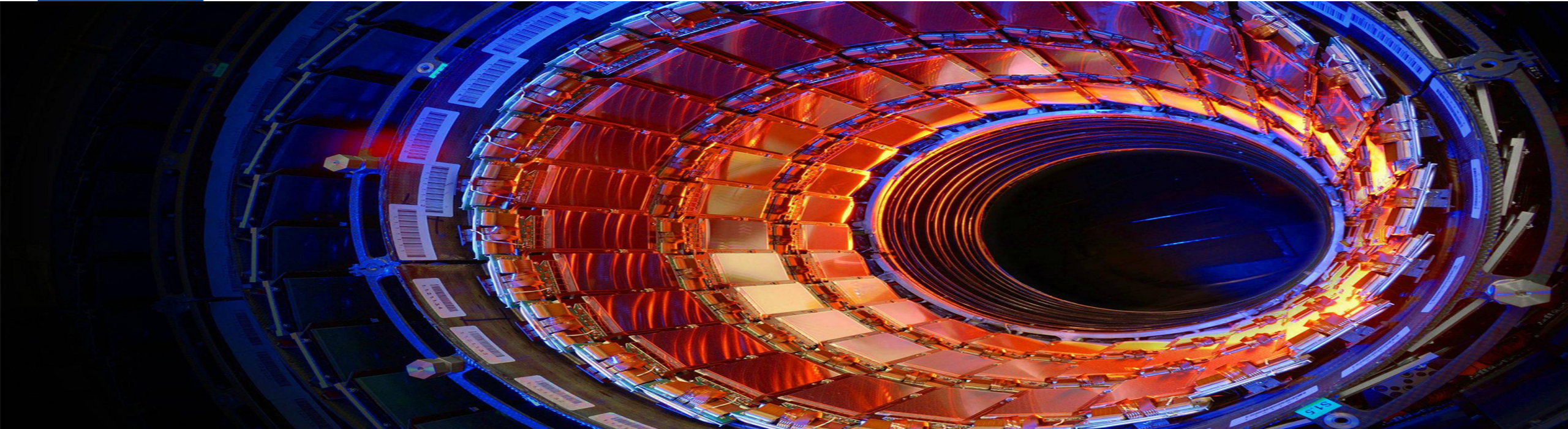




Annual Meeting 14-15 October 2020



Management and Coordination

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Consortium Agreement

- 44 participating institutions (beneficiaries) in
- 16 countries:
- Austria, Belgium, Switzerland, Germany, Spain, Finland, France, Croatia, Ireland, Italy, Montenegro, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Sweden, United Kingdom
- Location details can be found on [online Google map](#)
- 134 other Involved Institutions (not receiving EU funding)



Project duration: from 1 June 2019 to 31 May 2023

Total Budget: 10 M €

32 Work Packages (WPs):

- **MAN:** Management and Coordination
- **DISCO:** Dissemination and Communication
- 7 Transnational Access Research Infrastructures (**TA**)
- 2 Virtual Infrastructures (**VA**)

Experimental /Theoretical /Instrumentation Activities:

- 7 Networking Activities (**NA**)
- 14 Joint Research Activities (**JRA**)



Web site: <http://www.strong-2020.eu/>

Research infrastructures:

Transnational Access

TA1-COSY Dieter Grzonka (Julich)

TA2-MAMI Achim Denig (Mainz)

TA3-LNF Catalina Curceanu/Carlo Guaraldo
(INFN, Frascati)

TA4-FTD/ELSA Hartmut Schmieden (Bonn)

TA5-GSI Yvonne Leifels (GSI, Darmstadt)

TA6-ECT* Jochen Wambach (Trento)

TA7-CERN David d'Enterria (CERN, Geneva)

Virtual Access

VA1-NLOAccess

Jean-Philippe Lansberg (CNRS, Orsay)

VA2-3DPartons

Hervé Moutard (CEA, Saclay)

Hadron Physics:

JRA7-HaSP Marco Battaglieri (INFN, Genova), Juan Nieves (UVEG, Valencia)

NA1-FAIRnet Fritz-Herbert Heinsius (RUB, Bochum)

NA5-THEIA Josef Pochodzalla (UMainz)

NA6-LatticeHadrons Michael Peardon (TCD, Dublin)

