



# **FP7 Update**

**(and one or two other things)**

Christopher John Hull  
Secretary General  
EARTO

EARTO Working Group, Madrid, 28th May 2008

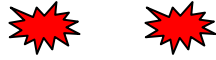


# FP7 Update

- ***ex post* FP6 Audits**
- **ERAB – European Research Area Board**
- **EIT - European Institute of Innovation and Technology**
- **“IP Charter” – Commission Recommendation on IP Management and Code of Practice for Universities and PROs**
- **Joint Technology Initiatives: IMI Example**
  - **IP issues**
  - **Funding mechanisms**
- **Commission Priorities for Future Framework Programme**
- **Responsible Partnering Initiative**
- **Commission Code of Conduct on Nanosciences and Nanotechnologies Research**
- **RTO Job Market**

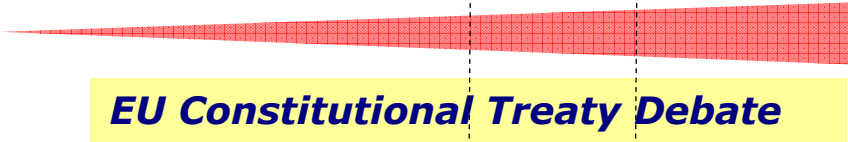
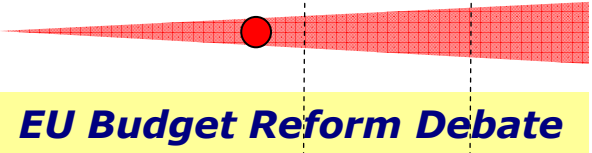
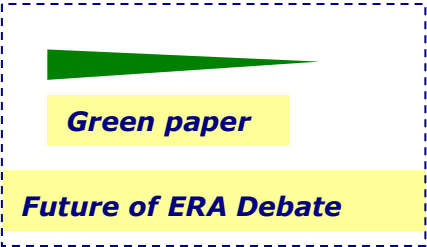


2007      2008      2009      2010      2011      2012      2013



**EP elections**  
*June*

**New COM**  
*October*



# FP7 Update

## *ex post* FP6 Audits

- **Commission policy**
  - increase audits
  - all contractors in FP7
  - Consequence: get organised
- **Use of average personnel costs**
  - Compromise for larger RTOs
- **Calculation of productive time > daily rate**
  - Commission policy strict
- **Scope to discuss/negotiate with (external) auditors**



# FP7 Update

## ERAB

### 22 Members

- **Two RTO representatives**
  - **Unni Steinsmo, CEO, Sintef (N)**
  - **Robert AYMAR, Director General, CERN (CH)**
- **Two industry representatives sympathetic to RTOs**
  - **Leif Kjaergaard, Chief Technology Officer, Danisco (DK), retiring President EIRMA**
  - **Jan van den Biesen, Vice-President, Philips Research**



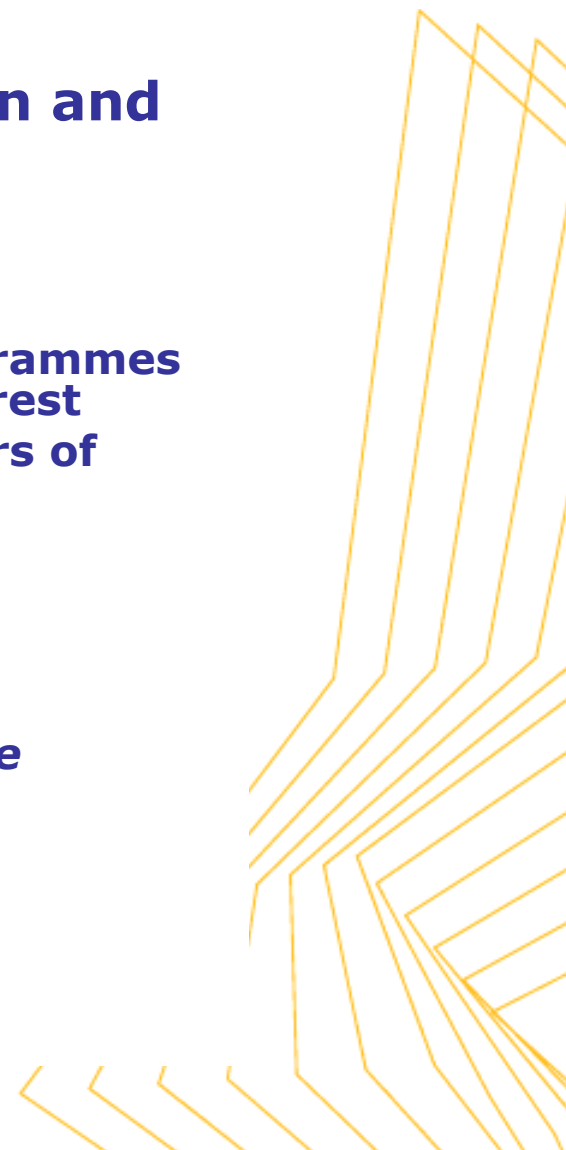
# FP7 Update

## EIT - European Institute of Innovation and Technology

- EIT has been launched
- Modest budget in first phase to 2013
- Important mission: strategic research programmes on major themes of common European interest
- Identification Committee to find 18 members of Governing Board (decision end of June)
  - Governing Board has important role
    - Operational procedures
    - Decide and implement first priorities (KICs)
    - EIT work programme for future years
- EARTO list of seven candidates for Board
- EARTO paper "*Making the EIT a Success: the Essential Role of Research and Technology Organisations*"

[\[the real EIT!\]](#)

<http://blog.ifrance.com/iet-ider>



# FP7 Update

## “IP Charter” – Commission Recommendation on IP Management and Code of Practice for Universities and Public Research Organisations?

