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Technology Transfer and Innovation

Events in technology transfer and innovation field



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

Do you have technology profiles in the fields? Please contact office@ipacv.ro to support you.

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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=fERuBYG7sWI

# 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;
- BIOENERGY biomass, biogas, liquid biofuels;
- Cogeneration, Trigeneration;

- WATER & WIND hydro-, wind-, geothermal energy; - HYENERGY - hydrogen and fuel cells;
- CONSULTING, Design, Services, Carbon Trading, R&D;

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**US-EU-match** 

- 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

Brokerage event at the Romanian National Inovation 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, entrepreneunerial 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, Istambul, 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 : info@futuralliaistanbul2013.com

# European B2B Matchmaking Event at EuroLED. Birmingham, UK, 24-25 June 2013

Enterprise Europe Network Midlands, UK is organising a B2B matchmaking event during EuroLED. EuroLED is dedicated to the science and technology of LEDs. Now in its 10th year, EuroLED comprises a Technical Conference for industry professionals, an Exhibition with over 100 stands, and a highly popular Gala Dinner.

With pre-arranged one-to-one meetings, exhibitors, visitors can find potential commercial/technology partners from all over EU. To arrange the most suitable meetings, view the online catalogue which contains a profile of each participant. More... http://euroledeu.com/; s.claire@birmingham-chamber.com

# Matchmaking Event during EuroNanoForum Dublin, 18-20 June 2013, Dublin, Irelande

The EuroNanoForum is a Biannual event since 2003. It attracts a multidisciplinary audience of 1000-1200 & attendance from industry, research organisations, policy makers, investors from over 40 countries. Hosted by Enterprise Europe Network Ireland the Matchmaking Event is an ideal way to find technology/research partners, in pre-arranged 20 minute meetings in one location. You simply need to Register, present yourself, your company & technology online, select partners of interest to you in advance of the event.

Participation at the Matchmaking Event is Free. Register at: http://www.euronanoforum2013.eu/. More... http://www.b2match.eu/euronanoforum2013; een@enterprise-ireland.com

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, ٠
- 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 <u>& 26 June</u> 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

# Brokerage during the 2<sup>nd</sup> Medical Devices & Health Information Technology Conference & Exhibition, 10-13 June 2013, Tel-Aviv, Israel

The highest ranked experts in the field, decision makers, high profile regional/state leaders will present new methodologies, trends, challenges, innovative solutions, opportunities taking today's medicine forward.

The convention's format will consist of an international forum on public health, state-of-the-art exhibition, 1-on-1 business meetings, all aimed to enhance cooperation and the exchange of ideas among authorities from around the globe. More... http://www.medinisrael2013.com/

# 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:

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- Practical electromobility living electromobility
- Economical light weight construction

Production of eCars

Presentation of economical & sustainable projects

Future perspectives for energy storage

- 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: Initiaton & 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).

More... www.noae.com ; www.noae-project-days.com ; www.noae-greencities.eu

# Info-Day Bridge 2020, a Public - Private Partnership for the Biobased economy, 12 June, Bucharest, Romania

A major Public & Private effort. €3.8 billion investments in biobased innovation Horizon 2020. Topics for the Info Day: 1: From lignocellulosic feedstock to advanced biofuels.

- 4: Emergence of new value chains from (organic) waste.
- 2: The next generation forest-based value chains.
- 5: The integrated energy, pulp and chemicals biorefineries.

- 3: The next generation agro-based value chains.

More... www.BRIDGE2020.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; www.apre.it/eventi/2013/1-semestre/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

- activities for students & young researchers. conference. exhibition,
- 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

# 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 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

Improving cluster management through benchmarking and labelling

The European Cluster Excellence Initiative (ECEI, <u>www.cluster-excellence.eu</u>), initiated by the EC DG Enterprise & Industry, developed methodologies & tools to support cluster organisations to improve their capacities and capabilities in the management of clusters and networks. Within this context 13 project partners from nine EU countries - all well experienced in the field of cluster management and support - created a uniform set of cluster management quality indicators and developed a quality labeling system for professional cluster management with the aim to get this methodology and proof of quality accepted all over Europe.

The European Secretariat for Cluster Analysis is mandated by the ECEI project consortium and by the EC to support cluster organisations and cluster policy stakeholders with applying this labeling system. **More...** http://www.cluster-analysis.org/cluster-management-excellence-label-gold

Six new scientific clusters to support Danube strategy

The EC, scientists & policy makers from the 14 Danube Region countries have launched six scientific clusters to support economic development in the region. The six clusters will focus on: water; land & soil; bio-energy; air; data exchange & harmonisation; & smart specialisation. Presented at a high-level meeting in Bratislava, the clusters will provide scientific evidence to support the Danube Strategy, and will also serve to foster scientific cooperation across the region.

The clusters will bring together the scientific community from the 14 Danube countries, involving most of the Academies of science in the region, the Danube Rectors Conference (54 universities), many other research organisations. The partners will take part in the cluster(s) of their choice, according to their priorities/expertise. Participation remains open to other interested parties. The clusters will foster cooperation not only among scientists, but also between scientists and policy makers, and will encourage a better uptake of scientific results in policy-making.

**More...** <u>http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/jrc/index.cfm?id=2470&obj\_id=4480&dt\_code=EVN&lang=en</u> http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/jrc/index.cfm?id=1410&obj\_id=16440&dt\_code=NWS&lang=en&ori=HLN

# Conference: Boosting Innovation Policies with Clusters along the Danube, 27-28 June 2013, Linz, Austria

Target audience:

Topics:

- Innovation intermediaries, multipliers
- Universities and research institutions
- Administration & policy-makers dealing with innovation & cluster policy
- Economic development agencies, regional management agencies
- More... http://www.tmg.at/3348\_DEU\_HTML.php?title\_menu=2207
- EU funding period 2014-2020

International cluster cooperation EUSDR-ERDV

Optimising cluster policy

Regional innovation policies

# 16<sup>th</sup> Conference Designing the future, Innovation through strategic partnerships, 3-6 Sept 2013, Kolding Denmark

The TCI Conference provides an opportunity for cluster practitioners, policy-makers, business executives, academics to advance our understanding of strategic innovation partnerships in clusters, to work towards practical solutions. In the Region of Southern Denmark, clusters are part of our DNA. The private sector, public authorities & knowledge institutions all play an active role in developing our regional clusters within Energy Efficiency, Welfare Technology,

Offshore & Design. Collaboration within our clusters, between our clusters, across geographical borders are key factors for driving competitiveness. We are eager to share our experiences and to listen to and learn from cluster practitioners from all over the world on how we can improve our way of thinking about clusters.

