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Furthering International Research Cooperation in a Fragmented world

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15:00 – 15:20	<p>OPENING SESSION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christian EHLER, MEP, Chair, Science and Technology Options Assessment (STOA), European Parliament • KOMIYAMA Hiroshi, Chairman, Science and Technology in Society <i>forum</i> (STS <i>forum</i>)
15:20 – 16:10	<p>PANEL 1: International research cooperation – the policy dimension</p> <p>One quarter of scientific publications have international co-authorship, according to UNESCO, and international collaboration and mobility have long been seen as a key element in the fruitful exchange of ideas that underpins successful research. Furthermore, the scale required for some scientific projects can now surpass the resources normally available in many countries, making international cooperation a necessity to the advancement of knowledge in some fields.</p> <p>Policy can therefore play an important role in promoting or hindering international research cooperation, both directly in the form of research policy, but also indirectly when other policy areas have an impact on it. Traditionally, social and economic policy can pose some of the main obstacles, for example by hindering researcher mobility or when restricting funding to national champions. Most recently, geopolitical factors have also re-asserted themselves as a major constraint on the possibilities of international collaboration. However, policy can also be a strong driver in fomenting cooperation across borders. The European Union’s Horizon programme, which strongly encourages international partnerships and cross-border researcher mobility, is a good example of this, as are both broad and sectoral cooperation agreements between Japan and the EU.</p> <p>Session 1 will look into the continued importance of policy towards promoting research cooperation, and discuss what choices are available in a fragmented world.</p> <hr/> <p><Chair></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ivars IJABS, MEP, STOA Vice-Chair, European Parliament <p>< Speakers></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Signe RATSO, Deputy Director-General, DG for Research and Innovation, European Commission • KIYOURA Takashi, Deputy Director General of Science and Technology Policy Bureau, Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT) • Lina GALVEZ MUNOZ, MEP, ITRE committee Vice-Chair, STOA Panel member, European Parliament • Salvatore ARICO, Chief Executive Officer, International Science Council (ISC)

<p>16:15 – 17:30</p>	<p><u>PANEL 2: Practical examples of international research collaboration -- Key best practices</u></p> <p>International collaboration offers opportunities of expanded approaches and diverse views that might bring about better results in many ways. However, working as a team while coming from different backgrounds, both cultural and educational, might pose certain particular challenges.</p> <p>This session 2 will explore best practices for successful international research cooperation, through concrete examples of actual practitioners from different areas of research. They will share with us their past experience and extract their advice points so that we can learn from their knowhows.</p> <hr/> <p><Chair></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Pernille WEISS</i>, MEP and STOA Panel Member, European Parliament <p><Speakers></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thomas PICHLER, Professor, Faculty of Physics, University of Vienna • NAKA Makiko, Executive Director, RIKEN • Enrico DI PIETRO, F4E Head of JT-60SA Unit and JT-60SA EU Project Manager, representing ITER and Broader Approach (BA) • IMAZATO Kazuyuki, Director General of Representative Office in Europe, New Energy and Industrial Technology Development Organisation (NEDO) • Marie-Beatrice MADEC, Innovation Valuation Assessment Director, Solvay
<p>17:30 – 18:00</p>	<p><u>CLOSING REMARKS</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • YAMAZAKI Takuya, Director-General, JETRO Brussels • KAJI Misako, Special Assistant to the Minister for Foreign Affairs, Ambassador for Science and Technology Cooperation • Marc ANGEL, MEP, Vice-President responsible for STOA, European Parliament

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