	Action 19: Establish an efficient and effective ERA monitoring mechanism		
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1.	Description	As set out on the Council Recommendation for a Pact for research and innovation in Europe, a framework for a transparent monitoring mechanism consisting of an ERA scoreboard at EU level, an ERA dashboard at national level and a policy platform will be proposed in the first half of 2022 and developed the second half of 2022. The monitoring mechanism will address the progress of the implementation at EU and national level, and if necessary, revise priorities and actions.	
		The online policy platform will help facilitate the identification of running and planned measures contributing to implementation of ERA as stated in action 18.	
		Based on the ERA study, consultations with the ERA Forum and other stakeholders, a few experts will investigate how to develop an efficient and effective monitoring mechanism for an evidence-based policy making and monitoring of the progress in the European Research Area.	
2.	Actors	The ERA scoreboard, dashboard and policy platform will be developed and managed by the European Commission in cooperation with external experts, the Member States and ERA stakeholders.	
3.	Timing and milestones	Mid-2022: A description of the fully-fledged framework for a monitoring mechanism for endorsement by the Council.	
		Early 2023: The first version of the monitoring mechanism should be ready.	
4.	Funding	Funded under Horizon Europe.	
5.	Expected impact	The monitoring mechanism will create the evidence base for policy making and give input to the monitoring of the policy actions and their direction.	
6.	Monitoring	The monitoring mechanism will be implemented when ready.	
7.	Communication	When the monitoring system is online, a first communication should take place as either a short press release or a short analysis of the content.	
		All actors should be encouraged to communicate the information in the monitoring mechanism.	
8.	Additional information	The monitoring mechanism will be developed based on the report "Data gathering and analysis of policy developments and reforms: Study to evaluate the ERA policy framework/ERA monitoring mechanism" and with the help of additional experts who will advise on how the most objective and efficient monitoring should look.	

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At a later stage, other experts will be brought in to develop the technical
side and publish the monitoring mechanism.