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# Euratom Joint Programme in Radioactive Waste Management

from Reflections (2015) to Requirements (2016)

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## Overview

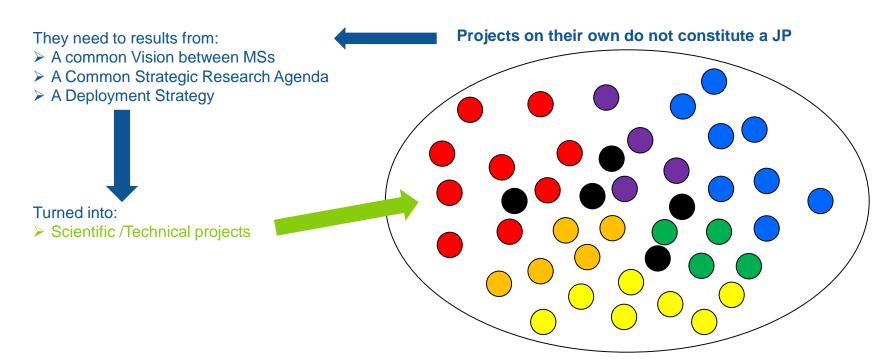


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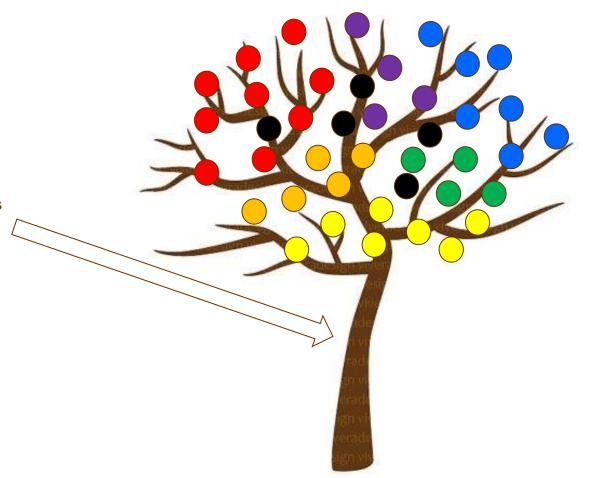
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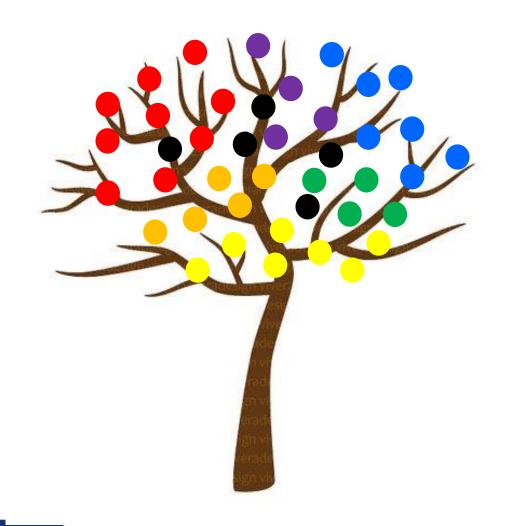
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# Requirements from a Joint Programme

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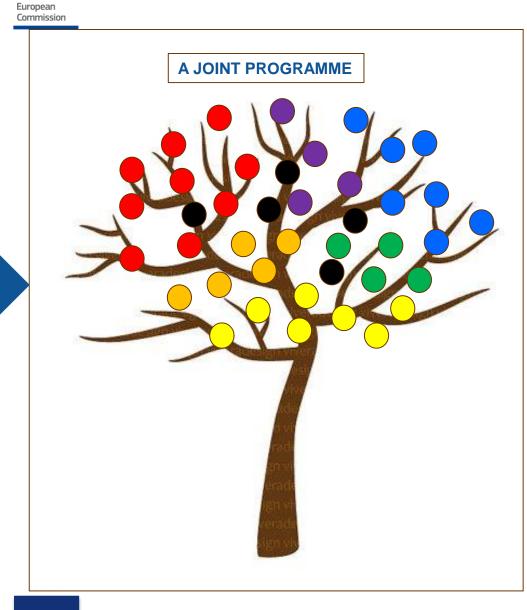
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# Scope for the Strategic Research Agenda



