:30	Registrations & Welcome Drink
18:00	Welcome Vesna Caminades, Head of Brussels Office, Autonomous Province BZ-South Tyrol Katharina Lonardi, Head of Brussels Office, Autonomous Province of Trento
18:05	Introduction Mattia Ceracchi, Head of APRE Brussels Unit and GIURI Chair
18:10	The Commission's Perspective <i>moderated by Mattia Ceracchi, Head of APRE Brussels Unit and GIURI Chair</i> Agnieszka Skonieczna, Head of Unit 'Public investment', DG GROW, European Commission Massimiliano Esposito, Head of Unit 'Common Strategic Planning & Programme Service', DG RTD, European Commission
18:45	Voices from Stakeholders <i>moderated by Maria Ilaria Bassani, R&I Policy Advisor, Regione Lombardia EU Delegation</i> Alexandre Affre, Deputy Director General, Business Europe Muriel Attané, Secretary General, EARTO Vinciane Gaillard, Director 'Research and Innovation', European University Association
19:40	Closing talk - Shaping the Negotiations <i>moderated by Francesco Palumbo, Policy Officer, APRE</i> Jimmy Bruun Felthaus, Minister Counsellor for research and innovation, Permanent Representation of Denmark to the EU <i>Opportunities for Q&A at the end of each panel</i>
20:00	Networking dinner kindly supported by the Autonomous Provinces of Bolzano and Trento

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