

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.

November 2013

- 05 Opening the Chocolate Box Explore the Belgian Market Brussels (Belgium)
- 07 Ecobusiness Cooperation Event 2013 Rimini (Italy)
- 07 AquaMatch 2013 Amsterdam (Netherlands)
- 12 Subcontractor Connect 2013 Jönköping (Sweden)
- 13 Business Meetings at Environmental & Energies Fairs Valencia (Spain)
- 19 Intelligent NRJ Day Bourget du lac (France)
- 20 Milipol International Business Meetings 2013 Paris (France)
- 21 Healthcare Brokerage Event MEDICA 2013 Düsseldorf (Germany)
- 27 Intelligent NRJ Day Villefranche (France)
- 28 RARE 2013 Montpellier (France)

December 2013

05 <u>Tech Industry 2013 Brokerage event</u> Riga (Latvia) January 2014

15 Biomass Business Talks 2014 Graz (Austria)

June 2014

18 EEN Brokerage Event at "GR Business Days" in Luxembourg Luxembourg (Luxembourg)

Useful links

Enterprise Europe Network Your Local partner DG Enterprise EU-Services Portal-for-SMEs Your-Europe-Your-Business Develop your business in new markets Cordis Research&Innovation-SMEs-techweb New technologies Technology-Market Technology-Transfer Intellectual property US-EU-match Knowledge Web SMEs & Entrepreneurship EU funding Access2Finance-for-SMEs Information Society: Thematic Portal Your Europe–Citizens-portal EU law & standards

 User Guides:
 Small Business
 Small-Business-Portal
 Entrepreneurs
 Business
 Development
 Attorneys

 Inventors-handbook
 Venture Capital
 Eco-innovation
 Consultants
 Students
 Job Seekers
 Journalists
 Nonprofits

How the Network's brokerage events work.

More... http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=fERuBYG7sWI

Success Story: Giving old tyres a new life

More... <u>http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=Us4aK_t2Zec</u>

15th International brokerage event at MEDICA 2013, 20-23 November 2013, Dusseldorf, Germany

On the occasion of MEDICA 2013, the global No. 1 meeting place for the medical sector, ZENIT GmbH together with the Healthcare Sector Group of the Enterprise Europe Network will organise the international Brokerage Event.

The aim is to assist enterprises, universities and research institutions in finding partners in Europe for product development, manufacturing and licensing agreements, joint ventures or other types of partnership.

In the last years each of the brokerage events had more than 180 participants from about 25 countries with more than 600 meetings. It is the world's biggest brokerage event in the healthcare sector.

More... www.b2match.eu/Medica2013 ; Healthcare Brokerage Event MEDICA 2013

Mission to Portugal under the framework of the EUROPE 2020 Strategy for Growth, 28-29 November 2013

Vice President Antonio Tajani will lead a Mission to Portugal under the framework of the EUROPE 2020 Strategy for Growth on 28-29 November. This Mission is a key priority for Vice President Tajani.

Together with the Portuguese authorities EEN will organise a conference with the objective of making EU companies aware about opportunities in and from Portugal. A brokerage B2B event will be organised by Portuguese Consortia to promote business partnerships between Portuguese & EU companies, but also with other non-European countries (i.e.: Angola & Brazil) in active sectors identified as key contributors to achieving Growth in Portugal.

More... http://een.ec.europa.eu/events/europe-2020-strategy-growth-promoting-business-partnerships-portugal

B2B Networking Event, 29 November 2013, Lisbon, Portugal

Register in the B2Match (<u>www.b2match.eu/m4g-portugal</u>) until the 7th November (extended deadline). The aim of the **B2B Networking Event** is to promote business, innovation partnerships between Portuguese & EU SMEs and also non-European countries in active sectors identified as key contributors, **but not exclusively**, for achieving growth, such as:

- Economy of the sea (i.e.: offshore activities such as wind, wave and tidal power,
- Cruising & nautical
- Naval industry
- Pharma and biotech
- <u>Health</u>
- Tourism
- Automotive components

- <u>Aeronautical components</u>
- <u>ICTs</u>
- <u>Agriculture and Food</u>
- Paper and Paste
- Shared Services Centres
- Building materials
- Moulds Engineering and Tooling Industry
- Petrochemical and Chemical Industry

Register in the B2Match (<u>www.b2match.eu/m4g-portugal</u>) until the 7th November. **More...** <u>http://www.b2match.eu/m4g-portugal/pages/venue-accomodation</u>

4th Venture Forum- BkVF, 14-15 November 2013, Tirana, Albania

VIBE brings together startups and investors, addresses the challenge of developing the innovation and entrepreneurship system across the SEE by enabling private investment into innovative entrepreneurial companies in partnership with smart public initiatives and investment.

VIBE offers a transnational integrated approach by avoiding unnecessary duplication, mobilizing a critical mass of the regional investment, innovation agencies and providing efficient support to investors, policy makers and agencies with the aim to encourage high-growth of entrepreneurs across the Regions.

More... www.balkanventureforum.org ; marius.mitroi@uefiscdi.ro

How to Web, 20-21 November 2013, Bucharest, Romania

Enlarge your vision, transform your business, meet tech innovators from all around the world! For two days, HtoW puts you in front of leading innovators, entrepreneurs, professionals for a feast of hands-on talks on global web trends, product & business innovation & new technologies. The <u>Startup Spotlight</u> program & competition, showcasing some of the most innovative startups in Central & Eastern Europe, along with world-class accelerators, investors, support programs.

