"Achieving Impact" international conference





NET4SOCIETY], the network of National Contact Points for research in the field of Social Sciences and Humanities organised a transnational conference which took place in Athens at the **National Hellenic Research Foundation** on the 26th and 27th February 2014 on the occasion of the Greek EU Council presidency.
Entitled **?Achieving Impact: Socio-economic Sciences and Humanities (SSH) in Horizon 2020?,** the conference highlighted the important role SSH has to play, through its relevance and impact, in achieving the targets set out in Europe 2020 ? the EU's growth strategy for the current decade. The conference also showcased exciting opportunities that exist in **Horizon 2020** to help prepare the SSH research community for the New EU Programme for Research & Innovation.

The two-day event appealed to members of the SSH research community who are looking for networking and funding opportunities within Horizon 2020. It was of particular interest to researchers from universities and research organisations in the field of SSH, Civil Society Organisations & Non-governmental Organisations. SSH-relevant industries involved in Research and Innovation activities were also among the target audience. Established networks such as ERA-NETs were invited to attend. In addition, the conference targeted at research programme owners/managers as well as policy makers.
The Conference sessions addressed the following areas:

- The Creative and Cultural Industries
- The European Social Model
- Social Innovation.

The second day addressed Horizon 2020, specifically matters arising from the Work Programme for Societal Challenge 6; Inclusive, innovative and reflective societies. It featured a brokerage event to facilitate participants' engagement with the HORIZON 2020 research programmes and to enhance their networking and collaboration prospects. RICHES]Project Coordinator **Neil Forbes**, of **Coventry University** (UK), and RICHES Communication Manager **Antonella Fresa** of **Promoter Srl** (Italy) attended the conference as invited experts of the second day, in the session devoted to ?Reflective societies: European culture?.
The conference was organised by NET4SOCIETY (www.net4society.eu), the network of National Contact Points (NCPs) for

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Presentations are now available in the conference website. Conference reports, videos and photos will be available soon.]
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