Scientific Cooperation: sharing expertise & funding opportunities

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WHY SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION

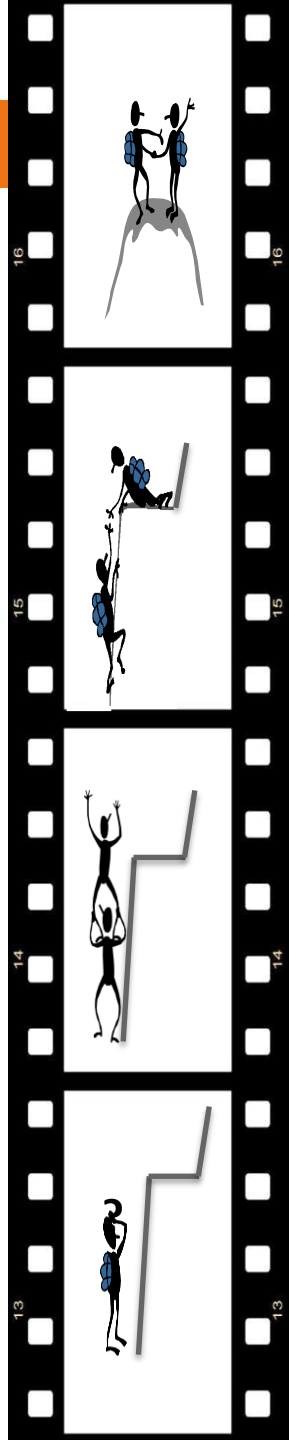
EFSA Strategy 2020

Building further EU scientific assessment capacity

and knowledge community

Sharing expertise
Working together

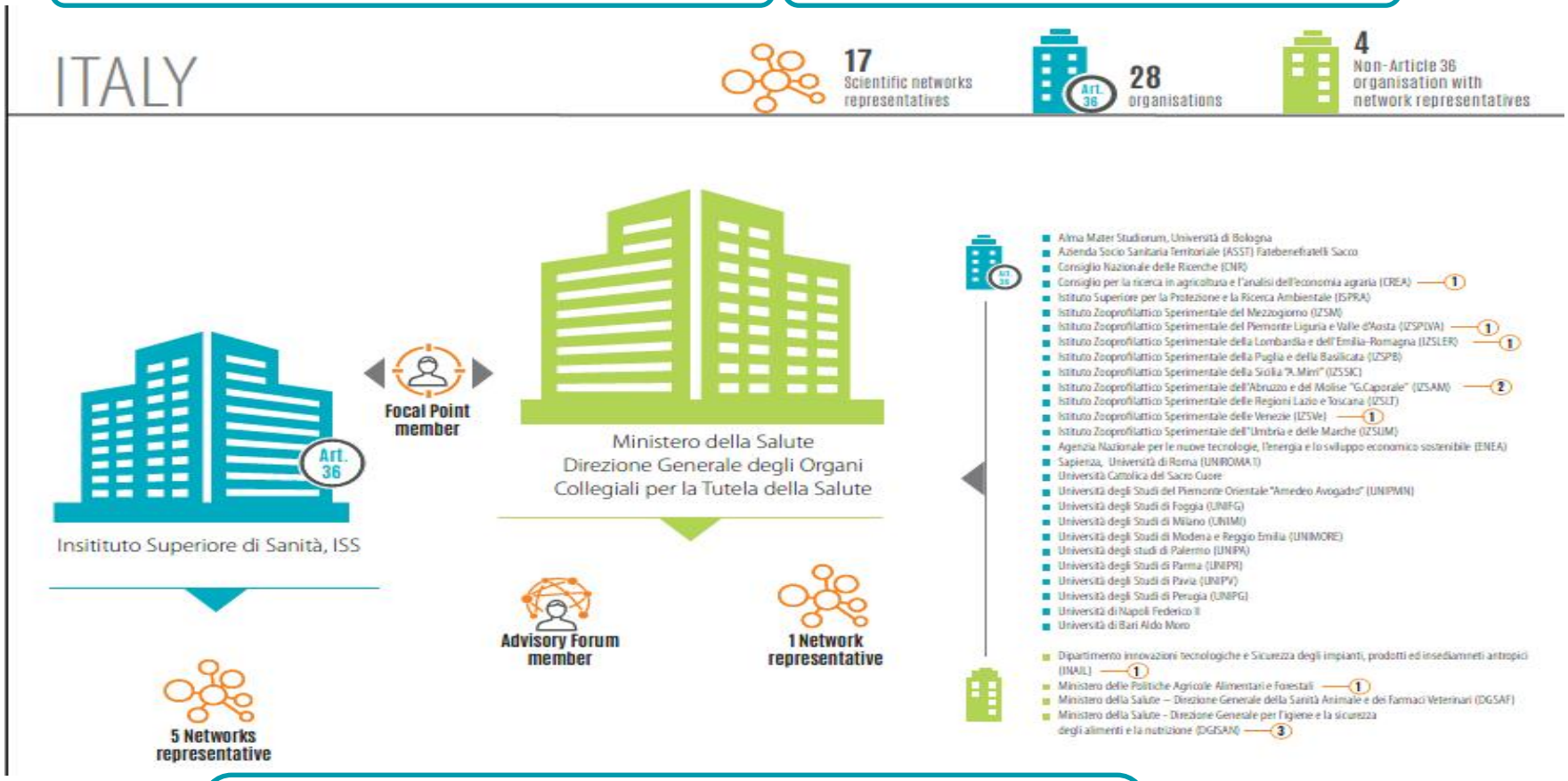
'We believe that the totality of food safety expertise in Europe and internationally is greater than the sum of its parts'



