

# Water in Horizon Europe 1<sup>st</sup> draft WP 2021-22

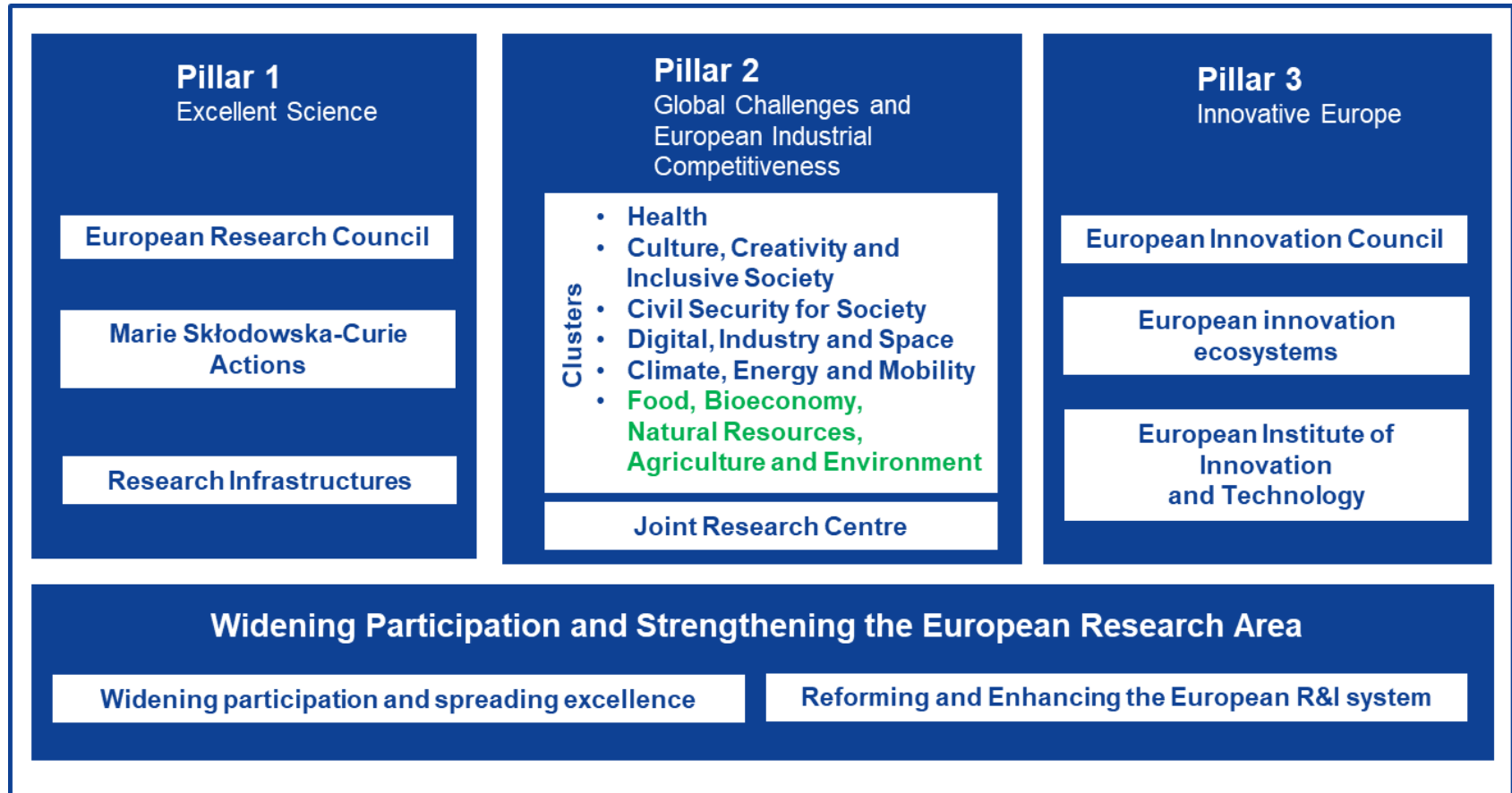
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# Horizon Europe - Structure



# HORIZON EUROPE STRATEGIC PLAN

## *‘a Europe that leads the global transitions’*

**Key policy questions: *Where should the EU invest in R&I to achieve its political priorities? What should be our targets?***

- identify the **orientations** for future EU R&I investments in line with the political priorities of the Commission
- define which **impacts** to target in the long term

