



Coimbra Group High-level Seminar on Research Policy

“Defining and measuring impact of research: an inter-disciplinary and inter-sectoral approach”

6-7 December 2018

Organised in collaboration with Venice International University, Isola di San Servolo

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The theme for this research policy seminar was chosen due to the increasing importance of research impact assessment as currently observed in national, European and international research programmes and expected to increase further, in particular within the ninth European Research and Innovation Framework Programme, Horizon Europe, and associated Open Science policies.

The high-level policy seminars of the Coimbra Group are intended as a forum for informal dialogue between university Rectors, Vice-Rectors, stakeholders and key decision makers in European research policy.


Programme

6 Thursday 6th December 2018

- 2.00 pm **Opening addresses**
The Honorary President of the Coimbra Group, **Rector Ricardo Rivero Ortega**
Representative of the Venice International University, **Ambassador Umberto Vattani**
The Chair of the Executive Board of the Coimbra Group, **Prof. Ludovic Thilly**
- 2.15 pm **Session 1: Status of FP9, Horizon Europe**
General presentation of FP9, incl. differences compared to FP8 Horizon 2020
Prof. Maria da Graça Carvalho, Unit for the Scientific Advice Mechanism,
Directorate-General for Research and Innovation, European Commission
Focus point on Mission-oriented research
Robbert Fisher, Managing Director of Joint Institute for Innovation Policy
- Discussion panel and debate with the audience**
The panel will include members of Rectors' Advisory Group, representatives from other university associations (Lidia Borrell-Damian for EUA, Silvia Gomez Recio for YERUN, Kurt Deketelaere for LERU, Jan Palmowski for The Guild) and the Chair of the Executive Board
- 4.15 pm Coffee/tea break
- 4.45 pm **Session 2: How to define research impact**
Prof. Jean-Pierre Bourguignon, President of the European Research Council
Prof. Rick Rylance, Dean of the School of Advanced Studies at the University of London
Prof. Anders Flodström, Education Director of EIT Digital
- Discussion panel and debate with the audience**
Panel composition: Rectors and Vice-Rectors from Coimbra Group universities
- 7.00 pm Dinner

7 Friday 7th December 2018

- 9.00 am **Session 3 : How to define and measure research impact – funders' views**
Jean-Claude Burgelman, Head of Unit B2 “Open Science”, Directorate-General Research and Innovation, European Commission
Chonnetia Jones, Director of Insight and Analysis, Wellcome Trust
- Discussion panel and debate with the audience**
Panel composition: Rectors and Vice-Rectors from Coimbra Group universities
- 10.30 am Coffee/tea break
- 11.00 am **Session 4: How to develop a research impact culture?**
Jennifer Chubb, University of Sheffield, United Kingdom
Examples of practices at Coimbra Group Universities, **Ann Ryan**, NUI Galway,
Chair of the Research Support Officers Working Group
- Discussion panel and debate with the audience**
Panel composition: Rectors and Vice-Rectors from Coimbra Group universities
- 12.30 pm **Concluding remarks**
- 1.00 pm Lunch

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