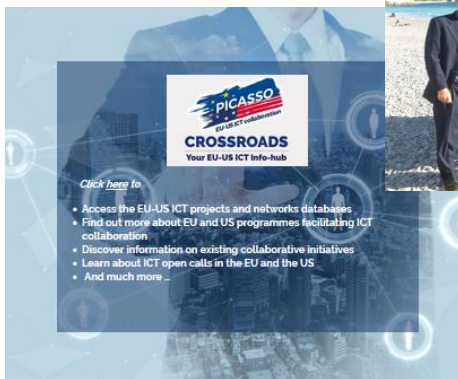*Project Factsheet N° 1 (Publication: March 2017 - midterm)*

The aim of the 30-months PICASSO project is (1) to reinforce EU-US collaboration in ICT research and innovation focusing on the pre-competitive research in key enabling technologies related to societal challenges - 5G Networks, Big Data, Internet of Things and Cyber Physical Systems, and (2) to support the EU-US ICT policy dialogue by contributions related to e.g. privacy, security, internet governance, interoperability, ethics.

The PICASSO Project can already look back on one year of project lifetime. Here are some highlights of our activities:

- The first Expert Groups' Meeting took place in Washington, DC (http://www.picasso-project.eu/2016/06/03/looking-back-on-first-picasso-eu-us-expert-group-meeting-on-20th-may-2016/)

- The report "Panorama of ICT landscape in EU and US" was issued (http://www.picasso-project.eu/2016/05/31/report-panorama-of-ict-landscape-in-eu-and-us-now-available/)

- The report "Overview on ICT-related access opportunities in EU and US" was published (http://www.picasso-project.eu/2016/07/11/overview-ict-related-access-opportunities/)

- The Call for Sessions: "Trans-Atlantic Symposium on ICT Technology and Policy: 5G Networks, Big Data, Internet of Things and Cyber Physical Systems for a smart society", Minneapolis, June 19-20, 2017" was opened (http://www.picasso-project.eu/2016/09/06/call-for-sessions-trans-atlantic-symposium-on-technology-and-policy-for-a-smart-society-june-2017/)

- The first webinar: "EU-US collaboration on 5G funding opportunities in Horizon 2020" brought together over 50 participants (http://www.picasso-project.eu/newsevents/eu-us-collaboration-on-5g-funding-opportunities-in-horizon-2020-webinar/)

- The first PICASSO Newsletter was distributed (http://www.picasso-project.eu/2016/09/30/first-picasso-newsletter-published/)

- The Webinar on EU-US policy recommendations on Data Protection and Privacy was organised (http://www.picasso-project.eu/newsevents/project-events/first-webinar-eu-us-policy-recommendations/)

- The PICASSO Report "Analysis of Industrial Drivers and Societal Needs" was published, based on the interviews with approx. 150 industrial representatives (http://www.picasso-project.eu/2016/11/07/picasso-report-analysis-of-industrial-drivers-and-societal-needs-online/)

- The first PICASSO Policy Brief "Privacy and Data Protection Issues affecting EU/US ICT development collaboration" was issued (http://www.picasso-project.eu/2016/12/02/policy-brief-on-data-protection-and-privacy-released/)

- The second issue of the PICASSO newsletter has been edited and circulated (http://www.picasso-project.eu/2017/03/02/picasso-nl-2/)

- The PICASSO Opportunity Report "Towards Enhanced EU - US ICT Pre - competitive Collaboration" was published (http://www.picasso-project.eu/2017/03/16/picasso-opportunity-report-published/)

The most important current and upcoming activity of the project is:

- **The** "**Trans-Atlantic Symposium on ICT Technology and Policy: 5G Networks, Big Data, Internet of Things and Cyber Physical Systems for a smart society" will take place on June 19-20, 2017 in Minneapolis, USA, together with the Expert Group meetings**: http://www.picasso-project.eu/newsevents/project-events/june-2017-symposium/ .
Sessions related to smart applications (smart cities, smart transport, smart …) or other PICASSO-related topics can be suggested.

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