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78<sup>th</sup> PLENARY MEETING  
Videoconference, 10-11 December 2020**

**AGENDA**

**Thursday 10 December 2020**

**Session 1 – Morning 9:00 – 12:15**

- 1. Welcome of ScC Members, Plans and Goals of Meeting (~ 5 minutes)**
- 2. Adoption of the Agenda of the 78<sup>th</sup> Plenary Meeting of the ERC Scientific Council**
- 3. Adoption of the Minutes of the 77<sup>th</sup> Plenary Meeting**
- 4. Action Points Summary of the 77<sup>th</sup> Plenary Meeting (~ 10 minutes)**
- 5. Update on Recent Meetings and Activities (~ 30 minutes)**
  - *Update on the ERCEA Establishment Plan (including the Cost-Benefit Analysis)*
  - *Update on the Delegation Act*
  - *Update on the process to appoint a new President*
  - *Update on the Establishment of the European Research Council*
- 6. State of play in the Preparation of Horizon Europe (~ 60 minutes)**
  - *Horizon Europe Budget latest developments*
  - *Submission forms*
  - *Reporting forms*
  - *Model Grant Agreement*
  - *ERC Rules for Submission and Evaluation*
  - *Work Programme 2021*

**Break 10:45 – 11:00**

- 7. Work Programme 2022: Orientation debate (~ 75 minutes)**

**Lunch 12:15 – 14:00**

**Session 2 – Afternoon 14:00 – 17:00**

- 8. Update from the ScC Standing Committees and Working Groups (~ 30 minutes)**
  - *Updates from the Chairs of the Standing Committees CoP, ColME and PRIME*
  - *WG on Widening European Participation: Implementation of the Mentoring Initiative*
- 9. ERC and Open Science Activities (~ 45 minutes)**

**Break 15:15 – 15:30**

- 10. ERC-EIC joint activities (~ 60 minutes)**
- 11. ERC Gender Equality Plan 2021-2027 (~ 30 minutes)**

**Farewell to departing colleagues 18:00 – 19:00**

## **Friday 11 December 2020**

### **Session 3 – Morning 9:00 – 12:00**

**12. Continuous Improvement Initiative (~ 30 minutes)**

**13. ERC External Communication Strategy (~ 30 minutes)**

**14. Communication Activities Update (~ 30 minutes)**

- *Research Highlights around the 10 000<sup>th</sup> grantee event*
- *Upcoming events*

### **Break 10:30 – 10:45**

**15. Operational Issues Reporting: Evaluation Analysis & Grant Management Activities (~ 60 minutes)**

- *Update on calls*
- *Conditional acceptance of panel member invitations*
- *Update on granting activities*

**16. Any Other Business (~ 15 minutes)**

**12:00 Close of the Meeting**