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Austrian Presidency of the Council of the European Union

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CHALLENGING ENVIRONMENT

- Multiannual Financial Framework post 2020

- Brexit

- Aim to conclude as many dossiers as possible

A EUROPE THAT PROTECTS

- Security and fight against illegal migration
- Securing prosperity and competitiveness through digitalisation
- Stability in the neighbourhood – further EU-rapprochement of the Western Balkan/ Southeastern European states

REINFORCING THE SUBSIDIARITY PRINCIPLE

- Bringing the European Union closer to its citizens
- Common solutions where necessary
- Focus on European added-value

BUILDING BRIDGES

- Strengthening unity among Member States

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Priorities

1. Negotiations on Horizon Europe

2. Council Conclusions on ERA,

building on the review of the ERA Advisory Structure by ERAC

3. Support for Sectoral Policies

- High Performance Computing
- European Open Science Cloud
- European University Network Initiative
- Defence Research
- Digital Europe

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Key Dates

- **Informal meeting of Research Ministers**
16-17 July 2018, Vienna:
First exchange of views on political level on Horizon Europe proposal
- **ERAC and RWP Meetings**
17-18 Sept. 2018, Salzburg:
ERAC:
Adoption of Report on review of ERA advisory structure
Discussion & Adoption of 2 final work packages of the ERAC ad hoc Working Group on R&I Partnerships
- **Competitiveness Council Meeting - Research**
27-28 Sep. 2018, Brussels:
Negotiations on Horizon Europe proposal
- **Competitiveness Council Meeting - Research**
30 Nov. 2018, Brussels:
Negotiations on Horizon Europe - PGA and/or progress report(s);
Council Conclusions on ERA

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Conferences / Meetings in Austria

- **IIASA-JRC Evidence for Policy Summer School 2018**
“Science, Policy and Demography: The role of population, migration and human capital for sustainable development in the EU neighbourhood”
5-7 September 2018, Laxenburg near Vienna
- **International Conference on Research Infrastructures**
12-14 September 2018, Vienna
- **Marie Skłodowska Curie Actions beyond 2020**
1-2 October 2018, Vienna
- **COST CSO-Meeting & Awareness Day**
6-8 November 2018, Vienna

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Conferences / Meetings in Austria

- **Impact of universities on their regional innovation ecosystems: Workshop on lead institutions for smart specialisation**
13 November 2018, Graz
- **Impact of Social Sciences and Humanities for a European Research Agenda**
28 - 29 November 2018, Vienna
- **Imagine Digital – Connect Europe**
4 - 6 December 2018, Vienna

Thank You!

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