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Training B2HE European Partnerships

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The evolution of the Partnerships in the EU Framework Programmes

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The beginning

The creation of the first platforms

Between 2001 and 2004. So, between two programs, the end of FP5 and the first years of FP6

With the birth of ACARE (Advisory Council for Aviation Research in Europe), one can ideally imagine dating the birth of the first ETP back to January 2001

The scenario

it is with FP6 (2002-2006) that we move from a matrix approach to a more circular one, in which the relationship between program structures and program actors evolves towards more advanced and integrated forms

Stakeholders, no longer just potential beneficiaries, but first line players, together with other subjects around the research context too

A new quality of interaction between the Commission and stakeholders, towards a new process of sharing the definition and orientation of future programs



Why were the platforms conceived and then created?

Looking for a win-win solution

Structuring and formalization of a consultation and comparison mechanism with the recipients of the funding themselves -> sharing of systemic strategies

Definition of relevant, robust and expected actions in the domains of competence

Stimulation and incentive of industrial participation

Lightening of the burden of a parceled consultation and comparison process (COM)

De facto constitution of a single, formal, representative interlocutor -> transparency and effectiveness

The ETP as an instrument through which to reach the definition of research and development priorities and the programming of actions on a strategic and priority theme for Europe and for which the maintenance of competitiveness, future growth and sustainability require structured interventions in terms of R&D at European level in the medium and long term



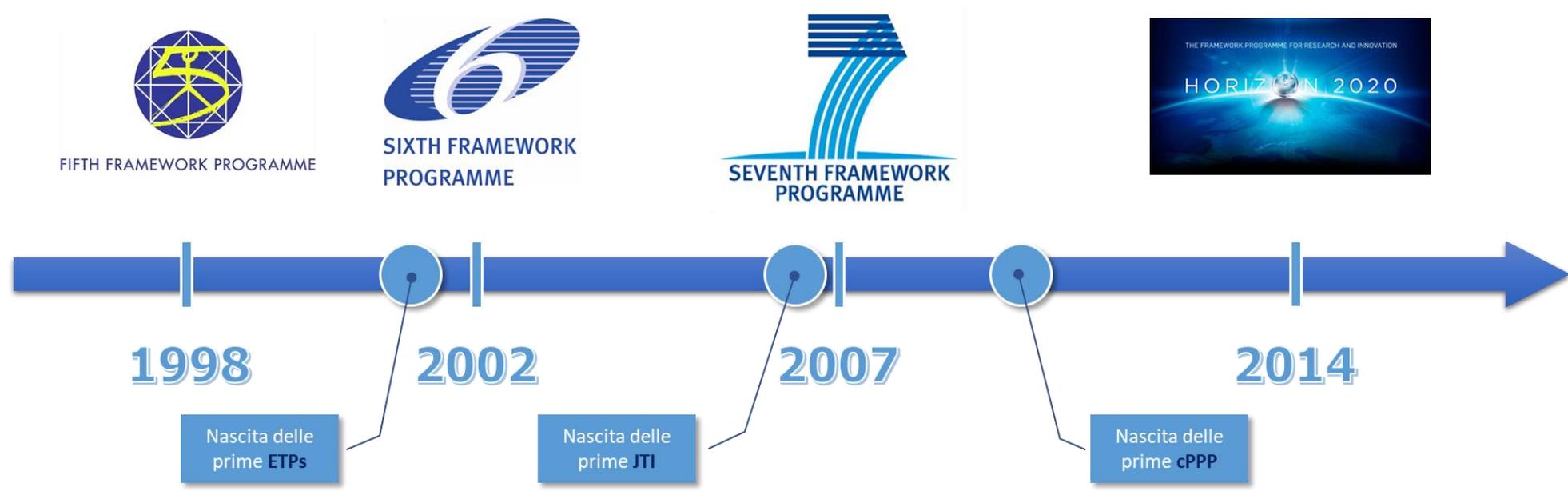
... nothing new under the sun. The European legislator had imagined the idea of cooperation on the most critical issues of research between Europe and Member States (more commonly referred to as participation joint public-public) and between Europe and private subjects (more commonly referred to as joint public-private participation) since the first stirrings of the European Community ...

