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Technology Transfer and Innovation

Events in technology transfer and innovation field



Enterprise Europe Network carries out a variety of events to promote their activities to companies and organisations at regional, national or European level. The events provide you the opportunity to meet potential cooperation partners during pre-arranged face-to-face meetings, to present your business or technology offers.

Do you have technology profiles in the fields? Please contact office@ipacv.ro to support you.

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- 06 [Enterprise Europe Network Matchmaking at World Travel Market 2012](#) London (United Kingdom)
- 06 [Match-making at Elmia Subcontractor 2012](#) Jönköping (Sweden)
- 07 [Consulting Day South Eastern Europe: Your Chances in Hungary, Romania, Bulgaria and Croatia](#) Ulm (Germany)
- 07 [Company mission: A taste of Romagna. German & Austrian markets enjoy Italian food & wine specialities](#) Ravenna
- 08 [Technet nano Workshop 2012: Micro- & Nano-techn for Energy Effectivisation & Process Control](#) Stockholm
- 08 [Company mission at EIMA International agricultural & gardening machinery Exhibition](#) Bologna (Italy)
- 08 [ECOBUSINESS COOPERATION EVENT 2012](#) RIMINI (Italy)
- 08 [G-Star brokerage event 2012](#) Busan (Korea, Republic of)
- 11 [Israel HLS 2012, the 2ND International Conference on Homeland Security.](#) Tel Aviv (Israel)
- 13 [Company Mission to Electronica, Munich \(13-16 November 2012\)](#) Munich (Germany)
- 13 [4th Edition of Urban & Smart Mobility Brokerage event - Modilis 2012](#) Mulhouse (France)
- 14 [EuroTier Matchmaking 2012](#) Hanover (Germany)
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- 15 [CZECHBUS 2012](#) Prague (Czech_Republic)
- 15 [Healthcare Brokerage Event MEDICA 2012](#) Düsseldorf (Germany)
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- 21 [Technology and Business Brokerage Event within RENEXPO South-East Europe 2012](#) Bucharest (Romania)
- 21 [Eco-Match 2012 at POLEKO fairs](#) Poznan (Poland)
- 22 [Euro-Mediterranean Business Meetings ECOBAT](#) Marseille (France)
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- 22 [Innov'embre: Partnering event Research / Business](#) Lille (France)
- 23 [International Business Meetings CONTACT "denkmal"](#) Leipzig (Germany)
- 26 [Brokerage Event Pollutec Lyon 2012 "GREEN DAYS"](#) Lyon (France)
- 26 [Spotlight on Tech in the City](#) London (United Kingdom)
- 27 [Eilat-Eilat Renewable Energy and Innovation Conference](#) Eilat (Israel)
- 27 [AgroMatch Manure at Agromek 2012](#) Herning (Denmark)
- 27 [VINITECH SIFEL](#) Bordeaux (France)
- 27 [SYRREN 2012 - Super Yachts Refit & REpair Brokerage Event](#) Marseilles (France)
- 28 ["Mission for Growth" – Brokerage event at "CAT 2012" Business & Technology Convention](#) Tunis (Tunisia)
- 29 [LEaN2012 - International brokerage event on Logistics, Energy and Networking](#) Genova (Italy)
- 29 [Tech Industry 2012](#) Riga (Latvia)
- 29 [CeBIT Eurasia 2012 Matchmaking Event Istanbul](#) Istanbul (Turkey)

December 2012

- 06 [Brokerage Event on Water Technologies in 6-9 December in Bursa / TURKEY](#) Bursa (Turkey)

February 2013

- 19 ["HCJ Fair 2013" - B2B meetings at the hospitality industry tradeshow in Japan](#) Tokyo (Japan)

March 2013

- 05 [CeBIT Future Match 2013](#) Hannover (Fairground) (Germany)
- 07 [Iceland Geothermal Conference](#) Reykjavik (Iceland)

April 2013

- 11 [Biopesticide Market Opportunities](#) London (United Kingdom)

June 2013

- 12 [EEN Brokerage Event at "GR Business Days" in Luxembourg](#) Luxembourg (Luxembourg)

Useful links

[Enterprise Europe Network](#) [DG Enterprise](#) [EU-Services](#) [Portal-for-SMEs](#) [Your-Europe-Your-Business](#) [Cordis](#) [US-EU-match](#) [Executive-Agency-for-Competitiveness&Innovation-EACI](#) [EIM's Knowledge Web on SMEs & Entrepreneurship](#) [Access2Finance - EU-Finance for SMEs](#) [EU's Information Society: Thematic Portal](#) [Your Europe - Citizens portal](#)

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See how the Network's brokerage events work - in the short video shot during the global media tradeshow IBC in Amsterdam. See how Dutch entrepreneurs link up with business managers worldwide at a brokerage event organised by the Enterprise Europe Network in the Netherlands. Syntens & AgentschapNL organised an international matchmaking event, one of the most important events on the calendar for the global electronic media industry.

More... http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=fERuBYG7sWI

B2B & Brokerage event during the Forum for Innovation & Research Fair, Bucharest, Romania, 18-19 Oct. 2012

With the occasion of the International Technical Fair TIB 2012 and the Research Salon, AROTT – Romanian Association for Technology Transfer and Innovation and Enterprise Europe Network – Romania have the pleasure in inviting you to take part, in a **Business Meetings and Brokerage Event** as well as the **Innovation Forum**.

The event represent the main place to discuss, analyse the synergies, strategies, ideas on innovation, technology transfer, entrepreneurial formation, research, in benefit of the market. The event will take place in parallel with:

- TIB - Bucharest International Technical Fair <http://www.tib.ro/>
- Brokerage <http://www.enterprise-europe-network.ec.europa.eu/public/calendar/viewdetails.cfm?EventID=2249&type=future>
- The Innovation Forum
- Bilateral brokerage event Romania-Czech Republic

We kind invite you and yours clients to participate, specially if you have:

- Business offers or requests (for the sought partners)
- Offers of new technologies, inventions, innovations, that you wish to promote through technology transfer or require offers of new technologies, equipments to be promoted in Romania.
- Offers or requests for partnerships for the participation in European projects (FP7, CIP, Eureka, etc)

Whether you're interested in the latest trends in innovation, technology transfer, new technologies in the field, **technologies for maximizing SMEs competitiveness**, a trip to the **event** would really pay dividends.

The event functions as an interface between research, innovation and the market sector allowing new technologies, processes, patents and licenses to be offered.

You will have the opportunity to get to know selected partners during individual discussions, which aim to pave the way for future co-operations. During this Forum, industry leaders, local authorities and scientists will be strongly encouraged to share their expectations, exchanging knowledge understand the specific characteristics of innovation systems, and discover the best practices and innovations to be capitalised on as part of an original partnership-based approach.

We are looking forward to EEN partners to join us as co-organizers.

