

# SCAR, and the role of the coordination and support action CASA

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# SCAR and CASA



**2015** *Coordination and Support Action* to support SCAR in Societal Challenge 2 Work Programme of Horizon 2020

- *Need to better include Member States with limited or no participation*
- *Need for an effective flow of information between the increasing number of working groups*
- *Ensure synergies and improve alignment of national research programmes*
- *Provide resources for small studies and workshops*

**09/2016**

Official start of **CASA** –  
Common **A**gricultural and wider  
bioeconomy re**S**earch **A**genda

Specific objectives of CASA:

1. **Increased and broadened participation, interaction and collaboration** of Member States and Associated Countries with each other and also with the Directorate-Generals (DG) of the European Commission
2. **Improved quality of outputs and outcomes of SCAR** based on an increased and broadened participation facilitated by CASA
3. **Strengthening the production of more strategic policy advice** within the evolving landscape of the broader bioeconomy based on an increased and broadened participation facilitated by CASA
4. **Improved overall organisation, communication and dissemination** of SCAR activities, outputs and outcomes for greater impact

# CASA – Support to SCAR

## 1. Increased and broadened participation, interaction and collaboration

- Study on representation and inclusion in SCAR bodies

SCAR offers a **unique and highly valued platform for exchange, discussion, best practices and learning** between states, and between states and the European Commission

SCAR is a platform where this **open exchange builds trust between partners** and thus directly contributes to ‘making Europe work’, a way to **stimulate European research cooperation**

[https://scar-europe.org/images/CASA/Documents/D1-1\\_Representation\\_Inclusion.pdf](https://scar-europe.org/images/CASA/Documents/D1-1_Representation_Inclusion.pdf)

Conference *‘Research and innovation policy, state-of-play and the role of SCAR in the European Bioeconomy’* with focus on representativeness and on SWOT of SCAR

4<sup>th</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> December 2017 in Tallinn, Estonia

<https://scar-europe.org/index.php/home-scar/events/conferences>



# CASA – Support to SCAR

## 1. Increased and broadened participation, interaction and collaboration

- CASA SCAR National Meetings:

- *increase the visibility and benefits of SCAR in the Member States*
- *Promote outcomes of SCAR*
- *Provide a forum for exchange of national background*
- *Foster involvement of different stakeholders at national level*

- ✓ Spain (May 10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>, 2017)

- ✓ Greece (May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018)

- ✓ Bulgaria (February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018)

- ✓ Italy (May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2018)

- ✓ Hungary (April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018)

- ✓ Poland (November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018)

<https://scar-europe.org/index.php/home-scar/events/national-scar-events>

**Now**

- ✓ SCAR Baltic Workshop

- ➔ Riga (April 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> April 2019; collaboration)

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- Mentoring Programme:

Aim: Supporting delegates of (new) EU Member States to become **effective and efficient contributors** and linking-pins between SCAR and the national level through exchange of knowledge and experience

<https://scar-europe.org/index.php/scar-casa-mentoring-programme-launched>

# CASA – Support to SCAR

## 2. Improved quality of outputs and outcomes of SCAR based on an increased and broadened participation facilitated by CASA

- Expert Studies

Support to **finance expert studies up to 25.000 €**.

Example studies for SWG Forest:

1. Synthesis on forest bio-economy research and innovation in Europe [Finished]
2. Impact assessment on forest-related ERA-NETs and COST Actions [Finishing]

Proposals and results for SWG Forest are available on the SCAR website:

<https://scar-europe.org/index.php/forest-documents>

- Facilitation of SCAR bodies

**Facilitation support to SCAR bodies** to reduce the burden of chairs and co-chairs for preparing, implementing and following-up of Working Group meetings.

Utilised by SWG ARCH, SWG AKIS, SWG BE and SWG Forest.

- Further activities comprise support

- to **coordinating and linking of SWGs, CWGs and DGs**, and
- the **implementation of the 4th Foresight** results, and
- **updating the 2 year rolling workplan** of SCAR.



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# CASA – Support to SCAR

## 3. Strengthening the production of more strategic policy advice within the evolving landscape of the broader bio-economy based on an increased and broadened participation facilitated by CASA

- Assess the state of play of research and innovation policy in the broader Bioeconomy area: Assessment and SWOT analysis  
[Finished and available on [SCAR website](#)]
- SWOT of the SCAR: The Results  
[Finished and available on [SCAR website](#)]



Guidelines and general procedures for initiating new activities published (SWG/CWGs/Ad-hoc working groups or Task Forces on emerging issues; other implementation actions)

[Finished and available on [SCAR website](#)]

Further activities include:

- Support to **future foresight exercises**, and the 5<sup>th</sup> foresight
- Development of **Impact Assessment Framework**
- **Sustainability** of CASA outcomes; after project ends

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# CASA – Support to SCAR

## 4. Improved overall organisation, communication and dissemination of SCAR activities, outputs and outcomes for greater impact

- SCAR Website

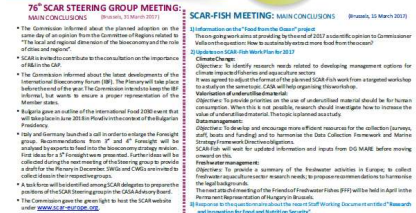


<https://scar-europe.org>

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- Bi-annually newsletter in advance of the SCAR Plenary meetings



## 5th Newsletter in preparation for the meeting of the SCAR Plenary on 13th June 2019

- SCAR conference 2019

Date 12th June 2019; back-to-back with SCAR Plenary

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