ITALY INVOLVEMENT IN EFSA'S ACTIVITIES

FP Agreement: 35,000 €

Experts in Panels: 23



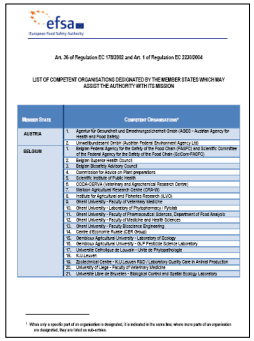
G&P in 2009-2016:
31 grants, total value: 6 M
76 successful tenders (48+28)

ARTICLE 36 LIST

Article 36 of EFSA's Founding Regulation:

EFSA "…shall promote the European networking of organisations operating in the fields within the Authority's mission…"

List of competent organisations



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Art. 36 of Regulation EC 178/2002 and Art. 1 of Regulation EC 2230/2004

LIST OF COMPETENT ORGANISATIONS DESIGNATED BY THE MEMBER STATES WHICH MAY ASSIST THE AUTHORITY WITH ITS MISSION

Member State	Competent Organisations*
AUSTRIA	1. Agentur für Gesundheit und Ernährungssicherheit GmbH (AGES) - Austrian Agency for Health and Food Safety
	2. Umweltbundesamt GmbH (Austrian Federal Environment Agency) Ltd.
BELGIUM	1. Belgian Federal Agency for the Safety of the Food Chain (FASFC) and Scientific Committee of the Federal Agency for the Safety of the Food Chain (SciCom FASFC)
	2. Belgian Biosafety Server (BBS)
	3. Belgian Biosafety Advisory Council
	4. Commission for Advice on Plant preparations
	5. Scientific Institute of Public Health
	6. CODA-CERVA (Veterinary and Agrochemical Research Centre)
	7. Walloon Agricultural Research Centre (CRA-W)
	8. Institute for Agriculture and Fisheries Research (ILVO)
	9. Belgian Nuclear Research Centre (SCK•CEN)
	10. Ghent University - Laboratory of Phytopathology - Pathola
	11. Ghent University - Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Department of Food Analysis
	12. Ghent University - Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences
	13. Ghent University - Faculty Bioscience Engineering
	14. Centre d'Etude et d'Essai - CER Groupe
	15. Gembloux Agricultural University - Laboratory of Biology
	16. Université de Liège - Faculty of Veterinary Medicine - Animal Hygiene Laboratory
	17. Université Catholique de Louvain - UCM de Tournai/Ecaussinnes
	18. ALS Belgium
	19. Biotechnical Centre - K.U.Leuven R&D - Laboratory Quality Care in Animal Production
	20. University of Liège - Faculty of Veterinary Medicine
	21. Université Libre de Bruxelles - Biological Control and Spatial Ecology Laboratory

* When only a specific part of an organisation is designated, it is indicated in the same line, where more parts of an organisation are designated, they are listed as subentries.

Art36 List

Financial support may be provided in the form of grants

MAIN GRANT TYPES

Specific grants	Provide EFSA with access to specific expertise in competent Member States organisations. **Example** *Genotoxicity studies to refine risk assessment.*	Implementing distinct projects
Tasking grants	Allow direct scientific and technical support from Member States organisations. **Example** *Support in assessing large volumes of pesticide dossiers.*	Receiving direct support
Framework Partnership Agreements (FPA)	Establish long-term partnerships with organisations for recurring scientific and technical support or novel project. **Example** *Risk characterisation of ciguatoxin poisoning by 14 organisations from 6 Member States and EFSA.*	Creating long-term partnerships
Thematic grants	Enable innovative scientific cooperation between Member States organisations by creating consortia. **Example** *Develop new methodologies for the identification of emerging risks.*	Encouraging innovation
Fellowship grants	Allow future risk assessment experts to train at hosting sites in different Member States. **Example** *Train a fellow in the risk assessment of mycotoxins at a Member State organisation.*	Building expertise
Partnering grants	Support capacity building of Member States organisations in certain risk assessment areas. **Example** *A highly experienced organisation shares best practices in data collection.*	Exchanging knowledge

