Dear all,

It is a busy time for Horizon Europe health, so we would like to update you on all the latest news and funding opportunities including:

- 2022 Horizon Europe Health Cluster Calls worth €900 million (Reminder)
- New event - Registration Open for Webinar/Partnering Event (26 Nov) focusing on Horizon Europe Tackling Diseases and Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) Call Topics & JPI AMR Therapeutics Call
- European Commission Information Day (28 Oct) for 2022 Health calls (Update – pre-recordings now ready to watch)
- Partnering Day: Online Partnering Event (29 Oct) for 2022 Health calls (Final reminder)
- Recording, slides and pitches available from Northern Irish event on Horizon Europe Health
- Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA) Staff Exchanges Call Opens (€72.5 million) + UK Infodays
- UK webinars on European Research Council (ERC) Starting and Consolidator Grants
- UK Blog Posts about Horizon Europe
- Help us to help you! Survey about UK National Contact Point Support (Reminder)

As ever if you have any questions at all please don’t hesitate to get in touch.

Best wishes,

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**Reminder - Funding Opportunity: 2022 Horizon Europe Health Cluster Calls (Worth €900 million)**
The 2022 Health Cluster call topics are listed in the [2021-2022 Horizon Europe Health Work Programme](https://ec.europa.eu/health/programmes/horizon-2020_en) or [online here](https://ec.europa.eu/health/programmes/horizon-2020_en). The deadline for proposals is 1 Feb 2022 or 21 April 2022 depending on the topic.

**New - Event: Registration Open for Webinar/Partnering Event (26 Nov) Focussing on Horizon Europe Tackling Diseases and Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) Call Topics & JPI AMR Therapeutics Call**
The webinar will be a chance to find out about, pitch, network and join potential consortia for call topics:

- [HORIZON-HLTH-2022-DISEASE-06-02-two-stage: Pre-clinical development of the next generation of immunotherapies for diseases or disorders with unmet medical needs](https://ec.europa.eu/health/programmes/horizon-2020_en)
- [HORIZON-HLTH-2022-DISEASE-06-03-two-stage: Vaccines 2.0 – developing the next generation of vaccines](https://ec.europa.eu/health/programmes/horizon-2020_en)
• HORIZON-HLTH-2022-DISEASE-07-02: Pandemic preparedness
• HORIZON-HLTH-2022-DISEASE-07-03: Non-communicable diseases risk reduction in adolescence and youth (Global Alliance for Chronic Diseases – GACD)
• HORIZON-HLTH-2022-TOOL-11-02: New methods for the effective use of real-world data and/or synthetic data in regulatory decision-making and/or in health technology assessment
• This is also an opportunity to learn more about the upcoming Joint Programming Initiative on Antimicrobial Resistance (JPIAMR) Therapeutics Call (provisional details of which are expected to be announced on European Antibiotic Awareness Day on 18th of November 2021, with the call expected to open in Jan 2022). Meanwhile summaries and recordings from the JPIAMR workshops on therapeutics in Spring 2021 are available.

This event is being organised by the UK (KTN), the UK Government’s Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO), the UK Science and Innovation Network in Ireland and the Nordics, and the UK National Contact Points from Innovate UK/UK Research and Innovation (UKRI). We are delighted that many of our colleague National Contact Points for Health from other countries will also kindly be available for 1:1s meetings with potential Horizon Europe applicants from their countries – as well as the UK and Northern Ireland contact points, the NCPS currently planning to take part include Belgium (Wallonie), France, Germany, Ireland, Lithuania, Norway, Poland, Spain, Sweden and Switzerland. The KTN will keep the list of NCPS/Countries available for 1:1s updated online.