- Follow hands-on talks on product innovation, business development and newest web & mobile technologies
- Discover the latest global web trends and the impact web innovation is having on global and local businesses
- Meet your regional peers from Central & Eastern EU, beyond, with more than 800 participants from 10+ countries
- See the best showcase of tech innovation from Central & Eastern EU, with 32 teams pitching live during the event
- Meet global innovators, entrepreneurs and tech leaders from all around the world and ask them your questions
- Meet 12 of the best accelerator programs in the world presenting themselves and their success stories
- Be part of a fantastic sparkling community of innovators right here, in Eastern Europe

• Enjoy the How to Web spirit and have fun during two fantastic days & nights

More... http://2013.howtoweb.co/; Youtube/watch; info@howtoweb.co!

Info Day: SMEs in HORIZON 2020", 25 November 2013, Bruxelles

Participants will:

- Learn the latest on practical implementation of the different measures for SME support (incl. on the new SME instrument and on SMEs' access to risk finance)
- Discover more about the streamlined support environment that Horizon 2020 proposes
- Be able to engage into a dialogue with EU officials in order to identify opportunities for SME support under H2020 The topics that will be covered include:
- The SME instrument
- Access to Risk Finance
- Innovation in SMEs

- Collaborative Projects
- Marie Curie-Skłodowska Actions The Participant Portal Eurostars (2014-2020)

Eurostars, with it's over <u>1.14 billion euro budget</u> under Horizon 2020, will be present for the event. Eager to discover the presentation material shown at the first European Commission information day on SMEs in Horizon 2020? Please click here. Interested in following the information day via the internet? Please register here.

More... http://ec.europa.eu/research/sme-techweb/index_en.cfm?pg=h2020_event

Infoday ERA-NET Cofund under H2020 & Synergies between H2020 & Structural funds, 16-17 Jan 2014 Bruxelles

ERA-NETs under Horizon 2020 will be implemented by using a specific, new type of action: ERA-NET Cofund. There are a number of important changes compared to FP7 and with this event we want to inform participants and the broader stakeholder community about today's and future ERA-NETs, as early as possible to ensure that the ERA-NETs under Horizon 2020 continue successfully with their activities.

The Infoday will include a general introduction on Public-Public Partnerships under Horizon 2020, provide you with detailed information on the features of the ERA-NET Cofund actions including the provisions from the model grant agreement, the relevant calls in 2014-2015, information on proposal submission, evaluation, grant preparation, reporting. In addition it will be organised a dedicated workshop on **Synergies between Horizon 2020 and the Structural funds** and how they might be used for Public-Public-Partnerships.

More... Pre-Announcement] Infoday on ERA-NET Cofund under H2020 & Synergies between H2020 & Structural funds

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

Calls for projects currently open for EUREKA Clusters

Together with EUREKA Individual projects & Eurostars projects, Clusters are one of EUREKA's funding instruments. <u>Each Cluster covers one specific industry sector</u>, including water technology, software, telecommunications, energy, nano-electronics, integrated electronics. Apply in tech specific calls open to all types of companies and get in touch with the leading multinationals of the innovation sector in Europe. Here are a few dates, information on currently open calls:

- <u>EUROGIA2020</u> This cluster finances projects in clean energy. The next deadline is <u>November 15, 2013</u>.
- <u>EURIPIDES</u>² specialises in smart systems, which are electronic systems integrated in objects, vehicles, textiles or even human bodies. The next deadline is <u>November 26, 2013</u>.

More... EUREKA-Network-showarticle-journal_content

Research clusters must 'seek synergy' between regional funding and Horizon 2020

As the FP7 draws to an end there is more & more interest in the follow-up Horizon 2020 programme which, with a budget of around €70bn, will continue the upward trend of EU spending on research & innovation. In the 2014-2020 period, Horizon 2020 will not be the only game in town for research & innovation funding. The structural funds, now named EU structural & investment funds (ESIF 2014-2020) will also provide increased funding for research and innovation.

The regions of knowledge played a key role through the elaboration of joint action plans, strategic research agendas that enabled regions, their relevant research-driven clusters to start strategic thinking on key clusters, sectors of importance to them, pre-dates the smart specialisation strategies now being put in place by all regions or member states in EU. **More...**Research clusters must 'seek synergy' between regional funding

6th ITEA & ARTEMIS Co-summit 2013, 4-5 December 2013, Stockholm, Sweden

This year's Co-summit featuring international keynote speakers, a high level panel discussion, an inspiring project exhibition including speakers' corners fuelled by the project teams themselves, is dedicated to *Software innovation: boosting high-tech employment and industry*. Visitors will be able to roam around the project exhibition, share insights with key representatives from more than 80 leading European R&D&I projects. Both ITEA & ARTEMIS projects, their results will be showcased in terms of innovation, business impact and exploitation. The exhibition will include a special focus area with projects related to the topic of 'Smart Cities'.

More... http://www.itea2.org/cosummit2013 ; http://www.itea2.org and www.artemis-ia.eu.

Forum ITMED 2013, 5-7 December 2013, Poland

Goal: Dissemination of scientific achievements importance for economic development and establish contacts between Polish, foreign clusters and technology parks representing medical industry and to define fields of possible cooperation. The Forum is addressed to:

- Clusters and technological parks, which are active in the field of biomedical engineering;
- Medical doctors, R&D centres, SMEs interested in research and business co-operation;
- Partners interested in establishing common projects (within EUREKA Initiative, FP7, structural founds);
- Innovative companies offering new technologies and innovative products;
- R&D and technology transfer centres offering business proposals for SMEs

More... http://www.bestofeast.mwci.eu/pl/itmed'13.aspx

European Cluster Seminar: Multisource Financing for Clusters, 20-21 January 2014, Berlin, Germany

It aims at giving participants tools to ensure a mixed and long-term financing for an independent development of their cluster and measure the added value and performance of cluster activities. **More...** the programme.

