

Meeting on a joint Belmont Forum/BiodivERsA Call on “Scenarios of biodiversity and ecosystem services”

January 26-27, 2017, Paris

Meeting venue:

The meeting will be held at ANR, 50 Avenue Daumesnil, 75012 Paris

Nearest metro station: Gare de Lyon

Supporting documents:

1. *2017 call text from the EC for an international CO-FUND action to support the initiative*
2. *Concept note on a 2017 call on scenarios of Biodiversity and Ecosystem services*

DAY 1: 26 JANUARY 2017

14:00 – 18:00

14:00 Welcome and introduction - 10 min

By Patrick Monfray & Xavier Le Roux

- Welcome words and brief introduction to the meeting

14:10 Discussion on the research priorities to be addressed with the call text - 60 min

- Presentation of the concept note developed on the 2017 Call following the scoping WS of July 2016
 - Short presentation of the 2017 EC COFUND Call text
 - Proposed steps for the development of the call text, with possible timeline
- DECISION: identification of shared priorities for further developing the call text**

15:10 Governance and administrative issues - 50 min

- Management of the Call secretariat and distribution of roles; Coordination of the COFUND proposal
 - Discussion on the documents framing the Joint Action (MoU, Consortium Agreement, Grant Agreement)
- DECISION: identification of the 2 funding organisations that will manage the Call secretariat**
- DECISION: agreement on the documents to be produced and proposed timing**

16:00 Coffee break (30 min.)

16:30 Discussion on procedures for the joint call - 90 min

- Discussion on the evaluation process (application procedures, eligibility rules, evaluation criteria, scoring system, evaluation procedures, composition and role of the Evaluation Committee, use of external reviewers, etc.)

- Discussion on a timeline for the call
DECISION: agreement on application, evaluation and selection procedures
DECISION: agreement on the call timeline

18:00 – End of the meeting

19:00 – Social dinner

DAY 2: 27 JANUARY 2017

09:00 – 12:30

9:00 Discussion on the development of the COFUND Proposal -

40 min

- Short presentation and discussion on the COFUND proposal and structure
- Discussion on the way to present the collaboration between BiodivERsA and the Belmont Forum in this proposal
- Next steps for the submission of the COFUND proposal and timeline
DECISION: agreement on the way to coordinate and manage the COFUND proposal, including timeline

9:40 Budget and funding model - 50 min

- Presentation and discussion about the general call budget
- Presentation and discussion about the funding model (use of EC top-up money for research funding and Coordination Unit Costs, etc.)

10:30 Coffee break (20 min.)

10:50 Budget and funding model (continued) - 90 min

- Discussion on the distribution of costs for Call preparation and implementation/management
- Discussion on possible interest to participate to this joint call by the funding organisations
- Discussion on financial pressure and oversubscription rate and how to deal with it (budget adjustment, common pot, etc.)
DECISION: agreement on a targeted funding model (including Call amplitude, Call costs, indicative commitments, and use of EC money)
DECISION: agreed guidelines to cope with financial pressure and oversubscription rate

12:20 wrap up & conclusions - 10 min

- Reminder of the main decisions taken and of the next steps

12:30 – End of the meeting & lunch