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SEREN5 3rd Training for Stakeholders

“Horizon Europe Security Appraisal Process”

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Introduction

SEREN5 is pleased to announce that it is hosting its next on-line stakeholder training event entitled, *‘Horizon Europe Security Appraisal Process’* in collaboration with the European Commission’s Department DG HOME and REA. It forms part of a series of SEREN5 training sessions, which aims to raise the standards of learning and knowledge for its stakeholders, which in turn contributes to improving the quality of Horizon Europe proposals.

The 2-hour training session will take place on Tuesday, October 22nd, 2024, at 13.30 (GMT), 14.30 (CET)

The training is organized by **SEREN5** with the support of the following Horizon Europe NCPs Networks: **COSMOS** (Cluster 4 Space) – **NCP4Industry** (Cluster 4 Industry) - **Net4Society** (Cluster 2) – **CARE4BIO** (Cluster 6).

The Security Appraisal Process

Actions funded under Horizon Europe are required to comply with the applicable security rules and in particular rules on the protection of classified and/or sensitive information against unauthorised disclosure, including compliance with any relevant Union and national law.

The Security Appraisal Process is that which has been designed to uphold compliance to the security rules and is coordinated by DG HOME. The process is carried out by the Commission in partnership with national security experts, with its main objectives to identify security issues within proposals, and where applicable offer up security recommendations, which may include, among others, the classification of certain deliverables by the project.

Relevancy of the Training

The training takes a novel approach to educating stakeholders on the Security Appraisal Process, and as such is viewed through the lens of the applicant/stakeholder. It addresses the common errors made



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previously by applicants, it considers the whole process from the viewpoint of the applicants themselves, it includes practical and meaningful guidance and delivers depth of content that offers value to attendees.

Who should attend

- The ‘Horizon Europe Security Appraisal Process’ training aims to provide up to date and valuable information to all stakeholders across all three pillars of Horizon Europe.
- If a Horizon Europe Application Form includes the **‘Security Issues Table’** in part A of the application form, then this training is a must!

Content of the Training

Security Appraisal Process	Aims, Objectives, Legislation
EUCI - Classification Levels	The 4 levels of classification explained specific rules
Sensitive information (SEN) in HE	What is Sensitive Information (SEN)
EUCI & SEN	Knowing the differences between EUCI & SEN
Security Issues Table -Self Assessment	Terminology and meanings
Security Sensitive Flagged Topics	Explained, Relevant Tables and where to find them
Non-Flagged Topics	Differences between flagged and non-flagged topics
Working Examples of EUCI & SEN in HE	Practical Guidance illustrations
Errors	Findings of past projects
Documents	Guidance, legal and assistance
Flowcharts of processes	For flagged and non-flagged topics

Programme

Time	Content
14:30 – 14:45	<i>Welcome and introduction</i> Speakers:



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	<p>Doris Neumann, Senior Project Officer Research Executive Agency – EU Commission</p> <p>Maria Vittoria Abati, Project Officer DG HOME</p> <p>Renata Campiolo, Programme Officer DG HOME</p>
14:45 – 16:15	<p><i>The Security Appraisal Process</i></p> <p>Speaker:</p> <p>Zale Jhonson, Innovate UK, Cluster 3 National Contact Point</p>
16:15 – 16:30	<p>Q&A via Sli.do</p>