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Research & Innovation for a Healthy Atlantic Ocean

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The Galway Statement on Atlantic Ocean Cooperation



Signed in Galway on 24 May 2013 in three originals in the English language.

For the European Union

For the Government of
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For the Government of the
United States of America

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Galway Statement on Atlantic Ocean Cooperation – Overarching Objectives

- Improve ocean health and stewardship
- Promote sustainable management of resources
- Improved ecosystem assessments and forecasts and deeper understanding of vulnerabilities and risks, including climate change
- Generate new tools to increase resilience, conserve rich biodiversity, manage risk and determine social, environmental, and economic priorities

All Atlantic Ocean Research Alliance



Move towards a **basin-wide cooperation from Antarctica to the Arctic**, through enhanced cooperation with countries bordering the South Atlantic (Belém Statement 2017).

Upscale cooperation along and across the Atlantic Ocean and the creation of long-term partnerships building on on-going initiatives such as the **All Atlantic Ocean Research Alliance** (Galway Statement 2013).

Under Horizon 2020, the EU has already **invested over 200 million Euro** in Atlantic research across in **over 20 projects**, with **500 research teams** working together on all sides of the Atlantic.



All Atlantic Ocean Research Forum 6-7 February 2020, Brussels, Belgium

- **All-Atlantic Ocean Research Forum in Brussels on 6-7 February 2020**
- Define the **new strategic direction and political ambitions** for the All Atlantic Ocean Research Alliance
- Engage with and **strengthen our Atlantic Ocean community** that understands, treasures and feels jointly responsible for the Ocean that connects them.
- Through a **multi-stakeholder dialogue**, the Forum will build an **even closer Atlantic partnership**, which leads the implementation of the Sustainable Development Agenda, and the just transition to a healthy ocean and a climate-neutral planet.



A Union that strives for more – Political Guidelines for the next European Commission 2019-2024

1. A European Green Deal

*“ Becoming the **world’s first climate neutral continent** is the greatest challenge and opportunity of our times. It involves taking decisive actions now. We will need to **invest in innovation and research**, redesign our economy and update our industrial policy ”*



- A just transition
- A Sustainable Europe Investment Plan
- More ambitious targets from 2030
- Preserving Europe’s natural environment

*“ Our environment, our natural jewels, **our seas and oceans**, must be **conserved and protected** ”*

*“ To help us achieve our ambition, **I will propose a European Green Deal in my first 100 days in office** “*

Horizon Europe - Investing to shape our future

Our vision

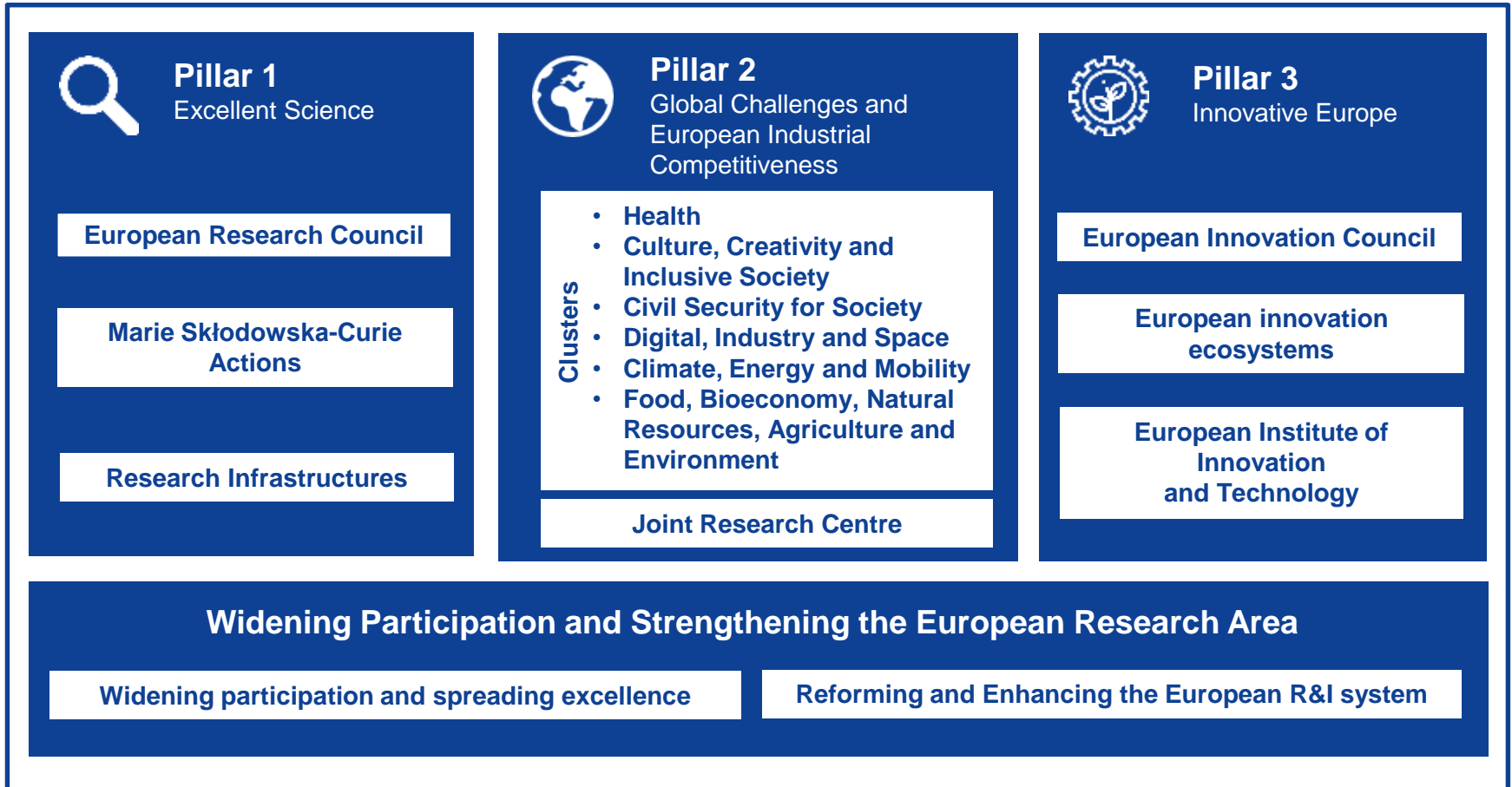
A sustainable, fair and **prosperous** future for **people** and **planet** based on European values.

- Tackling **climate change** (35 % budgetary target)
- Helping to achieve **Sustainable Development Goals**
- Boosting the Union's **competitiveness and growth**



Credits: <https://www.un.org/sustainabledevelopment/sustainable-development-goals/>

Horizon Europe: Preliminary structure



Adaptation to climate change, including societal transformation



Healthy oceans, seas, coastal and inland waters

Mission areas



Cancer



Climate-neutral and smart cities



Soil health and food