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# Romanian Research Programme

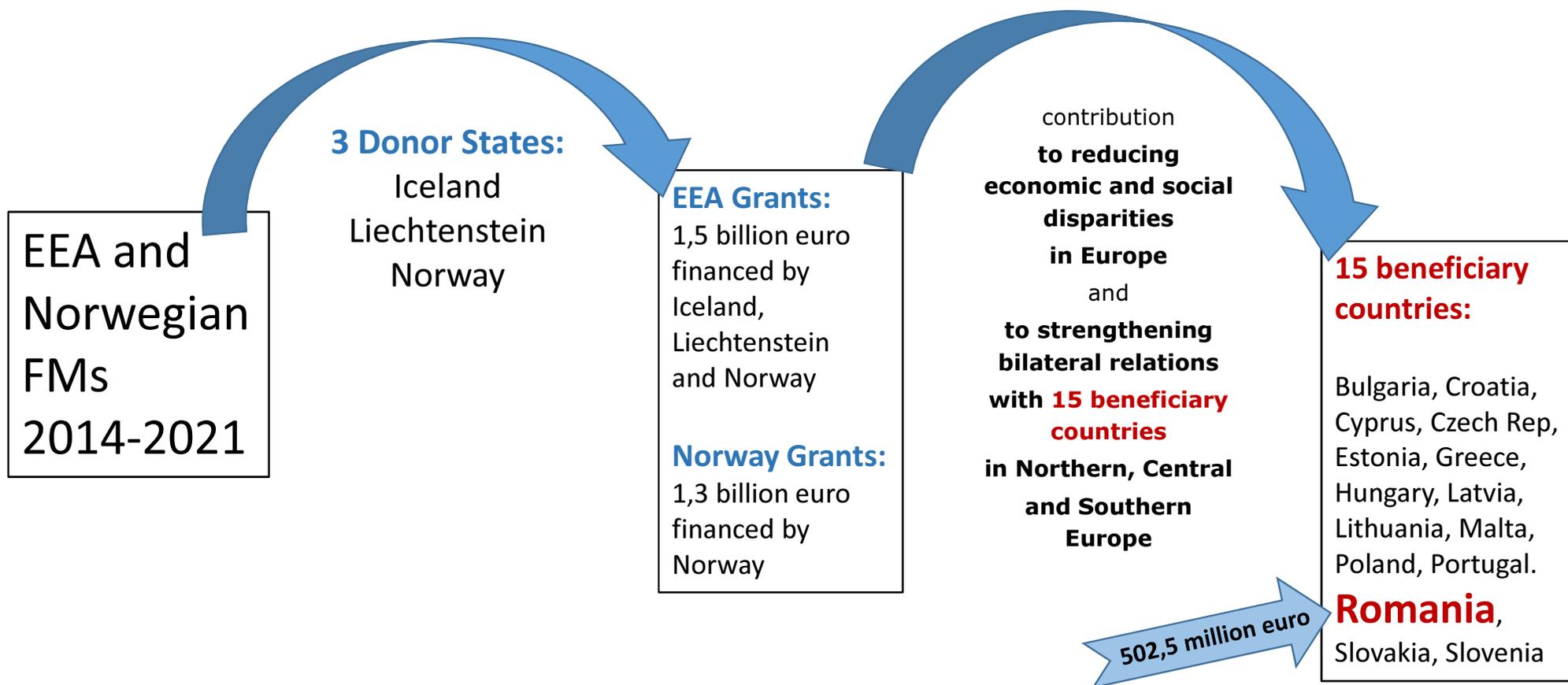
**EEA Financial Mechanism 2014-2021**

**Norwegian Financial Mechanism 2014-2021**

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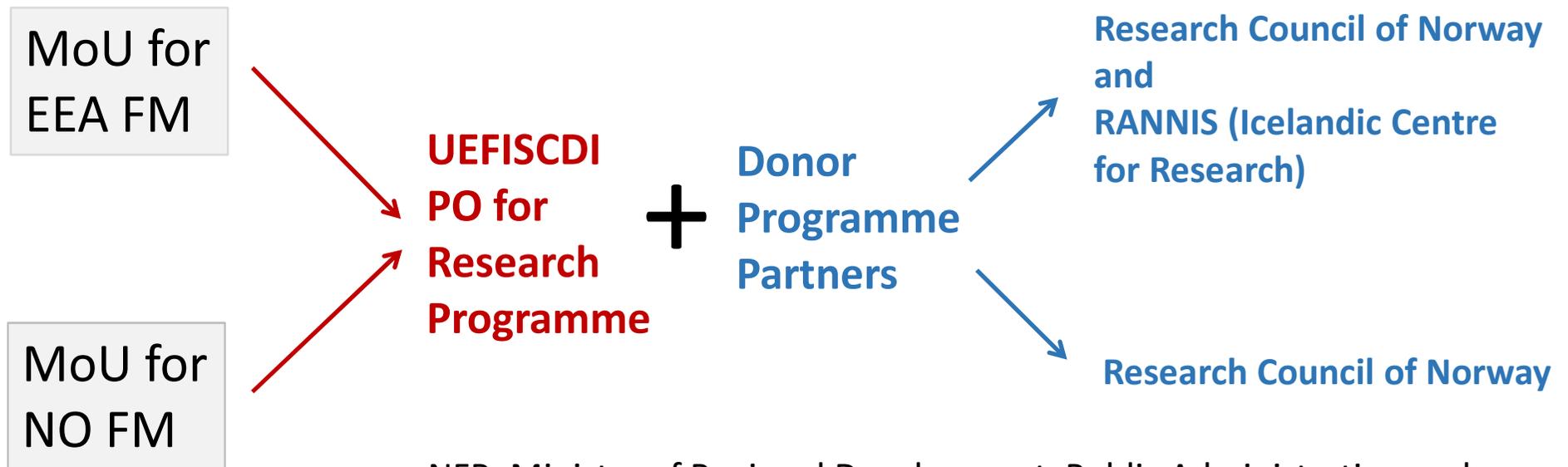
*Final Conference of the Programme RO14 "Research within Priority Sectors", December 14, 2017, Cluj-Napoca*

## EEA and Norwegian Financial mechanisms 2014-2021



## Romania

1<sup>st</sup> Beneficiary State that signed with Donor States  
the MoU for implementation of EEA FM and  
the MoU for implementation of Norwegian FM 2014-2021  
**October 2016**



NFP: Ministry of Regional Development, Public Administration and European Funds

## MoU for EEA FM 2014-21

## MoU for NO FM 2014-21

**Research Programme objective:** Enhance research-based knowledge development

**40 mil EURO grant for Research**

Programme grant: 15,000,000 euro  
Programme co-financing: 2,647,059 euro

Programme grant: 25,000,000 euro  
Programme co-financing: 4,411,765 euro

### Specific concerns:

basic and  
applied  
research

improvement of  
the situation for  
the Roma  
population

- energy
- environment
- health
- social sciences and humanities including gender studies and social inclusion studies
- *NO FM: Research on carbon capture and storage*



Possible synergies with the Programmes:  
“Business development, Innovation and SMEs”  
“Renewable Energy, Energy Efficiency, Energy Security”  
“Education, Scholarships, Apprenticeships and Youth Entrepreneurship”

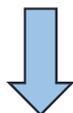
## Elaboration of Research Programme

Designing  
the new  
Programme



**CONCEPT  
NOTE**

Submitted for  
approval  
in April 2017



**HOW?** a large STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION PROCESS

**WHY?** for *identifying the needs and challenges* that will be addressed by the Research Program and for *establishing the most important key topics related to each thematic area* (Environment, Energy, Health, Social Sciences and Humanities, *ICT* and *Biotechnologies*)

