Abstract

EuChemS welcomes the notion of ‘Missions’ under Pillar 2 of Horizon Europe proposed by the European Commission. Applied correctly and in close collaboration with all relevant stakeholders, such missions can effectively allow greater involvement, support and interest in Horizon Europe by researchers, innovators, decision-makers and citizens. Moreover, if carefully implemented, research for treatments for diseases such as Parkinson’s, can be boosted and supported. But many aspects of Horizon Europe, from scope to budget to the role of excellence can significantly alter its impact.

EuChemS has put forward in its position paper eight missions, three of which are health related: healthy ageing, averting an antimicrobial resistance disaster, eliminating lifestyle diseases.