More... <u>www.tci2013.com</u> ; For travel and hotel information <u>click here</u>.

# Analysis of Cluster Programmes and Policies

Clusters are promising, powerful instruments for the promotion of research and innovation and thus key for the creation of economic growth and job creation. Many studies around the world prove the positive effects of cluster activities on R&D investments, R&D collaboration & innovation. The fact that the retur/profit on R&D investments are increasing with this economic policy instrument confirms that clusters offer a favourable, dynamic business environment which significantly increases competitiveness. In such favourable ecosystems innovatiove companies can develop by interacting with different innovation actors and across sectoral boundaries.

In this respect cluster policies and cluster programmes are important instruments to develop clusters and cluster. The right strategy meaning the right objectives and instruments of a cluster policy or a cluster programme are decisive to tap into the potential of a clusters. ESCA experts have been key drives within important cluster policy & programme projects. **More...** <u>http://www.cluster-analysis.org/analysis-of-cluster-programmes-and-policies</u>

# The Role of Cluster Policies in S3/RIS3; Clusters & Smart Specialization

The Eye@RIS3 is an online database envisioned priorities of regions:

- Enable Regions to position themselves,
- To find their unique niches
- To seek out potential partners for collaboration.
- Database envisioned priorities of regions:
  - > Data from peer reviews, expert assessment reports, and national reports
    - Data on regions, then each priority has four dimensions, short text based description, and three categories with fixed two level categories, connection to EU prioritised policies, regional capabilities and target markets.
    - The data base can be searched in all these dimensions
    - And data can also be uploaded
    - Categories are not perfect matches, but serves the purpose of an easy to use tool to give initial indications of where regions are aiming with their priorities.

## Other selected activities / tools:

- Eve@RIS3
- > Digital agenda toolbox
- More... http://www.ipacv.ro/doc/ECA.rar
- Danube strategy support

- RIS3 assessment wheel
- > "RIS3 clinics" for regions

- S3 policy briefs (stimulating the debate)
- SMEs **Technology Profiles** Interactive Window Technology Portugal REQUEST Modular System on pedestals for Green roofs and sky garden Belgium OFFER Innovative contoller imitating daily movement of the Sun & light intensity Poland OFFER **NetherlandsOFFER** Complete bio-energy systems offered for the sustainable generation of energy from biomass Controlled release of biocide substances in polymeric materials Spain REQUEST Game server engine for online game development Korea OFFER Developing a beauty/health functional food using natural extraction Korea REQUEST Measurement of salt concentration based on Raman spectroscopy for food & environment ind France OFFER Eco constructive material that provides an enormous save of energy. Spain OFFER Advanced Truck Trailer Protection System Germany OFFER Electronically Steerable Microwave Antenna UK OFFER

## Intellectual Property ; Standards





# How to understand EPO search reports and written opinions

Seminar 19-21 June 2013 - Thessaloniki, Greece The EPO organises an intermediate-level seminar on its search reports and written opinions and how to interpret the information they contain. This comprehensive event will be an opportunity to:

- look into the structure and content of European search reports (EESR) and international search reports (ISR)
- get a clear understanding of the underlying concepts with a view to harmonising grant procedures
- learn how to make efficient use of the information contained in these documents

The programme will take into account different technical areas (chemistry, physics/electricity and mechanics). Participants will acquire hands-on experience in dedicated workshops, and discuss related topics with four EPO experts. More... http://www.epo.org/learning-events/events/search/search-reports.html

# European Standards for Digital Skills, 27 June 2013, CEN-CENELEC Management Centre, Bruxelles

The lack of highly gualified ICT labour affects the productivity growth, competitiveness, innovation, employment, social cohesion in EU. Consulting and the ICT user industries has continued to grow.

The event will focus on raising awareness on the current standardization work, its potential on bridging the skills gap in Europe, and to have a first exchange among stakeholders on any needs and opportunities for new standardization work in the area of ICT Skills. This event is aimed for IT companies, employment agencies/companies, IT professional associations, public authorities responsible for employment or education strategies.

Please register by 25 June by sending an e-mail stating your name, family name, organisation you will be representing More... DigitalSkillsDraftAgenda.pdf; CEN-CENELEC-Management-Centre

#### Research

# Horizon2020 financial rules and funding tools

The Finance Helpdesk will be holding an open 1 Day Workshop to assist organisations to get ready for Horizon 2020 on 23 May 2013, in London-Heathrow, UK. Horizon 2020 will start on 1 Jan 2014 and as with every new Framework Program the Financial Rules and regulations will change. The workshop will be aimed at project managers, as well as finance and administrative staff. It is particularly relevant to anyone who wants to understand the current position with the new Horizon 2020 Financial Rules. 'The very latest Horizon 2020 Financial Rules and how they affect you' More... http://www.finance-helpdesk.org/front/ShowArticle.aspx?ItemID=1554

#### Horizon2020

What is H 2020? What's in Horizon 2020 for me? Why Horizon 2020? What's next? What's your view? Press corner. More... http://ec.europa.eu/research/horizon2020/index en.cfm

# The EU Framework Programme for Research and Innovation

Horizon 2020 is the financial instrument implementing the Innovation Union, a Europe 2020 flagship initiative aimed at securing EU's global competitiveness. Running from 2014 to 2020 with an €80 billion budget, the EU's new programme for research & innovation is part of the drive to create new growth and jobs in EU.

Horizon 2020 provides major simplification through a single set of rules. It will combine all research & innovation funding currently provided through the Framework Programmes for Research and Technical Development, the innovation related activities of the Competitiveness & Innovation Framework Programme CIP & the EU Institute of Innovation & Technology EIT. Watch the presentation on Horizon 2020.

More... http://ec.europa.eu/research/horizon2020/index en.cfm?pg=h2020

#### A time line for Horizon 2020

By end 2013: Adoption of legislative acts by Parliament and Council on Horizon 2020

#### 1/1/2014: Horizon 2020 starts; launch of first calls.

Horizon 2020 will be adopted using the "ordinary legislative procedure" (formerly known as "co-decision"). **More...** http://ec.europa.eu/research/horizon2020/index\_en.cfm?pg=h2020-events

#### Innovation and Entrepreneurship

#### Who is responsible for innovation in your business?

Innovation isn't just about generating ideas, it's about converting those ideas into actions. So, when it comes to innovation in your business, who actually makes it happen?

