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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.

January 2013

- 24 [Matchmaking Event between European Union, Latin America and the Caribbean](#) Santiago (Chile)
- 28 [Green Ventures - International Partnership Forum for Environmental and Energy Technologies](#) Leipzig (Germany)

February 2013

- 04 [International WIND Matchmaking Event - EWEA 2013 Annual Event](#) Vienna (Austria)
- 07 [Life Science Scotland Partnering Event](#) Edinburgh (United Kingdom)
- 18 [Company Mission to Ambiente](#) Frankfurt/Main (Germany)
- 19 ["HCJ Fair 2013" - B2B meetings at the hospitality industry tradeshow in Japan](#) Tokyo (Japan)
- 26 [CONTACT: Business Meetings](#) Leipzig (Germany)

March 2013

- 05 [CeBIT Future Match 2013](#) Hannover (Fairground) (Germany)
- 06 [Ecobuild matchmaking event - 6, March 2013](#) London (United Kingdom)
- 07 [IndustryMatchMaking – IMM2013](#) Sofia (Bulgaria)
- 07 [Iceland Geothermal Conference](#) Reykjavik (Iceland)
- 07 [Successful R&I in Europe 2013 - 5th European Networking Event](#) Düsseldorf (Airport) (Germany)
- 21 [International Business meetings at BIOGAZ Europe and Fair BOIS ENERGIE 2013](#) NANTES (France)

April 2013

- 09 [HANNOVER MESSE 2013: Technology Cooperation Days on Industrial Energy Efficiency](#) Hannover (Germany)
- 11 [Biopesticide Market Opportunities](#) London (United Kingdom)
- 12 [Vision 2013](#) Freiburg, Germany (Germany)
- 23 [German Games Days/Quo Vadis Conference](#) Berlin (Germany)

June 2013

- 05 [Futurallia Istanbul 2013 Brokerage Event](#) Istanbul (Turkey)
- 12 [EEN Brokerage Event at "GR Business Days" in Luxembourg](#) Luxembourg (Luxembourg)
- 18 [Brokerage Event at Consense 2013](#) Stuttgart (Germany)

September 2013

- 19 [Brokerage Event at EMO Hannover 2013 - Meet the World of Metalworking](#) Hannover (Germany)

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](#)

[Enterprise Europe Network](#) [What is a Network Partner?](#) [Find your local Enterprise Europe Network partner](#) [You are looking for a Commercial or Technology partnership?](#) [Setting sail for success](#) [Going international](#) [Technology](#)

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

Mission for Growth: opportunities for EEN clients in Chile and Peru, 23-26 January 2013

It is a company delegation accompanying Vice-President of the EC, Commissioner *Antonio Tajani* to Chile and Peru. On the agenda: B2B meetings, meetings with high level decision makers, business conferences, [the 4th Business Summit of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States – European Union \(CELAC-EU\)](#). It is a great opportunity to help your clients set foot into these Latin American growth markets. This Mission for Growth has as three objectives:

1. to promote sustainable and inclusive growth in the European Union and the visited countries;
2. to help EU companies, including SMEs, to exploit business opportunities in the countries concerned; to this end political agreements as basis for further cooperation in various sectors under Vice President Tajani's responsibility will be signed;
3. to promote EU industry in targeted sectors by organizing matchmaking events with local entrepreneurs and by participating in major events that take place in these countries during the visit.

The presence of individual CEOs/entrepreneurs interested in cooperation with Peru and Chile in the delegation will be the key for the success of the missions. To participate at EU-CELAC B2B on 24 January 2013, you should individually register on: <http://www.b2match.eu/celacue/participants/new>. To participate at Business Summit on 25 and 26 January 2013, you should individually register on <http://www.celacue2013.cl/en/inscripcion-y-acreditacion/informacion/>

More... for EEN members <http://portal.enterprise-europe-network.ec.europa.eu/my/intranet/mission-growth-peru-chile-get-involved>

More... non-EEN, <http://portal.enterprise-europe-network.ec.europa.eu/news-media/news/mission-growth-peru-chile-get-involved>

Natioanal Bulgarian Innovation Forum, Sofia, Bulgaria, 18 December 2012

The National Innovation Forum is a unique annual event for Bulgaria, aimed at uniting the efforts and bringing together all stakeholders and interested parties to discuss the innovation environment in the country and to propose optimization measures. Large policy event, where we will present Bulgarian annual innovation awards.

The event focuses on improving the level of cooperation between companies and academia within the country and between Bulgarian and foreign organizations, in order to stimulate the national economy, enhance the competitiveness of businesses. Within the forum, the need to managing innovations at both national/regional level in the context of a National Innovation Strategy and European policies is also discussed.

The event is traditionally held under the auspices and with participation of the President of Bulgaria, the Prime Minister and several ministers and deputy ministers from the Bulgarian government.

More... <http://www.arcfund.net/arcartShow.php?id=16131> ; Awards <http://www.arcfund.net/index.php?id=2055>

AAL Call 6: Info Day, 6 February 2013, Brussels,

The AAL Association organizes an INFO DAY to inform the European community about the next call topic of the AAL Joint Programme: "ICT solutions for supporting occupation in life of older adults." The topic of this 6th Call will be explained as well as the procedures for applying and for searching a partner.

Call 6 of the AAL aims at funding the development of ICT-based solutions which enable older adults to continue managing their occupation at work in an office or a factory (or any working environment), in a first or new second or third careers, in paid or voluntary occupation while preserving health and motivation to remain active. The call shall target the preservation of cognitive/physical capabilities of older persons when performing their paid or unpaid activity.

