

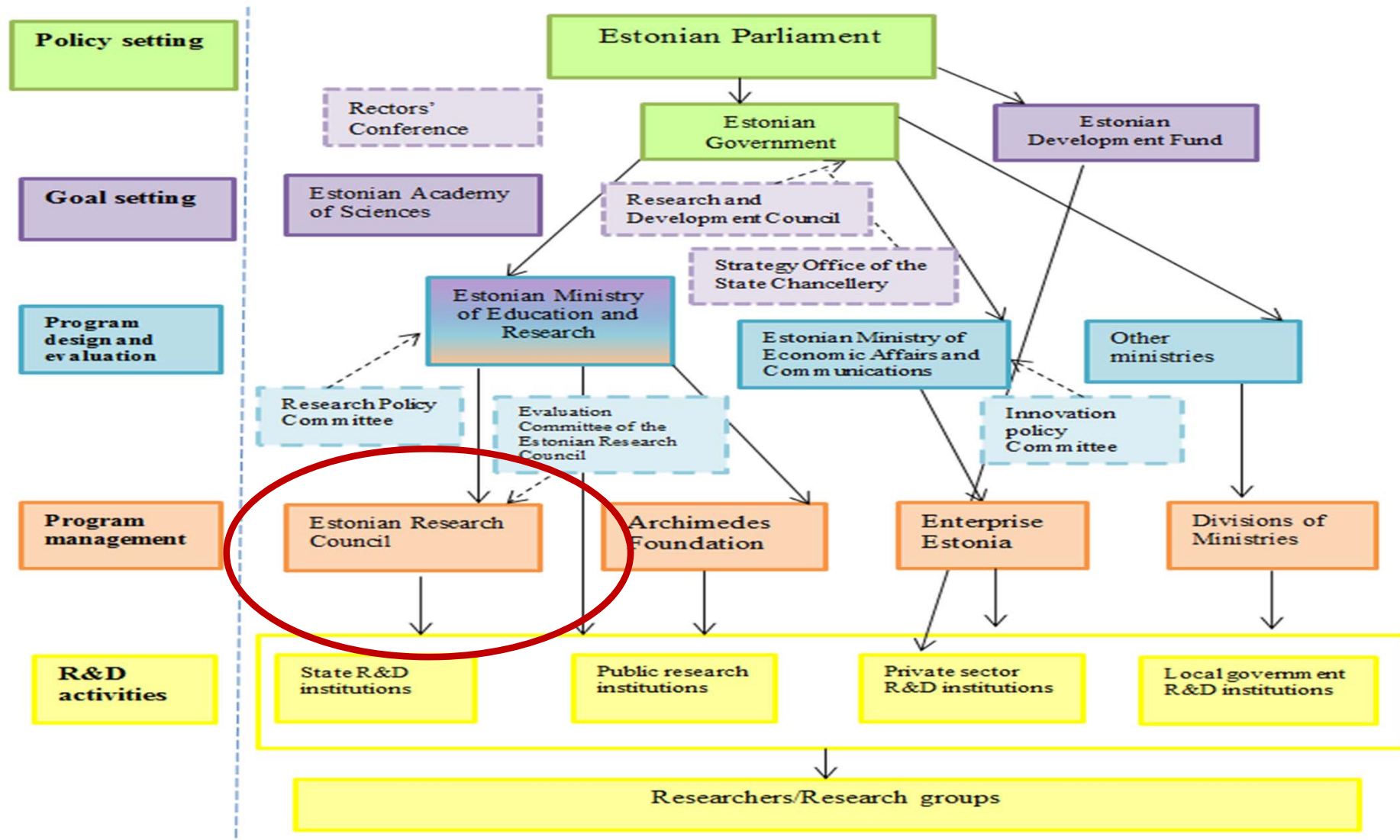


# Estonian experience in Horizon 2020

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# Where we are in the system? Organogram of Estonian R&D



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## International cooperation activities

