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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](mailto:office@ipacv.ro) to support you.

#### January 2013

- 28 [Green Ventures - International Partnership Forum for Environmental and Energy Technologies](#) Leipzig (Germany)
- 30 [Matchmaking at Nanotech TOKIO 2013](#) Tokio (Japan)

#### February 2013

- 04 [International WIND Matchmaking Event - EWEA 2013 Annual Event](#) Vienna (Austria)
- 06 [Company mission - Biomass Valorization for energy production](#) Torino (Italy)
- 06 [Company mission to SABINE 2013](#) Reims (France)
- 07 [Life Science Scotland Partnering Event](#) Edinburgh (United Kingdom)
- 14 [TECHINNOV](#) Orly (France)
- 18 [Transnational AAL Info Day & Brokerage Event](#) Luxembourg (Luxembourg)
- 18 [Company Mission to Ambiente](#) Frankfurt/Main (Germany)
- 19 ["HCJ Fair 2013" - B2B meetings at the hospitality industry tradeshow in Japan](#) Tokyo (Japan)
- 25 [8th Mobile World Congress Brokerage Event](#) Barcelona (Spain)
- 26 [CONTACT: Business Meetings](#) Leipzig (Germany)
- 26 [GENERA 2013 Brokerage Event](#) Madrid (Spain)

#### 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)
- 13 [Company Mission Forum Life Science 2013](#) Munich (Germany)
- 13 [Forum Life Science 2013](#) Munich (Germany)
- 21 [International Business meetings at BIOGAZ Europe and Fair BOIS ENERGIE 2013](#) NANTES (France)
- 21 [b2fair FURNITURE 2013](#) Vilnius (Lithuania)

#### April 2013

- 09 [conhIT Business Meetings 2013](#) Berlin (Germany)
- 09 [HANNOVER MESSE 2013: Technology Cooperation Days on Industrial Energy Efficiency](#) Hannover (Germany)
- 10 [THETIS 2013 Brest - International B2B Meetings](#) Brest (France)
- 11 [Biopesticide Market Opportunities](#) London (United Kingdom)
- 12 [Vision 2013](#) Freiburg, Germany (Germany)
- 17 ["Unlocking the Potential" Euromediterranean Brokerage Event 2013](#) St. Julians (Malta)
- 24 [NanoScience and Micro-Nanotechnologies \( Imagine Nano\)](#) Bilbao (Spain)
- 26 [Matchmaking at jazzahead! 2013](#) Bremen (Germany)

## May 2013

28 [Matchmaking event for Safety, Security and Emergency](#) Kortrijk (Belgium)

## 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)

20 [Connect with international partners at EuroNanoForum Dublin 2013!](#) Dublin (Ireland)

## 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-Transfer](#) [Intellectual property](#) [Access to finance](#) [Research funding](#) [EU law and standards](#) [Speak up on EU law](#)

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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](http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=fERuBYG7sWI)

## European Mission for Growth: Mexico and Columbia, 14-19 April 2013

DG of Enterprise & Industry DG will lead a technical mission to Mexico & to Colombia with a EU business delegation of around 30 entrepreneurs in order to discuss with Mexican & Colombian politicians, entrepreneurs how to foster our industrial cooperation. The company delegation will first visit Mexico and the travel on to Columbia on 17 April. A detailed agenda for the entire trip is not yet finalised, but we can ensure you that an interesting and relevant programme for the delegation is currently being put together, including opportunities to meet selected companies from Mexico and Columbia whose business interests match those of their European counterparts. These visits are intended to:

- Promote European business policies and to develop ties between Mexican/Colombian and EU companies by organising an interesting programme for participating companies (including match-making events, discussions with investment agencies, etc.).
- Initiate discussions with high level government representatives about monitoring the Memoranda of Understanding signed by Vice-President Tajani during his Mission for Growth in May 2012.
- The presence of individual CEOs/entrepreneurs interested in cooperation with Mexico and Colombia is considered as the most important factor for the success of this Mission for Growth.

The most important **industrial sectors** targeted during these visits are **green economy, biotechnology, key enabling technologies, mining, construction and tourism**. **Registration of companies:** Companies interested in joining the VP's delegation should fill in the application form (see more...) and send it, together with a CV and a photo of the company's representative, to Jessica Stampa ([jessica.stampa@ec.europa.eu](mailto:jessica.stampa@ec.europa.eu)), Veronique Hyeulle ([veronique.hyeulle@ec.europa.eu](mailto:veronique.hyeulle@ec.europa.eu)) at the Commission's DG Enterprise and in Cc to ([gunnar.matthiesen@ec.europa.eu](mailto:gunnar.matthiesen@ec.europa.eu)).

The **eligibility criteria** for companies applying to participate in the Mission for Growth are:

- High level representative of a European company
- Dynamic and innovative enterprises
- Strong international experiences and/or strong interest in the Mexican and/or Colombian markets

**Cost:** Participation in the Mission for Growth is free of charge. However, participating companies will be required to make their own arrangements for their travel, accommodation and subsistence (and pay for them...).

**More...** <http://portal.enterprise-europe-network.ec.europa.eu/my/intranet/mission-growth-mexico-columbia>

## International business networking event, 21-22 May 2013, Malta

Two full days of networking, individual business meetings, short practical workshops for companies and entrepreneurs from EU and Euromed countries. This international event will be held in Malta on 21 - 22 May 2013 and will focus on the following sectors: renewable energies, sustainable construction, digital game production, maritime, aviation, logistics, functional food & beverages and life sciences. If you are interested in personally meeting other entrepreneurs to discuss business cooperation you are most welcome to join the event.