More... <http://www.aal-europe.eu/aal-call-6-info-day/>

The brokerage event "2013 Asia-EU Matchmaking Event Beijing, 21-23 May 2013

The event is organized during the "Beijing High –Tech EXPO". The event website will open for registration on 1st Jan 2013. *The Registration is Free!* The "2013 Asia-EU Matchmaking Event Beijing", focus on:

- Electronic Information and Communication
- Modern Engineering and Manufacturing
- New Materials and New Energy
- Environmental Protection
- Modern Agriculture and Green Technology
- Bio-Engineering and Pharmaceuticals

More... www.b2bmatchmakingbeijing2013.com

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 news technologies, do you need technical assistance in technology transfer...

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

Presentation of the book "Logistics Clusters - Delivering value and driving growth"

Why is Memphis home to hundreds of motor carrier terminals and distribution centers? Why does the tiny island-nation of Singapore handle a fifth of the world's maritime containers and half the world's annual supply of crude oil? Which jobs can replace lost manufacturing jobs in advanced economies? Some of the answers to these questions are rooted in the phenomenon of logistics clusters—geographically concentrated sets of logistics related business activities. In this book, supply chain management expert Yossi Sheffi explains why Memphis, Singapore, Chicago, Rotterdam, Los Angeles, and scores of other locations have been successful in developing such clusters while others have not.

Sheffi outlines the characteristic "positive feedback loop" of logistics clusters development and what differentiates them from other industrial clusters; how logistics clusters "add value" by generating other industrial activities; why firms should locate their distribution and value-added activities in logistics clusters; and the proper role of government support, in the form of investment, regulation, and trade policy.

Sheffi also argues for the most important advantage offered by logistics clusters in today's recession-plagued economy: jobs, many of them open to low-skilled workers, that are concentrated locally and not "offshorable." These logistics clusters offer what is rare in today's economy: authentic success stories. For this reason, numerous regional and central governments as well as scores of real estate developers are investing in the development of such clusters.

More... http://logisticsclusters.mit.edu/?goback=%2Egde_2983151_member_195697670

SMEs

Technology Profiles

Real time video communications for any web service or mobile application	Spain	OFFER
Innovative solutions to problems of creel damage and shellfish life support in the seafood sector.	UK	OFFER
Modular system for monitoring natural phenomena	Italy	OFFER
High temperature-Short Time (HTST) treatment for food, cosmetic and pharmaceutical products through instantaneous controlled pressure drop	France	OFFER
New process for impedance matching kit	France	OFFER
PS-PEOPLE-IAPP-WineSense: Research on extraction and formulation intensification processes for natural actives of wine	Spain	REQUEST
PS-FP7- ICT Call10 - Collaborative video game engine	Hungary	REQUEST
Nature inspired micro fluidic manipulation system	Romania	REQUEST
Phenobarbital Chemical Sensor for Clinical Analysis	Romania	REQUEST
Genetic testing for fighting the obesity	Estonia	OFFER
Novel solution for food container covers	Estonia	OFFER
Genetic testing for athletic abilities	Estonia	OFFER
Software for living lab testing platform	Estonia	REQUEST
A state-of-the-art solution for testing mainframe applications and databases.	Israel	OFFER
Research of electrostatic sterilization of liquids using finite element method	Romania	REQUEST
Technology of Superior quality stainless steel storage tanks surfaces	Lithuania	OFFER
Developing and standardization of modern therapies for neoplastic and other degenerative diseases by using novel bio-nano-pharmaceutical formulations based on chemical and cellular support	Romania	REQUEST
Antimicrobial activity of essential oils from plants against food born bacteria and fungi	Romania	REQUEST
Capitalization of spontaneous flora as bioactive compounds for bio-nano-pharmaceutical products	Romania	REQUEST
MRI for use of dental clinic	Korea	OFFER

Intellectual Property ; Standards



EPO welcomes historic agreement on unitary patent

"The vision of the founding fathers of the EPO to equip the European economy with a truly supranational patent system can now become a reality, strengthening Europe's competitiveness," said EPO President Benoît Battistelli.

More... <http://www.epo.org/news-issues/news/2012/20121211.html>

The European Patent Academy

In a post on his blog, President Battistelli looks at recent achievements of the Academy of the European Patent Organisation. "Training and qualification for professionals, in the public and private sector, is the best way to improve the overall quality of the European patent system", he writes.

More... <http://blog.epo.org/the-epo/the-european-patent-academy/>

Information on the EPO's web-based user consultation platform

The EPO has been providing a consultation platform on its website since 2011. This tool facilitates the early involvement of patent-system users in the law-making process of the Organisation. You are invited to take part in these surveys, and to sign up for our free e-mail service alerting you to new surveys.

More... [Read more and sign up for e-mail alerts](#)

European IPR Helpdesk: How to manage confidential business information

With the aim to underline the importance of confidentiality for businesses, the **European IPR Helpdesk** published a fact sheet providing advice and practical hints on protection management of confidential business information, which could be beneficial in particular to small and micro entities.

Read the full fact sheet [here](#). More about the European IPR Helpdesk please visit www.iprhelpdesk.eu

Research

Idea to involve universities in S3 or to help local SMEs to acquire knowledge created elsewhere

One of the core missions of the University is the creation, advancement and sharing of knowledge and we aim to transfer as much IP into commercial use as we can, to the benefit of our partners, the community and the economy.

As well as our range of Commercial Deals, we have launched a range of Intellectual Property that is available free of charge to businesses and individuals who think they can exploit the technology and are interested in working with the University. Easy Access IP offers cutting edge innovation and patents to those who can make best use of the research. IBRIDGE initiative how to better use university knowledge through licensing: <http://www.ibridgenetwork.org/> According to a presentation made on 2012 it works on the iTunes business model pay per use. It seems promising even if only 8 of the 159 us universities have used to date the platform for 45 licencing deals reproduced in the best case up to 2000 times in the case of a software.

