



# Virtual Western Balkans Steering Platform Meeting 14 October 2020; 09:30 - 12:00 h

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*Participants are kindly requested to follow the **instructions and the netiquette for participation** laid out in the final note below the agenda on p. 2*

*The meeting is scheduled between 09:30 – 12:00. However, participants are kindly asked to reserve 30 additional minutes in their agendas until 12:30 for possible longer discussions.*

**Note for the speakers:** please kindly limit your contribution during the online meeting to 3 minutes; Please also provide any written inputs to [pecarz@zsi.at](mailto:pecarz@zsi.at) and [ulrike.kunze@dlr.de](mailto:ulrike.kunze@dlr.de) by 12 October 2020.

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## AGENDA

- 09:30 - 09:35      *Technical instructions*  
*International Service Facility*
- 09:35 - 09:45      **Welcome remarks and introduction**  
Ruta Zarnauskaite, Head of Unit 'Horizon Europe Association', EC DG R&I  
Evelina Santa-Kahle, Federal Ministry of Education and Research, DE Presidency, co-chair  
Branka Zizic, Ministry of Science Montenegro, co-chair  
EC DG EAC, DG JRC
- 09:45 - 10:55      **Western Balkans Agenda on Innovation, Research, Education, Culture, Youth and Sport**  
DG R&I, DG EAC, DG JRC, DG NEAR (20 min)  
WB6 (3 minutes per WB6)  
EU Member States: Germany - BMBF WB R&D cooperation programme 2019  
International organisations, COST, EUREKA, CEI, RCC, Leopoldina (15 min)  
Q&A, general discussion (10 min)
- 10:55 - 11:00      *Technical Break*
- 11:00 - 11:30      **Horizon Europe Association exploratory talks**  
Moderated by Olaf Ripken, BMBF, DE Presidency, co-chair  
DG R&I, WB6 (3 minutes per WB6)  
Discussion (10 min)
- 11:30 – 12:00      **Preparation of Ministerial meeting on 2 December 2020**  
Moderated by Branka Zizic, Ministry of Science Montenegro, co-chair  
WB6 (3 minutes per WB6)  
DG R&I, DG EAC, DG JRC, DG NEAR
- 12:00 - 12:05      **Concluding remarks and next steps**  
Ruta Zarnauskaite, Head of Unit 'Horizon Europe Association', EC DG R&I

# Instructions and netiquette for the meeting

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All participants are kindly invited to follow these simple virtual meeting etiquette rules and tips:

- **Limit meeting distractions and background noise**  
*Distractions make a significant impact on a video conference, please reduce distracting noises in the background and stay engaged*
- **Learn how to mute / unmute your microphone**  
*When you're not talking, it's best to keep your microphone mute*
- **Stick to the schedule**  
*Keep your intervention brief, up to 3 minutes ideally to help stick to the schedule. A timer will be used to help speakers stick to the schedule.*
- **Raise your hand / use the chat line**  
*To ask to intervene, please click on the 'raise your hand' button or communicate your questions via the chat line that is available within the interface*
- **Technical problems /technical test**  
*In case of technical problems during the meeting, you can communicate to the International Service Facility staff through the chat line. On 14 October 2020, you will be able to access the virtual meeting room already at 08:30 for technical tests*

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## Technical aspects / How to participate in the meeting

**VIRTUAL WESTERN BALKANS STEERING PLATFORM (14 October, 09:30 – 12:00 CET)**

The meeting is hosted by the International Service Facility at following link:

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