



## SNETP Coordinator's hub

14 March 2023, Brussels



As part of the EU-funded SNETP FORWARD project, SNETP co-organised the Coordinator's hub day in Brussels on 14 March 2023. Approximately 50 participants (onsite and remote) took part in the event, representing 28 R&D&I projects enabling a fruitful and rich discussion with the several EC DG RTD – Euratom C4 representatives.

The event was opened by a morning panel discussion between 7 project coordinators of ongoing Euratom projects, which was an opportunity for them to **share their experiences, best practices and interact with EC colleagues on their recurring difficulties.**



At the beginning of the session, when asked about their personal motivation to be project coordinator, panelists highlighted their personal commitment to their project and the necessary passion it requires to cope with the related high workload. Most of them had been involved in collaborative projects before already which facilitated their job.

They most of the time found the partners via their own EU scientific network and SNETP – all of them were labelled – which is quite usual considering the relative small size of the EU nuclear R&I community.

### Most of the participants encountered their partners through their own network



Figure 1- data are taken from a SNETP survey

On the other hand, national contact points (NCP) were not much used. They also underlined the essential role of consultancies to support the management of projects on the administrative, legal and financial side of things.

### The majority of participants uses a PMO to manage the project



Figure 2- data are taken from a SNETP survey

Difficulties to understand and integrate comments from the evaluation were mentioned but the supportive role of DG RTD colleagues was welcomed. All coordinators indicated that they exclusively apply for Euratom funding and struggle to target non-Euratom funding.

### And almost none of them have thought of another EU WP (no EURATOM)

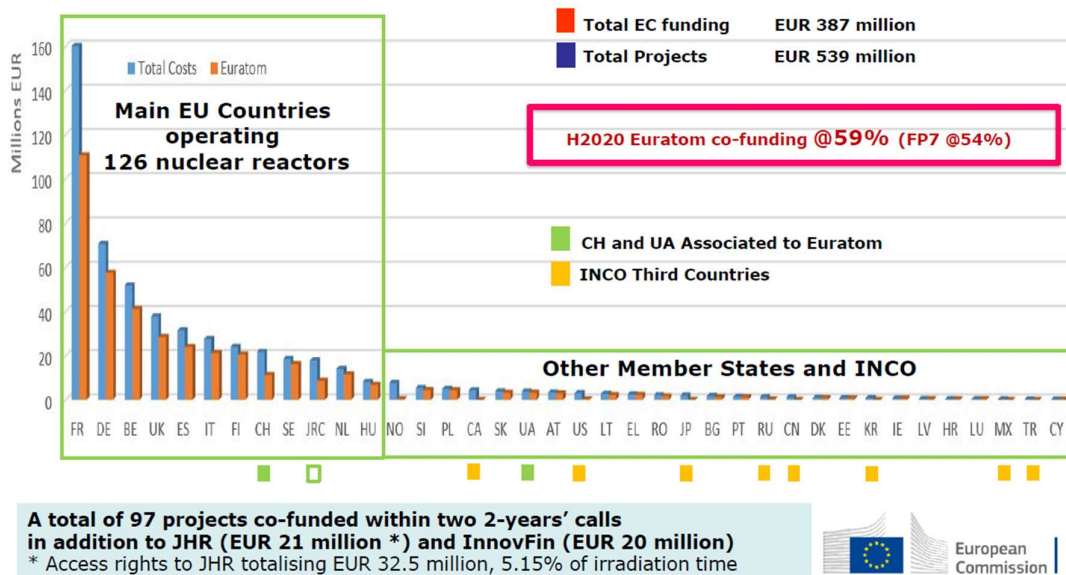


Figure 3 - data are taken from a SNETP survey

Such teachings were globally in line with the results of the questionnaire circulated to the coordinators of the SNETP project portfolio, even though the onsite panelists were likely to be more experienced and senior than average.

During the afternoon session, **the European Commission presented key take-aways from the implementation of the H2020 programme from 2014 to 2020**. Appropriate timesheets, unforeseen subcontracting and CFS were identified among the main financial pitfalls of EU funded grants. Statistics were shared on the characteristics of applicants to the Euratom programme (see below).

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EC colleagues also highlighted the various ways to insure the high quality of proposals: Address Euratom's Research priorities, build a strong consortium, demonstrate innovation and EU added value, address key technical challenges, include clear impact and dissemination plans, ensure high-quality proposal writing. It was also recalled that national contact points as well as European partnerships, ETIPs and more globally the European R&D&I ecosystem are key resources to improve a proposal. SNETP in particular is at the disposal of its members to review idea proposals, propose partners to enrich consortia, boost communication and dissemination of projects, etc. Presentations given during the day are available [here](#).

The day ended with the presentation of the Euratom 2023-2025 programme, which amounts to €132M over the period.

## Almost all respondents have their project funded by Horizon Europe/Horizon 2020?



Figure 4 - data are taken from a SNETP survey

It was also an opportunity to recall that the SNETP Forum 2023 will be held from 15 to 17 May 2023 in Gothenburg, Sweden, and will discuss the numerous project proposals currently being developed. More information and registration is available [here](#).

