YASAS
THE YOUNG ACADEMIES SCIENCE ADVICE STRUCTURE

V4 meeting
27.05.2022, Budapest
SAM – Scientific Advice Mechanism

- Established in 2015
- To provide independent scientific advice for policymaking
- Group of Chief Scientific Advisors (7) + SAPEA consortium + SAM secretariat = SAM

How the **Group of Chief Scientific Advisors** works

- Societal Challenges Policy Priorities
- Request for advice
- Co-defined Scoping paper
- Development of scientific advice
- Expert hearings
- Evidence Review Report
- Better policymaking and legislation
- European Academies consortium
- Review of scientific evidence
- Expert workshops
- Proposals for policy or legislation
Science Advice for Policy by European Academies
2016-2020; ext. to April 2022

- 5 pillars:
  - Academia Europaea (pan-European academy), ALLEA, EASAC, EuroCase, FEAM (European academy networks)
  - Provision of science-based evidence to SAM (so SAM can provide advice to the Commission)
  - Optimisation of the mechanism of science-based evidence
YASAS – WHAT, HOW AND WHY?

- **YASAS:** to **include young academies in Europe as a 6th pillar in SAPEA+** (Science Advice for Policy by European Academies) from 2022 onwards

- **Process:**
  - Discussions among the young academies since late 2018
  - YASAS task force led work on the statutes in 2020 (approx. 10 academies involved)
  - YASAS Statutes signed by 14 academies on 2 December 2020 + Board selection
  - Later on 15th member signed
  - **May 2022:** SAPEA+ begun - consortium agreement signed
YASAS STRUCTURE

- European Network of Young Academies: 19 NYAs + YAE + GYA
- 15 YASAS academies
  Belgium, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Hungary, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Romania, Scotland, Spain, Sweden, YAE, GYA,
  ⇒ General Assembly (one standing delegate from each academy)
  ⇒ Board = President + four Board Members (elected by GA)

- YASAS is open for further (national) young academies from Europe to join
- Legal entity for YASAS => Young Academy of Europe
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SAPEA+ grant structure

- 32 months (till the end of 2024)
Objectives & Background
- To improve the involvement of Early- and Mid-Career Researchers (EMCR) in the activities of SAPEA and the Scientific Advice Mechanism
- To build a strategic network of EMCR organisations
- To identify hurdles as well as incentives for EMCR to participate
- To maintain and expand the YASAS network to other young academies

Work plan
- Initial Strategy to involve more EMCRs in SAPEA activities
  - Evaluate work up to date / map a network of relevant EMCR / Plan / propose targets for SAPEA, plan implementation and monitoring
- Report on hurdles for EMCRs to engage in science advice for policy activities
  - Survey on obstacles + best practices + literature on the topic
- Full Strategy to involve more EMCRs in SAPEA activities (issues / suggestions / stakeholders)
- Implement the strategy (internally - working with other WPs, externally - disseminations to stakeholders)
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**New Board Selection – Sept 2022**