# The Profile of Successful Organisations in Horizon 2020

Presented at
EARMA Annual Conference
25th April 2017
Malta

**COURSE PRESENTER** 

Dr. Seán McCarthy



HYPERION LTD.
Training Courses

Main St., Watergrasshill, Co. Cork, Ireland.

Phone: +353-21-4889461 Fax: +353-21-4889465

E-mail: sean.mccarthy@hyperion.ie

Website: www.hyperion.ie

\_\_\_\_\_ www.hyperion.ie

## The Profile of Successful Organisations in Horizon 2020

#### **PRESENTER**

Dr. Seán McCarthy Hyperion Ltd sean.mccarthy@hyperion.ie www.hyperion.ie @seanmccarthyhyp (Twitter) Sean McCarthy Hyperion (Linkedin)

> EARMA Conference Malta 25th April 2017

CONTENTS

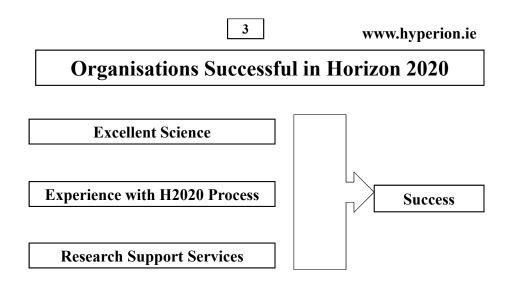
Success Criteria for Horizon 2020

The Role of National Funding and National Support

Successful Organisations: Research Support Offices

Successful Organisations: Researchers

Some Conclusions



Source: Horizon 2020 Annual Monitoring Report (2016)

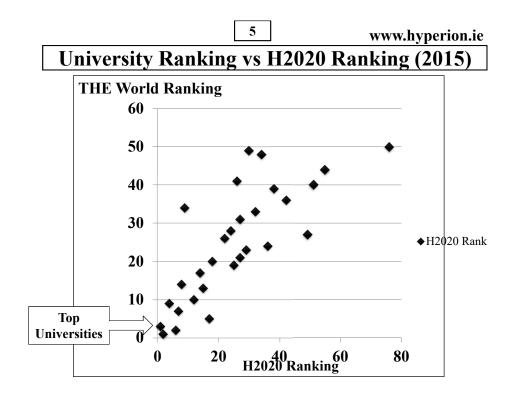
4 www.hyperion.ie
University Ranking vs. H2020 Funding

University	Country	QS Ranking (2015)	H2020 Funding (2015)
Cambridge University	UK	1	1
University College London	UK	3	2
Oxford University	UK	2	3
EPFL	СН	6	4
<b>Edinburgh University</b>	Scotland	8	7
ЕТН	Switzerland	5	9

Sources:

 $QS\ Ranking:\ www.topuniversities.com$ 

H2020 Ranking: European Commission H2020 Annual Monitoring Report (2015) (Page 243)



6 www.hyperion.ie
Top Research Centres in Horizon 2020 (2015)

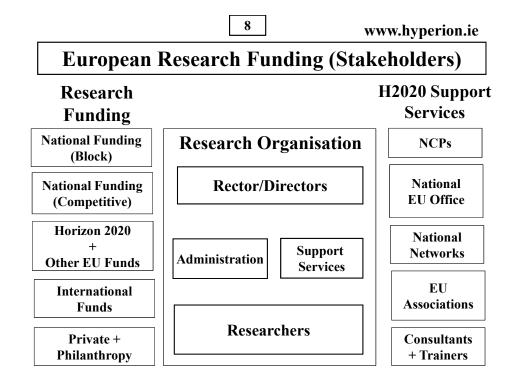
Research Centre	Country	H2020 Funding (2015)
CNRS	France	1
Fraunhofer	Germany	2
CEA	France	3
DFZ	Germany	7
IMEC	Belgium	9
Juelich	Germany	32
TNO	NL	12
VTT	Finland	14
SINTEF	Norway	15

