



Research and Innovation for Sustainable Development

European Energy Research Alliance (EERA) –
l'iniziativa, le sue finalità, la struttura
organizzativa e l'attuale posizionamento nelle
politiche di R&D Europee

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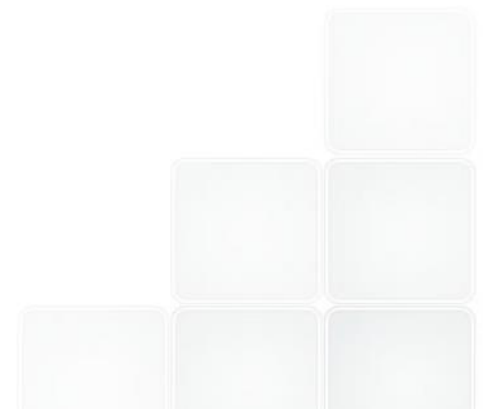
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Agenda



- Introduzione sul SET Plan
- EERA – European Energy Research Alliance
- Nuova strategia SET Plan (EC Comm., Integrated Roadmap, Action Plan)
- Link utili



The SET Plan



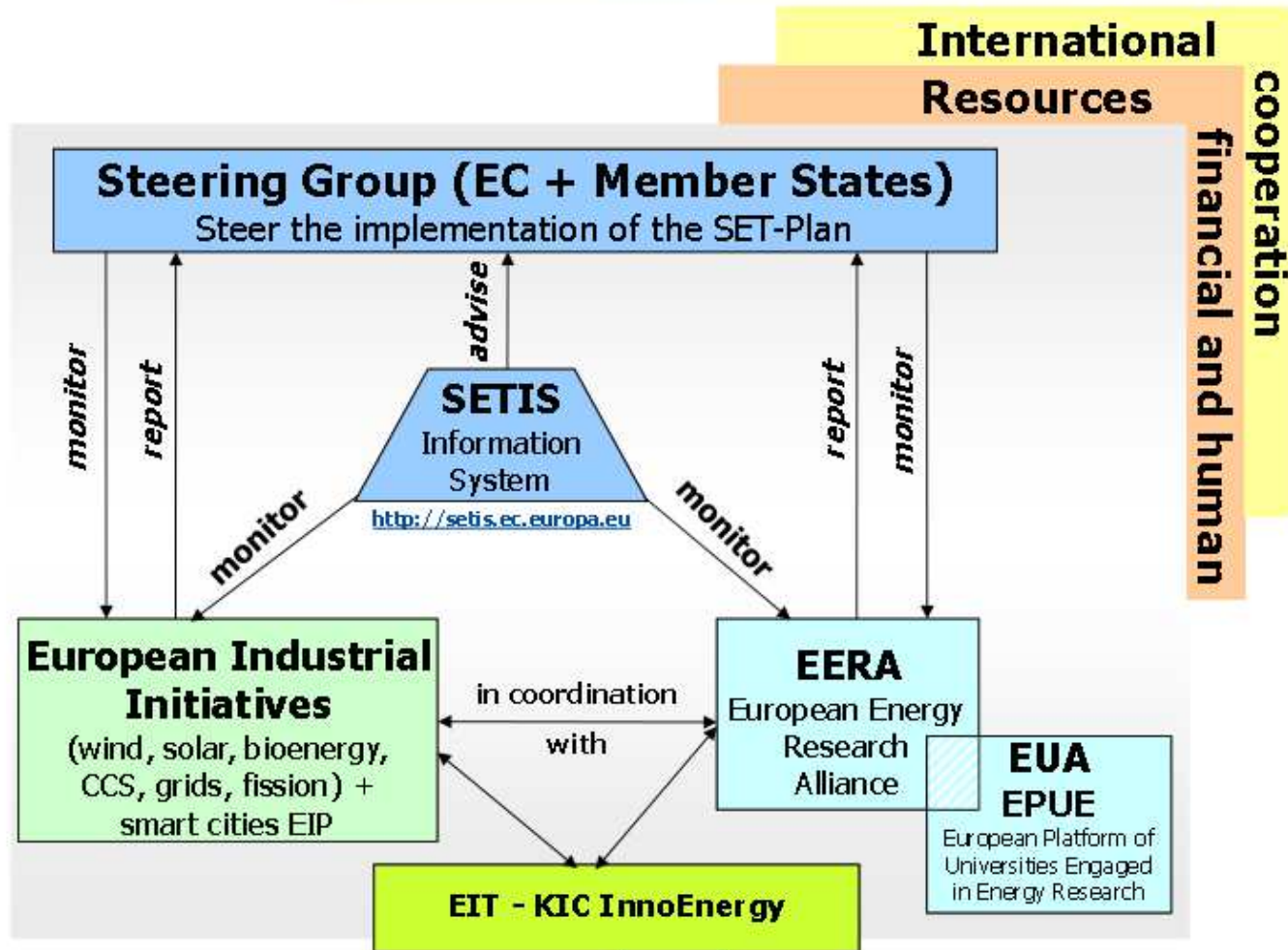
SET Plan adopted in 2008



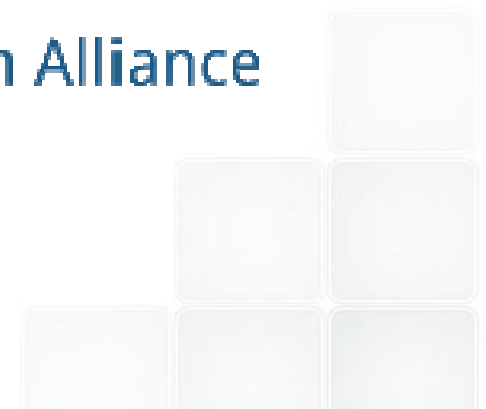
- ***Focus on technologies with market impact up to 2020 (set up of EIIs) - roadmaps***
 - Wind
 - Solar
 - Electricity grids
 - CCS
 - Bioenergy
 - Nuclear
 - Smart Cities and Communities
 - Fuel cells and hydrogen
- ***Focus on longer-term research actions beyond 2020 (set up of EERA)***
- ***Financing***



SET Plan status



EERA – European Energy Research Alliance



