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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.

April 2013

- 04 [ITS Networking Event 2013](#) Villeneuve d'Ascq (France)
- 07 [From biomass to energy](#) Joensuu (Finland)
- 09 [conHIT Business Meetings 2013](#) Berlin (Germany)
- 09 [HANNOVER MESSE 2013: Technology Cooperation Days on Industrial Energy Efficiency](#) Hannover (Germany)
- 09 [Company Mission & Partnering, Construction Sector, Clean Tech, Efficiency & Engineering](#) St. Petersburg Russia
- 09 [Swedish company mission to Ventura Lambrate](#) Milan (Italy)
- 10 [Photonix Japan 2013](#) Tokyo Big Sight (Japan)
- 10 [EUROLUCE 2013 Company Mission](#) Milan (Italy)
- 10 [CORKMEET 2013 - Multi-sector brokerage Event](#) Cork (Ireland)
- 10 [2nd International B2B Software Days - The Big Data Challenge](#) Vienna (Austria)
- 10 [THETIS 2013 Brest - International B2B Meetings](#) Brest (France)
- 10 [COMPANY MISSION AT FIERAVICOLA 2013](#) Forlì (Italy)
- 11 [CrossTexNet Final event and technical textiles B2B meetings](#) Tourcoing (France)
- 11 [Biopesticide Market Opportunities](#) London (United Kingdom)
- 11 [Automechanika 2013 Matchmaking Event \(TR\)](#) Istanbul (Turkey)
- 11 [Robomatch 2013](#) Genova (Italy)
- 12 [Vision 2013](#) Freiburg, Germany (Germany)
- 15 [Agrofood Brokerage Event 2013](#) Lisbon (Portugal)
- 17 [NanoMed - From nanomedicine to brain imaging](#) Pula (Italy)
- 17 ["Unlocking the Potential" Euromediterranean Brokerage Event 2013](#) St. Julians (Malta)
- 17 [B.e. Aerospace Connected](#) Toulouse/Blagnac (France)
- 17 [Brokerage Event SINAVAL-2013 on Industry, Energy and Maritime Services](#) Bilbao (Spain)
- 17 [B.e. Aerospace Connected](#) Toulouse/Blagnac (France)
- 17 [Market place intermodal transport - Canary Islands](#) Las Palmas de Gran Canarias (Spain)
- 19 [YOUR HOME 2013 Brokerage Event at 43. International Construction Industry Fair](#) Bielsko-Biala (Poland)
- 21 [Company Mission in Rzeszów \(Poland\)](#) Rzeszów (Poland)
- 23 [Company mission to Contact Contract](#) Brno (Czech_Republic)
- 23 [DGT and Quo Vadis. Create. Games. Business Conference](#) Berlin (Germany)
- 24 [NanoScience and Micro-Nanotechnologies \(Imagine Nano\)](#) Bilbao (Spain)
- 24 [AutoDay 2013](#) Bratislava (Slovakia)
- 24 [Photonics Brokerage Event 2013 \(NL\)](#) Veldhoven (Netherlands)
- 24 [AutoDay 2013](#) Bratislava (Slovakia)
- 24 [High Tech Systems 2013](#) Eindhoven (Netherlands)
- 25 ["Business For" First Eurasian Forum of business communities](#) Novosibirsk (Russian Federation)

- 25 [Brokerage Event for the Construction Industry RESTA 2013](#) Vilnius (Lithuania)
 26 [Matchmaking at jazzahead! 2013](#) Bremen (Germany)

May 2013

- 02 [Europa Markt 2013](#) Magdeburg (Germany)
 06 [Incoming Mission to Sicily](#) Syracuse (Italy)
 07 [Luxinnovation Forum "Business meets Research" – Innovation Matchmaking](#) Luxembourg (Luxembourg)
 07 [Danish-German Company Mission in the frame of the BIONNALE](#) Berlin (Germany)
 08 [Partnering Event for the Furnishing Textiles @ PROPOSTE](#) Cernobbio (Italy)
 08 [PLASTPOL Brokerage Event](#) Kielce (Poland)
 14 [BE @ M2M FORUM 2013](#) Milan (Italy)
 14 [ATWARM 2013 Brokerage Event - Water the Greatest Global Challenge](#) Dublin (Ireland)
 15 [Inverse Trade Mission in the Agrofood Sector to La Rioja](#) Logroño (Spain)
 15 [SynergyDay 2013](#) Brussels (Belgium)
 17 [Energy efficiency in buildings-Technology Dating](#) Udine (Italy)
 21 [Mission to Izmir \(Turkey\)](#) Izmir (Turkey)
 22 [VENTURE 4I \(Innovation, Industry, Investment, International\)](#) GRENOBLE (France)
 22 [AgroB2B@NSFair](#) Novi Sad (Serbia)
 23 [AUTOPROMOTEC Matchmaking Event 2013](#) Bologna (Italy)
 23 [EXPOWOOD 2013 Brokerage Event](#) Brasov (Romania)
 27 [Company Mission to the fair "Les salons de la santé et de l'autonomie"](#) Paris (France)
 28 [Matchmaking event for Safety, Security and Emergency](#) Kortrijk (Belgium)
 30 [Go Green to Environment 2013 Bulgaria](#) Sofia (Bulgaria)
 31 [Matchmaking event - International Exhibition of Western Lithuanian Business Achievements](#) Klaipeda (Lithuania)

