Tools and Tips in support of SSH Integration in EU Research and Innovation Framework Programmes
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Net4Society

- International network of Nation Contact Points (NCPs) for Societal Challenge 6 (SC6) in Horizon 2020
- Established in 2008 and involves SC6 NCPs from ca. 60 countries in Europe/worldwide; currently runs until 31 December 2021
- **Main objectives:**
  - Quality improvement of NCP services (e.g. trainings)
  - Support for SC6 research communities (Proposal preparation, consortium building)
  - **Support to Social Sciences and Humanities (SSH) integration in Horizon 2020**
  - Increased SC6 / SSH visibility & awareness for SSH impact
SSH Integration: multidisciplinarity in action

Aim of SSH Integration: increased collaboration between SSH & STEM researchers in finding solutions to complex social problems.
Tools & Services in support of SSH Integration

- SSH Opportunities Document
- Integration of Social Sciences and Humanities in Horizon 2020: Participants, Budgets and Disciplines ("SSH Integration Monitoring Report")
- Factsheets on SSH Integration
- Monitoring of SSH Opportunities in other Programming Areas
- Brokerages
- Partner Search
SSH Opportunities Document

• “Opportunities for Researchers from the Socio-economic Sciences and Humanities (SSH) in Horizon 2020”
  • Complete overview of SSH Funding (all Societal Challenges and some other programming areas) chances in entire framework programme
  • Published regularly during project runtime
  • To be published for 1st Horizon Europe calls by APRE (IT) in context of the Bridge2HE project

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Monitoring Report

• **5 reports** produced by DG RTD; 5th report published December 2020
• **Aims:** Presents data on the participation of SSH researchers in Horizon 2020; identifies areas in need of adjustment in the SSH Integration process
• **Findings:** steady (but slow) improvement in process implementation over time
  o SSH researchers increasingly represented in project consortia
• Data analysis conducted by Net4Society partner APRE (IT); APRE to do analysis for 6th report
Factsheets on good SSH Integration practice

• Good practice examples on how to successfully design and implement inter- and multidisciplinary research projects funded under H2020
  • Based on interviews with project coordinators of flagged-topics
  • Specific focus on inclusion of SSH researchers and how achieved

• “Success Stories in SSH-STEM collaboration”
Monitoring of SSH Opportunities in other EU Instruments

- Regular monitoring of funding opportunities for SSH researchers in other EU programming areas
  - ERA Nets
  - Joint Technology Initiatives (JTIs)
  - Joint Programming Initiatives (JPIs)
  - Art. 185 Instruments
- Posted on network website
Brokerages

- Brokerages organized between SSH & STEM researchers; non-academic actors using b2match tool
  - Supports consortia building for submission of proposals (H2020)
  - Collaboration with other NCP networks a their brokerage events, incl. EEN
- **Format:** In-person and online*
Partner Search

- **Partner Search**: supported search of projects seeking additional partners; open to project coordinators
  - Helps to facilitate consortium building for EU Framework Programme Work Programme calls
  - Tool currently disabled, but partner search still possible—forwarded to network
Thank you for your attention!