



## Horizon Europe Capacity-Building Workshop 6-7 November 2024, Brussels AGENDA

UAS4Europe and ERRIN are co-hosting a 'Horizon Europe Capacity-Building Workshop' on 6-7 November 2024 in Brussels.

During the two days, representatives from regional research and innovation ecosystems, including universities of applied sciences, policy-makers and public administrations will learn how to navigate within Horizon Europe's Pillar II. Participants will gain insights to help identify the right topics, build successful consortia and prepare applications for upcoming calls for proposals.

Day 1 will provide an overview of Horizon Europe and the Brussels-based research and innovation landscape. We will zoom in on Pillar II with a specific focus on consortium building and relevant tools for this purpose.

On day 2, the focus will be on preparing proposals in a dedicated session on how to deconstruct and analyse a call topic alongside insights on the award criteria and evaluation.

The sessions will include work in smaller groups allowing for networking opportunities and applying the knowledge gained from the presentations.

The target audience for this workshop is funding advisors, research managers, policymakers and public administrators from within the UAS4Europe and ERRIN networks.

This is an in-person workshop taking place in Brussels. All travel-related expenses must be covered by the sending institution.

**Venue for Day 1:** Wales House, Rondpoint Robert Schuman 11, 1000 Bruxelles (train and metro station Schuman).

**Venue for Day 2:** Nordic House, Rue du Luxembourg 3, 1000 Bruxelles, (train station Bruxelles-Luxembourg and metro station Troon).





## **6 November**

12:00-13:00	Check-in and light lunch
13.00-13.20	Welcome to Brussels, UAS4Europe and ERRIN
13.20-13.35	Get-to-know-you of all participants via Slido
13.35-14.00	The journey towards Horizon Europe – What's in it for me?
	Speakers: - Astrid Hannes, Head of Projects, ERRIN - Ylva Reisnert, Projects and Policy Manager, ERRIN
14.00-15.00	How is the research and innovation policy being shaped, the role of EU institutions and the Strategic Plan 2025-2027
	<ul> <li>Speakers:         <ul> <li>Mareike Schmitt, Head of Collaborative Research and EU Strategy Discussions, EU Liaison Office of the German Research Organisations (KoWi)</li> <li>Massimiliano Esposito, Head of Unit for Common Strategic Planning &amp; Programme Service, DG RTD, European Commission</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
15.00-15.30	Financial and technical aspects – a short overview of recent developments and novelties in managing Horizon Europe
	Speaker:  - Ulrich Genschel, Head of Sector, Simplification of Horizon funding, DG RTD, European Commission
15.30-16.00	Coffee break
16.00-16.30	How to build a thriving consortium? The case of the EC's Funding & Tenders Portal and ERRIN's Project Development tool
	Speakers - Astrid Hannes, Head of Projects, ERRIN - Gianpiero Petruziello, Project and Policy Manager, ERRIN
16.30-17.00	Experimental session: Navigating ERRIN's Project Development Tool
17.00-17.15	Wrap-up and closing of day 1
17.15-19.00	Networking drinks





## 7 November

8.30-9.00	Check-in and coffee
9.00-10.00	Tips and tricks from the evaluator perspective - Short overview of the evaluation process in Horizon Europe
	Speaker: - Massimo Busuoli, Director, NTNU Brussels Office
10.00-10.40	Navigating Horizon Europe Calls - Deconstruction of a topic text
	Speakers: - Ann Van Hauwaert, Coordinator and National Contact Point, NCP Flanders - Man Hei To, National Contact Point, NCP Flanders
10.40-10.55	Coffee and find your breakout room
10.55-11.30	In break-out sessions: group exercise on topic analysis and first steps towards a proposal (20 min individual reflection, 15 min group discussion)
11.30-11.40	Wrap-up of "navigating Horizon Europe calls" exercise
	Speakers: - Ann Van Hauwaert, Coordinator and National Contact Point, NCP Flanders - Man Hei To, National Contact Point, NCP Flanders
11.40-12.00	Lessons learnt and closing remarks, UAS4Europe and ERRIN