June 2013

- 03 [Tech Agri Food Brokerage Event](#) Marseilles (France)
 05 [Futurallia Istanbul 2013 Brokerage Event](#) Istanbul (Turkey)
 05 [Innovat&Match 2013](#) Bologna (Italy)
 05 [London Gaming & Digital Media Mission to Tampere](#) Tampere (Finland)
 06 [Logistics-B2Match 2013](#) Munich (Germany)
 06 [MoneyTalks@ Forum focusing Game Industry & Digital Media](#) Tampere (Finland)
 10 [BioMed 2013](#) Tel Aviv (Israel)
 11 [techtexil 2013 - B2B Meetings](#) Frankfurt am Main (Germany)
 12 [EEN Brokerage Event at "GR Business Days" in Luxembourg](#) Luxembourg (Luxembourg)
 12 [The Microtechnics Alliance meets @ EPMT fair](#) Geneva (Switzerland)
 13 [Company Mission on Smart Grid & Electric Energy Storage for SME from Germany & Sweden](#) Stockholm (Sweden)
 16 [Company Mission in Vilnius](#) Vilnius (Lithuania)
 18 [Vinexpo 2013 International B2B meetings](#) Bordeaux (France)
 18 [Smart and sustainable city – B2B meetings](#) Nice (France)
 19 [Biomedica Brokerage Event 2013](#) Aachen (Germany)
 20 [Connect with international partners at EuroNanoForum Dublin 2013!](#) Dublin (Ireland)

July 2013

- 01 [NeuroConnection 2013](#) Marseille (France)

September 2013

- 19 [Brokerage Event at EMO Hannover 2013 - Meet the World of Metalworking](#) Hannover (Germany)
 26 [Subcontracting B2B Matchmaking 2013](#) Tampere (Finland)

October 2013

- 10 [JTED 2013](#) Mons (Belgium)

December 2013

- 05 [Tech Industry 2013 Brokerage event](#) Riga (Latvia)

Useful links

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

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See how the Network's brokerage events work.

More... http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=fERuBYG7sWl

13th Benelux Venture Forum (BVF), 5 June 2013, Leuven, Belgium

You want to present in front of 50 international investors, check out the Benelux Venture Forum (BVF) and register. The BVF challenges the most promising entrepreneurs in high tech sectors from the Benelux region to come and present their business proposals to active international investors, corporations seeking investment/partnerships. The BVF has been seen as the foremost catalyst for innovative, high-tech start-ups seeking international investment capital.

More... www.e-unlimited.com/bvf

AgroB2B@NSFair, Brokerage Event, Novi Sad, Serbia, May 22, 2013

The event are organized under the auspices of International Fair of Agriculture in Novi Sad. Enterprise Europe Network Serbia - Chamber of Commerce & Industry of Serbia, University of Novi Sad in cooperation with Chamber of Commerce & Industry of Vojvodina and Novi Sad Fair have the honour to invite you to take part in organization of this event and thus contribute to creating more opportunities. The main focus of this event is on FOOD producers traders. In addition to this other related sectors are welcome to apply too:

- Agriculture machinery equipment
- Chemical products for agriculture Packaging
- Renewable energy Processing greenhouse equipment
- Applied science and research

More... <http://agrob2b-nsfair.talkb2b.net/http://agrob2b-nsfair.talkb2b.net/> ; eu@pks.rseu@pks.rs

18th International Building Fair IBF B2B event Contact-Contract, 24-25 April 2013, Brno, Czech Republic

The IBFs are the only building fairs of international importance held in Central Eastern EU. This is an event of global-scale importance that regularly features the participation of around 80 companies from all over the world. Covering practically all areas of the building industry, construction, building crafts, technologies, building materials, products, construction machinery, building construction, building services engineering, for the 1st spring event during Building Fairs.

More... <http://www.bvv.cz/en/building-fairs-brno/http://www.bvv.cz/en/building-fairs-brno/>

NanoMed - From nanomedicine to brain imaging, 17-19 April 2013, Italy

Sardegna Ricerche partner of Enterprise Europe Network organises a 3 days event on nano-biotechnologies, brain imaging, new challenges in medicine. Sections include drug delivery, diagnostics, tissue engineering, imaging:

- International conference with invited speakers on 17-19 April 2013;
- Technology tutorials (representatives from major industries in the field);
- Poster session (application is open to international young researchers), on 19 April 2013;
- One-to-one meetings, 18-19 April 2013, both in B2B (business-to-business) & R2B (research-to-business) mode.

More... <http://www.nanomediansardinia.it/en/index.php> ; dallacia@sardegna ricerche.it

Medilink East Midlands Innovation Day 2013, Derby, UK, 13 June 2013

The premier Life Sciences event in the East Midlands, Innovation Day attracts around 25 delegates who come to network with the whos who of the Life Sciences sector in the East Midlands, catch up with business colleagues and make new connections. If your company works with medtech, biotech or pharma and you want to see the latest research and technologies, then visiting the popular exhibition area is essential.

The day consists of an afternoon conference with top speakers on hot topics relating to the sector and there will be plenty of opportunities to network and exhibit throughout the day. Once the more formal presentations have taken place in the afternoon, there will be a drinks reception and dinner with an awards ceremony to celebrate the achievements of the companies in the region. There is an event from the health sector held by Medilink, where EEN colleagues from the health sector group and the BioChemTech SG will have a stand and wait to create partnerships.

For more information and bookings please [Click here](#).

More... <http://www.medilinkem.com/events/events-calendar/2013/06/13/medilink-east-midlands-innovation-day-2013>
<http://www.een-midlands.org.uk/events/MedilinkEastMidlandsInnovationDay2013.aspx> ; info@medilinkem.com

Biomedica Brokerage Event - Where Science Business meet, Aachen, Germany, 18-19 June 2013

The leading European life sciences summit Biomedica, a symbol of the outstanding success of life sciences in the Top Technology Region will take place for the 7th time.

The leading interdisciplinary congress in Life Sciences organised within the Top Technology Region. More than 1,200 participants are expected which will be held at the Eurogress in Aachen,-Germany on June 19. The pre-event will take place at the-Coronation hall of Aachen on June 18. A BioChemTech SG meeting will take place.

