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European Regional Science Association

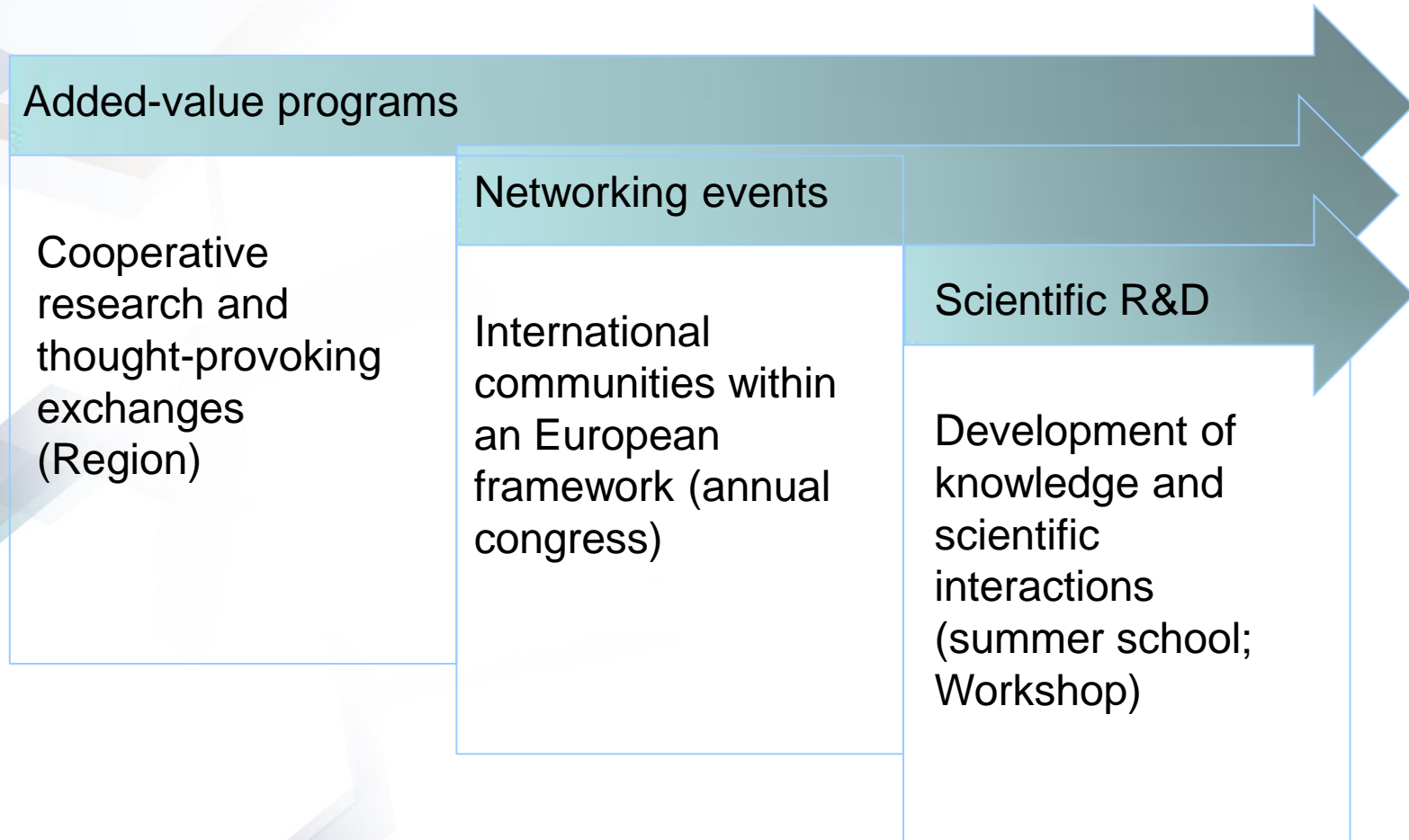
3rd Annual Meeting of the Knowledge Programme

23rd April, 2015
EIB, Luxembourg

Who we are

- The European Regional Science Association (**ERSA**) is the supranational grouping of national regional science associations across Europe.
 - There are presently **19 active associations** some, such as the German or French speaking sections, organized on linguistic groupings and covering more than one country.
- ERSA is also one of three supra-regional groupings of individual national and international sections which together constitute the Regional Science Association International (RSAI).
- Members are academics, policy professionals and researchers interested in spatial economics and planning, regional and local development and related issues. They are drawn largely from the disciplines of economics, geography and planning.

