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Dear Reader,

Welcome to ECARE's fourth and final newsletter, reflecting on ECARE's Achievements and Looking Forward!

As the ECARE project reaches its conclusion, we are proud to reflect on the significant progress and key outcomes achieved. At the heart of our efforts stands the ECARE Digital Platform, a valuable resource designed to facilitate collaboration and knowledge sharing across European aeronautics stakeholders. This platform represents a cornerstone for innovation, offering tools and insights that will remain accessible beyond the project's end.

Another milestone is the D4.1 Handbook for Synergies, a comprehensive guide providing actionable strategies to foster collaboration and ensure the replicability of ECARE methodologies in other regions and sectors.

The ECARE Stakeholder Group, with its 44 members spanning 18 countries, has been instrumental in driving the success of the project. Their engagement, expertise, and transnational collaboration have not only validated our approaches but also strengthened the foundations for future synergies.

While the project formally concludes, its legacy continues. The tools, resources, and partnerships established through ECARE will enable further progress toward a more innovative, interconnected, and sustainable European aeronautics sector. We invite all stakeholders to continue engaging with the platform and applying the project's outcomes.

Thank you for your support, collaboration, and shared commitment to advancing European innovation. We hope you enjoy this final newsletter edition and wish you a smooth flight through the highlights of ECARE!

We also take this opportunity to wish you happy holidays and a successful 2025!



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ECARE Stakeholder Group: A Dynamic Community

Throughout the ECARE project, the ECARE Stakeholder Group (ESG) has played a pivotal role in facilitating information exchange and co-creating synergies for European aeronautics. Led by the 4 ECARE partners, this group bring together 44 members from 18 countries, the ESG has contributed to validating and disseminating ECARE's methodologies. Through regular consultations and workshops, the group ensured the reproducibility of the project's outcomes. As the project reaches its conclusion, the ESG stands as a testament to the success of strong European collaboration and encourages the continuation of established synergies for a more innovative and sustainable future in aeronautics.





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Recommendations for Synergy Mechanisms

The consortium has completed work on the Handbook for Synergies, scheduled for publication in early 2025. The handbook provides a comprehensive resource, including:

- An introduction to synergy mechanisms,
- An overview of the ECARE ecosystem,
- A detailed pathway to synergies, featuring a step-by-step implementation guide,
- In-depth descriptions of 18 proposed synergies, and
- The "ECARE Toolbox," which compiles relevant methodologies.

To finalize the handbook, input was gathered from the ECARE Stakeholder Group through a survey assessing the feasibility and implementation potential of the proposed synergies.

The Pathway to Synergies serves as the core of the handbook, outlining six phases essential to establishing synergies. For each phase, the guide provides actionable steps, links to related synergy mechanisms, and illustrative best-practice examples.

In addition to the comprehensive digital version of the handbook, the consortium has also prepared a printed booklet. This condensed version highlights the pathway to synergies, making it a practical and accessible tool. The booklet is available for download here: https://ecare-project.eu/sites/default/files/2024-12/ECARE Booklet final.pdf





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ECARE Digital Platform: Open to all and ready for the future

The ECARE Digital Platform is now open to the public, marking a significant achievement in the project's efforts to foster collaboration and innovation within the aeronautics community. Officially launched at the 14th EASN International Conference in Thessaloniki in October 2024, this milestone reflects the culmination of extensive development and stakeholder engagement. Today, the platform welcomes users worldwide to join its growing ecosystem, offering free access to a comprehensive suite of tools and resources.

The platform has already seen remarkable growth and engagement. Registered users have increased by an impressive 230%, and database entries have expanded by 90%, reflecting its relevance and value to the community. These milestones are a testament to the platform's ability to meet the needs of funding bodies, SMEs, research organizations, universities, and other stakeholders across the sector.

ECARE's digital platform is packed with functionalities designed to empower its members. Users can explore extensive funding opportunities, access detailed research project databases, and connect with potential collaborators through stakeholder profiles. Two standout additions are the new smarter global search engine, which streamlines access to information with enhanced filtering and relevance-based results, and the dynamic Insights section. This space allows members to share research findings, success stories, and innovative ideas, fostering a collaborative and knowledge-rich environment.

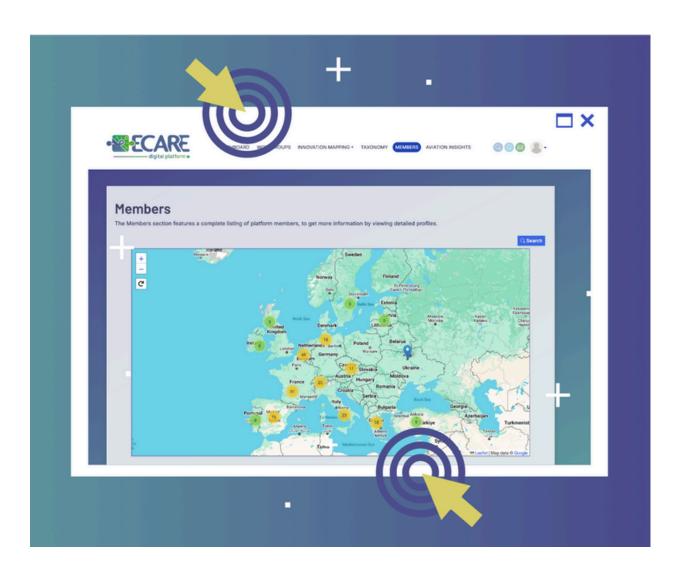
Continuous updates are a cornerstone of the platform's development philosophy. New features and enhancements are regularly rolled out to keep pace with user feedback and evolving industry needs. This commitment ensures that the platform remains a cutting-edge resource for driving progress in sustainable and innovative aviation.

