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Business Support at Your Doorstep

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.

	May 2013
02	Europa Markt 2013 Magdeburg (Germany)
06	Incoming Mission to Sicily Syracuse (Italy)
06	re:match Brokerage Event at re:publica Berlin (Germany)
07	Luxinnovation Forum "Business meets Research" – Innovation Matchmaking Luxembourg (Luxembourg)
07	Danish-German Company Mission in the frame of the BIONNALE Berlin (Germany)
08	PLASTPOL Brokerage Event Kielce (Poland)
08	Partnering Event for the Furnishing Textiles @ PROPOSTE Cernobbio (Italy)
12	Company mission for competitive Europe - company mission to Ukraine and Belarus Kiev (Ukraine)
14	District Heating Mission from Scotland to Sweden Gothenburg (Sweden)
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)
15	Brokerage Event InterTech 2013: Innovation by Networking Dornbirn (Austria)
17	Energy efficiency in buildings-Technology Dating Udine (Italy)
21	Spanish-Italian company mission Venice (Italy)
21	Mission to Izmir (Turkey) Izmir (Turkey)
21	Balttechnika 2013 matchmaking event Vilnius (Lithuania)
22	VENTURE 4I (Innovation, Industry, Investment, International) GRENOBLE (France)
22	Brokerage event for Hotel/Restaurant/Catering industry at 17th Gastroexpo Fair Gdansk (Poland)
22	AgroB2B@NSFair Novi Sad (Serbia)
22	REMAKING MANUFACTURING - 2013 MIT EUROPE CONFERENCE Vienna (Austria)
23	AUTOPROMOTEC Matchmaking Event 2013 Bologna (Italy)
23	Brokerage event for fish industry Polfish Gdansk (Poland)
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)
29	Business company mission to Istanbul and Izmir -Turkey Istanbul and Izmir (Turkey)
29	Agriculture B2B meetings Constanta Constanta (Romania)
30	Go Greeen to Environment 2013 Bulgaria Sofia (Bulgaria)
30	DanubeIT 2013: Smobile World! Novi Sad (Serbia)
31	Matchmaking event - International Exhibition of Western Lithuanian Business Achievements Klaipeda (Lithuania)
	June 2013

03	Tech Agri Food Brokerage Event	Marseilles (France)
03	Company Mission on ›Industrial Apps‹ to Bauhaus-City Weimar/Germany	Weimar (Germany)
04	International Environmental B2B meetings 2013	Lille (France)
05	London Gaming & Digital Media Mission to Tampere	Tampere (Finland)
05	Innovat&Match 2013	Bologna (Italy)
05	Futurallia Istanbul 2013 Brokerage Event	Istanbul (Turkey)
05	MoneyTalks® Forum focusing Game Industry & Digital Media	Tampere (Finland)
06	Logistics-B2Match 2013	Munich (Germany)
06	MoneyTalks® Forum focusing Game Industry & Digital Media	Tampere (Finland)
06	Brokerage event during RoEnergy Trade Fair 2013 South-East Europe	Bucharest (Romania)
07	Brokerage event - Wine production and high tech	Rijeka (Croatia)
10	BioMed 2013	Tel Aviv (Israel)
10	ISiCPEAW 2013	Stockholm (Sweden)
10	2nd Medical Devices & Health Information Technology Conference & Exhibition,	Tel Aviv (Israel)
11	techtextil 2013 - B2B Meetings	Frankfurt am Main (Germany)
11	STS MATCHMAKING ZONE 2013	Glasgow (United Kingdom)
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)
14	TRADING International 2013	Erfurt (Germany)
16	Company Mission in Vilnius	Vilnius (Lithuania)
17	Mission for Growth - "The gateway for your business to international growth markets" ,	Moscow (Russia)
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)
27	NORMANDY BUSINESS ROUNDTABLE NORMANDY INDUSTRY	Deauville (France)

July 2013

01	NeuroConnection 2013	Marseille (France)

September 2013

19	Brokerage Event at EMO Hannover 2013 - Meet the World of Metalworking	Hannover (Germany)
24	International matchmaking event at POLAGRA FOOD Fair (food&drink sector)	Poznan (Poland)
26	Subcontracting B2B Matchmaking 2013	Tampere (Finland)

October 2013

03	B2B Matchmaking Event at the IT Carinthia 2013	Klagenfurt (Austria)
07	Anuga Matchmaking 2013	Cologne (Germany)
08	Eco-Match 2013 at POLEKO fairs	Poznan (Poland)
08	BioBusinessMatching at the Biotechnica	Hannover (Germany)
08	Automotive Day 2013	Saarbrücken (Germany)
10	JTED 2013	Mons (Belgium)

November 2013

07	AquaMatch 2013	Amsterdam (Netherlands)
13	Business Meetings at Environmental & Energies Fairs	Valencia (Spain)
21	Healthcare Brokerage Event MEDICA 2013	Düsseldorf (Germany

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-Competitivness&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

User Guides: Small Business   Students   Job Seekers   Entrepreneurs   Attorneys   Business Development Consultants   Journalists   Nonprofits   Venture Capital

See how the Network's brokerage events work.
More... http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=fERuBYG7sWI

IMP[3]rove - international contest, 22 of May 2013, Izmir, Turkey
IMP[3]rove organises an international contest. The 2013 Award Ceremony will be held during the 9[th]INSME Annual Meeting, on the 22nd of May 2013 in Izmir during the Gala Dinner.
More… information at this page.