Source: European Commission H2020 Annual Monitoring Report (2015)

CONTENTS

Success Criteria for Horizon 2020

The Role of National Funding and National Support
Successful Organisations: Research Support Offices
Successful Organisations: Researchers
Some Conclusions



www.hyperion.ie

## **The Impact of National Funding (Positive)**

#### **Successful Organisations in Horizon 2020**

Infrastructure	National Funding used for Infrastructures
<b>Core Research</b>	National Funding for Core Research
Talent	National Funding to Attract Top Talent
Networking	Conferences, Networks, Bilateral Agreements
<b>Seed Funding</b>	Institutional funding to develop ideas
Germination	Internal Funding – National – EU Funding

#### Important Messages here for the use of Structural Funds

10

www.hyperion.ie

## The Impact of National Funding (Negative)

### Low Successful Organisations in Horizon 2020

National Funding is 'easier' than H2020

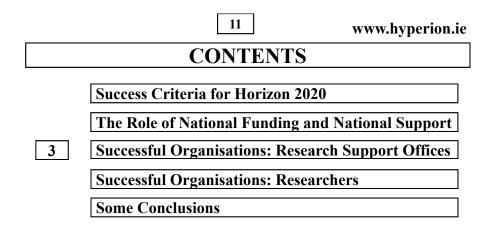
National Funds more prestigious than H2020\*

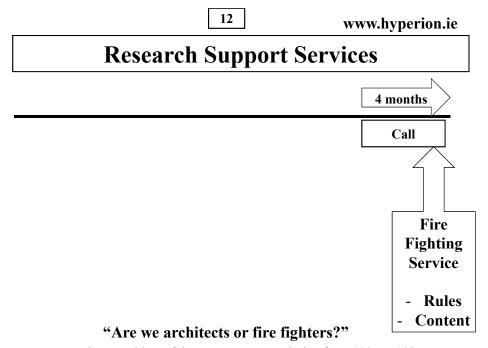
No links between National Funding and H2020

