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NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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Subject:  European Research Area and Innovation Committee (ERAC) - Strategic Forum for International S&T Cooperation (SFIC)

Date:  7 March 2018
Time:  10.30
Venue:  COUNCIL
        JUSTUS LIPSIUS BUILDING
        Rue de la Loi 175, 1048 BRUSSELS

1.  Adoption of the agenda

2.  "Tour de table" of national and Commission activities

   Expected outcome: Information by delegations and the Commission on topics of particular interest to SFIC members
3. **Review of ERA governance foreseen in 2018**
   
   *Expected outcome:* Information from the Chair on latest developments

4. **State of play of working groups**
   
   Toolbox Working Group
   
   *Expected outcome:* Information from the rapporteur on the state of play; decision on the prolongation of the working group's mandate

5. **Research and Innovation Observatory (RIO)**
   
   *Expected outcome:* Presentation by the Commission and exchange of views

6. **Science Diplomacy**
   
   *Expected outcome:* Presentations by the European External Action Service and the Commission and exchange of views

7. **The future of SFIC working groups**
   
   *Expected outcome:* Discussion about possible new working groups, on the basis of the draft set of conditions (*Doc. WK 13939/2017)*

8. **Service Facility**
   
   *Expected outcome:* Update by the Commission on the operation of the INCO service facility

9. **EU-CELAC cooperation**
   
   *Expected outcome:* Update by the Commission

10. **Participation of Associated Countries in Horizon 2020**
    
    *Expected outcome:* Presentation by the Commission and exchange of views
11. Any other business

− Information from the Vice-Chair on the results of the workshop on Research Ethics and the Academic Framework on 6 March 2018

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