Precision Physics:

NA4-PREN Dominique Marchand (CNRS, Orsay), Randolph Pohl (UMainz)

JRA3-PrecisionSM Mikhail Gorshteyn (UMainz), Andrzej Kupsc (University of Uppsala)

WP thematic areas

Heavy Ions:

JRA1-LHC-Combine Raphaël Granier de Cassagnac (CNRS, Palaiseau)

JRA2-FTE@LHC Cynthia Hadjidakis (CNRS, Orsay), Pasquale Di Nezza (INFN, Frascati)

NA3-Jet-QGP Marco van Leeuwen (Nikhef, Amsterdam), Guilherme Milano (LIP, Lisbon)

NA7-Hf-QGP Joerg Aichelin (CNRS, Nantes), Giuseppe Bruno (INFN, Bari)

GPD/TMD/PDFs:

JRA4-TMD-neXt Alessandro Bacchetta (INFN, Pavia)

JRA5-GPD-ACT Silvia Niccolai (CNRS, Orsay), Kresimir Kumericki (UNIZG, Zagreb)

JRA6-Next-DIS Daria Sokhan (UGlasgow), Francesco Bossu (CEA, Orsay)

NA2-Small-x Néstor Armesto (USC, Santiago de Compostela), Tuomas Lappi (JYU, Jyväskylä)

Instrumentation activities:

JRA8-ASTRA Johann Zmeskal (OeAW, Vienna)

JRA9-TIIMM Eleuterio Spiriti (INFN, Frascati)

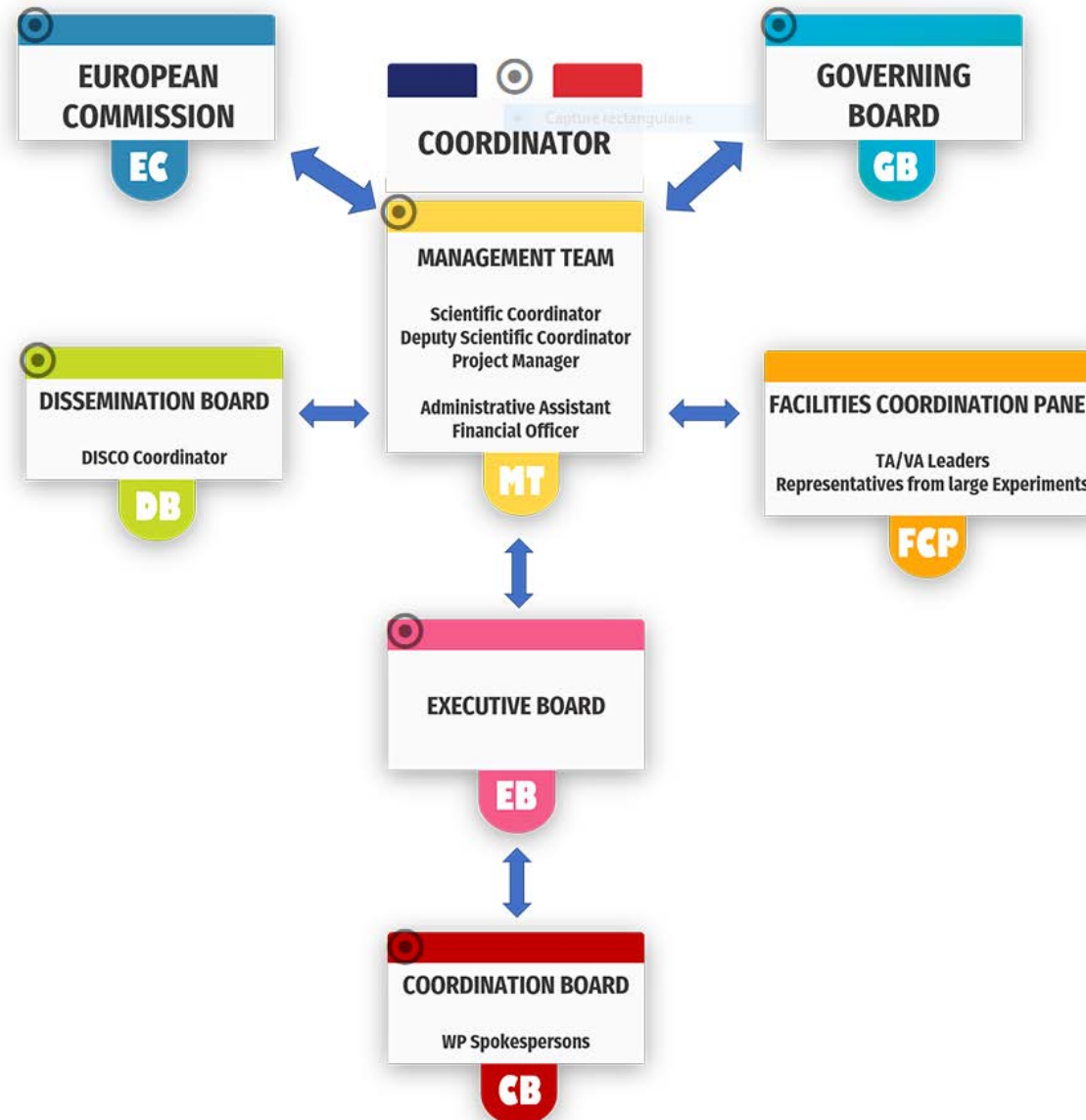
JRA10-CryPTA Hartmut Dutz (UBO, Bonn)

