



June 17th, 2026
09:00 to 18:00

Théâtre du Château de Valrose, Nice

CELLULE EUROPE MUTUALISEE ENTRE LES MEMBRES DE L'INITIATIVE D'EXCELLENCE

PROGRAMME

09:00 | [Welcome coffee](#)

09:30 | [Introduction](#)

Jeanick Brisswalter, President

Sylvain Antoniotti, Vice-President of the Initiative of Excellence

09:40–11:00 | [ERC: myths and realities - when and how should you get started?](#)

Hélène Veillard, National Contact Point Coordinator and Representative on the ERC Program Committee

- > Ice-breaker (20 min)
- > Presentation of the main myths and realities about the ERC (40 min)

Testimonial from a laureate : deciding to take the plunge: where to start? (20 min)

11:00 –11:20 | [Coffee break](#)

11:20 –12:30 | [Round table « Do's & don'ts »](#)

Hélène Veillard, National Contact Point Coordinator and Representative on the ERC Program Committee

Julia Staykova, ERC Expert, Scriptorium Ltd

George Drettakis, Inria, ERC Advanced Grant Laureate

12:30 – 12:40 | [Presentation of the European Joint Office \(CEM\) and Local Support Mechanisms for ERC Applicants](#)

Sara-Anne Comel, Operations Director for the International and Europe Program of the Initiative of Excellence

12:40 – 14:00 | [Lunch](#)

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14:00 – 14:15 | Looking Back: “CEM – 10 Years of European Projects on the Côte d'Azur”

14:15 – 15:30 | “The ERC: A PI-Centric Approach” – Testimonials from ERC laureates

15:30 – 15:45 | Coffee Break

15:45 – 17:00 | “Coordinating a Horizon Europe Project” – Testimonials from Horizon Europe projects' coordinators

14:00 – 17:00 | One-on-one interviews with:

- > Hélène Veillard, National Contact Point Coordinator and Representative on the ERC Program Committee
- > Julia Staykova, ERC Expert, Scriptorium Ltd
- > Membres de la Cellule Europe Mutualisée

17:00 – 17:30 | Signing of the CEM Agreement

17:00 – 18:00 | 10 years anniversary Cocktail Reception

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