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**EARTO PARTICIPATION IN EU DECISION-MAKING PROCESS**

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## Croatia takes over EU Council Presidency

As of 1 January 2020, Croatia holds the [EU Council Presidency](#) for the first half of 2020, following Finland. The [priorities](#) of the first Croatia's Presidency, driven by the motto "A strong Europe in a world of challenges", are: A Europe that develops...

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## New Commissioners Cabinets

Since the new EC took office last 1 December, Commissioners' Cabinets are being established with several members holding specific portfolios. Many Cabinets members are now publicly available, including: [Cabinet of Ursula von der Leyen](#)...

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## EC published Orientations Towards the First Strategic Plan for Horizon Europe

The EC has recently published its "[Orientations towards the first Strategic Plan for Horizon Europe](#)" which summarises the results of the co-design process towards the first Strategic Plan that took place over the summer and autumn 2019 (inputs received...

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## Commissioner Gabriel latest interview on RD&I policy

In an [interview](#), the new Commissioner for Research, Innovation, Education, Culture and Youth Ms Mariya Gabriel, unveiled her priorities for the next steps on RD&I policy: revitalise efforts to create a real single market for research, education and innovation...

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## EU Green Deal Investment Plan unveiled

Following a first EC Communication on 11 December 2019 on a [European Green Deal](#) (see latest [EARTO news](#)), the EC has published on 15 January a new Communication on the [Sustainable Europe Investment Plan](#) which is the investment pillar...

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### Updates on Financial Aspects of Horizon Europe

As reported in previous EARTO newsletters, EC-Member States' experts meetings on the Horizon Europe Model Grant Agreement (MGA) continue to take place. The minutes of the [22 October](#) (focused on personnel costs) and [9 December](#) meetings...

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### New EC DG Defence Industry and Space

A new EC Directorate-General on Defence Industry and Space (DG DEFIS) has been created under the responsibility of Commissioner for Internal Market Thierry Breton. The new DG will aim at developing and carrying out EC's policies on [Defence](#)...

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### OECD Case Studies on co-creation

EARTO members are welcome to contribute to the OECD [TIP project](#) on co-creation with [case studies](#). The focus of the case studies can be on joint laboratories, digital platforms, intermediaries research-industry consortia, and living labs. They must involve...

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## EARTO INTERNAL AFFAIRS & EVENTS

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### EARTO Internal Workshop on Missions

EARTO organised on 13 January 2020 a workshop on the role of RTOs in future Horizon Europe's Missions. The event was open to EARTO members only and welcomed speakers from AIT, Fraunhofer, Joanneum Research, Tecnalia, TNO and VTT...

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## EARTO Annual Conference 2020 in Barcelona – 25-26 March 2020: REGISTRATION OPEN

EARTO is pleased to invite you to the EARTO Annual Conference 2020, kindly hosted by EARTO member [EURECAT](#) on 25-26 March 2020 in Barcelona, Spain. The conference will focus on “Embracing RD&I transformational effects to decarbonise the EU economy...”

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### Latest and upcoming EARTO Working Groups

Latest EARTO workshop:

- 13 January – EARTO Internal Workshop on Missions: Presentations are available [here](#).

Upcoming WGs & workshops:

- 22 January – WG Structural Funds
- 28 January – WG Security & Defence
- 04 February – WG Legal Experts
- 03 March – WG Financial Experts
- 04 March – WG Medtech
- 23-24 March – WG Space
- April – WG EU Framework Programmes
- April/May – WG Impact

Meeting minutes and documents of the EARTO WGs are available in the [EARTO Members Area](#).



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