In his 'Innovation for Growth' blog, Tim Kastelle of the University of Queensland School of Business is quite clear about the challenges of making innovation happen: "Idea generation usually isn't the problem – idea execution is. Coming to grips with this is one of the key steps ... in becoming more innovative. Another key step is figuring out who should be responsible for innovation." Tim Kastelle suggests that successful innovation should include both a dedicated innovation team and having everyone in the business involved in innovation. I think that's a formula for failure – have you any experiences to share that show this dual system approach working, or not working?

More... <u>http://www.talkfreely.com/blog/innovation-the-buck-stops-where/?goback=.gde\_40975\_member\_240754200</u>

## Lack of Innovative organizations in Central and East Europe

Will our companies miss the train? Or are they just waiting for organizational innovations to come from abroad? Today the top agenda in companies around the world is to create more innovative, dynamic organizations, through strategic innovative initiatives - Management innovation, business model innovation where an important tool is Experimentation. More... <u>http://www.managementexchange.com/hack/lets-start-experimenting?goback=.gde 4308936 member 243183988</u>; http://www.managementexchange.com/

#### Demand-driven innovation accelerates tech transfer: Myth or Reality?

Opposite views seems to emerge when it comes to accelerate tech transfer in Europe. User-led innovation, bottom-up innovation, living labs etc. are just a part of a long list of ways to try to better align R&D carried by industry with user's needs (potential consumers). They are clear efforts that try to reduce the gap of tech transfer, refine the product or service they foresee to launch into the market. If you want a EU project to be funded, you have to demonstrate how user's participate in the R&D process. The more and more pilots have to be well designed all along a project with iteration methods and not only be carried in the last phase of a project otherwise your chances to get EU funding decrease... But it is a little bit more complex, isn't it? User's need or preferences are not static and demand of innovation can be shaped. As Henry Ford famously said, "If I had asked people what they wanted, they would have said faster horses." This is why we keep seeing strong "technology push" research.

Cases like Weizman Institute in Israel <u>http://www.weizmann.ac.il/pages/technology-transfer-0</u> show how "curiosity driven research" (opposed to goal driven research) can have impressive tech transfer results: <u>https://ec.europa.eu/digital-agenda/en/comment/679#comment-679</u>. Curiosity driven research relies on freedom/serendipity. Researchers investigate questions because of their instincts/curiosity say that there is something relevant in there. History shows that many inventions did not happen to solve a need or problem that society had identified.

More... http://ec.europa.eu/digital-agenda/en/content/demand-driven-innovation-accelerates-tech-transfer-myth-or-reality

## Eight Innovation Drivers for our Innovating Future

There are many future paths we can take through innovation to seek out growth, to create future wealth. Many of the forces we are seeing today are those that will shape the long-term future of innovation. Yet there is going to be increasing tensions different than the ones we are discussing today.

More... Eight-innovation-drivers-for-our-innovating-future

## A great article about how scenario planning has changed corporate strategy

For anyone who wants to build successful corporate foresight practices the article is a must read. In their recent article in the Harvard Business Review Angela Wilkinson and Roland Kupers take us on a enjoyable and educational time travel to the early days of corporate scenario planning. Having both worked for Shell they share how the globally renowned scenario planning practice has been born out of the failure of financial prediction tools.

They reflect on how future visioning has expanded/matured to become powerful about "plausible stories" about how the "business context" of Shell might develop. They also talk about cycles of popularity in which the scenario planning team experienced periods of great triumph, times where the possibility of being shut down was imminent.

More... <u>How-scenario-planning-changed-corporate-strategy</u>

#### International Innovation

International Innovation is the leading global dissemination resource for the wider scientific, technology & research communities, dedicated to disseminating the latest science, research and technological innovations on a global level. More... <u>http://www.research-europe.com/</u>

#### 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 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.

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## 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 residues, composite and stratificates panels and materials) and know-how for naval furniture. **Contact:** Sorin Elena, X Impex srl, Turnu Severin, +40722516525, sorinelena@gmail.com

## Partner Search for the Norway 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

#### Looking for a potential investor in patents and inventions

We are a SME with the main object of activity of research & development. We have participated in many national research projects and also have been awarded with a consistent number of national & international awards. Recently, we have won the gold & silver medal in the World Inventions exhibition Geneva 2013 for the following inventions: " Portable device for real time monitoring of epileptic seizures"- gold and " Equipment for the cryopreservation of stem cells"- silver.

Also we have won another 3 silver medals in the past years in Geneva & Bruxells international exhibitions and in 2012 at the Nunberg International exhibition Iran & Russia's jury prizes. At the international exhibition Inventika we got 4 medals during the past years. All of our inventions have been patented at the Romanian Office for Inventions & Trademarks. We have also manufactured the only tissue banks from Romania, including skin, bone, heart grafts, sperm, corneea and also equipments for the hyperthermic intra-abdominal administration of cytostatics.

We are looking for a potential investor in our patents and inventions so they can get from the current stage of prototype / small line production to comercial production.

Contact: Supeanu Alexandru, Criomedical Technology SME, t: +40761684836 / +40724088001, criomedical@gmail.com

# Partner Search for Civil Justice Call for Proposals

Lazio Region Institute for legal studies looking for European organization for the proposal JUST/2013/JCIV/AG. Call for proposals, Civil Justice, Action grants, Deadline 04 June 2013, <u>Civil-justice</u> **Contact:** Adriana Calì, Rome, Italy, <u>a.cali@agenziasviluppolazio.it</u>

#### 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 July 2013.

Our theme is tourism & olive oil (food, wine, recreation, cycling, walking) but could be the other thematic tourism product. **Contact:** Stevo Žufić, Croatia, <u>zuf@adria-bonus.com</u>

# Experienced Maltese Organisation Looking to Join Proposals

If you are looking urgently for a partner under any current open Calls, please consider Paragon Europe. It is focused on Research, Project Management and Technology Transfer and since 2004 Paragon has been successful in sourcing funds for EU projects submitted under a number of EU Programmes. Our longstanding experience in EU funded projects comes from participation in several Programmes: IEE, FP7, ICT PSP, MED, LLP. We can ensure involvement in different areas: • Project Management support, in order to submit a well prepared and exhaustive Application Form;

- Dissemination & Exploitation of project results. Paragon led a Taskforce on Dissemination & Exploitation within DG Research, increasing its expertise in Commercialisation of project results;
- Pilot testing through its established links to several Maltese Local Councils; and

• Research, thanks to the frequent collaborations with the University of Malta.