More... <http://www.gla.ac.uk/businessandindustry/technology/>

Innovation and Entrepreneurship

Role of Leadership in Fostering Organizational Innovation

Leadership and innovation are inter-related. For an organisation to have a climate that is conducive to the creation, and development of new ideas, it is very important that the leadership style is participative. Creativity should not be the prerogative of Research & Development alone. Creative ideas should be invited from every employee of the organisation. Creativity is not limited to only those at the higher levels of the organisation; a brilliant idea can come from any level. Most organisations succeed in creating a culture where ideas are encouraged, but they are not able to create an organisational structure that is better able to execute these ideas.

More... <http://innovationgrow.com/role-of-leadership-in-fostering-organizational-innovation.htm>

Creating innovation cultures in companies: CEOs, people and collaboration tools

This article shares two strategies that are proving most effective for CEOs that aim to make their companies more innovative: developing a creative culture (people's behaviors) and applying new processes and technologies.

More... https://www.easycrit.com/en/innovation_cultures.html

Innovation, Leadership and the "Flavor of the Month" Problem

When leadership announces a new innovation initiative, the troops are often slow to rally behind it. That's because it's just the latest in a long list of executive proclamations – none of which seem to stand the test of time, because they are soon replaced by some other new initiative. This so called "flavor of the month" mindset isn't just consultant-speak, however. It's all too real in companies today.

More... <http://www.innovationmanagement.se/2012/11/19/innovation-leadership-and-the-flavor-of-the-month-problem/>

Someone Copied Your Product. What Next?

A company is using your trademark without authorization. Someone copied one of your products. As a human being, your first response is to get furious. As an entrepreneur, your inclination is to seek justice. As a business owner, your course of action is to contact a lawyer. Taking legal action, however, requires great caution.

More... <http://www.innovationmanagement.se/2012/12/04/someone-copied-your-product-what-next/>

A Royal way to CrowdFund - can this be true?

As an avid member of the Crowd I have watched the thousands of portals come to life as we all work to spread capital empowerment to the people. Could someone have found a way to provide investors with solid returns based upon royalties and not have to wait for the SEC to shackle the life out of investing?

Is there a way to invest in startups and gain solid ROIs (yes with all the wonderful risk of startups) for the average empowered American and not have to kiss the toes of some overpaid political appointee?

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

How the innovative company can be measured?

What are the key features that define innovative firm from lets say non innovative? The key message is to know how to balance access to, and the influence of, the 4 innovation leadership behaviours. If you have one missing, you will fail.

A business measure that has always appealed is "percentage of total sales produced by products that are less than X years old". It is simple, easy for everyone to understand, can be sued as a goal, connects the abstract concept of innovation to the concrete numbers of sales.

You can set the percentage, the number of years to be what you like, even have a multiyear plan to make them more challenging over time, but it seems such a measure (which comes from P&G) strips away all the obfuscation/demands that a company demonstrates the relationship between its professed innovation activities and its real results.

More... <http://www.innovationtools.com/weblog/innovationblog-detail.asp?ArticleID=1550>

Partner Search

Partner Search from Romania, Venture Capital Foundations and Funds

Trust Consulting Corporation, has been funded in 2007, aiming to support the business environment, SME's public institutions and NGOs in Romania, by facilitating access to finance. Our management brought to the company the experience of a former ING BANK branch manager and this input of work experience allows us to identify the best financial solutions for our clients: bank loans, investment funds, private equity, private investors.

We have solid partnerships with relevant banks on the Romanian market for financial advisory services and, starting from October 2010, we rank among consulting companies partners of BRD Groupe Societe Generale for structural funds consulting services. Also, we have solid partnerships with independent financial institutions.

Contact: Diana Georgescu, diana.georgescu@finantare-firme.ro, +40 742 026 492.

FP7-ICT-2013- 10 Objective 5.1 – Searching for partners to complete consortium!

The project eWATCH (empoWering Ageing people aT risk through smart multi-sensor approaCH) focuses on "Objective ICT-2013.5.1 Personalised health, active ageing, and independent living" with target c).

The main idea is the development of a novel prototype of system able to provide elderly people with the grade of safety and assistance necessary to compensate age-related physical and cognitive impairments, which could undergo to falls, body failures and failures of daily living activities. We are looking for the following partners: -Universities – faculties with social science focus, - Sociology research institutes, - Elderly Associations

Contact: Irina Sudakova, Italy, epo_2@jogroup.eu

Comenius Partnership 2013-2015. Partners needed from United Kingdom, Sweden, France and Denmark

We have a ready project about "cultures and traditions" We are 8 partners now from Turkey, Romania, Italy, Portugal Bulgaria, Hungary, Greece and Poland. Our aim is to have our students gain different experiences, meet new people, new cultures, different traditions, tasting fancy food, introducing their local artworks, historical places and so on.

Contact: Ayse Gozuyesil, agozuyesil@yahoo.com.tr

Partnership in Carbon Nanotube and Graphene related projects

NanoXplore is a leading North American service R&D company involved in the development of advanced nanomaterials such as Graphene and CNT for several application in the microelectronic, energy, and aerospace domains.

NanoXplore, as a Canadian enterprise, is interested in the entering into EU market via partnership with European SME on Graphene and Carbon Nanotube related projects. Don't hesitate to inform us about your business proposition.