JRA11-CRYOJET Alfons Khoukaz (WWU, Münster)

JRA12-SpinForFAIR Paolo Lenisa (INFN, Frascati)

JRA13-P3E Eric Voutier (CNRS, Orsay)

JRA14-MPGD_HP Bernhard Ketzer (UBO, Bonn), Fulvio Tessarotto (INFN, Frascati)



Management team

- **Scientific Coordinator:**
 - Barbara ERAZMUS
- **Deputy Scientific Coordinator:**
 - Carlo GUARALDO
- **Project Manager:**
 - Emine AMETSHAEVA

Executive Board

- Barbara ERAZMUS
- Carlo GUARALDO
- Boris HIPPOLYTE
- Chiara LA TESSA
- Frank MAAS
- Franck SABATIÉ
- Carlos SALGADO
- Laura TOLOS

Governing Board

- **Chairperson:**
 - Elena GONZALES FERREIRO
- [The complete lists of members](#)

Facility Coordination Panel

- **Chaired by Scientific Coordinator**
- Dieter GRZONKA
- Achim DENIG
- Catalina CURCEANU
- Hartmut SCHMIEDEN
- Yvonne LEIFELS
- Jochen WAMBACH
- David D'ENTERRIA
- Jean-Philippe LANSBERG
- Hervé MOUTARDE

Task 1: Implementation of the organizational structures and decision-making mechanisms

Governing Board Meeting, October 23, 2019 (Kick-off meeting, Nantes, France):

- Definition of STRONG-2020 management structure
- Composition of the organizational structures and decision-making mechanisms
- Description of their respective responsibilities and duties

Task 2: Implementation of the Consortium Agreement (CA) between the Coordinator and the beneficiaries.

Final version (8) submitted on August 14, 2020

- CA establishes and governs the relations between the partners
- It also clarifies knowledge transfer processes between project partners
- Conflict resolution processes
- General operational procedures for all Consortium Bodies

Task 3: Organization of meetings at different levels on a regular basis

Plenary meetings involving all participants:

- Kick-off meeting (October 23-25, 2019), Nantes, France
- Annual Meeting (October 14-15, 2020), remotely by videoconferencing

Board meetings:

- Executive Board meetings (October 22 and 26, 2019; June 26, 2020; October 13 and 16, 2020)
- Governing Board meetings (October 23, 2019; October 15, 2020)

Task 4: Interactions with the European Commission and the scientific community

In its function of interlocutor, MAN ensures:

- Permanent monitoring of the Deliverables and Milestones in the Participant Portal
- Regular reminders regarding deadlines to the concerned WPs
- Targeted communication with Consortium (mailing lists of Legal, Administrative/Financial and Scientific Contact per beneficiary)
- Close collaboration with DISCO, Executive and Governing Boards

Task 5: Reporting Preparation, documenting the progress in all the activities and the financial status

Interim Reporting:

- Interim Financial Report (first 12 months) to observe expenditure trends of partners and compliance with Annex 2 (Estimated budget)

