

Training on Horizon 2020 for Mediterranean NCPs, research managers and researchers



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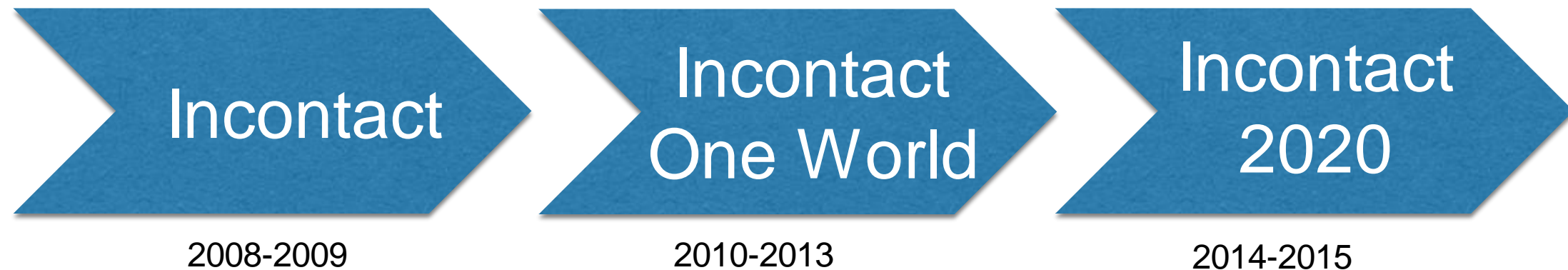
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About INCONTACT 2020

- Project Duration: **24 months**
- Total Budget: **1m€**
- Start Date: **31 Dec 2013**, End Date: **30 Dec 2015**
- Funding Programme: **7th Framework Programme**

About INCONTACT 2020

Objectives

- Promote the international dimension of the European research policy towards Horizon 2020;
- Offer the INCO community a bridge between FP7 and Horizon 2020;
- Support the work of national experts (EU framework programmes) in countries outside Europe, through the organisation of international events, information and training seminars in “third countries”
- Build upon the achievements of the two previous INCONTACT projects

Partnership

- **FORTH/PRAXI, Greece;**
- DLR, Germany;
- APRE, Italy;
- Estonian Research Council;
- MINCyT, Argentina;
- DST, South Africa;
- IRD, France;
- CSTECH, China;
- ASRT, Egypt;
- The Research Council of Norway;
- NSTDA, Thailand;
- HSE, Russia;
- CERTH, Greece

Three Main Activities Areas

INCONTACT 2020 foresees several activities in Horizon 2020:

- INCO conferences: Annual flagship events targeted primarily at European and third countries international cooperation experts;
- Trainings and Horizon 2020 Info days: Organisation of training events on Horizon 2020 to third countries NCPs and Infodays to increase awareness on Horizon 2020;
 - Enhancing NCPs capacity: Exchange of best practices