Brokerage event during RoEnergy Trade Fair 2013 *South-East Europe,* **Bucharest, Romania, 6 June 2013**
The event will be organised by IPA SA Galati, partner of Enterprise Europe Network with the support of ANCS (National Authority for Scientific Research), and EEN partners: Technology Centre Of The Academy Of Sciences Of The Czech Republic, IPA CIFATT Craiova and CRIMM Bucharest. The main domains of the event are:
- SOLAR SYSTEM - photovoltaic, solar thermal;   - WATER & WIND – hydro-, wind-, geothermal energy;
- BIOENERGY - biomass, biogas, liquid biofuels;   - HYENERGY - hydrogen and fuel cells;
- Cogeneration, Trigeneration;   - CONSULTING, Design, Services, Carbon Trading, R&D;
- Alternative Vehicles and Fuels;   - PASSIVE HOUSE & INSULATIONS
RoEnergy South-East Europe 2013 comprises specialized International Trade Fair and Conferences of Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency in Constructions, where countries from East meet with the offer from the West Europe.
More... http://bucuresti.roenergy.eu/en

Balkan Venture Forum will gather South Eastern Europe startup community, 21-22 May 2013, Sofia, Bulgaria
Over 40 venture capitalists managing in excess of €3bn will converge on Bulgaria to meet hundreds of the region's top established and emerging entrepreneurs during this year's Balkan Venture Forum. The event is the largest regional forum for venture capital, new businesses, innovation, allowing promising startups from the Balkan Peninsula to get connected to major international equity investors. Balkan Venture Forum is one of the main objectives of the SEE Programme project VIBE (Venture Initiative in Balkan Europe) and is being co-financed by EU.
Investors are invited to see the current best crop of startups and fast growing companies from the SEE. Companies are invited to apply for the Pitching competition and present to 30+ active investors.
More… http://www.balkanventureforum.org/ ; Apply-for-the-pitching-competition-at-bkvf-sofia

7th edition of *VentureConnect*, 28 May 2013, Bucharest, Romania
Venture**Connect**, a program dedicated to IT, technology, online entrepreneurs. The event include *two pitching sessions*: one dedicated to early stage start-ups, the other one for mature companies in search of a larger investment process. More than 30 investors, businessmen from Romania, Central & Eastern EU will be present for the upcoming session.
More… http://www.ventureconnect.ro/events/venture-connect/

Innovat&Match Brokerage Event, Bologna, Italy, 5-6 June 2013
The brokerage event is organized in the framework of "Research to Business 2013" R2B 2013, the 8th International Industrial Research Exibition promoted by Emilia-Romagna Region, BolognaFiere SpA, ASTER, SMAU. Innovat&Match is a Multidisciplinary Brokerage event mainly focused on research & technology transfer on the following areas:

- Aerospace
  Life sciences
- Agro-food
- Green Chemistry

- Technologies for Living Environments
- Technologies for Smart Communities
- Transport and Mobility Systems

- ICT
- Cultural heritage
- Smart factory
- Energy

More… http://www.b2match.eu/r2b2013

2nd EEN brokerage event during the GR Business Days in Luxembourg, 12-13 June 2013
More than 100 participants have registered for the EEN brokerage event**.** The GR Business Days include besides exhibition. Stands, a start-up village, interactive conferences, TV stage, workshops, networking events, a Greater Region symposium. The Brokerage Event, representing one of the pillars of the trade fair, offers you the opportunity to find your right business partner from the Greater Region/from many other countries in one single meeting place.
More...www.een-matchmaking.com/gr-businessdays2013

B2B Matchmaking Forum Russia - Europe: Cooperation without Frontiers, 17-18 June 2013, Moscow
On the 1st **day** the forum would discuss acceleration of Russian economy modernization, diversification in line with the joint initiative Russia-EU "Partnership for Modernization"; sharing EU experience in enabling industries, large & small, to be dynamic, sustainable/innovative in addressing the economic/environmental needs likewise in developing a new culture of entrepreneurship, innovation, the importance of internationalizing SMEs.
2nd day will be devoted to bilateral negotiations between Russian & EU industrial companies, *inter alia* SMEs, business support institutions, in production, R&D, services. Previous five fora brought together 492 Russian, 254 EU companies, business support organizations whith 1,771 bilateral negotiations. Important no of "out-of-schedule" meetings were held.
More... www.regionomica-moscow.ru

2nd Brokerage event during the 18th Milipol Paris, 19-22 November 2013, Paris
Milipol is the biggest international fair for security in France, widely open to public/private professionals. During Milipol, EEN Paris Ile-de-France organises a brokerage event. Sectors covered: equipment or services that may be used in the prevention/fighting of internal threat-criminality, drugs, organised crime, terrorism, industrial, economic espionage.
More… http://en.milipol.com/Milipol/Milipol-Paris

Korea Eureka Day 2013, 28 May 2013, Istanbul, Turkey
The event aim to foster cooperation, the development of R&D consortiums between EU & Korean SMEs & R&D Centres.
More… http://www.eurekaday.kr/eureka/eureka.asp?sMenu=eur

Celtic-Plus Proposers' Day, 13 June 2013, Paris
It is targeting mainly the Autumn Call (deadline 15 October). Interaction with French organizations and French industry clusters is the main target. The Day will be held in English. Registration will open soon.
More... Call-2013 page ; Find-a-Partner page

Celtic-Plus Workshop at FuNeMS, 3-5 July 2013, Lisbon
The Future Network & Mobile Summit 2013 will address all the challenges of building the Future Internet Infrastructure, based on mobile, wireless and fixed broadband communications infrastructures. There will be Celtic-Plus Workshop held during the Summit, (details to be published soon).
More... Future Network & Mobile Summit 2013