Training the trainers: The European Foundation for Cluster Excellence

<u>Officially launched</u> in early April 2013, the <u>European Foundation for Cluster Excellence</u>'s main objective is to provide training for people who can train cluster managers by maintaining and updating the Cluster Management Excellence training material, running instructor training course based on these material as well as providing instructor certification. More... their website for ongoing and upcoming courses.

TCI Conference High Tech & Clusters, 25-27 June 2014, Bern, Switzerland

Hosted by tcbe.ch ICT Cluster Bern, Switzerland, the event will focus on matchmaking between companies woking in the field of high tech. Rather than focusing on better practices in cluster initiate management and cluster policy design, this event will focus on matchmaking between companies in this specific field. More... http://tci-network.org/news/card/646

EUREKA Cluster Report 2012

The report features five chapters that detail what EUREKA Clusters are, what makes them essential, the success of their impact on new economic, societal challenges. The document serves to demonstrate to the public what a EUREKA Cluster regularly achieves through dynamic competition.

More... EUREKA Cluster Report 2012

French Clusters Guide

More... http://www.nxtbook.fr/newpress/France-Clusters/Guide-2013_ce/index.php?ap=1

SMEs

Personalised research report PR2O™

Plenty of information is available on the different EU funding sources but still potential beneficiaries are sometimes confused, in particular when it comes to deciding which source of funding or partnership is most appropriate for their activity. One of the main reasons why companies are reluctant to access the European funding is the lack of reliable and verified information and the explanation of the rules.

Through the personalised research report **PR**²**O**[™] on help potential applicants to find their way to relevant information on funding opportunities, partnerships, techno-logical transfer in order to identify the most suitable choic-es among the relevant EU research programmes.

More... Funds-screening-sample-data-articles!

European Small Business Portal

What can the EU do for your business? Help you to get finance, partners, go international. The portal gathers together all the information provided by the EU on and for SMEs, ranging from practical advice to policy issues. Money, partners and public contracts Making the most of the market

- Obtaining funding
- Business partners and public contracts
- EU SME policy & statistics
 - EU SME policy
 - Facts and figures
- Support
 - Translation and language help
 - Contact points and support services

- EU market rules
- Sectors of activity
- Human resources
- Innovation, research and copyright
- How can I get grants or financing?
- Environment and business
- How can I find foreign partners?
- Business outside the EU
- More... http://ec.europa.eu/small-business/index_en.htm

Access to finance for SMEs - Support schemes available

Through Programmes or resources from the European Investment Bank or through financial instruments supported through Structural Funds, there are a multitude of support schemes available. The web site will help you to apply for finance supported by the EU. Details of the different sources of support are available on the following website: **More...** http://europa.eu/youreurope/business/funding-grants/access-to-finance/index_en.htm

A Blueprint for ICT Innovation Vouchers

The objectives of implementing ICT innovation vouchers in EU regions are: to improve the competitiveness of microenterprises and SMEs by developing new products, processes and businesses; and to stimulate demand for a large range of innovative ICT-related services – notably e-commerce including cross-border online sales – and thus contribute to reaching the *Digital Agenda for Europe*'s priorities.

- Brochure
- <u>Call for Proposals</u>
 <u>Call for tenders</u>
- Consultation Results •

- Events Policy/Legislation
- Promotional Material
- <u>Report/Study</u>

The Programme for the Competitiveness of Enterprises and Small and Medium-sized Enterprises - COSME

The new Programme for the Competitiveness of Enterprises and Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (COSME) will run from 2014 to 2020, with a planned budget of €2.3bn (current prices). Objectives

- facilitating access to finance for Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (SMEs)
- creating an environment favourable to business creation and growth
- encouraging an entrepreneurial culture in Europe
- increasing the sustainable competitiveness of EU companies
- helping small businesses operate outside their home countries and improving their access to markets

The financial instruments to be implemented under COSME, are implemented on a demand-driven basis. While the EC will incentivise the EU Investment Fund (the entity most likely to be entrusted with the implementation of the financial instruments) to work with financial intermediaries across a wide geography, the entrusted entity can only respond to requests from financial intermediaries but not force financial intermediaries to apply.

An open call for expression of interest will be launched for the financial instruments under COSME, allowing equal access to the facilities across financial intermediaries from participating countries. This call for expression of interest will also set out the detailed terms and conditions of the financial instruments which will be binding for all financial intermediaries. More... http://ec.europa.eu/cip/cosme/

Intellectual Property ; Standards



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EPO - Online Filing software, update available & new certificate

The EPO is pleased to inform users of its Online Filing software that a new update 5.06 for version 5.05 (build 5.0.5.094 or higher) is now available for download.Furthermore, the current server certificate for the Online Filing software expired on 14 October 2013. Users who

have not yet run the Live Update function or do not have version 5.0.6 will urgently need to download the new certificate. Failure to do so will prevent the receiving and viewing of filing receipts. **More...** Download the update ; Download the new certificate

Webinar: IP and Software, 4 November 2013

This webinar will provide you with intermediate concepts of Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) and licensing practices in software. From free and open source to proprietary licenses, a strong focus will be put on business strategies. The complementarity of IPR (such as copyright, patent, trademark) in the domain will also be presented. **More...** European IPR Helpdesk Webinar Guide updated.pdf; Register here

Webinar: How to maximise your profits with IP, 13 November 2013

Property Office (UKIPO) is organising free webinars on the importance of intellectual property for business and how companies can benefit from it. In particular, there will be a special focus on the basics of licensing and how to make intellectual property bring more revenue to your company.