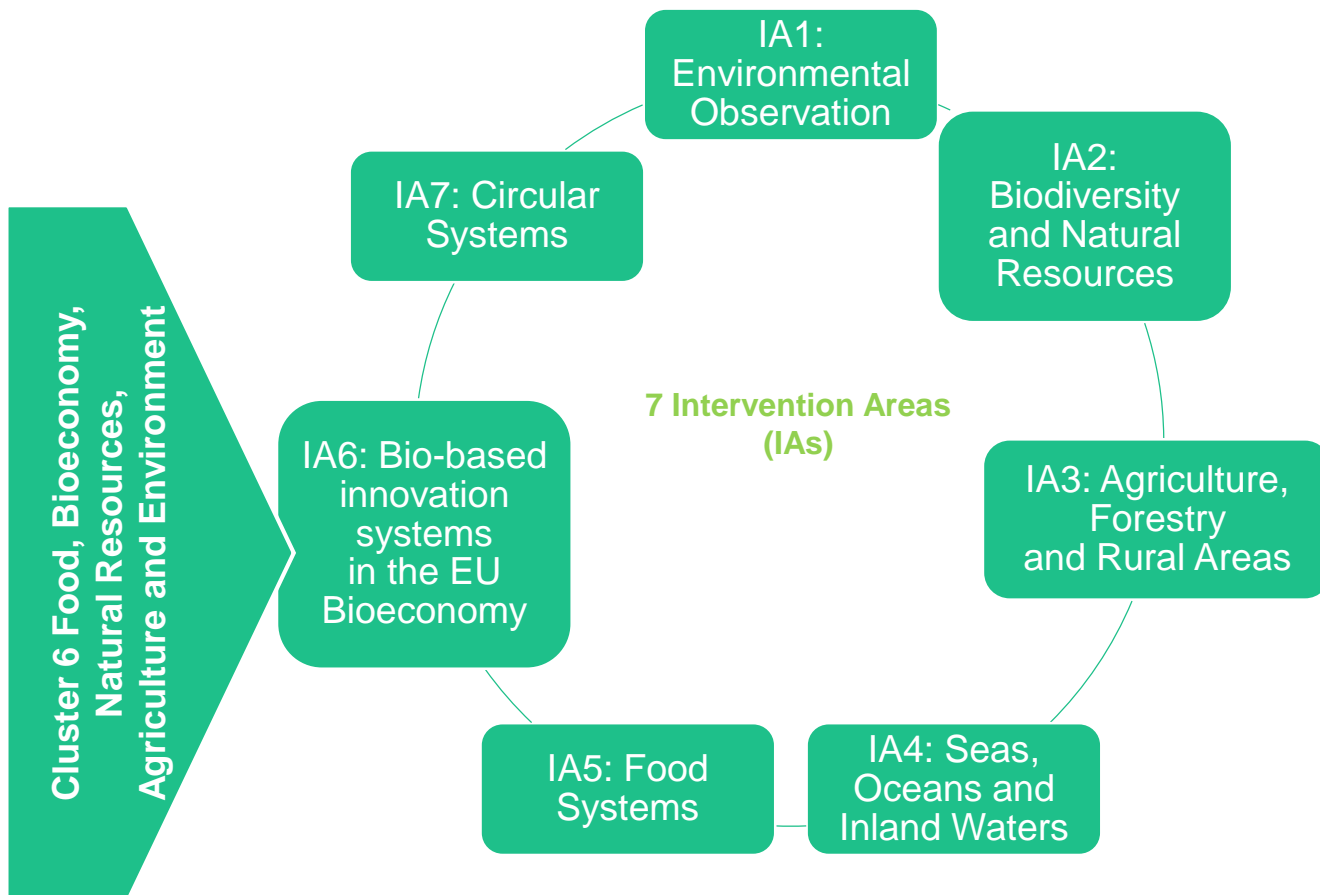
**Strategic planning response: *key strategic orientations and expected impacts to guide the programming of Horizon Europe towards a green, digital and resilient Europe – focusing on:***

- European Green Deal**
- Digital Transition and Industrial Transformation**
- Development of a more Resilient, Healthy and Just Society**

