

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSIONS AND ACTIONS, AND CONCLUSION

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EURAD2 HAS STARTED!

- **EURAD2 ≠ EURAD1 copy-paste**

- EURAD2 = EURAD + PREDIS + Lessons learned
 - Covering and integrating the whole radioactive waste management chain
- In a changing landscape
 - Both from the back-end (first DGRs coming « online » during EURAD2) and front-end (new nuclear as part of the NZIA – Draghi report – Industrial SMR Alliance)
 - SIMS workshop with DG ENER and DG RTD → helping these countries advance in the implementation of the Waste Directive
- With a different internal funding scheme
 - 100% Funding for Knowledge Management activities
 - Will allow for better involvement of experts from Advanced Programmes
 - KM is not just a WP, it is interwoven throughout the programme
- More emphasis on Strategic Studies
 - Flexible, adaptive, still room to play more with this concept

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- More emphasis on End Users
 - Guiding the work packages from start to finish, and making sure the results are adopted
- Involvement of new Member States
 - Italy, Estonia, reaching out to other SIMS
- Involvement of many Associated Partners
 - UK, Switzerland, Norway, USA, South Korea, etc.
- Involvement of regulatory authorities
 - SSM, BASE
- Involvement of new Civil Society Organisation representatives
 - EESC - ongoing

HOW CAN CSOFF CONTRIBUTE TO THE SUCCESS OF EURAD? (PROPOSAL)

- **Ensuring the ongoing work is aligned with the objectives**
 - Vision as included in the Grant Agreement
 - Support the implementation of the Waste Directive
- **Overseeing the application of the governing principles**
 - Evaluate and check through dedicated measures
- **Assessing the alignment of the work programme with the roadmap and the SRA**
- **Evaluating the roadmap and the SRA (including the drivers) and provide directions in case it needs to be enhanced/updated**
- **Evaluating the progress reports, ensuring the products are of the required quality and the work is integrated. Assess that the EC budget budget is spent according to the planned work (but no project controlling)**
- **Getting on board the entire EURAD community and its stakeholders through dedicated communication**
- **Accompanying the principles/procedures to develop the 2nd wave**
- **Ensuring that key enabling RD&D developments outside of the EURAD domain are acknowledged and integrated in the future planning.**

OUR MESSAGE TO THE EURAD PARTICIPANTS

- **EURAD2 is the world largest multi-national project on the topic with many interactions with associated partners outside Europe**
 - We are being watched from various continents to deliver and further develop the European Leadership on rad waste management.
- **EURAD2 Community... it's you!**
 - Representing (the needs and interests of) your National Programmes
 - Making sure that the Programme creates added value for your Programme
 - Co-funding principle!
- **These first two years are critical for the future especially for Strategic Studies**
 - Making sure the Member States are convinced of the benefits of EURAD2
 - FYI, the EURATOM Euratom Research & Training Programme budget breakdown (2021-2025) is as follows
 - €583 million for indirect actions in fusion research and development
 - €266 million for indirect actions in nuclear fission, safety and radiation protection
 - We are "in competition" for the next FP funding
 - Strategic Studies limited to 2 years duration → Outcomes need to be there "tomorrow" in order to prepare 2nd wave



AND NOW OUR FINAL WORDS...

- We appreciate all your enthusiasm and energy
- Let's foster this community
- Now get going!