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Subject:	Informal Videoconference of the European Research Area and Innovation Committee (ERAC)
Date:	16 December 2020
Time:	9.30
Venue:	Videoconference

1. **Welcome by the ERAC Chair: Jean-Eric Paquet**, Director-General DG Research & Innovation
2. **Adoption of the provisional agenda**
3. **Information from the Chair and from the Presidency**
 - *The Chair will report back on the latest ERAC Steering Board meeting.*
 - *The German Presidency will provide an update on the progress of its Presidency priorities.*
 - *The incoming Portuguese, Slovenian and French Presidencies will briefly update on their respective Presidency priorities.*

4. ERA and Innovation Policy

4.1 Next steps on the implementation of the New ERA

Short introductions on the final report of the ERAC Action Plan 2019 and on the outcome of the workshop on 'Labour market for researchers, skills, assessment and monitoring' will be given by the respective Rapporteurs.

The Committee will consider how to best implement the Council conclusion on the New European Research Area in the light of: i) the aforementioned short introductions; ii) the new Commission Communication on the ERA; iii) a background note on 'Co-designing a new ERA governance framework', jointly written by the Commission and the Trio and provided to ERAC prior to the meeting.

5. Any Other Business

5.1 ERAC Work Programme 2021-2022

The draft ERAC Work programme 2021-2022 will be circulated to Delegates in view of its presentation at this meeting and subsequent adoption by written procedure.

5.2 Standing Information Point

Information will be provided in writing to Delegations prior to the meeting. Delegations will have the opportunity to ask questions in relation to the information provided.

– *Final Report of the Transitional Forum for Partnerships.*

5.3 46th ERAC meeting (16 March 2021, Brussels)

The Steering Board will draw up the provisional annotated agenda of the next meeting on the basis of the Work Programme 2021-2022.