More... http://www.ipo.gov.uk/whyuse/events/events-calendar/events-ipo-webinar.htm

An introduction to patent information, Espacenet and other EPO search tools, 8 November 2013, Vienna, Austria

This seminar is a good opportunity for those less familiar with the patent system, searches. In the training, participants will aquire focused experience, enabling to carry out practical searches under the instruction, guidance of experienced trainers. This intensive one-day seminar will familiarise participants with the basic principles of the patent system.

You will learn fundamental techniques by means of of comprehensive lectures and active discussions. You will aquire focused experience, enabling you to carry out practical searches under the instruction and guidance of experinced trainers, in order to reinforce your newly aquired knowledge.

More... http://www.epo.org/learning-events/events/training/patent-information-training/PI09-2013.html

Research

Work Programmes for the first calls – Horizon 2020 – Draft

Are you hoping to apply for Horizon 2020 grants and want to know what will be funded? Draft work programmes are circulating, but it seems only some research institutes and universities have access. **More...** <u>Open-Access-Get-your-Horizon-2020-work-programmes-here</u>

HORIZON 2020 Partner Search System Manager's Choice

Many of you may already know that December 11th, 2013 is the publication day of H2020's first calls for proposals. We are expecting a high volume of partner search requests, which is one of the main actions requested by organizations wishing to participate in H2020 activities. **Join H2020 Subgroups for Partner Search**

There are 20 subgroups related to each research area in H2020. You are recommended to join subgroups based on your particular Research topics and R&D interests, announce and post your Partner Search requests in the related subgroup.

- H2020 ENERGY http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4435311
- H2020 ENVIRONMENT http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427008

- H2020 TRANSPORT http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427028
- H2020 ICT http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427033
- H2020 HEALTH http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427021
- H2020 BIOTECH http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427000
- H2020 NANOTECH http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427012
- H2020 MARIE CURIE http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427023
- H2020 SECURITY http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427002
- H2020 SPACE http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427037
- H2020 SSH http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427026
- H2020 GEOICT http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427019
- H2020 INSPIRE http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427038
- H2020 IPR Helpdesk http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427001
- H2020 INNOVATION Policy http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427025
- H2020 SME/COSME http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427035
- H2020 SMART CITIES http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427029
- H2020 FUNDS & Grants http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4235201
- H2020 EUREKA Network http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427017
- H2020 FINANCE Helpdesk http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427003
- H2020 INNOVATION Policy http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427025

Horizon 2020 – External Advosiry Groups to the European Commission

In the beginning of 2013, the European Commission launched a call for expressions of interest to participate in one of the high-level advisory groups of Horizon 2020. Experts from science, industry, civil society, specialists in the field of innovation will support the EC with advice on the R&I strategic planning and the work programmes for Horizon 2020. Information on the groups such as names of the members, scope, mission and statistics are now available in the "Register of Commission expert groups and other similar entities". It is expected that the Hoizon 2020 advisory groups will maintain their own webpages, as it was the case in former Framework Programmes.

More... Connect Advisory Forum ; Register of EC expert groups ; Experts for H2020 Advisory Groups: call for Eol

The MERIL database and portal

The MERIL database is an inventory of the most excellent research infrastructures (RIs) in EU of more-than-national relevance across all scientific domains: from archives & statistical offices to biobanks & satellites. More... about MERIL and the criteria for inclusion.

New Free downloadable FP7 book (V2.17)

The downloadable book continues to be free as it was in the previous framework programs. The book is constantly updated and registered users are notified of important changes and updates by Email. More... http://www.finance-helpdesk.org/front/ShowCategory.aspx?CatId=48

Guidelines for Ethical Economic Research Work in the Field

In a recent working paper, Harold Alderman, Jishnu Das and Vijayendra Rao use several case studies to examine potential ethical issues facing surveys and field trials. They 1st look at the challenge of ensuring transparency while maintaining confidentiality in situations like domestic violence. 2nd, they explore issues related to trust between the surveyor- the surveyed, especially among people with low literacy levels. They present case studies relevant to both issues. 3rd they explore how ethical reviews affect World Bank research, the imperative to do no harm means researchers in the field must sometimes go beyond existing protocols to judge whose welfare they are obligated to protect. More... World Bank Policy Research Working Paper 6446 »

Innovation, Competitiveness and Entrepreneurship

Crowdfunding in Europe, Funding Innovation & Growth for SMEs, Questions and Answers Session, 5 November Please be informed that the INSME Secretariat is currently gathering all guestions and will submit them to Mr. Kleverlaan during the special Q&A session. Join us on the 5th of November, from 1.30 p.m. to 2 p.m. Italian Time (CET), sending an email to academy@insme.it with the following details: your name; your organization; your email; your country. Please note that you must have the microphone and audio facilities enabled to actively intervene during the session. More... In the meantime have a look at the power point presentation at the following link

A newbie's guide to accelerators and incubators: are they right for you?

Accelerators are a booming business. The phenomenon is generally seen as a blessing for the growing number of startups. Who is behind these initiatives, what do accelerators do exactly and do you, as a start-up, really need them? The terms 'incubator' and 'accelerator' are often seen as interchangeable, but they are not synonyms.

An incubator is associated with a large company or university and can 'hatch' a product for years, while an accelerator is the 'fast food version', offering a programme aimed at transitioning from idea to product in a relatively short-term. More... A-newbies-guide-to-accelerators-and-incubators-are-they-right-for-you?!

Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs

It is a cross-border exchange programme which gives new or aspiring ntrepreneurs the chance to learn from experienced entrepreneurs running small businesses in other Participating Countries. The exchange of experience takes place during a stay with the experienced entrepreneur, which helps the new entrepreneur acquire the skills needed to run a small firm.

- About the programme
- Who can participate
- How to participate
- Your local contact point
- Frequently Asked Questions

- Press room
- Success stories
- Doing business in the EU
- Latest news
- <u>Apply now</u>

More... <u>www.erasmus-entrepreneurs.eu</u>

One Stop Shop - Networking

For new businesses and startups, networking can be the difference between failure and success. Having the right connections can help entrepreneurs obtain more resources, find new markets or improve their business plan. The Startup Europe Leaders Club is an independent group of founders in the field of tech entrepreneurship, who act as role models for European web entrepreneurs and provide guidance to the Commission on what needs to be done to strengthen the environment for web entrepreneurs to start in Europe and stay in Europe. More... One-stop-shop-Networking!

One Stop Shop - Technology

New businesses and startups require being constantly up to date when it comes to technology. Due to the rapid evolution of new technologies and the impact that these have on the markets, new businesses and startups strive to access the latest tools and technologies to obtain competitive advantage and guarantee survival during the first months of existence. EU provides several tools and technologies for startups that would allow them to remain technologically up to date. **More...** One-stop-shop-technology!

New web pages of the European Manufacturing Survey Finland

The survey gathers data on various types of innovation in manufacturing companies. Since 2001, the European Manufacturing Survey (EMS) has been done by a predominantly EU consortium of research institutes & universities. The main focus of the survey is the development, utilization of different types of innovations by companies in the manufacturing industries, associated performance effects.

More... http://www.vtt.fi/sites/ems/index.jsp?lang=en&goback=.gde 2414016 member 5800517090175639553#!

Is Innovation Science or Art?

Innovation is the art at the eyes of artist; innovation is the science at the mind of scientist; innovation is the bridge between the art and science. Creativity is about thinking the new idea, and innovation is about creating or doing the new things, so is innovation serendipitous or is innovation a science or art? If there is such a thing as 'innovation science', then what are its core principles, practices & operational theories?

Innovation is a systematic way of applying creativity in the real life. It is in general, surely a discipline. The science is "the ability to produce solutions in a problem domain repeatedly". Business innovation management is more science than art. At individual level, innovation is a personal irrationality that is unique to every individual, it's one's inward creativity leading into outward innovation, we can describe the outer silhouette as a statistical percentile but the crazy things that each of us do to arrive at a new idea will be different.

More... http://futureofcio.blogspot.ro/2013/09/is-innovation-science.html?goback=.gde 40975 member 5798841275352367108#!

Partner Search

Looking for potential partners in business, from Romania

Popeci Utilaj Greu can manufacture high quality products, by using modern technological procedures and processes. Being equipped with numerical or conventional control machine tools, that can process a various range of parts.

Among the technological operations:cylindrical turning on parallel lathes, cylindrical turning on vertical lathes, cylindrical grinding, flat/shaped grinding, cylindrical teeth grinding, milling, flat milling on portal milling machines, rack milling, outer gear cylinder cutting, inner gear cylinder cutting by mortising, inner gear cylinder cutting with modulus disc milling machine, straight tapering gear cutting, arc-curved tapering gear cutting, drilling, deep drilling, boring, honing, coring, flame cutting in CNC, Plasma cutting for refracting/ferrous materials, welding of complex structures with 200.000 kg maximum weight, bending plates, profiles, thick plates rolling with cylinders, sandblasting in closed cabin, metalized coats, primer painting, dyeing, thermal stress relieving in furnace, stress relieving through vibrating.

If you are interesting to subcontract an instalation, if you search a strong and reliable partner for futures jobs, if you wish to plase an tender for some parts of you're projects or you looking for a partner in a project please contact us

Contact: Florin MARIN, Craiova, Romania, constantin.marin@popeci.ro, www.popeci.ro, tel: +40 755 059915.

Looking for potential partners in business, from Romania

S.C. ONCOS S.A. - Active growth, slaughter broilers, laying hens, wholesale & retail, we are looking for collaborators / partners / investors for the exploitation of four broiler farms, to upgrade some of its assets in operation (slaughterhouse, farms). We are open to suggestions on how collaboration is possible: rent, association, participation in other ways acted. **Contact:** telephone number 400 720 600 090, e-mail: juridic@oncos.ro

Seeking project partners in cities, social innovation and social entrepreneurship

We are seeking project partners (HORIZON 2020, INTERREG V, etc) in the following fields:

- Partnership-based approaches to managing city centres - Management of the evening and night time economy
- Digital approaches to town centre revitalisation (incl. Smart Cities) City centre competitiveness & resilience - Events, festivals as test beds for innovation, branding &
- community involvement

Contact: Andres Coca-Stefaniak, andrescoca@aol.com

- City management, urban revitalisation & renewal

- Place branding, marketing & sustainable tourism
- Social innovation
- Social and business entrepreneurship

Looking for a commission sales Agents for Eco friendly & Innovative products in Europe!