More information about us you find at <http://www.ipacv.ro/ro4een/> ; gabriela.canureci@ipacv.ro ; office@ipacv.ro

Brokerage event during RENEXPO® South-East Europe 2012, Bucharest, 21-23 November 2012

RENEXPO® South-East Europe 2012, International Trade Fair and Conference for Renewable Energy & Energy Efficient Construction and Renovation with Passive & Low Energy Houses, in Palace Hall Cultural Center, Bucharest brings together for the third time multipliers and actors from the south-eastern European area at a central event.

As a partner from the Network, IPA CIFATT - Research Development, Engineering & Manufacturing for Automation Equipment - RO 4 Europe, will organise a brokerage event on 22nd November. The participation is free of charge for all interested participants. We are looking forward to EEN partners to join us as co-organizers.

This event will add an extra dimension to the trade fair for visitors and exhibitors as well as for partners into the Network interested to promote collaboration with Romanian research or business representatives.

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Healthcare Brokerage Event, MEDICA 2012, Düsseldorf, Germany, 15 November 2012

The aim is to assist enterprises, universities and research institutions in finding partners in EU for product development, manufacturing, licensing agreements, joint ventures or other types of partnership. This Brokerage Event has a tradition of more than 10 years. It is the world biggest brokerage event in the healthcare sector. In the last year the brokerage event had more than 180 participants from about 25 countries with more than 700 meetings. **Why to participate?**

- Use the event to initiate new businesses
- Meet providers of innovative technologies from throughout Europe and beyond
- Enter into contact with potential partners for future co-operation
- Establish cross-border contacts for long-term business relationships

Target group: Companies, universities, institutes and other organisations from the health sector looking for commercial, technological or research partners from Europe and beyond. **How to participate?** Register/provide a profile describing either an offer or a request. All the participants' profiles will be published on the website of the Brokerage Event. Browse the profiles online, book meetings with organisations you are interested in.

More... www.b2match.eu/medica2012

22 tools selected for pitching at the Tool Exchange Forum, London, 18-19 October 2012

The event is an exchange and collaborative platform designed specifically for **Innovation-based Incubators, Accelerators, Science & Technology Parks, Entrepreneurship and Innovation Centres**. The Forum brings together practical **tools** and **initiatives** that have been developed to support the growth of international entrepreneurial players. Incubators' management, decision making/action planning, risk management, data management, project management, open innovation, crowd funding, business modeling & planning, innovation assessment, technology transfer, commercialization, soft landing management, virtual incubation, web 2.0 tools... will be at the heart of this 2-days forum.

- Meet tool' designers, listen to their arguments, view the demos, discuss how to acquire, adapt and tailor their tools for you and your companies.
- Explore collaboration opportunities with fellow business innovation facilitators, business developers, incubators...

More... <http://ebn.youreuevent.eu/>

6th NoAE Project-Day European Showcase for Ideas, Innovations & Projects, 17-18 April 2013, Duesseldorf

The opportunity: Ideas become projects, projects become contracts. Interactive program with plenum-sessions, [workshops](#) and project-meetings via exhibition-partner (country-pavilions, eco-systems, best partner)

Step 1: **Presentations** see: <http://www.project-days.com/index.php/presentations.html>

Step 2: **Changing ideas and projects** for cooperations – see <http://www.project-days.com/index.php/ideas-projects.html>

Step 3: **Innovations** for automotive, aerospace and transportation: October 2012 to March 2013

..... for the 6th project-day we offer **workshops** (like 2012 see: <http://www.project-days.com/index.php/workshops.html>),

showcases & marketplaces. We invite universities, small companies, also bigger companies for 4 different areas:

- Ideas for Projects
- Proposals for Project-Industrial
- Proposals for Project Industry-Science
- Proposals for Funding Projects

Feedback to the 5th project-day – a 6-minute-Video

from Romania: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=53jB5sbrHu4&feature=plcp>

More Videos: <http://www.project-days.com/index.php/videos.html>

All Workshops: <http://www.project-days.com/index.php/workshops.html>

More... www.noae.com; <http://www.project-days.com/index.php/agenda.html>

Technology transfer services / All reasonable models of co-operation will be considered

You are an inventor, do you have technology to transfer, do you have new products, technology based on innovations to offer; do you need new technologies, do you need technical assistance in technology transfer...

Please **contact** IPA CIFATT Craiova, e_mail: office@ipacv.ro ; web site: www.ipacv.ro.

Clusters

Competitiveness Cluster Forum; New challenges for the future, 22-23 November 2012, Sophia Antipolis SKEMA Business School, France

The Competitiveness Cluster Forum aims to address challenges for the future of clusters. The event will host as each year, many clusters and innovation actors. Some innovations for this 8th edition: a session on project presentations looking for partnerships, BtoB meetings with the participation of an important Tunisian companies delegation. The event, organized in plenary sessions will focus on several themes: innovation in 2020, the role of clusters in the smart specialization, economic intelligence, entrepreneurship and clusters, good practice in services, international dimension...

More... <http://sophia-antipolis.org/poles2competitivite/manifestations/8forum-poles%282012%29/an/index.html>

EUREKA Clusters Annual Report

EUREKA's Clusters are a success story. In terms of project funding they represent more than 70% of the EUREKA portfolio. EURIPIDES is the **EUREKA** R&D programme dedicated to Smart Systems, packaging and systems integration. These products are more&more part of our life, environment in communication (smart phones), automotive industry (electric cars), aeronautics, secure societies, medical, agro food, water, energy.

EURIPIDES stimulates and supports innovative projects aiming at the development of new products and services. Led by industry, these projects involve large companies, a growing number of SMEs and academia, from at least two EUREKA countries. EURIPIDES launches two calls per year in spring and autumn.

More... www.euripides-eureka.eu ; <http://www.euripides-eureka.eu/news/14/eureka-clusters-annual-report>

SMEs

EU-backed loans for small businesses

The EU supports financing for **SMEs** to help their business start up or develop. The EU supports SMEs through the Competitiveness and Innovation Framework Programme 2007-2013 (**CIP**).CIP funds are used to **guarantee loans to SMEs** provided by a range of financial institutions involved in SME lending. The CIP funds are also available for the countries of the European Economic Area (EEA). **Are you eligible?**

To apply for a loan, you need to be an eligible SME under terms that are defined for CIP by the EC

- Your enterprise has fewer than 250 employees
- It has a turnover of less than €50m and/or a balance sheet total of less than €43m
- Your business is considered an SME as set out in the EC's regulations. For information about the EU's SME definition, [click here](#).

If you are looking for information about other sources of EU funding, please [click here](#).

