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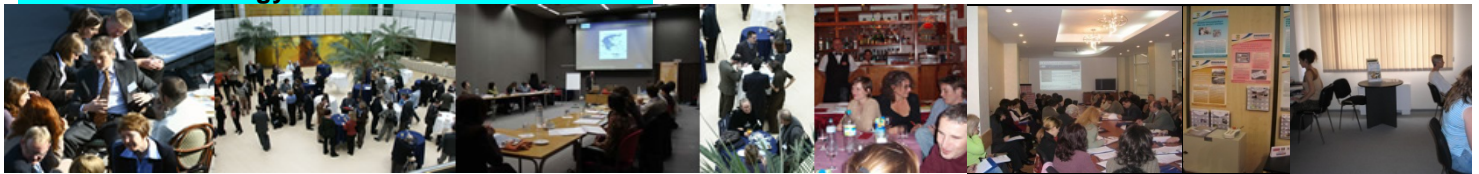
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## Technology Transfer and Innovation

### Events in technology transfer and innovation field



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

Do you have technology profiles in the fields? Please contact [office@ipacv.ro](mailto:office@ipacv.ro) to support you.

#### May 2013

- 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)
- 22 [The 2nd Workshop "How to Win European Tenders"](#) Tel Aviv (Israel)
- 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 Green 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 [Futurallia Istanbul 2013 Brokerage Event](#) Istanbul (Turkey)
- 05 [London Gaming & Digital Media Mission to Tampere](#) Tampere (Finland)
- 05 [Innovat&Match 2013](#) Bologna (Italy)
- 05 [Asia2Match Berlin 2013](#) Berlin (Germany)
- 06 [Wood Meetings 2013](#) Namur (Belgium)
- 06 [MoneyTalks® Forum focusing Game Industry & Digital Media](#), Tampere (Finland)
- 06 [Logistics-B2Match 2013](#) Munich (Germany)
- 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 [techtexstil 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 [Pro'hydro - Partnerships in the Water sector](#) Montpellier (France)
- 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)
- 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)
- 24 [European B2B Matchmaking Event at EuroLED](#) Birmingham (United Kingdom)
- 27 [NORMANDY BUSINESS ROUNDTABLE NORMANDY INDUSTRY](#) Deauville (France)

### July 2013

- 01 [NeuroConnection 2013](#) Marseille (France)
- 02 [Company mission in Serbia](#) Belgrade (Serbia)
- 15 [Matchmaking at Amsterdam Fashion Week & Modefabriek](#) Amsterdam (Netherlands)

### September 2013

- 05 [RIGA FOOD brokerage event](#) Riga (Latvia)
- 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)
- 25 [ÖKOINDUSTRIA International brokerage event](#) Budapest (Hungary)
- 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)
- 08 [Contact-Contract AUTUMN 2013](#) Brno (Czech\_Republic)
- 10 [JTED 2013](#) Mons (Belgium)
- 10 [Biomaterials Matchmaking "BASISStreff 2013"](#) Jena (Germany)
- 17 [Brokerage event at the Romanian National Innovation Forum](#) Bucharest (Romania)
- 30 [International Forum Mechatronics 2013](#) Winterthur (Switzerland)

### November 2013

- 07 [Ecobusiness Cooperation Event 2013](#) Rimini (Italy)
- 07 [AquaMatch 2013](#) Amsterdam (Netherlands)
- 13 [Business Meetings at Environmental & Energies Fairs](#) Valencia (Spain)
- 19 [Intelligent NRJ Day](#) Bourget du lac (France)
- 21 [Healthcare Brokerage Event MEDICA 2013](#) Düsseldorf (Germany)
- 28 [RARE 2013](#) Montpellier (France)

### December 2013

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

### January 2014

- 15 [Biomass Business Talks 2014](#) Graz (Austria)

### 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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**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=fERuBYG7sWl](http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=fERuBYG7sWl)

### 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;
- Cogeneration, Trigenation;
- Alternative Vehicles and Fuels;

- HYENERGY - hydrogen and fuel cells;
- CONSULTING, Design, Services, Carbon Trading, R&D;
- 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>

### **Brokerage event at the Romanian National Innovation Forum, Bucharest, Romania, 17-18 October 2013**

The Romanian Forum for Innovation represent the main place to discuss, analyse the synergies, strategies, ideas on innovation, technology transfer, entrepreneurial formation, research, in benefit of the market.

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

During this Forum, industry leaders, local authorities and scientists will be strongly encouraged to share their expectations, exchanging knowledge understand the specific characteristics of innovation systems, and discover the best practices and innovations to be capitalised on as part of an original partnership-based approach.