Sustainable Energy Week, EUSEW 2013, 24-28 June 2013
It is designed to spread best practices, inspire new ideas, build alliances to help meet the EU's energy & climate goals. EUSEW 2013 is set to be an exciting event packed full of activities that bring together energy stakeholders, the general public. The new website is even more user-friendly, making it much easier for all participants to manage their involvement in the Week. All you need to know about attending events, submitting projects for the annual Awards or organising Energy Day activities is easily accessible at the click of your mouse.
More… http://www.eusew.eu/about/eusew-2013

Company mission to Weimar, Germany, on "Industrial App´s", 3-4 June 2013
Please invite your clients - developers and (potential) users of mobile app´s for B2B purposes. Occasion: Creative Innovation Summit "Digital Bauhaus" and Thuringian Elevator Pitch
More… http://www.een-thueringen.eu/www/een/index/companymissionindustrialapps/

Call to innovative companies and starters for the Brussels Innova Fair, 14-16 November 2013
Brussels Innova, an international exhibition promoting innovation, research and new technologies, will take place on the Brussels Expo site from. Futuristic innovations, daily life innovations gadgets, original prototypes, a travelling exhibition or didactic workshop, young starters, success stories, share your know-how on innovation with the visitors! You have 3 possibilities to participate free of charge:
- **The Innovation Avenue** will be devoted to ingenious and playful inventions.
- **The Starters Avenue** is geared more to innovative start-ups.
- The **Social Avenue** will highlight the social and civic innovations. Participation in one of these 3 areas will be decided **on a selective basis**.

More… Download here the Innovatie Avenue/Starters or Social Avenue registration form, contact@brussels-innova.com.

Technology transfer services / All reasonable models of co-operation will be considered
You are un inventor, do you have technology to transfer, do you have new products, technology based on innovations to offer; do you need news technologies, do you need technical assistance in technology transfer…
Please **contact** IPA CIFATT Craiova, e_mail: office@ipacv.ro ; web site: www.ipacv.ro.

Clusters

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

Greencity, Greater Paris' foremost event about sustainable cities, 17-18 October 2013, Cité Descartes, Paris
The theme of Energy Efficiency. Greencity is an event chosen by Government departments as part of the call for tenders for the "Greater Paris Economic Cluster". Driven by economical, institutional players, academics of the Descartes Cluster as well as research centres of excellence in Greater Paris, this international event includes conferences, workshops, investment forum, innovative village, business convention. Greencity aims to involve local/international companies in technical, scientific, commercial relations, to provide business opportunities with companies and contractors.
More... http://greencity-event.com/ ; lmercier@advbe.com

ACQUEAU - EUREKA cluster - Call 2013-2014
The EUREKA cluster for growth and innovation in water Acqueau will accept an outline proposal submission at any time and on any research innovation topic within the context of the water cycle.
More... http://www.acqueau.eu/node/157

Cluster Academy 2013, Linz, Austria, 14-17 May 2013
Innovation through cooperation, competence, these are the pillars on which Upper Austria's innovation policy is built! Our homepage gives you a detailed insight into the methodology, working procedures of clusters, networks in Upper Austria.
More... http://www.clusterland.at/index_ENG_HTML.php

4th Balkan & Black Sea Conference: Days of Clusters, Sofia, Bulgaria, October 31 - November 1, 2013

Goal of the Conference will be to gather more than 40 cluster organizations, representatives of government and SME sector supporting institutions, financial institutions, donors to create a favorable environment for the development of clusters in this region, exchange of knowledge, experience, efficient inter-cluster connectivity.

Out of 163 past Conference participants, there were 32 clusters (24 domestic, 8 international), 45 support institutions (33 domestic, 12 international), 6 scientific research institutions, 3 EU programs and 27 experts from European countries.
More... http://www.clusterhouse.rs

Cluster agenda for 2013

In adition to the **TCI activities -** some other cluster and competitiveness related activities taking place in 2013:
- WIRE IV Conference - Cork, Ireland, 5-7 June 2013 http://www.clusterobservatory.eu/
- TCI Global Conference - Kolding, Denmark, 3-6 September 2013 www.tci2013.com
- 15th TCI Annual Global Conference, Basque Country 2012 , 16-19, October, Spain, Basque Country
- TCI Mediterranean Conference, Izmir - Turkey, 2012, 14-15, June, Turkey, İzmir, Turkey

TCI is the leading global network for practitioners, policy makers, researchers and business leaders working towards improving competitiveness in regions and clusters. TCI is a non-profit, non-governmental organization, with a global scope, open to members from all countries throughout the private, public and voluntary sector.
More... http://www.tci-network.org/tci/about