Contact: Radosveta Valkova, Malta, radosveta@paragoneurope.eu

# Partner Search for Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs

We are looking for EU partners for a call of Erasmus Young Entrepreneurs. We prefer:

- Experience in management of EU projects.
- Organisation with HIGH focus and experience in entrepreneurship.
- With a person in the organisation with full dedication to this project, with legal capacity to take decissions.

**Contact:** Pablo Caballero, President of the Platform to support the entrepreneurship, Granada, Spain, presidencia@apoyoemprendimiento.org

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

CIP Call for proposals - European Design Innovation Platform, Deadline 2 July 2013

The Commission has launched a call for proposals for the European Design Innovation Platform: a CIP co-financed project offering €2,85m in EU funding to participating organisations.

The objective of this call is to accelerate the take-up of design in innovation policies at EU/national/regional levels, to promote the increased use of design in EU industry, in the public sector to promote value creation, competitiveness, efficient use of resource. In particular, emphasis is put on closing the divide between the advanced regions and those lagging behind in applying design-driven innovation.

The call invites applicants to plan/implement a coherent set of actions to boost the adoption of design in innovation policies, to support the creation of capacity & competencies necessary to deliver these policies. The set of actions will be called the EU Design Innovation Platform, fall under the framework of the Action Plan for Design-Driven Innovation. **More...** CIP-callIdentifier=76-G-ENT-CIP-13-C-N05S00&specificProgram=EIP

# CIP Call for proposal - 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 3. Food and drink sector

2. Sustainable building products

4. Water

5. Greening businesses

The EC will organize an information day on 27 May 2013 in Brussels: <u>Eco-innovation-Info-Day</u> **More...** http://ec.europa.eu/environment/eco-innovation/apply-funds/application-pack/index\_en.htm

# CIP Call for proposals - 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. This call concerns 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, 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

#### CIP Call for proposal - Building and implementing strategic Roadmaps of demand-side policy measures to boost demand for industrial innovations, Deadline: 9 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

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

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Political area	Title	Deadline	Themes	More	
COOPERATIO	N FCH-JU-2013-1	2013-05-22	Joint Technology Initiatives	<u>link</u>	
COOPERATIO	N ENIAC-2013-1	2013-05-23	Joint Technology Initiatives	<u>link</u>	
COOPERATION ENIAC-2013-2		2013-05-23	Joint Technology Initiatives	link	
CAPACITIES	ERA Chairs Pilot Call	2013-05-30	Research Potential	link	
COOPERATIO	N ARTEMIS call 2013	2013-06-06	Joint Technology Initiatives	<u>link</u>	
COOPERATIO	N Call for individuals to establish database of FP7 experts	2013-07-31		<u>link</u>	
PEOPLE	FP7-PEOPLE-2013-IOF	2013-08-14	FP7 People	<u>link</u>	
PEOPLE	FP7-PEOPLE-2013-IIF	2013-08-14	FP7 People	<u>link</u>	
PEOPLE	FP7-PEOPLE-2013-IEF	2013-08-14	FP7 People	<u>link</u>	
IDEAS	ERC-2013-PoC	2013-10-03	FP7 Ideas	<u>link</u>	
CAPACITIES	FP7-CDRP-Women-Innovators	2013-10-15	Support for the coherent development of research policies	<u>link</u>	

# Open calls for proposals related to innovation and competitiveness

Area	Title	Deadline	More
Innovation	ENT-CIP-13-N02C00	2013-05-28	link
Innovation	65-G-ENT-CIP-13-N02C021	2013-05-28	link

Environment 67-G-ENT-CIP-13-D-N03S02			link
Innovation	62-G-ENT-CIP-13-N04C031	2013-06-18	link
Environment Life + 2013 call for proposals			link
Innovation	76-G-ENT-CIP-13-C-N05S00	2013-07-02	link
Innovation	68-G-ENT-CIP-13-C-N02C011	2013-07-09	link
Education	63-G-ENT-CIP-13-E-N01C011	2013-07-09	link
Environment Expert evaluators Eco-innovation		2013-09-30	<u>link</u>
Energy	Expert evaluators for Intelligent Energy Europe	2013-09-30	link
Research	Eureka : Euripides call for expert	2013-12-31	link
Education	EACEA/21/08 Erasmus Mundus External Cooperation Window Asia Region in the academic year 2008/2009	2020-10-31	<u>link</u>

#### Call for proposals - Civil Justice - Action grants 2013, Deadline 04 June 2013

It aims to select transnational projects that fall under the objectives of the JCIV Programme, address the priorities of the call. Under this specific objective the EC would fund projects addressing legislative instruments adopted on the basis of Article 81 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the EU (hereinafter referred to as TFEU). The total indicative budget available is EUR 8.776.000.

The participants and/or target group of beneficiaries of the projects shall be legal practitioners, including judges, prosecutors, advocates, solicitors, notaries, academic and scientific personnel, ministry officials, court officers, bailiffs, court interpreters, members of judicial cooperation networks and other professionals associated with the judiciary in the area of civil law, national authorities and citizens of the EU in general.

More... http://ec.europa.eu/justice/newsroom/grants/jciv ag 2013 en.htm

## Tender for business development consulting services. Deadline 10 June 2013

Tender for provision of business development consulting, mainly marketing, sales, services for Lithuanian companies. We are searching for experts, consultancy firms able to support Lithuanian SMEs that are looking for business opportunities abroad. 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

# CEI Fund at the EBRD: Know-how Exchange Programme Call for Proposals, Deadline: 17 July 2013

The CEI Fund at the EBRD contributed by Italy supports the Know-how Exchange Programme (KEP). KEP offers grant co-financing to projects focused on the transfer of know-how and best practices from institutions in EU to institutions in non-EU member states of the CEI.Call for Proposals 2013 to co-finance projects under the CEI Know-How Exchange Programme (KEP), financed by the CEI Fund at the EBRD contributed by Italy.