**More...** [EEN-Brokerage-event-at-the-National-Innovation-Forum](#)

### **18<sup>th</sup> International Business Development Forum, Futurallia, Istanbul, Turkey, 5-7 June 2013**

Explore Turkey, the huge region that stretches from Europe to Central Asia & Middle East. Meet with Turkish companies as well as companies from all over the world. Experience Turkey and its economy first hand while keeping a proactive approach to new business and partnership. More than 600 attendees gathered in one place from over 30 countries;

- More than 8000 meetings organized; up to 16 prescheduled one-to-one meetings, per participant, in 2 days;
- A matchmaking process tailored to your needs; identification of your best prospect leads by our team of experts;

**More...** [www.futuralliaistanbul2013.com](http://www.futuralliaistanbul2013.com) ; [info@futuralliaistanbul2013.com](mailto:info@futuralliaistanbul2013.com)

### **International Venture Club, Collaborative Platform of leading VCs, Corporate & Institutional Investors, 25 June 2013, London, UK**

The [International Venture Club](#) aims at:

- optimizing access to capital across Europe,
- increasing the success of the venture investments of its Members through pragmatic cooperation, and,
- networking and support facilities.

We will jointly be organizing the 3 annual Growth Summits in 2013 of the International Venture Club together with the [Tech Tour](#) organisation. The strategic partnership will turn the Growth Summits into industry "must-attend" events for growth entrepreneurs, international venture investors alike respectively in the ICT, Healthcare & Cleantech industries. The joint forces of iVentureClub & Tech Tour will strengthen and deepen the selection process, the networking and sponsorship reach and communication impact of the Growth Summits.

As the 2<sup>nd</sup> Growth Summit co-organized between the Club & Tech Tour, the [Healthcare Growth Summit in London on 25 & 26 June](#) will be showcasing **25 late stage & pre-IPO Healthcare entrepreneurs** from wider Europe.

The **selected 25 CEOs** showcased at the Summit will be selected on valuation, growth according to their revenue levels.

**More...** [http://www.iventureclub.com/events/view.aspx?events\\_pages\\_id=1720&goback=gde\\_4010217\\_member\\_241006447](http://www.iventureclub.com/events/view.aspx?events_pages_id=1720&goback=gde_4010217_member_241006447)

### **Eco-innovation Info-Day, When business meets the environment, 27 May 2013, Bruxelles**

Applying for Eco-Innovation funding is a competitive process, only the best project proposals will be selected for funding. The EU Info Day will give you essential information, advice on how to develop a good project proposal and apply successfully. It also offers the chance to find project partners from across EU, exchange views and share expertise.

**Who should attend?** Anyone who wants to set up a project, would like to know more about the application procedure. More than 300 participants are expected coming from SME associations, businesses, EU & national trade associations, chambers of commerce, European institutions etc.

**More...** <http://cip.onetec.eu/register.asp> ; [http://ec.europa.eu/environment/eco-innovation/events/2013/eid\\_2013\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/environment/eco-innovation/events/2013/eid_2013_en.htm)

### **International NoAE Project-Day E-mobility, Europe meets Aachen, Germany, June 12, 2013**

In cooperation with the „EU network for affordable & sustainable eMobility e.V.“, the WZL of RWTH Aachen, the Network of Automotive Excellence (NoAE) invites you to come to Aachen. Some focuses from the comprehensive program:

- Practical electromobility – living electromobility
- Production of eCars
- Future perspectives for energy storage
- Economical light weight construction
- Presentation of economical & sustainable projects

In cooperation with partners from 6 European countries, NoAE organises 3 Workshops and 1 European Country Pavilion and also invites to international cooperation at the „International Meeting-Point“. The three NoAE Workshops run one after another (time) and are built on each other (content):

- Cooperation between eOEM and eSupplier.
- GreenCities, Mobility, Infrastructure and ICT.
- Cross-national cooperation „Cross Border“ (Belgium, Denmark, Netherlands, Italy, Spain & Germany/NRW).

All three Workshops pursue one common goal: Initiation & coordination of international cooperation and projects. In addition, NoAE organises an International Meeting Point at the European Country Pavilion: on-site all visitors and participants can get spontaneously and actively involved. We are offering various possibilities:

- Information & participation in **16 Workshops**: <http://www.wzlforum.rwth-aachen.de/elektromobilproduktionstag.html>

- Active integration – from project ideas up to participation in the European Pavilion – for this please contact Claudia Kornacker (E-Mail: [claudia.kornacker@noae-office.com](mailto:claudia.kornacker@noae-office.com) ).

**More...** [www.noae.com](http://www.noae.com) ; [www.noae-project-days.com](http://www.noae-project-days.com) ; [www.noae-greencities.eu](http://www.noae-greencities.eu)

### **Eco-Innovation in air sector in ECOWEB, Brussels, 4 June 2013**

In the framework of the Green Week 2013, **two Workshops** will be organized on **4 June 2013 in Brussels**. The aim of the Workshops is to inform SMEs, multipliers, researchers about the ECOWEB platform (<http://www.ecoweb.info/> ).