SMEs		
Technology Profiles		
Water control system for irrigation canals which reduces water losses by 10-20%	Netherlands	OFFER
New container for soft drink and alcohol mixtures	Spain	OFFER
PS ICT PSP - Security for Website Administrators against Threats (SecWeb).	Spain	REQUEST
Wireless technology for new generation intruder alarm systems	Italy	REQUEST
Hardware-software solution based on mobile personal servers & intended for creation of cloud databases of Vital Signs (blood pressure, heart rate, electrocardiogram, etc.)	Russia	OFFER
Recombinant protein to maximize axonal growth and regeneration	Spain	OFFER
Machine design engineering solutions	Slovenia	OFFER
Efficient tube with electric discharge in high-pressure mercury vapours	Romania	OFFER
An optical wireless connectivity solution based on infrared beams	Romania	OFFER
Digital services distribution system (E-goods)	Croatia	OFFER
New catalysts based on the incorporation of Ti (III) in microporous aluminophosphates for the production of plastics & chemicals with high added value catalysts.	Spain	OFFER
Method for the characterization and identification of materials with photovoltaic properties.	Spain	OFFER
Biodiesel from oils with high fatty acid concentration using poly-styrensulphonic acid - catalyst.	Spain	OFFER
High yield synthesis of 1,2-diacetin from low cost triacetin using lipases.	Spain	OFFER
Egg product with improved foaming capacity	Spain	OFFER
Traceability system for certification and control of product distribution process	Italy	OFFER
House construction made of foam material, for low-energy consuming and passive constructions	Poland	OFFER
Method and capacitive sensor for counting aerosol nanoparticles	Slovenia	OFFER
Bioactive and antibacterial coating for dental implants	Slovenia	OFFER
Multifunctional bioactive coating material for bone implants	Slovenia	OFFER

Intellectual Property ; Standards

PCT at the EPO: conference for patent professionals & industry
The EPO is organising this in-house training event in Munich on 13 June for patent attorneys and IP professionals from industry in EU & elsewhere interested in filing PCT applications with the EPO.
More... http://www.epo.org/learning-events/events/search/pct.html

Licensing Intellectual Property; Non-Disclosure Agreements – Healthcare

Are you an inventor, wanting to discuss your invention with a potential manufacturer, financial backer or other partner? Or you are thinking about sharing your ideas about a new product/process you have developed or how existing technology may be used in a new application. Or you may be thinking about developing a new product or process with another business or a university. Or you may be in the creative industries sector, want to discuss a new concept with a potential collaborator…..have you thought about non-disclosure agreements (NDAs) and how these could help you? Read on...
More... http://www.ipo.gov.uk/patent/info/cda.pdf?goback=.gde_164166_member_235244509

SMEs & standardization, Call for proposals for a Framework Partnership Agreement, **Deadline: 29 May 2013**

This Call for Proposals aims to conclude a Framework Partnership Agreement implemented by an annual operating grant to a EU organisation representing SMEs in EU standardisation activities. The objectives are to promote the participation of SMEs, their interests in the EU standardisation process, to improve SMEs' information on, and use of EU standards and to show them the benefits of using standards. The EU organisation representing SMEs in EU standardisation will:
- represent the interests of SMEs in the standardisation process at European level - raise their awareness for standardization, - motivate them to become involved in the standardisation process.
More… SMEs-&-standardisation---Call-for-proposals-for-a-Framework-Partnership-Agreement-&-an-operating-grant

Learning Event - Searching patent documents with Global Patent Index, Vienna, 14-16 May 2013
This classroom training seminar, will help participants acquire a thorough understanding of the EPO's Global Patent Index (GPI), a professional patent searching tool with sophisticated search functionalities. Other patent information products including Espacenet & the European Patent Register will also be shown.
More... Read more and register

Research

Horizon 2020 - the programme that will cover all research & innovation funding 2014-2020, Budget: 71 billion
Horizon 2020 will be an integrated programme that will cover all research and innovation funding currently provided through the Framework Programme for Research and Technological Development, the Competitiveness and Innovation Framework Programme (CIP) and the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT). The different types of funding provided by the existing programmes will be brought together into a single coherent, flexible framework. It will provide funding for every stage of the innovation process from basic research to market uptake.
Horizon 2020 is the financial instrument implementing the Innovation Union.
EU funding for R&I are focused on 3 key objectives (Excellent science, Competitive industries, Better Society). The aim of Horizon 2020 is to strengthen the EU's position as a world leader in science, to help make EU a more attractive location to invest in research & innovation, to bring excellent research results to market which will deliver direct benefits to citizens, affordable health-care, protection against cyber crime, the transition to a resource-efficient, low-carbon economy.
More... Commission Proposal on Horizon 2020, Council meeting on the rules of participation in Horizon 2020 (press release), Presentation on H2020, http://ec.europa.eu/research/horizon2020/index_en.cfm

The Open Research Network ORN
The Open Research Network ORN (www.openresearchnetwork.org) is a peer-reviewed open access, open collaboration network. ORN has created a unique platform for open research activities for well funded open collaboration research for private corporations and government agencies. The aims of this open-access network are to disseminate knowledge; provide learned references in key fields; establish channels of communication between academic & research experts, policy makers & executives in industry, commerce, investment institutions & the government.
The ORN peer-reviewed journals welcome the submission of manuscripts that meet the general criteria of significance and scientific excellence, and will publish: * Original articles in basic and applied research * Case studies * Critical reviews, surveys, opinions, commentaries and essays. We invite you to submit your manuscript(s) for publication.
Send manuscript to: openresearchjournals@gmail.com, journals@openresearchnetwork.org.