Biomedica is the conference in Europe where you will:

- find innovative partners from industry universities to initiate joined R&D programs for new products applications.
- find opportunities for out/in licensing your know-how.
- find researchers looking to join your R&D department at the job fair.
- meet experts in one on one meetings during the matchmaking sessions
- learn about career opportunities within the pharma and medical device industry

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

Trade mission Market Visit to Belgium, 5-7 November 2013

In the third quarter of 2012 one tenth of the total value of England's exports to Belgium (approx. 2,3 million) was from the East Midlands region. That does not come as a surprise- a company located in Belgium has access to 20million

consumers within a 500km radius. Therefore, a trade mission is taking place to help you access, explore this vast consumer market. Aside from being a top business location in general, the Brussels-Capital Region is also home to food and drink, healthcare and ICT. Belgium is also one of the top three countries in terms of innovative enterprises.

http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release_STAT-13-5_en.htm?locale=eno

Trade missions provide companies with an inexpensive, convenient, low risk opportunity to visit a market and with the reassurance/prestige of going with a group. Enterprise Europe Network will help businesses reap maximum rewards by identifying relevant contacts & business opportunities. Please have a look at http://www.een-midlands.org.uk/documents/content/events/belgium_fact_sheet_low_res.pdf to see what the Belgian market has to offer. This event will be launched during a Breakfast Meeting on 14 June

<http://www.een-midlands.org.uk/events/default.aspx?section=16&item=182&month=6&year=2013>.

More... <http://www.een-midlands.org.uk/events/Market-Visit-to-Belgium.aspx>

4th World Innovation Convention, Cannes, France, 20-22 November 2013

The World Innovation Convention in picturesque Cannes is the most popular, pioneering platform for global innovators who particularly join to collaborate with their industry peers, proven experts for 3 action packed days. Innovators who particularly join to collaborate with their industry peers, proven experts for 3 action packed days. Must Attend Event:

- stay on the cutting-edge of innovation, get mind blowing insights
- case studies reveal real-world stories and actionable information
- interactive workshops by industry champions cultivate unforgettable expertise
- build a culture of continuous innovation for your organization
- special sessions offer close-up opportunities for acquiring needed professional advice

More... <http://www.winovc.com/overview.html>

EUREKA Korea Day, Istanbul, Turkey, May 28-30, 2013

The EUREKA Korea Day is an event taking place annually and giving Korean and European companies participating in EUREKA projects a rare opportunity to develop innovative project ideas together and foster new R&D collaborations. The event will feature keynote speeches by high-level governmental representatives, a blankmatchmaking session, informative seminars for potential participants in projects funded by EUREKA.

The event is complementary to the EU-financed initiative EU Gateway to Japan Korea, which is helping EU companies explore their market potential, build their business in Japan Korea. Offering financial, strategic/logistical support, EU Gateway to Japan Korea organises up to 6 business missions per year in high-technology, design sectors.

Find out more about this initiative on the http://www.eu-gateway.eu/homet_blankEU-Gateway programme's website.

More... http://www.eurekanetwork.org/showarticle?p_r_p_564233524_articleId=1968875&p_r_p_564233524_groupId=10137

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

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

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

Clusters

Calls for proposals on Clusters

Launched by the EC, DG Enterprise & Industry 2 calls for proposals: "Towards World-Class Clusters: Promoting Cluster Excellence" (62/G/ENT/CIP/13/C/N04C031) & "Clusters & Entrepreneurship in Support of Emerging Industries" (64/G/ENT/CIP/13/C/N04C02). The aim is to foster cross-sectoral spillovers, including through creativity and creative input. The calls should have regional focuses but the transnational dimension must be taken into consideration.

The first call will be implemented through a one-stage procedure inviting transnational, regional consortia to submit **full proposals** for adapting and using the results and tools developed by the European Cluster Excellence Initiative to improve cluster management capacity, excellence in their respective regions. The submission **deadline is 6 June 2013**.

The second call invites interested regional organisations to submit, in a first stage, a short "concept note" on their vision of how to promote entrepreneurship in regions by using clusters as platforms with a view to supporting the development of emerging industries. The concept notes shall be submitted **by 17.04.2013**. The "winners" of this first round will then be invited to submit **full proposals by 22.08.2013** outlining in detail how a 'systemic approach' shall be followed to reshape existing industrial value chains and/or to create new value chains thereby stimulating growth and employment.

On 20 March DG Enterprise & Industry will organize, in Brussels, an Information Day. Registration by March 18th 2013.

More... <http://www.howtogrow.eu/ecia/newsarticle/dg-enterprise-industry-organises-info-day-on-two-calls-for-proposals/>.

EUREKA cluster for telecommunications - Celtic-Plus Spring's call, Deadline 23 April 2013

Celtic-Plus, the EUREKA cluster for telecommunications, mobile, Internet technologies launch a new call of high-tech projects applying for public funding. It are to be submitted before April 23, 2013.

The expected total budget for this year's calls is of 100 M€. The call is to be awarded to innovation projects in the technological area covered by the cluster. A selection of possible research topics can be found on the Celtic-Plus website, however, project ideas generated from the bottom-up in other research areas can be proposed. Only fully defined proposals are accepted in the submission process.

The deadline of the second call for projects to take place this Autumn will be October 15, 2013.

More... <http://www.celticplus.eu/Project-calls/Research-areas.asp> ; [Find-a-Partner page](#)

Working paper: Smart specialization and cluster policymaking

In the past two decades, clusters have become explanatory elements of regional development and policy tools for it. No wonder that in the context of new regional innovation strategies promoted by the Commission and focused on smart specialisation, clusters will play an important role, by joining throughout the process of definition, implementation and monitoring. The aim of the paper is to analyze the implications of new strategies regarding RIS3 clusters, their role as policy instruments. The paper concludes by giving some recommendations, or 'key aspects to consider':

1. Clusters initiatives as interfaces for connectivity
2. Clusters initiatives and multiplying interfaces
3. Clusters initiatives as RIS3 instruments
4. Clusters initiatives play an important role in the new programming period 2014-2020
5. Clusters can play an important role in the strategy process and the implementation plans of RIS3
6. Life cycle of the cluster will determine its role on RIS3
7. The challenge of the clusters towards smart specialisation and the RIS3

More... http://www.howtogrow.eu/ecia/wp-content/uploads/2013/03/RIS3_and_Cluster_INFYDE_W-P-3-1-1.pdf

Report on Cluster Excellence

Cluster Excellence is the basis for all regional development or so it seems. According to Michael Porter ([wiki](#)), the leading expert on cluster theory, clusters have the potential to affect competition in three ways: by increasing the productivity of the companies in the cluster, by driving innovation in the field, and by stimulating new businesses in the field.

