



TESTIMONIALS BY PREVIOUS PARTICIPANTS

During the events since 2009, many productive and lasting contacts have been established between researchers and entrepreneurs from North Rhine-Westphalia and other parts of Europe. That's why our participants are keen to meet in Düsseldorf each year as part of their proposal preparation for Horizon 2020.



Eva Haas

TETRAMAX Project Manager,
RWTH Aachen

“The event is the place to be for European researchers from academia and industry looking for partners. Our presentation led to considerable feedback, which we found both motivating and fruitful.”



Professor Günter Huhle

Founder, COREVAS GmbH & CO.KG

“In 2017, Corevas attended the event to seek a Horizon 2020 partner. We not only found one and made valuable contacts, we also developed and launched our product EmergencyEye in a record time of 18 months.”

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SUCCESSFUL R&I IN EUROPE 2019 10th EUROPEAN NETWORKING EVENT

14 – 15 FEBRUARY 2019
VAN DER VALK AIRPORTHOTEL
DÜSSELDORF – GERMANY



NORTH RHINE-WESTPHALIA (NRW) IN THE HEART OF EUROPE

Geographically central position in Europe – 17.9 million people – Gross Domestic Product (GDP) of € 691.5 billion (21.2 % of German GDP) – economic hub of Europe – region with the highest density of universities and research institutions in Europe: 70 universities, over 50 non-university research institutes jointly funded by federal and state governments – among them 12 Max Planck Institutes, 14 Fraunhofer Institutes, 10 Leibniz Institutes, 3 Helmholtz Centres, 15 Johannes Rau Research Institutes plus approx. 100 university research institutes.



For the tenth time, the conference invites researchers and entrepreneurs from North Rhine-Westphalia and regions in Europe and beyond to find new research and innovation (R&I) partners for Horizon 2020 projects. The series of events has been a great success with over 2,600 participants since 2009. In 2019, special partner regions are: Belgium, Finland, France, Israel, the Netherlands and Poland.

Call for presentations

Participants are invited to become involved in established and new technology networks between researchers, entrepreneurs and multipliers. Giving a short presentation (ideas and/or results) or finding a partner by talking to other decision-makers opens doors for new research and innovation projects in Europe with a focus on Horizon 2020.

Call for presentations is open until 14 January 2019 under:
www.zenit.de/networking2019

Conference fee: € 120 (€ 95/one day) per person including VAT. Free participation for speakers in sessions 1 to 5. The organizers recommend that speakers participate on both days. Please find offers for hotel accommodation on the website.

PROGRAMME

Thursday, 14 February 2019 *

- 13.00 Welcome
- 13.05 Opening session:
Ministry of Culture and Science of North Rhine-Westphalia
- 13.15 Keynote speech: "10 years Enterprise Europe Network: Results and Challenges"
Julien Guerrier, Director, Executive Agency for SMEs (EASME), European Commission, Brussels (tbc)
- 13.35 Success stories in Europe based in NRW
- 13.55 Introduction of Partner Regions and Services for Proposals and Projects
Dr. Bernd Janson, ZENIT GmbH
- 14.00 Coffee/Start of parallel sessions ■ ■ ■ ■
- 14.15 **Session 1:** Parallel workshops
"European projects seeking partners"

Coffee/Find a partner ■ ■ ■ ■
- 16.15 **Session 2:** Parallel workshops
"European projects seeking partners"

Coffee/Find a partner

* Parallel exhibition: Innovations for Europe based in NRW

Thursday, 14 February 2019 *

- 18.15 **Session 3: Innovation & Impact**

"Science Show" Physikanten & Co

"Horizon Europe: Challenges and Instruments"
Dr. Wolfgang Burtscher, Deputy Director-General for Research and Innovation, European Commission, Brussels

"Horizon Europe: First Impressions from NRW"
Isabel Pfeiffer-Poensgen, Minister of Culture and Science of North Rhine-Westphalia

Panel discussion "Impact-oriented Support for Innovation: Today and Tomorrow"

Dr. Wolfgang Burtscher, Deputy Director-General for Research and Innovation, European Commission, Brussels
Julien Guerrier, Director, Executive Agency for SMEs (EASME), European Commission, Brussels (tbc)
Isabel Pfeiffer-Poensgen, Minister of Culture and Science of North Rhine-Westphalia
Prof. Andreas Pinkwart, Minister of Economic Affairs, Innovation, Digitalization and Energy of North Rhine-Westphalia

Moderation: **Dr. Peter Fisch**, Coburg
- 19.15 Dinner

Friday, 15 February 2019

- 9.30 Welcome
- 9.35 Services for Proposals and Projects
Jan Skriwanek, National Contact Point Life Sciences, DLR-PT
- 9.45 Success stories in Europe based in NRW
- 10.05 Coffee/Start of parallel sessions
- 10.15 **Session 4:** Parallel workshops ■ ■ ■ ■
"European projects seeking partners"

Coffee/Find a partner
- 12.00 **Session 5:** Parallel workshops ■ ■ ■ ■
"European projects seeking partners"
- 13.00 Interactive lunch/Find a partner

The conference language is English.

- Parallel workshops will focus on seven topics:
- Information and Communication Technologies (ICT)
 - Nanotechnology, Materials and Manufacturing (NMM)
 - Energy
 - Innovative Public Procurement (PCP/PPI)
 - Circular Economy
 - Life Sciences
 - Transport