Draft Agenda (all times GMT):
• 09:30 Introduction & Aims of the Day - UK Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO)
• 09:40 Introduction to Horizon Europe - Jane Watkins, KTN
• 09:50 Overview of Health work programme (2022 calls listed above) - Kay Duggan-Walls, Irish Health NCP, Health Research Board (NRB), Ireland
• 10:05 Overview of the JPIAMR therapeutics call - Laura Plant, JPIAMR Secretariat, Swedish Research Council
• 10:20 Q&A
• 10:40 Case study - Anita Hogg, Medicines Optimisation Innovation Centre (MOIC)
• 10:50 How to get ready for Horizon Europe and find the right partners? - Jo Frost, UK Health NCP for Industry, Innovate UK, UKRI
• 11:15 Pitching Sessions
• 12:30 Lunch
• 13:00
  o From 13:00 Networking with other participants via ‘Meeting Mojo’ online system
  o From 13:00-15:30 NCP Surgery - Opportunity to book a 1:1 to meet your National Contact Point (NCP) from these countries using online ‘Meeting Mojo’ system.

Further information and registration

Update - Info Day: European Commission Information Day (28 Oct) for 2022 Health calls
The European Commission has recently published the event webpage for the online info event on 28th October on the 2022 Health calls, where you will be able to take part in the questions and answer sessions on 28 October. The European Commission advise that before participating in the event on 28 Oct, you should watch their pre-recorded presentations which are already available in advance – these presentations cover the destinations and summarise each of the call topics, as well as on clinical studies and gender equality. No registration is necessary.

Reminder - Partnering Day: Online Partnering Event (29 Oct) for 2022 Health calls
Just a reminder about the virtual partnering/brokerage event for the Health Cluster on 29th October. Registration for the brokerage event is open until 28th October. We advise you to register to the partnering event soon to make the most of the opportunities to connect to others. Once your registration has been approved, please use the system to book 1:1 meetings/make contact with others interested in the same call topic as you. Please use the ‘Participants’ and ‘Marketplace’ tabs at the top right of the page to find out information about organisations seeking partners.

Reminder - Funding Opportunity: Horizon Europe Pump Priming Funding for Collaboration between UK and Partners
Up to £5,000 grant funding is available via the UK Government Horizon Europe Pump Priming call for proposals. The funding is to help develop collaborative activity between UK and organisations in other countries who are intending to apply to a specific all topic under Pillar 2 of Horizon Europe which open between 1 Sept 2021 and 7 Sept 2022 (so this includes all of the 2022 Health call topics). There are currently deadlines for the pump priming activity every 2 weeks, including on 10 Nov, and if money is still available the 24 Nov.

New: Recording, slides and pitches available from Northern Irish event on Horizon Europe Health
The Northern Irish Contact Point for Horizon Europe for Health, Patricia McCrory, recently organised a very useful event on Horizon Europe. The recordings and presentations are now available online, including sessions on: Horizon Europe and 2022 Health Call topics; project types and funding partners; Horizon Europe novelties; a case study by the Medicines Optimization Innovation Centre (MOIC); the Innovate Health Initiative (IHI); the European Innovation Council (EIC); and support for applicants.

There were also pitches from Northern Irish researchers:

- **Axial3D**
- **Health and Social Care Northern Ireland** (who have particular interest in the call topics on personalised prevention, on fostering a partnering in health research and on topics in destination 6 maintaining an innovative, sustainable and globally competitive health industry)
- **Medicines Optimisation Innovation Centre (MOIC)** which is the only dedicated medicines optimisation centre in Europe and has interest in calls including HORIZON-HLTH-2022-TOOL-11-01: Optimising effectiveness in patients of existing prescription drugs for major diseases (except cancer) with the use of biomarkers.
- **Donncha Hanna, Queen’s University Belfast** who is interested in topics including HORIZON-HLTH-2022-STAYHLTH01-01-two-stage – Boosting mental health in Europe in times of change
- **NUMA innovation** who are interested in HORIZON-HLTH-2022-STAYHLTH01-01-04-twowstage: Trustworthy artificial intelligence (AI) tools to predict the risk of chronic noncommunicable diseases and/or their progression; HORIZON-HLTH-2022-TOOL-12-01-two-stage: Computational models for new patient stratification strategies; HORIZON-HLTH-2022-IND-13-02-single-stage: Scaling up multi-party computation, data anonymisation techniques, and synthetic data generation, as well as AI related or simulation proposals, e.g. medical devices and improved treatment, use of Gosmart in RIA activities.