More... http://www.access2finance.eu/en/Romania/what_is_available.htm

Technology Profiles

Technology for web applications development, mobile multi-platform environment	Spain	OFFER
Green's Functions Computation	Spain	OFFER
Electric motor with supraconducting inductor to replace any type of conventional electric motor	France	OFFER
Self-service parcel delivery solution	Estonia	OFFER
A new biological water treatment micro-plant with fixed culture	France	OFFER
Electronic radar system with touch-steering wheel function to control/decrease the speed of vehicles automatically/externally	Turkey	OFFER
Innovative continuous temperature monitoring system, based on fibre optic technologies	Italy	OFFER
High performance frequency-assisted water heating device	France	OFFER
Modelling, simulation, optimization of power plant components, complete power plant processes with CO2 capture.	Germany	OFFER
Methodological platform for software development	Spain	OFFER
Ecologically stable and mobile system for fire extinguishing in closed spaces	Croatia	OFFER
PS - FP7-HEALTH-2013.4.2-1- A repositioned drug for the treatment of Transthyretin Amyloidosis (ATTR) ready for clinical studies and development of slow release formulations	Spain	REQUEST
Selective transformed Infrared for baking processes	Germany	OFFER
Separationless method for metering gas/water/oil mixture at individual wells	Russia	OFFER

Lait-X technology for crosslinkable lactic acid based biopolymers and composites	Finland	OFFER
Modernization of solar thermal collector	Russia	REQUEST
New biofungicide technology	Russia	OFFER
New material for heat insulation, composed of an aerogel obtained by drying of an organogel prepared with pseudopeptides	France	OFFER
Reinforced concrete wall between two insulating panels with ventilated facade	Italy	OFFER
Computational fluid dynamics (CFD) for optimizing industrial ventilation systems	Spain	OFFER

Intellectual Property ; Standards



Licensing IP - Virtual classroom lessons for business advisors

This series of four one-hour virtual classroom lessons (VCL) focuses on IP licensing practice and includes tips and tricks on many aspects of licensing, licensing contracts, warranties and performance and termination, law and jurisdiction.

Participants must sign up for the whole series, which comprises one hour a week for a period of four weeks: 12 November 2012, 19 November 2012, 26 November 2012, 3 December 2012. The tutor, Mark Anderson, is the author of the ip4inno IP licensing module, has been recommended as a leading individual for patent licensing by IAM Magazine.

More... http://application.epo.org/ipcal/i_event.php?id=11383

Standardisation as a bridge between research and innovation

At a time when Europe needs more innovation to remain competitive on the global stage, standardization can be a bridge between research and innovation, and provide a strong contribution to the creation of economic values.

The Innovation Union recognises the important role standards play for innovation, noting that standards enable dissemination of knowledge, interoperability between new products, services, provide a platform for further innovation'. Further to these considerations, the HORIZON 2020 proposal itself, seeks to introduce a "Broad & seamless approach to innovation" and recognise in this context the role of standardisation in supporting the market take-up of innovation.

More... http://www.wsstp.eu/files/WSSTPX0001/newsletters%20archives/2012/WssTP_Newsletter_October_2012.pdf

Registered IP, enforcement & IP deals in China, Strategy workshop for business advisors, 26-27 November, Munich, Germany

The EPO is organising a two-day ip4inno workshop on registered IP, enforcement, IP deals in China. Speakers include a representative from the Office of Harmonization in the Internal Market (OHIM), a member of a Beijing-based patent firm licensed by the Chinese government, who have also written some of the workshop materials.

Participants will be given access to the full suite of over 50 hours of teaching material on the ip4inno website, which they can use to deliver their own training to business audiences.

The material includes in-depth presentations, teaching notes, case studies, problem exercises. The modules cover everything from IP commercialisation and licensing to valuation and financing, patent information and IP enforcement.

More... [Register now for your place at the workshop!](#)

Research

Task-Force: "European Innovation Partnership"; Beyond FP7, towards Horizon 2020

The Task-Force will contribute to identify key targets and topics to be developed by the future EIP. In addition to its ongoing support of the EIP, WssTP organised a successful lunch preceding the first meeting of the EIP High Level Steering Group. This week saw the first meeting of the aforementioned Task-Force for the EIP. WssTP members represented in the EIP Task-Force met again around a dinner to further discuss the priorities for the future EIP.

It is through our continued efforts to set up efficient guidelines and vision to the Task-Force discussion that WssTP members can clearly contribute to this important new European mechanism for water research and innovation. To follow on this activity, please consult our Policy section with the main on-going EU issues towards funding water research:

More... [Horizon 2020](#) ; [EIP on Water](#) ; [Cohesion Policy / Regional funding](#) ; [Eco-Innovation Action Plan](#)

Updates, modifications in Horizon 2020 compared to FP7

Period: 2014-2020; Budget: 79 271 million; Horizon 2020 will be an integrated programme that will cover all research, innovation funding currently provided through the Framework Programme for Research & Technological Development, the Competitiveness & Innovation Framework Programme, CIP, the EU Institute of Innovation & Technology, EIT. The different types of funding provided by the existing programmes will be brought together into a single coherent, flexible framework. It will provide funding for every stage of the innovation process from basic research to market uptake. Horizon 2020 is the financial instrument implementing the Innovation Union.

Objectives: EU funding for research and innovation will be focused on three key objectives (Excellent science, Competitive industries and Better Society), implemented through specific programs and a dedicated financial contribution to the EIT. The primary aim of Horizon 2020 is to strengthen the EU's position as a world leader in science, to help make

Europe a more attractive location to invest in research and innovation and to bring excellent research results to market which will deliver direct benefits to citizens, such as affordable health-care, protection against cyber crime, the transition to a resource-efficient, low-carbon economy.

More... <http://www.eustrainingsite.com/2014-2020.php?id=106#euf> ; http://ec.europa.eu/research/horizon2020/index_en.cfm ; <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=COM:2011:0811:FIN:en:PDF> ,

Innovation and Entrepreneurship

Quo vadis emobility in Europe? Green Cities sitting in the driver's seat, Aachen-Munich, 26 September 2012

Politics and Industry lead European wide discussion about mobility in 2020. And all is about the number of EVs on the road. What about the cities? The cities are the most important and hidden factor. "mobilität morgen" (mobility tomorrow) magazine, NoAE, the Network of Automotive Excellence jointly present the first official bulletin of "NoAE GreenCities".

The content of "GreenCities in EU" reflects the result of the work of the EU NOAE initiative "NoAE GreenCities". In an issue with over 40 pages, EU cities, networks, clusters, companies, research centers report on their projects, innovative facilities, activities, experiences in the fields of future-oriented mobility, energy efficiency, as well as the efficient and smart use of new technologies. "mobilität morgen" publishes the special edition for the first time in English language.

[Actual Magazine - Free Download - http://www1.wi-paper.de/book/read/id/000093A00552EC11](http://www1.wi-paper.de/book/read/id/000093A00552EC11)

The NoAE GreenCities Approach is based on three stages:

1. Creating "connections" among cities, companies and competences (coming from SME and Universities)
2. Transforming connections to contacts
3. Creation of practical pilot project proposals

NoAE GreenCities is prepared to contribute to the Last call of the 7th Framework Program. Many of the players of these projects report within the magazine about their contribution to the future of mobility. The articles are organized in the following sections:

- Ø Introduction: content overview and how NoAE GreenCities works
- Ø Network and cluster activities: examples of running network projects and approaches to e-mobility
- Ø Cities: actual and future projects on mobility
- Ø Companies: state of the art, new trends and technologies for mobility
- Ø Opportunities from Europe.

More... <http://www.noae-project-days.com/index.php/news.html> ; www.noae.com

What must organisations do to be innovative?

