



### A common need of research

The Mediterranean info day on "Socio-Economic Sciences and Humanities" will be organised by 7 organisations hosting the "Socio-economic Sciences and Humanities" National Contact Points representing 8 countries (4 Member States, 3 Associated states, 1 ICPC country):



Croatia, Israel, Italy, Greece, Malta, Montenegro, Slovenia  
*(Cyprus and Republic of Serbia assured external support for dissemination of the event)*



The 7 countries overlooked the Mediterranean sea and it is not the only point they have in common. Many of them had and still have common problems of Citizenship and Identity such as Israel and the Balkans. Research in this domain would be useful to overcome the social cohesion issues resulting by the **fragmentation of nationalities and Identities** or by past **totalitarisms**, and could help to investigate the wider issue of the **European citizenship**.



In Italy, Malta and Greece the citizenship identity is posed by the flow of migration that they are experiencing without the necessary background thus dealing with several **social cohesion** issues.



Social cohesion issues derive also from overcrowded cities, such as Athens and Rome, and thus for their **sustainable development**.



The research in the economic domain is a common need for the 7 countries, especially after the **financial crisis** that unified all the countries in his failure and affected all their economies.



For the above mentioned reasons, the 7 countries decided to join forces in the organization of a common event informing their national communities about the opportunities offered by the European Union and that they support in order to solve actual or future phenomena that Europe or the individual countries will cope.



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## Mediterranean info day on "Socio-Economic Sciences and Humanities"

Info day organised in collaboration with the network of Socio-economic Sciences and Humanities National Contact Points and the European Commission, DG Research - Directorate "Science, Economy and Society"



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The event is jointly organised by 8 “Socio-economic sciences and Humanities” National Contact Points and their organisations, in cooperation with the European Commission, the Italian Ministry of Research, the University of Venice Ca’ Foscari (that will host the event) and in coordination with NET4SOCIETY (the network of “Socio-economic sciences and Humanities” National Contact Points).

### Rationale of the event

The event aims at informing the European scientific community about the **research challenges** envisaged within the Socio-economic sciences and Humanities domains for the future and the new approach that the Commission planned for the research.

The **strategic aspects of research projects** such as communication, foresight and stock taking will be illustrated, along with the dimension that the Directorate Science, Economy and Society underlines as strategic: the **professionalization of management** in the research. Thus 2 best practices of management by European researchers will be presented and the point of view of an evaluator, that will help the researchers to draft clearer and more focused proposals, will close the day.

An **interpreting service** will be provided.

**Video:** the event will be recorded and published 2 days after the event on the University of Venice Ca’ Foscari website.



### 09.00 – 09.30 Registration of participants and welcome coffee

Moderator: Diassina Di Maggio  
Director of APRE – Agency for the Promotion of European Research

09.30 – 9.45 **Welcome**  
University Ca’ Foscari  
Rector Professor Carlo Carraro

9.45 – 10.15 **Towards a new Approach for Socio-Economic and Humanities Research in the Community Framework Programme**  
Domenico Rossetti di Valdalbero, Scientific Officer, European Commission, DG Research – Directorate Science, Economy and Society

10.15 – 10.35 **The importance of the Socio-economic aspects in the strategy of the General Direction for the internationalization of research of the Italian Ministry of research**  
Mario Ali, General Director for the DG Internationalization of Research, Italian Ministry of Research

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10.35 – 11.20 **The Socio-economic Sciences and Humanities Work Programme 2010**  
Domenico Rossetti di Valdalbero and Louisa Anastopoulou, Scientific officers, European Commission, DG Research – Directorate Science, Economy and Society

11.20 – 12.00 **Managing large and multidisciplinary research projects in Socio-economic sciences and Humanities**  
Olga Gritsai, Manager of the “ACRE” Integrated project, Institute of Social geography, University of Amsterdam

Sergio Carrera, Coordinator of the CHALLENGE project, Head of section and Research fellow, justice and Home affairs Section, centre for European Policy Studies - CEPS

12.00 – 13.00 **Question time**

13.00 – 14.00 **Lunch**

### Afternoon session: “The strategic sides of research projects”

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14.00 – 14.30 **Horizontal Activities:**  
- Stock tacking  
- Dissemination strategy  
Question time  
Louisa Anastopoulou, Scientific officer, European Commission, DG Research – Directorate Science, Economy and Society

14.30 – 15.00 **Administrative, Financial and Evaluation rules**  
Louisa Anastopoulou, Scientific officer, European Commission, DG Research – Directorate Science, Economy and Society

15.00 – 15.30 **Professionalisation of management in the research - a best practice**  
The University of Bologna: the administrative office as a support to the researchers  
Diego Torresan, Responsible of the Collaborative research and Project Management of the University of Bologna

15.30 – 15.45 **The evaluator’s point of view for drafting new proposals**  
Arturo Lorenzoni, “Socio-economic Sciences and Humanities” evaluator, University of Padova

15.45 – 16.00 **Closing remarks**