More... Call for Proposals ; Guidelines for Applicants ; Application Form ; Call AF Budget Template ; Grant Agreement

# CEI Cooperation Fund: Call for Proposals, Deadline: 30 June 2013

The CEI Cooperation Fund, contributed by all CEI member states, co-finances the implementation of small-scale projects (so-called CEI Cooperation Activities) usually taking the form of conferences, seminars, trainings, workshops and festivals. These projects are aimed at capacity building through know-how transfer and exchange of experience among all CEI members. Potential CEI contribution: up to 15.000 EUR

More... Call for Proposals ; Application Form ; Rules for allocation of resources for CEI funding of cooperation activities

# Sustainable Energy Technology Experts - Call for Expressions of Interest, Deadline 31 May 2013

The Regional Environmental Center (<u>www.rec.org</u>) headquartered in Hungary seeks to contract assistance in all new EU Member States (Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Rep, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Romania, Slovakia & Slovenia bar Poland) for a two-year assignment being undertaken in collaboration with the EC's European Institute of Innovation and Technology & its Knowledge Innovation Community for InnoEnergy (<u>www.kic-innoenergy.com/</u>).

Starting July 1<sup>st</sup>, REC will proactively engage educational, research, and industrial actors in sustainable, innovative and cost-competitive energy technology development and roll-out.

More... http://www.eu-smartcities.eu/blog/sustainable-energy-technology-experts-call-expressions-interest; Calls\_for\_Eol

# International Fellowship Mobility Programme for Experienced Researchers, NEWFELPRO, Calls for Proposals

NEWFELPRO launch **three open calls** for proposals. The 1<sup>st</sup> call is expected by the beginning of the 3<sup>rd</sup> trimester, in July 2013, and will be open for a period of 90 days, until October 2013. Two categories of researchers are eligible to apply: a) experienced researchers, who must at the time of the call deadline at least possess a doctoral degree or have at least four years of full-time equivalent research experience;

b) senior researchers who must have a PhD degree and more than 10 years of full-time equivalent research experience. According to the procedure, proposals will be submitted only in electronic form (through the NEWFELPRO web pages). **More...** <u>NEWFELPRO\_EN\_final</u>; <u>NEWFELPRO\_General\_description ed</u>

Ex post Evaluation & Impact Assessment of Funding in the NMP Thematic Area: Call for tender of DG R&D&I

The EC's DG for Research & Innovation has published a call for tender for "Ex post Evaluation and Impact Assessment of Funding in the NMP Thematic Area - FP 7 Specific Programm "Cooperation".

More... https://etendering.ted.europa.eu/cft/cft-documents.html?filter=false&groupDoc=&cftld=234

# Policy

#### **Commission Communication on Energy Technologies and Innovations**

The EC has published a communication setting out an EU Energy technology & innovation strategy. Areas requiring key developments are, among others:

- Energy efficiency (buildings, energy consumption by industry)
- Sustainability, security, efficiency of the energy system (storage, transport, demand response, participation through IT)
- Energy consumption of cities ("Smart Cities and Communities")
- Promising alternative technologies (offshore wind, ocean power, concentrated solar power, heating/cooling tech.)

The communication puts special emphasis on the need for a system approach, focusing on the delivery of cost-effective energy services to the end-users, instead of the sector-oriented structure underlying activities to date.

More... Europa-energy-technology-strategy; Europa-Industrial-Initiatives; SET-Plan Energy-technology-Set plan;

# EU launches first industrial strategy for electronics

The EC has proposed a new industrial EU strategy for electronics, as the 27-country bloc is at risk of losing the capability to design and manufacture electronic components that are essential for the digital economy. Micro- & nano-electronic components & systems are essential to digital products/services; they underpin the innovation & competitiveness of all economic sectors. The Commission's goals are quite simple: We must attract higher investments & collaborate across borders. That will allow the sector to play the role of supporting new jobs, economic growth across the whole economy. EC hoped for an investment that matches the size of the challenge; around €5 billion for innovation, R&D over 7 years. This should come from the EC, member states, regions. Brussels' level of ambition is backed by the electronics industry & R&D who at the end of 2012 outlined how a total investment of €100 billion could be delivered between 2013-2020. The strategy will especially benefit the nano-eletronics, micro-electronics and photonics sectors where EU is first or second best in class. These sectors are also linked to eHealth, energy, transport and climate issues.

More... http://www.euractiv.com/specialreport-innovation-digital/eu-launches-industrial-strategy-news-519968

#### A plan for 100% renewable energy by the year 2030

A Stanford University civil and environmental engineer has co-authored a detailed plan and road map for the world to become carbon-energy free in less than two decades.

Jacobson's energy mix includes wind, concentrated solar (molten salt heated by solar mirrors), photovoltaics, geothermal, tidal and wave, and hydroelectricity. No coal fired power plants. No natural gas plants, and no nuclear. More... 21stcentech.energy-update-environmental-engineers-2030-forecast

# Covenant of Mayors: What Opportunities in the Buildings Sector?

Buildings are key to achieving energy targets in cities and towns. Discover what kind of support a signatory is given to reach its CO2 reduction targets by 2020.

More... Covenant of Mayors: What Opportunities in the Buildings Sector?

#### ManagEnergy: Supporting Local and Regional Sustainable Actions

To learn how ManagEnergy can help local actors, regional players, energy agencies and local authorities - read this overview article.

More... completati tot ce credeti/ManagEnergy: Supporting Local and Regional Sustainable Actions

## **Events**

# 21<sup>st</sup> Annual International Conference on composites or nano engineering, ICCE, Tenerife, Spain, July 21-27, 2013

The ICCE conference is unique in that while it is an engineering conference, it has attracted numerous chemists, physicists and scientists from diverse fields in our efforts to promote interdisciplinary research on composites.

Of particular concern is the challenge for materials engineers to understand the wide diversity of length scales ranging from nano to micro to macro & full scale and to question the validity of the theories or models which are known to be valid only in certain length scales. The ICCE is among the 1<sup>st</sup> composite materials conferences which take a leading vital role to bridge the gap between nano-chemistry & nano-engineering, in this existing relatively new field of nano-composites engineering. The ICCE will provide a forum for the exchange of ideas in virtually all areas composite materials research. More... www.icce-nano.org

# International Nuclear Energy Symposium, SIEN, 10-14 November 2013, Bucharest, Romania

SIEN is the traditional conference organized by AREN, with the support of traditional partners such as the Romanian Atomic Forum and the Romanian National Representative of the World Nuclear Council (WEC).

The theme of the conference is "Nuclear power - Milestones on the Path to Sustainability" which aims at debating the future of nuclear power in EU taking into account recent events in EU & elsewhere. The program of the conference will include technical sessions, interactive workshops, among which one organized by the Young Generation Network & one organized by Women in Nuclear. The conference will end with two technical tours which will give the participants the opportunity to chose between Cernavoda NPP and Pitesti Nuclear Fuel Plant and research facility.