Many organisations mention their commitment to innovation in their corporate rhetoric. What is the latest thinking about how organisations can make this ambition a reality, both in terms of exploring opportunities for innovative products and in encouraging internal innovative change?

- First things first, understand what innovation is -- how do you know if you are innovating? How do you know if, as the original question asks, your organization is being (more) innovative? It starts with how people think, what people do, and what new value is created based on what they do. This is the core (or, as I like to call it, the "root cause" of innovation). Once you confirm you know what it is, and that you can do it...then you can think about automating it, scaling it up, hiring outsiders to help reinforce it, and so forth. I am advocating beginning with a crystal clear idea of the basics first...before launching into any particular direction, choice of technology, or other strategic decisions.
- Use the design thinking process for solving the problems and providing the innovative solutions.
- Define the problem/ project based on the context and expressed needs of the user.
- Conduct needs analysis of the users (Action Research).
- Ideation: Based on the expressed needs of users, generate multiple solutions, brainstorm, collect the suggestions, plan your product. Develop prototypes with multiple utilities by keeping the end users needs.
- Formative evaluation on the prototypes: Based on the formative evaluation, you may end up with innovative product which the end user will get more benefits.
- Complete (manufacture/fabricate) the product, validate the utility, operation, conduct pilot test, refine the product. Mass produce and market. Conduct summative test by collecting the feedback from the users and do refinement.
- Periodically evaluate and innovate further.
- It involves recognising and integrating 4 types of innovative leadership behaviours.
- Create new value. Why make it any more complicated than that? An innovation management system is not a "must-have." It is very likely that it would help, but it's not the critical issue. You don't need tools, or methodologies, or training courses, or coaching, or anything like that. Before you launch into any new, expensive undertakings, you really "must" only understand how to create new value. Let that drive your tactical decisions thereafter.
- Get outside. This isn't a call for to get back to nature, or become an expert in biomimicry (although I'm a proponent of both) but rather to get outside yourself and your organization. Talk to people. Talk to NEW people. Talk to customers. Talk to non-customers. Make yourself uncomfortable. Surround yourself with new experiences. Break old habits. Turn off your cell phone. Have an afternoon beer. Write. Draw. Create. Break.
- Put the political game-players in a building of their own. Then Find some internal Translators in the organisation and get them to look for some Creators (inside or outside), then steal or productise their ideas to create new value, then sell it to a Navigator with a reasonable financial rationale, and when he or she has signed it off: find a Stabilisor to set up the machine to deliver it. Stop the corporate rhetoric.
- Develop and implement an Innovation Management System (IMS) thats a core function in the organization.

- An IMS (well designed/developed) has purpose/objectives, deals with behaviour / leadership and its not a distraction. Culture, Leadership, Resources, Processes, Monitoring & Measuring and Improvement
- Having a purpose and innovation behaviour is good but it will not get the job done. The same would apply to corporate safety, quality, security, etc. Developing/implementing an effective IMS kills corporate rhetoric, its a tangible commitment to innovation and when done right its sustainable.
- Developing new products is essential for the long-term survival of companies. The fuzzy front end (FFE) is the first phase in the product innovation process, is considered an important determinant for successful product innovation.
- This thesis addresses the social process in which individuals evolve a product concept in the fuzzy front end. In the FFE individuals must evolve a clear view of 'customer', 'competitor', 'resource', 'technical solution' aspects regarding the product concept before a go/no-go decision is made, the product concept proceeds to implementation in the development phase.
- The clearness required regarding these four aspects is acquired through the social process, where individuals think, act, and interact in relation to 'the self' and significant others.
- The social process in FFEs is addressed through three research questions. (1) how do product concepts evolve through the social process in success and failure FFEs? (2) how do uncertainty, equivocality, dissonance influence the social process when evolving a product concept in the FFE? (3) how do individuals cope with uncertainty, equivocality and dissonance when evolving a product concept in the FFE?

[More... Innovationblog-detail-Article](#) ; [The-innovator-s-got-to-do-it](#) ; [Sven Andersson Doc](#) ; [The-Missing-Dimension](#)

Partner Search

Partner Search from ENEA – Italian Agency for Energy, Environment and Sustainable Economic Development

Areas of interests: NMP, Transports (including aeronautics). Call identification (according to WP):

- FP7-NMP-2013-LARGE-7, TOPIC: NMP.2013.1.3-1 Safety in nanoscale production and products;
- FP7-SST-2013-RTD-1, (TOPIC : SST.2013.1-2. Towards the zero emission ship

Summary: Development) has a permanent staff of more than 3000 (scientists, technicians and administrative people) resources, distributed in ten main research centres. In addition to contributing to the advancement of basic knowledge, ENEA develops research activities aiming at providing support for public policies/decision making processes, contributes to the development of innovative technologies stemming from research performed in public/private partnership. ENEA has a long experience in European projects, both as coordinator and as partner.

The research group about environment of Research Centre of Portici (Naples, Italy) studies environmental impact from human activities and the new technologies for a more sustainable development. The group relies on a set of laboratories (around 500 square meters area in total) and employs a multidisciplinary working group (chemistry, biology, agronomy, geology, computer science, engineering and electronics) consisting of 13 researchers and 4 technicians, permanently employed. In the past years, the research group focused on the treatments of gaseous effluents containing nanoparticles.

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Partner Search from Romania for FP7-SME-2013

The aim of the project is to improve health services while reducing the medical costs by developing an advanced wireless integrated system (WISE-ON) for monitoring patients with oncological diseases.

WISE-ON will allow patients who require monitoring during and after hospitalization special care, to pursue their daily life activities. The originality of the idea resides in developing a prototype of an integrated system that will record and transmit the physiological data from patient to a medical service center and, using specific AI algorithms, will process this data in real time combining with information regarding patient health past and current treatment: to warn and suggest actions to the medical personnel in emergency situations or, to offer valuable information to oncologist for cure adjustment.

The consortium should includes partners with the following profiles: experience/background in wireless communications and programming, artificial intelligence, GPRS communications, database and portal management, hospitals/medical institutions with oncological diagnosis and staging departments, emergency hospitals/medical institutions, medical and biomedical engineering SMEs.