Contact: Soroush Nazarpour, President and CEO at Group NanoXplore Inc., nazarpour@nanoxplore.ca

LLP Project (Grundtvig Multilateral or Leonardo Da Vinci Multilateral): Call for partners

We are planning a project based on food heritage as a way to share cultures, traditions and new ways of teaching, at the moment we are looking for the following partners (Every applicant must be skilled on LLP projects):

1. Institutes for Adult training organisation;
2. Food professionals organisation
3. Institutes and organisations in the labour market
4. Anyone is interested and skilled on the project aim

Contact: leonardo@linguapiu.eu

Looking for partners in order to complete a consortium, from Spain, Madrid

Experts in:

- Profile: Context based information gathering from mobile devices/related information extraction from the real world
- Profile: Knowledge representation based on specific topics. Open & scalable taxonomies specification.

- Profile: Interactive Evolutionary Computation. Adaptive interaction.
- Profile: Machine learning & implicit feedback gathering methods.

Contact: Oscar Sanjuán Martínez. Please send small profile and expertise to: pmo@glass.u-tad.com

Looking for Partners for EUREKA project: Development of lightweight air turbine engine (technological expertise, electronics, composite material) from any EU countries

I am looking for partners for an FP7 or EUREKA project, to develop a lightweight air turbine engine. Small to medium companies, research centers (maybe Universities). Looking for:

- Technological expertise/support in engineering
- expertise in composite materials (carbon, kevlar, glass fiber reinforced plastics/resins)
- expertise in surface engineering, (multi layer metal coating of plastics)
- expertise in Intellectual property rights

Contact: Levente Dajka, Pecs, Hungary, dlevente@yahoo.com

FP7-ICT-2013-10 2013.3.4 Looking for Project Partner

Project ABICOM (AMBlent COmputing Middleware) is searching for partners (also any legal person for Coordinator role)

More... <http://www.ideal-ist.eu/ps-tr-81823>

Call For Tender / Proposals / Applications / Fundings / Awards

Genomica: HIVERA joint transnational call - 2013

Topics: 1- Advanced research on reservoirs and cure; 2- HIV prevention and treatment

Funding parties participating in the call are: Belgium, Estonia, France, Germany, Portugal and Romania. Documents and guidelines will be accessible in January. Build your transnational consortium through our [partnering tools](#)

More... http://hivera.eu/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=60&Itemid=78

How to find partners for transnational proposals for HIVERA joint transnational call?

A. Partnering event, 25 January, Paris. In order to facilitate transnational teams, HIVERA organises a partnering event; researchers are invited after registration and upon selection by HIVERA funding organisations ([HIVERA contact points](#)).

B. Partnering platform. HIVERA offers a platform on which applicants may seek for partners and complimentary expertises. After validation, your profile will be published on HIVERA website and made accessible to the applicants

>>> For both possibilities, please follow the steps below:

- 1) fill in the registration/profile form --> [Access to form for partnering](#)
- 2) connect to partners through the platform (accessible once profiles filled in) --> Access to the partnering platform
- 3) in parallel, send your CV to your respective [HIVERA contact points](#)
- 4) in case you can not attend to the partnering event in Paris, contact partners, build a transnational consortium

More... http://hivera.eu/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=17&Itemid=22

Genomica: The 4th Call for Proposals of the EuroNanoMed initiative

The aims of the call are:

- To support translational research proposals that combine innovative approaches (basic, clinical, industrial) in the field of Nanomedicine;
- To encourage and enable transnational collaboration between public and private research groups from academia (research teams from universities, higher education institutions, public research institutions) and clinical/public health research (research teams from hospital/ public health, healthcare settings and other healthcare organizations) or research teams from industrial enterprises (all size). **The participation of SMEs is encouraged.**

Through 3 successful Joint Transnational Calls launched from 2009 to 2011, the EuroNanoMed ERA-NET initiative has allocated € 25 Million to transnational research projects in Nanomedicine.

The ERA-NET EuroNanoMed II launches a fourth Joint Call for Proposals to support transnational innovative research projects in Nanomedicine. Sixteen countries / regions are participating to this call for proposals: *Belgium/Flanders, Belgium/Wallonia, France, Germany, Iceland, Israel, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland*. Research project consortia who intend to submit a transnational proposal should register **from 14 January 2013** at <https://www.pt-it.de/ptoutline/application/euronanomed> by clicking on "to register", following instructions.

More... [Call text](#) ; [Proposal submission form](#) ; [Guidelines for applicants](#)

COST: Direct the way to Innovation in the Forest-based Sector! Open Call for Applications

The COST Domain 'Forests, their Products and Services' invites Young Researchers to present their research at the upcoming 8th Forest-based Technology Platform (FTP) conference. This call is open to all young researchers with ideas related to the forest-based sector. Apply by 10 January 2013. You may be able to present in Barcelona in March 2013.

More... http://www.cost.eu/library/newsroom/ftpforum?goback=%2Egde_1699127_member_177940041

Call for organisations to propose FP7 independent experts

The European Commission has published a call for proposals for organisations to propose lists of prospective independent experts to assist the Commission's services in connection with the Seventh Framework Programme (FP7).

The deadline for submitting proposal documents is the 31st of July 2013.

More... [this page](#).

Information and Communication Technologies call 10

Objective of this call is to improve the competitiveness of European industry and enable Europe to master and shape future developments in ICT so that the demands of its society and economy are met. **Budget:** € 50 000 000

Deadline: 12th of March 2013 at 17:00:00 (Brussels local time).

More... [this page](#).