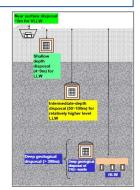
## Radioactive Waste Management

# Pre-Disposal from collection

- > Treatments,
- Characterisation,
- Minimisation,
- Storage,
- Conditioning

# To Disposal

- Surface & shallow
- Sub-surface
- Intermediate depth
- Geological



### Knowledge Management activities and Strategic & Socio-Economic studies

- Handbooks on the state of science and technologies,
- Guidance documents on R&D aimed at less-advanced and small programmes,
- Strategic and Socio-Economic studies in support of national programmes,
- Training and Dissemination on the JP research & KM activities,

### The actors



Who implements research and with what legal link with the JP

# Beneficiary

Affiliated entities

Third parties with a legal link

Contributions in kind

**Subcontracts** 

Programme Owners and Programme Managersinternal activities

- Must be set identified in the Grant Agreement, but do not sign the GA
- Must be set out in Annex 1
- Free of charge or against payment are eligible costs under eligibility conditions
- For works (research activities) normally limited part, and goods, services
- Estimated costs and tasks of works must be identified in the budget and Annex 1 and deliverables pre-identified
- Best value for money (best price-quality ratio) and no conflict of interests
- Awarding following transparent and non-discriminatory procedure
- ➤ Beneficiaries governed by public law apply national law on public procurement, generally request for tenders from at least three providers
- ➤ Private beneficiaries not requesting several offers must demonstrate how best value-for-money was ensured

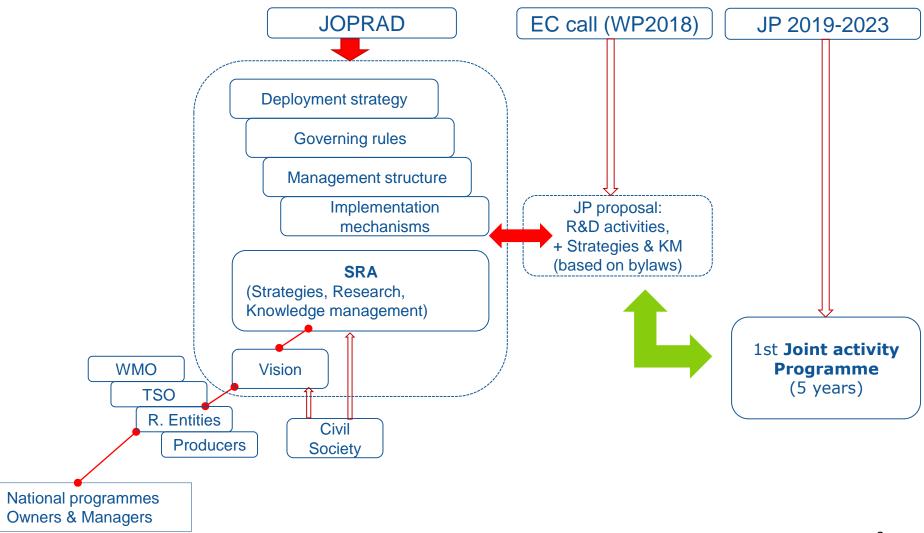
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Cascade funding via call for proposals