ECOWEB is a powerful instrument to find in a smart & quick way technologies, applications, research results funded by FP6, FP7, Life plus, CIP projects in the field of eco-innovation. Air quality is one of the main eco-innovation sectors through which users can select projects on the platform. More than 100 of over a thousand projects in the database are gathered under the “air” topic. ECOWEB accommodates various other interesting functions and features that will be presented during the workshop.

The workshop will actively involve the participants, guiding them through the platform and testing its functionalities. Therefore, participants are kindly requested to bring their own computer in order to participate actively.

**More...** [www.ecoweb.info](http://www.ecoweb.info) ; [www.apre.it/eventi/2013/1-semester/find-eco-innovation-in-air-sector-in-ecoweb/!](http://www.apre.it/eventi/2013/1-semester/find-eco-innovation-in-air-sector-in-ecoweb/)

### **ICT 2013 - Create, Connect, Grow, Vilnius, Lithuania, 6-8 November, 2013**

More than 4000 researchers, innovators, entrepreneurs, industry representatives, young people, politicians are expected. The event focus on [Horizon 2020](#), EU's Framework Programme for Research & Innovation, 2014-2020. ICT2013 includes

- [conference](#),
- [exhibition](#),
- activities for [students & young researchers](#).
- [networking sessions](#),
- [investment forum](#),

**More...** <http://ec.europa.eu/digital-agenda/en/ict-2013>

### **STEP IN JAPAN, New Logistic Support in Japan for EU SMEs**

The support service the EU-Japan Centre, EEN Japan coordinator is offering free of charges to SMEs wishing to develop or expand their activities in Japan. The service acts as a landing pad for EU-based SMEs planning on entering into or expanding within Japan. The initiative encompasses a full range of essential support measures for businesses:

- a “hot desk” in Tokyo on the Centre’s premises that includes an internet connection and telephone for up to 1 month (a maximum of 2 beneficiaries per time slot);
- full access to meeting and seminar facilities within the Centre’s premises;
- an instant help desk for all information inquiries on Japan;
- assistance with using the Enterprise Europe Network service while in Japan.

**More...** interested EU SMEs can contact [info-eu@een-japan.eu](mailto:info-eu@een-japan.eu)

### **B2B meetings for AERONAUTICS and SPACE, 16-17 October 2013, Paris, France**

On registration, you choose your days of participation depending on your target markets:

- You receive the catalogue of requirements, projects and skills expressed by the participants.
- You make/receive requests for meetings. Only the meetings that have been validated by both companies will be organized, in order to optimize the relevance of your contacts.
- You receive your participation schedule incorporating meetings and the conferences you chose to attend.
- You meet your contacts during 30-minute meetings
- The business meetings for R&D allow project leads to identify an R&D support or a technological solution answering to qualified innovation needs.

**More...** <http://www.aerospacedays.com/ASD/en>

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

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

Please **contact** IPA CIFATT Craiova, e\_mail: [office@ipacv.ro](mailto:office@ipacv.ro) ; web site: [www.ipacv.ro](http://www.ipacv.ro).

## **Clusters**

### **The European Secretariat for Cluster Analysis**

[ESCA - The European Secretariat for Cluster Analysis](#) was established by one of the leading German innovation agencies [VDI/VDE Innovation + Technik GmbH](#) to offer practical advice to cluster management organizations.

In particular **ESCA offers services in two areas:**

- ESCA promotes cluster management excellence through benchmarking, quality labeling of clusters & cluster management organizations;
- ESCA supports cluster policy makers and programme owners with advice on cluster programme development.

**More...** <http://www.cluster-analysis.org/>

## **SMEs**

### **Technology Profiles**

[Novel herbal based throat pastilles with antibacterial effects](#)

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[A novel procedure to fabricate nano-engravings with improved optical contrast](#)

Spain OFFER

[An innovative drink ring pull can opener.](#)

UK OFFER

[Versatile Algorithm for Vision-based Detection of Object Approaches and Collision Threads](#)  
[Multifunctional electronic control system for guards / security personnel](#)  
[Digital Stethoscope for Cardiac Diagnosis](#)  
[Water Nitrates Removal And Waste Reuse as Fertilizer](#)  
[Environmentally friendly agents that can eliminate silverfish and bacteria.](#)  
[Specific ERP technology for bioenergy, forestry, and field work applications](#)  
[Micro and nano code on production tools](#)  
[Separation technologies](#)  
[Universal modular valves to control and create a smooth flow of liquids](#)  
[A portable device fast 3D prototyping/3D models with extruder design & multi-colour printing.](#)  
[Retrofit Natural Water Purification for Large Scale Consumers](#)  
[A new class of real and computer games](#)  
[Portable 3D Scanner and Improved Processing Software](#)  
[Vacuum and air pressure wood thermo treatment technology](#)  
[Automatic system to detect fire smoke, other particles dispersed in air over large open areas](#)  
[Electronic control instrument saves energy in lighting intensive environments](#)  
[Innovative Java-based Opensource Web Content Management with rich content](#)

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## Intellectual Property ; Standards



### Searching for patents - About patent information

Patent information is basically the technical information found in patent documents, plus any legal information about them. Use it to find out what already exists, keep track of who's doing what, avoid infringing other people's patent rights, and improve the quality of your

own patent applications.

