2nd EU-LEVEL REPORT

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS IN 4 PRIORITY AREAS OF THE EUROPEAN RESEARCH AREA 2023/2024

For each ERA Priority, the EU-level Report presents a detailed overview of the specific objectives of each Action, the initiatives undertaken during the review period, and an overall assessment of progress towards achieving these objectives over 2022-2024.

ERA PRIORITY 3
Access to excellence & innovation

BUILD REGIONAL AND NATIONAL R&I ECOSYSTEMS

- Launched **25 Excellence Hubs** to connect researchers, businesses, and local actors in Widening Countries

- Supported 148 regions through **Regional Innovation Valleys**

IMPROVE EU-WIDE ACCESS TO EXCELLENCE

- Facilitated national R&I collaboration via **ERA Forum's 'Access to Excellence' sub-group**

- Funded 200 projects to boost R&I capabilities in less research-intensive regions through **Horizon Widening Actions**

ENHANCE PUBLIC RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS' STRATEGIC CAPACITY

- Assessed EU-wide research management (RM) landscape via **RM ROADMAP** and **CARDEA**

- Developed a Career and **Competence Framework** for RM roles

- Established a **network of 116 RM ambassadors**

- Launched a new **mutual learning platform**

NEXT STEPS

- Support weaker regions

- Align planning and execution of R&I and Cohesion Policy tools

- Enhance multi-level coordination and effectively implement synergies

- Increase awareness of research management

- Secure long-term sustainability of RM frameworks

- Strengthen capacity building in Widening countries

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