Other third parties

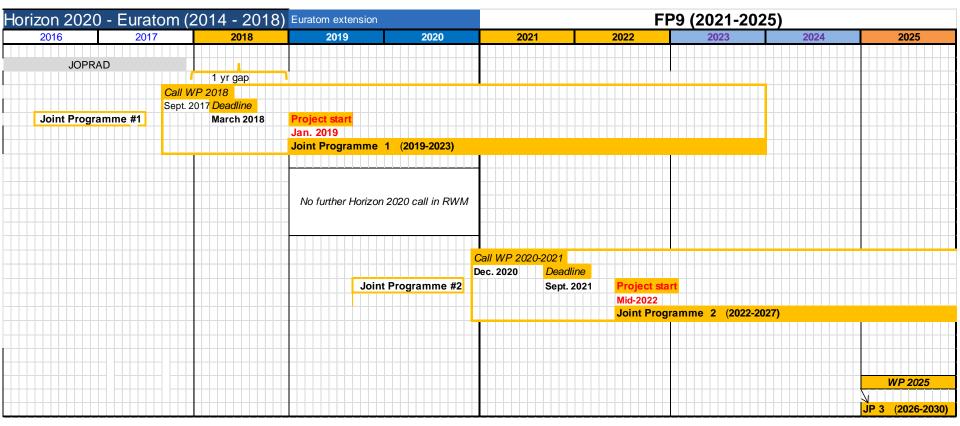
# Joint Programme structure

### **European Joint Programme on Radioactive Waste Management**



# Deployment strategy (implementation schedule)





# Participatory & Implementation mechanisms

JP: need inclusiveness and flexibility

- It is not expected that all MSs will be part of the JP from the start and their needs be included:
- Hence, complete allocation of budget to activities at the start is not possible:
- If it was, the JP would be considered as a closed shop to MS programmes not already in,
- And would not allow uptake of new ideas

Possibility to add new beneficiaries and development of topical projects is advocated all along the JP: how

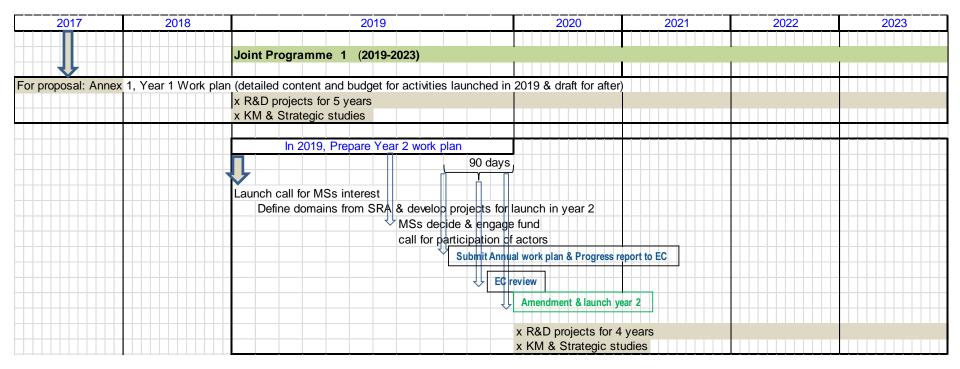


# Participatory & Implementation mechanisms

- Mechanism for new beneficiaries and research actors each year
- Via call for interest to MSs
- Inclusion of new beneficiaries via amendment
- Prioritisation for domains to be addressed each year and
- and for related projects to be developed
- The beneficiaries will not do internal activities only i.e.
- will make use of external capacities
- But, open calls for proposals do not seem appropriate in our field
- Then, call for participation of research actors is needed with an open selection process to be developed

