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# Seal of Excellence Community of Practice video-conference

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# Agenda

**09:30- 09:50 Welcome and update on recent developments - Magda De Carli DG R&I and Catherine Wendt DG REGIO**

**09:50 - 10:30 EIC Seal of Excellence, latest developments - Keith Sequeira DG R&I A3**

**10:30 - 10:45 Seal of Excellence on InvestEU portal – Polona Cigoj DG ECFIN L2**

**10:45 - 11:00 State aid rules for Seal of Excellence projects – Katarzyna Piechucka Thom, DG COMP H3**

**11:00 - 11:15 Coffee break**

**11:15 - 12:15 Experiences from the funding bodies, open discussion - presentations of national/regional schemes and practices, Q&A session**

**12:15 – 12:30 Wrap up and conclusion**

## Recent HE Seal of Excellence awards

Teaming for Excellence call under [WIDERA Work programme](#):

Coordinator MS	CZ	EL	HU	LV	PL	PT	SI
Number of SoE	2	2	1	2	2	2	2
Total							13

## Recent HE Seal of Excellence awards

- 48 Seals awarded for [ERC Proof of Concept](#), cut-off January 2023
- Next award of ERC Seals for April cut-off are expected this week

Coordinator MS	AT	BE	CZ	DE	DK	EL	ES	FI	FR	IE	IL	IT	NL	PL	SE	TR	UK
Number of SoE	1	4	1	6	1	1	4	2	8	1	2	5	5	1	1	1	4
Total																	48

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