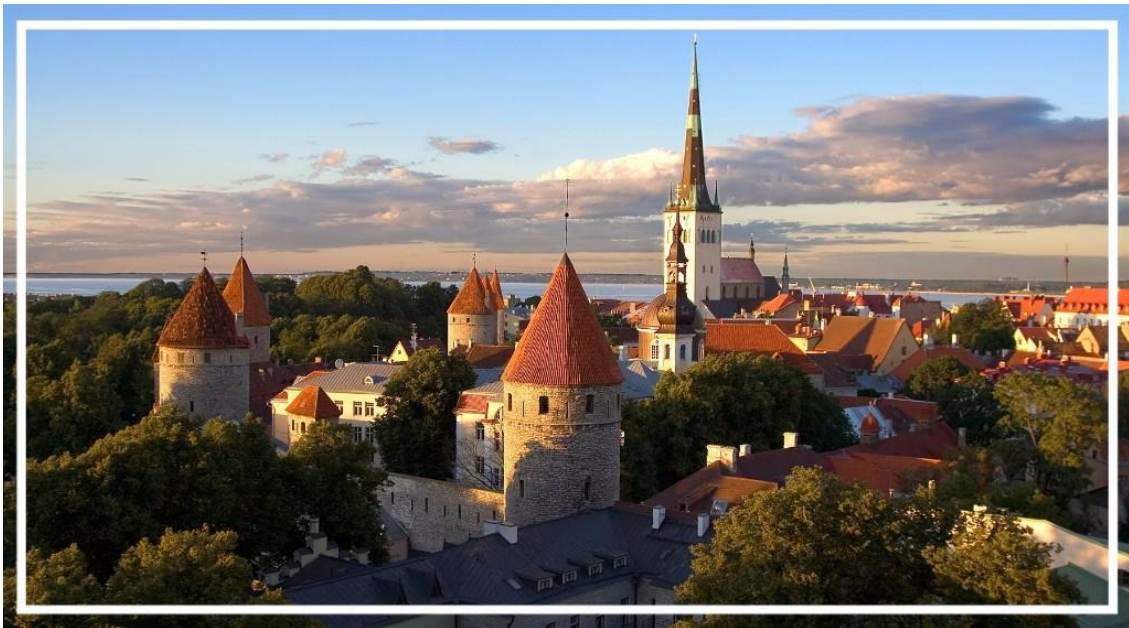


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## **13 & 14 November: ACSIS 2017**

### **ACCOMPLISSH Co-creation and Social Innovation Summit**

On 13 & 14 November 2017, ACSIS 2017 will take place! A 2-day working conference, organised by the European Horizon 2020 project ACCOMPLISSH, which is coordinated by Sharon Smit, director of Sustainable Society (University of Groningen).

**What: ACSIS 2017**

**When: 13 & 14 November 2017**

**Where: Tallinn, Estonia**

**Venue: Tallinn University, 10120 Tallinn, Narva Mnt. 25**

If different institutes want to collaborate in finding new solutions for societal

challenges the approach of co-creation turned out to be a very effective one. The European Horizon 2020 project ACCOMPLISSH works at finding innovative methods of collaboration and co-creation in the so-called quadruple helix setting, an ecosystem consisting of universities, governments, industry and societal organisations. This 2-day working conference gets into bringing co-creation into practice. This is not a talk-shop, the conference is highly interactive. Masterclasses, workshops, dialogue sessions and live co-creation sessions are part of the programme.

In order to make co-creation a success, active and symmetrical communication is highly important. Important first steps is to facilitate active communication and active listening. By using reflection methods and working with clear expression of expectations at the start of co-creation sessions, the more effective the outcomes will be. This deeper layer of communication is key to effective co-creation. Communicating to a wider public will be one of the highlights of the work session.

This 2-day work session will feed you with many new ideas how to co-create, with many new contacts all over Europe and gives you the opportunity to really learn how to co-create in an effective way in the ecosystem setting you as a professional or your organisation is part of.

- [Full program](#)
- [Register](#)



**PRESS RELEASE - University of Barcelona / 07-09-2017**

## **European experts re-think on the impact of research in social sciences and humanities in Can Jaumandreu**

This week, the Social Sciences and Humanities Park of the UB is holding the fourth official meeting for the European project ACCOMPLISSH, part of the Horizon 2020 program, focused on the social impact of research carried out in the fields of social sciences and humanities. This meeting, to be held in Can Jaumandreu, gathers twenty-five members of the project, coming from twelve different European countries, apart from members of the industry, governments and social entities. The Social Sciences and Humanities Park of the UB is an important head office for the project ACCOMPLISH and it will held its closing ceremony in 2019.