More...http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/page/capacities;efp7_SESSION_ID=htwwQyxhQRL9hkDFS7GG1kpJdDgv2vFq00G035mB0Yr5kQgS6x6K!-1314587855?callIdentifier=FP7-SME-2013

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FP7- Research for the benefit of SMEs 2013 - Open Partner Searches

PS ID	Proposal Name	Sub-area 1	Country
PS-SME-ES-2050	BreastPPM: Breast dedicated Platform enabling PET and MR technology	Medical / Biomedical equipment	Spain
PS-SME-ES-2047	Mobile-based service to offer retailers' customer enhanced functionalities associated to the purchase process	ICT	Spain
PS-SME-HR-1786	TBD	Aquaculture / Fisheries / Marine Technologies	Croatia
PS-SME-HR-2056	eVDyn, Electrified Vehicle Dynamics	Transport	Croatia
PS-SME-MT-1974	AIRFLOW - AIRborne Flexible Lab-On-Wings	Aeronautics / Aerospace	Malta
PS-SME-MT-2062	BRAILLEGLOVE - To develop a low-cost, lightweight and	Medical / Biomedical	Malta

	dexterous glove for Braille reading of E-Books through electronic haptic tactile stimulation	equipment	
PS-SME-ES-2039	INTELLIGENT PLATFORM FOR FOOD SAFETY IN AGRO-INDUSTRY	ICT	Spain
PS-SME-ES-2036	RESPOC: A cost effective, point of care (POC) instrument to detect Bordetella pertussis (whooping cough) and Streptococcus pneumoniae.	Health care	Spain
PS-SME-ES-2024	AGRO-SAFE	ICT	Spain
PS-SME-ES-2021	Automated Cloud Lifecycle Management System	ICT	Spain
PS-SME-ES-2018	BIORESIS, biomedical devices for recording and stimulating populations of neurons	Biotechnologies / Genomics	Spain
PS-SME-ES-2012	Development of clarifying technologies to be applied on restaurants and ready-to-cook food companies for obtaining juices and sauces.	Food	Spain
PS-SME-HU-2042	OPTIMALG - Development of a Complex Extraction-mixing Method of Wet Algae Biomass for Generating High Value Products and Sustainable Fuel	Environment / Waste	Hungary
PS-SME-PT-2009	CNPRINT: Inkjet printing of fabrics with colored nanoparticles (CNPs)	Nanotechnologies	Portugal
PS-SME-ES-1994	Development of novel cooking tools for improving the effectiveness and functionality of microwave heating processes: active packages and coatings.	Food	Spain

Partner Search Profile FP7-HEALTH & ICT from Spain

As you may know, ICT & Health calls from Cooperation Programme of EC is open, in concrete:

- **FP7-HEALTH-2013-INNOVATION-1** (deadline: 10/2/2012): [FP7-HEALTH-2013-INNOVATION-1](#)

- **FP7-HEALTH-2013-INNOVATION-2** (deadline: 9/25/2012): [FP7-HEALTH-2013-INNOVATION-2](#)

- **FP7-ICT-2013-10** (deadline: 1/15/2013): [FP7-ICT-2013-10](#)

If you will submit a proposal to one of these calls or are you planning it, you may want to consider cooperation or the work of **Innovaciones Sociosanitarias Ltd. (inn®)** and/or of one of the other two well-known organizations that we present to you too.

inn® is a professional consultant SME specialized in social and health-care R&D and in the design of business models, service concepts and marketing plans to provide expert assistance and quality services and products to elderly, dependent and disabled people and their informal caregivers. We have already participated in EU & national funded R&D projects/contracts related to the subject of the abovementioned calls (see on www.sociosanitarias.com). Besides, we could also make you come in contact with other possible interesting partners, expert R&D centres, companies and associations.

In particular, you may need the cooperation of Polibienestar Research Institute - University of Valencia, Spain, an interdisciplinary group specialized in research, innovation, social technology, technical assistance and training in the field of social policies. Nowadays, one of its main lines of research focuses on the new technologies applied to health and care assistance of patients and dependent people and to activities related with active ageing, such as studies and R&D projects on social tourism accessible for all and universal design of ICT. Polibienestar has already participated and leaded EU-funded projects. www.polibienestar.es

On the other hand, we have close contact with SEAS, The Spanish Society of Social and Health Care, which is a NPO aimed to address the protection and defence of the rights and interests of dependent people, their families, main carers, to advise public administrations and social and health care entities to these respects. SEAS has experience in EU Programmes as well, such as the 7th FP & Progress. www.seasassociation.com,

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research@sociosanitarias.com, www.sociosanitarias.com

Looking for european companies or entities (not spanish) interested in being "end-users" of a portable biosensor for measuring the presence of toxins in waters (partner for NMP proposal)

The purpose of the project is to develop multiplexed and portable nanotechnology based biosensor for monitoring the quality of environmental water in terms of pathogen pollution.

Contact: Fátima Fernández, Senior Researcher in Nanobio Area- Foundation R+D in Nanotechnology, Pamplona Area, Spain, <http://www.fidena.es>, info@fidena.es, fatima.fernandez@fidena.es

Partner search: Environmental monitoring, water distribution or quality analysis company

Hello, we are looking for a company expert in environmental monitoring, water distribution or quality analysis to join a consortium bidding for funds from the call FP7 NMP.2013.1.2-1 Nanotechnology-based sensors for environmental monitoring. The partner sought will provide samples from various sources and endorse the proposal as a potential end user of a new cryptosporidium detection technology.

Contact: Andy Hebb, EU Funding, Commercialisation of Technology, London, akhebb@gmail.com

Partner Search from Italy for FP7-SST-2013-RTD-1, GC.SST.2013-7-Technical & Operational Connectivity in Intermodal Freight Transport

The system proposed is intended to converge both to the vision of today's logistics and other relevant EU perspectives. The system encourages technological innovation, required by the EC, to support mobility and environmental protection goals in transport sector, through its enhancement, its always greater sustainability.

The study proposed aims to develop an integrated control system that allows to optimize the entire transport logistics process by integrating several technological platforms, such as: RFID technology, satellite radiolocalization technology and terrestrial/satellite communication technology. The system is intended for:

- item transport companies that need fast and quality transport services even beyond national borders;
- item transport companies that aim to maximize the load of their means;
- users who need to deliver goods (customers);
- logistics nodes to improve their efficiency in terms of planning, inter-change operations, etc;

Contact: Martina Romanelli, Aerospace and Defence sales assistant, m.romanelli@simav.it , <http://www.simav.it>

Partner Search from Spain focus on Water Treatment Sensors Validation, mainly big company or SME

NMP.2013.1.2-1 Nanotechnology-based sensors for environmental monitoring. **Objective:** The main objective of this project will be the design, development, large-scale manufacturing of a sensing technology to be applied as control in hydric resources. Several technologies will be developed, based on electrochemical, optical, mass transduction methods, all of them having the nanotechnology as the main common feature. Ammonia, pesticides, pathogens, hydrazine, heavy metals, etc. will be monitored/controlled using these sensor technologies.

Materials, detection mechanisms, design of detection chips, microfluidics, control electronics, power supply, and high-scale production procedures will be developed; all of them based on a Printed Electronics concept. The project aims to overcome some technical challenges such as a) the obtention of a highly sensitive and long life-time sensor technology, b) a reliable, in-situ measurement of some key-parameters, c) a low cost mass-production of such monitoring technologies, c) the implementation of the developed technology by end-users and industrials.

Contact: Germán Cabañero Sevillano, Parque Tecnológico de San Sebastián, gcabanero@cidetec.es , www.cidetec.es

Partner Search from University of Naples "Federico II" for the topic: ENV.2013.6.3-1 Turning waste into a resource through innovative technologies, processes and services.

More...http://partnersearch.apre.it/view_ps.aspx?id=210

Partner Search from a Swiss SME interested in participating in the current ENV call on the topic: ENV.2013.6.3-1, Turning waste into a resource through innovative technologies, processes & services

Planned project: Water-, wastewater- and energy concept for development of self-sustainable settlements.