# GLOSSARY – Horizon Europe key concepts & intervention logic

		DEFINITION		
	<b>EC POLICY PRIORITY</b>	Based on the Political Guidelines for the European Commission 2019-2024 with a focus on three key priorities : Green Deal, Europe fit for a digital age, Economy that works for people		
	<b>KEY STRATEGIC ORIENTATIONS FOR R&amp;I</b>	Set of strategic objectives within the EC policy priorities where R&I investments are expected to make a difference		
	<b>EXPECTED IMPACTS</b> => <i>DESTINATIONS</i>  = <i>General objectives</i>	<b>EXAMPLE</b>	<i>Strategic Plan &amp; Work Programme: R&amp;I contribution to seamless, smart, inclusive and sustainable mobility services</i>	<i>Project's impact: contribution to increased maximum passenger capacity and passenger average throughput, while reducing airport infrastructure expansion costs</i>
	<b>EXPECTED OUTCOMES</b> => <i>TOPICS</i>  = <i>Specific objectives</i>	<b>EXAMPLE</b>	<i>Work Programme : Innovative accessibility and logistics solutions applied by the European Transport sector</i>	<i>Project's outcome : Advanced forecasting system for proactive airport passenger flow management deployed in European airports</i>
	<b>EXPECTED OUTPUTS</b>  = <i>Operational objectives</i>	<b>EXAMPLE</b>	<i>Project's outputs (by the end of its implementation) : Demonstration in a large-scale trial with 3 airports of an advanced forecasting system for proactive airport passenger flow management</i>	

# CLUSTER 6 - we work together...



...and across clusters

# What? Six targeted long-term impacts

Climate neutrality and adaptation to climate change

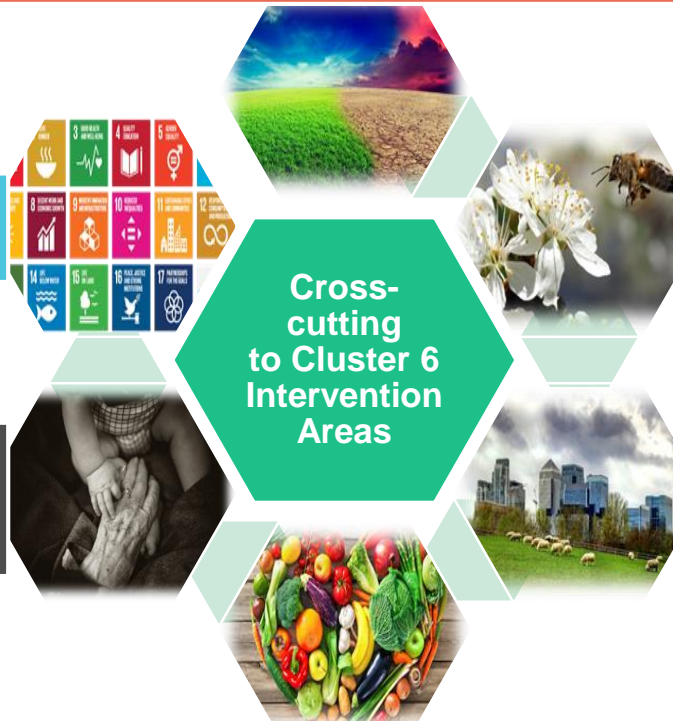
Governance models  
enabling sustainability

Preservation and restoration  
of biodiversity and ecosystems

Rural, coastal, peri-urban and urban  
areas developed in a sustainable,  
balanced and inclusive manner

Sustainable and circular management  
and use of natural resources as well as  
prevention and removal of pollution

Food and nutrition security for all within planetary boundaries



# Cluster 6 – European Green Deal



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## Water related aspects

- ✓ **Biodiversity and ecosystems services**
  - ✓ Water ecosystem restoration.
  - ✓ Assessing the interlinkages (nexus) among biodiversity, water, food and health in the context of climate change
  - ✓ Observing and mapping biodiversity and ecosystems
- ✓ **Fair healthy and environmental friendly food systems**
  - ✓ Primary production and nutrients
  - ✓ Nature-based solutions for nutrient management
  - ✓ Integrated and sustainable freshwater bioeconomy
- ✓ **Circular economy and bio-based systems**
  - ✓ Circular Cities and Regions Initiative circular systemic solutions
  - ✓ Marginal lands and climate-resilient crops



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## Water related aspects

### ✓ Clean environment and zero pollution

- ✓ Preventing groundwater contamination
- ✓ Regional nitrogen and phosphorus load reduction approach within safe ecological boundaries and innovative governance solutions to limit N/P emissions
- ✓ Preventing and managing diffuse pollution in urban water runoff
- ✓ Securing drinking water quality, innovative monitoring and treatment solutions and ensuring safe distribution.
- ✓ Environmental sustainability criteria for biological feedstock production and trade in bio-based systems
- ✓ Achieving zero polluted seas and oceans
- ✓ Improved bioremediation and revitalization strategies for soil and water
- ✓ Biosensors and user-friendly diagnostic tools for environmental services
- ✓ Assessment of environmental impacts and trade-offs of alternative fertilising products

