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### **COMMUNICATION**

#### **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)

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Date: 29 September 2017

Time: 10.00

Venue: COUNCIL  
JUSTUS LIPSIUS BUILDING  
Rue de la Loi 175, 1048 BRUSSELS

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#### **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. SFIC opinion(s)**

Gender aspects in international cooperation

Expected outcome:

- Presentation of the draft report on the survey results,
- Information on the state of play and discussion on the next steps forward

*Doc. WK 10103/2017*

### **4. Service Facility**

Expected outcome:

- Update by the Commission on the state of the requests to the INCO service facility,
- Commission proposal for a standard procedure for the submission, endorsement and evaluation of requests to the INCO service facility

*Docs. WK 10105/2017 , WK 10109/2017, WK 10110/2017 and WK 10112/2017*

### **5. The future of SFIC working groups**

Expected outcome: Follow-up discussion to the workshop held in the margins of the SFIC Plenary meeting on 8 June 2017

*Doc. WK 10115/2017 INIT*

### **6. State of play of working groups**

Toolbox Working Group

Expected outcome: Update by the rapporteur

### **7. Presentations**

COST - international cooperation

Expected outcome: Presentation by a representative of the association

**8. EU-Africa High Level Policy Dialogue on science, technology and innovation in preparation of the EU-Africa Summit 2017**

Expected outcome: Information by the Commission on the preparation of the High Level Policy Dialogue.

**9. Any other business**

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