Contact: Nanchoz Zimmermann, Autark Engineering AG, Nanchoz.zimmermann@autark-engineering.ch; www.autark-engineering.ch

Call For Tender / Proposals / Applications / Fundings / Awards

Network Technologies related EU research funding opportunities

- [FP7-ICT-2013-Call10](#) (Networked Media, & IoT, deadline 15 January 2013)
- [FP7-ICT-2013-Call11](#) (Future Networks, deadline 16 April 2013)
- [FP7-2012-ICT-FI](#) (Future Internet, deadline 24 October 2012)
- [FP7-ICT-2013-EU-Japan](#) (foreseen date of publication 2 October 2012)

Open calls for proposals related to innovation & competitiveness

Area	Title	Deadline	More
Metrology	EMRP call 2012 - Stage 2	2012-10-01	link
Environment	Expert evaluators Eco-innovation	2013-09-30	link
Energy	Expert evaluators for Intelligent Energy Europe	2013-09-30	link
Research	Eureka : Euripides call for expert	2013-12-31	link
Education	EACEA/21/08 Erasmus Mundus External Cooperation Asia Region 2008/2009	2020-10-31	link

Energy Call part 2 - FP7-ENERGY-2013-2

Budget: € 83 000 000 ; **Deadline:** 24 January 2013 at 17:00:00 (Brussels local time)

In order to receive a complete Information Package for this call, you will need to select the following elements:

1. The call fiche (only available in .pdf format)
2. The work programme (.pdf format)
3. FP7 factsheets in your preferred language - an overview of the basic features of this programme (.pdf format)
4. The Guides for Applicants relevant to the funding schemes used in this call (.pdf format)

More...http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/page/cooperation;efp7_SESSION_ID=0G2yQ00JZz7XqJb2GbRT1ynvfn84WT95dTzclDRdJpvMtqsnQT01!774768850?callIdentifier=FP7-ENERGY-2013-2

FP7-People-IAPP. Budget: 81M€ (Marie Curie Industry Academia Partnerships & Pathways)

For: cooperation between research & commercial organisations; Exchange of personnel, together executing a research plan. **What is FP7 People IAPP?** Industry-Academia Partnership & Pathways (IAPP) is a EU funding scheme that

supports cooperation between industry & universities through the exchange of staff, the temporary recruitment of specialists. **Who should participate?** Any legal entity, especially SMEs, large companies, universities, other R&D institutions. **What is funded?** Funding covers the salaries of the staff seconded, recruited based on their experience. The typical average project budget is 1 million euro.

More... <http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/page/people?callIdentifier=FP7-PEOPLE-2013-IAPP>

Cooperation between EU Member States under the Renewable Energy Directive & its interaction with support schemes, ENER/C1/2012/543, deadline 19/11/2012

More... [Contract notice: OJ S 191-313107](#) ; [Tenders invitation](#) ; [Contract service](#)

Notice of call for proposals with a view to obtaining grants for organizing dialogues with citizens & launching information campaigns on shale gas. Call for proposals DG ENER/C2/SUB/492-2012

Activities on EU level include three major studies the EC services have launched to assess potential benefits, impacts and risks of shale gas exploration and production in the EU:

- Unconventional Gas: Potential Energy Market Impacts in the European Union
- Climate Impact of Potential Shale Gas Production in the EU
- Support to the Identification of Potential Risks for the Environment and Human Health

Arising from Hydrocarbons Operations Involving Hydraulic Fracturing in Europe.

More... http://ec.europa.eu/energy/gas_electricity/grants/20120807_citizens_gas_dialogue_en.htm

Policy

Brussels sees gold lining in cloud computing

The European Commission released its EU strategy on cloud computing, which promotes off-site data storage in a bid to create new jobs and raise €160 billion per year in information technology savings. **Next Steps:**

- **During 2013:** Commission to carry out 'key actions' in strategy.
- **By end 2012:** EC to release progress report, assess whether further policy/legislative initiatives are needed.
- **By 2014:** agree with industry harmonized levels for energy consumption and carbon emissions of cloud services.
- **2015:** The new data protection regulation becomes applicable.

More... <http://www.euractiv.com/infosociety/brussels-unveils-cloud-computing-news-515057>

Programme for the Competitiveness of enterprises and SMEs (COSME) 2014-2020

The new Programme for the Competitiveness of Enterprises and Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (COSME) will run from 2014 to 2020, with a planned budget of €2.5bn (current prices). COSME will:

- ensure continuity with initiatives and actions already undertaken under the Entrepreneurship and Innovation Programme (EIP), such as the Enterprise Europe Network, building on results and lessons learnt.
- continue the many successful features of the EIP, while simplifying management of the programme to make it easier for entrepreneurs and small businesses to benefit.
- support, complement and help coordinate actions by EU member countries. COSME will specifically tackle transnational issues that – thanks to economies of scale and the demonstration effect – can be more effectively addressed at European level.

Objectives

- facilitating access to finance for Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (SMEs)
- creating an environment favourable to business creation and growth
- encouraging an entrepreneurial culture in Europe
- increasing the sustainable competitiveness of EU companies
- helping small businesses operate outside their home countries and improving their access to markets

More... http://ec.europa.eu/cip/cosme/index_en.htm

Is Europe evolving a new distinct sense of identity?

In February 2012, a conference was held on 'The Development of EU Identities: Policy & Research Issues'. The event, which was co-organised by the EC & Professor Robert Miller from Queens University in Belfast, addressed the extremely timely question of the development of EU identities, especially in the current context of financial, economic, social crises. The event centred on EU-funded research projects in the field of EU identity/identities and brought together researchers and those involved in policy-making at the EU level.

The conference addressed two main issues: whether there is a common EU identity or several diverging EU identities emerging; and what are the policy and research implications the development of a EU identity/EU identities for the EU.

The conference was followed up with a Policy Review publication, entitled 'The development of EU Identity/identities: unfinished business', which includes compilations of twenty ongoing, or recently completed, EC-funded projects.

Professor Miller also coordinates the FP7 EUROIDENTITIES project, which will publish the core book of its findings 'The Evolution of EU Identities: Biographical approaches' this summer. EUROIDENTITIES attempted to gain 'bottom-up' insights into the extent to which a sense of being 'EU' was developing among the citizens of the continent of Europe.

More... includes the Policy Review: http://ec.europa.eu/research/social-sciences/events-194_en.html

Events

Europe INNOVA 2012 Conference, Copenhagen, Denmark, 23-24 October 2012

Europe needs a better innovation policy. Europe INNOVA 2012 will pursue what is often challenging routes to success for innovation policies and innovation projects:

- How do we make better SME innovation support programmes?
- How do we make the perfect cluster programme?
- How do we optimize the impact of investments in innovation and research?
- What made the success happen? Was it just good luck - or is there a lesson to be learned?
- Did the innovation programmes make a difference, or did the success happen in spite of the programme, the policy maker?
- Can we still find any footprints of some of the 300,000 projects which have been initiated in EU during the past decade?