# Participatory & Implementation mechanisms





# Spending

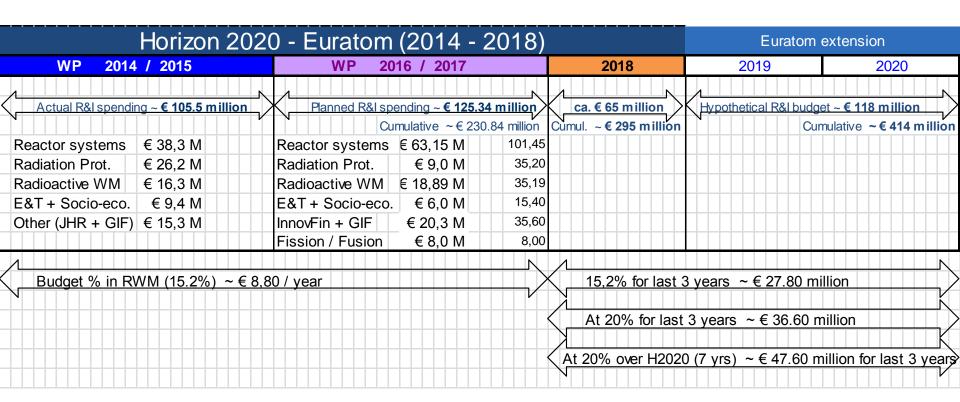


2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
		next FP		
Joint Programme 1 (2019-2023)				
		Joint Programme 2 (2022-27)		
x R&D projects for 5	years			
x KM activities & Str	ategic studies			
x R&D projects for 4 years				
	x KM activities & St	rategic studies		
x R&D projects for 3 years				
x KM activities & Strategic studies				
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Budget 40%	Budget 30%	Budget 20%	<b>₩</b> Budge	et 10%
cumulative 70% cumulative 90%			cumulative 100% 14	

## **Funding**



JP budget



# **Funding**



EC contribution: bracket mini 25 - max. 45 € million

EC reimbursement rate 50 to 70 % max., to be decided at the time of the call

CONCERT EJP in radiation protection : EU funding is € 20 million at 70% = € 28.5 total budget, EURO Fusion : EU = 55% of EUR 857 million budget

### Activity funding:

- Funding should be mainly allocated to active tasks (R&D, strategic study, Knowledge management & training) with deliverable products, not to communities (rate to be discussed)
- Direct research activities on most EU- and common- added value
- Exclude high TRL large-scale experiments & demo tests or only if they are common/shared by several programmes or share the generic part
- Resources for coordination, committee & brainstorming meetings if included are activities of the JP (cost shared)

# **Funding**



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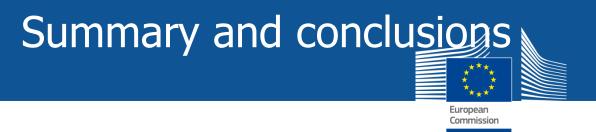
- Coordination, committee & brainstorming meetings are managed at central level i.e. no separate meetings and segregated funding to the different communities
- Any funding need to be linked to a deliverable product (R&D, strategic study, Knowledge management, training), tasks with only minutes are not activities
- Preparation of activities beyond the JP is not an eligible task
- Involvement of actors in any task should be linked to an identifiable contribution and deliverable
- Delivery of training bespoke courses could be organised making use of university human resources and facilities. These are less costly, (reference to the PETRUS project)
- For the implementation of the JP the administrative and management expenditures should aim at no more than 6 % in line with requirement on the EC Euratom indirect actions of H2020

# Summary and conclusions European Commission

- ✓ The scope of the SRA need to cover pre-disposal to disposal solutions
- ✓ Pre-disposal is not only that linked to safety of disposal (R&D on waste treatment, reduction and conditioning is of interest to many MSs)
- ✓ Mechanisms to call for interest of MSs not included at the start need to be defined
- ✓ Mechanisms to call for participation of R&D actors not directly beneficiaries need to be defined
- ✓ Waste producers if not part at the start need be invited and included in the early annual work plan revisions of the JP

# Summary and conclusions European Commission

- ✓ A programme document for a JP proposal need to consist in R&D projects, Strategic studies and Knowledge management activities with annexed individual free-standing documents on the Vision, SRA, Deployment strategy, Governing rules, Management structure and Implementation mechanisms
- ✓ MSs (programme owners & managers) with the EC should aim at launching a JP asap (in 2018) and make it a success while the next Framework Programme (2021-25) will be drafted, to:
  - Demonstrate worthiness of the JP concept in RWM to decision-makers at the EC and in the Member States
  - Ensure sustainability of the Euratom programme
  - Justify a significant budget for the fission programme and RWM



- ✓ The Commission has now set out its expectations and requirements, hopefully clearly enough
- ✓ Clear feedback and engagement from MSs is now needed for the Commission decision to launch a call for a Joint Programme in RWM





# THANK YOU and Good Luck

