



### **GENERA:**

# Measuring, monitoring, and advancing gender equality in Physics Research Processing Organizations

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Gender Equality Network in Physics in the European Research Area

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## GENERA in H2020-GERI-2014-1

Action provides support to RPOs and RFOs in order to

support systemic institutional changes, in particular through the implementation of Gender Equality Plans,

#### which shall:

- Conduct impact assessment / audit of procedures and practices,
- Implement innovative strategies to address gender bias
- Set targets and monitor progress via indicators at organisation level.

(RPO/RFO: Research Performing/Funding Organization)







- Started in September 2015
- 3 years lifetime, 3.34 Mio Euro funding
- 13 beneficiaries:
  - 11 physics related organizations
  - 2 professional support organizations for evaluation and outreach & valorization
- Physics related organizations had to commit themselves to seriously consider implementing a Gender Equality Plan (GEP)







Second presentation this afternoon:

GENERA Careers in physics - which perspectives for women?

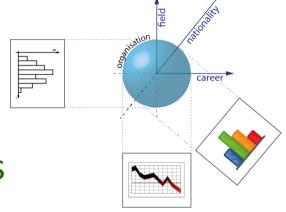
Prof. Sveva Avveduto, National Research Council (CNR), Italy







GENERA Measuring is fourfold:



- Data collection from HR departments
- Series of national Gender-in-Physics Days
- Interviews series with male/female scientists
- Ex-ante /ex-post evaluation interviews with
  managements of participating institutions



## Status assessment: first results



- HR departments provide anonymized data only, mostly demographic data, data set is different for all institutions
- additional datasets exists in e.g. libraries or gender equality offices, which are difficult to combine with data from HR departments
- GENERA has started a feedback process with HR departments on what need to be collected in the future

 Series of Gender-in-Physics days just got started, shall extend information base nation-wise







- **GENERA:** Monitoring
- Partner Joanneum Research is in charge of
  - monitoring and evaluation of the implementation of GEPs
  - developing indicators for long-term monitoring
- Consortium shall establish a long-term networking of partners to allow a monitoring beyond the lifetime of the project
- High-level Gender Experts Board is monitoring the progress of the project

# GENERA: Advancing gender equality in physics related organizations

- GENERA approach:
  - Gender equality traditionally addressed by Human Resources departments
  - NEW: major institutions in a science (physics) community commonly address gender equality from the scientific point of view together with experts in structural change

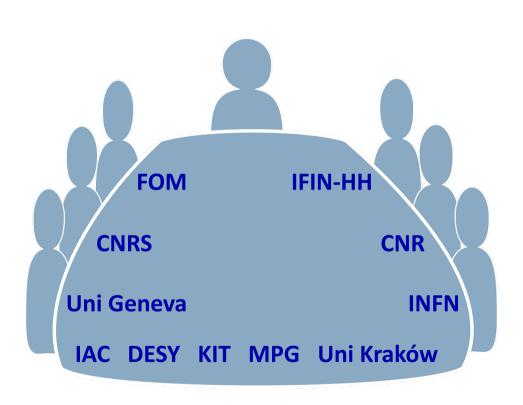


- GENERA recipe:
  - Directly involve the managements (Governing Board)
  - Set up a group of implementation managers
  - Prepare a toolbox with measures proven to show a positive effect
  - Feed in measures that especially support a culture of mixed teams in physics
  - Describe the implementation process in a roadmap
  - Support institutions in developing their individual GEPs
  - Accompany the implementation process by a project internal evaluation
  - Gain visibility, become a big movement



### Implementation Manager group





#### Set up to

- Link the project into the organizations
- Report the progress of the implementation process
- Commonly address problems coming up during the implementation of GEPs
- Develop strategies to overcome possible resistances in implementing organizations
- Keep the managements informed

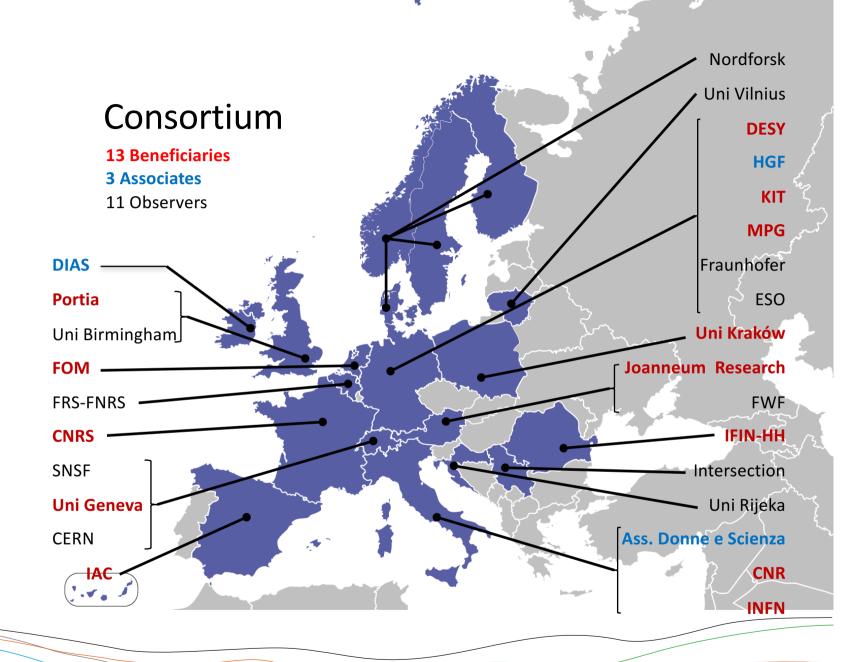


# Gain visibility, become a big movement



- Physics highly relies on international cooperation
- GENERA should try to establish Gender Equality as an integral part of international cooperation
- Existence of a GEP should become an excellence criteria
- GENERA is currently making an inventory of the physics-related RPOs/RFOs in Europe to be involved
- Current consortium (network core) on the next slide







### **GENERA: Networking**



- GENERA is open to physics-related organizations
- Option to become observer:
  - Get access to all project results and documents
  - Entitled to participate in all project meetings
  - Depending on the individual ambitions, observers can participate in all project activities (e.g. participate in data collection/interviews, organize own Gender-in-Physics Days, development of measures for GEPs, implementation of GEPs)
  - Interested? Get in touch with us here or write email to genera@desy.de



### **Gender in Physics Days**



- Listed on the GENERA website:
  - http://genera-project.com/index.php/gender-in-physics-days
- Next Gender in Physics Days:
  - Germany, January 12, 2017 at DESY
    Info & registration: <a href="https://indico.desy.de//event/gip">https://indico.desy.de//event/gip</a>
  - Switzerland, January 26, 2017 at University of Geneva
    Info & registration: <a href="https://indico.cern.ch/event/525539/overview">https://indico.cern.ch/event/525539/overview</a>
  - CERN-ESO-NORDFORSK, January 27, 2017 at CERN:
    Info: Lotta Strandberg @ GS9 or geneva-gipday@cern.ch





Thanks a lot for your attention!

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