The conference will pursue the answers to such questions by interviewing, testing, discussing, in effect paving the way to a common understanding of which steps to choose next.

Participants should have the best opportunities possible for networking and exchanging their knowledge and experience. There is a large Innovation Gallery as well as staffed stress test laboratories where you can test your own programmes and policies. A new generation of "self-assessment tools" for innovation policy makers, SME programme owners, cluster programme owners, cluster managers and evaluators will be available and demonstrated.

You will have the possibility to book time for testing your own SMV programmes, cluster programmes, innovation system, cluster organisation etc. You can also get guidance how to make the best impact study or evaluation of your innovation programme. [Ten Conference Dogma Rules](#) developed exclusively for Europe INNOVA 2012 guarantee participants a mind-blowing conference experience.

[More... conference web site](#) ; [Register](#)

4th EUROMED Conference on Cultural Heritage, 29 October - 3 November 2012, Limassol, Cyprus

We will have the opportunity to meet and to exchange our experiences of Cultural Heritage research as well as current and future worldwide developments in this area. This conference –which will be held during the Cypriot Presidency of the Council of the EU - will focus on innovative technologies, tools, best practices for assessment and analysis of risks and damages, conservation and restoration of the various forms of tangible heritage.

These include buildings, monuments, collections, museums, libraries, conservation of archaeological sites while being, for the first time, closely associated with the ambitious challenge of digitisation of cultural and heritage contents. Overall, the conference aims to connect research projects and activities, facilitate the dissemination of research outcomes, make use of results from all stakeholders at regional, national, international levels, while reinforcing, among others, the Joint Programming Initiative on "Cultural Heritage & Global change: a new challenge for EU".

[More...http://ec.europa.eu/research/index.cfm?pg=conferences&eventcode=2B39E60C-BEEB-2ED8-D3C3B7D3B6200A81](http://ec.europa.eu/research/index.cfm?pg=conferences&eventcode=2B39E60C-BEEB-2ED8-D3C3B7D3B6200A81)

Brussels Innova Fair and Eureka Competition, Brussels Expo, 15-17 November 2012

Brussels Innova is an international exhibition promoting innovation, research and new technologies. Futuristic innovations, daily life innovations gadgets, original prototypes, a travelling exhibition or didactic workshop, young starters, success stories, ...share your know-how on innovation with the visitors of Brussels Innova!

Brussels Innova assembles the drivers of tomorrow's economic development from across our continent/beyond, giving them the visibility they deserve and thus accommodating all potential regional contacts in terms of:

- venture capital & business angels
- technological partnership
- access to subsidies
- other public aid
- legal aid and protection for intellectual property
- coaching,
- distribution,
- sub-contractor production,

You have 2 possibilities: We shall be giving you the opportunity to participate free of charge in one of two key areas: 'The Innovation Avenue' or 'The Starters Avenue'. The first will be devoted to ingenious/playful inventions, while the second is geared more to innovative start-ups. Participation in one of these areas will be decided **on a selective basis**.

[More... http://www.brussels-innova.com/](http://www.brussels-innova.com/) ; [Download here](#) registration form and send to contact@brussels-innova.com

1st Annual Forum of the EU Strategy for the Danube Region, 27-28 November 2012, Regensburg, Germany

The first Annual Forum of the EU Strategy for the Danube Region will gather a wide audience comprising: representatives from the EU institutions and bodies, relevant international organisations, national ministries, regional/local authorities; as well as representatives from the business sector (chambers of commerce, trade unions, companies, etc.), the academia (universities & research centres), civil society (NGOs, cultural organisations, etc.), all relevant stakeholders, in order to have a broad discussion, about the state of play, further steps in relation to the EU Strategy for the Danube Region.

[More... http://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/conferences/agenda/index_en.cfm](http://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/conferences/agenda/index_en.cfm)

International conference on Intrapreneurship, 13 December, Paris, France

As many European companies struggle to increase their innovation outputs, offering employees freedom to behave like entrepreneurs unleashes the creative potential of the company and translates it into new business opportunities. Microsoft in the US, Alcatel-Lucent, in France, or Mondragon, in Spain, for instance, have already developed successful intrapreneurial programs. Representatives from those companies will share their experience and key lessons learnt at the intrapreneurship conference. A former employee of the 3M group, one of the most "intrapreneurial companies" in the world, will share with the audience the outlook from the intrapreneur's perspective.

Finally, some of the best experts in the field of intrapreneurship will analyze the key success factors of intrapreneurship and will pinpoint the pitfalls to avoid in order to achieve valuable results that are beneficial for all involved parties. The Intrapreneurship Conference will bring together thinkers, policy makers, HR specialists, innovation managers, in addition to all those interested in uncovering the real potential of intrapreneurship in Europe.

More... <http://www.intrapreneurshipconference.com/>

The European Nuclear Conference, 9 -12 December 2012, Manchester, UK

ENC 2012, the European Forum to discuss Nuclear Technology Issues, Opportunities & Challenges, is expected to attract more than 800 nuclear professionals and will feature an extensive parallel Industry Exhibition that covers over 2000m². A unique networking opportunity for professionals in the nuclear sector. Parallel Sessions will revolve around Nuclear New Build, Fuel Cycle, Plant Operations, Research Reactors, End of Use, Reactor Technologies, Nuclear Education&Training, Nuclear in Life Sciences and Nuclear in Civil Society. ENC 2012 will be a real platform for the nuclear community to share their experience and to learn about the latest developments in nuclear!

More... www.enc-2012.org

3rd Symposium Small PV-Applications; Rural Electrification & Commercial Use, 17-18 June 2013, Ulm, Germany

1. Electricity supply for remote rural households away from the national grid (Solar Home Systems)
2. Provision of electricity to public institutions such as schools, clinics, churches, mosques, temples, administration offices, water pumping systems or street lighting
3. Electricity for industrial use and income generating infrastructure (telecommunication equipment, grain milling, welding, food preservation, meteorological stations or remote sensing)
4. New concepts for integrated "over-the-counter PV products" often called "pico-systems" (solar lanterns, solar radios, mobile phone chargers, etc.)
5. Electricity supply for urban households as backup to increase reliability
6. Components such as charge controllers and batteries or other alternatives for energy storage
7. Policy, financial aspects, market development for off-grid PV-gov. programs, incentives, testing facilities, etc

More... www.otti.de/en/home.html ; [Leaflet for special subjects](#) ; gabriele.struthoff-mueller@otti.de

1st FAB/FCI Forum on the Bioeconomy - Food, Wellbeing & Environment - Bridging science, industry by knowledge transfer, 11-12 October 2012, Brussels

Food, agriculture and bio economy (FAB) are of raising concern for the EU. The 1st FAB/FCI Forum adapts these topics and focuses on strengthening the EU bio economy, industry by knowledge transfer adequate to the requirements of industrial stakeholders. The FAB Industry Forum will focus on bridging science, industry by knowledge transfer, with participation of high-profile scientists, EC, MEPs, Food Industry, SME associations, project coordinators.