**More...** <http://www.epo.org/searching.html>

### PATLIB conference documentation online, Munich, Germany

The PATLIB conference is the annual meeting place of the patent information centres and national patent offices of the EPO's member states. The presentations are now available for download on EPO website.

**More...** <http://www.epo.org/learning-events/events/conferences/patlib/programme.html>

## Research

### Joint Research Centre (JRC) - Serving society, stimulating innovation, supporting legislation

The Joint Research Centre (JRC) is the European Commission's in-house science service. It performs scientific research, provides evidence-based, independent scientific advice to EU policy makers helping them to make informed decisions. Its work has a direct impact on the lives of European citizens by promoting a healthy and safe environment, secure energy supplies, sustainable mobility and consumer health and safety. The JRC draws on over 50 years of research experience, continually builds its know-how/expertise. Its 7 scientific institutes, which host specialist, unique laboratories, are located in Belgium (Brussels & Geel), Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, Spain.

**More...** <http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/jrc/index.cfm?id=1370>

### 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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](http://ec.europa.eu/information_society/newsroom/cf/itemdetail.cfm?item_id=9767)

## Innovation and Entrepreneurship

### Innovation Scoreboard 2013

The **Innovation Union Scoreboard** provides a comparative assessment of the research and innovation performance of the EU Member States and the relative strengths and weaknesses of their research and innovation systems.

The result of the [European Commission Innovation Union Scoreboard 2013](#) shows that the Innovation performance in the EU has improved year on year in spite of the continuing economic crisis, but the innovation divide between Member States is widening. While the most innovative countries have further improved their performance, others have shown a lack of progress. According to the report, the **innovation leaders** are Sweden, Germany, Denmark, Finland, all showing a performance well above that of the EU average.

**More...** [http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/policies/innovation/files/ius-2013\\_en.pdf](http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/policies/innovation/files/ius-2013_en.pdf)

### State of the Innovation Union 2012

Against the background of The Europe 2020 strategy, the [Innovation Union flagship initiative](#), aims to create the best conditions for Europe's researchers and entrepreneurs to innovate. In particular this initiative is about creating a vibrant, innovation-based economy fuelled by ideas and creativity, capable of linking into global value chains, seizing opportunities, capturing new markets and creating high-quality jobs.

This report summarises the progress at Member State and European levels towards achieving an Innovation Union in 2012 and concludes by outlining areas where the Innovation Union needs to be deepened.

**More...** [http://ec.europa.eu/research/innovation-union/pdf/state-of-the-union/2012/state\\_of\\_the\\_innovation\\_union\\_report\\_2012.pdf](http://ec.europa.eu/research/innovation-union/pdf/state-of-the-union/2012/state_of_the_innovation_union_report_2012.pdf)

### **A framework for assessing innovation collaboration partners and its application to BRICs**

The authors of this paper develop a framework for assessing innovation collaboration partners. Based on the studies explaining the internationalisation of inventive activity, they identify four elements that are drivers of innovation collaboration: inventive capacity, technological specialization patterns, openness to international innovation collaboration and the economic potential of technology.

**More...** <http://ipts.jrc.ec.europa.eu/publications/pub.cfm?id=6179>

### **Commercialization of academic research. A comparison between researchers in the U.S. and Finland**

This paper aims to identify factors that relate to scientists' propensity to make commercially significant scientific discoveries (inventions) and to describe how these inventions are commercialized. Based on a large survey of academics active in different fields of science at U.S. universities, the paper benchmarks the top 20 universities against the rest, identifying the impact of different institutional settings.

**More...** <http://www.etla.fi/wp-content/uploads/ETLA-Working-Papers-8.pdf>

### **Manufacturing for Growth Strategies for Driving Growth and Employment**

The Future of Manufacturing report (April 2012) identified a number of factors that will shape the future of competition between countries and companies. Three areas rose to the top as the most critical: human capital and talent development; innovation and technology advancement; and strategic use of public policy emphasizing collaboration between policy-makers and business leaders. This series of reports addresses these key competitive factors and defines ways to drive economic growth and high-value job creation through manufacturing industry sectors.

**More...** <http://reports.weforum.org/manufacturing-growth/>

### **The Global Competitiveness Report 2012-2013**

The [Global Competitiveness Report 2012-2013](#), published by the [World Economic Forum](#) within the framework of [The Global Benchmarking Network](#), assesses the competitiveness landscape of 144 economies, providing insight into the drivers of their productivity & prosperity. The Report series remains the most comprehensive assessment of national competitiveness worldwide. The Report emphasizes persisting competitiveness divides across & within regions, as short-termism & political deadlock continue to hold back the economic performance of many countries & regions.