We are looking for a sales agents who could help us to get in touch with: wholesalers/distributors/retailers in local European markets for ECO and INNOVATIVE car care products. Contact: Jonas Šileika, Innovative & Eco car care products, jonas@ecteurope.com or visit www.ecotouch.eu

Call For Tender / Proposals / Applications / Fundings / Awards Open calls for proposals of the Seventh Framework Programme for Research and Development Area Title Deadline Themes More COOPERATION SP1-JTI-CS-2013-02 2013-10-22 Joint Technology Initiatives link COOPERATION FP7-INFRASTRUCTURES-2013-2 2013-12-03 Infrastructures link COOPERATION FP7-2013-ICT-FI 2013-12-10 Information and Communication Technologies link

Open calls for proposals related to innovation and competitiveness

Area	Title	Deadline	More
NMP	SIINN Second Call for Proposals 2013	2013-10-31	<u>link</u>
Transport	105-G-ENT-CIP-13-C-N03C03	2013-11-05	<u>link</u>
Research	Eureka : Euripides call for expert	2013-12-31	<u>link</u>
Education	EACEA/21/08 Erasmus Mundus External Cooperation Window Asia Region 2008/2009	2020-10-31	<u>link</u>

10th Call for proposals IMI-JU-10-2013 - Innovative Medicines Initiative (IMI)

With a topic on Immunological assay standardisation & development for use in assessments of correlates of protection for influenza vaccines. Deadline for EoI: 28 January 2014. Based on the recommendations of the IMI Research Agenda the IMI Governing Board has approved the Scientific Priorities 2013 as part of IMI Annual Implementation Plan 2013.

Budget: The indicative in kind contribution from the research-based companies that are members of the European Federation of Pharmaceutical Industries & Associations (EFPIA) will be EUR 6 100 000 million. The financial contribution from the EC to the IMI JU for the support of research activities will be a maximum of EUR 6 100 000 million. More... http://www.imi.europa.eu/content/stage-1-8; project partners can be found via the Partner Search Tool.

EU: "Future Internet"-2013. Call Identifier: FP7-2013-ICT-FI. Deadline: 10 December 2013

The objective of ICT research under the EU's Seventh Framework Programme (FP7) is to improve the competitiveness of European industry - as well as to enable Europe to master and shape the future developments of these technologies so that the demands of its society and economy are met.

FP7 research activities will strengthen EU's scientific and technology base and ensure its global leadership in ICT, help drive, stimulate product, service, process innovation, creativity through ICT use, ensure that ICT progress is rapidly transformed into benefits for EU's citizens, businesses, industry, governments.

More... Call-FP7-2013-ICT-FI ; Handbook - evaluation & selection ; Evaluation forms ; ICT Work Programme 2013

Consortium of GRAPHENE Flagship will be expanded with another 20 – 30 groups through the open call

The total volume of the call is over 9 million-euro EC funding to be spent during the ramp-up phase till 31 Mar 2016. The open call is intended to further strengthen the engineering aspects of the flagship. The total volume of the call is over 9 M€ EC funding, which will have to be spent during the CP-CSA period, before March 31, 2016.

- The call is divided into 12 scientific and technological (S&T) topics: Optoelectronics,
 - Materials, •
 - Health & environment.
 - Fundamental science,
 - High-frequency electronics,

In addition the call will also include a funding line dedicated to bottom-up blue sky research and another o	ne for an			
nitiative dedicated to updating the S&T roadmap for graphene and related layered materials.				
More http://www.graphene-flagship.eu/about/open-call/				

3rd EURIPIDES² edition of its"virtual" expression of interest session / webcas, 3 December 2013

If your company is willing to develop innovations, you are looking for partners, please provide EURIPIDES (Email to remy.renaudin@euripides-eureka.eu) with a few lines dedicated to your project before 13 November: * A short profile on your organization, * A brief synopsis of your project of development, * A profile of partners you are looking for

- Flexible electronics,
- Energy applications.
- Nanocomposites,
- Production
- Sensors.
- Spintronics.

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Your proposals should address: electronics, smart systems integration, medical technologies, smart sensors or smart power modules and target the following industries: automotive, aeronautics, medical, security, automation. More... http://www.euripides-eureka.eu/events

FP7-INFRASTRUCTURES-2013-2. Deadline: 3 December 2013

The call contains one topic (INFRA-2013-3.1 Support actions on policy development, including international cooperation, for e-Infrastructures; page 12 of the <u>updated Work Programme 2013</u>) with four areas:

- Bringing together national & pan-European e-infrastructure, research infrastructures initiatives and stakeholders
- Investigating the feasibility of EU-wide network of HPC competence centres for industry, especially SMEs
- Fostering an increased European role in global data infrastructure initiatives
- Developing a roadmap for broadening e-infrastructures to support the participation of citizens

• Funding schemes Coordination and Support Actions - supporting actions (CSA-SA). The total budget is 2.5 Mio €.

More... FP7-INFRASTRUCTURES-2013-2=CAPACITIES_call_FP7

FINESCE Open Call. Deadline: 13 November 2013

The objective of FINESCE is to transform energy infrastructures towards smart energy systems by trialling communications network enabled applications using common functionality provided by the FI-WARE project, developing novel service layer enhancements encapsulated in the FINESCE-API, by enabling the development of innovation opportunities for ICT, utility actors, in the community, providing new services.

XIFI Competitive Call for Project Partners / Expansion of the infrastructure capacity of the FI-PPP. D: Nov 17 2013

XIFI (eXperimental Infrastructures for the Future Internet), a project currently active in the FP7 of the EU Comunity for research, technological development, demonstration activities contributing to the creation of the EU research area and to innovation (2007-2013) requires the participation of new partners to carry out certain tasks within the project. Maximum budget available for new beneficiaries 2,170,000 € Maximum funding request per proposal 200,000 € More... www.fi-xifi.eu/open-call ; contact@fi-xifi.eu

Policy

EU Commission launches new innovation indicator

The EC has launched a new innovation indicator which focuses more on market impact. Top performing countries using the new indicator are Sweden, Germany, Ireland, Luxembourg. These countries are closely followed by Denmark, Finland and the UK. The new indicator is a compilation of Eurostat, OECD and IMF information which measure innovation output more closely and helps complement other indexes such as Innovation Union Scoreboard's Summary Innovation Index. The Eurostars programme, targeting SME's, fast-growing firms, contributes substantially to the objectives of maintaining smart growth. It's success in doing so is indicative of its increased funding through both its member countries and the EU. More... EU-Commission-launches-new-innovation-indicator ; New innovation indicator

Urban Mobility and Climate Change

The United Nations' Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change concluded in its Assessment Report that scientists are 95 percent certain that humans are the 'dominant cause' of global warming.