Specific themes include nutrition, well-being, environment, technology transfer of innovative solutions in bio economy. The 1st day will be on "outlooks for bio economy research" while the 2nd day will deal with "capacities in the sector – SME participation, communication of research results".

The event will be held during the Brussels-based OPEN DAYS, 8-11 October 2012.

The Forum is supported by the EU's FP7, it is organised by the CommNet network, communicating the bio economy, together with the Food Cluster Initiative, which joins regional food, bio-projects in the European Research Area.

More... <http://ec.europa.eu/research/index.cfm?pg=conferences&eventcode=21CC905F-CC63-6DF7-ADC14E7C95123065>

Training Events / Jobs

Calendar of training courses in nanoscience and electronics

[Conception de systèmes mécaniques: Dynamique](#) 03.10.2012, Neuchâtel, Switzerland

[Labs-on-Chip Technologies: Basics and Applications](#) 04-05.10.2012 Barcelona, Spain

[Polymer Microfabrication \(1 day\)](#) 08.10.2012 Neuchâtel, Switzerland

[Reliability and Test](#) 15-16.10.2012 Zürich

[Surface Analysis with AFM](#) 18.10.2012 Zürich, Technopark

[Electromagnetic Compatibility of Integrated Circuits](#) 22.10.2012 Neuchâtel

[New Trends in Nanoelectronics FinFET/FDSOI/MRAMS/PCMemories/NEMS/Other Emerging Devices](#) 24.10 Lausanne

[Hermetic Packaging Design of MEMS](#), November 8-9, 2012, Neuchâtel (CH)

15 Oct [Advanced Course on Image Sensor Technology](#) Germany

15 Oct [Modulation, Coding, and Iterative Techniques for Optimal Detection in Wireless Communications](#) Germany

15 Oct [Advanced RF Power Amplifier Techniques for Modern Wireless and Microwave Systems](#) Germany

15 Oct [Advanced Array Antennas: Conformal Arrays and Digital Beamforming](#) Germany

15 Oct [Reliability and Test](#) Switzerland

15 Oct [OFDM and MIMO Wireless Technologies with Applications to WiMax and UMTS LTE](#) Germany

15 Oct [High-Speed PCB Design for EMC and Signal Integrity](#) Germany

18 Oct [Surface Analysis with AFM](#) Switzerland

22 Oct [Electrical Characterization of Semiconductors Materials and Devices](#) France

24 Oct [New Trends in Nano-Electronics](#) Switzerland

5 Nov [Advanced Digital Physical Implementation flow - IDESA](#) the Netherlands

5 Nov [ePIXfab Silicon Photonics Course](#) Germany

6 Nov [Analog Modeling and Simulation with SPICE -v3.0](#) Germany, UK, France

08 Nov [Hermetic Packaging Design of MEMS](#) Switzerland
 12 Nov [IEEE NORCHIP Conference](#) Denmark
 12 Nov [Laser Micromachining](#) Switzerland
 15 Nov [Polymer Optoelectronic Technologies and their Applications](#) Switzerland
 19 Nov [Radio System Design - Theory and Practice](#) Spain
 19 Nov [Power Integrity: Advanced Design and Characterization](#) Spain
 19 Nov [Modern Digital Modulation Techniques for Wireless, Satellite, and Wireline Communications](#) Spain
 19 Nov [Applied Radio Design: From System Architecture to PCB Implementation](#) Spain
 19 Nov [3GPP Long Term Evolution - Radio Technology](#) Spain
 19 Nov [Satellite Communication Systems](#) Spain
 19 Nov [Digital Imaging: Image Capturing, Image Sensors, Technologies and Applications](#) Spain
 20 Nov [Design for Manufacturing flow - IDESA](#) France
 22 Nov [3GPP Long Term Evolution - Radio Protocol and Architecture](#) Spain
 22 Nov [Optical MEMS](#) Switzerland
 26 Nov [Behavioral Modeling with Verilog-AMS 12.1](#) Germany
 29 Nov [Smart Materials in Robotics and Microtechnology](#) Switzerland
More... <http://www.fsrn.ch/e/formAgenda.php> ; [More FSRM courses](#) ; <http://www.eurotraining.net/>

IMP³rove Training: Introduction to the IMP³rove Approach, 18-19 October 2012, London, UK

Objectives: Effective support of small and medium sized enterprises in Innovation Management Assessment; Leveraging the IMP³rove Assessment Reports for value-adding feedback workshops. **Pre-requisites:** At least 2 years of experience in rendering services to SMEs; Registration of a SMEs interested in executing the IMP³rove Assessment via the IMP³rove Platform. **Target groups:** Innovation Management consultants, cluster managers, intermediaries supporting small and medium sized enterprises in developing their Innovation Management capabilities

More ... www.improve-innovation.eu

IMP³rove Training: Introduction to the Innovation Management, 22-23 October 2012, Munich, Germany

Objectives: Introducing definitions and benefits of Innovation and Innovation Management; Describing the dimensions of Innovation Management; Demonstrating the impact of Innovation Management of profitable growth and introducing KPIs; Leveraging the trigger points to better support SMEs in developing their Innovation Management performance

Pre-requisite: At least 2 years of experience in rendering services to SMEs

Target groups: Experienced consultants, cluster managers and intermediaries supporting small and medium sized enterprises in developing their innovation management capabilities

More ... www.improve-innovation.eu

Workshops on Horizon 2020, November, Cambridge, UK

Consortium Agreements for FP7, 7 November 2012, Cambridge, UK

This workshop will explain the main features and options for consortium agreements for collaborative projects in FP7. It will compare the DESCA, Digital Europe, EUCAR, ASD model consortium agreements, will cover the major terms of the EC grant agreement, which provides the context. The workshop is aimed at those negotiating consortium agreements: research managers, advisors and contracts staff.

HORIZON 2020: The story so far, 13 November 2012, Cambridge, UK

This workshop will explain the proposals/adjustments, that are under discussion amongst the decision makers. It will highlight the main differences between Horizon 2020 & FP7, give an insight into the workings of the new programme. The workshop is aimed at research advisors and business managers who have an understanding of FP7, and who now need to understand the debate that is underway concerning the successor programme.

Managing FP7 Research Projects, 20 November 2012, Cambridge, UK

It is aimed at project coordinators/managers/administrators of EU FP7 collaborative research projects. It will show how to:

- prepare for managing the project: establishing the rules and processes for decision taking, creating a quality process to check deliverables, use of management websites and email lists to support communication, draft a project handbook plus templates for meeting agendas and reports, deliverables, and partner progress reports.
- interact with the European Commission in submitting progress reports and deliverables, gaining approval and payment, preparing for technical reviews and amending the grant agreement
- work with the consortium to keep the project on schedule, submit reports on time, transfer budgets and work, handle poorly performing partners, and control the EU cash flow.

The workshop focuses on collaborative research projects in the FP7 Cooperation Programme, but is also relevant to the Capacities Programme and Coordination and Support Actions.

More... www.singleimage.co.uk.



<http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise-europe-network>

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