About EERA



- A public research alliance, established in 2008
- A cornerstone of the [Strategic Energy Technology Plan](#) (SET-Plan)
- Bringing together 250 research organisations
- Working together in 16 Joint Programmes
- Collaborating with European Industry
- With global outreach
- And aligning national research



4 levels of governance

EERA General Assembly

- Supreme governing body of the Association
- Approval of the EERA budget and annual accounts
- Fora for discussing activity plan of the Association

EERA Executive Committee

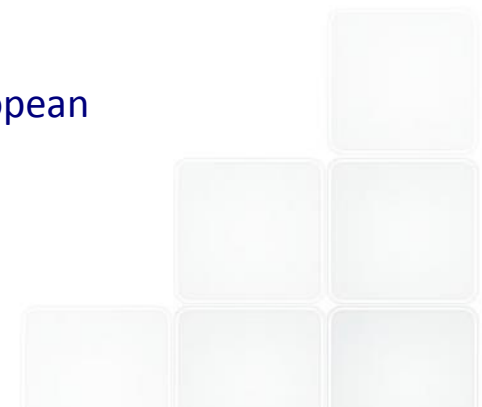
- Governance and oversight of EERA
- Relations with EU Commission and Member States on EERA policy and development

The EERA Secretariat

- Day to day management of EERA
- Support and liaise with all EERA bodies and the European Commission

The EERA Joint Programmes

- Management of the individual EERA JPs
- Technology/field specific liaising with the European Commission and SET-Plan stakeholders
- Technology specific links to Member States