- Estonian Research Council is **central EU Framework Programme, COST and EURAXESS Network Contact Point in Estonia, Member in Science Europe;**
- Coordination of **ERA Initiatives** participation in Estonia;
- **Funding**
  - Support for preparing EU R&D programme projects and compensating non-eligible value added tax;
  - Co-funding ERA partnerships (ERA-NET Cofund, Article 185 etc)
- **Management of Estonian RTD Office in Brussels;**
- **Several projects.**



# HORISONT 2020

EL teadusuuringute ja innovatsiooni raamprogramm

Tutvustus

Meie teenused

Struktuur

Põhidokumendid

Kontaktid

Kalender

Otsi lehelt

Otsi kodulehel

## Meie teenused

- > Koolitused ja infopäevad
- > Personaalsed konsultatsioonid
- > Partnerotsingud
- > Toetused Eesti riigilt
- > Statistika ja analüüsid
- > Brüsseli büroo

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16 Koolitus "Ettevõtete 2020-s"

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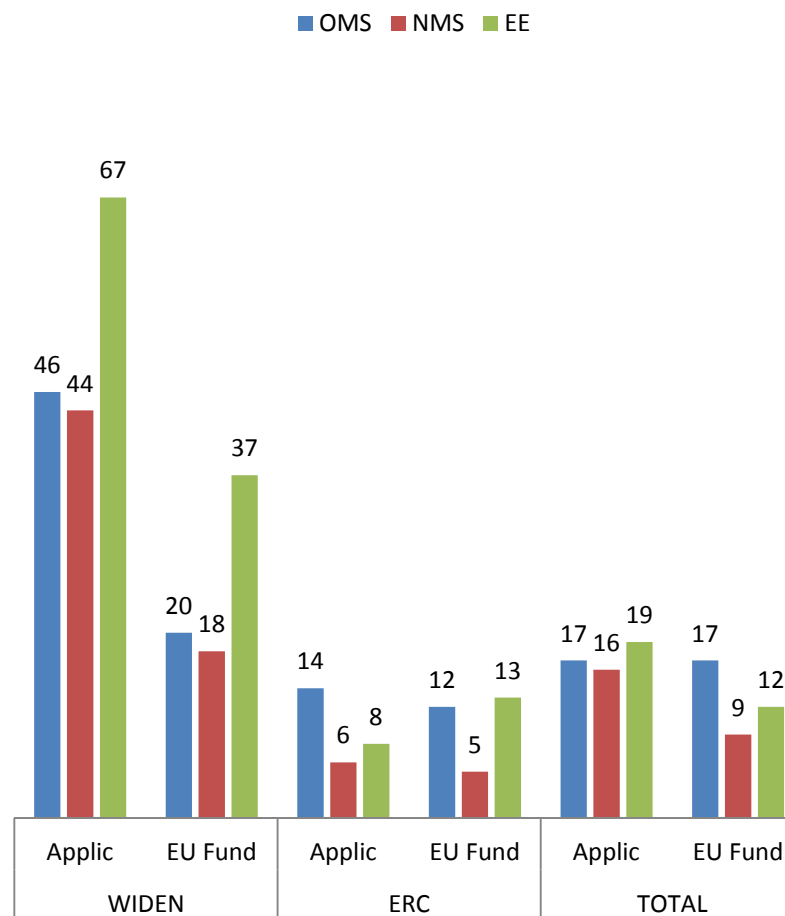


## Characteristics of the Estonian EU FP System

- Centralized structure since 2000;
- Funded by Ministry of Education and Research, plus several projects for additional activities from different sources;
- Annual planning, guided by the „Minimum standards and guiding principles“. Special guidelines for PC members and experts;
- NCP National Coordinator is from ETAg, supported by nominated person from Ministry of Education and Research;
- Provides full spectrum of services which are named in „Principles“;
- Dissemination channels – H2020 support network, mailing lists, newsletter, website, periodic round tables (universities, ministries, EAS, Academy of Sciences).