## International Energy Conference ENERGA 2013, 4-6 June 2013, Tuzla, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Through comprehensive participation, the conference will discuss relevant issues related to energy policies, renewable energy sources, energy efficiency, modern trends in thermal energy and mining and solar energy.

The event will contribute to exchanging experience, information and research results as well as enhanced cooperation and communication between participating institutions with the prospects to strengthen business relations and links. **More...** http://www.rcc.int/events/0/927/international-energy-conference-energa-2013

## Conference Agricultural Research & Food Security; Outlook to Horizon 2020 & Beyond, Bruxelles, 5 June 2013

The European agriculture sector is facing many challenges. At present the industry faces worsening limits of production together with the predicted climatic and demographic changes that could play an increasingly larger role in the future of the EU agriculture industry thus it is necessary to address those challenges today. The aim of the conference is to provide an overview on how agricultural research is able to contribute to food security. The event bring together the views of policy makers as well as practical examples of research efforts aimed at analysing different aspects of food security. **More...** http://www.errin.eu/content/agricultural-research-and-food-security-%E2%80%93-outlook-horizon-2020-and-beyond

# International Congress on Materials & Renewable Energy', 1-3 July 2013, Athens, Greece

Symposia topics, presentations will include advanced materials for energy conversion and storage, energy efficiency, emerging energy technologies, energy modelling and s imulation. Further areas of dialogue will address the latest novel energy technologies. The congress will serve as a platform for an international audience of researchers, policy makers, academics and scientists in the sector to gather and exchange their latest research in a series of interactive lectures. **More...** <u>http://www.energy-conference.co.uk/index.html</u>

#### 18<sup>th</sup> Baltic Dynamics, 11-13 September 2013, Riga, Latvia

Deadline for contribution May 31. Please send your abstracts to <u>info@balticdynamics.com</u> and do registration on <u>www.balticdynamics.com</u>. We are happy to announce that the world level key-note speakers have confirmed their participation. The following topics will be under discussion:

- Knowledge and research, competence and innovation are they the elements of the same chain?
- Role of Universities in competence building.
- Role of Science / Technology Parks in competence building.
- How to translate knowledge into competence?
- Knowledge creation, technology transfer, experience sharing, national, international cooperation, partnerships key factors for the successful business development.
- Innovation management, how to manage the knowledge flow in the right direction, how to strengthen links between universities & industry, what financial instruments we can offer and what we needed? Experience & recommendations.
- Overall competence the indicator of the efficiency of National Innovation System.

More... www.balticdynamics.com

#### Innovation: A business Opportunity for SMEs, 11-12 June 2013, Dublin, Ireland

Apart from keynote speeches on the inclusive economy, open innovation, sustainable growth for SMEs, the event will feature a session on SME promotion under the new Framework Programme for Research & Innovation, Horizon 2020. Register now for a free of charge Conference that will give you unique insights on what it takes for SMEs to successfully innovate, grow & learn about support opportunities that can turn businesses into constant innovators! Enrol at <a href="http://eurosme2013.eu/register/">http://eurosme2013.eu/register/</a>, join the Irish Presidency of the EU, for a discovery the potential of innovation for SMEs!

# 8<sup>th</sup> European Conference on Innovation and Entrepreneurship ECIE, 19-20 September 2013 Bruxelles

The conference provides an international opportunity for scientific discussion, collaboration on a broad range of relevant fertile areas associated to recent trends in innovation.

Practitioners, academics, people in the field of policy making are invited to present their research, to share their experiences in a broad range of areas related to the new trends in innovation & entrepreneurship. Topics: related to all types of organizations: SMEs, YICs, spin-offs, MNEs, private & public R&D centres, Universities, Government Institutions. More... <a href="http://academic-conferences.org/ecie/ecie2013/ecie13-call-papers.htm">http://academic-conferences.org/ecie/ecie2013/ecie13-call-papers.htm</a>

#### 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. <u>http://ace.upg-ploiesti.ro/iwsss2013</u>
- 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 or vrasvan@automation.ucv.ro

# 22<sup>nd</sup> Future Network & Mobile Summit, 3-5 July 2013, Lisbon, Portugal

The Conferences, supported by the EC, regularly attracts delegates from industry & research to share experiences & research results, identify future trends, discuss business opportunities, identify opportunities for international research collaboration under FP7-ICT & Horizon 2020. It will thus contribute to showcasing European research in the field, and position it within the multiplicity of related initiatives supported in other regions of the world.

In the context of convergence & innovation, the MobileSummit will address the challenges of building the Future Internet Infrastructures, based on mobile, wireless and fixed broadband communications technologies.

More... http://www.futurenetworksummit.eu/2013/

# 10<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Nanosciences & Nanotechnologies (NN13), 9-12 July 2013, Thessaloniki, Grece

The NN is the Internationally established world-class event in Nanosciences and Nanotechnologies (N&N) that focuses on the latest advances on N&N and promotes profound scientific discussions between scientists and researchers from different disciplines. Front-line experts from multidisciplinary research and application areas are encouraged to join this conference, to discuss the benefits of N&N in their R&D efforts, to advance the networking and collaborating between different academia, research and industry players in the field and to stimulate the exchange of educational concepts. More... http://www.nanotexnology.com/index.php?option=com\_content&view=article&id=48&Itemid=54

#### 4<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Electrical & Electronics Engineering, ISEEE, 11-13 October 2013, Galati, Romania

Potential Authors & other Participants are most welcome to visit the Conference website where the Call for Papers as well as other supporting documents can be found. Deadline May 29, 2013. The accepted papers will be included in the IEEE Xplore. Selected papers will be published in a special section of the Annals of the Dunarea de Jos Galati University. **More...** http://www.aciee.ugal.ro/ISEEE/2013/; iseee@ugal.ro

#### 5<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Thermal Systems & Environmental Engineering, 1-2 Nov 2013, Galati, Romania

The Conference **METIME** provides the opportunity to present your researches and experiences in the field of thermal systems and environmental engineering, to discuss your work, exchange ideas and knowledge and you will also have the chance to strengthen the relationships with other colleagues.

More... http://www.tmt.ugal.ro/Items/News/2013-METIME/2013-METIME-1.pdf

# 11<sup>th</sup> Annual CIVITAS Forum Conference, 30 September - 2 October, Brest, France

Brest will welcome the CIVITAS Forum 2013, an annual event **bringing together representatives of CIVITAS Forum Network member cities including their politicians and technical experts**, and supporting cities to introduce ambitious transport measures and policies towards sustainable urban mobility.