Cities take action to curb climate change. There is a lot cities can do to cut greenhouse gas emissions from transport and an abundance of initiatives have successfully demonstrated real emission savings.

Transforming urban mobility requires a joint effort. While initiatives are certainly worthwhile, single measures, scattered efforts are not enough to achieve the required transformation to low-carbon mobility. In 2011, the EC published a White Paper on Transport titled 'Transport 2050 - Roadmap to a Single European Transport Area'. It proposes steps that will contribute to a 60 percent cut in Europe's transport emissions by 2050.

The EC aims to free cities of conventionally fuelled cars by 2050 and achieve CO_2 -free movement of goods in major urban centres by 2030. An integrated planning approach addresses all modes and forms of mobility in cities and their surrounding areas. Such a Sustainable Urban Mobility Plan (SUMP) should define a set of interrelated measures to systematically bring you closer to the vision for your city.

More... www.mobilityplans.eu; http://ec.europa.eu/clima/policies/transport/vehicles/index_en.htm; http://ec.europa.eu/transport/themes/strategies/2011_white_paper_en.htm ; http://ec.europa.eu/transport/themes/strategies/2011_white_paper_en.htm

Energy

Energy Power - Free Webinar: Best Practices in Substation Communication Infrastructure Design, 18 Nov. 2013 Just as a house is only as good as its foundation - Smart Grid solutions are only as good as the communication infrastructure they are built upon. Join us for a free industry webinar covering everything from how to break your networks into manageable subnets, accommodating serial devices into an Ethernet based communication scheme, cyber security

considerations, and even basic cabling requirements.

More... <u>Substation-communication-infrastructure-design</u>; <u>Register Now!</u>

EU Brokerage Event for the first Horizon2020 ENERGY calls, 6 December 2013, Bruxelles

The Brokerage Event for the first Horizon2020 ENERGY calls will be organized by C-ENERGY+ in conjunction with the H2020 Energy Infoday 2013 of the European Commission, 5 December, Brussels!

The event will target a wide spectrum of companies, universities, researchers from EU/beyond, will foster the creation of consortia for the upcoming Horizon 2020 Energy calls on the 3 Focus areas; Energy Efficiency, Competitive Low Carbon Energy. SMART Cities & Communities. The event is free of charge, registration mandatory by 20 November via website. More... http://www.b2match.eu/energycall2014/pages/home

EUROGIA2020, the energy EUREKA Cluster

EUROGIA2020, proposes a systemic approach to cope with the challenges that we face today:

- satisfy the energy demand and its continuous growth,
- fight against climate change and reduce greenhouse gas emissions
- prepare the transition from fossil fuels to renewable energies while continuing the energy chain decarbonisation, and migrating towards a hydrogen economy.

EUROGIA2020 goal is to support international partnerships developping innovative projects in low-carbon energy tech. EUROGIA2020 is a bottom-up, industry driven, market oriented programme which addresses all areas, from renewable energy to efficiency, and reduction of carbon footprint of fossil fuels. It adresses all energy technologies that will:

- reduce the carbon footprint of energy production and use
- develop new technologies for energy such as solar, wind, biomass, geothermal, energy efficiency, etc.

More... http://www.eurogia.com/

EUROGIA2020 cluster finances projects in clean energy. The next deadline is November 15, 2013

- The application process for a eurogia⁺ project proposal has **two stages**. 1. **Submit a Project Outline.** The 1st **phase** will be to complete and submit a Project Outline. The project coordinator is invited to present it through an oral presentation in front of the Technical Committee. Submit your project
- 2. A Full Project Proposal. The 2nd phase, the applicants will be invited to fill in and submit a Full Project Proposal. Following the evaluation, the Technical Committee will give its recommendations to the eurogia⁺ Board, who in turn will decide to label the project. With this label, project participants can apply for funding in their respective countries. More... http://www.eurogia.com/projects/upcoming-calls.html

Overview of the EU official documents, publications regarding the EU and nuclear security

According to the 2003 definition of the IAEA, nuclear security is "the prevention & detection of, & response to, theft, sabotage, unauthorized access, illegal transfer or other malicious acts involving nuclear material, other radioactive substances, their associated facilities". The Nuclear Security Summits, are the main events during which nuclear security is discussed multilaterally. Their objective is the strengthening of global nuclear security and the reinforcement of the international nuclear non-proliferation regime, in response to the threat posed by nuclear terrorism.

- EU Action Plan on Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear Security, European Commission, June 24, 2009.
- Instrument for Nuclear Safety Cooperation
- Treaty Establishing the European Atomic Energy Community (Euratom).
- Overview of EU support to the International Atomic Energy Agency IAEA in the Field of Nuclear Safety, Safeguards, Security, Technical Cooperation Financed During the Current Multiannual Financial Framework 2007-2013
- Council Decision 2010/585/CFSP of 27 September 2010 on Support for IAEA Activities in the Areas of Nuclear Security and Verification and in the Framework of the Implementation of the EU Strategy Against Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction.
- The Syrian Crisis: Use of Chemical Weapons and International Implications (October 2013)
- European support for The Hague Code of Conduct against ballistic missile proliferation. (September 2013)

The EU is a leading actor on the international stage regarding the security of nuclear materials & facilities. 3 years after the first Nuclear Security Summit, the position of the EU was confirmed by the Minister of Energy of Lithuania, speaking on behalf of the EU High Representative Catherine Ashton (July 2013).

