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2nd ACT International Synergy Conference

11 – 12 February 2021

Virtual format

The purpose of this conference is to report on the contribution of the H2020 ACT project to advance gender equality in research and innovation in the EU. The approach developed by ACT is based on the concept of Community of Practice (CoP). ACT created, developed and supported eight CoPs, as well as a range of tools to help CoPs operate at institutional, inter-institutional, and EU-wide levels, and keep advancing best practice for gender equality in R&I.

The ACT Consortium invites to the Conference science and innovation leaders, decision-makers, researchers and practitioners ready to collaborate, co-create and co-produce gender equality in R&I

**Originally, the conference was to be hosted by
the Jagiellonian University in Krakow**

DAY 1, 11 February 2021 (all times are in Brussels time)

MC: ACT Coordinator

9:30 – 9:45 Welcome from the virtual host: **Jagiellonian University**

9:45 – 10:15 Gender Equality in R&I in the EU, **Mina Stareva**, Head of Unit, Directorate-General for Research and Innovation (DG RTD) of the European Commission

- o Horizon Europe
- o She Figures 2021 and Policy Briefs
- o Gendered Innovations 2.0

10:15 – 10:45 The evolving use CoPs in science knowledge making

- o CoPs and Citizen Science in H2020 **WeObserve** project
- o CoPs and Research methods at **DG Joint Research Centre (JRC)**

10:45 – 11:00 *BREAK*

11:00 – 13:00 **Summary of the experiences and lessons from the 8 ACT CoPs**

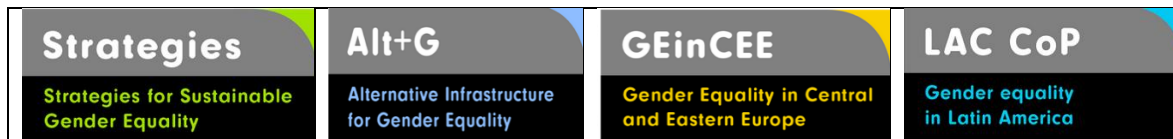
Chair: NOTUS

10:30 – 11:20 4 x 10 min presentation, 10 min Q&A



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11:30 – 12:20 4 x 10 min presentation, 10 min Q&A



12:20 – 12:30 BREAK

12:30 – 13:00 **Results of the evaluation of CoP development and performance**
JOANNEUM (15 min presentation + 15 min Q&A)

13:00 – 13:30 BREAK

13:30 – 14:45 **Sharing ACT tools and services**

Chair: **DESY**

- Setting up, developing and supporting the eight ACT CoPs - **Centre for Genomic Regulation (CRG)**
- Developing and first results from the **Gender Equality Audit & Monitoring tool (GEAM): AdvanceHE**
- Co-creation Toolkit and Facilitator Training – **Loughborough University (UoL) + Technical University of Berlin (TUB)**
- The Knowledge Sharing Platform - **Open University of Catalonia (FUOC)**

Open discussion: users' feedback and perspectives on support

On-line poll: vote for the service of most interest to you

15:00 – 16:00 **Scaling up CoPs for systemic change** (*moderated live session in a virtual format*)

Chair: **PORTIA**

- ERA Group on Careers – **AdvanceHE & Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (CNRS)**
- ERA Group on Decision Making – **NOTUS & University of Iceland (Uoi)**
- ERA Group on Gender Dimension – **Karolinska Institute (KI) & Umweltbundesamt (UBA)**

Open discussion: Collaborating, co-operating and co-creating best practice for gender equality in research and innovation

DAY 2, 12 February 2021 (all times are in Brussels time)

10:00 – 13:00 **Joint Workshop: Sharing experiences of with ACT, WeObserve and Joint Research Centre (JRC) CoPs**

CoPs as means to better practice, culture, and performance in R&I organisations

Chair: Research Centre of the Slovenian Academy of Sciences and Arts (ZRC-SAZU)

- Plenary: [What have we learned from the We Observe, JRC, and ACT CoPs](#)
- Breakout sessions: [Systematising the CoP methodology](#)
 - Setting up a CoP process (Moderator: **NOTUS**)
 - CoP performance monitoring and evaluation (Moderator: **JOANNEUM**)
 - CoP collaboration support measures (**Jagiellonian University in Krakow**)
 - Roles of CoPs champions, facilitators, chairs, members (**FLACSO**)
- Plenary: [Recommendations from breakout sessions](#)

Q&A

13:00 – 13:30 CLOSING the CONFERENCE

ACT Coordinator

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