**More...** <http://www.weforum.org/issues/global-competitiveness/index.html>

### **Six Components of a Great Corporate Culture**

The benefits of a strong corporate culture are both intuitive, supported by social science. [According to James L. Heskett](#), culture "can account for 20-30% of the differential in corporate performance when compared with 'culturally unremarkable' competitors." And HBR writers have offered advice on [navigating different geographic cultures](#), [selecting jobs based on culture](#), [changing cultures](#), and [offering feedback across cultures](#), among other topics.

But what makes a culture? Each culture is unique, myriad factors go into creating one, but I've observed at least six common components of great cultures. Isolating those elements can be the first step to building a differentiated culture and a lasting organization. 1. Vision. 2. Values. 3. Practices. 4. People. 5. Narrative. 6. Place.

**More...** [http://blogs.hbr.org/cs/2013/05/six\\_components\\_of\\_culture.html?goback=.gde\\_56751\\_member\\_239392035](http://blogs.hbr.org/cs/2013/05/six_components_of_culture.html?goback=.gde_56751_member_239392035)

## **Partner Search**

### **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 interest entrepreneurship, 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](mailto:daniela.oancea@ptir.ro), [office@ptir.ro](mailto:office@ptir.ro), <http://www.ptir.ro/>

### **Partner Search in the field of furniture, from Norway for Romania - Norway Funding Programme**

The company X IMPEX from Turnu Severin, Romania search a partner from Norway. The Romanian company produce furniture from melamine panels, wood, veneer panels, furniture base on acrylic/composite/stratificates panels/materials. Aim of the partnership: acces to the best technologies (drying wood, finishing, clean technologies, valorification of the wood, re-utilisation of the residuiues, composite and stratificates panels and materials) and know-how for naval furniture.

**Contact:** Sorin Elena, X Impex srl, Turnu Severin, +40722516525, [sorinelena@gmail.com](mailto:sorinelena@gmail.com)

### **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](http://www.norwaygrants-greeninnovation.no)

**Contact:** Gabriel Vladut. Ro4Europe, partner Enterprise Europe Network, [office@ipacv.ro](mailto:office@ipacv.ro)

### Looking for partners for a Eureka proposal related to sustainable electromobility

Our company, a SME focused on urbanism & smartcities consulting issues, is interested in identifying European (non-Spanish) software development companies with proven & relevant experience in mobile applications, Geographic Information Systems/Location Based Services and/or Decision Support Systems in forementioned fields.

**Contact:** Sandra Babsky, Madrid, [sbabsky@trim-ac.com](mailto:sbabsky@trim-ac.com)

### Partner Search for Thematic tourism products" 70/G/ENT/CIP/13/B/N03S04

Tourist board of Municipality Tar - Vabriga from Istria/Croatia is looking for project leaders, who could apply within to the call for projects Supporting the enhancement and promotion of sustainable transnational thematic tourism products" 70/G/ENT/CIP/13/B/N03S04. Deadline is 3.7.2013. Our theme is tourism and olive oil (food, wine, recreation, cycling, walking) but could be the other thematic tourism product.

**Contact:** Stevo Žufić, Croatia, [zuf@adria-bonus.com](mailto:zuf@adria-bonus.com)

### Looking for NGOs for projects on active citizenship and cooking

We are a group of organisations from Barcelona active in the field of culture, education: <http://blog.transit.es>, <http://www.e-itd.com>, <http://www.asceps.org>. Cooking Citizenship (CookCit); promoting active EU citizenship with food-related community actions', is about how citizens can be empowered via their involvement in activities related to food, cooking, nutrition, normally in public spaces or in social activities open to the general public. We are looking no Spanish partners able to show that they promote SPECIFICALLY activities like that. Dateline is June 1st.

Those interested please send expression of interest.

**Contact:** Juan Pedregosa, Director at ITD, Barcelona, [info@e-itd.com](mailto:info@e-itd.com).

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

#### CIP: call for eco-innovation, Deadline: 5 September 2013

The EC has published the last call for proposals for the Eco-Innovation Programme in the Competitiveness and Innovation Framework Programme (CIP). A budget of around € 31.6 million is foreseen for funding under this call. The call comprises the following thematic areas of the work programme 2013:

1. Materials recycling
2. Sustainable building products
3. Food and drink sector
4. Water
5. Greening businesses

The EC will organize an information day on 27 May 2013 in Brussels: [Eco-innovation-Info-Day](#)

**More...** [http://ec.europa.eu/environment/eco-innovation/apply-funds/application-pack/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/environment/eco-innovation/apply-funds/application-pack/index_en.htm)