Policy

"Focus Human Rights" Last part of the Video Series released: Collective Rights

Just in time for the International Human Rights Day, we released the last film of our series "Focus Human Rights". It can be watched here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AEO6xRpo024>

The clip focuses on the 3rd dimension of the Human Rights system, the collective rights. Those include -for example- the right to peace & to development. The film shows how Human Rights can be enforced, how the Human Rights System evolves, what the most important opportunities for improvement are. The series "Focus Human Rights" consists of:

Introduction movie: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kbul3hxYGNU>

1st Dimension: Civil & Political rights, Violations, History <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3L4r47WiqMw>

2nd Dimension: Economic, Social & Cultural Rights, NGOs, Women's Rights <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k0lsAYnBNaM>

3rd Dimension: Collective Rights, justiciability, improvements <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AEO6xRpo024>

The clips are licensed as Creative Commons. They can be used and shared for free, for example as a teaching tool or on social media channels and on websites and blogs.

More... <http://www.edeos.org/en/projects.html>

Official Launch Event of the European Public Sector Award – EPSA 2013, Brussels, 25 January 2013

This event is organised in cooperation with DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion and DG Human Resources and Security of the European Commission. Participation is free of charge.

The EU Public Sector Award EPSA, once again brings together the most innovative, efficient, best performers from the EU public sector. The theme of EPSA 2013 is "Weathering the storm, Creative solutions in a time of crisis". EPSA 2013 will bestow awards in three categories: EU/national, regional, local, so good practice at all levels will be recognised.

This launch activity is the opportunity to receive first-hand all the detailed information about the scheme, the conditions for participation as well as the basic guidelines on how to apply and submit your public achievements for the EPSA 2013. The call for applications will also be opened on 25 January and will run until 12 April 2013.

More... [European+Institute+of+Public+Administration](#)

UNECE launches the Trade Facilitation implementation guide

[UNECE](#) launched its Trade **Facilitation Implementation Guide**. This is a web-based interactive tool designed to help countries to simplify cross-border trade. The Guide shows policymakers, implementers how to identify relevant trade facilitation measures and instruments when dealing with issues such as avoiding waiting times at border crossings, setting up a Single Window for exports and imports and using modern information technologies for trade facilitation.

More... <http://www.unece.org/trade/tfig%20>

Events

1st Global Virtual Conference, GV-conf 2013, April 8-12, 2013

Paper Submission Deadline: February 28, 2013. GV-conf 2013 (Global Virtual Conference) gives you a great opportunity to participate in the fully fledged, scientific and professional conference without personal participation. The GV-conf will run continuously during April 8 to 12, 2013 at www.gv-conference.com. Global Virtual Conference (GV-conf) is designed for all scientific groups. The conference will bring the scientific debate among the scientists.

At the virtual conference, you have access to all papers in the conference at any time and can use virtual discussion with the author of any article at any time. Papers will be reviewed and published in official Conference Proceedings "Proceedings of the Global Virtual Conference 2013" with ISBN. Top rated papers will be sent for indexing in SCOPUS database and published in scientific journals

More... www.gv-conference.com

2nd IFAC Workshop on Convergence of Information Technologies & Control Methods with Power Systems (ICPS'13), Cluj-Napoca, Romania, May 22-24,2013

The event are hosted by Tehnical University Cluj and IPA Cluj Subsidiary). ICPS'13 serves as a platform for scientists, researchers to discuss their forefront research results/ findings in the field of information technologies & control methods applied to Power Systems. It is intended to make this workshop a primary forum for cross-industry, multidisciplinary research and to create the opportunity of a unique and rich cultural experience, with excellent technical and social programs. The submission deadline: January 15th.

More... <http://icps13.conference.utcluj.ro/>

6th Conference for Entrepreneurship, Innovation & Regional Development, 20-21 June, 2013, Istanbul, Turkey

Investments in innovation, entrepreneurship, regional partnership have been the key priority to ensuring a strong, stable economic growth. The objective of the conference is to gather decision makers (government, ministries, state agencies), innovation experts (universities, research, development centers, technology transfer centers, start-up centers), practitioners (SMEs, business incubators, business support organizations) to generate discussion, exchange on the potential of entrepreneurship promotion, innovation to national, regional competitiveness.

More... <http://www.sehir.edu.tr/iceird2013>

Workshop *Intelligent Data Analysis with Applications in Information Retrieval & Machine Learning*, IDAIR, Sesimbra, Portugal, 26-28 June 2013

The session targets research efforts that have as outcome progress in building Intelligent Systems in any application domains such as Image and Video Processing, Multimedia Systems, E-Learning, E-Commerce, E-Society Applications, Medical Applications. Any data analysis process, which analyze data generated by any information system, may have as output an Intelligent System.

The aim of the workshop is to provide an internationally respected forum for scientific research in the technologies and applications of intelligent and interactive multimedia systems and services.

The workshop will be co-located with the 5-th KES International Conference on Intelligent Decision technologies, IDT-13, and in conjunction with KES IIMSS 2013 <http://iimss-13.kesinternational.org/>

More... <http://iimss-13.kesinternational.org/cms/userfiles/ws01.pdf>

Future Network and Mobile Summit - FuNeMS2013, Lisbon, Portugal, 3-5 July 2013

The [Call for scientific papers, workshops and demonstration proposals](#) is **open** and we welcome your contributions.

FuNeMS2013 is the **twenty-second edition** of the annual **milestone** event in **EU network technology research**. It attracts **delegates** from **industry** and **research** to **share** experiences and research **results**, identify **future trends**, discuss **business opportunities** and **international research collaboration** under the EU ICT Research Programme. FuNeMS2013 showcases the **latest developments in EU research** on networks, communication systems, engages with **key EU industry** players, **academia & research institutes**. The Summit brings together the constituents in **Radio Access & Spectrum, Converged & Optical Networks, Future Internet Technologies, Internet of Things, Satellite Communications**. [FuNeMS 2013 Call for Papers, workshops and demonstrations](#):

- The **Scientific Programme** is based on papers addressing scientific research, technical or visionary concepts, highlighting impact of results. The [Call for Papers](#) is published with a **deadline** of **8 February 2013** for **online submissions** – accepted papers will be included in **IEEE Xplore**.
- The **Exhibition** will host demonstrations of innovative technologies and applications. The [Call for Exhibitors](#) will **open in January** with a **deadline** of **5 April 2013**.
- Proposals for [Workshops](#) are welcome **until 11 January**, should focus on a theme related to conference tracks/topics.