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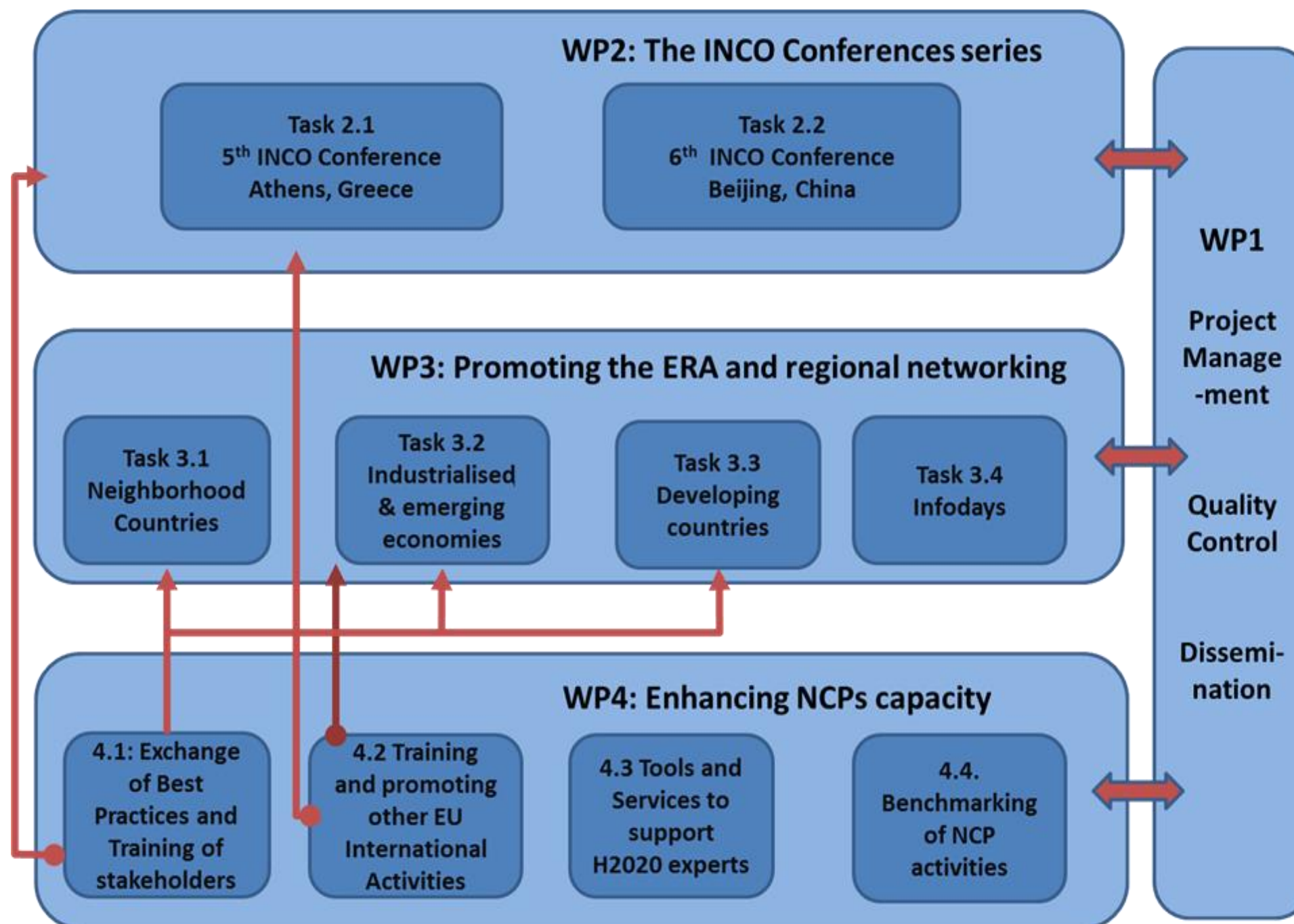
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The Work-packages



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WP2: The INCO Conferences Series

- **5th INCO Conference in Athens (2-4 June 2014)** with a focus on neighbourhood countries (priority area for deepening the bilateral relations and strengthening RTD cooperation)
 - **6th INCO Conference in Beijing (June 2015)** with a focus on Industrialised and Emerging Economies (emphasis given to innovation in Horizon 2020)
- Provide a platform for raising awareness on International Cooperation within H2020, sharing best practices, interacting with DG for Research&Innovation and for networking.



WP3: Promoting the ERA and regional networking

1) Organization of 8 Infodays on H2020

→ promote HORIZON 2020 and other EU initiatives in third countries

2) Organization of 7 regional workshops gathering EU and local NCPs and other important stakeholders

→ Offer a framework for regional cooperation between existing NCPs and other relevant stakeholders through the exchange of knowledge and best practices on H2020 and NCPs know-how.

WP4: Enhancing NCPs capacity

- **Identification and exchange of Best Practices between NCPs/national experts**
 - **Training of stakeholders**
- **Promotion of other EU International activities**
 - **Benchmarking of NCPs activities**

→ Enhancing the capacities of NCPs/national experts to support
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Thank you!

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