

H2020 News, Calls, Events**H2020 Info & Networking Day: ICT-23-2017 Interfaces for accessibility**

Luxemburg [BECH building, AMPERE room, Rue 5 Alphonse Weicker] **10 January 2017**

Morning session to cover assistive technologies, afternoon session on web accessibility tools

NB: Registration closes on 7th January 2017, though do note it will be on a FCFS basis and space is limited.

<https://ec.europa.eu/digital-single-market/en/news/information-and-networking-day-h2020-ict-ict-23-interfaces-accessibility>

H2020 ICT-32-2017 Frequently asked questions and their answers

<https://ec.europa.eu/digital-single-market/en/news/frequently-asked-questions-topic-ict-32-startup-europe-growth-and-innovation-radar>

Slidesets from H2020 Info Day 2nd Dec: ICT-5-2017, ICT-31-2017, FoF-12-2017

Presentations available at: <https://ec.europa.eu/digital-single-market/events/cf/h2020-info-day-on-fof-12-ict-5-and-ict-31/stream-items.cfm?id=373&by=372>

Updated agenda: <https://ec.europa.eu/digital-single-market/en/news/h2020-info-day-factories-future-12-ict-5-and-ict-31-ict-innovation-manufacturing-smes-i4ms>

List of attendees: <https://ec.europa.eu/digital-single-market/events/cf/h2020-info-day-on-fof-12-ict-5-and-ict-31/browse-persons.cfm?full=1&type=registered&browseby=name>

Internet of Things Privacy & Security Workshop

Brussels [Avenue de Beaulieu BU-25, Room 0/S1] **13 January 2017 09:30-17:00**

A follow-up to the AIOTI Workshop on Security and Privacy (as part of the ETSI Security Week 2016) and the Internet of Things and ePrivacy Workshop (within the Digital Assembly 2016).

NB: There are 85 seats available for this event.

<https://ec.europa.eu/digital-single-market/en/news/internet-things-privacy-security-workshop>

Workshop on CAPs for Sustainability and Social Innovation

Rome [Piazza del Campidoglio] **1-2 February 2017**

Free attendance but make sure to register online before booking travel. The workshop will be part of the Digital Social Innovation Fair 2017. [EC's web-page on Collective Awareness Platforms \(CAPs\)](#).

<https://ec.europa.eu/digital-single-market/en/news/save-date-collective-awareness-platforms-sustainability-and-social-innovation>

H2020 QuantERA Project in Quantum Technologies – First Call for Proposals

Not that the first Call for Proposals will be launched in January 2017, with pre-proposal deadline in March followed by a full proposal deadline in June. Funding decisions are expected by late 2017 with successful projects to star in 2018.

See QUANTERA's presentation at: <https://prezi.com/64nqtyrhaio-/quantera/>

H2020 Monitoring Report 2015 & H2020 Brochure ‘Two years on’

The report covers H2020 calls closed in 2015 which are compared against the results of those in 2014. It analyses implementation, allocation of funding and participation per EU member state, Associated Countries and third countries. Evidence from the report will feed into the ongoing interim evaluation of H2020.

<http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/horizon2020/en/news/horizon-2020-monitoring-report-2015>

http://ec.europa.eu/research/evaluations/pdf/h2020_2-years-on_brochure.pdf

H2020 SME Instrument – December 2016 Newsletter

[http://ec.europa.eu/newsroom/easme/newsletter-specific-archive-](http://ec.europa.eu/newsroom/easme/newsletter-specific-archive-issue.cfm?newsletter_service_id=200&lang=default)

[issue.cfm?newsletter_service_id=200&lang=default](http://ec.europa.eu/newsroom/easme/newsletter-specific-archive-issue.cfm?newsletter_service_id=200&lang=default)

H2020 FET2RIN CSA Project – 3 Upcoming Training Workshops

The aim of those workshops is to help FET Project participants to check and prepare the launch of innovative solutions to the market, by using the Lean Startup approach. All participants will pitch their ideas in front of real investors and get their feedback.

More details and online registration at: <http://www.fet2rin.com/>

>> First workshop: 26th - 27th January 2017

>> Second workshop: 23rd - 24th February 2017

>> Third workshop: 30th - 31st March 2017

FP7 Project DAMASOS - improving the management of ‘Systems of Systems’

The project was finished on 30th September 2016, results are available on the web-site.

http://cordis.europa.eu/news/rcn/126647_en.html

Public Consultations

H2020 Consultation on Next Generation Internet (NGI) ‘Flagship’ Initiative

Open from 10th November 2016 until 9th January 2017

Link to the consultation: <https://ec.europa.eu/futurium/en/next-generation-internet>

See presentation on NGI from November’s workshop in Brussels:

<https://ec.europa.eu/futurium/en/content/presentation-first-workshop-next-generation-internet-initiative-brussels>

Video session on NGI from ICT 2016 in Bratislava:

<https://ec.europa.eu/digital-single-market/events/cf/ict-proposers-day-2016/item-display.cfm?id=18539>

Public consultation: Mid-term evaluation of the Connecting Europe Facility

Open from 28th November 2016 until 27th February 2017

Link to the consultation: <https://ec.europa.eu/transport/themes/infrastructure/consultations/mid-term-evaluation-connecting-europe-facility-cef>

Other R&I related News

“Leaving the EU: implications and opportunities for science and research” – Report from the HoC S&T Committee

<http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm201617/cmselect/cmsctech/502/50202.htm>

European Defence Action Plan: Towards a European Defence Fund

EDAP includes a “research window” which would fund collaborative research in innovative and strategic defence technologies – examples could be electronics, metamaterials, encrypted software, robotics. A “Preparatory Action” of 25 MEUR has already been proposed by the EC as part of the 2017 EU budget – the aim is to run as a pilot for supporting defence research at EU level.

Press release: http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release_IP-16-4088_en.htm

FAQs: http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release_MEMO-16-4101_en.htm

Launched today – OECD’s Science, Technology and Innovation Outlook 2016

<http://www.oecd.org/sti/oecd-science-technology-and-innovation-outlook-25186167.htm>

JRC Report - EU’s defence industry needs a secure and sustainable materials supply chain

<https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en/news/eu-s-defence-industry-needs-secure-and-sustainable-materials-supply-chain>

National/Innovate UK funding opportunities

Analysis for Innovator (A4I) - £6.5m competition

Analysis for Innovators (A4I) is a new funding programme that targets competitiveness and productivity head on, by offering cutting edge R&D, expertise and facilities to UK companies that want to solve an analysis or measurement problem from within their existing business.

Innovate UK have partners on this programme - NPL, STFC, NEL & LGC - who run some of the most advanced cutting edge facilities, techniques and technologies available in the world. They will be making these available to successful applicants to A4I to do R&D to solve analysis and measurement problems. Innovate UK expect the programme to particularly appeal to manufacturing companies, especially those involved in complex supply chains, but companies applying may be from any sector. A4I will be run as a two stage scheme, and at the first stage proposers will need to describe the problem: its nature, any techniques they have already tried and the value to their business of solving it.

Note that the A4I competition is expected to open on the 9th January 2017, so stay tuned at Innovate UK’s ‘live funding competitions’ web-page: <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/innovation-grants-for-business-apply-for-funding#live-funding-competitions>