More... <http://www.futurenetworksummit.eu/2013/default.asp?page=home>

International Symposium on Grids & Clouds (ISGC) 2013, 17-22 March 2013, Taipei

The International Symposium on Grids and Clouds (ISGC) 2013 will be held at Academia Sinica in Taipei with co-located events and workshops. The conference is hosted by the Academia Sinica Grid Computing Centre (ASGC).

More... <http://www.isgtw.org/event/international-symposium-grids-clouds-isgc-2013>

South-East European Conference *Save the Planet Waste Management, Recycling*, Sofia Bulgaria 29-31 May 2013

Save the Planet is a leading business event for SouthEast European environmental community. Professionals in the waste management/recycling branches are invited to submit an abstract in English before December, 30th, 2012 and to participate in the South-East European Conference Save the Planet - Waste Management, Recycling with **non-commercial paper**. Abstracts are invited for the following topics:

- How to Prepare a Good Waste Reduction Plan; Incentives for Waste Reduction, Reuse and Recycling
- Waste Administration, Gathering Waste Data, Managing Public Private Partnerships; Better Waste Taxation
- Waste Collection & Separation, Hazardous Waste, Ressource Efficiency & Recycling
- Best Strategies for Construction Waste Recycling, Waste to Energy,
- Composting, Potential for Agricultural, Landfill & Wastewater Biogas

More... <http://www.eco.viaexpo.com/en/conference>

8th International Conference on Additive Manufacturing & 3D Printing, Nottingham, UK, 9-10 July 2013,

The International Conference on Additive Manufacturing & 3D Printing is now established as one of the world's leading knowledge transfer and networking events focused solely on the production of end-use components using additive 'layer-based' technologies. The conference includes both invited academic and industrial speakers from around the world, discussing topics such as AM process and materials development, business & retail strategy for AM products, supply chain management and process modelling developments. The event is regularly attended by over 200 delegates from around the world, representing some of the world's most innovative companies and brands.

To maintain its position as the pre-eminent conference in this field, the organising committee has decided that up to 5 of the presentations at the 2013 conference will again be as the result of an open call for papers. Only exceptional papers will be accepted. The deadline for abstracts is 28th January. To view information on submitting an abstract, [click here](#).

More... www.am-conference.com

3rd Annual European Raw Materials Conference, 19 March 2013, Brussels

Hosted by the **Nickel Institute**, and now in its third year, the European Raw Materials Conference will once again bring together high-level speakers and delegates for interactive discussion on the need to ensure long-term security of access to the Raw Materials crucial to European industrial growth and competitiveness.

Coming on the back of the European Commission's proposal on 'Industrial Policy' and the launch of the European Innovation Partnership (EIP) on Raw Materials, this conference will particularly focus on the role of innovation in efforts to boost production and sustainability across the Raw Materials value chain.

More... www.rawmaterials-conference.eu

Ireland International Conference on Education (IICE-2013), April 15-17, 2013, Dublin, Ireland

The IICE is an international refereed conference dedicated to the advancement of the theory/practices in education. The IICE promotes collaborative excellence between academicians and professionals from Education. The aim of IICE is to provide an opportunity for academicians, professionals from various educational fields with cross-disciplinary interests to bridge the knowledge gap, promote research esteem, the evolution of pedagogy. The IICE 2013 invites research papers that encompass conceptual analysis, design implementation, performance evaluation. All the accepted papers will appear in the proceedings. Modified version of selected papers will be published in special issues peer reviewed journals.

More... www.iicedu.org

1st MakeForum – Expo & Conference dedicated to 3d printing, Milan, Italy, 22-23 May 2013

MakeForum was born with the aim to show concretely how it is possible to create real objects with a simple click, thanks to the most innovative three-dimensional printing systems. A meaningful revolution for many industrial sectors, such as architecture, building, jewellery, mechanics, medicine, fashion, the boating industry and much more.

More... www.makeforum.it/en

3rd European American Solar Deployment Conference "PV Rollout", 26-27 February 2013, Atlanta, USA

Topics of the Conference:

- Deconflicting Integration: Future Utility PV Business Model for PV?
- Industry Aspects, Finances and Legal Issues
- Reliability of PV-Modules
- Power Plants (Technology)
- Distributed PV Grid Integration

A technical tour of the Grid IQ Experience Center and Laboratory at Georgia Tech in Atlanta takes place.

