

VISIT OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE EUROPEAN RESEARCH COUNCIL PROF JEAN-PIERRE BOURGUIGNON AND PRESENTATION OF FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR COOPERATION BETWEEN AFRICA AND EUROPE THROUGH HORIZON 2020 AND THE EUROPEAN RESEARCH COUNCIL

Date: 20th March 2019

Venue: African Academy of Sciences, 8 Miotoni Lane, Karen, Nairobi

- 09:30 – 10:00** **Registration**
- 10:00 – 10:15** **Welcoming address by the African Academy of Science**
Presenter: Felix Dapare Dakora
- 10:15 – 10:45** **The European Research Council**
Presenter: Jean Pierre Bourguignon
- 10:45-11:15** **Questions/answers**
- 11:15-12:00** ***EU-Africa scientific cooperation, success and challenges: a perspective from the European and African Union Commissions.***
Presenters: Robert Burmanjer, DG DEVCO
Fadila Boughanemi, DG RTD
Hambani Masheleni, AUC HRST Department
- 12:00-12:30** ***African Academy of Sciences mandate, strategy and programmes***
Presenters: Isayvani Naicker, AAS Director Strategy and Partnerships
Tom Kariuki, AAS Director of Programmes
- 12:30 – 12:45** **Questions/answers**
- 12:45-14:00** **Finger Lunch**
Venue: AAS gardens
- 14:00-14:30** **From Horizon 2020 to Horizon Europe – Opportunities for African-EU cooperation in science and innovation**
An introduction to Horizon 2020 and outlook to Horizon Europe.

Presenter: Fadila Boughanemi, Deputy Head of Unit in charge of S&T Cooperation with Africa, the Neighbourhood and the Gulf, DG RTD European Commission

14:30-15:00 **Horizon 2020 and the ERC – Open to the world & opportunities for African countries**

This session draws closely on the previous introduction on Horizon 2020 and identifies concrete opportunities within open and targeted upcoming calls of the new work programme 2018 – 2020, as well as benefits of participation for stakeholders from African countries (+ info on EIC Humanitarian prize).

Presenters: George Bonas*

Eric Mwangi (tbc)

Jacob Kamwaria (tbc)

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15:00 – 16:00 **Experience sharing from Horizon 2020-supported scientists and ERC grantees**

Presenters: Dr Jacob Mignouna & Dr Donald Njarui (InnovAfrica project)

Dr Anne Wacera Wambugu & Dr Sarah Anyango Odera (PRE-LEAP-RE project)

Professor Michael Quayle, ERC grantee (tbc)

16:00 -16:15 **Coffee Break**

16:15 – 17:00 **Sources of information on Horizon 2020 & Networking**

This session covers the introduction to the Horizon 2020 Funding & Tender Portal and getting to know the different documents that are needed for application and other sources of information and consultancy. In addition, this session gives an overview about networking platforms, how to find suitable partners and how to build a consortium.

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17:00 – 17:45 **Financial issues: How to budget a proposal & Proposal preparation and submission**

Topics of this session are financial budgeting regulations for Horizon 2020 projects, eligible direct and indirect costs, involvement of third parties, and generated income. In addition, the session covers all details on how to decode a call text,

how to prepare and submit a proposal, and how to avoid common pitfalls. Evaluation criteria will also be looked at.

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17:45 -18:00

Concluding remarks

Presenter: NN. EU, AAS, possibly EU DEL and Kenyan Hosts (tbd)

18:00 – 19:00

Networking Cocktail