

International Information Day
"European Excellence Initiative (EEI):
general conditions, practical information, project presentation"
(HORIZON-WIDERA-2025-01-ACCESS-01, Horizon Europe)

Agenda

Date: 29.09.2025

Time: 10:00 – 15:30 CEST (Portugal: 9:00 - 14:30; Romania: 11:00 - 16:30)

Venue: online, MS Teams platform

Working language: English

- 10:00 – 10:15 ***Opening and welcome***
Adam Głuszuk, NCP for WIDERA, coordinator of the NCP_WIDERA.NET Project, DKPK NCBR, Poland
Karina Barntseva, NCP for WIDERA, DKPK NCBR, Poland
- 10:15 – 11:00 ***Information about the EEI call: general conditions, objectives, demands, tips for proposal preparation. EEI success rate statistics***
Karina Barntseva, NCP for WIDERA, DKPK NCBR, Poland
Q&A session
- 11:00 – 12:00 ***NCP Panel. How to be successful in EEI, Widening and HE in general? NCPs for WIDERA from Czechia, Portugal, Romania and Poland share their experience in supporting project applicants and give advice how to become successful in projects***
Anna Vosečková, NCP for WIDERA, NCP EIT, Technology Centre Prague, Czechia
Rui Munhá, NCP Coordinator for Pillar I and the Horizontal Activity of HE, NCP for ERC and Widening, Foundation for Science and Technology, Portugal
Daniela Dragomir, NCP for WIDERA, Executive Agency for Higher Education, Research, Development and Innovation Funding, Romania
Karina Barantseva, NCP for WIDERA, National Contact Point Department for EU Research Programmes (DKPK) NCBR, Poland
Panel Moderator: Maria Szlachta, DKPK NCBR, Poland
- 12:00 – 12:45 ***Lunch Break***

- 12:45 – 13:45 **Three examples of successful EEI projects:**
- 12:45 – 13:05 Project “Alliance4Life Bridging the Research and Innovation Gap in Life Sciences” (A4L_BRIDGE), Masarykova univerzita / Masaryk University, Czechia
Božena Čechalová, Ing., Research projects manager, Grant Office, Masaryk University
Q&A
- 13:05 – 13:25 Project “Raise excellence in R&S&I in HEI for widening countries” (Unite.WIDENING), Universidade de Lisboa / University of Lisbon
Maria de Fátima Montemor, Dr. h.c. Full Professor/Prof. Catedrática Instituto Superior Técnico, Universidade de Lisboa
Q&A
- 13:25 - 13:45 Project “EU-CONEXUS ENABLES - Promoting excellence through innovative eco-systems” (EU-CONEXUS ENABLES), Universitatea Tehnica de Constructii Bucuresti / Bucharest Technical University of Civil Engineering, Romania
Ilinca Năstase, Professor, Vice-rector with scientific research and international affairs, Building Services Engineering Faculty, CAMBI Research Center, Technical University of Civil Engineering of Bucharest
Q&A
- 13:45 – 14:15 **Results of the previous calls EEI applications evaluation. What do evaluators appreciate about EEI?**
Karina Barntseva, NCP for WIDERA, DKPK NCBR
Q&A
- 14:15 – 15:15 **Three examples of successful EEI projects:**
- 14:15 – 14:35 Project “EmpoWering EDUC for Inclusive Development of the ERA” (EDUC-WIDE), Masarykova univerzita / Masaryk University, Czechia
Iva Sedláková, Mgr., Ph.D., Lead project manager, Division for Strategic Projects, Masaryk University
Q&A
- 14:35 – 14:55 Project “WIRE - Widening Innovation+Research Excellence in FilmEU” (WIRE FilmEU), COFAC/Lusófona University
Manuel Jose Damasio, CEO, COFAC/Lusófona University
Q&A
- 14:55 – 15:15 Project “Empowering Widening universities in EUTOPIA alliance to foster academic excellence in Health” (EUTOPIA_HEALTH), Universitatea Babeş Bolyai / Babes-Bolyai University, Romania
Bálint Markó, Professor, Vice-Rector, Vice-President of EUTOPIA, Babeş-Bolyai University, Faculty of Biology and Geology, Cluj-Napoca, Romania.
Q&A
- 15:15 – 15:30 **Q&A, final remarks, closing the Information Day**