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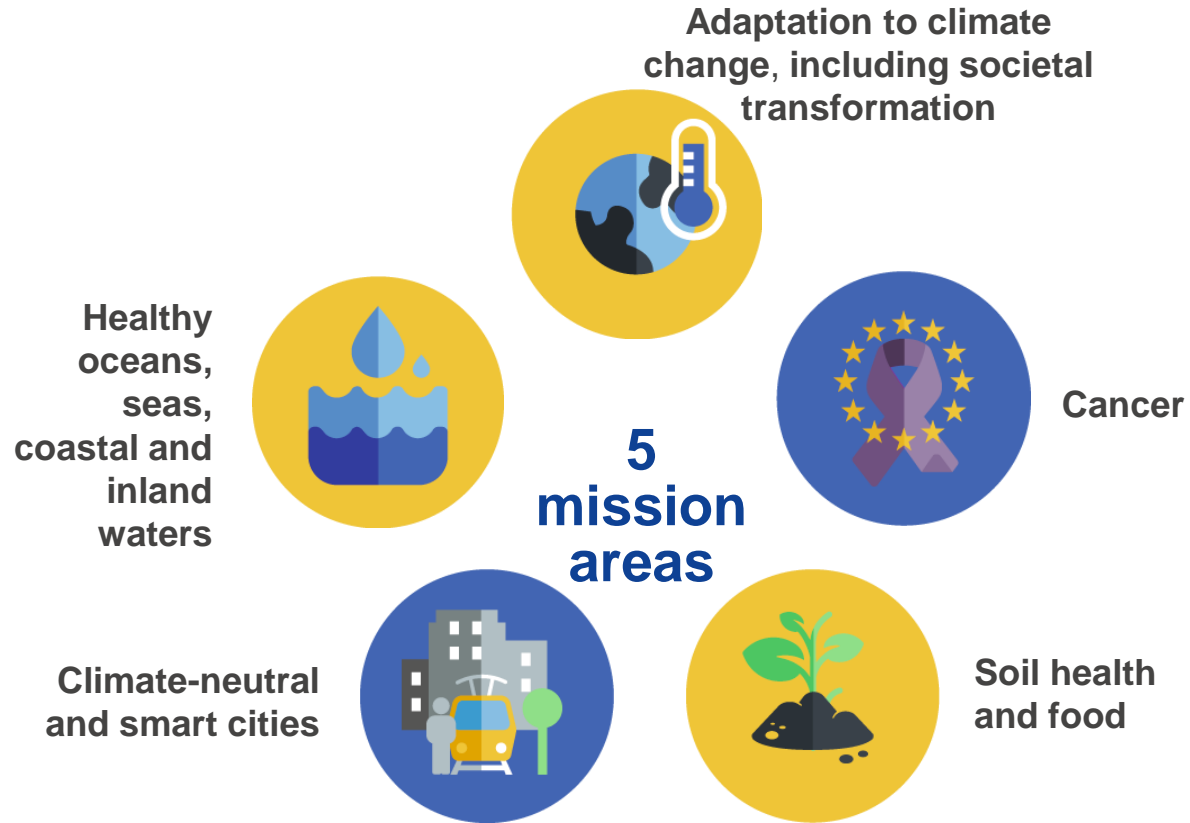
- ✓ Land, ocean and water for climate action
  - ✓ Improved understanding, observation and monitoring of water resources availability.
  - ✓ Climate sensitive water allocation systems and economic instruments.
  - ✓ Agroforestry to meet climate, biodiversity and farming sustainability goals
- ✓ Innovative governance, environmental observation, digital solutions
  - ✓ Water governance, economic and financial sustainability of water systems.
  - ✓ EU wide interactive knowledge reservoir to support knowledge exchange between all AKIS actors in MS

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## European Partnerships

- ✓ Rescuing Biodiversity to Safeguard Life on Earth (co-funded, 2021)
- ✓ A climate neutral, sustainable and productive Blue Economy (co-funded, 2022)
- ✓ Water4All – Water Security for the Planet (co-funded, 2021)

# Five Mission Areas



# Horizon Europe Implementation Initiatives

Short Title	Planned Adoption Date	Type of Act
Strategic Plan of Horizon Europe	4 <sup>th</sup> quarter 2020	Commission Implementing Decision
Adoption of the Horizon Europe Work Programme for 2021-2022	1 <sup>st</sup> quarter 2021	Commission Implementing Decision
Adoption of the ERC Work Programme 2021	4 <sup>th</sup> quarter 2020	Commission Implementing Decision

**... and many other: JUs, Missions, Infrastructures, International arrangements, Executive Agencies, ...**

# Thank you



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