The conference will represent an occasion to showcase accomplishments of a CIVITAS non-demonstration city, in line with the thematic focus of this year event "Implementing sustainable urban mobility with less".

More... http://www.civitas.eu/index.php?id=69; Calls for speakers are now open!

# Annual Polis Conference Innovation in Transport for Sustainable Cities & Regions, Brussels, 4-5 Dec. 2013

The Annual Polis Conferences provides an excellent opportunity for cities and regions to showcase transport achievements to a large audience. For the wider transport community, the conference allows to engage with representatives of city and regional authorities on innovative transport solutions. All abstracts should highlight the innovative dimension as well as the results achieved and lessons learned. Deadline for abstracts: 7 June 2013. **More...** http://www.polisnetwork.eu/2013conference ; Download the call for speakers here.

#### Graphene Commercialisation & Applications Summit 2013, 25–26 June 2013, London, UK

Establishing the roadmap for graphene & assessing viable applications through combining business, R&D & academic perspectives: commercialisation roadmap; current real world application; flexible electronics; electrical conductivity; Thermal conductivity; transistor applications; structural uses; batteries, ultracapacitors, energy storage; permeability of filtration; industry collaboration

Understanding the graphene supply chain and revealing processing requirements to comprehensively analyse the route to scale-up: supply chain development; quality assurance in graphene; production techniques; processing of graphene - bonding, coating and substrate transferral; processing issues in display applications; comparative case study; health & regulation; revolutionary future of graphene: computing case study.

More... http://www.graphene-applications-summit.com/

# Carbon capture and storage (CCS) in Europe, 22 May 2013, Brussels, Belgium

Carbon capture and storage (CCS) is an important component of national, EU & world-wide strategies to tackle climate change. It reduces greenhouse gas emissions by capturing the CO<sub>2</sub>generated by large point sources before it is released to the atmosphere, and then transporting it to a secure underground storage facility.

The EU Academies' Science Advisory Council has examined the challenges that must be addressed to secure CCS as a viable component of strategies to mitigate climate change, to consider what contribution it may make in EU to 2050. **More...** Download full report ; Download invitation to launch event. Energy-council-set-turn-eu-clima-news

#### 8<sup>th</sup> CRITIS Conference on critical information infrastructures security, 16-18 Sept, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

The CRITIS Conference on Critical Information Infrastructures Security is set to continue a tradition of presenting innovative research and exploring new challenges for the protection of critical information-based infrastructures.

The conference focus is on the challenges the resilience of smart cities, a topic that will be highlighted by thought provoking, visionary keynote speeches on the first afternoon & in conference papers. As the host nation started its critical information infrastructure protection programme in 2003, attention will be given to the lessons identified in the last 12.5 years which still pose challenges for the future.

More... http://www.critis2013.nl/

## Webit Congress 2013, 6-7 November 2013, Istanbul, Turkey

Webit Congress is the leading event for the digital, technology & telco markets in Europe, Middle East, Africa, Asia, which last year gathered over 6200 delegates from 72 countries. With 187 top world class speakers, creating a congress agenda of over 105 hours, the Congress was the biggest educational forum on all things digital in EMEA. Within a 110 000 sq.m venue, Webit Congress hosts 2 main zones: the Enterprise and the Entrepreneurs Zone. More... www.WebitCongress.com

# Nanotech Italy 2013, 27–29 November 2013, Venice, Italy, Deadline 22 June 2013

Responsible Research and Innovation (RRI) demand a problem-solving approach, aiming to excellence in science, industrial leadership, responsiveness to societal challenges. These goals are guiding Horizon 2020, which will foster EU growth in the coming years & NanotechItaly will showcase how nanotechnologies & other Key Enabling Technologies KETs, are instrumental to promote competitiveness & innovation in priority areas also relevant for the national economy. More... http://nanotechitaly.venetonanotech.it/

#### Tenure Track, a real paradigm shift for attracting top research tallent?, 10 June 2013, Brussels, Belgium

The event will examine the extent to which recruitment and career of the top research talent is enhanced by tenure track systems. While all the EuroTech Universities are continuously engaged in improving their attractiveness to the most promising young researchers, among European universities of science and technology EPFL and TUM are pioneers in the implementation of tenure track systems.

More... http://www.eurotech-universities.org/brussels/brussels-events.html; Programme; Registration

## International Conference on Policy-Making 2.0, 17-18 June 2013, Trinity College, Dublin, Ireland

Organised by the EC, FP7-funded support action CROSSOVER, together with UNDP-CIS, the Democratic Society and Euractiv, just before the European Digital Agenda Assembly that will take place in Dublin on 19-20 June 2013, the conference will explore emerging technologies and trends that are changing the way policy-making is made.

You can also submit an application for the Policy-Making 2.0" prize. Its goal is to raise awareness and consolidate the community about a new set of tools to support policy making, such as open and big data, visualization, opinion mining, collaborative governance, modelling and simulation, serious gaming.

More... http://www.crossover-project.eu/InternationalConferenceonPolicyMaking20.aspx

#### Other events

General •

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  - **Regional policy** •
- Food, agriculture, fisheries

**Education & Training** 

- - Socio-economic sciences & Humanities
- Innovation
- Transport
- Security
- Space
- Health

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# Training Events / Career opportunities / Jobs

# Calendar of training courses in nanoscience and electronics

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.fsrm.ch/e/formAgenda.php; More FSRM courses; http://www.eurotraining.net/

#### COFUND: INVEST - San Raffaele International Postdoctoral Programme - Milan, Italy, Deadline 27 may 2013

Co-funded by the EC in the frame of the Marie Curie Action COFUND, the Università Vita-Salute San Raffaele (UniSR) is launching a call for 7 postdoctoral positions for researchers interested in carrying out their postgraduate training within UniSR, the attached university hospital (Ospedale San Raffaele, OSR). The positions offer a competitive salary for a minimum of 2 years of research activity/training in a strong research environment including many areas of research. Applicants must hold a PhD or have at least four years of full time research experience. More... postdoc\_info@hsr.it ; http://www.unisr.it/postdoc

#### COFUND: B-MOB - Supporting international mobility and training in Biscay, Deadline: 05 June 2013

Co-funded by the EC in the frame of Marie Curie Action COFUND & coordinated by Bizkaia:xede three different (incoming & outgoing) funding programmes for researchers are offered. The programme aims at reinforcing the scientific capacity of the region by attracting experienced, senior researchers, enhancing transfer of knowledge, strengthening its networks abroad, reaching an adequate number of researchers.