**Contact:** Brigitte Tanti, [brigitte.tanti@maltaenterprise.com](mailto:brigitte.tanti@maltaenterprise.com)

## IndustryMatchMaking 2013, 7 March 2013, Inter Expo Center, Sofia, Bulgaria

One day of networking and individual meetings for business cooperation, technology transfer or participation in projects funded by European programs. The forum is excellent opportunity for companies and organizations to establish

valuable business contacts with local and foreign companies for business cooperation, technology transfer or participation in projects funded by European programs. The bilateral meetings offer participants the possibility to make direct contacts with potential partners, to learn about the news and trends, to promote their business activities and exchange experiences. The B2B meetings will be held within the following specialized international exhibitions:

- [MachTech & Metal \(www.machtech-metal.bg\)](http://www.machtech-metal.bg) – International B2B exhibition for metallurgy, foundry and tools;
  - [IFAM \(www.ifam.bg\)](http://www.ifam.bg) – B2B trade exhibition in field of automation, robotics, mechatronics;
  - [INTRONIKA \(www.intronika.bg\)](http://www.intronika.bg) –B2B trade exhibition for electronic ind, components, measurement, telecom.
  - [PLAST \(www.plast.bg\)](http://www.plast.bg) – B2B trade exhibition for plastic & rubber industry
  - [Transport & Logistics \(http://iec.bg/en/event/23/transport-logistics\)](http://iec.bg/en/event/23/transport-logistics) - the 6<sup>th</sup> International Exhibition & B2B Forum for new proposals, product innovations, technologies, services to contribute to the growth of the market
  - [Security Expo \(http://www.bcci.bg/fairs/security/index.htm\)](http://www.bcci.bg/fairs/security/index.htm) - International Exhibition for security systems, communications, control, monitoring of facilities, fire alarm/extinguishing equipment, emergency, safety vehicles;
- More...** [www.imm2013.build-your.net](http://www.imm2013.build-your.net)

### **Dinner Debate: How Can Networking in Science and Technology Help SMEs Meet the Innovation Union Goals?, European Parliament, Brussels, Belgium, 29 January 2013**

COST will organise a dinner debate together with the K4I (Knowledge 4 Innovation) Forum of the EU Parliament on the topic of 'Enhancing SME cooperation in Science & Technology'. This debate aims at opening a forum where the SME voice, interest in joining EU programmes is heard, promoting SMEs participation in EU science & technology networking, devising opportunities for simplified access of SMEs to participate in EU research programmes.

The open, inclusive and bottom-up approach of science and technology networking can be beneficial to SMEs and favour their participation in pan-European research networks. COST [Actions](#) provide opportunities for SMEs to engage in science and technology cooperation with representatives of universities and other research institutions.

**More...** [http://www.cost.eu/events/k4i\\_dinnerdebate?goback=%2Egde\\_1699127\\_member\\_204242386](http://www.cost.eu/events/k4i_dinnerdebate?goback=%2Egde_1699127_member_204242386)

### **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](mailto:office@ipacv.ro) ; web site: [www.ipacv.ro](http://www.ipacv.ro).

## **Clusters**

### **EUROGIA+, the EUREKA cluster supporting new technologies in the clean energies sector**

**EUROGIA+**, the EUREKA cluster supporting new technologies in the clean energies sector, is a market-oriented programme, financing projects aiming at the development of new technological products by commercial entities, companies or universities, transforming academic knowledge into innovative technologies. The cluster addresses all areas of the energy mix, from renewable energy to efficiency, reduction of the CO2 footprint of fossil fuels.

**More...** [the EUROGIA+ website](#).

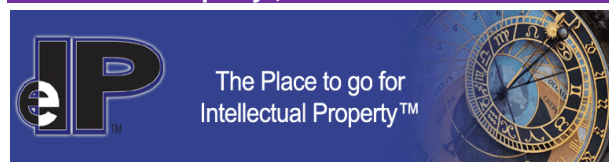
## **SMEs**

### **Technology Profiles**

<a href="#">Plastic microdevice for selective isolation &amp; extraction of tumour circulating cells by ultrasounds.</a>	Spain	OFFER
<a href="#">New applications for bamboo fibre as reinforcement of composites.</a>	Netherlands	OFFER
<a href="#">Shared Multimedia Integrated Learning Environment technology</a>	Spain	OFFER
<a href="#">Powder formulation for instant pharmaceutical suspensions &amp; solutions</a>	Netherlands	OFFER
<a href="#">Innovative LED technology for multiple applications</a>	Spain	OFFER
<a href="#">High intensity ultrasound device for atmospheric freeze drying</a>	Spain	OFFER
<a href="#">Industrial server-based software solutions</a>	Estonia	OFFER
<a href="#">Apparatus for detecting types of mist and visibility</a>	Germany	OFFER
<a href="#">Good taste and experience of professional movie soundtrack designers</a>	Germany	OFFER
<a href="#">Complexation of Photosensitizer/Resveratrol with polymeric excipient to improve water solubility</a>	Germany	OFFER
<a href="#">3D Scanning of transparent Objects</a>	Germany	OFFER
<a href="#">TRISLATE-Innovative Solar combined Heat &amp; Power System</a>	Ireland	OFFER
<a href="#">Pulse compression reactor technology enables new efficient chemical processes</a>	Netherlands	OFFER

