

News from the EEA Management Board Seminar

EINOET meeting, 6th March, 2017



The future of the EEA EIONET "Shaping our future together"

The objectives of the seminar were:

- To create common understanding of the future in the face of changing context
- To explore ways to evolve and adapt to upcoming demands

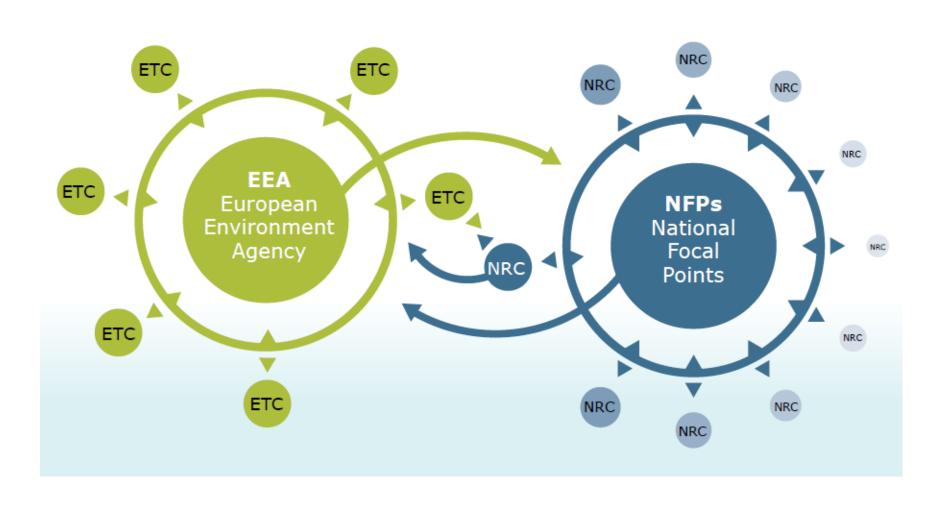
Key questions:

- What are the benefits and added value of the EEA and EIONET now and in the future?
- How should the EEA and EIONET develop in the coming years to maintain and enhance the value of their work?

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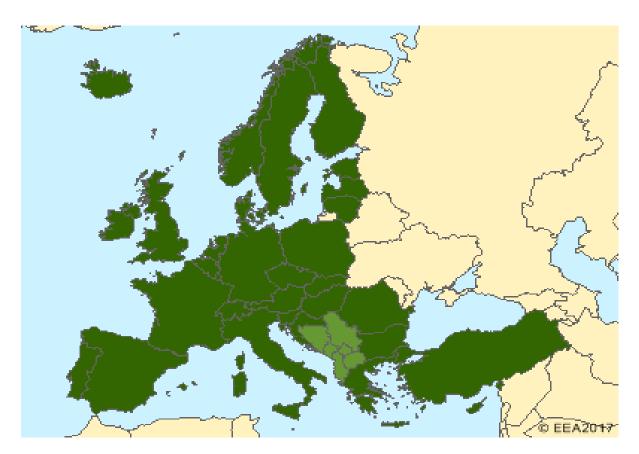


The EEA and EIONET scheme

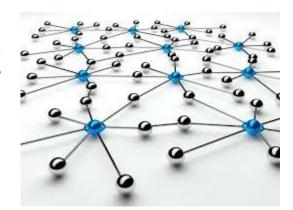


The territorial coverage

- 33 Member countries (EU28+5)
- + 6 Cooperating countries (West Balkans)



Unique network



- Eionet:
- 1800 experts from 39 countries from over 400 national institutions
- 39 National Focal Points (NFPs)
- 6 European Topic Centres (ETCs)
- 24 National Reference Centres (NRCs)
- 15 NRC meetings in 2015

Strategic Areas 2014-2019

SA1. Informing policy implementation

SA2. <u>Assessing systemic challenges</u>

(Megatrends and transitions, SOER, resource-efficient economy, etc)

SA3. Knowledge co-creation, sharing and

<u>USE</u> (Networking and partnerships, Communication, outreach and user analysis; Technical systems development, etc.)

SA4. <u>EEA management</u>

Achievments in 2015

- 40 reports
- 41 indicators
- 115 maps

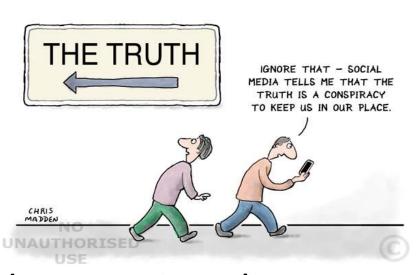




- Media coverage, number of articles: 7 940
- Subscribers to EEA notification service: 6252
- Website traffic (page views) 8,5 million
- Facebook fans: 23,5 thousand
- Twitter followers: 40,3 thousand

Future challenges

- Changing Policy context
- Post-truth society
- Global megatrends
- ICT changes
- An inreasingly integrated, systemic policy setting
- Targeting the public



Future Challenges



Core social-ecologicaleconomic systems: food, energy, mobility, urban, water, land, fiscal, finance, etc. SUSTAINABILITY GOALS
AND CHALLENGES

UNDERSTANDING SYSTEMS

SUPPORTING TRANSITIONS

Why do we need change?

What do we need to change?

How can we achieve needed change?

FUTURE



Outcomes of the seminar

For the transition we need to have the **reporting** to be:

- Flexible
- Develop new forms of reporting
- Link data to the narrative
- Use process of SOER report preparation as engagement process of new partners and citizens

Outcomes of the seminar

Assessing systemic challenges

SDGs and support the pathway to them Conduct system-level analyses (compile existing data into more complex views, make the same data relevant to more scenarios, more actors) Learn to transition / transform and to facilitate other societal actors to transition

Outcomes of the seminar

Organisational and structural aspects:

- Rethink current set-up ("Fit for purpose?") and clarify roles to address cross-cutting challenges
- Better cooperation between existing NRC networks to underpin systemic assessment
- NRC structure is useful to work on SA1. For SA2
 potentially needed to go beyond thematic
 structure, disciplines and work in different
 clusters
- Mobilise expert groups within and beyond
 Eionet to find solutions