### FP7 – CIP Calls for Proposals

Call Identifier	Call Title	Deadline
<a href="#">ARTEMIS-2013-1</a>	ARTEMIS Call 2013	2013-06-06
<a href="#">70-G-ENT-CIP-13-B-N03S04</a>	Supporting the enhancement & promotion of sustainable transnational thematic tourism products	2013-07-03
<a href="#">76-G-ENT-CIP-13-C-N05S00</a>	European Design Innovation Platform	2013-07-02
<a href="#">62-G-ENT-CIP-13-N04C031</a>	Towards World-Class Clusters - Promoting Cluster Excellence	2013-06-18
<a href="#">63-G-ENT-CIP-13-E-N01C011</a>	Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs	2013-07-09
<a href="#">68-G-ENT-CIP-13-C-N02C011</a>	Building and Implementing Strategic Roadmaps of Demand-side Policy Measures to boost Demand for Industrial Innovations	2013-07-09
<a href="#">67-G-ENT-CIP-13-D-N03S02</a>	Sustainable Industry Low Carbon Scheme - SILC I - 2013	2013-06-13

### Tender for business development consulting services: deadline 10 June 2013

We would like to kindly invite you to participate in the tender for provision of business development consulting (mainly marketing, sales, etc.) services for Lithuanian companies.

We are searching for experts, consultancy firms able to support Lithuanian SMEs that are looking for business opportunities abroad, different markets in the areas of: Metal & plastic processing, machinery & equipment manufacturing industry; Wood & wood products manufacturing industry; Food Industry; Furniture Industry; Construction Industry; Textile, clothing & leather industry; Printing, publishing & advertising industries; Paper, paper products & packaging industries; Education & training services; Creative industries; Renewable energy & clean technology (cleantech) industry; Life sciences industry; Information technology industry.

The aim of the project is to support Lithuanian companies in entering new markets by providing marketing and sales consultancy services of professionals specializing in different markets and countries.

**More...** [http://www.cvpp.lt/index.php?option=com\\_vpt&theme=new&task=view&tender\\_id=127123](http://www.cvpp.lt/index.php?option=com_vpt&theme=new&task=view&tender_id=127123)

### LIFE+ 2013 call for proposals, Deadline 25 June 2013

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 Lifepplus 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>

### **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 new or would-be entrepreneurs to work alongside experienced entrepreneurs in another EU or CIP participating country. Entrepreneurs thereby acquire new skills, enrich their experiences, broaden their network, enhances entrepreneurship, fosters internationalization and competitiveness of potential start-ups and participating SMEs.

**More...** [http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/newsroom/cf/itemdetail.cfm?item\\_id=6577&lang=en&title=ERASMUS-for-Young-Entrepreneurs](http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/newsroom/cf/itemdetail.cfm?item_id=6577&lang=en&title=ERASMUS-for-Young-Entrepreneurs)

### **Lifelong Learning Programme – 2013 call for proposals, Deadline: 15 October 2013**

Through the programme the EU enables people of all ages to gain experience through studies, training or learning abroad, supports co-operation between schools, universities and enterprises in different EU countries.

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.

**More...** [Lifelong Learning Programme – 2013 call for proposals published](#)

### **Environment and Energy-related Technologies to Japan and Korea**

EU Gateway organises 1-week business missions to Japan and Korea, offering 40 European companies the opportunity to explore and grow their business in the environment and energy market. Now open for applications:

Date of Business Mission	3-7 February 2014 - Japan	9-13 June 2014 - Korea
Deadline for applications	27 September 2013 - Japan	24 January 2014 - Korea
Business Mission Programme	<a href="#">click here to download</a>	available as of June 2013

**What does EU Gateway offer?** During our one-week business mission, you will present your products to a hand-picked local audience, representatives from environmental technology companies, public works, importers, trading companies, R&D institutes. Individual meetings are arranged between your company & potential business partners. Expert briefings and a study tour introduce you to the local business culture and market opportunities. Last but not least, a reception gives you the opportunity for networking. Throughout the preparation of the mission as well as while being in Japan / Korea, you will benefit from a broad range of [strategic, logistical & financial support](#).

**More...** <http://www.eu-gateway.eu/environment-and-energy>

### **World Class Manufacturing training mission, 2<sup>nd</sup> session, Deadline: 10 June 2013**

The **5-day World Class Manufacturing training mission** (WCM) provides an in-depth analysis of Japanese manufacturing methodology, is aimed exclusively at EU Executives & Managers with knowledge of WCM, an engineering background. It assists the participants to acquire a better understanding of TQC (Total Quality Control), TQM (Total Quality Management), TPM (Total Productive Maintenance), JIT (Just In Time), TIE (Total Industrial Engineering) practices, the current KAIZEN manufacturing methods (continuous improvement).

The training course consists of lectures, workshops and EU top decision-makers are able to visit some of the world's most advanced Japanese factories to understand the real "Gemba" (the production site), to talk directly with their production managers, to observe the effective implementation of manufacturing methods.