First Periodic Reporting (PR1):

- Personalized templates for each WP based on the contractual information from the GA (part B of the PR1)
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On a regular basis

- consulting and advising participants
- timely information of the Project Officer regarding changes/issues relating to the project
- relay of information between the EU Commission and the Consortium members
- management of administrative and legal issues as regards to compliance with the Grant Agreement
- updates and modifications of information in the Participant Portal
- analysis of requests for changes and its implementation (via Amendment)

Continuous Reporting: Publications

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For Project Publications :

- 90 publications validated in the Participant Portal
- 22 publications suggested automatically from OpenAIRE
- Full list of validated publications can be found [here](#) or directly in the Participant Portal - Continuous Reporting
- If you do not find your publications in the list, contact the Project Manager

For future publications supported by STRONG-2020: do not forget to mention in acknowledgements:

H2020 program STRONG-2020, grant agreement No. 824093

Continuous Reporting: Dissemination

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For activities directly linked to the Action (STRONG-2020), provide number of:

- Organisation of Conferences, Workshops
- Participation to Conference, Workshop or any other scientific event
- Press release and non-scientific/non-peer-reviewed publication (popularised publication)
- Exhibition, Flyer, Training, Communication Campaign (e.g. Radio, TV), Video/Film
- Participation in activities organised jointly with other EU project(s)
- Pitch Event, Trade Fair and Other

Specify the estimated number of persons reached in each of the following categories:

Scientific Community (Higher Education, Research), Industry, Civil Society, General Public, Policy Makers, Media, Investors, Customers, Other

Please, send the relevant information to the Chairperson of DISCO: Catalina Curceanu

