

SK4ERA



# SK4ERA - supporting the participation of the Slovak Republic in the ERA

Investment into the Future



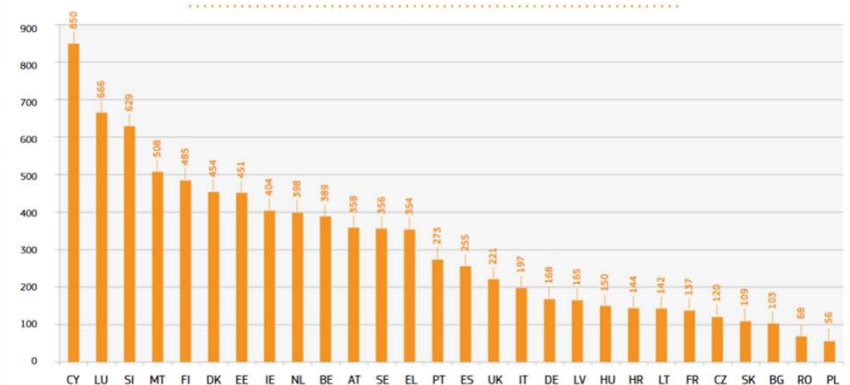


# Why SK4ERA?

- not sufficient success rate in obtaining grants and **low submission of project proposals** (chart)
- limited experience of Slovak scientists participating in Framework program projects (41 universities)
- loosing contact with European research (focusing on EU structural funds)
- low proportion of research project coordinators

(about 14%, increased participation in collaborative projects)

What is the rate of applications by country?  
Number of eligible applications to Horizon 2020 per capita





# Objectives of SK4ERA

- Increase participation of SK institutions in H2020 and other programs (Interreg, COST, etc.)
- Increase quality of submitted projects
- More efficient use of national research infrastructure (National Action Plan NPRVV published in 2016 in line with the ERA roadmap)
- Raising awareness of Slovak research and innovation abroad (SLORD - Slovak Liaison Office for Research and Development in Brussels)



# How to achieve it

1. Mentoring scheme - mentors available on demand, 56 mentors (former evaluators, applicants), 4 weeks before deadline, reimburse costs for own mentor (approved by NCP)
2. Special events, workshops and training courses - Tour de ERA, March-April 2019, Žilina, Banská Bystrica, Košice, Nitra a Bratislava, How to design a project
3. ERAportal.sk - under construction, now in final phase, in service May-June 2019, information about calls, programmes, events, mentoring scheme, migration of current H2020 portal, more user friendly and closer to potential applicants



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Questions?

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