

- You are part of another ERA-NET focusing on Environment and/or Health

Other ERA-NETs with a focus on environment and health are more than welcome get in contact to exchange ideas and look at possible cooperation. In this case, please contact the coordinator of the project:

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French Environment and Energy Management Agency (France)	ADEME	
Ministry of Ecology, Energy, Sustainable Development and Land Use Planning (France)	MEEDDAT	
Belgian federal Science Policy Office (Belgium)	BelSPO	
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## About Environment and Health

A majority of respondents to a recent European survey expressed concern about the effect that the environment has on their health. These worries are justified, as it is estimated that in Western Europe, around 20 percent of the burden of disease can be attributed to environmental factors. There is therefore a need to reduce the uncertainties about the link between the environment and health and to take action through protection and prevention measures. However, in order for these to be effective in the long term, cooperation must be improved and European research in the area should be driven by a common set of priorities.

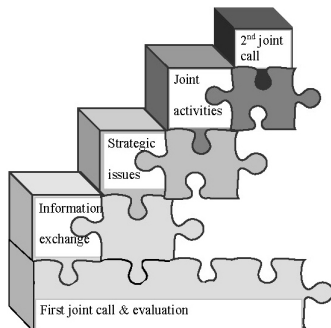


## Aims and Objectives of ERA-ENVHEALTH

The aim of the ERA-ENVHEALTH project is to enhance coordination of European environment and health (E&H) research to support effective policy making.

### ▪ An effective coordination mechanism

The ERA-ENVHEALTH project allows the implementation of a network between managers of research programmes. The objectives are to bring together, over the 4 years of the project, the environment and health research financiers and programmers to establish a lasting collaboration between the various organisations by sharing information on research activities and expertise, studying their results and methods, defining priorities for research themes and opportunities for cooperation and organising joint activities and transnational calls for research projects.



### ▪ Evidence-based policy making

In addition to the need for better coordination across Europe, the World Health Organisation (European region) and the European Commission have expressed the need for better use of Environment and Health (E&H) research results to support policy development, and to better anticipate issues affecting the public. ERA-ENVHEALTH is a contribution to the European E&H Action Plan 2004-2010, promoting the better use of E&H research results to support policy development.

Furthermore, the information generated by ERA-ENVHEALTH project is a valuable resource for stakeholders who would like to improve public participation in environment and health policy.

## Why join ERA-ENVHEALTH

The ERA-ENVHEALTH project started on the 1st of September 2008 and is currently in full development. The project brings together 16 partners from 10 countries focusing on E&H research and is looking at extending its coverage to get the best overview possible of E&H research in Europe.

If your organisation funds and/or manages a research programme on Environment and Health you have the opportunity to join the project.

- To extend your network.
- To take profit of sharing information and exchanging expertise with the partners of the ERA-ENVHEALTH consortium.
- To take part in the ERA-ENVHEALTH aim of improving collaboration in E&H research and participating in joint activities.

## How to join the ERA-ENVHEALTH project

### • Your organisation funds and/or manages E&H research programme

If your organisation is interested in taking part in the ERA-ENVHEALTH project, please contact the leader of the "Extend the network" task for more information on how to join the project as an E&H research funding and/or managing organisation:

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### • You are interested in becoming a member of the External Interest Group (EIG)

If you are interested in joining the External interest group to be kept informed of the progress of the project and maybe be called upon to participate in certain meetings and discussions, please contact the leaders of WP5 "Dissemination and Communication":

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