**More...** <http://www.eu-japan.eu/global/business-training/world-class-manufacturing.html>

### **2013 IDEAS Energy Innovation Contest, Deadline: 01 July 2013**

Sponsored by [GDF SUEZ](#), the Nordic Development Fund ([NDF](#)), the [government of South Korea](#) and the Inter-American Development Bank ([IDB](#)), the contest is seeking proposals that promote innovative solutions to energy problems, benefit local communities or regions, create jobs, contribute to the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions. Award winners will receive up to \$100,000, technical & business development support to implement, scale up their ideas, moving from a pure concept level to a pilot-tested stage supported by a business plan ready for submission to other financial entities.

Individuals, enterprises and organizations based in countries that are borrowing members of the IDB are invited to submit proposals, which must focus on the adoption, innovation, assimilation, development and transfer of technologies in renewable energy, energy efficiency, climate change mitigation, fossil fuel substitution.

**More...** <http://www.iadb.org/en/news/announcements/2013-05-13/2013-ideas-energy-innovation-contest,10436.html>

### **CIP EIP Call Sustainable Industry Low Carbon Scheme - SILC I – 2013, Deadline: 13 June 2013**

The SILC scheme is intended as a practical, industry-based initiative at EU level which identifies, develops and deploys both technological and non-technological innovation measures. It is foreseen that the EU will co-finance up to 75% of the costs of the industry-led projects respectively.

The SILC initiative is implemented in two steps, SILC I (2011-2013) and SILC II (2014-2020). This call concerns only SILC I which aims at finding technological and non-technological innovation measures to reduce the carbon-intensity for a



wider range of sectors which can be implemented in the short term (i.e. immediate to 3 year horizon) and which do not require a further demonstration programme before their industrial implementation.

**More...** [67-G-ENT-CIP-13-D-N03S02&specificProgram=EIP ; http://ec.europa.eu/cip/eip](http://ec.europa.eu/cip/eip)

### **CIP Call: Building and implementing strategic Roadmaps of demand-side policy measures to boost demand for industrial innovations, Deadline: 09 July 2013**

This call for proposals invites applicants to develop/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...** [CIP=68-G-ENT-CIP-13-C-N02C011&Specific-Program=EIP](http://ec.europa.eu/cip/eip)

### **Call for Experts**

- Call for Experts, [European Commission - Call for individuals to establish database of FP7 experts](http://ec.europa.eu/cip/eip), 31 July 2013
- Call for Experts, [European Commission - Call for organisations to propose FP7 independent experts](http://ec.europa.eu/cip/eip), 31 July 2013

## **Policy**

### **EU Strategy on adaptation to climate change**

In the frame of a new EU Adaptation Strategy Package the European Commission has published a communication on a EU Strategy on adaptation to climate change. 15 member states have already adopted an adaptation strategy. The new strategy discusses relevant EU actions, of which some of them are relevant for research and innovation

**More...** [http://ec.europa.eu/clima/policies/adaptation/what/documentation\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/clima/policies/adaptation/what/documentation_en.htm)

### **1<sup>st</sup> RIM Plus workshop highlights opportunities and challenges of innovation strategies**

Policy workshops reports document the discussions and findings of the policy workshops bringing together communities of policymakers, Structural Fund managers, experts, academics. Europe 2020 Regional Innovation Strategies & future funding opportunities. Spreading the word on smart specialisation the value of regional innovation strategies.

**More...** <http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/policies/innovation/policy/regional-innovation/monitor/?q=p.report&section=workshop>

## **Events**

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Gasification Summit, 6–7 November 2013, London, UK**

ACI's Gasification Summit will once again bring together senior executives from industry, academia to discuss the latest commercial, technical developments, challenges, research breakthroughs throughout the entire gasification market. The conference will have a focus on the latest technologies in operation in the global gasification industry and also includes an overview of the up to date and prospecting activity. Discuss the technical challenges faced while chasing the carbon reduction, the challenges faced during the commercialisation process, the views from different end markets.

**More...** <http://www.wplgroup.com/aci/conferences/eu-ecg3.asp>

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Geography of Innovation International Conference 2014, Amsterdam, January 23-25, 2014**

The main objective of this event is to bring together researchers from a variety of disciplines ranging from economic geography, economics, management science, sociology, network theory, regional science and urban studies.

**More...** <http://elio6.eurolio.eu/indico/conferenceDisplay.py?confId=3>

### **6<sup>th</sup> Conference Innovation & Entrepreneurship for Inclusive & Sustainable Development, Oxford, UK, 29-30 Aug**

The AIE Conference provides a broad platform to convene scholars from around the world to present research and to stimulate discussions on critical research issues and new developments in innovation and entrepreneurship.

