

# **D4.5**

# Virtual NRGC workshop no.2 and proceedings









#### Introduction

D4.5. summarizes the results of virtual NRGC workshop no.2 which took place on 30 September 2020 with a group of 32 stakeholders and experts from regulation, industry, NGOs and science.

The workshop participants reflected on four possible scenarios and different services of the future Council:

- (1) European Intergovernmental Panel on Nanomaterial,
- (2) European Scientific Advisory Committee on Nanomaterial
- (3) European Centre on Risks of Nanomaterials
- (4) European Roundtable of Nanomaterials.



# Summary of the discussion and results

Most participants in the workshop supported

- the idea of establishing the new initiative of NRGC.
- all four presented scenarios with its different services of the Council as valid suggestions.
- that the Council should have an official EU mandate to provide recommendations to the EC.



### Recommendations for a new NRGC Council

The majority of participants preferred the government-led scenarios because the Council could

- work more independently,
- would be financed sustainably and
- set its own agenda.

Some participants preferred the bottom-up approach with the Roundtable or European Centre, because it could better represent a diverse range of opinions.



#### Recommendations for a new NRGC Council

The participants recommended four main services of the Council

- Conducting research: should focus on interdisciplinary competence from health, environmental and social science
- Mapping: provide stakeholders with a platform for information sharing on nano risks and benefits.
- Dialogue: engage a variety of types of stakeholders on nanomaterial issues, initiate dialogues with them to form joint plans.
- Monitoring: take on a monitoring function as a kind of reflective governance.

