

**Agenda (June 13-14, 2019)**  
**7<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the RTO Performance Benchmarking Working Group**

[National Research Council of Italy \(Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche - CNR\)](#)

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**Objectives:**

1. **To engage participating RTOs to build a stronger network for learning and knowledge exchange** (for Round VI working group members and RTO International Network (RIN) guests):
  - *RTO highlights of their country environment, priorities, challenges, and recent changes*
  - *Including overview of one or two current initiative(s)/project(s) that have an influence on performance and impact*
  - *Discuss key topics of interest arising from the presentations*
2. **Discuss proposal for a Performance Benchmarking Approach for the RTO International Network** (for Round VI RTO working group members and RIN guests)
  - *Working with EARTO & making the transition*
3. **Review report findings with opportunity for questions, including topics raised in advance of meeting to share experiences and lessons learned** (Round VI RTO Working Group members who were part of the benchmarking report)

## DAY 1: Thursday - June 13, 2019

### RTO Presentations/Knowledge Exchange & Discussion of RIN/EARTO proposal

<b>Attending</b> (in person):	Dr. Yoshihiro Kamimura (AIST); Dr. Masaki Taniguchi (AIST); Dr. Zhenzhi Chng (A*STAR); Dr. Riccardo Coratella (CNR); Dr. Mario Coccia (CNR); Dr. Daniel Visser (TBC – CSIR SA); Ms. Bhawna Singh (CSIRO); Mr. David Tveit (DTI); Dr. Zehbour Panossian (IPT); Ms. Sophie Viscido (EARTO); Ms. Flavia Leung (NRC); Mr. Olof Sandberg (RISE); Ms. Tuula Hämäläinen (VTT)
<b>Teleconference/Skype:</b>	(Please identify if needed)

<b>8:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Arrival and introductions</b>
<b>8:50 a.m.</b>	<b>Meeting kickoff and welcome (NRC/CNR)</b>
<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>RTO presentations and discussions**</b> (all RTOs – 35 min. each ) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A*STAR (9:00 – 9:35 a.m.)</li> <li>• DTI (9:40 – 10:15 a.m.)</li> <li>• CSIR (10:20 – 10:55 a.m.)</li> </ul>
<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Coffee/health break</b>
<b>11:15 a.m.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CNR (11:15 – 11:50 a.m.)</li> <li>• VTT (11:55 – 12:30 p.m.)</li> </ul>
<b>12:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Lunch break (off-site)</b>
<b>2:00 p.m.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AIST (2:00 – 2:35 p.m.)</li> <li>• IPT (2:40 – 3:15 p.m.)</li> <li>• RISE (3:20 – 3:55 p.m.)</li> </ul>
<b>3:55 p.m.</b>	<b>Coffee/health break</b>
<b>4:10 p.m.</b>	<b>Future direction for International RTO Performance Benchmarking work</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Background and outlook for RTO International Network (RIN) and EARTO</li> <li>• Linkage between the working group and RIN</li> <li>• Discussion on options and transition</li> <li>• Future meetings</li> </ul>
<b>5:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Wrap-up for Day 1</b>
<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Informal dinner in town</b>

#### **FOR ACTION PRIOR TO MEETING:**

\*\* RTOs are requested to prepare a brief presentation (20-25 min) allow for a few follow-on questions. We suggest the following be included for coverage:

- 1) **Country context** (STI priorities, innovation challenges, policy directions)
- 2) **RTO updates, including recent significant changes and priorities in the coming year** (e.g., restructuring, governance changes, funding levels and directions)
- 3) **Overview of one or two current initiatives** (opportunity to share RTO work/practices/tools/ insights; and also leverage working group as a sounding board for feedback on respective experiences and discussion)

Please send to [Flavia.Leung@nrc-cnrc.gc.ca](mailto:Flavia.Leung@nrc-cnrc.gc.ca) by **Friday, June 7** to upload in advance of our meeting.

May 13, 2019

**DAY 2: Friday – June 14, 2019**

**RTO Presentations/Knowledge Exchange & Review of Round VI Report (2019)**

<b>8:45 a.m.</b>	<b>Arrival</b>
<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>RTO presentations and discussions (cont'd)**</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• NRC (9:00 – 9:35 a.m.)</li><li>• CSIRO (9:40 – 10:15 a.m.)</li></ul>
<b>10:15 a.m.</b>	<b>Review of Round VI benchmarking experience and report findings</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What works well (keep), what has worked less well and should drop (refresh in light of RIN proposal)</li><li>• Review of report by section – discussion of results/opportunity for questions, value of metrics, other ideas for consideration</li><li>• Missing data and follow-up required for final report issue</li></ul>
<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Coffee/health break</b>
<b>11:15 a.m.</b>	<b>Review of Round VI benchmarking and themed discussions (cont'd)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Continued review of results</li><li>• Themes/questions identified in advance of the meeting &amp; raised in review of report</li></ul>
<b>12:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Lunch break</b>
<b>2:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Discussion of RIN proposal in light of Round VI report (continued from above)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Discussion of details around proposal and options proposed</li><li>• Measures/scope/approach</li><li>• Key considerations to keep in mind for moving ahead</li></ul>
<b>3:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Wrap-up and Next Steps</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Follow-up actions for issue of final report</li><li>• Next meeting</li><li>• ISPIM conference</li></ul>
<b>3:30 p.m.</b>	<b>End of Meeting</b>