## Coordinators' hub Day Agenda

14 March 2023

Maison Irène et Frédéric Joliot Curie, Auditorium, Brussels

**10:00 – 16:00**

This event aims at gathering SNETP colleagues involved in EC-funded projects – coordinators, project proposers, newcomers, etc. – for an open dialogue with DG R&I on the common problems and expectations.

#	Time	Item	Speakers
<b>SNETP introduction</b>			
1	10:00	Welcome – SNETP Secretariat representatives	Abderrahim Al Mazouzi (EDF)
2	10:05	Introduction to SNETP Association	Abderrahim Al Mazouzi
<b>Feedback from Euratom R&amp;I projects</b>			
3	10:15	Panel discussion with coordinators, <i>moderated by A. Al Mazouzi</i>  <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Marta Serrano (CIEMAT)</li> <li>2. Mohamed Ben Chouikha (UPMC)</li> <li>3. Fulvio Mascari (ENEA)</li> <li>4. Evelyne Foerster (CEA)</li> <li>5. Dr. Vladislav Pistora (UJV)</li> <li>6. Isabelle Morales (ORANO)</li> <li>7. Egidijus Urbonavicius (LEI)</li> <li>8. Eliska Krychova (CVREZ)</li> </ol>	EC projects coordinators
<b>12:00 Break</b>			
<b>Exchange with DG R&amp;I</b>			
4	13:30	EC feedback from the morning session	Roger Garbil (DG RTD); Cristina Fernandez Ramos (DG RTD) & Angelgiorgio Iorizzo (DG R&I)
5	14:15	How to increase synergies between projects regarding Education & Training	Abderrahim Al Mazouzi, Gabriel Pavel (ENEN)
<b>Maximising impact via external networks</b>			
6	14:45	The use of national contact points, networks, associations to support or complement your project proposal	Elisabeth Guillaut (ORANO)

7	15:00	Introduction to SNETP services for project portfolio <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- SNETP Forum concept</li> <li>- SNETP project creation process (incl. labelling and SOIP)</li> <li>- SNETP dissemination services</li> </ul>	Gilles Quénéhervé (LGI)
<b>Getting prepared for next proposals</b>			
8	15:15	Presentation of Euratom WP 2023-2024-2025	DG R&I
9	15:35	Looking for funding outside EURATOM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Example of projects including nuclear not funded by Euratom</li> <li>- Brief presentation of other HE WP from EC</li> </ul>	Gilles Quénéhervé (LGI)

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## Participants

COMPANY	COUNTRY	NAME OF YOUR PROJECT:
University of Pisa	Italy	OPERA HPC (WP leader)
VTT	Finland	Benchmark Exercise on Safety Engineering Practices
NCNR	Poland	NC2I
Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT)	Germany	INNUMAT
EMPRESARIOS AGRUPADOS INTERNACIONAL, S.A.	Spain	SNETP
Framatome	France	GEMINI 4.0
CEA Saclay	France	NUCOBAM
VTT technical Research Centre of Finland	Finland	ACES
Nuclear Valley	France	NUCLEAR VALLEY
Nuclear Valley	France	RDI
European Commission	Belgium	euratom
CEA	France	OperaHPC; INSPYRE; ORIENT-NM
CAEN SpA	Italy	MICADO
Framatome	France	GEMINI 4.0
IRSN	France	IRSN
CEA	France	CEA
Kharkiv Institute of Physics and Technology	Ukraine	UAin Euratom21
Onet Technologies	France	LD-SAFE
European Nuclear Education Network	Belgium	ENEN2plus
Lithuanian Energy Institute	Lithuania	LEI
Sorbonne	France	EI Peacetolero
European Commission Euratom	Belgium	European Commission
Universidad Politécnica de Madrid	Spain	AMHYCO
European Nuclear Education Network	Belgium	TOURR
UJV Rez, a. s.	Czech Republic	UJV Rez, a. s.
European Commission	Belgium	European Commission
EDF R&D	France	SNETPFORWARD
NNL	United Kingdom	Nugenia Technical Area 5
UJV Rez	Czech Republic	Pavel KRAL
Gesellschaft für Anlagen- und Reaktorsicherheit (GRS) gGmbH	Germany	GO-VIKING
CIEMAT	Spain	ENTENTE
Orano	Belgium	SNETP-Forward
Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT)	Germany	McSAFER
EDF	France	METIS

Research Centre Rez	Czech Republic	ECC-SMART
Centrum výzkumu Řež	Czech Republic	DELISA-LTO, ECC-SMART
UJV Rez, a. s.	Czech Republic	APAL
LGI	France	SNETPFORWARD
IRSN	France	SNETP
CEIDEN (CIEMAT)	Spain	MUSA; SEAKNOT
European Nuclear Education Network	Belgium	ENEN2plus
Tractebel	Belgium	SNETP
ENEA	Italy	SASPAM-SA
Ukraine	Ukraine	UAinEuratom21
Orano / Innovation Direction	France	MIMOSA
CEA Paris-Saclay	France	NARSIS
IRSN	France	SNETP
Orano	France	MIMOSA + SNETPFORWARD + HARPERS
EDF	France	iWeld
LGI Sustainable Innovation	France	SNETPFORWARD
LGI	France	SNETPFORWARD