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Update and workplan of the AFDGFoP

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Trusted science for safe food

AF DG on the Future of Partnerships: Timeline

Clarifying relevance to other initiatives

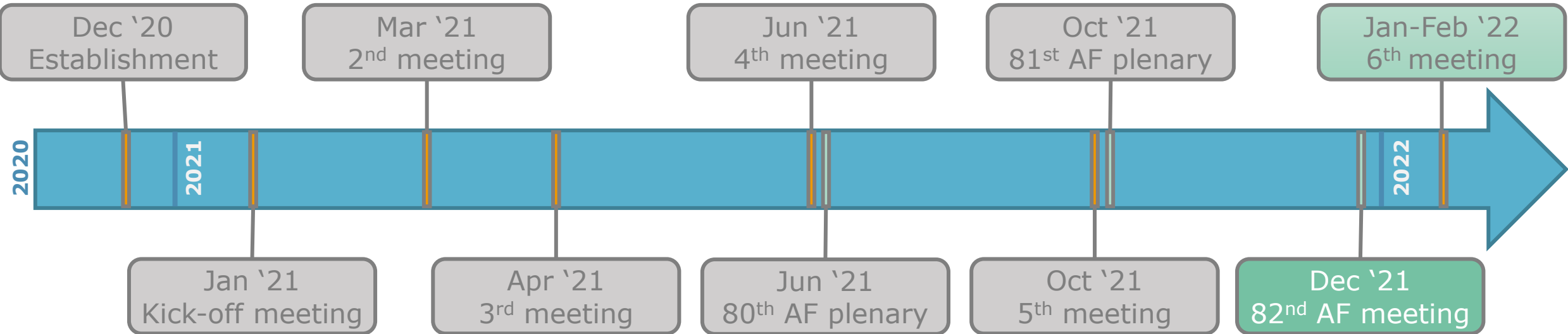
Map of relevant EFSA cooperation initiatives; FP review; Follow-up of Art. 36 survey; Terms of Reference

Value of the knowledge-sharing function

Explore cooperation models that could support Partnerships

Thematic Discussion on Partnerships

FP review



Clarifying objectives

Terms of Reference; EFSA's RA procedures; EFSA Outsourcing Task Force & links with the AF DG

The EU RA culture

Partnerships in EFSA Strategy 2027; the EU-FORA review; Feasibility study for an EEL; Promotion of MS initiatives; List of suggested actions

Update on the work of the Discussion Group

Opportunities of a digital ecosystem
Modalities that would be useful in Partnership projects



- MS willing to support the approach:
 - Interest in having multi-partner projects
 - Concerns on budget available and funding level
 - Interest in getting involved in the planning of work
- MS acknowledge the value of "ecosystem" interactions:
 - Potential for further use of national initiatives
 - Work on interoperability and interconnectivity is key
 - Several challenges need to be addressed, e.g. data quality, advances in data models, etc.
- Reassuring to note the support from the European Commission

- Focal Point tasks that will support Partnerships
- Processes/procedures to allow MS engagement with EFSA on the planning of work (RA mandate tasks or MS initiatives)
- Explore routes to provide additional support to Partnership initiatives (e.g., at national level or multi-country)
- **Additional ideas from AF members?**

Note: According to its Terms of Reference, the activities of the Discussion Group will continue until the 2nd AF meeting of 2022.



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