Two Workshops "Requirements for bankable PV Modules & Power Plants", "PV Grid Integration for Utilities: Standards & Connection Routes", Metro Atlanta Chamber, Atlanta, USA, **February, 25, 2013**

More... www.pvrollout.us ; <http://www.otti.eu>

Training Events / Jobs

Calendar of training courses in nanoscience and electronics

[Micro-Optics](#), December 10-11, 2012, Zurich (CH)

[Basic Introduction to CMOS Image Sensors](#), December 13-14, 2012, Delft (Netherlands)

[Maîtrise de la métrologie dimensionnelle](#), 13-14.05.2013, Neuchâtel (CH)

[Critères de choix des capteurs et des appareils de mesure](#), 19.06.2013, Neuchâtel (CH)

[AMDEC- Analyse des Modes de Défaillance, de leurs Effets et de leur Criticité](#), 23.01.2013, Neuchâtel (CH)

[Fabrication additive - impression 3D](#), 06.02.2013, Neuchâtel (CH)

[Système TRIZ de stimulation de la créativité et d'aide à l'innovation](#), 07.02.2013, Neuchâtel (CH)

[Conception des guidages flexibles](#), 18.02.2013, Neuchâtel (CH)

[Développement de logiciels selon des normes de qualité éprouvées](#), 20.02.2013, Neuchâtel (CH)

[Évolution d'un produit, améliorations et innovations](#), 21-22.02.2013, Neuchâtel (CH)

[Energy Harvesting](#), 28.02.2013, Zürich (CH)

[Reliability and Test](#), 11.03.2013, Neuchâtel (CH)

[Basic Introduction to CMOS Image Sensors](#), 14-15.03.2013, Neuchâtel (CH)

More... <http://www.fsrn.ch/e/formAgenda.php> ; [More FSRM courses](#) ; <http://www.eurotraining.net/>

Enhancing Lifelong Learning in Electrical and Information Engineering; Supported by EACEA

This report has been written during the academic years 2008-2012 by a consortium composed of 60 universities, which are members of the ELLEIEC Thematic Network, with the cooperation of the EAEEIE (European Association for Education in Electrical and Information Engineering, <http://www.eaeeie.org>). The report consists of three parts:

1. The first one is dedicated to the Analysis of LLL in EIE in Europe at the undergraduate and postgraduate levels, together with some recommendations.

2. The second part concerns best practices for the use of new technologies in EIE education in Europe and proposes Guidelines for e-learning and intensive course's assessment.

3. The last one proposes two demonstrators of good practice for enhancing LLL in EIE in Europe: Virtual Centre of Entrepreneurship (VCE) and International Curricula Network (ICN)

Finally, the work done has proposed survey analysis, new demonstrator (VCE & ICN) of services to enhance lifelong learning in Electrical and Information Engineering. With the proposed services, it is for us a first step and we hope to see individual, institutions and companies using them in order to find a way to collaborate in more efficient manner.

More... <http://greenelleiec.eu/> ; [Click here to download the Elleiec book](#)

Seminar, Optimising income generation in higher education & research institutions, 31 Jan-1 Feb 2013, Berlin

Experts from renowned institutions in higher education & research will present their know-how. Topics:

- External sources of funding – what is available?
- Opportunities and risks when collaborating with industry
- How to increase income by optimised research commercialisation
- Best practice in licensing and setting up of spin-out companies
- How to efficiently involve Marketing and Communications in your funding strategy

Please find detailed brochure information [here!](#) . For direct registration please use the [online booking form!](#)

Call for Applications for Humanities Initiative Fellowships at CEU/CEU IAS

The Central European University (CEU) seeks to develop its teaching and research profile in the area of the Humanities. To this end, CEU and the CEU Institute for Advanced Study (CEU IAS) announce a call for applications for its Humanities Initiative Fellowship, a joint research/ teaching program for the academic year 2013/14. Humanities Initiative Fellows are expected to spend the 10-month academic year in Budapest. They are expected to work on their own research project as junior fellows at the Institute for Advanced Study in two of the semesters and teach 4 credits worth of courses at the university in one semester (preferably Fall, but may be in the Winter). All through the year we hope fellows will find creative ways in which themes in the humanities may be introduced at the CEU, they will cooperate with existing programs, develop research/teaching opportunities with CEU/CEU IAS colleagues. **Deadline:** January 15, 2013.

More... <http://ias.ceu.hu/NewCall>

Course III-R06 HSSE: Health, Safety, Security & Environment, 14-17 January 2013, Paris, France

Steinbeis Transfer Institute Advanced Risk Technologies has prepared a series of new courses for the year 2013. The courses are part of the *European Master and Certification Program in Risk Engineering and Management* and are open for both students and professionals who are interested in general or specific topics.

The course gives an overview of EU regulation in the field of HSSE (Health, Safety, Security and Environment), and explains the objectives and requirements, as well as the state-of-the art in the implementation including constraints and advantages. Special focus is on the Integrated Pollution Prevention and Control (IPPC) and Industrial Emission Directive (IED) and on the prevention of major accidents (Seveso).

This course is dedicated to the professionals working in the field of HSSE. Engineers, managers, inspectors, legislators will profit from this course by extending the knowledge about the concepts built into the EU legislation.

More... [register](#) ; <http://eu-vri.eu/fwlink/?LinkID=401> ; [overview of all courses](#) ; www.sti.risk-technologies.com

Seminar, European Public Procurement, Public-Private Partnerships (PPP) & Concessions, Dubrovnik (HR), 23-24 April 2013

The seminar will provide an overview of the current rules and developments in European public procurement with a focus on the Public Sector Directive. It will address key issues in the use of competitive dialogue and negotiated procedures, as well as an introduction to PPP, indicating when they are being used and when they work best. The state of play with the reform of the European public procurement regime will also be elaborated, including the rules relating to concessions.

More... [Programme](#) ; [Online registration](#) ; [Complete information package](#)

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Master in Health Economics & Health Care Management (GOEMIG)

It is a 2-year academic program offered by the University of Duisburg-Essen, Germany. It delivers a comprehensive graduate education for those interested in working in the health sector/related fields (f. i. insurance, pharmaceutical sectors, policy, research in public/private organizations). It is possible to enroll each semester.

Courses are taught in English and German.

