



# Network of the European Union, Latin America and the Caribbean Countries on Joint Innovation and Research Activities

**EU-LAC HEALTH Workshop**

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## Consortium:

17 partners from 16 EU-CELAC partner countries:

**EU:** Finland, France, Germany, Norway, Portugal, Romania, Spain, Turkey

**LAC:** Argentina, Barbados, Brazil, Chile, Mexico, Panama, Peru, Uruguay

## Project duration:

October 2013 – March 2017

## General objectives:

Supporting the implementation of the **Joint Initiative for Research and Innovation JIRI** and strengthening the bi-regional partnership in Science, Technology and Innovation by planning and implementing concrete joint activities and by establishing an innovative and sustainable framework for future bi-regional joint activities.

## Activities:

- Implementing two **Joint Calls** (end of 2014 and end of 2015);
- Promoting **mutual opening and coordination** of existing research programmes, infrastructures and innovation programmes (through coordinated joint actions);
- Coordinating a **consultation process** to inform funding agencies and research institutions from both regions about the joint actions;
- Building an **information and communication platform** for EU and CELAC funding agencies.

**Close links with on-going projects and initiatives,** that enhance bi—regional partnerships on political as well as on scientific / thematic level, support the ERANet-LAC objectives and activities:

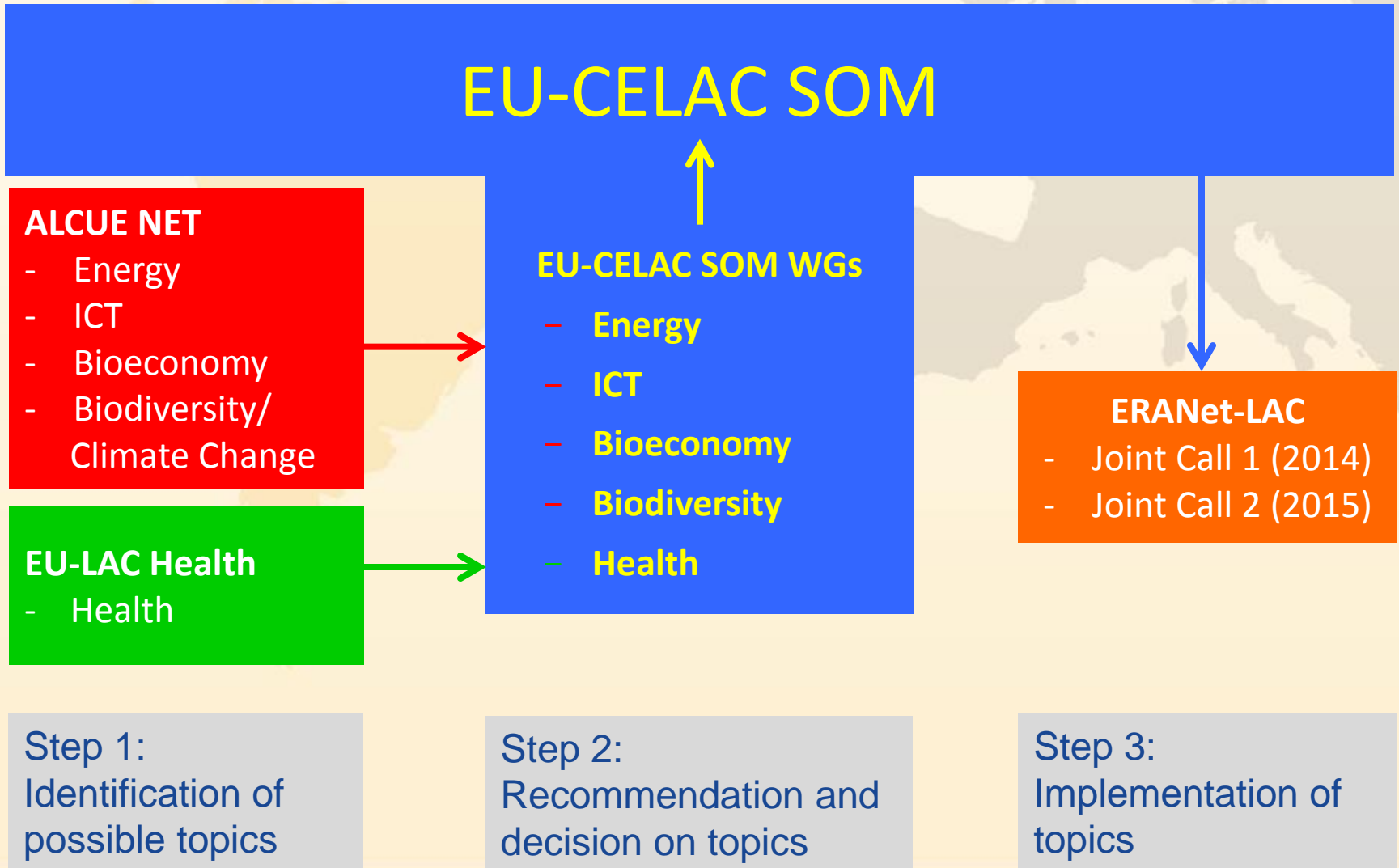
- ALCUE NET: supports the EU-CELAC S&T Policy Dialogue process & the Joint Initiative for Research and Innovation (EU-CELAC JIRI) implementation during 2013-2017
- EU-LAC HEALTH: aims at designing a roadmap for collaboration in health research between the EU and LAC
- ENSOCIO-LA: aims at establishing research and innovation cooperation the EU and LAC in climate change, resource efficiency and raw materials
- BILAT-projects with Argentina, Brazil, Chile and Mexico

SOM elaborates **concrete proposals to implement the EU-CELAC JIRI** (Joint Initiative for Research and Innovation):

- SOM constituted five thematic working groups (WGs) on the following subjects: ICT, Energy, Biodiversity/Climate, Bioeconomy, Health
- SOM WGs are **supported by ALCUE NET** and **EU-LAC HEALTH**
- SOM recommends the call topics (SOM thematic working groups)

ERANet-LAC implements the thematic recommendations by launching 2 joint calls.

*Presently, the SOM thematic working groups are elaborating background information and suggestions to be presented at the SOM in April. The input prepared by the SOM working groups shall support the delegates' decision on concrete activities.*



- January – Mid March 2014:  
SOM WGs formulate topic suggestions for bi-regional cooperation - following the structure presented before.
- EU-CELAC SOM 3-4 April 2014:  
SOM WGs present suggestions for bi-regional activities including topics for the first Joint Call.  
SOM delegates approve topics for the first Joint Call.
- June 2014: Stakeholder Workshop for potential participants. Objectives:
  - Present activities and offers of the ERANet-LAC: a) joint calls and b) *pilot coordination actions in already existing programmes*
  - Discuss and decide on the final contents of the first joint call
  - Inform the new stakeholders on the 2<sup>nd</sup> call and their options to get involved
- Tentative time schedule: 1st Joint Call
  - October – November 2014: Launch of the first Joint Call
  - Until beginning of 2015: Evaluation of the 1<sup>st</sup> Joint Call
  - Spring 2015: Joint Call funding decision meeting in Mexico

## Pilot Coordination Actions to support mutual opening and coordination of existing programmes:

- Pilot coordination actions will be developed on existing programmes
- They imply funding for coordination meetings - covered by the project budget
- For each type of activity – **clustering research programmes, opening infrastructures or coordinate innovation programmes** – two actions will be funded

## Tentative time schedule:

- June 2014:** Official launch at stakeholders' workshop
- September 2014:** Deadline for submission
- January 2015:** Launch of activities



# THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

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