Organisations on the Art.36 List only

SUPPORTING PARTNERSHIPS

Tasking Grants

- *Expertise*
- *Direct support*
- *Scientific Technical nature*

Partnering Grants

- *Build RA capacity of organisations*
- *Bi- / multi-lateral partners*
- *Knowledge transfer / exchange*

Fellowship Grants

- *Capacity building of fellows*
- *Bilateral cooperation of organisations*
- *EU-wide alumni network*

FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME

CALLS FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

deadline
15 January '18

MATCHING

GRANT CALL FOR PROPOSALS

deadline
31 January '18

15
FELLOWS ARE PLACED IN THE FELLOW HOSTING SITES

Placement + Training

start

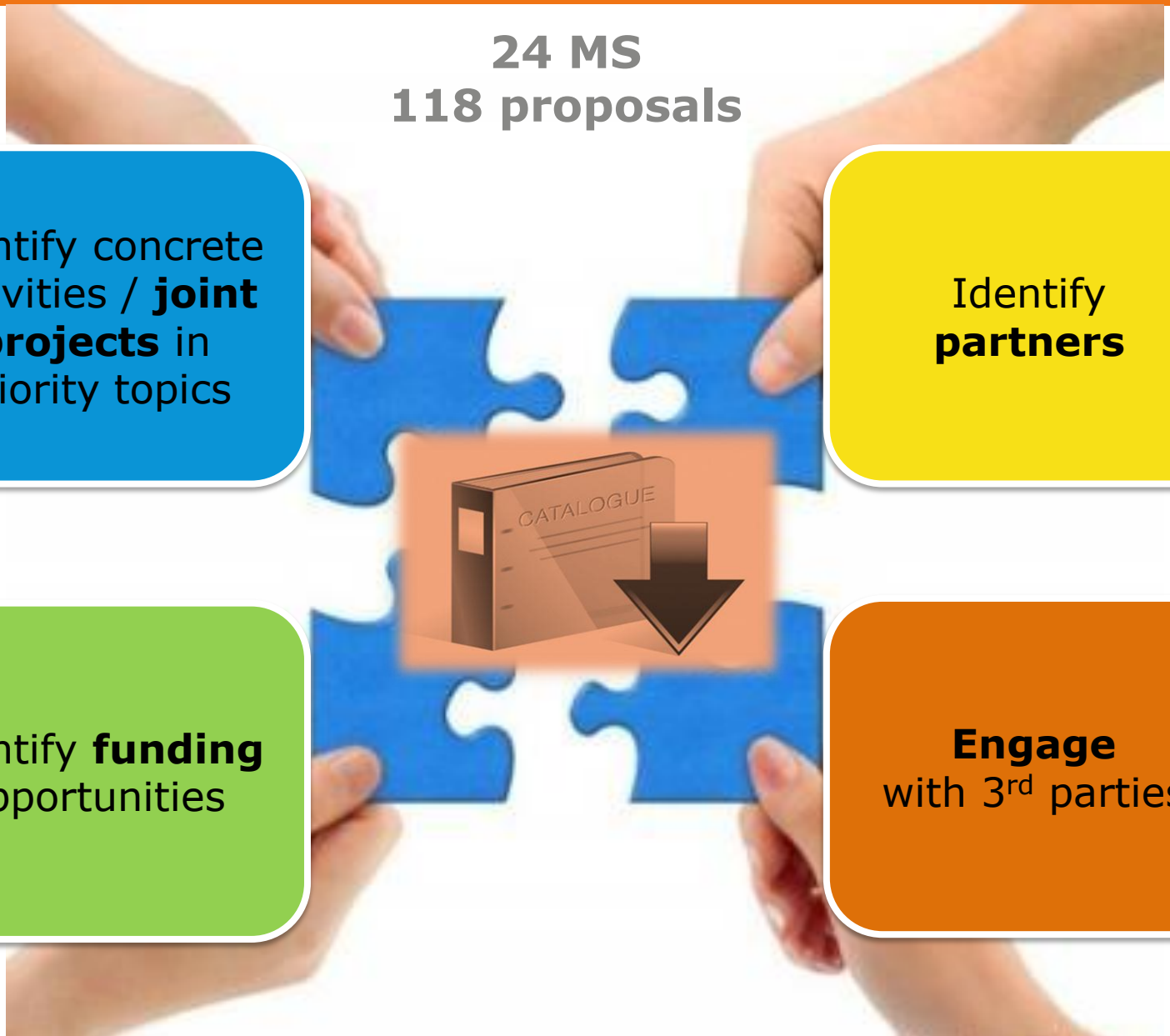
finish

EU-RAA PROJECT CATALOGUE

24 MS
118 proposals

