

Workshop on Innovation Fund

Cerame-unie
Rue Belliard 12
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13:00 – 17:00

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ATTENDEES:

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ACTIONS

1. Presentation of Cerame-Unie and its sectors

Daniela VIGILANTE presents an overview of Cerame-Unie and its sectors.

- Once updated, Daniela VIGILANTE will share the Cerame-Unie Roadmap with the participants.

2. Presentation of the Research and Innovation Fund from the EC

Roman DOUBRAVA, Deputy Head of Unit of DG CLIMA, highlighted the essential elements of the Research and Innovation Fund.

- Mr. DOUBRAVA informs the participants that the first call of the Research and Innovation Fund is scheduled for mid-2020. The call will be to address proposals and to focus on grants, and regular calls will take place up to 2030.
- The Commission will also develop a precise guidance on this Fund, to think of the right methodology for every aspect and different industries. This potential methodology will be developed with the feedback sent to DG CLIMA.
- Daniela VIGILANTE will collect the feedback from the participants of this Workshop.

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3. Presentations of projects from Members

The companies have been invited to briefly present their low-carbon projects, including a description of the basic features of the projects, such as the innovative technology and final products, its technological readiness level, expected greenhouse gas emission reductions and project development timeline.

- Eliseo MONFORT, from Instituto de Tecnología Cerámica, presents the Spanish project proposals towards Low Carbon Ceramic Industry. Regarding the first project, “CO2 capture from current kilns fueled by natural gas”, Mr. DOUBRAVA points out that in the future they will have to change something to reduce the greenhouse gas emissions, and most importantly they will have to think about how to reuse the CO2. About the second project, “Partial/total kiln electrification supported by renewable energy”, they will have to come up with the site of where to build the new kiln before the call of 2020.
- Arnold LACANILAO, from the French organization CTMNC, presents their project of a “2050 Low Carbon Pilot Plant”. Before submitting it to the Research and Innovation Fund, they will have to work on the modelling of this Plant.
- Victor FRANCISCO presents the project of the Portuguese CTCV, consisting on a new kiln for “Gas-Microwave Porcelain Firing”.
- The British Ceramics Confederation raises a question to DG CLIMA to know if they will be eligible for this Fund after Brexit. Everything will be decided before the open call of 2020.

4. Conclusions

Roman DOUBRAVA informs the participants that in December an expert group meeting will take place to outline the next steps of the Commission. The idea is to have various workshops to see how different industries are represented in the Research and Innovation Fund.

- At Cerame-Unie level, Daniela VIGILANTE will be able to gather other questions from the participants for the Commission.
- Ms. VIGILANTE will write a summary of the meeting that DG CLIMA will share online, and will collect feedback from the participants their presented projects.
 - Members to inform if the presentations can be shared and made publicly available on the EC website.
- Ms. VIGILANTE will enquire with members on their interest to work with the consultant to shape the guidelines document.

Post data: ITC requested not to have the presentation shared for confidentiality issues.

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