More... <http://www.howtogrow.eu/ecia/wp-content/uploads/2013/03/WP3-Report-Berlin-Excellence-2012.pdf>

Cluster-to-Cluster Conference, 9-10 April 2013, Copenhagen, Denmark

Clusters from ten different countries have already signed up. During the conference, there will be presentations on the do's and don'ts of cluster internationalization and funding for cluster collaboration. The opportunity to meet businesses within or out of your cluster, to get to know their specialties, to pitch ideas, to gather information on possible new projects.

More... www.cluster-to-cluster.dk

SMEs

Technology Profiles

Technology for production of biogas from waste generated on cattle farm	Macedonia,FYR	Request
Technology for establishing hydroponics greenhouse for vegetables	Republic of	
PS COST: New Art Identities related to Social, Medical and Psychological Sciences	Macedonia,FYR	Request
Code for calculating thermohydraulic strength characteristics of high-loaded heat exchangers	Greece	Request
Solar-powered, large-area communication display & shading system for building facades	Russia	OFFER
Double chain DNA detection and quantification method	Austria	OFFER
Verification of Environmental Technologies	Spain	OFFER
Tube sensor	Denmark	OFFER
Low density and open cell polymer foams	France	OFFER
Nondestructive acoustic method/device, for determination of detachments of mural paintings	France	OFFER
Virtual reality application for cultural heritage, off and on line.	Italy	OFFER
The stretcher-frame for paintings.	Italy	OFFER
Metal-fabric for accessories, luxury upholstery, industrial use (interior&exterior walls/furniture)	Italy	OFFER
Acetylation tech that absorbs all acetic acid & has more stability, higher mechanical strength	Italy	OFFER
Low-cost level-sensor for measurements through the outer wall of tanks and pipelines	Netherlands	OFFER
Technology for solar waste drying	Germany	OFFER
Novel, efficient and simple cogeneration plant utilizing biomass or waste materials	Turkey	Request
Concrete Accelerated Heat Curing with Microwave Heating Form	Italy	OFFER
Improved Dynamic Vision Sensor (DVS) device	Hungary	OFFER
	Spain	OFFER

Intellectual Property ; Standards



Commercialising Intellectual Property: Joint Ventures

"Commercialising IP" is a series of fact sheets aiming to provide an introduction to the forms of commercialisation that can be useful for less advanced public likely to be involved in exploitation of intangible assets. Content provided therein is not intended to be exhaustive and

professional advice is strongly recommended when it comes to choose the most suitable commercialisation practice to your organisation.

The fact sheet focuses on joint ventures (JV) and will put forward some practical and legal issues, mainly from the perspective of the ownership and exploitation of IP, to be considered at all stages of these projects.

More... http://www.iprhelpdesk.eu/sites/default/files/newsdocuments/Commercialising_Intellectual_Property_Joint_Ventures_0.pdf

Training in advanced IP- Management, Umea, Sweden, 18-19 June 2013

This training is for you that already have a basic knowledge about Patents, Trademarks, Design protection. Focus:

- Valuation, different approaches
- Components in IP-Management
- Enforcement and cost/risc management

- Management in EU-funded projects - Open Innovation and IP - Public IP-support structures for SMEs
There will be two valuable days to improve your skills in the field of IP-Management, especially when combining different tools to achieve maximum protection for our clients in business, technology transfer and research cross borders.

More... [AGENDA; http://www.anpdm.com/newsletterweb/41465C417147445E4472454559/41415D4A78464250447740475943](http://www.anpdm.com/newsletterweb/41465C417147445E4472454559/41415D4A78464250447740475943)

Research

Scientific visa: improved mobility conditions for third-country researchers

The EC has published a proposal for a Directive on the conditions of entry, residence of third-country nationals for the purposes of research, studies, pupil exchange, remunerated/unremunerated training, voluntary service, au pairing. The proposal aims at amending/recasting Directives 2004/114/EC & 2005/71/EC with the goal of helping students, researchers, other third-country nationals, facilitating the entry, residence for a time frame exceeding 3 months. Specific emphasis is put on improving the mobility conditions in the context of the Erasmus Mundus, Marie Curie programmes.

More... [Improved mobility conditions for third-country students and researchers](#)

Innovation and Entrepreneurship

Innovation Education?

What kinds of degrees exist for people who want to become educated in the practice/process of Innovation?

More... <http://www.city.ac.uk/courses/postgraduate/innovation-creativity-and-leadership> ;
<http://www.uel.ac.uk/postgraduate/specs/innovation/> ; <http://www.laics.net/> ; <http://www.ucc.ie/en/ckl25/>
<http://tli.umn.edu/graduate/mot/> ; <http://www.sbs.ox.ac.uk/execed/strategy/DipStrategy/Pages/default.aspx>
<http://www.drexel.com/online-degrees/business-degrees/ms-creativity-innovation/index.aspx>
<http://extreme-inventing.com/invention-vs-innovation>; <http://www.wbs.ac.za/degrees/mmis/> ;
<http://www.gsb.uct.ac.za/s.asp?p=443> ; <http://www.pdma.org/p/cm/ld/fid=24>

European Commission publishes "Innovation Union Scoreboard 2013"

The EC has presented the "Innovation Union Scoreboard 2013". The report compares the innovation performance of the EU member states, Croatia, Iceland, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Norway, Serbia, Switzerland, Turkey. EU is compared with 10 of its global competitors. It monitors the implementation of the Innovation Union as one of the Europe 2020 flagship initiatives. IUS2013 states an improvement of the EU27's general innovation performance, in spite of the continuing economic crisis, the widening innovation gap between the Member States.