More... <http://www.wiwi.uni-due.de/fileadmin/fileupload/WIWI/Studium-und-Lehre/W4-Master-BWL-GOEMIG-Flyer.pdf>

Jobs at DG ENTR, Enterprise and Industry

- Temporary agents (M/F), Administrators - EU Satellite Navigation Programmes, Grade: AD 8, Deadline: **21/12/2012**, Location: Brussels, Belgium
More information: (http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/contracts-grants/calls-for-expressions-of-interest/index_en.htm)
- Temporary Agent (M/F) in the field of the communication, Grade: AD5, Deadline: **21/12/2012**, Brussels, Belgium
More information: (http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/contracts-grants/calls-for-expressions-of-interest/index_en.htm)

Jobs at EASA - The European Aviation Safety Agency

- Contract Agent, Backup & Archiving Officer (F/M), Grade: FG IV, Deadline: **02/01/2013**, Cologne, Germany
More information: http://www.easa.europa.eu/ws_prod/g/g_recruitment_main.php

- Temporary Agent, Continuing Airworthiness Organisation Approvals Team Leader (F/M), Grade: AD 8, Deadline: **20 December 2012**, Location: Cologne, Germany
More information: http://www.easa.europa.eu/ws_prod/g/g_recruitment_main.php
- Temporary Agent (M/F), Design Organisation Approval Team Leader, Grade: AD 6, Deadline: **20 Dec 2012**, Cologne,
More information: http://www.easa.europa.eu/ws_prod/g/g_recruitment_main.php
- Temporary Agent, Quality Officer (F/M), Grade: AD 6, Deadline: **2nd January 2013**, Location: Cologne, Germany
More information: <http://www.easa.europa.eu/recruitment/recruitment.php>
- Temporary Agent, Project Certification Manager - Parts and Appliances (F/M), Grade: AD 7, Deadline: **14 January 2013**, Location: Cologne, Germany
More information: <http://www.easa.europa.eu/recruitment/recruitment.php>
- Temporary Agent, Project Certification Manager–Rotorcraft (F/M), Grade: AD 7, Deadline: **14 Jan 2013**, Cologne,
More information: <http://www.easa.europa.eu/recruitment/recruitment.php>

Jobs at IMI JU - The Innovative Medicines Initiative Joint Undertaking

- Temporary Agent (F/M), Communication and Events Officer, Grade: AD7, Deadline: **07 January 2013**, Brussels, More information: <http://www.imi.europa.eu/content/jobs>
- Temporary Agent (F/M), Ex-post Audit and Financial Officer (AD5), Grade: AD5, Deadline: **07 January 2013**, Brussels
More information: <http://www.imi.europa.eu/content/jobs>

Jobs at ACER - The Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators

- Temporary Agent (M/F), Senior Legal and Policy Officer in the Market Monitoring Department, Grade: AD7, Deadline for applications: **11 January 2013**, Location: Ljubljana, Slovenia
More information: http://www.acer.europa.eu/The_agency/Working_at_ACER/Pages/Current-vacancies.aspx
- Market Data Management Officer, Grade: AD5, Deadline: **03 January 2013**, Location: Ljubljana, Slovenia
More information: http://www.acer.europa.eu/The_agency/Working_at_ACER/Pages/Current-vacancies.aspx
- Temporary Agent (F/M), Market Data Management Officer, Grade: AD6, Deadline: **03 Jan 2013**, Location: Ljubljana,
More information: http://www.acer.europa.eu/The_agency/Working_at_ACER/Pages/Current-vacancies.aspx
- Temporary Agent (F/M), Legal Assistant, Grade: AST3, Deadline: **16 Jan 2013**, Location: Ljubljana, Slovenia
More information: http://www.acer.europa.eu/The_agency/Working_at_ACER/Pages/Current-vacancies.aspx
- Temporary Agent (F/M), Budget Assistant, Grade: AST3, Deadline: **31 Jan 2013**, Location: Ljubljana, Slovenia
More information: http://www.acer.europa.eu/The_agency/Working_at_ACER/Pages/Current-vacancies.aspx

Jobs at EDA - European Defence Agency

- Seconded National Expert (M/F), Job title: Project Officer for Space Programmes, Grade: AD 11, Deadline: **7 January 2013**, Location: Brussels (Belgium)
More information: <http://www.eda.europa.eu/jobs/Vacancies>
- Seconded National Expert (M/F), Job title: Senior Officer for Maritime Programmes, Grade: AD 10, Deadline: **7 January 2013**, Location: Brussels (Belgium)
More information: <http://www.eda.europa.eu/jobs/Vacancies>

Jobs at GSA - The European GNSS Agency (responsible for the European Satellite Navigation programmes - Galileo and EGNOS)

- Human Resources Officer (M/F), Grade: Contract Agent FGIV, Deadline: **20 December 2012**, Prague, Czech Republic
More information: <http://www.gsa.europa.eu/gsa/careers>
- Local Security Officer for the Galileo Security Monitoring Centre (GSMC LSO) (M/F), Grade: Temporary Agent TA AD 7, Deadline date for application: **1 January 2013**, Location: Initially Brussels, later to be relocated temporarily then permanently to St Germain en Laye (France) (default location) and/or Swanwick (UK)
More information: <http://www.gsa.europa.eu/gsa/careers>
- GSMC Security Monitoring Officer (M/F), Grade: Temporary Agent AD 7, Deadline date for application: **1 January 2013**, Location: Initially Brussels, to be relocated to St Germain en Laye (France)
More information: <http://www.gsa.europa.eu/gsa/careers>

Jobs at ECHA - The European Chemicals Agency

- Temporary Agent (M/F), Head of Unit, ICT Infrastructure & IT Security, Grade: AD 10, Deadline: **4 January 2013**, Helsinki, Finland
More information: <http://echa.europa.eu/web/guest/about-us/jobs/open-positions>



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

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