<a href="#">Innovative approach for the synthesis of multifunctional therapeutic agents for diabetes</a>	UK	OFFER
<a href="#">Novel invention for coating porous surfaces.</a>	Denmark	OFFER
<a href="#">PS: EUREKA Celtic - Improved internet security for kids (KidsPro) SMEs sought</a>	Finland	REQUEST
<a href="#">PS-Eurostars - Analysis and management of influence to new marketing strategies - INMAS</a>	Spain	REQUEST
<a href="#">PS: SSH.2013.5.2-2 Transmitting and benefiting from cultural heritage in Europe</a>	Italy	REQUEST
<a href="#">Continuous procedure for determining the contamination of water</a>	Germany	OFFER
<a href="#">Innovative and safe disinfectant designed especially for the food and catering industry</a>	Israel	OFFER

## Intellectual Property ; Standards



### EC welcomes agreement on the EU unitary patent package

A one-stop shop for obtaining a patent having immediate effect in most parts of the EU's territory, combined with a single specialised patent court ensuring the highest review standards will be created.

**More...** [http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release\\_MEMO-12-971\\_en.htm](http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release_MEMO-12-971_en.htm)

### e-Learning for SMEs

The aim of this e-Learning tool is to train Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) about the importance of Intellectual Property Rights (IPRs). This e-Learning tool is divided into two main sections:

**1st - "Why is Intellectual Property important":** here you can find information about Intellectual Property throughout the different stages of production.

**2nd - "What and How to protect":** here you can find information targeted towards SMEs, covering the different types of Intellectual Property rights.

**More...** <http://oami.europa.eu/knowledge/course/view.php?id=1507&lngcdd=true&la=en>

## Research

### How do you see research and innovation making a difference for a better future?

The point is that we see that a lot of production is leaving Europe because of the prices. We see that the production is going to the Far East, some parts are coming back, to former Eastern Europe, but still, Europe is not a production continent. What is really our benefit, is Research and Innovation. This is what makes the difference this is why Europe is well seen in all the world, including America, Asia, the Pacific etc... And therefore, it's really necessary that we don't lose here the momentum and that we show that we are the innovative part of the world.

**More...** [How do you see research and innovation making a difference for a better future?](#)

### Research collaboration in universities and academic entrepreneurship: the-state-of-the-art

There is abundant evidence that research collaboration has become the norm in every field of scientific and technical research. We provide a critical overview of the literature on research collaboration, focusing particularly on individual-level collaborations among university researchers, but we also give attention to university researchers' collaborations with researchers in other sectors, including industry. We consider collaborations aimed chiefly at expanding the base of knowledge (knowledge-focused collaborations) as well as ones focused on production of economic value & wealth (property-focused collaborations), the latter including most academic entrepreneurship research collaborations.

**More...** [http://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s10961-012-9281-8?null&qoback=%2Egde\\_2414016\\_member\\_201634827](http://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s10961-012-9281-8?null&qoback=%2Egde_2414016_member_201634827)

### What are the benefits of participating in EU research projects?

The main benefits are to learn from each other and from other researchers, also other industries but not only about technical stuff, but also about very unique, personal things we can learn from each other, how they work.

**More...** [The benefits of participating in EU research projects](#)

### Developing global links in research

Europe has no shortage of potential when it comes to world-leading research, entrepreneurs, companies. The number of researchers in Europe as a share of the population is well below that of the United States, Japan, other countries. If the EU wants to reach its target of spending 3 % of GDP on research & development it will need to create at least 1 million new research jobs. As global competition for the best research talent continues to grow, a significant number of EU researchers are choosing to work outside EU. Together they represent an untapped asset to further develop EU research, which is why the EC has initiated the EURAXESS Links project.

**More...** [Developing global links in research](#)

### How do you see research and innovation making a difference for a better future?

Innovation is crucial, is important and will be responsible for the future, for the prospective of EU at least. We have to have the best heads, in EU the best conditions for innovation, research, we have to spend money on research as well.

[More... How do you see research and innovation making a difference for a better future](#)

### **What is needed to exit the crisis and help Europe's economy to grow?**

I would say they have to work together- it is not easy, you know, to come out to this stage - and work together to solve the problem although there are various issues in different countries...I fully support that the EU is heading as acting role to help solve those problems in different countries. Definitely, as one member particularly in the area of telecommunications and transportation area, I think the last infrastructure development is one of the driven forces for the economy.

So I would say: the government should put more investment in all those infrastructures, particularly for those infrastructures that can help the sustainability in the future. That will create more jobs, investment, particularly for those infrastructures invested in or initiated by the government, that can guarantee the future benefit for the whole society.

[More... What is needed to exit the crisis and help Europe's economy to grow?](#)

## **Innovation and Entrepreneurship**

### **An Office of Innovation Allows for Success and Growth**

Innovation creates more than knowledge and experience alone ever could. You are embracing the new world, the new changes, and shaping your business to better fit in with what is out there. This helps your customers always have what is new and best as well as your employees have a safe, productive workspace.

The world around us is changing, after all, so it is only natural that our respective business areas change, too. When technology and information evolve, search out a learning center for managing innovation. You will find out how to take what is currently out there and create something new and very brilliant out of it.

