

High Level recommendations

Aligned with EERA's strategic role in the SET Plan and in the CET and aim to suggest improvements both on its content and governance structure at high level



- Reshape the SET plan with a **mission-focused approach centred on cross-cutting collaboration**
- Use **NECPs as a concrete tool for better communication between EU and MS**. They should be more prescriptive in describing the foreseen measures and policies to reach the proposed national targets.
- **Increase effectiveness in the on-boarding of EU 13 countries**
- Place **EERA as a strategic pillar of the revamped SET Plan**
- **Increase the amount and optimise the efficiency of public funding instruments** both for the execution of the SET Plan and the support to the IWGs and ETIPs

Aligning EU and MSs' funding priorities and schemes and the SET Plan

- **Mobilise the same representatives from MSs across involved groups** in the SET Plan Steering Committee, the Horizon Europe framework programme, and the CET Partnership governance.
- **Harmonise the rules of management, funding, and opportunities allocation** between SET Plan contributing countries within partnerships and other joint actions.
- **Include cross-cutting technological and non-technological topics** into the SET Plan to adjust to the energy sector's needs: social awareness, acceptance and engagement, education and training, R&I funding programmes, policy regulations and international collaboration.

Improving the SET Plan's governance

- **Endorse more political strength** to facilitate the translation of EC actions into national R&I agendas.
- **Assure follow-up CSA calls to support the delivering of the SET Plan IPs** and foster the dialogue between research and industry.

Increasing energy research collaboration across the EU

- **Ease and promote access to data between research and industry.**
- **Set European Centres of Excellence** or other joint energy R&I framework where R&I, industry, the public sector and policy makers can define common strategies for further development
- Follow "Batteries Europe" successful example of **collaboration between ETIPs, JPs, CSAs and partnerships.**

Assigning the SET Plan and its stakeholders with more influence

- **Build on EERA's JPs** to collect the needed scientific input for energy policymaking and R&I funding frameworks definition.
- Appoint **smaller and more efficient representations for the JPs** in the different energy R&I fora (e.g. IWGs, partnerships, etc.).

Operational recommendations

Based on the aggregated knowledge of the EERA Joint Programmes and ETIPs from their actual, practical, involvement in the execution of the SET Plan.

