

D6.2 – INITIAL COMMUNICATION PACK AND PUBLIC WEBSITE

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Abstract

This report materializes Deliverable 6.2 of the ECARE project and provides details on the actions taken towards the successful creation of the project's initial communication material and the establishment of the public website and social media channels. Namely, the report describes the actions taken towards the creation of the logo, design of the leaflet and poster, in addition to the project set of templates for the Deliverables, presentations and internal documents (Agenda, Minutes of Meeting). Moreover, it includes specifics on the creation, design and launch of the ECARE public website and social media platforms on LinkedIn and Twitter. Both, the public website and social media channels, will be the main medium for the mass communication of the project's activities, achievements, latest news, and results.

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Introduction to ECARE and WP6

ECARE aims at clarifying the existing landscape of regional/national/European innovation roadmaps and funding opportunities for aeronautical stakeholders. It also aims to create complementarities and synergies between them to enable the European aeronautical industry achieve the ambitious targets of the Clean Aviation Joint Undertaking (CA JU) Programme while maximising public funding impact and efficiency. The ECARE project will develop and disseminate methodologies to create synergy mechanisms applicable to all EU aeronautical regions.

Specifically, Work Package 6 (WP6) of ECARE, was designed to ensure, inter alia, that ECARE achieves an extensive outreach in a strategic and targeted manner, as well as that the outcomes that will emerge throughout the project duration, will be effectively communicated and disseminated to all relevant identified target audiences, during and after the project implementation.

Deliverable 6.2 within WP6 aims to:

(i) create the project's unique visual identity with a set of dedicated initial communication materials and (ii) establish the project's public website and social media channels.

This report provides details on the actions taken and specific tasks realised towards the development of the project's visual identity and communication materials, in addition to the creation of the project's public website and social media channels. Each piece of publication presented here in this report, was first conceptualized, reviewed within the specific working team at EASN-TIS, and then consulted and finalized with the ECARE consortium.





Initial Communication Pack

Logo

One of the primary tasks undertaken within WP6, towards the development of an ECARE unique, consistent, manageable and visually appealing visual identity, was the establishment of a robust logo that exemplifies the project's overall concept and objectives.

Several different designs were developed by EASN-TIS and discussed with the ECARE consortium. The final ECARE logo has been unanimously selected as it suggests an "eye-catchy", graphically attractive and printable in various sizes (small, large), formats and outputs (grayscale and colour) option. Furthermore, it well represents the project's general concept in bringing the different stakeholders together i.e. Bringing the pieces of the "puzzle" together, to help in clarifying innovation roadmaps and funding opportunities for aeronautical stakeholders. It also highlights the aim of having a cleaner aviation in the future through the aeroplane moving towards the green colour. Additionally, it has clear references to the Clean Aviation brand.

Figure 1 below depicts the final logo of ECARE, which —since its creation—has been included in all project related materials and outputs, as well as has been the basis for the subsequent development of all other ECARE communication, promotional and branding materials. Thus, achieving uniformity and consistency in the project's image and further providing it with a unique identity that will be easily recognized and relatable to the ECARE concept. A complete logo package has been prepared by EASN-TIS and circulated to all ECARE partners, including the project logo in different file formats, different grayscale options and sizes for various uses.



Figure 1: ECARE Logo





Templates

The use of specific templates during the implementation of the project is crucial in having a standardised mode of communication throughout the different phases of the project, for all ECARE-related information presented and reported internally or externally, by all consortium members. These templates are to be used by all partners for Meeting Agendas, writing of Minutes of Meetings, reporting Deliverables and Presenting the project at different events and conferences, with the word format used for the first three and power-point format for the latter. These templates will ensure having a unified identity on all documents. The templates were circulated to all partners and are already in use.

All these templates follow the acknowledgement and latest visual guidelines and of the EU and CA JU.

Figures 2, 3, 4, and 5 provide screenshots of these templates including the Agenda, Minutes of Meeting, Deliverable, and Presentation templates consecutively.



