

ACTIVITY TABLE of ERC President

Professor Mauro Ferrari – March 2020

Date	Activities
1.	
2.	<p>am:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Filming of Panel briefing for StG 03/03/20 Lunch – [REDACTED], new assistant <p>pm:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Call Meeting [REDACTED] Webit Foundation Call with ScC member [REDACTED] Follow-up of ScC meeting with [REDACTED] (A1) Follow-up of ScC meeting with [REDACTED] (Dept B)
3.	<p>am:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Priority meeting with [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED] (A1) and [REDACTED] A2 Decision on dates for ERC Plenaries in 2021 – [REDACTED] (A1) Meeting with ITRE [REDACTED], [REDACTED] (A1) Introductory meeting with the G6 over lunch (= Presidents of Helmholtz, Leibniz Association, Max Planck Society, CNRS, CSIC and CNR) and their Sherpas in Brussels, [REDACTED] (A1) <p>pm:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conflict of interest statutes, and legal aspect of accepting private transportation for missions with [REDACTED] (D) & [REDACTED] (A1), subject to gift limitation rules
4.	<p>am:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Visit of [REDACTED], University of Trento Photo session, D2 <p>pm:</p>
5.	<p>am:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting with Unit A2 <p>pm:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dinner with LERU in Leuven, with [REDACTED] (A1)
6.	<p>am:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting with ERC Association, with [REDACTED], [REDACTED] (A1), [REDACTED] & [REDACTED] (A2) <p>pm:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting with [REDACTED] (B1) Meeting with [REDACTED] (B5)
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9.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Private – [REDACTED]
10.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Private – [REDACTED]
11.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Private – [REDACTED]
12.	Organization of ERC work under the unexpected circumstances of medical isolation*

13.	am: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call with Vice Presidents and Agency colleagues pm: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Messages and phone call with Commission President Von der Leyen
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16.	am: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparation of document on Covid-19 response for President Von der Leyen pm: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparation of document on Covid-19 response for President von der Leyen
17.	am: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparation of document on Covid-19 response for President von der Leyen pm: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call with Human Technopole Italy. Request the ERC to nominate members for the Institute's Evaluation Committee • Monthly call with RTD Commissioner Gabriel
18.	am: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparation of materials on Covid-19 response for President Von der Leyen pm: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparation of materials on Covid-19 response for President Von der Leyen
19.	am: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparation of materials on Covid-19 response for President Von der Leyen pm: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refinement & sending of document on Covid-19 response for President Von der Leyen
20.	am: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Webcast with the Ambrosetti Forum regarding the contribution of science in response to the Coronavirus • Call with ScC member [REDACTED] • Recording of video message for ERCEA staff
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23.	am: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordination call with [REDACTED] A1 • Communications with Ilaria Capua, former Italian member of parliament and expert on virology and infectious diseases pm: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call with Wolfgang Bartscher, DDG RTD on the response to Coronavirus, with other EC representatives
24.	am: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordination call with [REDACTED] A1 pm: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Priority meeting with [REDACTED] (A1) and [REDACTED] (A2)

25.	<p>am:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call with ScC member [REDACTED] on the developing Open Access document and Motion for the ScC • Coordination call with [REDACTED] A1 • Preparatory call for the upcoming call with MEP P. Toia, with [REDACTED] & [REDACTED] A1), <p>pm:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call with P. Toia, MEP and Vice Chair of ITRE Committee
26.	<p>am:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Telco with MEP Johan Van Overtveldt (chairman of Budget committee) <p>pm:</p>
27.	<p>am:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordination call with [REDACTED] A1 • Video call with ERC Vice-Presidents F. Zwirner, J. Thornton and E. Crone • Coordination phone calls with Commissioner Maryia Gabriel • Communications with President Ursula von den Leyen (messages) <p>pm:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phone call with J.E. Paquet, Director General for Research and Innovation • Coordination phone call with W. Kutt, Director ERCEA • Call with [REDACTED] on Stakeholder Mapping
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30.	<p>am:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phone call with G. Rasi, Director of EMA, on Coronavirus initiatives • Coordination call with [REDACTED] A1 • Phone call with J.E. Paquet, Director General for Research and Innovation • Coordination call with W. Kutt and ERCEA Management • Video call with ERC Vice-Presidents <p>pm:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phone call with J.E. Paquet, Director General for Research and Innovation • Phone call with F. Giannotti, Director of CERN
31.	<p>am:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call with H. Nowotny, past president of the ERC • Priority meeting with [REDACTED] (A1) & [REDACTED] (A2) • Coordination call with [REDACTED] A1 <p>pm:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phone call with W. Kutt, ERCEA Acting Director

TOTAL: 19 days

*NOTE: Effective March 12, while on a private trip to [REDACTED], I was requested by local health care authorities to be in medical quarantine in [REDACTED]. While I was in quarantine, bilateral travel restrictions came into effect between Europe and [REDACTED], and lock-down stay-in-shelter obligatory restrictions, which made it impossible (it still is) for me to physically return to Brussels. From that point on, I telecommuted to my ERC work, in keeping with the required policies of the EC. Though I was in [REDACTED] I kept European hours, in order to render

more efficient and convenient for them my interactions with the ERC and ERCEA. In addition to the above-reported activities, I wrote and processed a large number of ERC-related email, text, phone and video communications during those days. In summary, my monthly ERC telecommuting days were: March 12, 13, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 30, 31.

These are included in the above-listed total. During these days, I stayed at hotels and AirBnB. I am NOT requesting reimbursement for travel costs or these lodging expenses, for I consider them the equivalent of living expenses at home while telecommuting. I am also NOT requesting payment of “mission”-related remuneration while in [REDACTED], simply the normal compensation that I would be paid if I was telecommuting from my home in Brussels, rather than a hotel room in [REDACTED]. In addition, may I point out that even if I was able to evade the local lockdown conditions, and fight a flight to Europe, I would be subject to point-of-entry authority discretion as to how long a quarantine I would have to undergo (2-4 weeks) and where. There are no flights from here to Brussels, so I would probably have to spend my quarantine [REDACTED], at a hotel or medical facility. Thus my choice to continue telecommuting from [REDACTED], given that in my current locations I can effectively work with the ERC as I have proven in the last three weeks.

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