Identify concrete activities / **joint projects** in priority topics

Identify **partners**

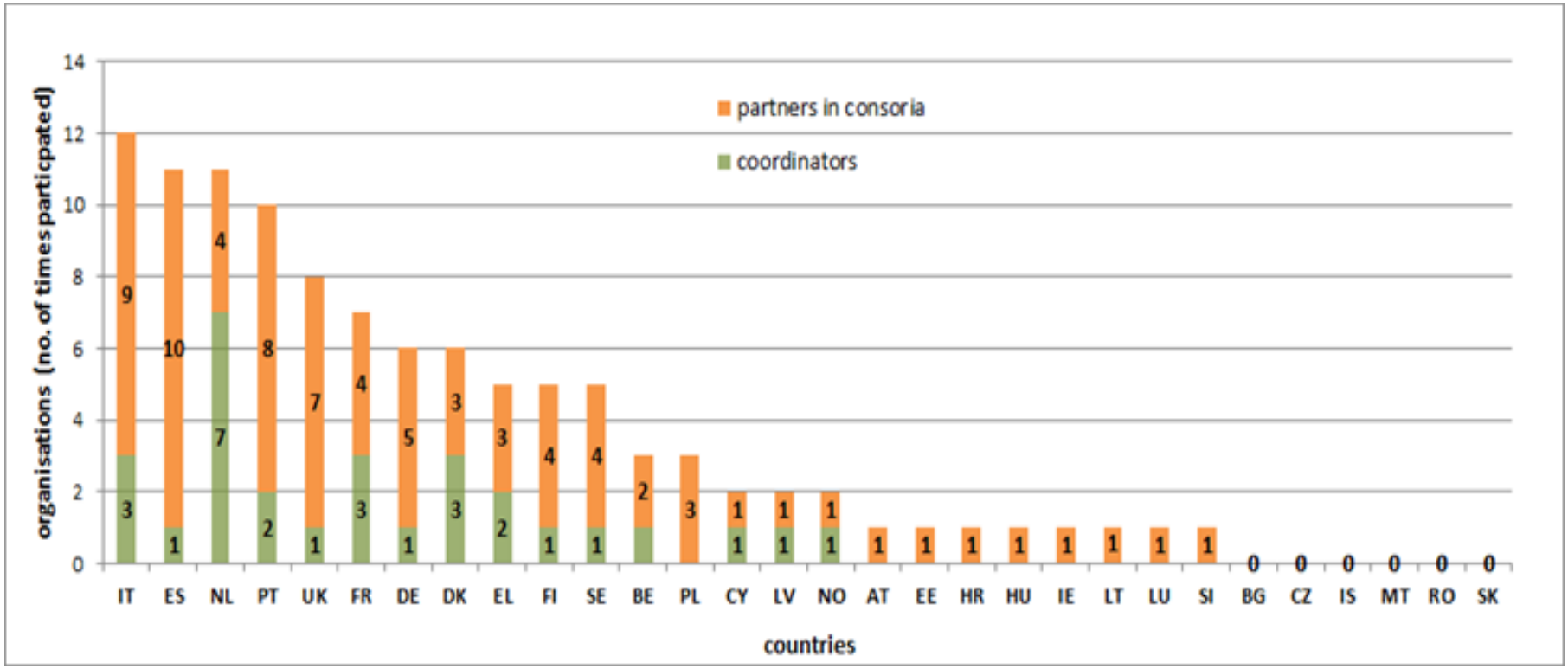


Identify **funding** opportunities

Engage with 3rd parties

OVERVIEW OF EFSA SUPPORTED JOINT PROJECTS UNDER EU RAA

Joint projects participation by MS organisations (2015 - 2017)



EXPLORING FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR EU RAA

- Portfolio of possible funders, Update on funding opportunities, Scientific Cooperation Newsletter, Sharing experiences, platform for building consortia, Support letter EU RAA
- Risk Assessment Research Assembly, 7 Feb 2018, Utrecht (NL)

RARA

Utrecht, 7 February 2018

Stimulating new partnerships in food safety research and highlighting the importance of ***public funding***

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