[More... http://innovationgrow.com/an-office-of-innovation-allows-for-success-and-growth.htm](http://innovationgrow.com/an-office-of-innovation-allows-for-success-and-growth.htm)

### **Exercise on creative problem solving**

BOOI Innovations would like to share with you an exercise on creative problem solving which is a part of our Creativity & Innovation Awareness seminar. During our seminar most people can create 3 to 5 solutions; we will give you now 10 solutions! Creativity is about eliminating your pattern thinking and self-imposed restrictions. But it is also about identifying knowledge gaps you have as "you do not know what you do not know!" Have a look & share!

[More... http://booi-innovations.com/Files/BOOI\\_Innovations\\_match\\_sticks\\_v01.pdf](http://booi-innovations.com/Files/BOOI_Innovations_match_sticks_v01.pdf)

## **Partner Search**

### **Looking for SME to join FP7-OCEAN-2013 project**

We are looking for a partner to join our consortium (currently 2 universities, 1 large enterprise, 1 SME) and apply for FP7 project 2013.OCEAN.1: Biosensors for real time monitoring of biohazard and man made chemical contaminants in the marine environment. The project involves development of innovative architectures for monitoring and quantifying contaminants in marine environment; we are looking for a SME, possibly specialized on oceanography or aquaculture, that can play the end-user role. Requirement: - SME, - Based in EU, but not in UK, Italy or Ireland, - Interested in playing an end-user role, - Deadline for project 07/02/2013

**Contact:** Daniele Tosi, [daniele.tosi@ul.ie](mailto:daniele.tosi@ul.ie)

### **Partner Search for Call 2013 FP7-ENV-2013 from Palma de Mallorca, Spain**

EMAYA is interested in finding technology partners with the aim to participate in the upcoming Calls of proposal within the FP7 for ICT Research (ICT.2013.6.3 ICT for water resources management) and Environment ENV.2013.WaterInno & Demo-1 (Water innovation demonstration projects), Improving resource efficiency, among others.

We offer our systems and expertise to companies with the technological capacity required to develop our aim acting as testers for all kind of innovation/ testing projects.

EMAYA is the municipal water company that manages the integral water cycle, the urban solid waste collection and the street cleansing in Palma de Mallorca (Balearic Islands, Spain) with a population of 400.000 people.

**Contact:** Pere Marc Monserrat, [pmmonserrat@emaya.es](mailto:pmmonserrat@emaya.es), [mariajose.tomas@cdti.es](mailto:mariajose.tomas@cdti.es), [www.emaya.es](http://www.emaya.es), +0034971774300

### **Partner Search for Call 2013 FP7-ENV-2013 from Salamanca, Spain**

Topics of interest: Research Inno-Demostrative Projects about green economy against climate change

**Contact:** Jose Manuel Piñel Pérez, [pepe@orgullorural.com](mailto:pepe@orgullorural.com), +34 630324070

### **Partner Search for Call 2013 FP7-ENV-2013 from Spain**

Tracasa, a government owned corporation, was founded on April 15, 1982. Over the years of its history, Tracasa has achieved being an organization capable of offering comprehensive services based on Information and Communications Technologies, with high skill in Geo-ICT technologies and vast experience in Geo-ICT EU co-funded projects. Tracasa plays a central role as a leading supplier of products and services for the modernization of the public administrations and its territories. One of Tracasa's differentiating assets is its practical and effective knowledge regarding all the organization, processes and solutions involved in the performance of the public administrations, especially at the regional and local levels. Moreover, Tracasa offers a combination of practical experience, global perspective and the necessary capabilities to meet the challenges of the market through its comprehensive approach to solutions. Our experience in Europe has been reinforced by participating in co-funded projects under various EU programs and training courses.

Research topics: - Remote sensing, - Hydrology, - Smart cities, - Soils, - Emergency Management

**Contact:** D. Raúl Orduna Urrutia, [Rorduna@tracasa.es](mailto:Rorduna@tracasa.es), <http://www.tracasa.es>

### Partner search for an LLP project Urban Gardens

For an LLP project I urgently required EU partners with already gained expertise in topics related to communal gardens, community gardening, urban gardening, urban horticulture, community supported agriculture, public produce etc...

**Contact:** Christina Paci, Ravenna Area, Italy, [christinapaci@hotmail.com](mailto:christinapaci@hotmail.com)

### Call For Tender / Proposals / Applications / Fundings / Awards

#### EUROGIA+ announces new call for projects

All innovative project ideas that will reduce the CO2 footprint of energy production, use potentially qualify for the EUROGIA+ label. This quality label facilitates the access to public funding, potential customers for the project partners involved. This new call is part of a continuous selection process, with 4 calls per year. The cut-off date of the current call is February 15, 2013. The projects submitted in the preliminary project outline format will be reviewed by the EUROGIA+ technical committee on March 14, 2013 and feedback will be provided to move to the full proposal stage.

Applicable conditions and details of the submission process can be found on [the EUROGIA+ website](#).

#### EUROSTARS, Deadline: April 4, 2013

Eurostars Programme is a European Joint Programme dedicated to the R&D performing SMEs\*, and co-funded by the European Communities and 33 EUREKA member countries. However, even if your organisation is based outside of the member countries of Eurostars, you may still be eligible to participate in a Eurostars project in addition to the minimum of two participants established in two different Eurostars member countries.

