

Chemicals Partnership Working Meeting

Halle (Saale), Germany 25 February 2019

Main features

- Half-day format;
- Introduction and discussion on draft scoping note;
- Working sessions on partnership priorities and organisation of the partnership.

Expected results

- Identification of key priorities (three to four);
- Designation of leading region per priority area;
- Establishment of work groups;
- Next steps and actions to be taken.

Participant profiles

- Regional representatives: The ones who are actively involved and committed to the process, in the position to express the position of the region they represent and potentially interested regions (to be invited based on ECRN contacts and mapping);
- Regional Stakeholders: Business Leaders (Cluster managers, leaders from relevant business associations and organisations, managers of leading companies operating at international level);
- ReConifrm specialists and ECRN
- It is expected to have up to 20 participants (max).

Preparation required by participants

- Review of the draft scoping note: facts presented and consequences for the priorities and organisation of the partnership;
- An overview of key priorities in your region and related policies and projects that are relevant in the context of the partnership;
- An identification of capacities within your region to:
 - Take on leadership of a priority area particularly relevant to your region;
 - Organise (match-making) events between industries and businesses in the priority area.
- Concrete suggestions for actions and steps within the next six months that can be instrumental in mobilising of key regional stakeholders (e.g. companies) and the development of investment projects.

Draft agenda

Time	Content of sessions
13.30 - 13.45	Registration – Coffee
13.45 - 14.00	Welcome – Introduction (ECRN) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introducing the day Overview of the process so far
14.00 - 14.30	Introduction of the draft scoping note (ReConfirm) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Presentation and validation of key findings Discussion on the vision of the partnership
14.30 - 15.30	Defining the key priority areas of the partnership (Moderated by ReConfirm) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Are the priority areas identified in the Scoping Note valid or should they be complemented or modified? Do the priority areas reflect key needs of your region? What kind of regional stakeholders need to participate in the partnership in order to address the priority areas you would like to be involved in? Is inter-regional cooperation the best way to achieve tangible outputs? Is there a critical mass of regions to support a priority area? Are the priority areas reflecting key areas for co-investment? What specific types of projects could be developed under the priority areas?
15.45 - 16.00	Coffee break
16.00 - 16.45	Leadership of priority areas and the establishment of working groups (Moderated by ECRN) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Who is interested in contributing to develop concrete investment ideas under the selected priority areas? Who of the interested partners is willing to lead a priority area? What should be the next step for the development of each priority area? What communication/exchange setup should be used for each working group on a key priority?
16.45 - 17.15	Action points and next steps (Moderated by ReConfirm) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How do the working groups feed into the overall governance structure of the partnership and what does that mean in terms of partnership communication? Partnership action plan for the next 6 months (and beyond)
17.15 - 17.30	Conclusions (ECRN) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Summary of key conclusions of all sessions Impacts of the workshop on S3Chem meeting Impacts on the partnership development Open questions to be addressed Next meeting