After a workshop-like working meeting during the afternoon of September 6, today September 7, the Executive Committee of the project will take place. The meeting was preceded by an institutional welcome chaired by the Vice-Rector for Equal Opportunities and Social Action of the UB, Maite Vilalta, together with the Director of the Sustainable Society of the University of Groningen and coordinator of the project, Sharon Smit, and the main researcher and coordinator of the ACCOMPLISSH UB team, Núria Serrat. Among the given

tasks to the UB is the coordination of the dissemination, which will be carried out together with the University of Tallinn. Apart from members of the Social Sciences and Humanities Park, the ACCOMPLISSH UB team has researchers from the Research Group of Teacher Training and Pedagogical Innovation (FODIP), from the Faculty of Education.

During her speech, Maite Vilalta highlighted the value of ACCOMPLISSH as one of the initiatives to make visible the commitment of the UB with the revaluation of knowledge generated in the fields of social sciences and humanities to reinforce the position of these disciplines and their ability to create impact. This commitment is also visible with the participation of a structure such as the Social Sciences and Humanities Park, which, as the Vice-Rector said, is one of the only existing places in Europe to act as a hub for innovation, knowledge transfer and research and cross and interdisciplinary training in social sciences and humanities. [Read more](#)



## First results of the ACCOMPLISSH project

On 29 and 30 May 2017, the ACCOMPLISSH group came together in Zagreb (Croatia). During this meeting, the Tallinn Media School created two short videos about the first results of the ACCOMPLISSH project:

1. *First results of the ACCOMPLISSH project* - What are the drivers and barriers for co-creation between the quadruple helix partners? How to understand research impact? In this [video](#), researchers present their findings as part of the

ACCOMPLISSH project.

2. *Reflections on the relevance and impact of the ACCOMPLISSH project* - What do you think is most important about the ACCOMPLISSH project, we asked several people involved with the project. Hear their replies in this [video](#).

Want to learn more about our first results? [Read](#) the publications and deliverables of Workpackage 2 and 3.



## Advisory Group

### Meet Christoph Köller - member of the Advisory group

The ACCOMPLISSH-project organized a steering committee meeting that took place in Barcelona on September 7th, 2017. I was invited to attend this event as a member of ACCOMPLISSH's advisory board.

Working since many years in the business of SSH knowledge transfer and being a member of board of certain SSH transfer projects in European countries I perceive the role of a board member to provide experience based guidance and to touch potential critical success factors of the project.

There is no doubt that SSH do have an impact on society and the economy, for instance analyses of the British REF may serve as a proof. But there is still a lack of managed, systematic knowledge transfer from SSH into non-scientific

areas. From my point of view, ACCOMPLISSH has the opportunity to build an European wide platform that tackles the issues on the SSH transfer path: lack of transfer potential knowledge, sometimes a lack of motivation of SSH scholars, lack of understanding of user problems that may be solved by SSH, just to name a few.

Having that said and acknowledging the meaning of SSH for the success of innovations in many cases, ACCOMPLISSH is of substantial benefit for European societies because it helps to explore and to use SSH knowledge to solve societal issues.

My hope is that the consortium – as it strived for in the Barcelona meeting – will continue to work on the development of solution and user oriented paths to enable SSH scholars to transfer their knowledge more systematically. Let's bring SSH scholars, projects, potentials users together in order to manage the impact of SSH.

### **Biography Christoph Köller**

*Christoph is a co-founder and managing partner of Görjen & Köller GmbH (G&K), a science consultancy company based in Germany. He especially supports research institutions and SMEs which intend to create impact of their research results in society and industry. He has developed and applied innovation evaluation and management methodologies as well as innovation processes which find widespread use by his clients. Christoph has conducted various projects in the field of innovation management and knowledge & technology transfer with major research facilities from Fraunhofer Society, Helmholtz Association of German Research Centres, Leibniz Association, and universities. He is currently engaged in projects focusing on the impact of humanities and social sciences in Germany and Europe. Christoph is frequently invited as an expert or speaker to workshops and symposia for innovation management and knowledge transfer, especially on the topic of knowledge transfer from humanities' & social sciences' research.*





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