**More...** [http://www.globelics.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/12/Call\\_for\\_Papers\\_AIE\\_2013.pdf](http://www.globelics.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/12/Call_for_Papers_AIE_2013.pdf)

### **17<sup>th</sup> 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 17<sup>th</sup> ICSTCC Conference:

- IWSSS, International Workshop on Systems safety & security for automotive, passengers & goods protection. <http://ace.upg-ploiesti.ro/iwsss2013>
- 6<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:icstcc2013@automation.ucv.ro) or [vrasvan@automation.ucv.ro](mailto:vrasvan@automation.ucv.ro)

### **9<sup>th</sup> INSME Annual Meeting, Izmir, Turkey, 21-24 May 2013**

The topic is "The Governance of Innovation: Building an Innovative Eco-System for SMEs". The event comprises:

- the 9<sup>th</sup> INSME Association General Assembly (*for INSME Members only*), with the election of the new Board
- the 10<sup>th</sup> INSME Board Meeting (*for INSME Board members only*)
- [six round tables on innovation](#) (*open to registered participants*)

- [the INSME International Conference](#) (open to registered participants)
  - [the IMP<sup>3</sup>rove Award Ceremony](#) (open to registered participants)
  - [industrial site visits including a short touristic tour](#) (open to registered participants)
  - the [INSME-IZKA-UNCTAD International Training Workshop](#) on "Key-resources for profitable growth: how to strategically access and co-develop economic assets for the benefit of SMEs" (open to registered participants)
- More...** <http://www.2013.insme.org/> ; online registration form [here](#). Contact the INSME Secretariat at [2013@insme.it](mailto:2013@insme.it)

## Training Events / Career opportunities / Jobs

### Calendar of training courses in nanoscience and electronics

- 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 [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
- 10 June [University of Oxford: Practical Antenna Design: From Theory to Practice](#) UK
- 10 June [Logic Equivalence Checking with Encounter Conformal EC v11.1](#) Germany
- 10 June [Thin Film Deposition at the Nanoscale: Mechanisms and Applications](#) Sweden
- 11 June [Overview of Electronics](#) UK
- 13 June [University of Oxford Overview of Digital Electronics Short Course](#) UK
- 17 June [Oxford University High-Speed Digital Design Short Course](#) UK
- 17 June [Europhoton](#) France ; [Bioelectronics](#) France
- 17 June [University of Oxford: High Speed Digital Design](#) UK
- 17 June [Encounter Digital Implementation \(Flat\) v11.1](#) Germany
- 18 June [RF MEMS and NEMS](#) Switzerland
- 18 June [EMC and ESD Lab Techniques for Designers](#) UK
- 19 June [Advanced Troubleshooting Techniques for Circuits and Systems Short Course](#) UK
- 20 June [Electronic Product Design and Retrofit for EMC](#) UK; [Advanced High-Speed Signal Propagation](#) UK
- 20 June [High Frequency Measurements](#) Switzerland

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

### Seminar: Delivering Better SME and Enterprise Support through EU Programmes, 11-12 July 2013, Brussels

The seminar focuses on the different aspects of SME, enterprise development, aiming to provide participants with clear practical tools for SME support such as: how to fit with state aid rules, how can administrations & intermediaries make use of EU programmes (HORIZON 2020 programme, COSME programme, Structural Funds 2014-2020); how can they best develop complex projects for SME support in fields such as financial instruments or international cooperation.

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

### Practical Seminar Financial Accounting in EU External Cooperation Funding, 29-30 August 2013, Berlin

Learn to master the administrative challenges with the help of:

- Focus on correct accounting of staff costs;
- Extensive workshop on eligible costs and financial reporting;
- Insights on procurement rules for beneficiaries;
- Useful advice on how to prepare for audits;
- Practical exercise on the model

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

### 3<sup>rd</sup> E-Learning Course Introduction to a Green Economy: Concepts & Applications, 27 May – 19 July 2013

The course is delivered by UNITAR in partnership with UNEP, ILO and UNIDO and provides interested stakeholders from government, business, civil society, academia with an introduction to the green economy concept.

Participants will learn about concepts, facets of the green economy, including the promotion of sustainable energy production & consumption. Special attention is given to global, national, sector-specific challenges, opportunities to advance low-carbon, energy efficient/socially inclusive development. Additionally, participants will begin to acquire basic skills for applying the green economy concept in an economic, policy-making, personal context.

**More...** <http://www.unitar.org/event/introduction-green-economy-concepts-and-applications-3rd-edition>

### 8<sup>th</sup> LOAD event Linux Open Alternative Day, 29 May 2013, Bucharest, Romania

LOAD 8.0, The power of the cloud & open source.

**More...** [www.load.ro](http://www.load.ro) ; [http://itchannel.ro/load/?page\\_id=8](http://itchannel.ro/load/?page_id=8) ; [silviu@itchannel.ro](mailto:silviu@itchannel.ro)



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