More... http://www.nonproliferation.eu/focus/

Events

49th International Universities' Power Engineering Conference, UPEC, 2-5 September 2014, Cluj-Napoca, Romania

UPEC is a long-established conference, which is very popular with young researchers, PhD students, engineers from the power industry. The aim of the conference is to allow participants to exchange experiences, discuss the most up-to-date topics in power engineering.

The global energy challenge, the ageing of electrical networks in industrial countries, and the extension of the grid systems in developing countries require significant research input in the area. UPEC is an ideal forum to address some of these issues, to network, meet with talented engineers, innovators in these areas.

Contributions are welcome from universities as well as industry.

More... http://www.upec2014.com/; Prof. Dan D. Micu, Dan.Micu@et.utcluj.ro; conference@upec2014.com

European Funding Opportunities for competitiveness & innovation in Danube Region, 11 Dec 2013, Stuttgart Experts from the European Commission will share with you information on

- The first calls to be launched in Horizon 2020 (Research & Innovation)
- The **COSME** programme, benefits for business creation, growth, internationalization, finance support for SMEs •

• The new INTERREG funding period in which projects for overcoming challenges specific to the Danube Macroregion will be supported.

Opportunities for getting to know new partners, networking offered throughout the day. **More...** You are invited to register online by visiting: www.amiando.com/Danube2013

11th Remote Engineering & Virtual Instrumentation Conference (REV2014), 26-28 February 2014, Porto, Portugal

Good reasons for contributing and coming to REV

Contribute with your work to the major event on remote engineering and virtual instrumentation.

Original and innovative works have always been submitted and presented at previous REV.

New project ideas can be discussed with representatives from the Horizon2020 and LLP programs.

Two special tracks are included in this 11th edition, allowing for submissions on two specific hot topics.

Renew your contacts with both academia and industry partners.

In this REV edition we will celebrate the 10th-year anniversaries of REV and IAOE.

Benefit from the review feedback on your work from major experts on the field.

U will have the opportunity to visit Porto, the city hosting the REV 2014 edition.

There will be plenty of opportunities for interacting with your peers during the REV social events.

More... http://www.rev-conference.org/REV2014/; udoru@unitbv.ro

Workshop Environmental Health in H2020, building on the cross-ETP on industrial safety, 27 Nov 2013, Brussels

In order to promote Environmental Health topics and structure the interested scientific community, ETPIS & INERIS have initiated this workshop addressing Predictive Toxicology & Environmental Exposure where endocrine disrupter compounds substitution related to the REACH Directive will be discussed in the framework of exposome, biomonitoring, for instance. The objectives of the workshop on Environment and Health are to: Share information on various running initiatives, Identify new topics of interest, Structure a EU platform for the experts interested by the same topics using ETPIS, Coordinate the research programming and dissemination activities.

More... http://www.industrialsafety-tp.org/Events/default.aspx?reg=1&EventID=6508

6th Nanotech ITALY 2013, 27–29 November 2013, Venice, Italy

NanotechItaly opens a window onto so-called **KETs**, the Key Enabling Technologies defined by the **Horizon 2020 program**. The conference will demonstrate how they are essential, along with nanotechnology, to promote **competitiveness** & **innovation** in priority areas for the international economy, encouraging the meeting of researchers & academics with the industrial world. The Conference will be an opportunity to **deepen** relevant issues and establish useful **contacts** for the participation to the Horizon 2020 calls, expected to be published at the beginning of 2014. **More...** <u>http://nanotechitaly.venetonanotech.it/</u>

5th International Congress - BioNanoMed 2014, 26–28 March 2014, Krems, Austria

The exclusive Know-How-Transfer meeting for scientists, researchers, engineers and practitioners from Natural Science, Medical Science & Engineering Subjects throughout the world. BioNanoMed serves as an excellent platform to present your company/institution, to promote your product portfolio and to establish direct links to a broad audience of experts. More... http://www.bionanomed.at/

4th Intelligent transport systems Conference 2013, "Triggering ITS deployment", 02 December 2013, Brussels

The objective of this high-level event is to provide an overview of the state-of-play with regard to a number of key actions and major initiatives in the context of the ITS Action Plan and the ITS Directive 2010/40/EU a.

During the ITS Conference 2013 topics such as Major ITS developments, Seamless travel / Multimodal travel information and planning services (including access to transport data) and the Deployment of co-operative systems will be discussed. **More...** <u>http://ec.europa.eu/transport/themes/its/events/2013_12_02_its_conference_en.htm#</u>

Training Events / Career opportunities / Jobs

Calendar of training courses in nanoscience and electronics

Reliability and Test of Microsystems, 11-12.11.2013, Neuchâtel (CH) La montre mécanique, 15.11.2013, Neuchâtel (CH) Laser Micromachining, 18.11.2013, Lausanne (CH) Développement de logiciels selon des normes de qualité éprouvées, 25.11.2013, Neuchâtel (CH) Les métaux précieux, 11.12.2013, Neuchâtel (CH) Astronomie de la montre, 13.12.2013, Neuchâtel (CH) More... http://www.fsrm.ch/e/formAgenda.php ; More FSRM courses ; http://www.eurotraining.net/



http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise-europe-network



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