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# SAIRA 2.0 and Plenty of New Opportunities

Long time, no see! It has been a long time since you heard from us and a lot has happened. We sincerely hope that you are safe and well, and that you got through this turbulent time in the best way possible. We have been working hard over the past few months to provide you with more and upgraded opportunities. There is plenty of news: SAIRA 2.0, WAITRO new website, WAITRO Innovation Award 2021 and much more! So, let's check what we've been working on!

### **NEWS & OPPORTUNITIES**



#### Re-Launch of SAIRA

SAIRA accelerates collaboration between research organizations, academia, governments, civil society, and the private sector. After more than 50 successful matches, it is time to take SAIRA to the next level. A new version of SAIRA was released! Two reasons why you should start using SAIRA 2.0 now: The WAITRO Innovation Award and Horizon Europe. Create your account now and upload your project ideas, local challenges, and collaboration needs.

Get Started

### WAITRO Innovation Award 2021

Interested in winning \$25,000 to help start your next project? Team up with other innovators on SAIRA and apply for the WAITRO Innovation Award. This years' topic is Food Security and Sustainable Agriculture. Applications are now open!

Learn More





### Horizon Europe Support

Horizon Europe is the EU's key funding program for research and innovation, with a budget of almost €100 billion. The WAITRO Office Germany provides support for consortia consisting of WAITRO member organizations that are planning to submit project proposals to the highly competitive Horizon Europe program.

Learn More

### New Online Home of the Global Innovation Family

We are very excited to announce the launch of our newly designed website. The WAITRO Office Germany has introduced new features. Visit our new pages:



Find all WAITRO projects that impact the SDGs.

Impact & Insights



Discover WAITRO's broad offerings.

Programs & Services



Meet WAITRO Members from all over the world.

Members Map

# WAITRO Exhibition Space

The WAITRO Office China is providing free space for all WAITRO members in the new long-term exhibition hall at JITRI's new headquarters innovation campus in Nanjing. It will be a bridge between members and the global technology market, acting as a banner showing your global outreach to international visitors to JITRI and the WAITRO Office China from embassies, consulates and industry.





## **Events**

# **Upcoming Event**



# Round Table on Intellectual Property: Vaccines and Patents | June 30

The WAITRO Office Germany, the Africa Europe Innovation Partnership (AEIP), the Research Fairness Initiative (RFI) and the North-West University (NWU) joined hands to invite experts to an online discussion and open Q&A session on Vaccines and Patents - A spotlight on equitable access to medicines during a global health crisis and thereafter. Registration is open until June 21st.

Further information

#### **Past Events**

# Getting ready for Horizon Europe

This workshop introduced the new features of Horizon Europe and supporting services, including SAIRA. It also focused on tools for partner searching and the application process. The event was organized by the WAITRO Office Germany and LEITAT, Spain with the support of DTI, Denmark.

# APEC ESCI Best Practices Awards Workshop

The WAITRO Office China and APSEC collaborated for a workshop on the APEC Energy Smart Communities Initiative Best Practices Awards, the APEC's highest certification for projects that meet the criteria for a "smart energy community".

## Insights from the Global Innovation Family

## New WAITRO members

We are happy to welcome our new members from Austria, Belgium, Colombia, Cuba,

Ecuador, France, Germany, Kenya, Nigeria, Spain, Thailand and Uruguay to our growing Global Innovation Family.

<u>Get to know our new members.</u>



### **Executive Board**

On behalf of the Global Innovation Family, we would like to congratulate Dr. Ahmad Fadzil Mohamad Hani on the occasion of his retirement, and thank him for his great work as Regional Representative for Asia and the Pacific. We truly appreciate the effort and time Dr. Fadzil dedicated as a Member of the Executive Board 2019-2021. WAITRO wishes you a happy retirement!

### **WAITRO** Secretariat

Xin Yao, Mona Kern and Linn Sommerhoff have left the WAITRO Secretariat, moving on to new career opportunities. We would like to thank them for their excellent work and wish them all success in their future projects! We also want to welcome our new members of the WAITRO Office Germany: Andrea Santos, Sarah Großmann and Karla Garcia. We are happy to have you as our new Marketing & Communication Team. Get to know our team.

That is all for now. Stay safe, members and friends of the Global Innovation Family. See you soon!

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