No need for European Networking

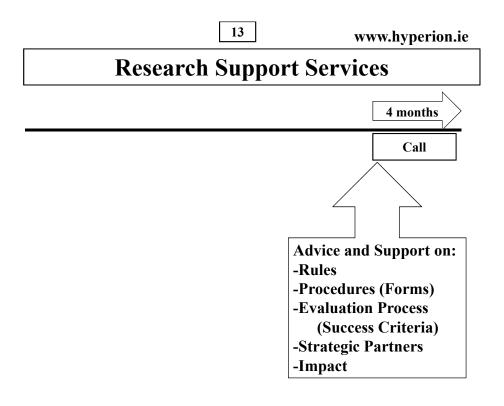
Mainly 'non-Nationals' apply for H2020

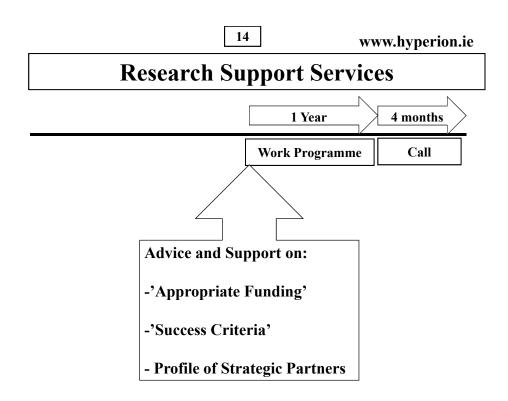
\* except ERC

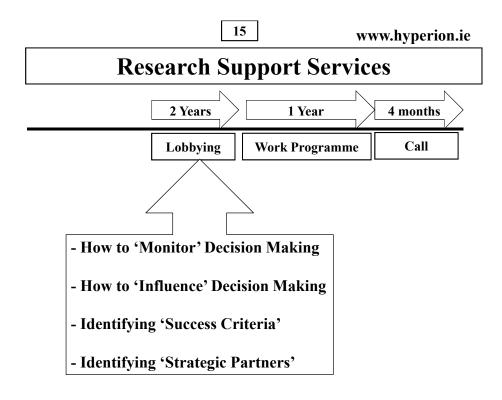


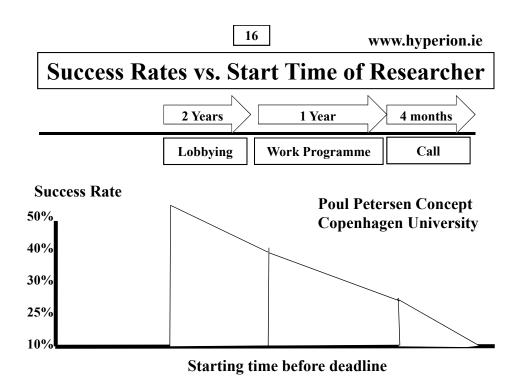


Jaques Delors President of the European Commission from 1985 to 1995









CONTENTS

Success Criteria for Horizon 2020

The Role of National Funding and National Support

Successful Organisations: Research Support Offices

4 Successful Organisations: Researchers

Some Conclusions

18

www.hyperion.ie

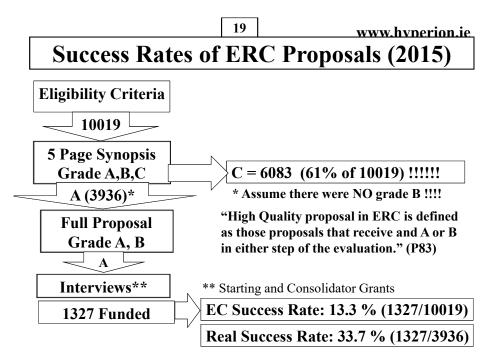
### **Profile of Successful Researchers in H2020**

Science	Excellent Science, Publishing, Conferences
Reputation	International Reputation (Impressing Peers)
Evaluation	<b>Detailed Understanding of the Evaluation Process</b>
Topics	They know the background to topics (Pillar II/III)
H2020 Rules	They understand the rules, processes, forms etc.
Resubmission	Proposal Rejection is a Source of Learning
Soft Skills	Communications, Networking, Listening!

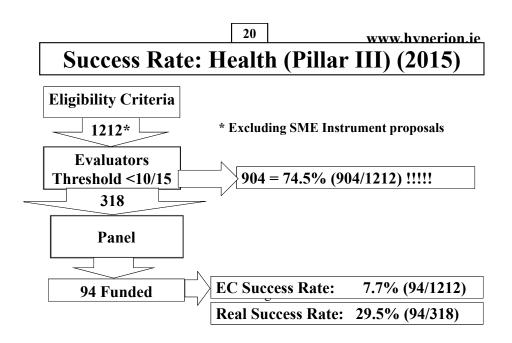
"Having knowledge but lacking the power to <u>express it</u> <u>clearly</u> is no better than never having any ideas at all."

Pericles

(Ancient Greek Politician, General and Statesman, of the aristocratic Alcmaeonid family. 495 BC-429 BC)



Source: European Commission (EC) H2020 Annual Monitoring Report (2015) (Page 83)



Source: European Commission (EC) H2020 Annual Monitoring Report (2015) (Page 132)

www.hyperion.ie

## **CONTENTS**

**Success Criteria for Horizon 2020** 

The Role of National Funding and National Support

**Successful Organisations: Research Support Offices** 

**Successful Organisations: Researchers** 

5

**Some Conclusions** 

22

www.hyperion.ie

## What is Your Strategy for Horizon 2020?

High Success Organisation	Low Success Organisation
<b>Excellent Science</b>	
Increase World Ranking (Universities)	'Getting Money out of Brussels'
Exceed Clients Expectations (Research Centres)	
Funding to Achieve Above	

www.hyperion.ie

## Pillar I (ERC, FET, Marie Curie)

Criteria	High Success Organisation	Low Success Organisation
ERC	ERC: Top Priority Special Support Services Ranking Criteria: Reputation	Nice if we win ERC
Marie Curie	Important for funding PhDs and Post-docs Ranking Criteria: PhDs	'Not much money in Marie Curie'