Partnership	Single European Act EEC Treaty (1987)*	Treaty of Maastricht TEC (1993)*	Treaty of Amsterdam TEC (1999)*	Treaty of Lisbon TFEU (2009)*
Public-Public	Art. 130.m	Art. 130.l	Art. 169	Art. 185
Public-Private	Art. 130.o	Art. 130.n	Art. 171	Art. 187

(*) Dates refer to the year of adoption



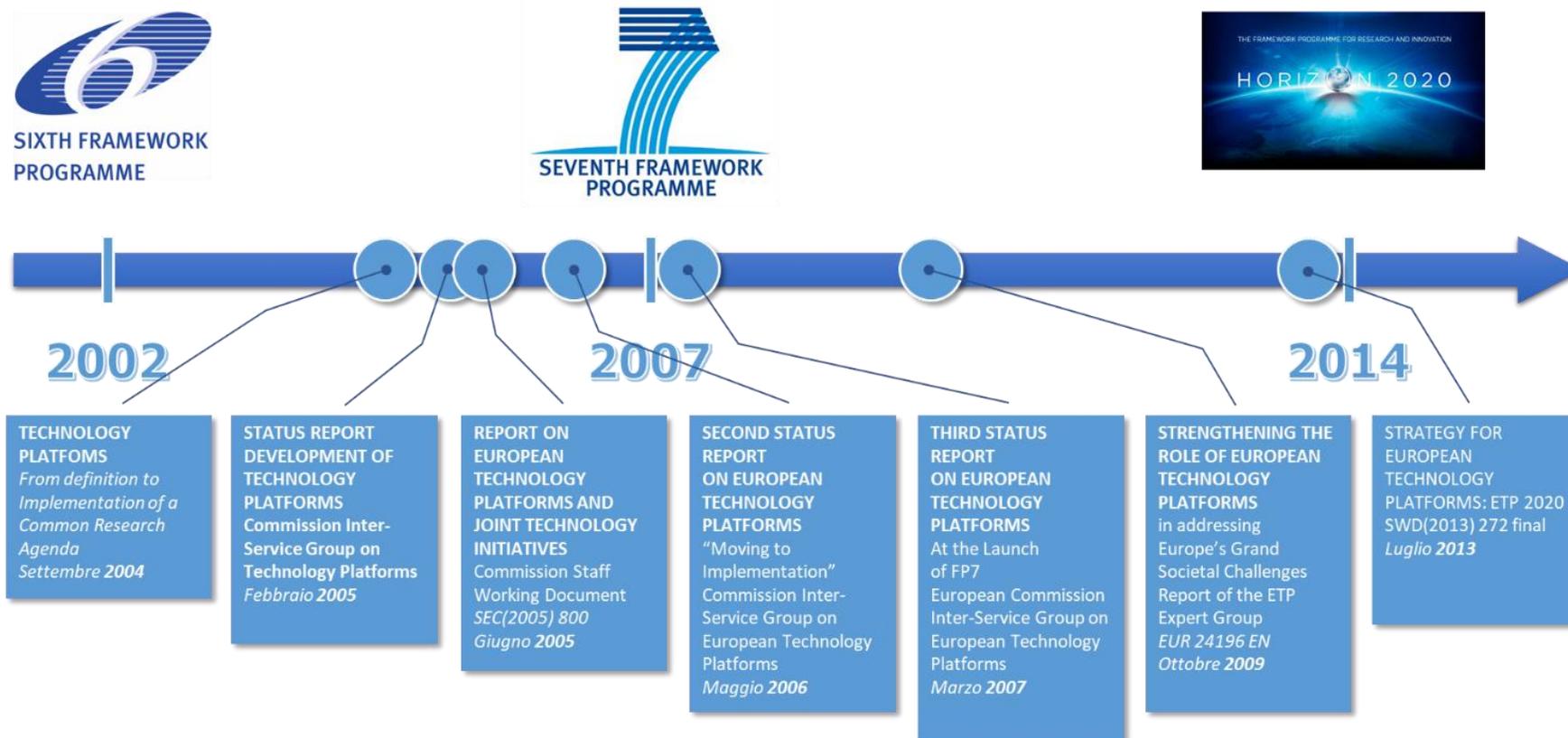
... the launch of the first wave of ETPs, already incubated the idea that these should be the contexts in which to lay the foundations for the development of future PPPs (art. 171) ... In the launch of the first partnerships, the reference was only to the legal basis of 171, which effectively provided for the creation of a JU through a Council decision. We have to wait until 2010 for the creation of the first "simplified" public-private partnerships, the so-called contractual partnerships (CPPP) ...

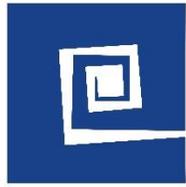


ETPs role and effect on the R&I European policies



... It is precisely the affirmation of partnerships that marks the beginning of a process of loosening the centrality of ETPs, also due to the Commission's less attention on them. In many cases it was an expected and inevitable process, which over time has seen the focus increasingly more attention on the partnerships themselves, to the detriment of the systems that had helped build them ...





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