



EU-CELAC Common Research Area

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Why a Common Research Area?

EU-CELAC Partnership: strategic relevance of STI in the bi-regional agenda

- EU-CELAC Action Plan:
 - 1st pillar - Science, research, innovation and technology
 - 9th pillar : "Promote joint activities in close cooperation with the JIRI"
- EU-CELAC 2010 Summit: Launch of the Joint Initiative for Research and Innovation
- EU-CELAC Summit 2015 : call for moving towards a Common Research Area

The EU places great importance on regional cooperation in R&I

- Commissioner Moedas strategy on open science, open innovation, open to the world – focus on development of a Global Research Area
- International Cooperation Strategy: tackling global challenges by developing international partnerships

What is the EU-CELAC Common Research Area in a nutshell?

👉 **Launched in March 2016; builds on 3 strategic pillars:**

Mobility of Researchers

- Promote mobility of researchers through available programmes and tools
- Enhance cooperation between academic and scientific networks and organisations

International outreach of Research Infrastructures

- Establish a structured dialogue to exchange good practices and identify LAC research capacities of regional interest
- Develop a regional roadmapping for CELAC

Jointly addressing grand challenges

- Focus areas : Health, Environment and Climate change, including Sustainable urbanisation
- Participation in global multilateral initiatives : GACD, GLOPID-r, Belmont Forum



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At political level

- ✓ Co-chair of the SOM
- ✓ Ensure that R&I are acknowledged as key drivers for sustainable development and growth

Project based cooperation

ALCUE Net : support to STI policy dialogue

- ✓ Success Story : Regional NCP Horizon 2020 Network

ERA-NET LAC: implement joint activities

- ✓ Success Story : EU-CELAC Funding Agencies interest group

Support to **thematic cooperation**

- ✓ Success Story : EU LAC Health Roadmap

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Support to the implementation of the Common Research Area three pillars

- ✓ NET4Mobility, Euraxess Links CELAC
- ✓ EU-CELAC Working Group on Research Infrastructures
- ✓ H2020 Work Programme 2018-2020 CELAC Flagships

Area	Description	Year
Health	'Translational collaborative cancer research between Europe and CELAC (RIA)	2018
Health	Actions in support of the International Consortium for Personalised Medicine (CSA)	2018
Transport	Urban mobility and sustainable electrification in large urban areas in developing and emerging economies (IA)	2019
Environment	Strengthening international cooperation on sustainable urbanisation: nature-based solutions for restoration and rehabilitation of urban ecosystems (RIA)	2019
Research Infrastructures	Policy and international cooperation measures for research infrastructures (CSA)	2019



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Service Facility in support of the strategic development of international cooperation in research and innovation

Objective

- To provide services that support the policy development, priority setting, follow-up and implementation of the strategy for international cooperation in research and innovation

Service Facility : Types of Services

- ✓ **Awareness raising and training activities**
- ✓ **Organisation of R&I events**
- ✓ **Support to National Contact Points**
- ✓ **Set-up of R&I/industry/business/policy partnering platform**
- ✓ **Analysis and monitoring activities**

The services should result in:

- *well-informed* policy dialogues and strategic priority setting
- *effective implementation* of joint commitments
- *reinforced* international cooperation
- *improved* framework conditions for cooperation
- *enhanced impact* of research and innovation project results
- *improved profile* of EU research and innovation policy, programmes and strengths.



SF support to the Common Research Area

New actions to ensure sustainability of the projects and going beyond

- ✓ International Cooperation service facility (INCO SF) contract to support the JIRI
- ✓ INCO SF Communication contract;
- ✓ NCPs support analysis

R&I for sustainable development and growth

- ✓ Policy advice for CELAC countries to implement the 2030 Agenda
- ✓ Need to strengthen the Innovation dimension of the Common Research Area

Next steps

- ✓ Follow-up of the EU-CELAC JIRI SOM on 2 October 2017

More Information

<http://ec.europa.eu/research/iscp/index.cfm?pg=latin-america-carib>

Useful links:

<http://ec.europa.eu/research/index.cfm>

<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/home.html>

<http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/horizon2020/en>

