

EMPOWERING RESEARCH MANAGERS

Over time, the Framework Programmes have introduced increasing complexity and requirements for funded projects, making the role of research managers crucial in both preparing and implementing them. Successful institutions, companies, and regions typically depend on a strong community of skilled research managers. However, expertise in research management is unevenly distributed across Europe, and there is a significant shortage of accessible training opportunities, despite the wide range of skills required for the role. Research management also suffers from a lack of formal recognition, financial support, and clear career paths.

The EU has acknowledged this issue in its ERA Policy Agenda (Action 17) and is collaborating with several Member States to develop a Research Management Initiative to enhance strategic capacities across the EU.

This event aims to review progress made in advancing this action, highlight remaining barriers while showcasing some good practices for overcoming them, and discuss future strategies for European research management including in the current and upcoming Framework Programmes.

11:00–12:30 PANEL DISCUSSION

-  **Manuel ALEIXO** – HoU; ERA, Spreading Excellence and Research Careers, European Commission
-  **Nik CLAESEN** – Managing Director; European Association of Research Managers and Administrators
-  **Peter CUNINKA** – Director; Centre for European Projects, Slovak University of Technology in Bratislava

MODERATOR

-  **Zuzana REPTOVÁ** – Slovak National Ambassador for RM Roadmap Project

12:30–13:30 LIGHT LUNCH

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