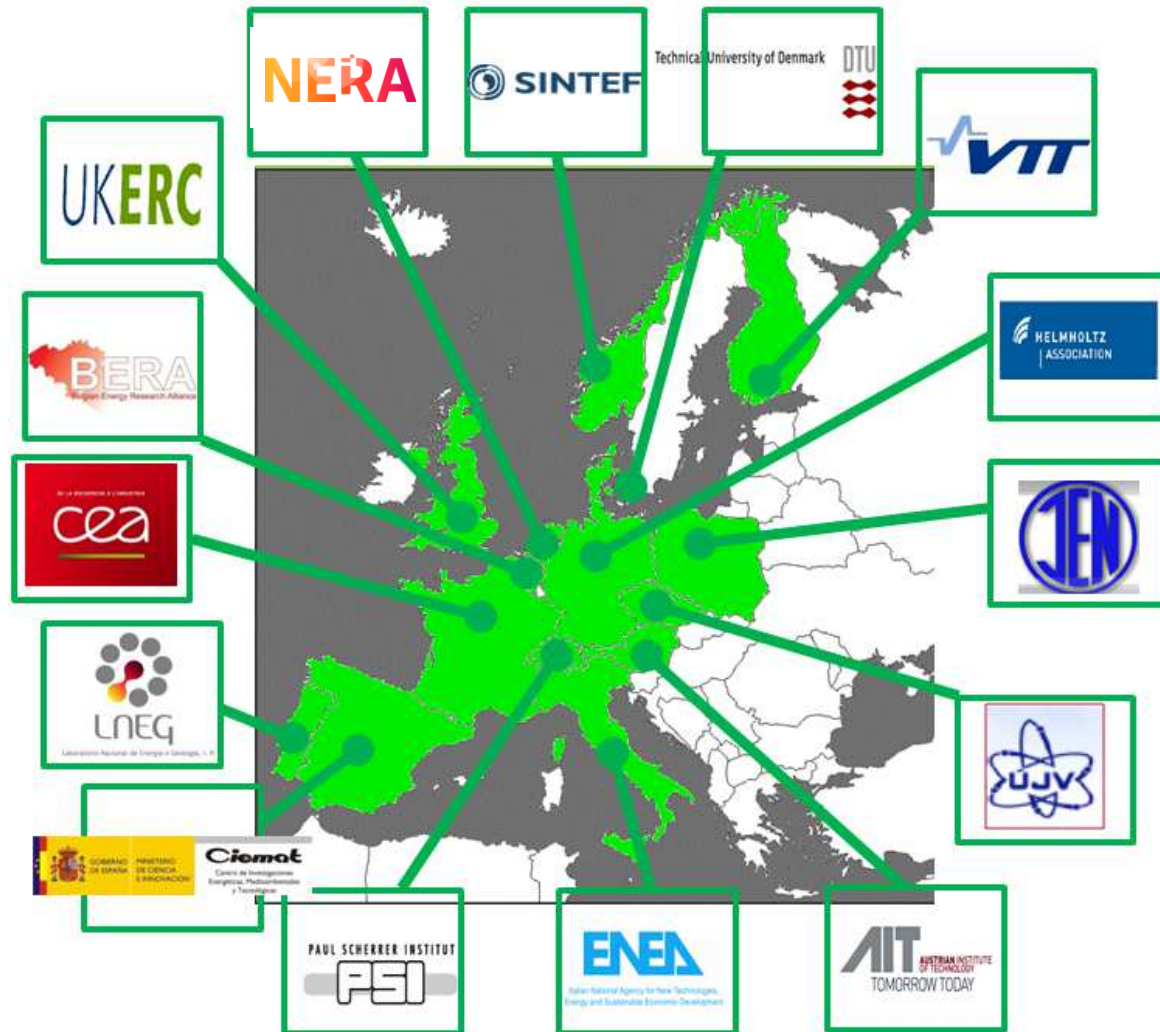


15 EERA Executive Committee Members



Supported

by :



EERA has 16 Joint Programmes



JPs launched in 2010

- Bioenergy ≈ 327*
- CCS ≈ 361*
- Geothermal ≈ 408*
- Mat. For Nucl. ≈ 198*
- Wind Energy ≈ 162*
- Smart Grids ≈ 144*
- PV ≈ 162*

JPs launched in 2013

- Environmental, economic and social impact "E3S" ≈ 194*
- Shale gas ≈ 181*

JPs launched in 2011

- AMPEA ≈ 522*
- CSP ≈ 132*
- Energy Storage ≈ 430*
- FC&H2 ≈ 160*
- Ocean Energy ≈ 45*
- Smart Cities ≈ 212*

JPs under development

- Energy Efficiency in Industrial Processes (recently approved!)
- Energy Systems Integration

*FTEs (Full-time equivalent)