The international comparison shows a performance lead of Japan, Switzerland, South Korea, United States over EU27. The innovation performances of Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, India, Russia, South Africa are exceeded by the EU. The lead is shrinking continuously. China has proven to be a strong competitor, improved its innovation performance.

More... [State-of-the-Innovation-Union](#) ; [Innovation-Union-Performance](#) ; [Documents](#)

EU guide on social innovation

Social innovation can be defined as the development and implementation of new ideas (products, services, models) to meet social needs, create new social relationships/collaborations. It represents new responses to pressing social demands, which affect the process of social interactions. Social innovations are innovations that are social in both their ends/their means. They are innovations that are not only good for society but also enhance individuals' capacity to act.

Social innovation describes the entire process by which new responses to social needs are developed in order to deliver better social outcomes. This process is composed of four main elements:

- Identification of new/unmet/inadequately met social needs;
- Development of new solutions in response to these social needs;
- Evaluation of the effectiveness of new solutions in meeting social needs;
- Scaling up of effective social innovations.

It describes how many pre-existing EU initiatives, from the Digital Agenda to the Structural Funds, are working towards this end, provides many good examples of relevant co-funded projects, placing in the context of the EU 2020 strategy. Detailed practical tips are provided for regional public authorities, how to foster/enable social innovation, how to embed social aims within other policies. These are then summarised in a handy ten step guide at the end of the publication.

More... http://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/sources/docgener/presenta/social_innovation/social_innovation_2013.pdf

Partner Search

Make use of partner search services to build your winning project consortium

To be successful, especially as for the EU project preparation, the consortium building is a fundamental activity. Winning consortia need to prove complementarities in terms of expertise, disciplines, geography, organization types (e.g. academia, SMEs, etc), involved human resources. EU projects should have a reasonable representation of researchers and end-users (academia, industry, SMEs, associations).

In most cases, it is the specific Work Programme to include requirements for the composition of the consortium. The most common (FP7 & CIP programmes), is the [CORDIS Partner Service](#) also used by existing consortia to submit new projects in the search for partners. These profiles, collaboration requests are currently active to build networks

- [13798 Partner profiles](#)
- [19 Open FP7 Calls for Proposals](#)
- [567 Partnership requests](#)
 - o [118 Proposing project](#)

- o [449 Offering collaboration](#)
-243 Groups

Support Networks and Partner Search Tools

Enterprise Europe Network branches
 Food, Agriculture and Fisheries and Biotechnology (FAFB)
 Health
 Health
 Health
 Health
 ICT
 Nanosciences, Nanotech, Materials, Prod Tech (NMP)
 Research for the benefit of SMEs
 Socio-economic Sciences and Humanities (SSH)
 West Balkan Research database

[EEN](#)
[NCP-BIO-NET](#)
[Fit for Health](#)
[IMI Partnering Platform](#) (provided by German NCPs)
[IMI partnersearch tool](#)
[Life Science Competence in Europe](#)
[Health Competence in Europe](#)
[Ideal-ist](#)
[NMPTeAm](#)
[NCP SME Network](#)
[Net4Society](#)
[West Balkan Directory](#)

Partner Search - looking for investors interested in developing wind projects in Romania

We are looking for investors interested in developing wind projects in Romania. The projects start from 75 MW up to 110MW total. We have connectivity technical permit (ATR), the urbanism certificate the following permits which led to the PUZ (Area Town Planning) approval preliminary geo study; placement permit at ENEL; environment permit; Direction of Culture permit; county roads permit; permit from National Communication Authority; ANIF permit (National Administration of Land Improvements); placement permit OCPI (Cadaster and Real Estate Publicity Office) of the topographic measurements. Medium speed 7,35 m/s at 8m height, according to the measurements made over a 2 year period.

More... Contact Trust Consulting Corporation S.R.L., Mr Sorin Georgescu, office@finantare-firme.ro , 0040.742.026.492

Re Energy Engineering, Sofia, Bulgaria are looking for partnership

Re Energy Engineering Ltd is specialized in design and installation of geothermal instalations for heating and cooling of buildings, which save up to 75% of the energy cost. We use up-to-date specialized drilling equipment and equipment needed to do the Geothermal response test (GRT). We are looking for:

- co-operation with local companies specialized in the design of installations for heating and cooling of buildings.
- investors and building companies operating on building sites or interested in geothermal installations.
- trade partners for our thermocement Re Energy Therm.

For more information look at: <http://www.reenergy-bg.com/therm/index.html> .

Contact: Re Energy Engineering, Sofia, Bulgaria, e-mail reenergy@mail.bg , web site <http://www.reenergy-bg.com>

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Partner Search from Norway for Romania Norway Funding Programme

The Young Entrepreneurs Association from Romania YEAR, is the only employer NGO in Romania that represents at national level the interests of young entrepreneurs. YEAR aims to support, defend, promote and represent the professional, economic and social interests of young entrepreneurs in Romania, by supporting, defending, promoting their investments, the business entity (company, family business) they established.

Our organization is currently implementing various projects aiming at providing entrepreneurial education to the Romanian youth, improving youth employability, self-employability, facilitating the transition from school to work, promoting equal opportunities in the job-market etc.

Taking into consideration the above-mentioned priorities, the YEAR expresses its interest in accessing the EEA/Norway Grants, financial assistance that also covers our areas of interest entrepreneurship, employability improvement and green entrepreneurship. In this respect, we are looking for potential Norwegian partners for YEARs projects or for the projects of our members. We are especially aiming at creating partnerships with:

- NGOs, other organizations, enterprises active in the area of entrepreneurship and employment services.
- Enterprises engaged within the green economy.