Eurostars aims to stimulate these SMEs to lead international collaborative research and innovation projects by easing access to support and funding. It is fine-tuned to focus on the needs of SMEs, and specifically targets the development of new products, processes and services and the access to transnational and international markets.

**More...** [eligibility criteria](#) ; <http://www.eurostars-eureka.eu/where.do> ; <http://www.eurostars-eureka.eu/guidelines.do>

#### EUREKA, the European network for innovation is calling for projects to fund

On 11 January 2013 EUREKA launched a new call for technological innovation projects. 12 national funding agencies are taking part in the call; they are based in Austria, Canada, Croatia, Czech Republic, Finland, The Netherlands, Romania, Spain, South Korea, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey. The best international research projects selected will be invited to submit their applications to the EUREKA scheme or the Eurostars Programme 10<sup>th</sup> cut-off. Applications are to be submitted before Friday 15 February 2013 to NCPs or the EUREKA Secretariat at [jointrdcall@eurekanetwork.org](mailto:jointrdcall@eurekanetwork.org).

EUREKA member countries which are not taking part this call and countries outside of the EUREKA Network may also participate on the agreement their own national innovation agency.

Belgium also joined the call for projects. To get in touch with local contact: <http://www.eurekanetwork.org/belgium/contact>

**More...** <http://www.eurekanetwork.org>

#### FP7 calls

- [Food, Agriculture and Fisheries, and Biotechnology](#) / 3 open calls
- [Information and Communication Technologies](#) / 6 open calls
- [Nanosciences, Nanotechnologies, Materials and new Production Technologies - NMP](#) / 2 open calls
- [Energy](#) / 4 open calls
- [Environment \(including Climate Change\)](#) / 3 open calls
- [Transport \(including Aeronautics\)](#) / 4 open calls
- [Socio-economic sciences and Humanities](#) / 3 open calls
- [Joint Technology Initiatives \(Annex IV-SP1\)](#) / 1 open calls

#### CIP ICT Policy Support Programme - last call, Deadline 14 may 2013

The ICT Policy Support Programme (PSP) aims at stimulating innovation and competitiveness. The ICT PSP is one of the three specific programmes of The [Competitiveness and Innovation framework Programme](#) (CIP) and runs for the years 2007-2013. The ICT PSP aims at stimulating smart sustainable and inclusive growth by accelerating the wider uptake and best use of innovative digital technologies and content by citizens, governments and businesses. It provides EU funding to support the realisation of the [Digital agenda for Europe](#).

**More...** [https://ec.europa.eu/digital-agenda/sites/digital-agenda/files/cip\\_ict\\_psp\\_wp2013\\_publication.pdf](https://ec.europa.eu/digital-agenda/sites/digital-agenda/files/cip_ict_psp_wp2013_publication.pdf) ; [Participant Portal](#)

#### CIP Intelligent Energy Europe Call, Deadline: 8 May 2013

The objective of the Intelligent Energy - Europe II Programme ("IEE II") is to contribute to secure, sustainable and competitively priced energy for Europe. Funding under the IEE programme is available for different types of actions furthering the EU's efforts towards clean and sustainable energy. The main areas covered are energy efficiency, new/renewable resources, energy in transport, integrated initiatives which combine several of these or address more than one economic sector at the same time. The IEE funds three different types of activities: projects pioneering sustainable energy ideas in practice; products, services procured to meet the needs of the EC and/or the EACI; the project development assistance facilities to mobilise funds for investments in sustainable energy at local level.

Money is available through each of these different financing streams, although the majority of the budget is given over to funding projects. The indicative total amount available for this call is EUR 65 million.

The European Info Day will take place in Brussels on 23 January. Please [click here](#) for further details on the Info Day.

**More...** [Programme Website](#) ; <http://ec.europa.eu/intelligentenergy>.

### **Call for Applications Think and Link - Regional Policy Programme, Deadline 20 February 2013**

The European Fund for the Balkans (EFB) launches a call for applications within its Envisioning EU programme strand: "THINK AND LINK" – Regional Policy Programme. The programme seeks to foster inclusive and evidence-based policy making in the Western Balkans by initiating research projects which are relevant from the perspective of the Copenhagen criteria, embedded in a regional capacity building and networking programme cycle.

Applicants must apply for participation in the programme cycle (capacity building and networking seminars, mentoring) and submit a research project proposal on a topic relevant from the perspective of the Copenhagen criteria.

**More...** <http://balkanfund.org/2012/12/call-for-applications-think-and-link-regional-policy-programme/>

### **Life Long Learning Programme Call for Proposals (Several deadlines for different calls), Deadline 28 March 2013**

The programme funds a range of actions including exchanges, study visits and networking activities. Projects are intended for individual students, learners, also for teachers, trainers, all others involved in education/training.

There are four sub-programmes which fund projects at different levels of education and training: Comenius (schools), Erasmus (higher education), Leonardo da Vinci (vocational education & training), Grundtvig (adult education).

Under Leonardo da Vinci Programme, there is also a call for **Transfer of Innovation** (31 January 2013 deadline).

**More...** Programme Guide 2013: [http://ec.europa.eu/education/lp/official-documents-on-the-lp\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/education/lp/official-documents-on-the-lp_en.htm)

General Call for Proposals 2013: <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:C:2012:232:0006:0008:EN:PDF>

### **Joint Programme Ambient Assisted Living (AAL) - call 6 pre-launched**

The Joint Programme Ambient Assisted Living-AAL JP will launch officially the 6<sup>th</sup> call for proposals on 31 January 2013. Deadline will be 30 April 2013. The topic of the call 6 is "ICT solutions for supporting occupation in life of older adults."