EERA governance



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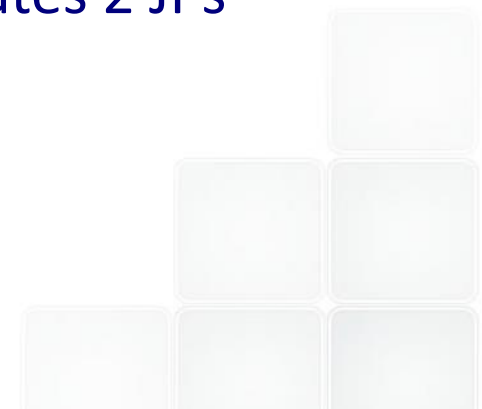
- Gianpiero Celata (ENEA) sits in the ExCo

The EERA Secretariat

- Coordinated by ENEA

The EERA Joint Programmes

- ENEA is present in 15 out of 16 JPs, it coordinates 1 JP, it co-coordinates 2 JPs



Joint Programming principles



What kind of cooperation can be foreseen?

- Harmonisation of research programmes

- Exchange of information
- Exchange of personnel
- Common strategy to tackle (new) research questions

Too many topics for a single institute

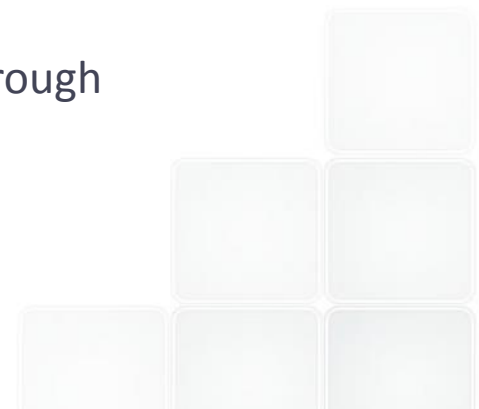
Avoid duplication, ensure complementary of programmes

Agree on who does what (and share results)

