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EU MISSIONS



Concrete solutions for our greatest challenges

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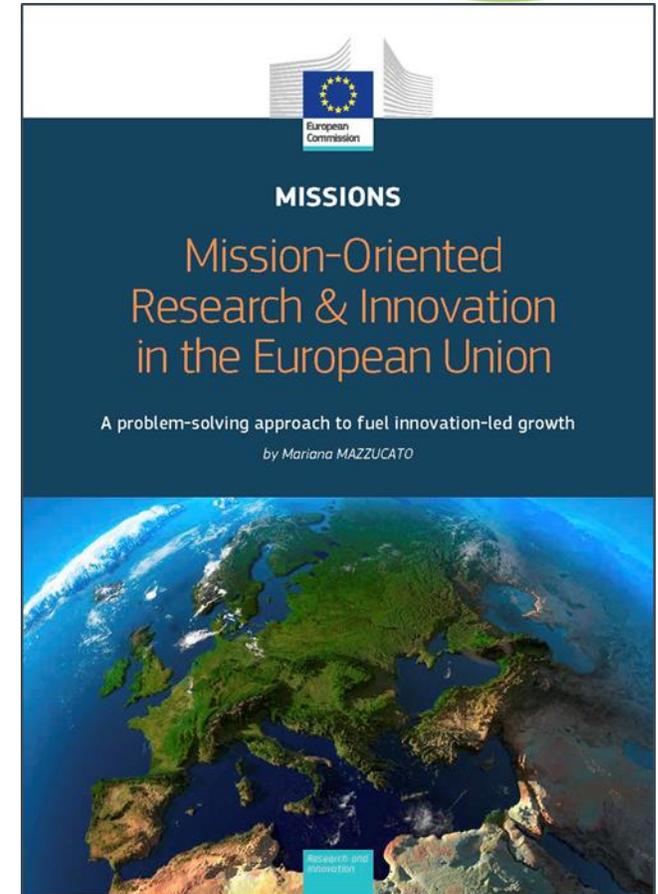
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What are missions?

R&I missions should:

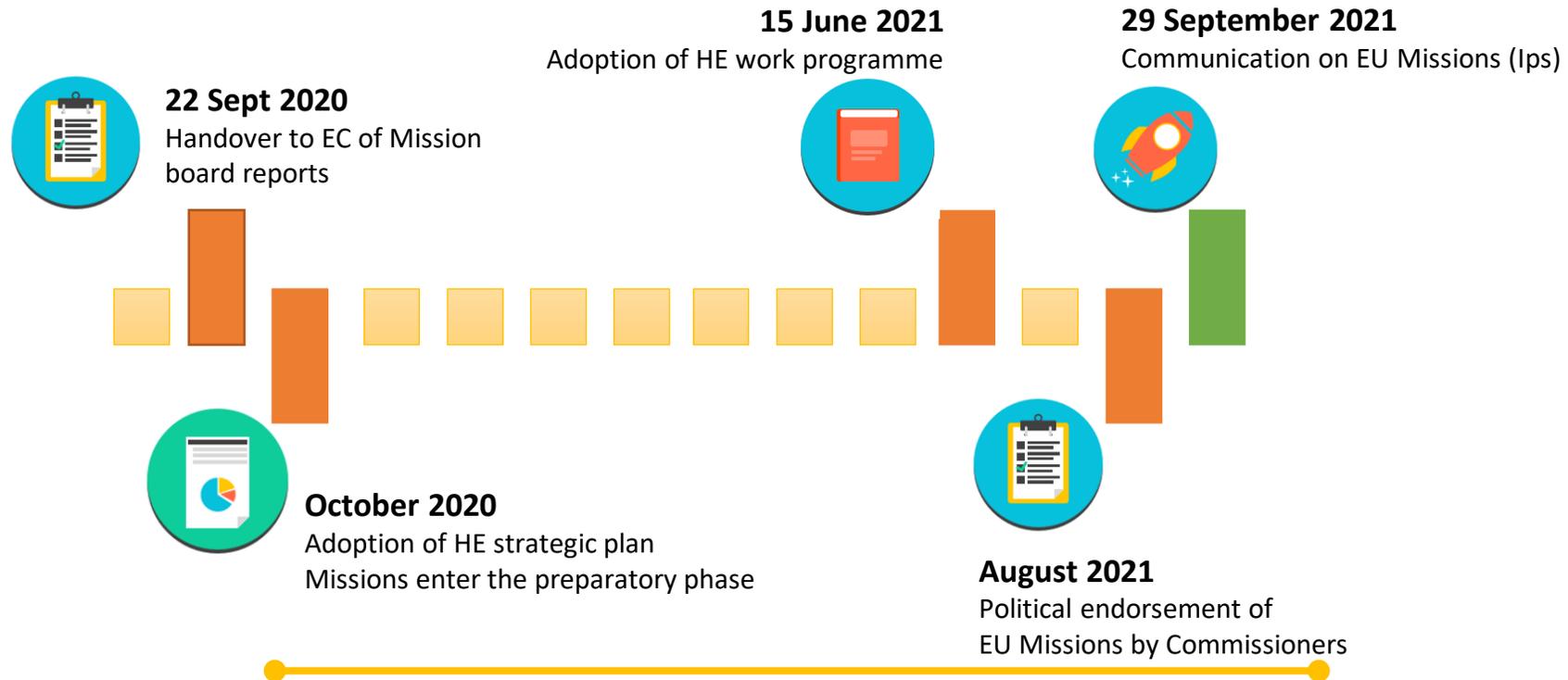
- Be bold and inspirational, with wide societal relevance
- Indicate a clear direction: targeted, measurable and time-bound
- Be ambitious but realistic research and innovation actions
- Spark innovation across disciplines, sectors and actors
- Be based on a bottom-up approach of multiple solutions