Innovation and Entrepreneurship

Best practice - the developed laser technology can detect less than 1 mg of explosives at a 20-metre distance
The OPTIX consortium, supported by almost € 2.5 million in EU funds for research, has successfully developed/tested a portable technology for the stand-off detection of explosives at distances of less than 20 metres. The new technology capable of scanning the molecular structure of explosive artefacts attached to vehicles, pieces of luggage, containers, is being tested by the Spanish Police Corps. Lab experiments, real-scenario simulations are currently ongoing. The new technology is expected to provide police/security forces with an asset in the fight against bomb attacks in the future.
More... read the press release

Understanding your Innovation Culture – A Case-Study
We are delighted to present a brand new Case Study highlighting the challenges of creating an innovation culture that: supports new product/service development initiatives, facilitates the creation of idea campaigns, spurs employee engagement, develops business value.
More... Innovationmanagement/understanding-your-innovation-culture-a-case-study/

The Business Model, a Canvas for Innovation's Convergence
Unless you have lived under a rock, in a hermits cave or on a beach disconnected from the world, anyone remotely interested in innovation will have had business model innovation seared into their thinking. Then you would be aware of the Business model canvas and the book "Business Model Generation" by Alex Osterwalder and Yves Pigneur and a core team of leading exponents, that included Alan Smith, Patrick van der Pij and Tim Clark and co-authored by 470 Business Model Canvas practitioners from 45 countries.
Primary question: "Are the Business Tools you are using relevant for today's world? It went on to ask "If you want to teach people a new way of thinking, don't bother trying to teach them, instead, give them a tool, the use of which will lead to new ways of thinking".
More... http://paul4innovating.com/2013/04/20/the-business-model-a-canvas-for-innovations-convergence/

Partner Search

Partner Search for Intelligent Energy Europe Call 2013, from Romania
You might be interested to join our team for the Intelligent Energy Europe Call 2013. Our proposal focuses to energy efficiency for food and drink retailing sector with the aim of sensitizing consumers, retailing stakeholders, owners and employees in this retailing sector, quality assurance regulators as well as energy efficiency regulators to join forces and take actions such that the 2020 EU targets in energy efficiency and energy conservation can be met.

We already have a great international team from Sweden, Germany, Poland, Romania, Cyprus. Our aim is to cover different EU regions (north, middle and south Europe) with different climate profiles. We are looking for more partners who work as consultants or regulator officers for energy efficiency projects, consultants or officers for quality assurance regulators, and consumer associations,ideally from one or two more countries in the Mediterranean side of EU.
Contact: Mihaela Albu, albu.marilena@gmail.com

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.
The YEAR expresses its interest in accessing the EEA/Norway Grants, financial assistance that also covers our areas of interestentrepreneurship, employability improvement and green entrepreneurship. In this respect we are looking for Norwegian partners for YEARs projects or for the projects of our members. We are aiming at creating partnerships with:
- NGOs, other organizations, enterprises active in the area of entrepreneurship and employment services.
- Enterprises engaged within the green economy.

Contact Daniela Oancea, daniela.oancea@ptir.ro , office@ptir.ro , http://www.ptir.ro/

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
Contact: Gabriel Vladut. Ro4Europe, partner Enterprise Europe Network, office@ipacv.ro

Partner Search from Ireland - Espion - R&D/SIEM hires
Espion Group are an Irish-based company in the security and digital forensics space, we are currently hiring for a number of R&D opportunities related to EU Framework Programme Seven (FP7) research. Interested in speaking to suitable professionals with security analysis and SIEM experience.
Contact: Seamus Galvin, Research Manager, seamus.galvin@espiongroup.com

MARCO POLO 2013 Call for Proposals - Looking for a Consortium to join
LEITAT is a technological center located in Terrassa (Barcelona), Spain. It has for many years participated in numerous projects. Currently, we are looking for a consortium to join for the Marco Polo 2013 call for proposals, offering our know-how, experience and R&D&I services. The call deadline is the 23rd of August 2013.
Contact: Myrsini Karakasoglou, LEITAT Technological Center, Barcelona, Spain, mkarakasoglou@leitat.org

Call For Tender / Proposals / Applications / Fundings / Awards
ERASMUS for Young Entrepreneurs, Deadline: 09 July 2013
This call for proposals aims to select Intermediary Organisations, active in business support, to manage the ERASMUS for Young Entrepreneurs programme locally. These organisations will recruit and assist entrepreneurs to participate in the programme by organising the exchanges abroad. These exchanges enable entrepreneurs to work alongside experienced entrepreneurs in another EU/CIP participating country. Entrepreneurs thereby acquire new skills, enrich experiences, broaden network, enhances entrepreneurship, fosters internationalization, competitiveness of potential start-ups & SMEs.
More… http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/newsroom/cf/itemdetail.cfm?item_id=6577&lang=en&title=ERASMUS-for-Young-Entrepreneurs

Six calls for international research and development projects currently opened by EUREKA
EUREKA, the EU initiative uniting 40 innovation agencies across EU, currently has six open calls for projects in research & development. International projects in all technological areas are eligible for support from EUREKA instruments, notably water tech (ACQUEAU), software (ITEA2), clean energies (EUROGIA Plus), nanotechnologies (EURIPIDES), telecomm (CELTIC Plus). Projects can also receive support through the EUREKA individual projects scheme, open all year long.
All calls currently published can be found on a specifically dedicated page of the EUREKA website.
More… http://www.eurekanetwork.org/calls

European Nanoelectronics Initiative Advisory Council (ENIAC): Call 8 launched, budget of EUR 50.22 million
This call focuses on projects dealing with technological R&D activities; in Technology Readiness Level terms this refers to levels 2 to 5 i.e. formulation of technology concepts, experimental proofs, validation in laboratory conditions.
A valorisation & deployment plan must be included in the Project Proposal. The call follows a 2-stage procedure. Deadline for Project Outlines: 23 May 2013. Deadline for Full Project Proposals: 12 September 2013.
More... Research/participants/portal/page/call=ENIAC-2013, http://www.eniac.eu/web/calls/ENIACJU_Call8_2013-1.php

Lifelong Learning Programme – 2013 call for proposals, Deadline: 15 October 2013
Besides Comenius (school education), Erasmus (higher education), Leonardo da Vinci (vocational education & training), Grundtvig (adult education), Jean Monnet (EU integration studies), the programme offers support to activities for policy co-operation, in the fields of languages, information, communication technologies, dissemination & exploitation of results.
The five priorities reflect main issues at stake of the political agenda for education and training in the EU.