24

www.hyperion.ie

## **Activities are EU Level**

Criteria	High Success Organisation	Low Success Organisation
Coordination of Proposals	High Priority (Reputation)	Being Partner is 'Easier'
Evaluation of Proposals	Best way of Learning H2020 Processes	Too busy Hard work Why bother?
Expert Groups (Lobbying)	Key to Long Term Success	Very little involvement

www.hyperion.ie

## Copyright © Hyperion 2016

This material is copyright of Hyperion Limited 2016. No part of this manual may be copied, photocopied or reproduced in any form or by any means without the permission in writing from Hyperion Ltd. Violation of these laws will lead to prosecution. All trademarks, service marks, products or services are trademarks or registered trademarks of their respective holders and are acknowledged by the author.

#### LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

Every effort has been made to ensure complete and accurate information concerning the material presented in this manual. However Hyperion Ltd cannot be held legally responsible for any mistakes in printing or faulty instructions contained within the manual. The authors appreciate receiving notice of any errors or misprints.

There are no warranties, expressed or implied, including warranties of merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose, made with respect to the materials or any information provided to the user herein. Neither the author nor publisher shall be liable for any direct, indirect, special, incidental or consequential damages arising out of the use or inability to use the contents of this manual

26

www.hyperion.ie

## **Next Hyperion Open Courses**

How to Write a Competitive Proposal for Horizon 2020

Date: Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2017 Location: Hotel Leopold, Brussels

How to Write the Impact of a Horizon 2020 Proposal

Date: Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2017 Location: Hotel Leopold, Brussels

Course Presenter: Dr. Seán McCarthy Hyperion Ltd

**Booking Details: www.hyperion.ie** 

## **Hyperion Courses**



#### Designer and Presenter of Courses: Dr. Seán McCarthy Hyperion Ltd.

Hyperion specialises in the development of training courses for Research Managers and Research Support Staff. Since 1995, over 65,000 people have participated in Hyperion's training courses in 29 countries.

Hyperion provides training courses to 74 of the top 100 Organisations in Horizon 2020.

#### How to Write a Competitive Proposal for Horizon 2020

Target Audience: Researchers, Research Managers and Newly appointed H2020 Advisors

Location of Course: In-house Courses held on-site

Next Open Course: Brussels Wednesday 15th November 2017

#### How to Write the Impact of a Horizon 2020 Proposal

Target Audience: Researchers, Research Managers and Newly appointed H2020 Advisors

Location of Course: In-house Courses held on-site

Next Open Course: Brussels Thursday 16th November 2017

#### How to Support Researchers in Writing Competitive Proposals for Horizon 2020

Target Audience: Experienced Advisors who have several years experience with Horizon 2020 and who want to

refine their processes and procedures.

Location of Course: In-house Courses held on-site

#### **European Research and Innovation Strategies**

Target Audience: People responsible for the planning of European research strategies in Universities, Research Centres

and Research Intensive companies.

Location of Course: In-house Courses held on-site

Details of all courses on www.hyperion.ie

## **Next Open Courses**

#### How to Write a Competitive Proposal for Horizon 2020

Location of Course: Hotel Leopold, Brussels

Date: Wednesday 15th November 2017

(9:30 to 13:00)

Details: www.hyperion.ie/course4634.htm

#### How to Write the Impact of a Horizon 2020 Proposal

Location of Course: Hotel Leopold, Brussels

Date: Thursday 16th November 2017

(9:30 to 13:00)

Details: www.hyperion.ie/course4635.htm

Booking details on www.hyperion.ie



SENDER: Hyperion Ltd., Main Street, Watergrasshill, Co. Cork, Ireland.