**WHERE?** in 4 regions with relevant scientific community in RO, as follows:

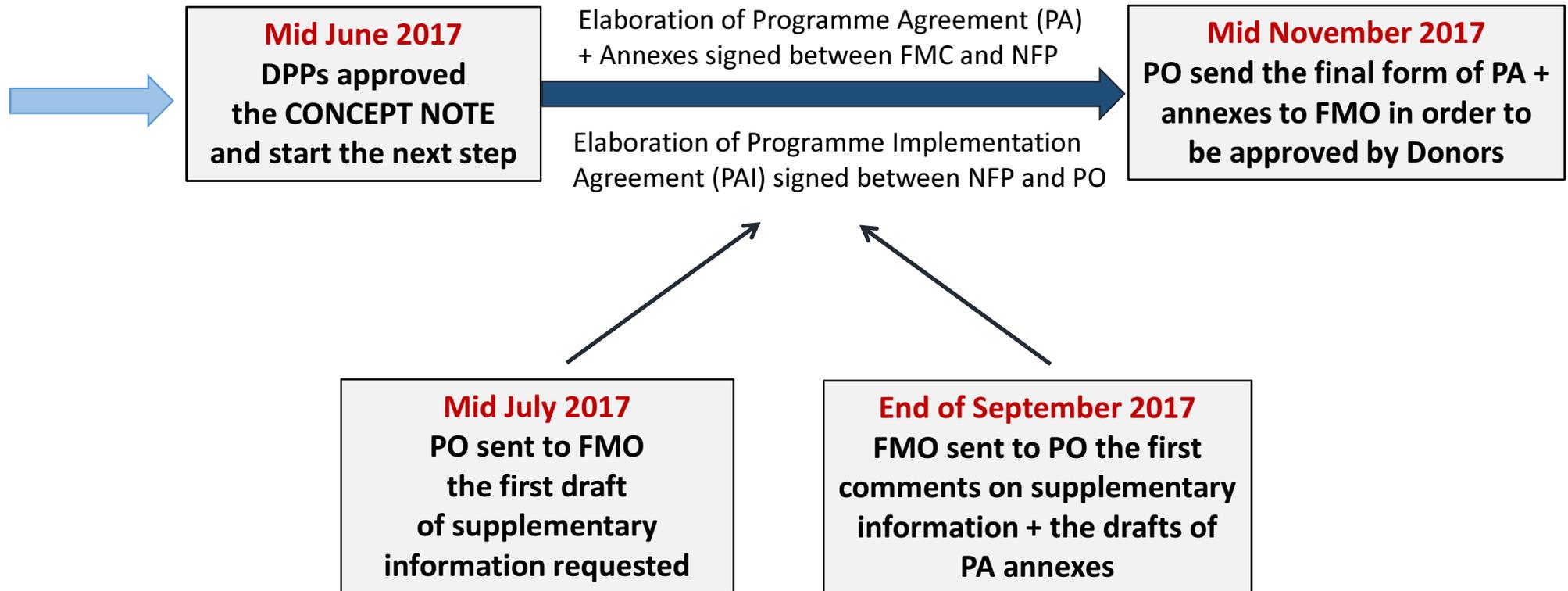
Bucharest	21.02.2017
Iasi	24.02.2017
Cluj-Napoca	28.02.2017
Timisoara	02.03.2017

the results have been presented and discussed between Romanian and Norwegian experts in a final meeting in Oslo (Research Cooperation Working Group) – March 2017 and have been included in the CN

**PARTICIPANTS** representatives from academia, research and business sectors, national authorities, representatives from PO, FMO, NFP, DPPs (video), Norway Embassy

**HOW MANY?** 215 experts from: 26 universities; 41 research institutes; 34 companies; 2 NGOs; 2 Romanian Academy branches  
+ 80 video streaming users from RO, NO, BE and SI

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## Implementation of Research Programme

### Outcome

Enhanced performance of Romanian research internationally

EEA FM call for proposals for research projects

Call timing: 2018  
Total available amount:  
16,312,500 euro  
Min/Max grant:  
500,000 / 1,500,000 euro

#### Eligible applicants (PPs):

Research organizations, as defined in the Community Framework for State Aid for RDI (2014/C 198/01), established in RO

NO FM call for proposals for research projects

Call timing: 2019  
Total available amount:  
24,687,500 euro  
Min/Max grant:  
500,000 / 1,500,000 euro

#### Eligible partners:

Research organizations, as defined in the Community Framework for State Aid for RDI (2014/C 198/01), and companies established in RO and NO, IS and LI (in case of EEA FM call) / established in RO and NO (in case of NO FM call)

Partnerships with entities from the relevant DSs is mandatory within research projects selected under the two calls

SGS (Small Grant Scheme)

shall be launched under the NO FM

Call timing: 2018 and 2019  
Total available amount:  
2,500,000 euro  
Min/Max grant:  
5,000 / 50,000 euro

#### Eligible applicants:

RO institutions representing RO candidates who have received a favourable rating from a previous ERC evaluation (score B in the first or second stage)

Special concerns  
to be followed  
under selection  
procedure for  
research projects

- key topic 'Carbon capture and storage' shall be prioritised under the NO FM call for proposals for research projects
- at least 10% of the eligible expenditure of the programme shall be dedicated to improve the situation for the Roma population
- gender studies and social inclusion studies will be reflected in the final list of projects receiving funding



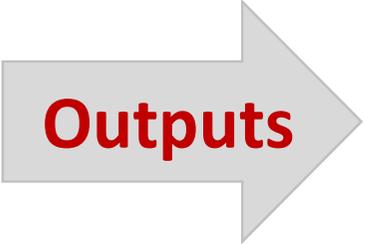
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**Indicators**

