Impact has become one of the key evaluation criteria in Horizon 2020 European research proposals. The European Commission is planning to apply more rigorous evaluations with respect to the impact of a proposal. This makes it crucial for Research Support Offices to help the researchers to understand and to explain the potential impact of proposals – two issues which many find difficult.

WHY SHOULD YOU ATTEND?
The aim of the conference is two-fold:
• To shed light on and understand how impact of a research project is assessed and how the Commission will proceed with the development of impact evaluation
• To learn about experiences from users, evaluators and successful research support offices

The Conference is organised by Aarhus University Research Support Office in collaboration with the research support services at Trinity College Dublin and at KU Leuven. It will also provide a first opportunity for the Research Support Officers at Coimbra Group Universities to meet and discuss future cooperation.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?
The target group is administrative staff/research support office employees. There is no registration fee, and meals (including dinner) will be paid for by Aarhus University. However, participants must cover their own costs for travel and accommodation.

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### PROGRAMME 3 DECEMBER

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| 09:45 – 10:00 | Welcome  
Johnny Laursen, Dean  
Aarhus University and Executive Board Member, Coimbra Group |
| 10:00 – 11:00 | Horizon 2020: Impact and Innovation Management  
Michael Browne, Head of European Research & Innovation,  
University College London |
| 11:00 – 12:00 | The Commission’s perspective on impact  
Neville Reeve, European Commission, DG Research & Innovation |
| 12:00 – 13:00 | Lunch                                                                |
| 13:00 – 14:00 | Impact in relation to humanities and social sciences  
Nicole Dewandre, European Commission, DG Connect |
| 14:00 – 15:00 | An evaluator’s experience evaluating proposals for Horizon 2020  
“Europe in a Changing World”  
Louis Brennan, Professor, Trinity College Dublin School of Business |
| 15:00 – 15:30 | Break                                                                |
| 15:30 – 16:30 | Future activities in the group – next meeting (time, place, topic)  
John Westensee, Deputy University Director, AU Research Support and External Relations, Aarhus University |
| 18:30 – 21:00 | Dinner at AROs Aarhus Art Museum                                      |

### PROGRAMME 4 DECEMBER

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| 08:30 – 9:30 | AU work on an impact model  
Mikkel Bjerg Kongsbak, Fundraiser, AU Research Support and External  
Relations, Aarhus University |
| 09:30 – 10:30 | From a researcher’s (as user of Research Support Office) point of view  
– how to receive advice on writing the impact; TBC |
| 10:30 – 11:00 | Break                                                                |
| 11:00 – 12:00 | From an end-user’s point of view – how to communicate between  
“two worlds” on writing the impact; TBC |
| 12:00 – 13:00 | Lunch                                                                |
REGISTRATION

Deadline for registration is **9 NOVEMBER 2015**

at [auws.au.dk/coimbra2015](http://auws.au.dk/coimbra2015)

ACCOMMODATION IN AARHUS

We suggest the following hotels

- Radisson BLU Scandinavia Hotel  
  (+45) 8612 8665  

- Cab Inn  
  (+45) 8675 7000  

- Scandic Aarhus City  
  (+45) 8931 8100  
  [www.scandichotels.com/Hotels/Denmark/Aarhus/Arhus-City](http://www.scandichotels.com/Hotels/Denmark/Aarhus/Arhus-City)

Information on how to get to Aarhus can be found at [conferences.au.dk](http://conferences.au.dk)

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