

# EU STRATEGY FOR THE DANUBE REGION (EUSDR) SECOND STAKEHOLDER SEMINAR WATER QUALITY (PA4) AND THE ENVIRONMENTAL RISKS (PA5)

"EUROPEAN FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES IN THE WATER SECTOR"

HORIZON 2020
SOCIETAL CHALLENGE 5
"CLIMATE ACTION, ENVIRONMENT, RESOURCE EFFICIENCY AND RAW MATERIALS"



# Horizon 2020: addressing Europe's

- □ Investing in research and innovation 2014-2020
- □ Budget of €77 billion
- Contributing to the Juncker Commission's policy agenda as a core component of Europe 2020, Innovation Union & European Research Area
  - Investing in jobs and growth
  - Addressing people's concerns ('societal challenges')
  - Strengthening the EU's global position in R&I
- Coupling research to innovation to maximise impact

# Societal Challenge 5: Climate action, environment



Objective: "to achieve a resource and water - efficient and climate change resilient economy and society, the protection and sustainable management of natural resources and ecosystems, and a sustainable supply and use of raw materials, in order to meet the needs of a growing global population within the sustainable limits of the planet's natural resources and eco-systems."

# Societal Challenge 5: focus for 2016-17



- Increased emphasis on delivering innovative solutions
- Transformative agenda
- Systemic approach to innovation
- Unlocking private and public investment in future solutions
- Large-scale demonstration projects with replication potential

# Societal Challenge 5: key objectives for 2016-2017

# Climate action

- Climate services
- Low-carbonEurope
- Arctic dimension

Raw materials

Mainstreaming water R&I

# Nature-based solutions:

- for territorial resilience
- for sustainable cities

Systemic eco-innovation for a circular economy

Sustainable growth by harnessing:

- Earth observation data
- Cultural heritage

# **ECO-INNOVATION**



...for a

# **CIRCULAR ECONOMY**

# The starting point...



- Fighting and adapting to climate change
- Sustainably managing natural resources and ecosystems
- 3. Sustainable supply of non-energy and non-agricultural raw materials
- 4. Transition towards a green economy through eco-innovation

- Foster all forms of innovation
- Strengthening ecoinnovation technologies, processes, services and products
- Impacts on society, economy, environment
- Across- sectors

## The first steps...



#### Implementation

- Focus Area WASTE 131 M€
- 2. Focus Area WATER 163 M€
- 3. **SME**s 36 M€

#### **Outcomes**

- Innovation actions on industrial symbiosis, across several industrial sectors & in support of EIP priorities
- Research actions (water & climate)
- Coordination actions & public procurement
- ERA-NET Cofund
- Wide range of stakeholders

Transition towards a more system approach to innovation ... Circular models

# ...along the way...



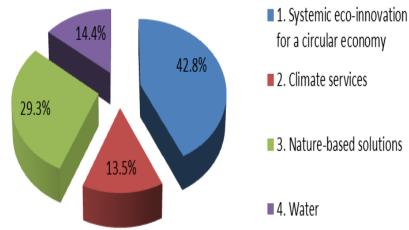
- ✓ Stakeholder consultation for Societal Challenge 5
  - ->systemic and interdisciplinary solutions
- ✓ Advisory Group
  - -> all forms of innovation, systemic eco-innovation across sectors, services, closed loop
- ✓ Group of experts on 'Systemic Approach to Eco-Innovation'
  - -> systemic innovation, markets of the future, new business models, open space for innovation, need for demonstrators
- ✓ Call for Ideas
  - -> large scale demonstrators

# ...along the way...



# Call for Ideas large-scale pilot/demonstration projects 451 ideas received

- more than 42% addressed the area 'Systemic eco-innovation for a circular economy'
- Large enterprises and SMES more than 22% of submissions



https://circabc.europa.eu/sd/a/07b4b20e-c995-478f-ac00-1dfc1ca8019b/Report outcome call

