

HORIZON 2020 #H2020Simplification

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Simplification in Horizon 2020



So we have come a long way. From a Programme that was seen as bureaucratic and complex. To a Programme that is now one of the simplest in the world.

Commissioner Carlos Moedas

#H2020Simplification





Second wave of simplification

The measures proposed:

- reflect feedback from researchers, businesses and other stakeholders
- further simplify rules and procedures in Horizon 2020
- make participation in the Programme easier
- pave the way for new simplification measures under the next Framework Programme.





The package of measures

The package comprises:

- revision to the Horizon 2020 Model Grant Agreements
- streamlining the Horizon 2020 work programme for 2018-20
- simplification to the Instruments under the EIC pilot
- testing lump-sum project funding





Pilot actions to test lump-sum funding

Not new - already used in certain parts of the programme

Huge simplification potential:

- major reduction in administrative burden on beneficiaries
- minimisation of financial error rates

Focus on performance:

shift of focus from financial checks to performance and scientific-technical content of the projects



Revision to the Model Grant Agreements

Adopted 27 February:

- new definition of additional remuneration for researchers
- simplified charging of other costs in Horizon 2020 grants
- the extension of the electronic-only grant management to the period after the final payment
- simplification for third country participants

New form of involvement





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INCREASED OPENNESS TO THE WORLD **Consortium Partner B**

International

Partner

does not sign Grant Agreement

WHO?

Any legal entity established in a non-associated third country which is **not** automatically eligible for **EU** funding

No EU funding

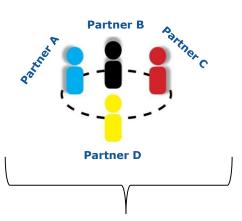






"INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS"

H2020 project



- Signatories of the GA
- May receive EU funding
- Partner B has one International Partner



International Partner:

- Linked to Partner B
- Participant Identification Code (PIC number)
- Not Signatory of the GA
- No EU funding
- Own (non EU) Budget
- Action Tasks in the Project
- No financial reporting





The next Framework Programme

How can we make the next Framework Programme even simpler?

- replace cost reimbursements with lump sum payments
- reduce the complexity of different instruments:
 the European Innovation Council will simplify the landscape for innovation support.
- target **specific** changes which will have a real impact