The "AAL Association", which is responsible for the implementation of the programme, has now pre-launched the call.

**More...** <http://www.aal-europe.eu/wp-content/uploads/2013/01/AAL-JP-Call6-text-Pre-Publication1.pdf>

### **Call for Experts in Eco-Innovation, Intelligent Energy and Marco Polo Programmes**

The Executive Agency for Competitiveness & Innovation-EACI invites applications from experts in the fields: environment, energy efficiency, renewables, sustainable freight transport, with a view to drawing up lists of external experts that will assist it in evaluation activities relating to the implementation of the Competitiveness and Innovation Programme (CIP).

Candidates who are interested in having their names entered in these lists of experts are invited to submit their application in accordance with the rules set out below. The experts will assist the EACI in the following activities:

I. Evaluation of proposals in response to calls for proposals in line with the various aims of the above-mentioned programmes/policies as well as the criteria published for specific calls for proposals and related information packages.

II. Evaluation of finished or ongoing activities or projects under the above-mentioned programmes.

III. Evaluation of the programmes in order to assess their impacts based on specific evaluation criteria/indicators

**More...** [Call Text](#) ; <http://wbc-inco.net/object/call/6912>

## **Policy**

### **Innovations in Governance and Public Administration**

When we are no longer able to change a situation, we are challenged to change ourselves?

The change surely has to come from the way we think. Currently all politics is based around a system of debate. This type of conversation is conflicting. By arguing for and against - weighing up the pros versus the cons, we are dealing in a very black and white spectrum and often reach a compromise somewhere near the middle. Not only are we wasting time arguing but we are also failing to collaborate creatively. The way we think has to change.

Rather than arguing one point of view why not team up with the specialists and experts around you and spend an equal amount of time observing the situation from the same point of view so as to collaborate and stimulate innovative ideas. The real source of the problem is the public mindset at least in democracies. The so called collaborative networks often work within so many constraints that they never gather enough strength to challenge the powers that be. The problems that we face in politics and governance are systemic. We would need to change systems. And these systemic ills persist without remediation because of our faiths and beliefs that are not intrinsically correct.

While I am all for people coming together and acting together, my past experiences some however never make me feel very enthusiastic about such expectations at all.

**More...** [www.cant-think.com](http://www.cant-think.com) ; <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oddD3lwqryc>

## **Events**

### **Conference Global Challenges, Global Collaboration, 4-8 March 2013, Brussels**

The European Parliament will host a five-day conference on "EU Science: Global Challenges, Global Collaboration" (ES:GC2), starting on March 4th, 2013, in Brussels. The conference will bring together science policymakers, scientists and industry representatives from 100 different countries and will place EU research at the centre of the international response to global challenges. It will be convened by ISC - Intelligence in Science, under the auspices of the Irish Council Presidency, in conjunction with Mr Sean Kelly MEP and other Members of the European Parliament.

The core focus of ES:GC2 will be primarily on Horizon 2020, the EU's funding instrument for collaborative research and innovation beyond 2014, which seeks to provide both increased funding and enhanced ease of participation compared to its predecessor, FP7. The aim of the conference is to encourage worldwide collaboration in science and to explore how

Horizon 2020 can enable an effective scientific response to global challenges. This conference will also provide an environment to build new partnerships with the view to increase international participation in Horizon 2020.

**More...** [Global Challenges, Global Collaboration](#)

### **17<sup>th</sup> International Conference on System Theory, Control & Computing, ICSTCC, 11-13 Oct 2013, Sinaia, Romania**

The Joint Conference is for the fourth time organized in this format. The main goal of this conference is to provide a multidisciplinary forum between researchers from industry, academia to discuss state-of-the-art topics in system theory, control & computing, to present recent research results, prospects for development in this evolving area.

The ICSTCC conference emerged from the fusion of the 3 conferences that were organized by University of Craiova, [Faculty of Automation, Computers & Electronics](#) (SINTES - International Conference on System Theory & Control), Gheorghe Asachi Technical University of Iasi, [Faculty of Automatic Control & Computer Engineering](#) (SACCS - International Symposium on Automatic Control & Computer Science), Dunarea de Jos University of Galati, [Faculty of Control Systems, Computers, Electrical & Electronics Engineering](#) (SIMSIS - International Symposium on Modelling, Simulation & Identification Systems). The ICSTCC conference, is technically co-sponsored by IEEE Control Systems Society, the papers will be indexed in IEEE Xplore.

**More...** <http://ace.ucv.ro/icstcc2013/>

### **2<sup>nd</sup> 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/>

### **TII 2013 Beijing, China, 5-10 May 2013**

We have extended the deadline of our call for contributions to 15 February. We therefore invite you to prepare a short outline (approximately 10 lines) on your chosen topic and the insights you would like to present and email it to [cr@tii.org](mailto:cr@tii.org)

#### **Suggested Topics**

- New applications of creativity for new product development
- Collaborative research
- University-industry liaison
- IP protection
- New business models
- International joint ventures
- High-tech soft landing in China
- Outward technology transfer from China
- Search for talent
- Corporate social responsibility

Registration for the conference will open in early February and we look forward to welcoming a dynamic group of innovation professionals from Europe and meeting up with counterparts from the host country and from across Asia.

