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Subject:	Meeting of the European Research Area and Innovation Committee (ERAC)
Date:	16 and 17 October 2025
Time:	13:30, 09:00
Venue:	Copenhagen, Denmark

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1. Opening of the plenary by the ERAC co-Chairs and adoption of the agenda (*)
2. Updates by the Co-Chairs (*)
3. Presentation and updates on the current and incoming Presidencies' priorities on research and innovation (DK, CY, IE) (*)
4. Looking in from the outside: resilience and research and innovation (*)
 - *Exchange of views, with introduction by Lars Frølund, lecturer at MIT and member of the EIC Board*
5. Promoting and protecting the freedom of scientific research as a core value of the European research and innovation ecosystems, and a foundation for trust in science (*)
 - *Strategic debate (doc. 13148/25)*

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6. The role of research and innovation ecosystems and synergies between regional, national and European levels, also in the context of the new MFF proposal and the proposal for the new Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (*)
 - *Strategic debate with breakout sessions*
(doc. 13149/25)
7. Team Europe on China: building on the reflections from the ERA Forum Standing Subgroup on the Global Approach (**)
 - *Exchange of views*
(doc. 13150/25)
8. Any other business (*)
 - a) The role of R&I in Ukraine's recovery – update by the ERAC co-Chair representing the Commission
 - b) The agenda of the next ERAC meeting(s)
 - c) Inclusion of private foundations in the ERA Forum stakeholder categories

() The attendance is open to one representative for each country associated to Horizon Europe, as authorised by the Committee of the Permanent Representatives on 10 September 2025.*

*(**) The attendance is open to one representative for each country associated to Horizon Europe, member of the European Economic Area, as authorised by the Committee of the Permanent Representatives on 10 September 2025.*

The attendance of Lars Frølund for the agenda item 4 was authorised by the Committee of the Permanent Representatives on 24 September 2025.

NB: Council documents are available on Delegates' Portal.