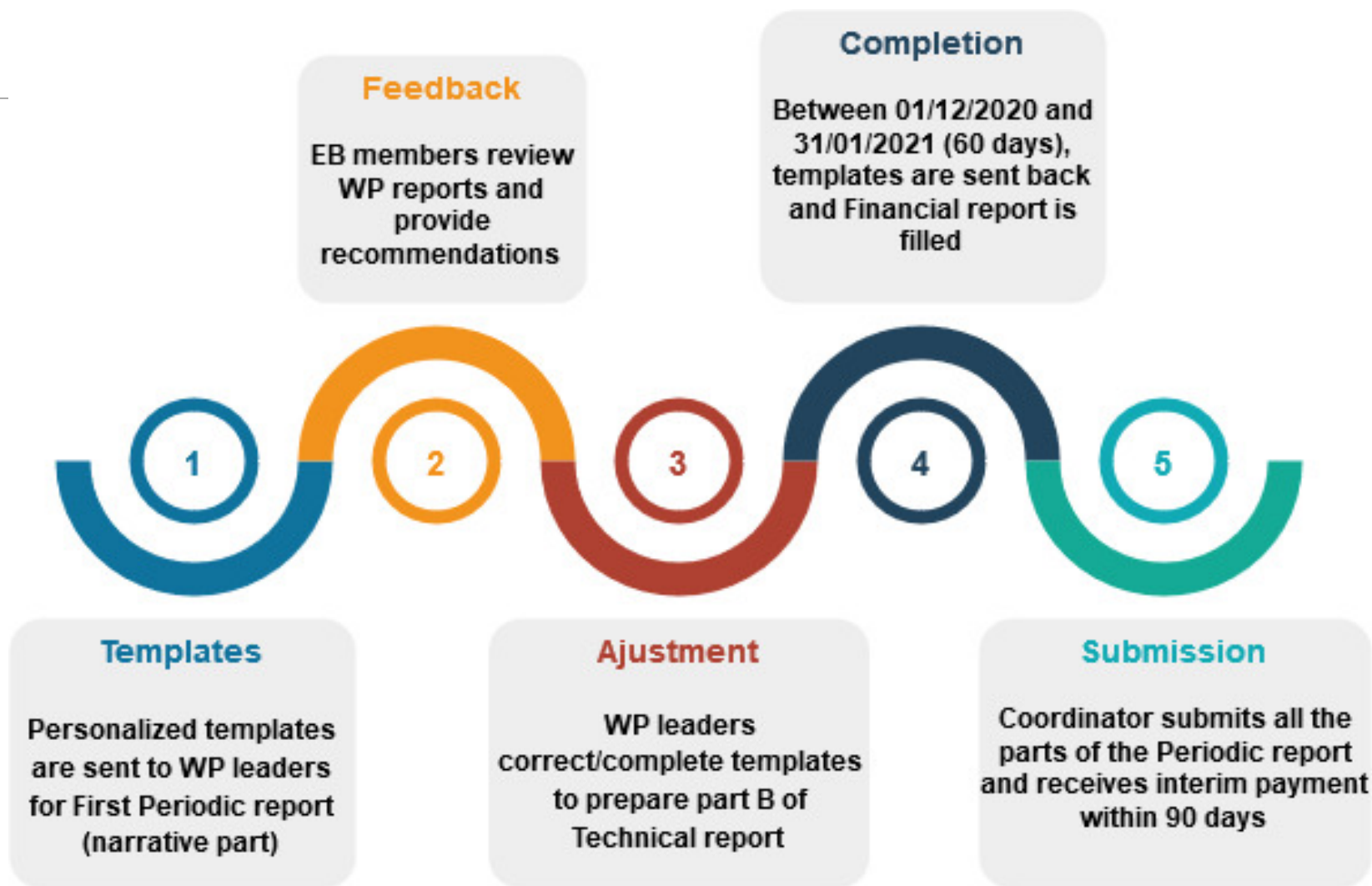
Deliverables and milestones

Deliverable N° and name	Status	Comments
D1.1 Implementation of the organizational structures and decision-making mechanisms	Delivered	<p>Composition of Management Team (MT), Executive Board (EB), Governing Board (GB), Coordination Board (CB), Facility Coordination Panel (FCP) and Dissemination Board (DB).</p> <p>Public, available in the Participant Portal</p>
D1.2 Data Management Plan (DMP)	Delivered	<p>DMP gives information on standards to be applied, as well as norms for data exploitation and share, its preservation and possible restrictions to access the data used and produced by the project.</p> <p>Confidential, available in the Participant Portal</p>

Deliverables and milestones

Milestone N° and name	Status	Comments
MS1 Signature of the Consortium Agreement	Achieved	Reaching consensus on internal regulation issues as well as obligations and rights of each participant required the modification of 8 versions of the document. The negotiation with the beneficiaries was then interrupted by the Covid-19 crisis.
MS2 Kick-off meeting	Achieved	Kick-off meeting enabled the finalization of the overall scientific program and schedule for the WPs. The organization of the core decision-making bodies was completed and their respective duties were clarified

First Periodic Report



When? Amendment is necessary whenever there is a need to change the GA (core agreement and/or Annexes)

Who? Procedure can be initiated by the Coordinator (only) with prior consultation of the Project Officer

When? Before the end of the project and sufficiently in advance (the procedure is long)

How? Amendments are prepared/submitted directly in the Participation Portal

- **For Amendment request:**
- **Anticipate:** *Check out whether the amendment is necessary (in the AGA, Article 55, or with the Project Manager) + Inform the Scientific Coordinator sufficiently in advance*
- **Give grounded justifications:** *Provide the full information (unambiguous and complete requests) + necessary documents (if applicable)*
- **Be patient:** *It is preferable to limit the number of Amendments (request made for several changes of different beneficiaries)*
 - *The process is relatively long (preparation + submission + 45 days to have EU decision)*

Amendment request made for following changes:

- Addition of a new beneficiary
 - Addition of partners in a Work Package
 - Budget reallocation that involves modifications of the description of Action (Annex 1)
 - Addition of third parties of beneficiaries
 - Change of the Coordinator Bank Account
- Amendment is mandatory**
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- Budget reallocation between beneficiary institutions
 - Precision/completion of beneficiaries' information in Annex 1
 - Correction of typo mistakes in the Grant Agreement
- Amendment is not mandatory**



Overall, good progress has been achieved

Despite Covid-19 impact

Project extension

FAQ Participant Portal, Covid-19 impact:

**Possibility to extend the project duration for Horizon 2020 grants
(due to the COVID crisis impacts) :**

- Via an amendment: an extension of up to 6 months
- Requests will be handled favorably and in a speedy manner
- If request to extend beyond the 6 month period: case-by-case assessment

Maximum grant amount cannot be increased