- Recommendation
- Commission Draft > Council endorsement 29th-30th May
- EARTO objective: avoid a text with RTO-unfriendly content
- Original Commission document substantially (re-)written by EARTO IP Task Force
- Wording on contract research
  - *In the case of contract research the foreground generated by the public research organisation is owned by the private-sector party. The ownership of background should not be affected by the project.*
- Footnote in Council resolution
  - *Collaborative and contract research in this document are to be understood in the sense of the Community framework for State Aid for R&D and Innovation (O.J. No. C 323 of 30.12.2006), in particular points 3.2.1 and 3.2.2 thereof.*



# FP7 Update

## Joint Technology Initiatives

- **IMI: Innovative Medicines Initiative**
- **ARTEMIS**
- **ENIAC**
- **Clean Sky**

## IMI

- **Call for Proposals**
- **Funding Mechanism**
- **EARTO meeting with senior IMI management in June**
- **Objectives**
  - an RTO-friendly IMI
  - avoid RTO-unfriendly precedent

## Wider issues

- **Removing FP7 money**
- **New, potentially RTO-unfriendly policy frameworks**
- **French Presidency**



# FP7 Update

## Commission Priorities for FP following Green Paper debate

- **A European researchers' passport for mobility and career development**
- **A legal framework for pan-European research infrastructures**
- **The management of IPR in public research organisations**
- **Move towards more joint programming and programmes**
- **A policy framework for international science and technology cooperation**

## "ERA Rationales" Expert Group

- **Commission should aim to stimulate the European market for cross-border applied research, e.g. by a Fraunhofer-style bonus on non-national enterprise income** > [download](#)



# FP7 Update

## Commission Code of Conduct on Nanosciences and Nanotechnologies Research

- **Document C(2008) 424 final**
- **Of concern to many members of EARTO?**
- **Several constraining recommendations**
  - **over-emphasis of risks**
  - **unrealistic responsibility placed on researchers and research institutions**
  - **excessive demands for public information and consultation**
- **COM invites comments by June 30th**
- **Are your researchers affected, concerned?**
- **Please send any existing written positions to EARTO Secretariat: [baumeister@earto.eu](mailto:baumeister@earto.eu)**
- **Possible EARTO Task Force to prepare a common position before June 30th**



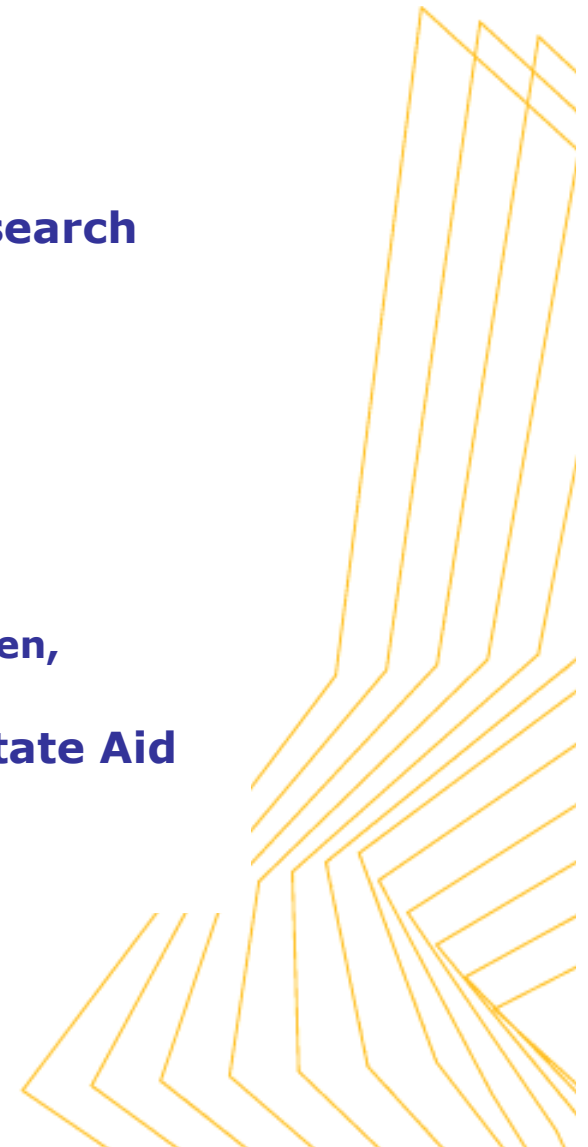
# Another Thing

## Responsible Partnering Initiative

- **To promote more effective collaborative research between science and industry**
- **EARTO, EIRMA, EUA, PROTON Europe**
- **<http://www.responsible-partnering.org/>**

## Priorities in 2008

- **Revise Responsible Partnering Guidelines**
  - **Stock-taking event at COPENMIND, Copenhagen, September 1st-3rd**
- **Prepare Guidelines for implementation of State Aid Framework for R&D&I**



# And another

## RTO Job Market

- **Publication in EARTO News**
- **If demand, EARTO website**