**More...** on the TII website at [www.tii.org](http://www.tii.org) and follow the links.

### **New Horizons for 2020 & Beyond; Croatia and South East Europe in the EU, May 22-24, 2013, Dubrovnik, Croatia**

The event are hosted by the Rudjer Boskovic Institute & the Brodarski Institute. EARTO's 2013 annual conference takes place within just a few weeks of Community Europe extending its frontiers south-eastwards to embrace Croatia, with other south-eastern European countries wishing also to join the EU in the years ahead. 2013 is also the year when the current EU Framework Programme FP7 reaches the end of its 7<sup>th</sup> year term, to be followed by Horizon 2020. These major changes mark the conference programme, which will have a triple focus.

- Horizon 2020: How it will differ from FP7 in its objectives, its instruments, and its operational practice.
- Structural Funds: How EU Structural Funds can be effectively deployed to support research and innovation, not only but also in Croatia and south-eastern Europe, as well as in complement to Horizon 2020 funds
- Meeting Place: A forum where research organisations from south-eastern EU & EU countries can meet, begin building mutually beneficial relationships. South-eastern European research organisations will have an opportunity to make a short presentation at various points in the conference programme, to have a stand at the conference venue.

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### **8th ecoMEDIA-europe Network Conference on "E-Competence, Needs & Demands of Innovative Education", Antalya, Turkey, 27-29 May 2013**

The ecoMEDIA europe Network, represented by Schulgemeindevverband Wolfsberg, AT, registered under the EU reference no. 225916-CP-1-2005-1-AT-COMENIUS-C3 will hold its Conference in cooperation with local partners.

**More...** [www.ecomediaantalya.org](http://www.ecomediaantalya.org)

### **5<sup>th</sup> International Congress of sport and kinetotherapy with exhibition, April 5-7, 2013, Caciulata, Romania**

At the Congress there will be three presentation modalities: *Oral and poster presentations (in-person) and virtual (for those who cannot attend in person) or recorded video summary is sent by e-mail.* Papers will be published in special issue of appearance in the *STUDIA EDUCATIO ARTIS GYMNASTICAE*. The Journal is indexed in IDB.

**More...** [HTTP://CIS01.CENTRAL.UCV.RO/ICEK](http://CIS01.CENTRAL.UCV.RO/ICEK)

### **2<sup>nd</sup> International Virtual Conference, ICTIC 2013, 25-29 March 2013, Zilina, Slovakia**



ICTIC 2013 is an International Virtual Conference organized by the Faculty of Management Science and Informatics at the University of Žilina in Slovakia. The conference will be held online as virtual conference at the address [www.ictic.sk](http://www.ictic.sk). The aim of this conference is to provide a worldwide forum, where the international participants can share their research knowledge and ideas on the recent/latest research, map out the directions for future researchers/collaborations. Researchers and graduate students are welcomed to participate in the conference to exchange research findings in the frontier areas of ICT for Business, Management, Informatics, Computer science and so on.

**More...** <http://www.ictic.sk>

#### **Bioeconomy in the EU: achievements and directions for the future, 14-15 February 2013, Dublin, Ireland**

One year on from the launching of the EU's Bioeconomy Strategy, the European Commission, in collaboration with the Irish Presidency, analyses the achievements and the opportunities ahead in the two-day conference "Bioeconomy in the EU: achievements and directions for the future". Commissioner Máire Geoghegan-Quinn, and the Irish Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine, Simon Coveney, open this high-level meeting.

**More...** [Bioeconomy in the EU: achievements and directions for the future](#)

#### **World e-ID Congress 2013, 25-27 September 2013, Nice, France**

World e-ID Congress has become in eight years a key event gathering over 350 e-ID programs managers, government officials and technology experts around world's major e-ID projects, policies trends and latest innovations. In 2013 the conference will strengthen its key features to help the participants to succeed in their e-ID plans: exploring further the most significant e-ID projects worldwide (20 countries scanned in 2012), highlighting best practices and concrete solutions, discussing worldwide policies, technology and market dynamics.

**More...** [World e-ID Congress 2013](#)

#### **EuroNanoForum 2013, 18-20 June 2013, Dublin, Ireland**

EuroNanoForum 2013 focuses on the commercialisation of nanotechnologies, exploiting its potential for new applications, taking them further from enabling technologies to end products. It will introduce the industry to new innovations for growth opportunities. With Horizon2020 beginning in 2014, the conference will also show how nanotechnologies fit into the new structure within EU's key priority areas of excellent science, industrial leadership and tackling societal challenges.

**More...** [EuroNanoForum 2013](#)

#### **18<sup>th</sup> Annual Congress of the European College of Sport Science, ECSS Barcelona 2013, 26-29 June 2013**

Our goal in this 18th Annual Congress of the ECSS is to present the state of the art in the different specialized areas, at the same time as offering a global view of sport science. We hope that by moving from the whole to the parts and vice versa, sports scientists will be able to find the best paths through the field.

The latest advances in technology, mathematical modelling and computational possibilities have led to a new body of scientific disciplines that can cope with the complexity of sports, a privileged area for developing science in our society.