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Partner Search from Norway for the Funding Programme Area Green Industry Innovation

Green Industry Innovation is one of the programme areas under the Norway Grants assistance for the financial period 2009-2014. The overall objectives of the Norwegian Financial Mechanism (Norway Grants) are to contribute to the reduction of economic and social disparities in the European Economic Area (EEA), to strengthen the bilateral relations between Norway and the Beneficiary States.

More... www.norwaygrants-greeninnovation.no

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Call For Tender / Proposals / Applications / Fundings / Awards

Open calls for proposals of the Seventh Framework Programme for Research and Development

Area	Title	Deadline	Themes	More
COOPERATION	FP7-ENV-2013-WATER-INNO-DEMO	2013-04-04	Environment	link
COOPERATION	FP7-ICT-2013-11	2013-04-16	ICT	link
COOPERATION	SP1-JTI-CS-2013-01	2013-04-18	Joint Technology Initiatives	link
IDEAS	ERC-2013-PoC	2013-04-24	FP7 Ideas	link
COOPERATION	FCH-JU-2013-1	2013-05-22	Joint Technology Initiatives	link
COOPERATION	ENIAC-2013-1	2013-05-23	Joint Technology Initiatives	link
CAPACITIES	ERA Chairs Pilot Call	2013-05-30	Research Potential	link
COOPERATION	ARTEMIS call 2013	2013-06-06	Joint Technology Initiatives	link
COOPERATION	Call for individuals - FP7 experts	2013-07-31		link
CAPACITIES	FP7-CDRP-Women-Innovators	2013-10-15	Support for the coherent development of research policies	link

Open calls for proposals related to innovation and competitiveness

Political area	Title	Deadline	More
Environment	Eco-Innova 2nd call	2013-04-08	link
Energy	ERAfrica Joint Call	2013-04-15	link
Maritime Affairs	MARTEC II Call 2013	2013-04-30	link
Information society	ICT PSP 7	2013-05-14	link
Energy	SOLAR-ERA.NET Transnational Calls	2013-05-15	link
Environment	Life + 2013 call for proposals	2013-06-25	link
Environment	Expert evaluators Eco-innovation	2013-09-30	link
Energy	Expert evaluators for Intelligent Energy Europe	2013-09-30	link
Research	Eureka : Euripides call for expert	2013-12-31	link
Education	EACEA/21/08 Erasmus Mundus External Cooperation Window Asia Region	2020-10-31	link

CIP Call on Clusters and Entrepreneurship in Support of Emerging Industries, Deadline 17 April 2013

The main objective of this call for proposals is to support regions to adapt and change their industrial structures to unlock the potential of clusters and entrepreneurship for regional economic development and for addressing societal challenges. The call therefore aims to stimulate activities that have the potential to radical innovations that result from such cross-sectoral collaboration and that have a systemic impact.

By "systemic impact" innovations are meant that fundamentally change sectoral boundaries and help improve the overall efficiency of the eco-system by, for example, better valorising all forms of creativity and promoting resource efficiency.

More... http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/page/call_CIP:efp7_SESSION_ID=ZWvzRV9hqL2pPz7PkTnV9DTnTrIzKkLk14y1y67jrTjZtWHFV2pT11563113187?callIdentifier=64-G-ENT-CIP-13-C-N04C02&specificProgram=EIP

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/sustainable energy. The main areas covered are energy efficiency, renewable resources and energy in transport as well as 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 and 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 these different financing streams, although the majority of the budget is given over to funding projects.

More... http://ec.europa.eu/energy/intelligent/getting-funds/call-for-proposals/how-to-apply/index_en.htm

CIP ICT Policy Support Programme, Deadline 14 May 2013

The ICT Policy Support Programme (PSP) aims at stimulating innovation & competitiveness. The ICT PSP is one of the three specific programmes of The [Competitiveness & Innovation framework Programme](#) (CIP) and runs for the years 2007-2013. The ICT PSP aims at stimulating smart sustainable & inclusive growth by accelerating the wider uptake, best use of innovative digital technologies/content by citizens, governments, 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; [Participant Portal](#)

ERA Chairs Pilot Call, Deadline 30 May 2013

The objective of the ERA Chair Initiative is to support universities and other research organisations located in Convergence and Outermost regions with a strong research capacity building profile, to significantly improve their performance in competitive research funding, under the direction of an outstanding researcher, the "ERA Chair holder".

Research organisations interested in establishing an ERA Chair shall submit a proposal aimed at facilitating structural change in the institution and ensuring that the conditions are in place to foster excellent research.

[More... CallIdentifier=FP7-ERACHairs-PilotCall-2013](#)

Call for proposals — EAC/S06/13 Erasmus Charter for Higher Education 2014-20, Deadline 15 May 2013

The Erasmus Charter for Higher Education (ECHE) provides the general quality framework for EU and international cooperation activities a higher education institution (HEI) may carry out within the Programme. The award of an Erasmus Charter for Higher Education is a prerequisite for all HEIs located in one of the countries listed and wanting to apply and participate in learning mobility of individuals and/or cooperation for innovation, good practices under the Programme.

More... <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:C:2013:085:0009:0010:EN:PDF>

LIFE + Call for proposals, Deadline 25 June, 2013

The Lifepius2013 call for proposals was published, with up to 278 M available for co-financing of projects. Proposals should be submitted to the relevant national authority using the eProposal tool on 25 June, 2013

More... <http://ec.europa.eu/environment/life/funding/lifeplus2013/call/index.htm>

Marie Curie Intra-European Fellowships for Career Development (IEF), Deadline 14 August 2013

This call for proposals aims to support the development or restart of experienced researchers' careers. Thanks to further skill acquisition at multi- or interdisciplinary level and/or by undertaking intersectoral experiences, the call is expected to help these researchers attain and/or strengthen a leading independent position.