- Number of articles submitted to peer-reviewed publications
- Number of joint articles submitted to peer-reviewed publications
- Number of joint registered applications for Intellectual Property Protection
- Number of joint applications for further funding
- Number of jobs created



## Outputs

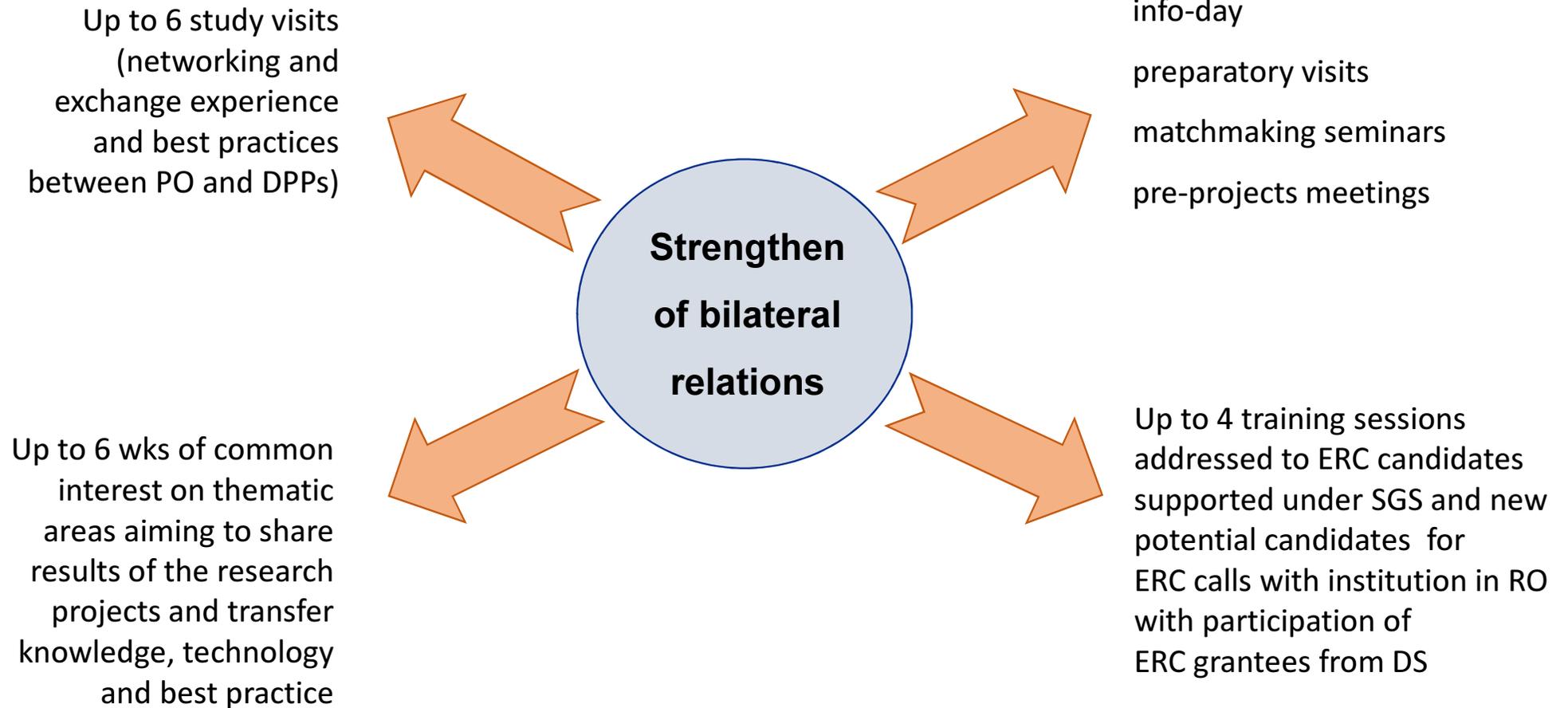
- Production of new research facilitated
- Links between research institutions and companies developed
- Enhanced collaboration between BS and DS entities involved in the programme



## Indicators

- Number of bilateral institutional partnerships between Donor States and Romanian entities
- Number of Donor States research groups involved in projects
- Number of ERC applications sent by candidates supported by the small grants scheme
- Number of researchers supported (disaggregated by gender)
- Number of (pro) Roma organisations involved in projects
- Number of links between research organisations and companies involved in the programme
- Level of satisfaction with the partnership
- Level of trust between cooperating entities in Beneficiary state and Donor states
- Share of cooperating organisations that apply the knowledge acquired from the bilateral partnership

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