Figure 2: Agenda Template







Figure 3: Minutes of Meeting Template



Figure 4: Deliverable Template





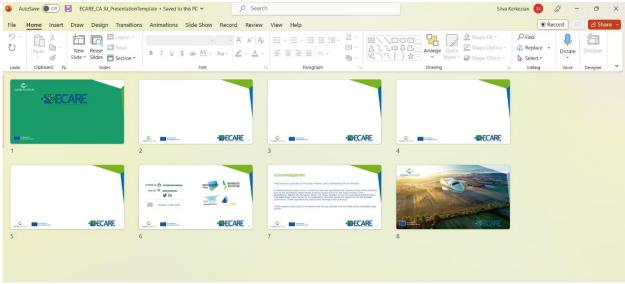


Figure 5: Project Presentation Template

Leaflet and Poster

The ECARE initial set of leaflets and posters point out to the fundamental messages of the project and support the partners disseminate the project rightly during communication events and outreach activities. These communication materials were designed and developed by EASN-TIS with the aim of promoting and clearly communicating the ECARE concept, objectives, methodological approach and expected impacts. Both documents summarize the core work and anticipated results of the project and highlight its utmost importance. The ECARE leaflet and poster will be widely circulated within networking events and conferences. The optimized digital version of them is available on the ECARE public website (dissemination page) for download. Both documents are designed in harmony having the same visual identity, and hence providing a unique brand indicating directly to the project.

Both documents follow the acknowledgement and visual guidelines and of the EU and CA JU.

Figures 6 and 7 provide a screen shot depiction of the project initial leaflet and poster consecutively.







Figure 6: ECARE Trifold Leaflet







Figure 7: ECARE Poster





ECARE Public Website

The ECARE public website is planned to act as a major electronic dissemination tool intended to facilitate the wide spread of the project's information to the various stakeholder target groups, including the general public, as well as it will be the core element of the project's external communication strategy.

The ECARE public website includes all relevant information about, inter alia, the ECARE team, concept and main objectives, work-plan and expected impacts. Additionally, it will be continuously updated with the latest news, activities, achievements, progress and developments of the project, as well as with produced dissemination and communication materials, such as the project periodic newsletters, leaflets, posters and public deliverables.

ECARE aims for the public website to be incorporated within the ECARE digital platform after the end of the project, so as to remain online and available.

The official registration of the domain name is: https://ecare-project.eu/. EASN-TIS provides continuous support in the development, hosting, maintenance and updating of the ECARE public website.

The ECARE public website was developed through the following main steps:

- 1- **Website content**, where the main relevant information, content and multimedia to be included on the public website were identified and extracted. This step is probably the most crucial one, as it requires an in-depth and clear understanding of the project, its objectives, work-plan and of the strong key-messages that it has to communicate to the various relevant target audiences.
- 2- Website design and development, which was accomplished in harmony with the overall ECARE visual identity so as to ensure visual uniformity and branding. The design and structure of the website is in line with the overall communication strategy of the project. The website is designed in a user-friendly manner, specifically for addressing a wide range of ECARE target audiences, stakeholders and endusers, including policy makers, specialised audiences like ESG members, European technology framework programmes and partnerships, local authorities and associations, Industry (including SMEs), European clusters and development agencies, research organisations and the general public. Special care has been taken to present information in a comprehensible manner, thus allowing access to the general public. The ECARE website is designed according to the "EU project Websites Best Practice Guidelines". All website tools have been tested and are supported by all major web and mobile browsers.
- 3- **Website review**, which was initially conducted internally within the EASN-TIS team, and then with the rest of the consortium partners, so as to ensure that no sensitive or fake information is faultily communicated through the website, as well as that the overall design, structure, features and functionalities of it, are up to the required high standards.
- 4- **Website availability**, the website is online and available to the public since March 2023 and ongoing maintenance and update is carried out by EASN-TIS.

Figures 8-14 provide different snapshots of the main pages of the website.