Financial support will be granted to individual mobility proposals presented by researchers in liaison with host organisations established in the Member States or Associated Countries. The proposals will be classified into distinct Evaluation Panels under eight major areas of research: chemistry, economic sciences, information science/engineering, environment/geosciences, life sciences, mathematics, physics, social sciences/humanities, career restart panel.

More... [Participant portal](#) ; [CORDIS Partners Service](#)

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 of 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 CIP Programme.

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/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... <http://ec.europa.eu/eaci>.

Call for Independent Experts for the Safer Internet Programme

A Call for Independent Experts for Safer Internet Programme 2009-2013 is now open. The objective of the Safer Internet programme is to promote safer use of the Internet and other communication technologies, particularly for children, and to fight against illegal content and harmful conduct online. The tasks include assistance to the Commission in evaluating proposals submitted in response to calls for proposals, and in reviewing individual Safer Internet projects, as well as legacy projects funded under the Safer Internet plus programme.

Experts included in the database will be assigned specific tasks on a case-by-case basis, according to the relevance of their education, expertise and interests in the task(s) at hand.

More... http://ec.europa.eu/information_society/activities/sip/funding/experts/index_en.htm

EU invests €272.75 million to promote regional cooperation in the Western Balkans

The EC has finalised measures to promote regional cooperation between Western Balkan countries totalling €272.75 million for the period 2012-2013. Regional cooperation is a central element of the EU's efforts to bring forward the reform process of the countries in the Western Balkans, help the region achieve economic prosperity & political stability.

The funds will support cooperation with international financial institutions to mobilise funding, help develop civil society, support education schemes, student mobility programmes, help beneficiaries meet the requirements for EU membership, align their standards with the EU. This will complement the funding of individual national programmes by focusing on regional aspects, helping countries to learn from each other's experience.

The funding earmarked today comes under the 2012-2013 Multi-beneficiary and Cross-Border programmes of the EU's Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA).

More... http://ec.europa.eu/enlargement/instruments/multi-beneficiary-programme/index_en.htm

Policy

Making the EU more attractive for foreign students and researchers

The EU needs to attract talented non-EU students and researchers who can contribute to our growth, competitiveness with their knowledge/skills. Moving to EU temporarily is an opportunity embraced by over 200.000 students, researchers from outside the EU every year. The EC proposed to make it easier, more attractive for non-EU national students, researchers, other groups to enter/stay in the EU for periods exceeding three months.

New legislation will set clearer time limits for national authorities to decide on applications, provide for more opportunities to access the labour market during their stays, facilitate intra-EU movement.

[More... Study on Immigration of International Students to the EU; MEMO/13/281; The proposal; EU Immigration Portal](#)

New round of lobbying on Horizon 2020 is expected

The European Parliament rejected the austerity-era budget proposed by EU leaders. The resulting stalemate could take months to resolve, interest groups are now bracing themselves for a fresh round of lobbying in favour of the proposed €80 billion budget for the Horizon 2020 R&D programme.

Science EU will stress the need for adequate funding at meetings/events across EU he told Science|Business. Business EU too, is renewing its efforts, will soon send out a letter to all trilogue participants. The League of EU Research Universities is taking a direct approach, making direct contact with rapporteur MEPs, national science ministers.

[More... http://www.sciencebusiness.net/news/76082/Parliament-vote-against-MMF-prompts-new-round-of-lobbying-on-Horizon-2020](http://www.sciencebusiness.net/news/76082/Parliament-vote-against-MMF-prompts-new-round-of-lobbying-on-Horizon-2020)

Events

1st International Workshop on Personalization in eGovernment Services & Applications, Rome, 10-14 June 2013

PEGOV will be held in conjunction with the 21st Conference on User Modeling, Adaptation & Personalization - [UMAP](#).

The main goal of the workshop is to stimulate the discussion around problems, challenges and research directions about personalization in e-Gov and, more generally, in defining user-centered services.

[More... http://pegov.disco.unimib.it/](http://pegov.disco.unimib.it/). The Call for Papers is available [here](#).

Workshop: Higher education & entrepreneurship in Europe 2020 strategy, Brussels, 10 April 2013

APRE has organised, in close cooperation with the EC, a workshop on *Higher Education & Entrepreneurship 2020 strategy: Making the knowledge triangle work* with the aim of providing universities, national/regional authorities representatives, researchers, entrepreneurs with information on EU policies, initiatives in the field of education, training in the research and innovation field and entrepreneurship.

[More... www.apre.it](http://www.apre.it)

Science for the Environment, Mapping Knowledge needs for Horizon 2020, October 2-4, 2013, Aarhus, Denmark

Aarhus University & the Partnership for EU Environmental Research (PEER) invite researchers in order to take stock of and assess the scientific progress towards tackling the grand environmental challenges as specified in the Horizon 2020 challenge: climate action, resource efficiency, raw materials. The main purpose of the conference is to identify knowledge gaps, future research needs within this challenge in Horizon 2020, to deliver the collected advice to the EC.

[More... http://dce-conference.au.dk/](http://dce-conference.au.dk/)

17th International Conference on System Theory, Control & Computing, ICSTCC, 11-13 Oct 2013, Sinaia, Romania

The main goal of the 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, is technically co-sponsored by IEEE Control Systems Society, the papers will be indexed in IEEE Xplore.

[More... http://ace.ucv.ro/icstcc2013/](http://ace.ucv.ro/icstcc2013/) ; icstcc2013@automation.ucv.ro or vasvan@automation.ucv.ro

Workshop Commercialisation of research results in the WBC, 22-24 May 2013, Novi-Sad, Serbia

WBC-INCO.NET is organising a workshop on the commercialisation of research results in the field of AgroFood in the WBC with the support of the University of Novi Sad. The event will take place back to back with the 80th International Agricultural Fair of Novi Sad. On May 24, a visit to the Fair by the participants is foreseen.

