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# Austrian Presidency of the Council of the European Union

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# CHALLENGING ENVIRONMENT

- Multiannual Financial Framework post 2020

- Brexit

- Aim to conclude as many dossiers as possible

# A EUROPE THAT PROTECTS

- Security and fight against illegal migration
- Securing prosperity and competitiveness through digitalisation
- Stability in the neighbourhood – further EU-rapprochement of the Western Balkan/ Southeastern European states

# REINFORCING THE SUBSIDIARITY PRINCIPLE

- Bringing the European Union closer to its citizens
- Common solutions where necessary
- Focus on European added-value

# BUILDING BRIDGES

- Strengthening unity among Member States

# Competitiveness Council: RESEARCH

## Priorities

**1. Negotiations on Horizon Europe**

**2. Council Conclusions on ERA,**  
building on the review of the ERA Advisory Structure by ERAC

**3. Support for Sectoral Policies**

- High Performance Computing
- European Open Science Cloud
- European University Network Initiative
- Defence Research
- ...

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## Key Dates

- **Informal meeting of Research Ministers**

16-17 July 2018,  
Vienna:

First exchange of views on political level on Horizon Europe proposal

- **Competitiveness Council Meeting - Research**

27-28 Sep. 2018,  
Brussels:

Negotiations on Horizon Europe proposal

- **Competitiveness Council Meeting - Research**

30 Nov. 2018,  
Brussels:

Negotiations on Horizon Europe proposal - PGA and/or progress report(s); Council Conclusions on ERA



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## Conferences in Austria

- **BE OPEN – Science & Society Festival**  
Including Start/Wittgenstein Award Ceremony,  
08-12 September 2018, Vienna
- **International Conference on Research Infrastructures**  
12-14 September 2018, Vienna
- **FFG Forum 2018**  
Annual R&I policy forum organized by FFG (Austrian research promotion agency) This year's motto: "Innovation boost for Europe" (working title)  
13. September 2018, Vienna

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## Conferences in Austria

- **e-IRG Meeting in Vienna**  
10. September 2018
- **ESFRI Meeting in Vienna**  
11. September 2018
- **ICRI Conference in Vienna**  
12-14 September 2018

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## Conferences in Austria

- **EOSC: Austria Takes Initiative**  
30. October 2018, Vienna,
- It will be a full-day event, covering all aspects of existing national and regional EOSC-ready programs. The session will be concluded with a panel discussion on how the EOSC can be implemented effectively at the Member State level.

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## Conferences in Austria

- **EOSC Stakeholder Forum Meeting in Vienna**  
21-22 November 2018, venue: University of Vienna
- **High Level Event: Launch of the EOSC Governance Structure**  
23. November 2018, venue University of Vienna,  
Key aspect will be the governance layer of the EOSC

# Thank You!

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Federal Ministry for Education, Science and Research (BMBWF)  
[www.bmbwf.gv.at](http://www.bmbwf.gv.at)  
[www.era.gv.at](http://www.era.gv.at)

The European Open Science Cloud

# Austria takes initiative

Presidency event  
30th October 2018  
Kleiner Festsaal,  
University of Vienna

[www.univie.ac.at/eosc](http://www.univie.ac.at/eosc)

