# risk GONE

## **FAST FACTS**

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H2020 Project

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COLLABORATION 21 Partners from 15 EU countries and Iran

PROJECT COORDINATOR

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SCIENCE-BASED RISK GOVERNANCE OF NANO-TECHNOLOGY



The RiskGONE project aims to establish a pan-European nano-technology risk governance council equipped with a solid framework for risk assessment and risk management procedures for consistent governance of engineered nanomaterials





#### WHY RiskGONE?

Engineered nanomaterials are used in a wide range of products providing novel or improved functions and groundbreaking innovation potential thanks to their unprecedented physico-chemical features.

However, there is still limited knowledge about the **risks connected to the widespread use of nanomaterials.** Potential risks include those to human and environmental health. Their understanding by all stakeholders (including the general public, academia, regulators, civil society and companies) is pivotal for the **correct governance** of this technology.

This calls for a **flexible and robust public policy framework** that can balance between uncertainty, benefits, hazards and risks.

Such a framework must be based on scientific evidence supporting a **clear understanding of risks**, their assessment and management within wider societal considerations.

#### **OUR OBJECTIVES**

- Establish a science-based nanomaterials safety governance body, in the form of a pan-European transparent and self-sustained Risk Governance Council, representing EU Member States and public authorities, scientific experts, civil society and industry.
- Provide transparent and understandable riskassessment and decision-making tools based on a Cloud Platform.
- Develop a modular risk governance decisionmaking framework addressing different aspects of governance, such as socio-economic impacts or health risks among others.
- Produce nano-specific draft guidance documents to support risk governance of nanomaterials.
- Allow for smooth communication between stakeholders and civil society regarding what concerns governance of nanomaterials.

# PROJECT STRUCTURE & PARTNERSHIPS

The **project's activities** are balanced between experimental and theoretical work. RiskGONE will focus on:

- Risk governance framework and council
- Risk-benefit assessment
- Characterisation *in vitro* dosimetry and environmental fate
- Human hazard assessment
- Eco-toxicological hazard assessment
- Ethical issues

RiskGONE actively contributes to the activities of the Nano Safety Cluster.

RiskGONE is also part of a **cluster of H2020 projects** addressing specific support tools to better predict human health and environmental impacts of nanomaterials, as well as to guide the decision-making process, and the more holistic safety governance of nanomaterials.

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