## Experience from H2020 – first year

- Higher competition (results of crises);
- Innovation divide between OMS and NMS still exist;
- Need to involve wider ring of funders (20% of budget to PPs)



# Project activities

## Our previous projects which involved Ukraine:

- INTAS ININ NIP Continuing Advice (2005-2007)
  - Concept Paper for Establishing National Information Points in Ukraine, Belarus, Moldova  
[http://www.etag.ee/wp-content/uploads/2012/11/Intas\\_Concept\\_paper\\_2007.pdf](http://www.etag.ee/wp-content/uploads/2012/11/Intas_Concept_paper_2007.pdf);
- S&T International Cooperation Network for Eastern European and Central Asian Countries (2008–2011)
  - <http://www.inco-eap.net/en/99.php>;
- S&T International Cooperation Network for Central Asian and South Caucasus Countries (2010–2013)
  - <http://www.increast.eu/en/952.php>;
- STI International Cooperation Network for Eastern Partnership Countries (2013–2016)
  - <http://www.inco-eap.net/en/408.php>



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## Project „Ukraine in Horizon 2020“

- **Period**: 2 years
- **Financed** by Estonian Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- **Partners**: Estonian Research Council (coordinator), Ukrainian Ministry of Education and Research.
  - The Estonian Ministry of Education and Research and the Ukrainian Academy of Sciences are supporting partners.
- **The project aims** to support Ukraine's various R&D structures in European integration activities to increase the capacity of Ukrainian researchers, innovative entrepreneurs, and R&D administrators in engagement in the Horizon 2020 programme as an equal partner.

# Objectives

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- **to train future Ukrainian members of the programme committee**
  - Representatives of Ukraine are able to protect their national interests and needs in programme committees;
- **to enhance the professional skills of national contact points (NCP) of Ukraine**
  - The capability of Ukrainian NCPs to provide high-level consultations to researchers and innovative businesses of their country will increase;
- **to introduce the best practices of Estonia to Ukrainian colleagues**
  - overview of the experience of Estonia in building up a functioning research information system, organisation of lobbying in Brussels, organisation of the marketing of Estonian research activities;

**Project activities consist of three blocks:**

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# Trainings

- **2-day training in Kiev for members of the Ukrainian NCP organisation**
  - **Day 1:** Different resources of active training are introduced and practiced.
  - **Day 2:** The use of the acquired knowledge for the conduction of an actual NCP training for Horizon 2020 is demonstrated – project drafting training.
- **2-day training in Kiev for members of the Ukrainian members of programme committees**
  - **Day 1:** Training for the delegates and experts of the programme committee: operational principles of the programme committee, rights and obligations of delegations, communication with the European Commission, procedure and rules for making proposals
  - **Day 2:** Work in programme committees, agreement on positions, building up the national system, overview of the main documents and data sets (CIRCA).

# Working visits

- **3-day twinning for the Ukrainian members of the programme committee**
  - The main emphasis is on the personal meeting of the members of the programme committee during which all issues arising during the work of the programme are discussed and settled. Materials of the programme committee posted in the social network are introduced and the obligations of the members of the programme committee are discussed in detail. Research organisations and ministries of the respective field are visited. A briefing is held at the Ministry of Education and Research.
- **2-day working visit of two Ukrainian NCP groups**
  - The working visit will include meetings with all organisations of the Estonian Horizon 2020 support structure (Estonian Research Council, Enterprise Estonia, European Enterprise Network, R&D departments of universities). Meetings with representatives of interest groups (professional associations) will be held.
- **2-day working visit of Ukrainian research administrators (ministries, research funding agencies and Academy of Sciences) to Brussels**
  - Meetings at the Estonian Liaison Office, with Estonian member(s) of the European Parliament, also the COST Association and different IGLO organisations will be prepared.

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# Communication

- **Workshops**

- It is planned to organise **two workshops** during the project, with members of the Ukrainian research support organisations (Ministry of Education and Research, Academy of Sciences) as the main presenters.
  - One workshop will be held for representatives of the Estonian ministries, Academy of Sciences, administrations of universities,
  - and the other in Brussels at the Estonian R&D office for representatives of foreign embassies and members of the IGLO network.
  - The subject would be the Horizon2020 international cooperation strategy and synergy of the development cooperation.

- **Presentations at the conferences**

- It is planned to support the participation of two Ukrainian presenters at the Estonian Horizon 2020 annual conference (March 2016 and March 2017).

# The Values Tree of Collaboration

**“The values of the individuals involved in the collaboration are the roots of the tree”**