Figure 8: ECARE Website Homepage Top

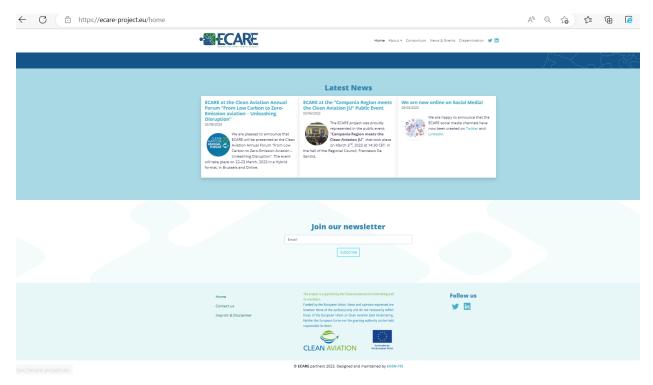


Figure 9: ECARE Website Homepage Bottom





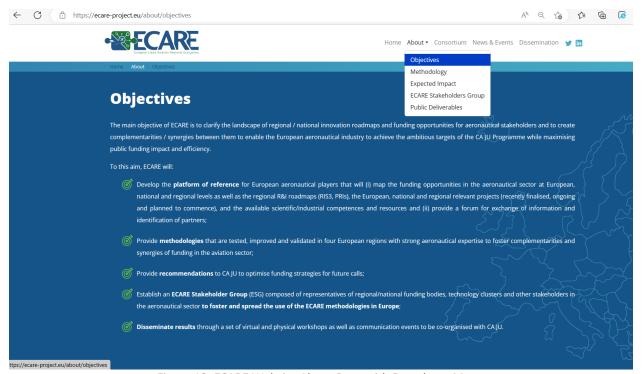


Figure 10: ECARE Website About Page with Dropdown Menu



Figure 11: ECARE Website Impacts Page





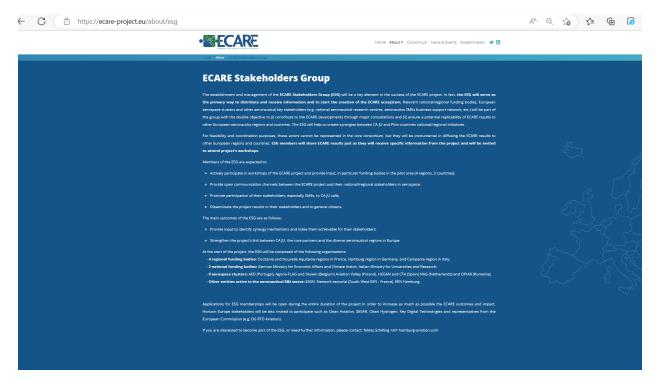


Figure 12: ECARE Website ESG Page



Figure 13: ECARE Website Consortium Page





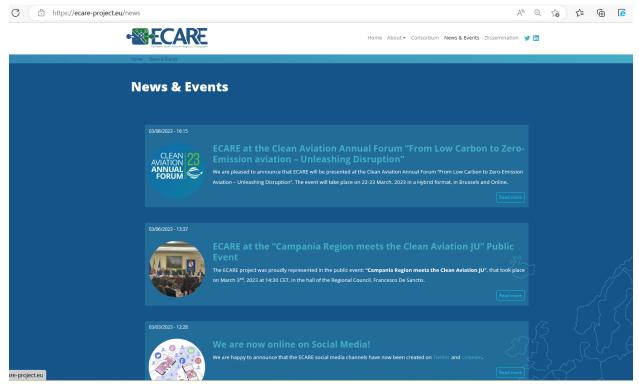


Figure 14: ECARE Website News and Events Page





Social Media Channels

ECARE social media accounts were created on LinkedIn and Twitter during the first few months of the project initiation. These platforms will be mainly utilized to publish, discuss and promote information, news and tailored key messages about ECARE to the wider public as well as present the impact and societal benefits arising from the project.

Besides, these platforms will specifically attract interest from professionals in the respective field, and eventually create a virtual ECARE community which will also be updated on the developments and latest activities of the ECARE Stakeholder Group (ESG).