Reminder - Survey: Help us to help you! Survey about UK National Contact Point (NCP) Support
We would value your thoughts on the UK National Contact Point (NCP) services for Horizon Europe
Health, so invite you to share your views here. The survey should take less than 5 minutes to complete.

New - Funding Opportunity: Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA) Staff Exchanges Call Opens (€72.5 million) + UK Infodays

The call for proposals for the Horizon Europe 2021 Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA) 'Staff Exchange' scheme is now open and closes on 9 March 2022. With an overall budget of €72.5 million, the MSCA Staff Exchanges funds short-term international, inter-sectoral and interdisciplinary collaboration through staff exchanges in Europe and beyond. Staff Exchanges are open to global consortia of universities, research institutions and non-academic organisations, such as businesses and SMEs. The funding aims to help boost the careers of Research and Innovation staff, and funding is available for all areas of research and innovation. Further info is available in the Guide for Applicants and support is available from the UK National Contact Points (NCPs) for Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCAs) (or for those of you from outside the UK, from your local NCP).

The UK National Contact Point are also holding two online events:

- 9 Nov 2021: MSCA Staff Exchange 2021 – UK Info Session 1: Overview and Eligibility Rules
- 12 Nov 2021: MSCA Staff Exchange 2021 – UK Info Session 2: Practical Considerations

The UK NCP has also written a recent blog post on 'Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions build innovative industry networks'.

New - Recordings Available/Funding Opportunity: UK webinars on European Research Council (ERC) Starting and Consolidator Grants

The UK National Contact Point (NCP) for the European Research Council (ERC, which is part of Horizon Europe) recently held some information webinars on the ERC Starting Grants and ERC Consolidator Grants funding calls, which are open to all research areas. The recordings are now available.

New: UK Blog Posts about Horizon Europe

The recent Innovate UK/UK Research and Innovation (UKRI) blog series on Horizon Europe continues, with the latest blogs on:

- *Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much* by Louise Mothersole, UK Mobility National Contact Point (NCP). Louise explains how participation in Horizon Europe is a fantastic opportunity for innovative organisations for many more reasons than the grant alone (although that’s always welcome).
- *Hints and tips for Horizon Europe* by Helen Sweeney, UK Cluster 6 NCP
- *Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCAs) build innovative industry networks* by Branwen Hide, UK MSCA NCP. Branwen explains that MSCA funding is not just for universities. Over 4,5000 private organisations such as SMEs and large companies have taken part. All types of organisation can participate including charities, policy makers, regulators and research hospitals.
- *How businesses can connect with the brightest minds in Europe* by Phil Holliday, UK European Research Council (ERC) NCP. Phil explains that there is a common misconception that the ERC only supports fundamental research – but the ERC also funds applied research. There is funding of up to €2.5 million available on an ERC grant that can also cover the eligible costs of industrial partners.

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Reminder: UK National Contact Points – Horizon Europe guidance and support
If you have any questions about Horizon Europe Health funding, and are based in the UK, please feel free to contact the UK National Contact Points (NCPs): Jo Frost ncp-health@innovateuk.ukri.org (NCP for Industry) or Katie Dingley ncp@mrc.ukri.org (NCP for academia). Other sectors (e.g. local government, charity sector, hospitals) please copy both Jo and Katie into your email. Those based outside the UK can find their national contact points here.

Reminder: European Commission ‘Q&A on the UK’s participation in Horizon Europe’
We often get asked "Can UK entities take part in the EU’s new Horizon Europe research and innovation funding programme?" The answer is YES. The European Commission has published a Q&A on the UK’s participation in Horizon Europe which confirms this. The List of Participating Countries in Horizon Europe also confirms that UK as one of the countries where association negotiations are being processed or where association is imminent.

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