**More...** [ECSS Barcelona 2013](#)

#### **Conference Research, challenges of professionalization of R&D management in scientific units, 19 February 2013, Cracow, Poland**

RESEARCH 2013 will be dedicated to the topic of R&D manager's and research support office's role in research projects management. Presentations by invited experts and following discussion among participants would allow parties involved to raise the most crucial questions concerning the future of R&D manager's progressive professionalization. Topics:

- How to achieve excellence in research project management?
- Is Research Project Management a profession?
- Is the research project management body of knowledge unique? How do research project managers compare against other related professions mainly knowledge transfer managers?
- What is the role of organizations representing practitioners in research project management and knowledge transfer?
- What are the key qualities of Research Project Manager? How to properly train these kind of experts?
- Is certification of Research Project Managers a good idea?
- What are the challenges of research projects and knowledge transfer support services in scientific institutions?

Among the invited experts there will be representatives of:

- foreign and national organizations associating practitioners of research project & knowledge transfer management – EU Association of Research Managers & Administrators-EARMA, EU Knowledge Transfer Society-EUKTS, National Council for Research Projects Coordinators-KRAB, National Council of University Research Administrators-NCURA.
- European Commission (DG Research and Innovation)
- Polish national funding bodies – Ministry of Science and Higher Education, National Research and Development Center

**More...** <http://zpb.edp.org.pl> ; [zpb@edp.org.pl](mailto:zpb@edp.org.pl)

#### **Workshop Safe & Efficient Shale Gas Exploration & Production, Amsterdam, the Netherlands, 7-8 March 2013**

The two main objectives of the workshop will be

- To present and discuss ongoing and planned European research, development and demonstration projects;
- To explore the interest in, and viability of a European Platform for Shale Gas Development.

During the workshop, technical, social and environmental issues related to safe and efficient shale gas production will be discussed and the viability of a European platform on shale gas will be explored.

The target audience are industry and research representatives involved in European unconventional oil and gas development and research.

**More...** [www.jrc.ec.europa.eu](http://www.jrc.ec.europa.eu) ; [Arne.ERIKSSON@ec.europa.eu](mailto:Arne.ERIKSSON@ec.europa.eu) or [Luca.GANDOSI@ec.europa.eu](mailto:Luca.GANDOSI@ec.europa.eu) .

## Training Events / Jobs

### Calendar of training courses in nanoscience and electronics

[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)

[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)

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

### Workshop organized by Finance-Helpdesk

24/01/2013 [1 Day FP7 Financial Workshop in London-Heathrow, UK.](#)

25/01/2013 [Getting ready for Horizon 2020 \*\*\\*\\*NEW TOPIC\\*\\*\*\*](#)

28/01/2013 [3 Day Financial Workshop in London - Heathrow, UK.](#)

19/02/2013 [2 Day Marie Curie Workshop in London - Heathrow, UK.](#)

21/02/2013 [1 Day ERC Workshop in London - Heathrow, UK.](#)

New Webinar Dates Available: 90 minute Webinars on Specific Topics – to view please click [here](#).

06/02/2013 [Webinar: Module 4 - Personnel Costs](#)

07/02/2013 [Webinar: Module 6 - Eligible and Ineligible Costs.](#)

13/02/2013 [Webinar: Module 2 - Introduction and Tutorial to the Free FP7 Book](#)

**More...** <http://www.finance-helpdesk.org/Front/ShowCategory.aspx?CatId=30> ; [More news...](#)

### Training Workshop on Smart Specialisation for South East European countries, Belgrade, 11-12 April 2013

The workshop offers a unique opportunity for specialised training in one of the current and strategic concepts: smart specialisation for economic development. It is a combination of training on smart specialisation basic concepts, practice evolving around the presentation of the Platform & Guide on smart specialisation that the Joint Research Centre - Institute for Prospective Technological Studies (IPTS) has launched. The IPTS will deliver the core training and the rest of the workshop features trainings on IPA funds and S3 and the effective engagement of stakeholders as well as a series of case studies from Austria, Greece and Slovakia. **The concept of smart specialisation:**

[http://ec.europa.eu/regional\\_policy/sources/docgener/informat/2014/smart\\_specialisation\\_en.pdf](http://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/sources/docgener/informat/2014/smart_specialisation_en.pdf)

This workshop is open to participants **by invitation only** and is relevant for stakeholders actively interested in Research and Innovation Strategy development. They might be:

- **Policy makers** involved in Science, Technology, Research and Innovation at the national or local/regional level (at an operational level)
- **Research and Innovation experts** working on shaping R&I policy in their countries or regions
- **Academics** actively involved in R&I policy making, implementation and assessment.

**More...** [3\\_S3Training\\_Agenda\\_DRAFT.pdf](#) ; <http://wbc-inco.net/object/event/11347> ; **contact:** Marija Mosurovic Ruzicic: [marija.mosurovic@pupin.rs](mailto:marija.mosurovic@pupin.rs), or SEERC/GR: [contact@seerc.org](mailto:contact@seerc.org)

### Practical Toolbox for EU Funds Project Managers, Cost-Benefit & Value Analysis • Project Management • Evaluation Techniques, 25-27 February 2013, Berlin

The Practical Toolbox for EU Funds Project Managers will provide you with a set of practical instruments for your daily work in one package. Intensive workshops in the afternoon will follow up the skills learned during the morning sessions. Depending on your individual training needs, you have the possibility to choose between our three specific training days or take part in the complete set of seminars, to gain a profound insight view into EU Funds.

**More...** the [event brochure](#) ; [online booking form](#).



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