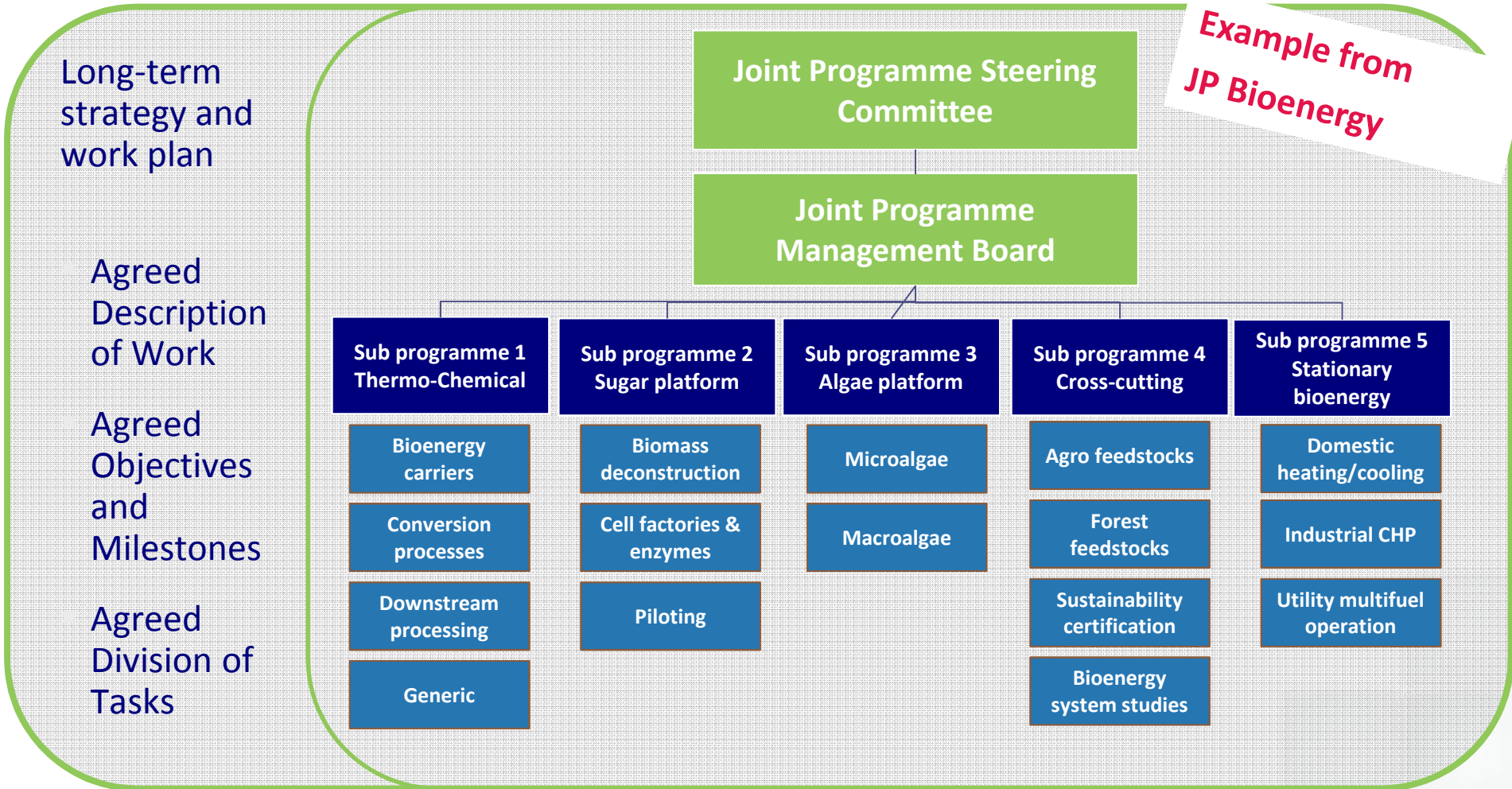
- Facilities

- Sharing of facilities
- Building new joint facilities
Owned by multiple institutes

} A breakthrough



Joint Programme basics



Examples of JPs



JP Bioenergy

Coordinated by Juan Carrasco,
CIEMAT (ES)

34 partners from 15 EU countries

5 sub-programmes

Joint report with European
Industrial Bioenergy Initiative on
long-term R&D needs for
bioenergy

International cooperation with
Latin-America (Sugar platform)



JP Smart Grids

Coordinated by Luciano Martini, RSE
s.p.a. (Italy)

36 partners from 16 EU countries

- 5 sub-programmes
- Coordination of the research with stakeholders including ENTSO-E, EDSO4SG, EEGI and ETP SG
- International collaboration: USA, China, Australia, Japan, IEA, ITU
- And:
Smart Grids IRP



Cooperation with industry



EERA supports European industry in strengthening competitiveness and

JP level cooperation

EERA JPCs liaise regularly with existing EIs/participate in meetings

Companies as associate participants

Project level cooperation

Individual companies/sector organisations are project partners in EERA IRP

The Industrial Initiatives within the SET-Plan are:

- ▶ Wind ([The European Wind Initiative](#))
- ▶ Solar ([The Solar Europe Initiative - photovoltaic and concentrated solar power](#))
- ▶ Electricity Grids ([The European Electricity Grid Initiative](#))
- ▶ Carbon Capture & Storage ([The European CO2 Capture, Transport and Storage Initiative](#))
- ▶ Nuclear Fission ([The Sustainable Nuclear Initiative](#))
- ▶ Bio-energy ([The European Industrial Bioenergy Initiative](#))
- ▶ Smart Cities ([Energy Efficiency - The Smart Cities Initiative](#))

plus

- ▶ Fuel Cells and Hydrogen ([Joint Technology Initiative](#))
- ▶ Nuclear Fusion
 - ▶ [ITER](#) (International)
 - ▶ [F4E](#) (Community)



Examples of International Cooperation



US/CANADA

- AMPEA
- Ocean Energy
- Fuel Cells/H₂
- Smart Grids
- Geothermal
- Mat. Nuclear
- Solar PV

BRAZIL

- Bioenergy
- Smart Cities
- Energy Storage

CHILE

- Energy Storage

COLUMBIA

- Energy Storage

VENEZUELA

- Energy Storage

ISRAEL

- Energy Storage

SOUTH AFRICA

- CCS

RUSSIA

- Smart Cities
- Nuclear Mat.

INDIA

- Smart Cities
- Energy Storage

LAOS

- Energy Storage

MALAYSIA

- Energy Storage

SINGAPORE

- Ocean Energy

JAPAN

- Geothermal
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CHINA

- Smart Cities
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SOUTH KOREA

- Fuel Cells/H₂
- Ocean Energy
- Energy Storage
- Nuclear Mat.

