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Latin American and Caribbean National Contact Point Network

(LAC NCP Network)

NEWSLETTER

Dear CELAC colleagues,

It's a pleasure for the Latin American and Caribbean Network of National Contact Points (LAC NCP Network) to welcome you to this communication channel.



Our goal as network is to strengthen the capacities of the National Contact Points of Latin America and the Caribbean, to increase their ability to disseminate the programme and to inform and support the researchers, public and private organisms, civil society associations, promoting their participation in the Programme Horizon 2020.

Latin America and the Caribbean have an excellent innovative capacity that makes us very good partners in the different calls that already exist and those upcoming in the framework of the new programme of Horizon Europe.

All members of our team is at your disposal to dynamize the network.

We invite you to visit our website [MEC CUBIST](#)

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We wish all of you the greatest success.

LAC NCP Network

What is it?

The **Latin American and Caribbean National Contact Point Network** (LAC NCP Network) comprises all National Contact Points officially designated by a State of CELAC through the highest authority in Science, Technology and Innovation and recognized by the European Commission through an official nomination .

What are your goals?

The **goal** of the LAC NCP Network is to promote and increase the participation of academia, companies and institutions in the Horizon 2020 Program in order to democratize the access to opportunities among the different countries of the region.

The aim is to create a more effective, dynamic, proactive and sustainable network in order to encourage a closer cooperation between all the national contact points in Europe, Latin America and the Caribbean.

Its **specific goals** are: reinforcing the designation and motivation of the NCPs in the CELAC region and improving these countries participation in H2020.

How does it work?

The NCPs are named for each of the thematic areas of the H2020 Program, as well as for cross-cutting areas. They are structured in the following way:

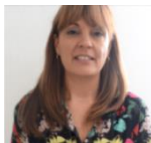
- 1) National NCP Coordinator
- 2) Legal and Financial aspects
- 3) SMEs
- 4) Access to Finance
- 5) European Research Council

- 6) Future and Emerging Technologies**
- 7) Marie Skłodowska-Curie actions**
- 8) European Research Infrastructures**
- 9) Information and Communication Technologies (ICT)**
- 10) Nanotechnologies, advanced materials and advanced manufacturing and processing**
- 11) Space**
- 12) Health, demographic change and wellbeing**
- 13) Food security, sustainable agriculture, marine and maritime research and the bio economy & Biotechnology**
- 14) Secure, clean and efficient energy**
- 15) Smart, green and integrated transport**
- 16) Climate action, resource efficiency and raw materials**
- 17) Inclusive, innovative and reflective societies**
- 18) Security**
- 19) Euratom**
- 20) Joint Research Centre**
- 21) Spreading excellence and widening participation**
- 22) Science with and for Society**

Testimonials

Within the framework of the Net4Mobility event held on April 2 and 3 of 2019, the team made a series of interviews with the National Contact Points of the Marie Skłodowska Curie Actions Program (MSCA) highlighted by CELAC from different countries and regions, where they share their experiences and roles as an NCP.

Important NCPs of CELAC (of different countries and regions)



Flavia Salvatierra – ARGENTINA

[Video](#)



Elisa Natola – BRASIL

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Miguel Angel Villarroel Salgueiro – BOLIVIA

[Video](#)



Catherine Fonseca – COLOMBIA

[Video](#)



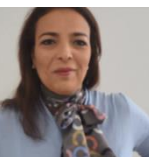
Eliana Ulate Brenes - COSTA RICA

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Maria Teresa Cazal – PARAGUAY

[Video](#)



Claudia Guerrero – PANAMA

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Laura Caunter – HONDURAS

[Video](#)

Support Material

Guides and manuals for researchers and institutions working on collaborative projects, Marie Skłodowska-Curie, were realized with the support of the European Union.

Link to guides:



[Guide for the establishment of Liaison Offices with the European Union in Latin America and the Caribbean](#)



[Manual for the participation in the Framework Program of Research and Innovation of the European Union](#)



[Guide for the successful participation of Latin American and Caribbean INSTITUTIONS in MARIE SKŁODOWSKA-CURIE ACTIONS](#)



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New Calls for CELAC

- **TICs**
 - [ICT-52-2020: Smart Connectivity beyond 5G](#)
 - [ICT-41-2020: 5G PPP – 5G innovations for verticals with third party services](#)
 - [ICT-42-2020: 5G PPP – 5G core technologies innovation](#)
- **Health demographic change and well-being**
 - [SC1-HCO-17-2020: Coordinating and supporting research on the human microbiome in Europe and beyond](#)
 - [SC1-HCO-16-2020 ERA-NET: ERA-NET: Sustained collaboration of national and regional programmes in research on brain-related diseases and disorders of the nervous system](#)
 - [SC1-BHC-34-2020: New approaches for clinical management and prevention of resistant bacterial infections in high prevalence settings](#)
 - [SC1-HCO-07-2020 ERA-NET: ERA-NET to support the Joint Programming Initiative on Antimicrobial resistance \(JPIAMR\)](#)
 - [SC1-BHC-17-2020: Global Alliance for Chronic Diseases \(GACD\) - Prevention and/or early diagnosis of cancer](#)
- **Food Security, Agriculture and Forestry, Marine Research and Bioeconomics**
 - [SFS- 21- 2020: Emerging challenges for soil management](#)
 - [LC- RUR-11-2019: Sustainable wood value chains](#)
 - [FNR-18-2020: Sustainability of bio-based products – international governance aspects and market update](#)

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October 2019

With the support of Service Facility, the LAC NCP Network launched a cycle of video conferences. The aim of these conferences is to strengthen the capacities of the researchers to promote their participation in the programme H2020.

We are going to share information about the three webinars held below:

On **9 August**, a webinar on **Calls of the Horizon 2020** programme was held. This webinar was supported by the Latin American and Caribbean Network of National Contact Points (LAC NCP Network)

The areas of interest that were mentioned are the following: ICT's, Health and Food Security, Agriculture and Forestry, Marine Research and Bio economy.

[Access to the recording of the video conference](#)

On **26 September**, a webinar about **Funding Opportunities for Science, Technology and Innovation of the Programme H2020** was held. The webinar was supported by the Interamerican Cooperation Institute of Agriculture (IICA).

[Access to the recording of the video conference](#)

On **30 September**, a webinar about the **Marie Sklodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA) of the Horizon 2020 programme** was held. The webinar was supported by the Latin American and Caribbean Network of National Contact Points (LAC NCP Network); "NCP Academy"; EURAXESS Office in Brazil; Liaison Office with the European Union in Argentina (National Secretariat of Science and Technology and Productive Innovation) and Liaison Office with the European Union in Uruguay (Ministry of Education and Culture)

Opportunities to strengthen the career of Researchers and Innovators

[Access to the recording of the video conference](#)