EUR 6.2 million project to help European SME's drive growth in the bio-based economy

The European Commission has launched a new three-year project "Bio Base NWE" to support the development of the bio-based economy in North West Europe (NWE). The €6.2 million (L5.35 million) project will work mainly with small and medium businesses (SME's) to help facilitate innovation and business development in bio-based technologies.
More... Continue reading...

New "Integrated Projects" in LIFE

The proposed LIFE Regulation contains a new type of project called Integrated Projects. They will aim to improve the implementation of environment and climate policy by focusing on the implementation of environmental or climate plans, strategies on a larger territorial scale. The Lifeplus call for proposals was published, with up to 278 M available for co-financing of projects. Proposals should be submitted to the national authority using the eProposal tool on 25 June, 2013.
More… http://ec.europa.eu/environment/life/funding/lifeplus2013/call/index.htm

High Flux Reactor supplementary research programme - 2012/709/Euratom

The adoption of a research programme to be implemented by the Joint Research Centre for the EU Atomic Energy Community. Given the continued need for the HFR as an irreplaceable infrastructure for Community research in the fields of improvement of safety of nuclear reactors, health including the development of medical isotopes to answer questions of medical research, nuclear fusion, fundamental research, training, waste management, the possibility to study the safety behaviour of nuclear fuels for reactor systems, its operation should continue under this research programme until the end of 2015. The Community provisional funding available for the call for proposals is: Orientation of the budget: 31.40 M€
More… http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2012:321:0059:0060:EN:PDF

Building strategic Roadmaps of demand-side policy measures to boost demand for industrial innovations

This call for proposals invites applicants to develop and implement strategic roadmaps of demand-side policy measures with the objective to increase the market uptake of innovations in any market or sector.
Demand-side policies are sets of public measures which could support the improvement of conditions for the uptake of innovations or which improve the articulation of demand in order to spur innovations and allow their diffusion.
The roadmaps will become an integral and very visible part of the horizontal action plan for demand-side innovation.
More… https://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/page/call_CIP

Call for experts at EFSA

Scientific experts in areas such as toxicology, chemistry, and dietary exposure assessment, are invited to apply for membership of EFSA's Scientific Panel on Food Additives and Nutrient Sources Added to Food (ANS Panel) and the Scientific Panel on Food Contact Materials, Enzymes, Flavourings and Processing Aids (CEF Panel) in 2014.
More... Continue reading...

Call for Independent Experts for the Safer Internet Programme

The objective of the Safer Internet programme is to promote safer use of the Internet andother communication technologies, particularly for children, to fight against illegal content/harmful conduct online. The tasks include assistance to the EC in evaluating proposals submitted in response to calls for proposals, reviewing individual Safer Internet projects, legacy projects funded under the Safer Internet plus programme. Experts will be assigned specific tasks on a case-by-case basis, according to the relevance of their education, expertise, interests in the tasks at hand.
More... http://ec.europa.eu/information_society/activities/sip/funding/experts/index_en.htm

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

EACI, the Executive Agency for Competitiveness & Innovation invites applications from experts in the fields of environment, energy efficiency, renewables, sustainable freight transport, to drawing up lists of external experts that will assist it in evaluation activities relating to the implementation of the Competitiveness & Innovation Programme (CIP).
More... http://wbc-inco.net/attach/call_experts_08.pdf

EU Funds 2014-2020

Smart & Inclusive Growth
» Horizon 2020
» COSME
» Education (Erasmus for all)
» Galileo
» Pericles 2020
» Hercule III
» Fiscus
» Structural Funds
  » i. ERDF

Sustainable Growth: Natural Resources
» Agriculture
» Rural Development (EARDF)
» Maritime & Fisheries (EMFF)
» LIFE
» European Globalisation Adjustment Fund (EGF)
» Emergency Aid Reserve

Global Europe
» Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA)
» European Neighbourhood Instrument (ENI)
» Partnership Instrument (PI)
» Development Cooperation Instrument (DCI)
» Instrument for Stability (IfS)
» Democracy and Human Rights (EIDHR)
» Humanitarian Aid
» Civil Protection (SCFI)

More... http://www.eutrainingsite.com/2014-2020.php?id=106&goback=%2Egde_164166_member_218792428#euf

Policy

Danube Strategy Progress Report: A good start, now it's time to move up a gear

The EC has released the first progress report on the EU Strategy for the Danube Region, almost two years after it was first launched. The Report details significant achievements in tackling problems from missing transport links, lack of competitiveness, to pollution and crime. The 14 participating countries - among them 8 EU Member States. are working together successfully on numerous shared projects and initiatives in the four main pillars of the Strategy - Connecting the Danube Region, Protecting the Environment, Building Prosperity and Strengthening the Danube Region.

More... Read the full report

Orientation paper on cloud computing in Horizon 2020

The EC has published a draft orientation paper on the area of *Cloud Computing, Software & Services* with a view to the development of the 1st Horizon 2020 work programmes. The document describes initial thoughts on how the Horizon 2020 work programmes could address challenges in Cloud Computing, Software & Services. The paper includes 2 objectives, advanced cloud infrastructures & services and innovative tools & methods for software development.