# ...a new Focus Area: Industry 2020 in the Circular Economy Cross-cutting call

## Where you can find it?

- ✓ Horizon 2020 Cross-cutting activities (Focus Areas)
  - General introduction
  - Circular Economy section

#### What is inside?

- ✓ Description of Systemic Eco-innovation
- ✓ Topics for SC5 in 2016 total budget 84.5 M€
- ✓ Topic descriptions
- ✓ Topics open: 10 Nov. 2015
- ✓ First deadline: 8 March 2016

# Water



- ✓ mainstreamed through WP 2016-2017, as part of the systemic approach
- ✓ harnessing strong
  potential for European
  industry to become global
  market leader
- ✓ continuity with 2014-2015 Focus Area call on 'Water Innovation: Boosting its value for Europe'

# Water

- Greening the
- > Topics in call 'Greening the Economy'
- ➤ Total indicative budget for these topics in 2016:
  €4M
- > Topic SC5-11-2016:
  - o opens 10 Nov. 2015
  - deadline 8 March 2016

- > Topic SC5-12-2016:
  - o opens 15 Oct. 2015
  - o deadline 26 January 2016

# SC5- WATER Work Programme 2016

# Water: a global research and innovation challenge

# par excellence

- ✓ SC5-11-2016: Supporting international cooperation activities on water
- ✓ SC5-12-2016: Food systems and water resources for the development of inclusive, sustainable and healthy Euro-Mediterranean societies

# SC5-11-2016

Supporting international cooperation activities on water

Specific Challenge:

Enhance the opening of the Water JPI to international cooperation

## Scope (see call text):

- Create framework and a permanent dialogue
- Investigate activities to align with and support the SDG
- Prepare strategical flagship initiatives on water
- Develop the knowledge base,
- Knowledge transfer, wider dissemination and take-up of research findings
- Strengthen links with WssTP

# SC5-11-2016

Supporting international cooperation activities on water

## Expected impact (see call text):

- Enhance scale and ambition of water research and innovation activities
- Increase efficiency of the use of European resources
- Valorise European know-how (water solutions at global level)
- Make JPI Water an attractive partner for global cooperation in research and innovation (Belmont Forum)
- Strengthen JPI role in supporting EU policy implementation and
- Fostering EU's position in global water-related negotiations and fora.

SC5-11-2016 Supporting international cooperation activities on water

Deadline: 08-03-2016 @ 17:00:00 (Brussels)

Type of action: Coordination and Support Action

CSA 100%

Indicative budget: 2 M€

Recommended EU contribution/project: 2 M€

# SC5-12-2016

Food systems and water resources for the development of inclusive, sustainable and healthy Euro-Mediterranean societies

Specific Challenge:

Integrating various related on-going joint programming activities on food and water into a large scale coherent programme with well- defined objectives and implementation actions.

# Scope (see call text):

Bring together the main national research funding owners and/or managers involved in the PRIMA joint programming process (EU/ non-EU) around a jointly designed Strategic Research Agenda with appropriate governance and implementation structures

Critical Mass of players

Ensure appropriate flexibility

# SC5-12-2016

Food systems and water resources for the development of inclusive, sustainable and healthy Euro-Mediterranean societies

#### Expected impact (see call text):

- Reinforced coordination of food systems and water research programmes within a long term partnership
- Reducing fragmentation of efforts;
- Facilitating consultation, awareness and commitment;
- Supporting sustainable economic and social development in the Mediterranean;
- Unlocking the innovation potential in water management and use for food security;
- Optimising the launch and implementation of a long term partnership, ensuring appropriate funding from the participating countries and leverage effect.

SC5-12-2016

Food systems and water resources for the development of inclusive, sustainable and healthy Euro-Mediterranean societies

Deadline: 26-01-2016 @ 17:00:00 (Brussels)

Type of action: Coordination and Support Action

*Indicative budget: 2 M€* 

Recommended EU contribution/project: 2 M€

100%



# Thank you for the attention!

- ☐ Find out more:
- www.ec.europa/research/horizon2020