

**Management Board conference call (via GoToMeeting)
Tuesday, 3 July 2020 at 11:30h**

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Agenda

I. Status of on-going actions:

- a. Clean Energy Transition Partnership (CETP) → SRIA elaboration process
- b. IWG8 → 3-4 most promising technologies in the coming SET PLAN conference in Berlin
- c. Proposals for EERA Bioenergy webinars

2. Next steps:

- a. Publication of EEBIONews and Technology Watch
- b. Planning for September, October, and November (December → SC meeting)
- c. EERA Bioenergy fees

Participants: Andrea, Francisco, Jaap, Julien, Wolter, Margarita, Ana

I. Status of on-going actions:

a. Clean Energy Transition Partnership (CETP) → SRIA elaboration process

The new SRIA of the Clean Energy Transition Partnership is being drafted (process opened in mid-June). This document will be the closest continuation of the SET-Plan. Andrea mentions the strategic importance for the EERA Bioenergy JP of taking part in this process as members of the different Working Groups (WGs) of the SRIA. He kindly asks to the SPCs to contribute to the document in alignment with the KPIs and the SRIA 2020 of EERA Bioenergy. The SPCs give an update about the actions and plans of the different WGs they take part in. The current process involving WGs webinars and contributions is planned to be completed in two months as the first SRIA draft is expected to be ready in September. Andrea proposes to have a Management Board meeting in a month to have an update about the CETP SRIA elaboration process.

b. IWG8 → 3-4 most promising technologies in the coming SET-Plan conference in Berlin

In the last meeting of the Implementation Working Group 8 of the SET-Plan, members were requested to point out some technologies for bioenergy that could be more relevant than others for the next period. Andrea asks to the SPCs to prepare some lines about their opinion and explanation of the most promising technologies for bioenergy (5-6) under their Subprogramme point of view. The only premise is the technology cannot be linked to any specific industrial entity. The contributions will be discussed in the next IWG8 meeting.

c. Proposals for EERA Bioenergy webinars

Each SPCs gives an update of their plans concerning the organization of Subprogramme webinars. No webinars are planned for the summer. Andrea highlights the importance of organizing this kind of webinars to create joined consortia to prepare strong proposals. He also reminds the draft Annual Working Plan for Cluster 5 has already been released and advises to take a look at it as it can give an idea of what will be funded in the next period. The following webinars can be organized for a specific Subprogramme or several of them, in case the topics involve cross-cutting issues.

2. Next steps

a. Publication of EEBIONews and Technology Watch

Margarita informs the newsletter was released yesterday with a record of contributions from the members. Several acknowledgments were received. The newsletter is also being disseminated to other entities, associations and platforms. The next issue of the Technology Watch will be released the next week. Margarita also proposes EERA Bioenergy could organize webinars not only focused to create proposals. Other focuses/approaches could be interesting as well for our members.

b. Planning for September, October, and November (December → SC meeting)

The planning for the months after summer will depend on the COVID-19 situation. A Management Board meeting will be programmed for the end of the summer. The next SC meeting will tentatively be held in December. The final format of the meeting will be further discussed, as it could be held physically or virtually (similar to the last SC meeting held one month ago).

c. EERA Bioenergy fees

Andrea raises the EERA Bioenergy fees issue. Not to be decided, just to start thinking about it and make a decision before the next Steering Committee meeting. Currently, the membership fees are 2,500€ for Full members and 500€ for Associate members which could encourage some members to switch from Full to Associate, as the advantages of being Full members similar to the Associate ones (being the right to vote the main difference). This situation could lead to a reduction in the JP budget that could affect JP services and activities. The Management Board agrees on the need of making a change in the amount of the fees. The issue will be further discussed in the following Management Board meetings as it needs to be solved by the end of the year.

The meeting finishes at 12:33 h.