More... http://ec.europa.eu/information_society/newsroom/cf/itemdetail.cfm?item_id=9767

EU Cohesion Policy is helping to weather the crisis & produce growth, says Commission 2013 Strategic Report

The EC has presented an overview of how EU Structural Funds are working in Member States. The 'Strategic Report' on the implementation of 2007-2013 Cohesion Policy programmes pulls available information from Member States, up to end-2011. With 4 more years to go until the programmes finish in 2015, investments under the EU Regional Development Fund, Cohesion Fund & EU Social Fund have already led to progress, improvement for many citizens. These include:

1. 1.9 million more people now have broadband access;
2. 2.6 million more people are served by water supply, 5.7 million more by waste water projects;
3. there are 460 km of TEN-T roads and 334 km of TEN-T rail; and
4. 2.4 million people assisted by the European Social Fund found a new job.

Innovation, small business are receiving a huge boost from cohesion policy investments with many more in the pipeline.

More... http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release_IP-13-336_en.htm

Report: Wind Technology: Reports, Markets, and Policy Analysis, Expected Trends in Wind Power Market for 2013

Globally, a wind power capacity of around 44.7 Gigawatts (GW) was added during 2012 and the total installed capacity by the end of 2012 was around 282.4 GW. Policy changes in some key countries, such as the moratorium on the wind industry in Spain and the last minute extension of Production Tax Credit in the US, will affect wind installations. Hence, it is estimated that there will be a slowdown in wind installations in 2013 compared with 2012's annual installations.

Global wind industry growth will be driven mainly by China, the US, Germany, the UK and India.

More... http://ogjresearch.stores.yahoo.net/expected-trends-wind-power-market.html

Eurofound requires Development of a Strategic Information and Communication Technology Plan

Eurofound (the EU Foundation for the Improvement of Living & Working Conditions) takes a strategic approach to the implementation of its ICT to ensure that ICT architectures serve its needs, provide with a flexible base for development. Eurofound is soliciting participation for tenders for development of the Strategic ICT Plan. The features of the Plan are:

- Develop a strategy and approach to align ICT with Eurofound's Work Programmes.
- Analyse Eurofound's ICT status and recommend improvements.
- Identify trends and new technologies for ICT development.
- Aid in software selection and hardware to meet Eurofound's needs.

The overall objectives of the contract are the development of a Strategic ICT Plan to align with Eurofound's Work Programmes and annual updates to this plan. Relevant content from Strategic ICT Plans (together with annual updates) which covered previous 4 Year Work Programmes of Eurofound will be made available to the winning contractor.

More... https://www.ecn-eu.com/news/25/04/2013/225?goback=.gde_2140085_member_235557640

Events

2nd International Conference on Smart Grids & Green IT Systems, Aachen, Germany, 9-10 May 2013

The purpose of the SMARTGREENS (held in conjunction with CLOSER 2013, WEBIST 2013，CSEDU 2013）is to bring together researchers, designers, developers, practitioners interested in the advances, applications in the field of Smart Grids, Green Information & Communication Technologies, Sustainability, Energy Aware Systems & Technologies.

More... http://www.smartgreens.org/Home.aspx

13th European early stage investors annual EBAN Congress, Vienna, May 13-14, 2013

The debate will focus in the role of early stage investors for EU's growth and will bring on stage a wide diversity of actors which are crafting EU's future. Vienna will be the hotspot for the most influential, successful business angels, early stage investors from EU and around the world! Join us as we explore the role of early stage investors in the future.
You may also find a good opportunity to join one of the schedule trainings on very special pricing conditions.
More... http://www.amiando.com/EBAN2013.html?page=920660

4th International Conference on Food Engineering & Biotechnology, 19 May 2013, Copenhagen, Denmark
ICFEB 2013 is the premier forum for the presentation of technological advances and research results in the fields of Food Engineering and Biotechnology. The conference will bring together leading engineers and scientists to discuss the latest trends and development and promote scientific information interchange between researchers and practitioners.
More... http://www.icfeb.org/cfp.htm

7th International Conference on Sustainable Water Resources Management, 21 May 2013, New Forest, UK
The conference will bring together different stakeholders to discuss the most recent technological and scientific developments associated with the management of surface and sub-surface water resources.
More... http://www.wessex.ac.uk/13-conferences/water-resources-management-2013.html

Conference Mathematique Innovantes, Topologie, effectivité, interactivité, 21 Mai 2013, Paris, France
La conférence d'ouverture, en accès libre, sera l'occasion pour des chercheurs à la pointe dans leurs domaines de nous dire comment, dans le cadre de leurs recherches, s'articulent de façon effective abstraction mathématique, notamment de type topologique, et réalités complexes d'un monde tissé d'innombrables interactions.
More… sur le site.

9th SEE Congress & Exhibition on Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy, 29-31 May 2013, Sofia, Bulgaria
South-East Europe is a part of the global green revolution, but still the Region lags behind the rest of Europe in EE & RE applying and is in a major need of up-to-date technologies and equipment for this purpose.
More… http://www.eeandres.viaexpo.com/en/exhibition/

Conference Central Europe towards Sustainable Building, CESB 2013, 26-28 June 2013, Prague, Czech Republic
The Conference scope is focused on Sustainable building and refurbishment for next generations. We look forward to excellent papers and presentations and meeting researchers, students, investors, developers, local authorities and other professionals interested in all aspects of sustainable building. Short guided tours will give you possibility to visit historical premises including remains of original technologies and running steam engines.
More... www.cesb.cz/en ; http://cesb.cz/files/final_invitation_en6_web.pdf

