

EUA TASK-AND-FINISH GROUP ON EU RESEARCH AND INNOVATION FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME – CALL FOR MEMBERS

EUA has opened a call for expressions of interest for its new task-and-finish group on EU Research and Innovation Framework Programme.

In the context of the Horizon Europe interim evaluation and the design of future EU investments in research and innovation, the task-and-finish group will provide EUA with expertise to develop strategic input to the process.

Specifically, the group will be tasked with developing EUA's recommendations to improve Horizon Europe design and its implementation, and a vision paper providing an early perspective on the main challenges ahead and key areas to be considered in the design of the next Research and Innovation Framework Programme. Group members will also advise EUA on other activities related to R&I programmes, e.g., on joint initiatives with other stakeholders.

The task-and-finish group is established for a fixed period of 12 months. It will hold its meetings mainly online, with one in-person/hybrid meeting (if feasible). The start of activities is foreseen for the second half of April.

Group members should meet the following criteria:

- demonstrate knowledge of both European and national research and innovation policy processes;
- have knowledge and expertise in EU research and innovation programmes; and
- hold a senior leadership or management position at a EUA member university
 OR in absence of a formal position have a demonstrated high level of expertise on the topics specified above.

The task-and-finish group will be selected based on an assessment of applications, taking into account not only the candidates' expertise and experience, but also gender balance, geographical/regional coverage, disciplinary distribution, and diversity in the types of universities.

Candidates are invited to complete this <u>online form</u>, as well as upload a CV and a short cover letter by 10 March.

The final selection will be made by the EUA Board in accordance with the attached Terms of Reference.

Please contact Kamila Kozirog (kamila.kozirog@eua.eu) should you have any questions regarding the call.