LinkedIn: ECARE Project: Overview | LinkedIn

Twitter: <u>ECARE - European Clean Aviation Regional Ecosystem (@ECARE project) / Twitter</u>

Figures 15 and 16 depict the social media channels on LinkedIn and Twitter accounts accessible online.





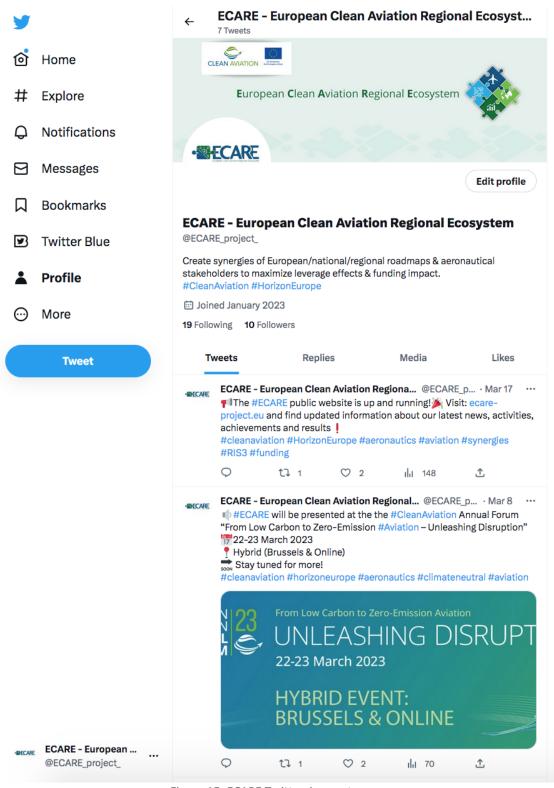


Figure 15: ECARE Twitter Account





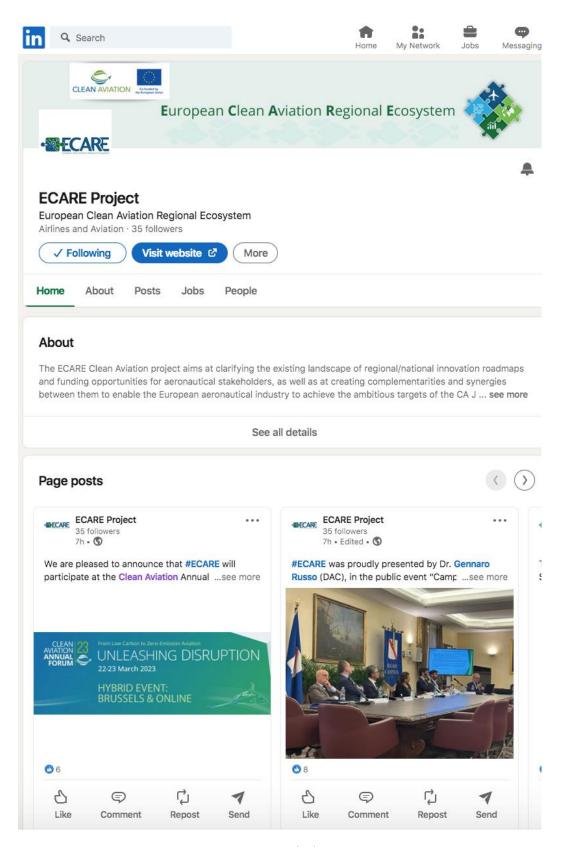


Figure 16: ECARE LinkedIn Account





Conclusions

This deliverable aimed at providing information on the (i) preparation of the ECARE initial communication pack elements and the (ii) creation of the public website and social media channels. These initial communication materials and activities will serve as a foundation to the overall planned communication and dissemination strategy of the project, as well as will ensure that ECARE has a strong, unique, consistent, identifiable and uniform visual identity throughout its entire development. Lastly, it shall be noted that the ECARE public website and social media accounts will be continuously updated by EASN-TIS with relevant latest news, activities, progress and outcomes of the project, so as to keep the targeted audiences constantly updated and effectively spread the news about the aims, activities and impacts of ECARE.



