Portuguese Eureka Chairmanship 2021/2022
Eureka, born in Europe, has built over the last 35 years having expanded throughout the world: in Asia, in Africa, in Latin America, in the Americas, at general.

Portugal will become, for the third time, the President and Chairman of the world’s largest inter-governmental innovation and cooperation network starting from July 2021 until June 2022. Especially, in the two previous Presidencies held by Portugal we have always recognized the unique role of the founding principles of Eureka to promote market oriented-open collaborative research and innovation in the public interest of society at general. Particularly by bringing together SMEs with researchers and its institutions and certainly working with large companies. This has been the main contribution of Eureka to show us that international, open collaboration and joint venture is the way to move forward innovation and economic growth.

We are living, throughout the world, the impact of an unexpected pandemic impacting the social-economic stability of many countries which call us for the imperative of international collaboration and Eureka is particularly important to build synergies among different funding sources, and certainly one way in which we can build a better society, together with the opportunities of the digital transition, but certainly guarantee a green and new ecological paradigm.

We are starting a recovery process due to the pandemic, and in this context, one needs more knowledge and innovation to create real-impact innovations for a more digital and green society. And therefore, the founding principles of Eureka are very timely, and we need to show to the World, to Europe, how the Eureka Network is unique for creating market-oriented research and innovation and better jobs for a sustainable future, where no one is left behind.
The Atlantic International Research Centre (AIR Centre) has been appointed as Incoming President and Chairman of Eureka under the Portuguese Presidency from July 2021 to June 2022. This is the third time that Portugal assumes the Presidency of Eureka, in the previous occasions Portugal had, as one of the fundamental objectives, to increase the global outreach of Eureka, focusing on Asia, with the incorporation of South Korea as an associated country during the second Presidency of Portugal.

On this 3rd occasion, Portugal also has as one of the strategic lines to increase Eureka’s global footprint, this time shifting the focus to the Atlantic, aiming at collaboration with countries in Africa and Latin America.

As our Minister of Science, Technology and Higher Education - Manuel Heitor has emphasized in his speech, the Portuguese Chairmanship shall promote the European innovation through the recovery period from the crisis associated with the COVID-19 pandemic. The only way to recover all the jobs that we had lost in this period is through innovation, therefore Eureka’s role is now much more relevant than ever. Portugal also aims to encourage the involvement of the Network in international initiatives directly linked with the Horizon Europe Missions and Green Deal focusing on policy priorities such as Sustainability, Space-Ocean-Earth interactions, or Circular Economy, all corresponding to major challenges of our society, also promoting the collaboration with international organizations like the European Space Agency (ESA). An important strategic line in our Chairmanship is to strengthen the relation with the EU within Horizon Europe, consolidating new programs like Innowide or InvestHorizon.

Probably one of the most important events during our Chairmanship is the successful launch of Eurostars-3 programme, planned to start in the second semester of 2021. It is also an important priority the implementation of the new governance model for the Eureka clusters promoting Joint thematic calls relating to Sustainability.

Furthermore, our “Blue Planet” is changing due to climate change. We must aim higher in having more sustainable societies promoting the creation of new knowledge and technologies that are scalable and affordable to everyone in this endeavour and leaving no one behind. It is time for collective action, and we hope that throughout the Portuguese Chairmanship we can be inspired to work together to promote more impactful research and sustainable innovations that will deliver game-changing advances that are fair, affordable, scalable and accessible to everyone: “Innovation for a Greener, Digital and Healthier Planet”.

Miguel Bello Mora
CEO Atlantic International Research Centre (AIR Centre) Incoming Eureka Chairman, Portugal
Strategic Priorities
Increase the global outreach of Eureka network

Enhance new forms of cooperation for effective R&D&I programs

Strengthening the Eureka Positioning by reinforcing the mechanisms for the generation of projects

Adding value to the Eureka label

Continue the necessary ESE restructuring and pursue a healthy financial model for ESE
### FORMAL MEETINGS

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### “EUREKA MEETS THE ATLANTIC THROUGH SPACE-OCEAN-EARTH COLLABORATIVE INNOVATIONS”

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Agenda 2021-2022

Boston, USA
Eureka meets the Atlantic 2
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Oslo, Norway
Eureka Meets the Atlantic 5
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Brussels, ESE
EB / EG 3
23-24/02/2022
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Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
Eureka meets the Atlantic 4
03/2022

Cape Town, South Africa
Eureka meets the Atlantic 3
11/2021
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