



Network of the European Union, Latin America and the Caribbean Countries on Joint Innovation and Research Activities

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- **Topic recommendations** for the joint calls were prepared by the five thematic Senior Officials Meeting (SOM) working groups and endorsed by the EU-CELAC SOM. In the development of the topic recommendations, the SOM working groups were supported by the projects ALCUE NET, EU-LAC Health and ENSOCIO-LAC.
- Each project consortium consists of a minimum of **4 partners** from **4 different countries** with at least **2 countries from each region**

1st Joint Call:

Participation

total: 533 Institutes from 17 countries in submitted proposals
in the 14 funded projects: 75 institutes

2nd Joint Call

Participation

total: 696 Institutes from 25 countries in submitted proposals
in the 27 funded projects: 139 institutes

	1. Joint Call	2. Joint Call
Date of launch	16.09. - 27.11.2014	01.12.2015 - 10.03.2016
Number of funding organizations	16 (7 LAC, 9 EU)	25 (12 LAC, 13 EU)
Number of funded projects	14	27
Funded projects according to thematic areas	1. Joint Call	2. Joint Call
Biodiversity	3	7
Biorefinery	6	6
Energy	2	4
Health	3	6
ICT		4
Total of projects	14	27
Total funding budget	7,6 M€	12,85 M€

- **Funding agencies' platform (Online portal)**

Will secure networking and sustainability beyond project life-time:

- Enhance visibility of EU-CELAC Funding Agencies
- Connect EU-CELAC Funding Agencies
- Exchange experiences, programmes, interests of EU-CELAC Funding Agencies
- Promote and support cooperation between EU-CELAC Funding Agencies

- As of 09 March 2017, **32 Funding Agencies** from both regions provided their **profiles and thematic interests** to be published on the **online portal** (17 EU and 15 CELAC)

What?

The EU-CELAC IG is an open group of funding agencies from CELAC, EU Member States and Associated Countries. It is based on a common interest in initiating and conducting joint funding activities and participation in specific joint actions.

Why?

- High interest of funding agencies from both regions in multilateral funding activities;
- strengthen bilateral & bi-regional activities;
- involve partners from countries with less experience in international cooperation;
- tackle globally relevant research topics more efficiently through multilateral consortia;
- support the implementation of the Common EU-CELAC Research Area and creates further added value to its three pillars;

Current Activities of the EU-CELAC Interest Group

3rd ERANet-LAC Joint Call = 1st EU-CELAC IG Joint Call:
23 participating funding agencies
6 topics:

- BIODIVERSITY Observatories' Network on Biodiversity and Climate Change: Coordinating Data Acquisition and Fostering Data Access and Transfer.
- BIOECONOMY / BIOREFINERIES Intermediate and/or High-Added Value Bioproducts
- HEALTH Infectious Diseases: Early Detection Research including both, Screening and Diagnosis
- ICT ICT Platform for Learning and Inclusion
- ICT for Urban Sustainability: Nature-Based Solutions, Citizen Science and Systemic Urban Planning
- ENERGY Ocean Energy: Development of Technologies for the Energy Valorization of Marine Resources within existing Large Research Infrastructures

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Time line:

Launch: 20th November 2017

Application deadline: 8 March 2018

Funding Agencies decision meeting: second half of 2018 (if possible
b2b with next SOM)

Next steps

Discussion on ...

- ... how to organize the future work flow
- ... new topics
- ... new actions

Discussion process started in San Salvador

- Future topics suggested : eHealth and neurodegenerative diseases
- instruments: staff exchange, webinars, preparatory calls for H2020 calls (2020)

Suggestion: Brainstorming session in December 2017

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

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