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Timeline - Preparations



Missions' preparatory phase:

Preparation of solid implementation plans

Preparatory actions in the WP to lay foundation for missions' implementation



Commission Communication on EU Missions

The climate and health crises need to be tackled in new and innovative ways

- **rooted in research and innovation**, aiming to address **societal challenges** and reconnect citizens with the EU
- directly **support EU priorities** such as the European Green Deal, Europe's Beating Cancer Plan and the New European Bauhaus etc
- across policy areas, fields of expertise and science, engaging with companies, local communities and the innovation community

Missions budget 2021-2023: 10% Pillar II HE ~1.9 billions





Five EU Missions

Support at least 150 European regions and communities to become climate resilient by 2030

Adaptation to Climate Change



Climate-neutral and Smart Cities

Deliver at least 100 climate-neutral and smart European cities by 2030



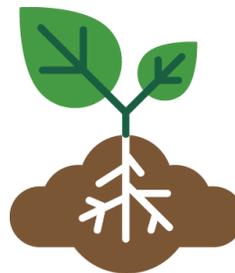
Cancer

Improve the lives of more than 3 million people by 2030 through prevention, cure and for those affected by cancer including their families, to live longer and better



Restore our Ocean and Waters

Restore the health of our ocean and waters by 2030



Soil Deal for Europe

Create 100 living labs and lighthouses to lead the transition towards healthy soils by 2030



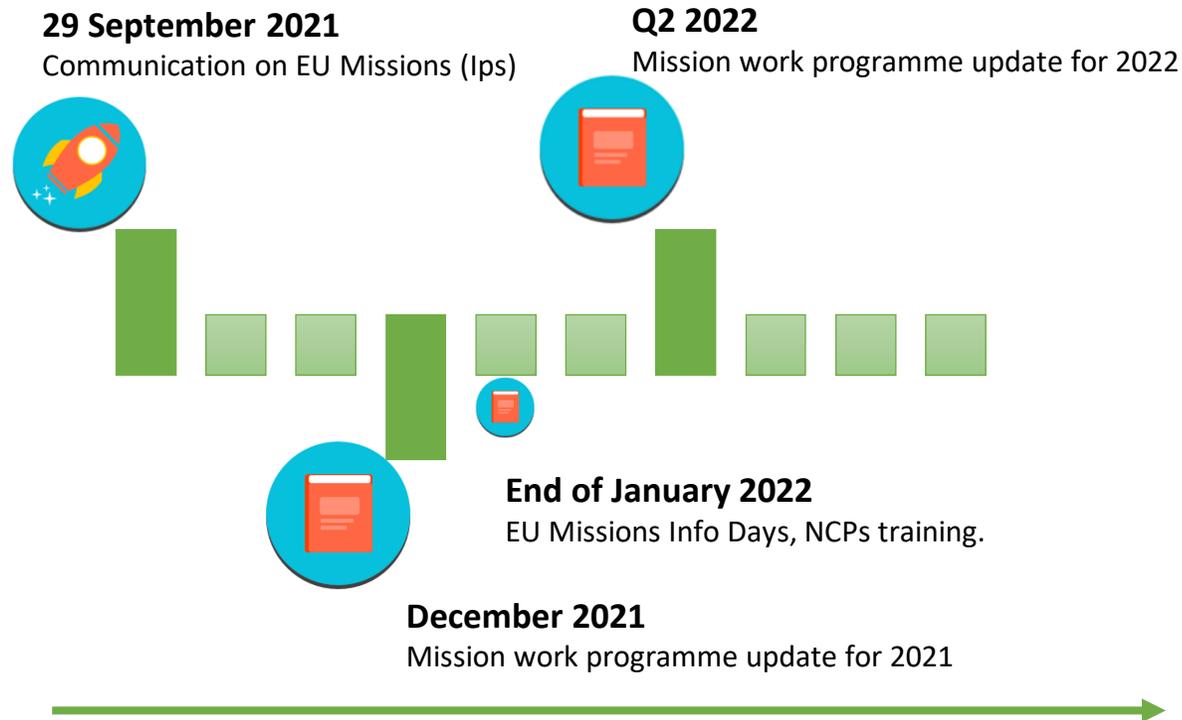
How will EU Missions operate?

Delivering impact through:

- *A new role for research and innovation*
- *An 'all-in' approach*
- *A new relationship with citizens*



Timeline - Implementation



Missions' implementation phase:

Two Missions work programme amendments (Q4 2021, Q2 2022) to start missions implementation on the ground.



Working with Member States & Associated Countries

- Strong support for missions already signaled – now needs channeling
- Missions' success depends on a combined approach:
 - compelling vision would be for aligning priorities and policies; joining resources; linking programmes; parallel actions
 - need also to maintain flexibility and retain separate domains of control – no one size fits all and limits to top-down mechanisms
 - could expect to see specialization by countries and clusters of countries



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