University-Industry Interaction Conference: challenges & solutions for fostering entrepreneurial universities & collaborative innovation, 28-29 May 2013, Amsterdam, the Netherlands
With close to 300 attendees, representing more than 50 countries, the University-Industry Interaction Conference is the largest event in the area of facilitating interaction, creating cooperation between universities & business. The Conference have a special focus on "challenges & solutions for fostering entrepreneurial universities & collaborative innovation". The conference will be an international discussion forum for academics, technology transfer professionals, industry representatives, entrepreneurs, policy makers, where theory & practice are equally emphasised in the programme.
More... http://www.university-industry.com/index/concept

21st Annual International Conference on Composites/Nano Engineering, Tenerife, Spain, July 21-27, 2013
The authors of ICCE-21 are required to submit detailed two-page short papers, each page two-columns with graphs. We welcome papers in the design, manufacture, and use of composite materials and structures and all areas of nanoscience, nanoengineering, chemistry, nano-energy, nano-bio-medicine, metallurgy, mechanics, materials physics, or green composites, mathematical modeling, among many other topics.
The ICCE-21 conference has received over 200,000 citations in Google Search. Over 30 lectures were presented by members of US National Academy of Engineering or US National Academy of Science.
More… www.icce-nano.org

The EU Conference facilitating the successful delivery of the smart grid in Europe, 3 October 2013, Bruxelles
The event bring together stakeholders from both the energy & telecommunications sectors, policy-making communities, to debate the most issues relating to the EU-wide roll out of intelligent energy networks. The successful convergence of these major infrastructure sectors will dictate the successful delivery of the EU smart grid. This event will examine what needs to be done to achieve such cross-sector collaboration.
More… www.smartgrid2013.eu

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.
Events organized in conjunction with the 17th ICSTCC International Conference:

- IWSSS, International Workshop on Systems safety & security for automotive, passengers & goods protection. http://ace.upg-ploiesti.ro/iwsss2013
- 6th International Workshop on Social & Personal Computing for Web-Supported Learning Communities. http://software.ucv.ro/~epopescu/spel2013

More... http://ace.ucv.ro/icstcc2013/ ; icstcc2013@automation.ucv.ro or vrasvan@automation.ucv.ro

25th International Conference on Tools with Artificial Intelligence, 4-6 November 2013, Washington DC, USA

The annual IEEE International Conference on Tools with Artificial Intelligence (ICTAI) provides a major international forum where the creation and exchange of ideas related to artificial intelligence are fostered among academia, industry, and government agencies. The conference facilitates the cross-fertilization of these ideas and promotes their transfer into practical tools, for developing intelligent systems and pursuing artificial intelligence applications.
More… http://www.cs.wright.edu/atrc/ictai13/

The International Symposia on Cultural Diplomacy *The Potential for Cultural Diplomacy in Supporting National & International Governance,* Berlin, Bucharest, Rome, Washington, New York, Brussels, London; May-July 2013

The International Symposia on Cultural Diplomacy 2013 is the world's leading and largest event in the field of Cultural Diplomacy. The Symposia 2013 will include large-scale events exploring the Potential for Cultural Diplomacy in Supporting National and International Governance. The events will take place in different cities.
More… www.i-s-c-d.org

Training Events / Career opportunities / Jobs

Calendar of training courses in nanoscience and electronics

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
13 May Encounter Digital Implementation (Flat) v11.1 France
20 May Logic Equivalence Checking with Encounter Conformal EC v11.1 UK
3 June Modern Digital Modulation Techniques for Wireless, Satellite, and Wireline Communications the Netherlands
3 June Embedded Data Converters, the Netherlands
3 June Hands-On Characterization of Solid-State Image Sensors the Netherlands
3 June High-Speed PCB Design for EMC and Signal Integrity the Netherlands
3 June Advanced RF Power Amplifier Techniques for Modern Wireless and Microwave Systems the Netherlands
3 June Microsystems in Biomedical Engineering and Medical Products Switzerland
4 June Logic Equivalence Checking with Encounter Conformal EC v11.1 France
7 June Electromagnetic Compatibility of Integrated Circuits Switzerland
18 June RF MEMS and NEMS, Lausanne, Switzerland
More… http://www.fsrm.ch/e/formAgenda.php ; More FSRM courses ; http://www.eurotraining.net/

European Commission e-learning course on Innovation for SMEs

The European Commission is preparing an innovation platform which will provide small and medium enterprises (SME) with a guided tour through the whole innovation cycle. Innovation in products, services, processes is a mean to turn EU SMEs into competitive companies, economically healthy, able to create new jobs. Enterprises that invest in innovation increase their competitiveness, that of the EU as a whole.
More… http://survey.sme4rtdi.eu/index.php?sid=91179&lang=en

FP7 Project Management and Financial Reporting, 30-31 May 2013, Copenhagen, Denmark

How to manage your EU funded project the most efficiently? This course is tailored for project managers discussing the practicalities of the technical and financial management issues of FP7 projects. This 2-day training course will introduce the first crucial steps for getting an FP7 project started on the right foot, provide practical tips to ensure a sound technical implementation of the project, and go into the issues of financial management and reporting.
More… More info..

Get prepared for the new EU Programmes of 2014-2020, 25-28 June, 2013, Siófok, Hungary

Horizon 2020, COSME, Erasmus for All, Creative Europe, many other new EU programmes...More than 100 billion Euro available budget. Different approach/changing rules...Are you ready to get a kick start to the funding period 2014-2020?
More… http://www.eutrainingsite.com/168

New job postings in research and administration
More… http://www.kowi.de/en/vacancies