Becoming a member is simple and free. By joining the ECARE Digital Platform, you can unlock access to its powerful tools, engage with a diverse community, and contribute to shaping the future of aeronautics. Visit https://ecare-digital-platform.eu today and start exploring the endless possibilities this platform has to offer!





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- ✓ The ECARE Project via partners Distretto Aerospaziale della Campania - DAC successfully delivered a an ECARE dedicated workshop at the Farnborough International Airshow from 22-26 July, 20024
- ✓ ECARE has been highlighted in two news articles published in the EASN's periodic newsletters in 2024. You may find here the <u>September 2024</u> and <u>December 2024</u> articles.



✓ On October 1, the ECARE Project was represented by Aerospace Valley at the InnoDay event organized by Aerospace Valley! It was a great opportunity to connect with La Région Occitanie Pyrénées-Méditerranée and Région Nouvelle-Aquitaine and discuss the future of ECARE and the potential of the ECARE Digital Platform.



The ECARE project had the great opportunity to present its newly launched ECARE Digital Platform through a dedicated webinar, organized by the European Enterprise Network (EEN). The webinar entailed a very interesting presentation delivered by the ECARE Coordinator, Mr. Benjamin Lopez (Aerospace Valley), followed by an engaging open discussion session, during which all 24 participants were given the chance to ask and enquire about further details on how to access and use this unique platform.







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- ✓ The ECARE Project was represented at the Summit of Aeronautics and Space of Bordeaux Métropole La Tribune on 17th of October, 2024 presenting the latest achievements of the project.
- ✓ The ECARE project has officially launched its highly anticipated <u>Digital Platform</u> during the <u>14th EASN International Conference</u>, held from October 8-11, 2024.

This cutting-edge platform is set to lead a new era of innovation in the aeronautics sector by revolutionizing how stakeholders access and manage public funding. Unveiled in a special session at the conference, the ECARE Digital Platform introduces a comprehensive solution to streamline and enhance access to European, national, and regional funding opportunities. The platform is designed to unlock the full potential of public funding, making it easier for users to explore and leverage funding resources that will accelerate the aviation industry's transition towards decarbonization.

For more details on the platform and its capabilities, please refer to the official press release, which is available in **English**, **French**, **German**, **and Italian**.

On November 27th, the ECARE project hosted an engaging and insightful webinar to showcase the transformative potential of the ECARE Digital Platform. With 70 participants from 12 European countries joining us, the event was a true milestone in our mission to drive decarbonized aviation in Europe.

















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The ECARE Project was honored to present at the <u>European Aerospace Cluster Partnership</u> (<u>EACP</u>) General Assembly in Aix-En-Provence, sharing our groundbreaking work and plans for the future! This Working Group is focused on aligning EACP SMEs with funding programs across Europe, paving the way for stronger collaborations and greater impact.





- ✓ The ECARE team took the stage at the Green Aero Days, showcasing the ECARE Digital Platform. The event took place 3-4 December in Toulouse.
- The ECARE partners had the privilege of presenting the project's foremost results at this year's Aeromart in Toulouse, emphasizing their shared vision for a sustainable future in aviation.
 - It was equally inspiring to see Occianite Region and Clean Aviation Join Undertaking unite to highlight their strategic cooperation toward achieving net-zero aviation a testament to the power of collective action.







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On December 10, 2024, the ECARE project and the Clean Aviation Joint Undertaking (CAJU), in collaboration with the SESAR 3 Joint Undertaking, successfully hosted an exclusive joint info session in Brussels. The event, which took place at the CAJU headquarters, focused on exploring synergies between European and national/regional research and innovation programs in the aviation sector. With more than 50 participants attending in person, the session provided a dynamic platform for collaboration and knowledge sharing among key stakeholders.

The info session was structured into two engaging parts, each emphasizing collaboration opportunities, strategies, and achievements within the aviation sector.

Part 1: Synergies and Regional Contributions

Part 2: Coordination and Support Actions



The event was tailored to a specialized audience, including national and regional public authorities responsible for aviation-related research and innovation strategies, managers and implementers of funding programs aligned with these strategies, members of the Clean Aviation and SESAR 3 States' representative groups, and representatives of networks supporting the aviation sector.

The joint info session proved to be a unique and impactful platform for exploring and strengthening synergies in aviation research and innovation. By bringing together diverse stakeholders, the event underscored the importance of collaboration in driving the sector toward a more sustainable and innovative future.



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Clean Aviation Annual Forum 2025 Dates are now announced!

Book your calendars for 18 and 19 Mach 2025 and grab the opportunity to engage with influential personalities in aviation, gain insight on recent achievements, and explore the future of the aviation industry, including the info day for Clean Aviation's third call for proposals!



Clean Aviation will launch its third Call for Proposals in February 2025!



The 15th EASN International Conference on "Innovation in Aviation & Space towards sustainability today and tomorrow" will take place in Madrid, Spain, from 14th-17th October 2025! This edition will be proudly co-organized by EASN Association and the Higher Technical School of Aeronautics and Space Engineering (ETSIAE) of the Polytechnic University of Madrid.





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