

Promoting the outcomes of R&I projects: Accelerating Clean Energy Innovation

R&I component of the Clean Energy package

ACCELERATING CLEAN ENERGY INNOVATION (Communication of the Commission, November 2016)

20 policy actions grouped around key areas:

- Policy Signals and Regulatory Frameworks
- Financial Instruments Boosting Private Investment including Dissemination and exploitation of results
- Leveraging Europe's Global Role

Clean Energy Innovation is expected to deliver towards the climate targets



Dissemination & Exploitation in Accelerating Clean Energy Innovation

Action 8:

The EC will bring a pipeline of innovative projects from across the different EU funding and financing programme to the attention of investors or those who can further finance/or fund solutions to get them to the market.

EU successful projects

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Channel project results towards instruments/investors to further develop them.

- Higher TRL
- **Investors** (pitching events, match making, investors catalogues Bertrand Piccard's 1000 Efficient Solutions Portfolio)
- **EU financial instruments** (EFSI, InnovFin, CEF)
- Enterprise Europe Network
- Erasmus for young entrepeneurs
- Incubators/Research Centres (CEA, Fraunhofer)
- SME instrument, Access to Finance for SMEs
- European Institute for Technology, Knowledge & Innovation Communities (Climate KIC, EIT InnoEnergy)
- Dedicated topics in H2020 WP (i.e. "Disruptive Innovation in Clean Energy Technologies")

Dissemination & Exploitation support tools

designed to directly help in dissemination and exploitation activities

- **Common Dissemination Booster**
- **CORDIS**
 - Result in Brief
 - Result Packs
- **Common Exploitation Booster**
- **Support Services for Exploitation of Research Results**
- **European Investment Project Portal**



Lessons learned

- 1. Innovations generated by EU projects are not sufficiently known to stakeholders and investors
- 2. R&I funding entities need to pay more attention to what happens to the results after the end of the R&I contracts
- 3. Mechanisms for D&E need to be improved and **scaled up**(ongoing)

Lessons learned

- 5. Best practices on innovation and entrepeneurship need to be further incentivised in relevant career paths
- 6. Innovators need to be guided with customised advices through the (complex) landscape of regional/national/European funding and financing schemes
- 7. Increased coordination between the EU and Member States D&E practices would enhance the impact of D&E activities

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