ERSA's Goal and Objectives



Organisation

- **European Regional Science Association Council (ERSAC)**
 - consists of the representatives of the *European Sections* (Baltic, British-Irish, Croatian, Dutch, French-Speaking, German-Speaking, Greek, Hungarian, Israeli, Italian, Moroccan, Nordic, Polish, Portuguese, Romanian, Russian, Slovak, Spanish, Turkish).
 - The Council is represented by the *President* of the ERSA (Prof. Jouke van Dijk)
- **European Organizing Committee (EOC)**
 - assists the President and the Council in managing the affairs of the ERSA.
- **Other officers:**
 - Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Executive Director

ERSA Congresses



ERSA Lisbon Congress

<http://www.ersalisbon2015.org/>

- 2013 – Palermo (IT)
Regional integration: Europe, the Mediterranean and the World Economy
- 2014 - St Petersburg (RU)
Regional development and globalization: Best practices
- 2016 - Wien (AT)
Cities & Regions: Smart, Sustainable, Inclusive?
- [2017 – Groningen (NL)
Smart Specialisation and Resilience for more Regional Well-Being]

ERSA Summer Schools

- Targets: PhD Students in the final stage of their studies or Post Docs;
- Summer school includes the following elements:
 - advanced instructions on a current topic in regional science
 - presentation and discussion of the research of participants
 - issues of how to build a scientific career
- Classes are held by leading experts in the respective fields.
- Main financial contributors: EIB, Marie Curie program, Local sponsors, RSAI
- 2015 Summer school
 - The 28th ERSA Summer School will be held in Vienna, at the Vienna University of Economics and Business (5th – 14th July, 2015)
 - Joint event with ERES (European Real Estate Society)
 - Theme: *Developers, Planners and the City*

ERSA Workshops

- ERSA Workshops – 2015, Croatian Section with AESOP (TBC)
- DG Regio Lecture Series & Workshops – 2015 TBC
 - 4 Lecture Series with guest speakers
- Workshop in Oct 2015 at CORE/UCL
- Open Days - Oct 2015 - ERSA involved in the Open Days University

Recent workshops

- *Cultural Tourism and sustainable Urban Development* (Barcelona, November 2014)
- *Theoretical and Empirical Analysis of labour markets* (Louvain-La-Neuve, October 2014);
- *Higher Education Institutions and Regional Development* (Mönchengladbach, October 2013)
- *Spatial inequalities and economic development in the Mediterranean regions* (Toulon, October 2012)
- *Mapping smart specialization: Do rural region count?* (Paris, November 2012)

ERSA Prizes

- **Epainos Award/Young Regional Scientist (EAYRS) Sessions**
 - Best paper by a young scientist under 33 years.
 - Stimulating young scientists to present high quality regional science research.
 - Special platform for best paper at the ERSA Congresses
- **EIB-European Prize in Regional Science**
 - recognizes the outstanding contributions of scholars to the advancement in regional science and in related spatial area studies.
 - Recent winners: R. Florax (2014); B. Johansson (2013); M. Fischer (2012); P. Rietveld (2011); R. Camagni (2010).

REGION - Online Journal

- joint initiative by ERSA and by WU
- top-quality, peer-reviewed articles in Regional Science, Regional Economics, Economic Geography, and related fields.
- Open access journal

<http://openjournals.wu.ac.at/ojs/index.php/region/issue/viewIssue/1/5>



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