

CHARTING PROGRESS IN A NEW ERA ...

The European Research Area (ERA) enhances coordination of EU research efforts, boosting the circulation of researchers and knowledge, building critical mass, and promoting excellence



A revamp of the ERA, started in 2020, led to fresh research impetus across the European Union, countries associated to Horizon Europe and stakeholders

The New ERA is guided by a set of 10 principles, 4 priority areas, and originally 20 ERA actions

10 ERA VALUES



Upholding values

- Ethics and integrity of research and innovation
- Freedom of scientific research
- Gender equality and equal opportunities for all



Working better

- Free circulation of researchers, staff, knowledge and technology
- Pursuit of excellence
- Value creation and societal and economic impact



Working together

- Coordination, coherence, commitment
- Global outreach
- Inclusiveness
- Societal responsibility

4 ERA PRIORITY AREAS

1. Deepening a truly functioning internal market for knowledge;
2. Taking up together the challenges posed by the twin green and digital transition, and increasing society's participation in the ERA;
3. Amplifying access to research and innovation excellence across the Union; **and**
4. Advancing concerted research and innovation investments and reforms.



20 ERA ACTIONS

1. Enable open science, including through the European Open Science Cloud
2. Propose an EU copyright and data legislative framework for research
3. Reform the assessment system for research, researchers and institutions
4. Promote attractive research careers, talent circulation and mobility
5. Promote gender equality and foster inclusiveness
6. Protect academic freedom in Europe
7. Upgrade EU guidance for a better knowledge valorisation
8. Strengthen research infrastructures
9. Promote international cooperation
10. Make EU research and innovation missions and partnerships key contributors to the ERA
11. An ERA for green transformation
12. Accelerate the green/digital transition of Europe's key industrial ecosystems
13. Empower higher education institutions
14. Bring Science closer to citizens
15. Build up research and innovation ecosystems to improve excellence and competitiveness
16. Improve EU-wide access to excellence
17. Enhance public research institutions' strategic capacity
18. Support the development of EU countries' national processes for the ERA implementation*
19. Establish an effective ERA monitoring system
20. Support research and innovation investments and reforms*

* Merged, absorbed or adjusted in light of ongoing actions and developments

The ERA Monitoring Mechanism keeps track of progress and areas for improvement across the ERA actions

Check out the ERA Monitoring 2023 EU-LEVEL REPORT for first results, trends and policies for each priority area and ERA action