TAIWAN

- Ocean Energy

AUSTRALIA

- CCS
- Energy Storage

NEW ZEALAND

- Geothermal

Ongoing EERA strategy process



- After delivering a 1st position paper in 2014, EERA is currently working to elaborate a more detailed strategy on:
 - *Relations of EERA with its stakeholders, including industry*
 - *Deliverables expected by our stakeholders,*
 - *Best suited model for governance,*
 - *How to contribute to the alignment of national programs with Set-Plan priorities?*
 - *Sharing of research infrastructure, exchange of researchers and exchange of knowledge*
- The publication of the strategy and implementation plan for EERA is foreseen in the next months (first outline recently presented at the PR meeting on 2nd June and discussed at the SSM, 24-25 June in Amsterdam).

New SET Plan Strategy COM on ETI - Key principles



Communication on Energy Technologies and Innovation COM(2013) 253 - 2 May 2013

SET Plan as the core strategy to deliver on the energy challenge - provides the reference point for EU, national, regional and private investments in energy R&I

*However, needs reinforcing, to **respond to the new challenges** such as:*

- *system integration,*
- *industrial leadership,*
- *new and emerging technologies,*
- *to better consolidate R&I capacity and resources across Europe.*



New SET Plan Strategy COM on ETI - Key conclusions



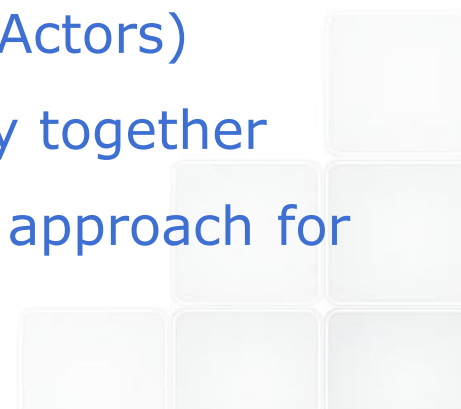
Implementing Actions

- ***Integrated Roadmap***
- *Action Plan*
- *Robust reporting system*
- *A new coordination structure under the SET plan SG on energy efficiency*
- *New competences: e.g. non-technological barriers*
- *External Dimension*



Objectives:

- 1) Prioritise the **development of innovative solutions** which will respond to the needs of the European energy system by 2020, 2030 and beyond (Security, Competitiveness, Sustainability)
- 2) Concretely it will put forward key research and innovation actions to be undertaken in the **next 6 years**, through:
 - ✓ A challenge-based approach for the content
 - ✓ Cover the entire R&I chain (Actions and Actors)
 - ✓ Bring R&I and energy policy more closely together
 - ✓ An expert-based, open and transparent approach for its making