The event will address opportunities and framework conditions for the commercialisation/valorisation of research results (products to markets), with special focus on the AgroFood sector of the WBC. The following topics will be covered:

- Intellectual Property Rights
- Support structures - the Enterprise Europe Network (EEN)
- Standardisation
- Funding possibilities and others.

The workshop will discuss results of selected SEE-ERA.NET PLUS - JERPS Joint European Research Projects in view of their valorisation/commercialisation potential, will foster the exchange of information so as to deepen knowledge of researchers/JERP coordinators from the Western Balkan countries by inputs from external experts on questions/topics.

[More... http://www.sajam.net/live/Events/Fairs/2013/International+Agricultural+Fair/detaljna?contentId=31701](http://www.sajam.net/live/Events/Fairs/2013/International+Agricultural+Fair/detaljna?contentId=31701)

23rd Conference Power & Timing Modeling, Optimization & Simulation, Karlsruhe, Germany, 9-11 September 2013

The PATMOS meeting has evolved into a leading scientific event where industry and academia meet to discuss power and timing aspects in modern integrated circuit and system design. Both Universities & Companies are invited to participate. The PATMOS objective is to provide a forum to discuss and investigate emerging challenges in methodologies and tools for the design of upcoming generations of integrated circuits & systems, including reconfigurable hardware such as FPGA's. The technical program will focus on timing, performance & power consumption as well as architectural aspects with particular emphasis on modeling, design, characterization, analysis and optimization.

[More... http://www.itiv.kit.edu/patmos-vari2013/](http://www.itiv.kit.edu/patmos-vari2013/)

9th International Conference European Integration – New Challenges – EINCO, Oradea, Romania, 24-25 May 2013

The event are being held at the University of Oradea, Faculty of Economic Sciences. Deadline the 8th of Aprilie 2013.

[More... http://anale.steconomiceuoradea.ro/en/the-fes-conference/](http://anale.steconomiceuoradea.ro/en/the-fes-conference/)

Training Events / Jobs

Calendar of training courses in nanoscience and electronics

- 12 Apr [Electron Microscopy: New Applications in Micro and Nanotechnology](#) Switzerland
15 Apr [University of Oxford: Online Introduction to Electronics](#) Online
16 Apr [Workshop on Advances in Analog Circuit Design](#) France
16 Apr [Polymer Microfabrication](#) Germany
22 Apr [Advanced Course on Image Sensor Technology](#) Germany
22 Apr [Power Integrity: Advanced Design and Characterization](#) Germany
22 Apr [Digital Signal Analysis Techniques: Time, Frequency, and Spatial Algorithms](#) Germany
22 Apr [Smart Materials in Robotics and Microtechnology](#) Switzerland
22 Apr [Smart Sensor System Course 2013](#) The Netherlands
22 Apr [Fiber Optic Transmission Systems](#) Germany
22 Apr [Advanced Radio System Architectures](#) Germany
29 Apr [RF Analysis with Virtuoso Spectre Simulator vMMSIM.7.2](#) UK
06 May [Advanced Signoff Power-Grid Analysis with Encounter Power System v8.1](#) Germany
11 May [Advanced Digital Physical implementation flow](#) Belgium
13 May [Nanoscale CMOS Process Technology](#) Belgium
13 May [Thin Film Deposition at the Nanoscale: Mechanisms and Applications](#) Sweden

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

Summer school in radiobiology, August 5-14, 2013, Mol, Belgium

The goal of radiobiological research in radiation protection is to better understand the effects of the radiation exposure at the cellular and molecular levels in order to determine the effects on health. The purpose of the research carried out in the unit of radiobiology is to provide scientific knowledge to the authorities, to inform the population appropriately about the effects of ionizing radiation under normal or accidental circumstances. The main research lines are:

- the individual susceptibility to ionizing radiation and the related cancer risks;
- the impact of ionizing radiation on female gametes, on the development of the embryo and the brain;
- the impact of space conditions (in particular of cosmic radiation and weightlessness) on health;
- the biological effects of the medical use of ionizing radiation/radioactive substances in radiotherapy/medical imaging.

More... http://www.sckcen.be/en/Events/SSRB_Aug2013

Reactor physics and reactor operation training, nuclear materials issues

SCK•CEN organises courses for reactor operators of the [BR2](#) reactor at the SCK•CEN site, for the reactor operators/operation team heads of the PWR's situated at the DOEL site Belgium.

The main topics covered are nuclear reactor statics, kinetics, thermohydraulics, nuclear materials issues. Practical sessions on the [BR1](#) research reactor are organised. Training courses on reactor operation are also provided on service basis for nuclear engineering students of various foreign universities, technical universities.

More... <http://www.sckcen.be/en/Education-Training/Training-for-professionals/Nuclear-engineering>

Course: Business Communication & Management of Intercultural Differences, 17 April 2013, Stuttgart, Germany

The course is especially dealing with overcoming language and cultural barriers for SMEs and will focus on interaction with attendees, require their active participation. In particular, the course will cover the successful management of cultural differences as factor of success in risk engineering, risk management, IT and other projects. The course targets attendees such as *Engineers, Managers of IT and other companies and Project managers*.

More... [online announcement](#), [course profile](#), [overview all courses](#), [training plan](#), www.sti.risk-technologies.com, [register](#)

SEI-certified Leading Development Team training, 15-17 April, 2013, Sofia, Bulgaria

Need a better way to plan, achieve and control quality? This Leading a Development Team training will show you how to:

- Use Team Software Processes (TSP) to set strategy and operational procedures at individual and team levels;
- Plan and track projects;
- Measure, manage and improve processes;
- Build accurate and achievable plans for software project teams.
- Ideal for Software Project Managers, Software Team Leaders, Supervisors.

More... www.esicenter.bg

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More... <http://innovationwebinars.com/spwebinars.html>



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