More... http://www.bizkaiaxede.org/en/presentacion.php?id=4; Guide for Applicants; info@bizkaia.xede.org

# Upcoming training workshops, Managing EU Research Projects, Cambridge, UK

18-19 June 2013 - 2 Day: Finance in FP7 and into Horizon 2020 9 July 2013 - Managing EU Research Projects 17 September 2013 – Horizon 2020: the story so far... More... www.singleimage.co.uk; http://uk.linkedin.com/pub/samantha-wayman/29/5a1/5ab; sue.kerr@singleimage.co.uk

# Training courses - EU Lobbying in Brussels, 31 May 2013, Brussels

The main objective of lobbying professionals is to maintain a favourable regulatory environment for their organisations. members or clients. This 1-day training course on EU Lobbying in Brussels offers participants a theoretical and practical insight on how the EU Brussels arena really works with the presence of an estimated 20,000 lobbyists. More... http://www.octopux.eu/training-courses/eu-lobbying-in-brussels/?goback=.gde 1146577 member 241459575

# Dem@Care Summer School on Ambient Assisted Living, DemAAL, 16-20 September 2013, Chania, Crete, Greece

The DemAAL summer school is primarily intended for postgraduate (PhD/MSc) students, postdocs, researchers investigating clinical, technical aspects related to AAL technologies for remote health management, ageing well, independent living. Leading researchers from academia & industry will cover theoretical & practical aspects pertinent to pervasive & ubiguitous computing technologies for Ambient Intelligence (AmI) applications, while special focus will be given on the role & opportunities of such technologies for dementia management.

More... http://mklab.iti.gr/demaal2013/; http://mklab.iti.gr/demaal2013/venue.

#### 7<sup>th</sup> International Summer Schools on Nanosciences & Nanotechnologies, Organic Electronics & Nanomedicine ISSON13, 6–13 July 2013, Thessaloniki, Greece

The ISSON Summer Schools will give the opportunity to young researchers and early-career scientists and engineers to participate in a series of lectures on the emerging fields of Nanosciences & Nanotechnologies. ISSON13 is divided in three complementary schools that cover the significant areas in the N&N field:

School 1: Nanosciences & Nanotechnologies NN; School 2: Organic Electronics OE; School 3: NanoMedicine NM More... http://www.nanotexnology.com/index.php?option=com\_content&view=article&id=54&Itemid=80

## 5<sup>th</sup> Nanomedicine Summer School 2013, 1–5 July 2013, Oxford, UK

This five-day intensive course provides a thorough overview of the exciting & emerging discipline of nanomedicine. It covers all aspects of the subject including diagnostics, therapeutics, biosensors & nanotechnologies for regenerative medicine & tissue engineering. Each day focuses on one aspect of nanomedicine & is led by key researchers in the field. The course will be valuable to those seeking an introduction to current research & applications in the subject. More... http://www.conted.ox.ac.uk/courses/details.php?id=J990-22&Category=900

#### 7<sup>th</sup> International Summer School New Frontiers in Optical Technologies, 5–9 August 2013, Tampere, Finland

This year's event will build on the success of previous Schools, in particular that of 2011, which attracted a record 208 participants from 29 countries. In 2013 the School will once again offer students, researchers the opportunity to exchange scientific ideas, create contacts, gain inspiration from leading professionals at the cutting edge of optical technology. More... http://www.tut.fi/summerschool/

# 6<sup>th</sup> European Summer Academy Financial Control of EU Funds, 24-28 June 2013, Berlin, Germany

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# Czech Tech University Prague, University Center for Energy Efficient Buildings - Vacancies: UCEEB Postdocs

**Start date**: September 2013. **Contract duration**: 30 months (with a critical evaluation after the first year). **Deadline for applications**: 25 Aug 2013. **Research topics**: Utilisation of ultra high performance silicate composites in façade panels for sustainable buildings. The mentors involved in the project, full professor, are:

- Petr Hájek, <u>Petr.Hajek@fsv.cvut.cz</u>, expert in sustainable building construction, material-efficient structures.
- Jan Tywoniak, <u>Jan.Tywoniak@fsv.cvut.cz</u>, expert in building physics and energy efficient buildings.
- František Wald, Wald@fsv.cvut.cz, expert in the fire design, steel, aluminum structures, in charge of EU networks
- Petr Kuklík, associate professor, <u>Pert.Kuklik@fsv.cvut.cz</u>, expert in the timber structures.

More... For more information, please contact the mentor.

## Masters programme East European Studies (Universities of Munich & Regensburg)

The Masters programme is part of the Elite Network Bavaria (Elitenetzwerk Bayern), offered jointly by the LMU Munich, the University of Regensburg. Its special features include an interdisciplinary project course, tutorials, internships, an interdisciplinary summer school in Eastern EU, intensive language instruction, workshops acquainting students with possible work opportunities relating to Eastern EU. The aim of our 4-semester interdisciplinary M.A. Honours Programme in East EU Studies is to provide specialized, regionally focused knowledge on Central, South-Eastern & Eastern EU. **More...** www.osteuropastudien.de ; julia.lechler@Irz.uni-muenchen.de ; www.elitenetzwerk-bayern.de

#### Webinar offered free of charge: Technology Transfer, 27 May 2013

Organised by IPR Helpdesk, this webinar will make you familiar with key questions and aspects related to technology transfer. After the training, participants should be able to answer the following main questions: What is technology transfer and why is it important? What actors or institutions can I go to for help with technology transfer? How are technology screenings performed and why are they important? In what ways can I manage risk before and during the technology transfer process? How does technology licensing work & what types of licenses should I consider? **More...** European IPR Helpdesk Webinar Guide.pdf; Register here; Calendar

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# Best Practices for Managing Conflicts of Interest in Faculty Start Ups, Live Webinar, June 26, 2013

As academic start-ups have taken on growing importance to universities as a tech transfer, economic development imperative, the conflicts of interest associated with faculty start-ups have also grown exponentially. These conflicts cannot be eliminated, in fact savvy TTO managers have come to realize that they are part & parcel of the start-up landscape. But they can and must be effectively managed to avoid a host of legal, financial, other serious consequences, loss of funding, stalled technologies, damage to faculty relationships, and PR nightmares that can sully your school's reputation. **More...** Click here for details ; Click here to register

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