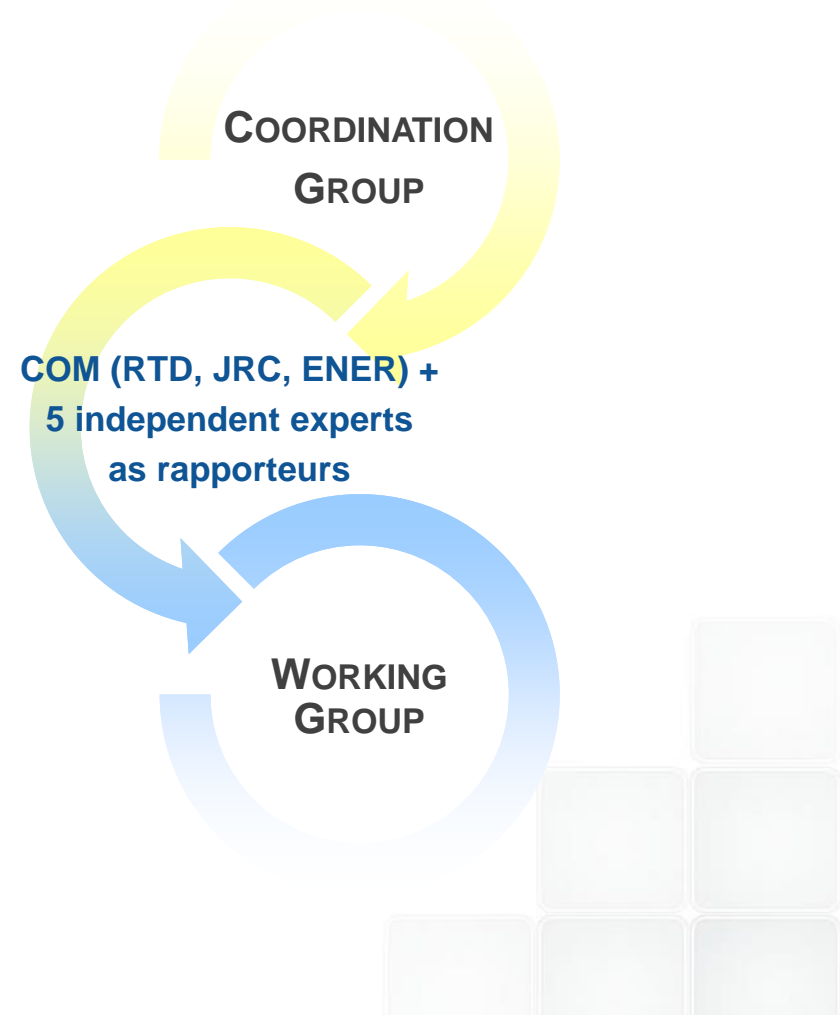


Integrated Roadmap: Working modalities and process



Organisation of the work - through:

- *Coordination Group*
- *Working Group*
- *Independent rapporteurs*



Integrated Roadmap: From vision to R&I actions



VISION

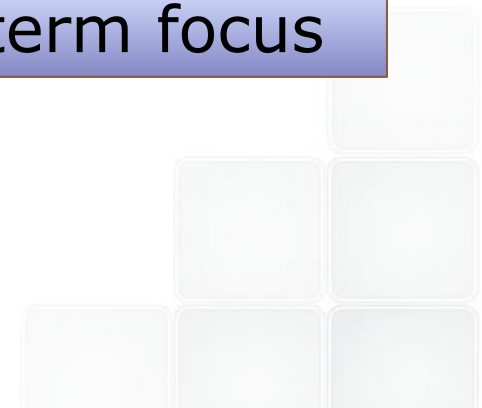
EU Energy Roadmap 2050

STRUCTURAL CHANGES to
meet the Vision

CHALLENGES seeking for
solutions to the required
Changes

**RESEARCH & INNOVATION
ACTIONS** as solutions for the
Challenges

Main short
term focus



Integrated Roadmap Structure



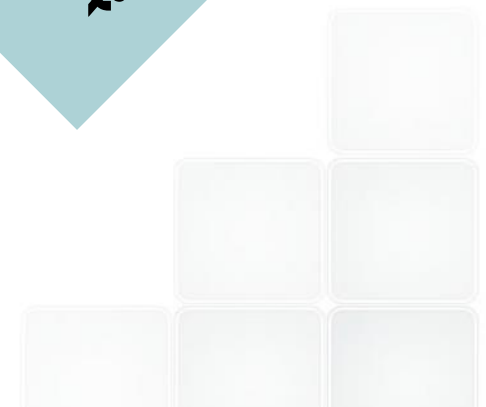
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**II. Competitive, Efficient,
Secure, Sustainable &
Flexible Energy System**

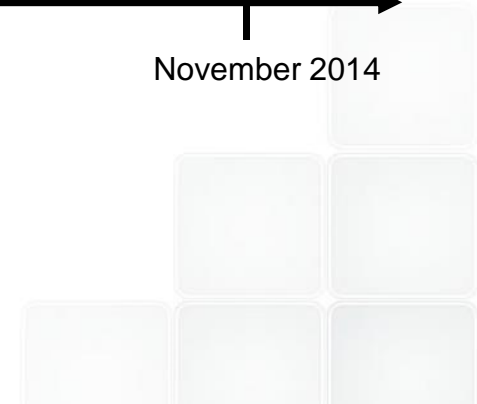
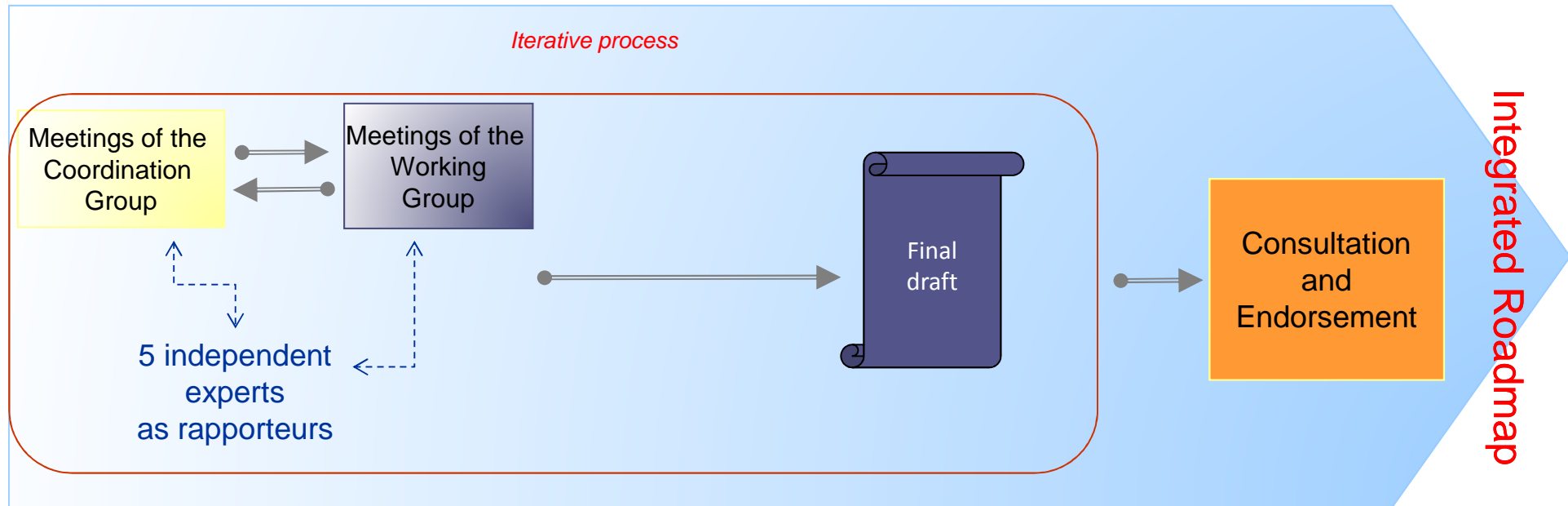
**III. Cities, Communities &
Market Uptake**

**IV. Synergies, Roles &
Tasks of Actors**

**V. Monitoring &
Review**

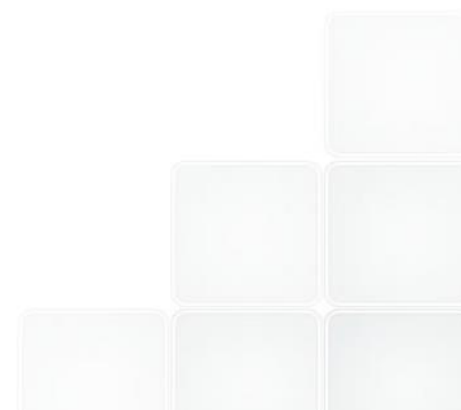


Integrated Roadmap: Process & timelines



EERA role

- EERA chair sitting in the Coordination Group
- 3 EERA experts involved in the Working Group
- EERA secretariat helping in collecting and aggregate the inputs coming from EERA JPs



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Guiding Principles – COM ETI



The **Action Plan** will:

- ✓ lay down coordinated and/or joint investments by individual Member States, between Member States and with the EU for the implementation of the *Integrated Roadmap*.
 - ✓ These investments should go **beyond grant programmes** and **include financial engineering instruments** and procurements.
 - ✓ The Action Plan will follow a *flexible approach* and contain **different modes of implementation** such as alignment of Member States and EC funding on priorities identified in the Integrated Roadmap and **joint investments** between Member States or/and with the European Union.
 - ✓ It should cover *institutional funding* and research capacities – i.e. from MS and major R&D actors like European Energy Research Alliance (EERA).
- ➔ Expected to be released in the course of 2015 (together with a new EC Communication).

Useful links



SET Plan: <http://ec.europa.eu/energy/en/topics/technology-and-innovation/strategic-energy-technology-plan>

Integrated Roadmap and Action plan: <https://setis.ec.europa.eu/set-plan-process/integrated-roadmap-and-action-plan>

EERA (European Energy Research Alliance): <http://www.eera-set.eu/>

