

Enterprise Europe Network – Services in benefit of Small and Medium Enterprises

The Enterprise Europe Network is a key instrument in the EU's strategy to boost growth and jobs. Bringing together close to 600 business support organisations from more than 50 countries, we help small and medium companies size the unparalleled business opportunities in the EU Single Market.

More... http://een.ec.europa.eu/tools/services/EVE/Event/ListEvents; http://een.ec.europa.eu/about/about/ash.uJG3x6OI.dpuf

Useful links

Enterprise-Europe-Network DG Enterprise EU-Services Funding for SMEs Your Europe for businesses Small-Business-Portal Erasmus for entrepreneurs Fighting late payments EU financing by country Portal-for-SMEs Going-International Cordis Research&Innovation-SMEs-techweb Technology-Transfer Intellectual property US-EU-match Eco-innovation Knowledge Web SMEs & Entrepreneurship Access2Finance-for-SMEs Information Society: Thematic Portal Your Europe—Citizens-portal EU law & standards Job Seekers.

Events in the field of technology transfer, innovation and business finding partners



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.

More... Events Calendar: http://een.ec.europa.eu/tools/services/EVE/Event/ListEvents

18th International Summit & Exhibition for Water Technologies, Energy Efficiency, Renewable Energy, Recycling, Green Transportation & Green Building, CleanTech, 18-19 February 2014, Tel Aviv

CleanTech 2012 International Exhibition for water technology, infrastructures & quality of the environment is the most important professional meeting in these areas, in Israel! Being a hotbed for cleantech entrepreneurship, Israel leads the world in creating cleantech companies, has produced a great number of high-quality firms. Companies featured in the Innovation Pavilion will get access to discounted exhibition fees, and excellent exposure opportunity.

More... http://cleantech.mashovgroup.net/en/?goback=.gde 1287967 member 5816589726177595395#!

9th Brokerage Event "Tourism@GAST 2014", 7 March 2014, Split, Croatia

Croatian Chamber of Economy, County Chamber Split as part of the Enterprise Europe Network is hosting the event eduring the international GAST fair in Split, Croatia, 5th - 9th of March 2013.

Brokerage event Tourism@GAST has become a tradition for all our companies, partners. The matchmaking event will be organised within this fair between companies of the tourism & gastronomic interests (foods, beverages, hotel equipment). This will be a unique chance for meeting Croatia, international companies providing diverse services in this sector.

More... http://www.gastfair.com/; nbusic@hgk.hr

Technomebel and World of Furniture, 1-5 April 2014, Inter Expo Center, Sofia, Bulgaria

The Bulgarian Branch Chamber Of Woodworking and Furniture Industry in partnership with Inter Expo Center, organizes annually international exhibitions for the branch – Technomebel and World of Furniture, which are the only exhibitions for the sector of Woodworking and Furniture Industry in Bulgaria. Hotel furniture, office & home furniture, modern technologies & techniques for wood processing & furniture production as well as new trend in the materials & equipment

for the furniture factories will be presented during the exhibition.

More... http://technomebel.bg/: http://furnitureexpo.bg/: +359 2 9634299 or office@timberchamber.com

Brokerage event on "Sports Technologies", 3-4 July 2014, Yorkshire, UK

To Celebrate the Grand Depart of the Tour de France in 20214 the Enterprise Europe Network in Yorkshire is organising a brokerage event on "Sport Technologies". The brokerage event will focus on sports technologies, in particular:

sport equipment

ICT solutions

- health condition & performance testing & monitoring
- advanced materials
- assistive and rehabilitation technologies
- simulation technologies
- food and drink
- clothing and footwear

The main goal of the event is to bring together innovative organizations from countries around the globe seeking to collaborate for mutual commercial benefit. Activity will focus on one-to-one 30-minute pre-scheduled meetings.

The event will collect innovative technology offers/requests from all over EU, members of our 54 country network.

More... http://www.ipacv.ro/ro4een/#events_international.php: http://www.eis-sheffield.co.uk/

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. With this event we want to inform ERA-NET participants and the broader stakeholder community about the future ERA-NET Cofund actions, as early as possible to ensure that the ERA-NETs under Horizon 2020 continue successfully with their activities.

The Infoday include an 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 & the Structural funds, how they might be used for Public-Public-Partnerships.

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

EC Information Day for first calls for Societal Challenge 2 & LEIT Biotechnology in H2020, 17 Jan 2014, Bruxelles

The EC will organize an information day on the first calls for proposals of Societal Challenge 2 "Food security, sustainable agriculture, forestry, marine, maritime, inland water research & the bioeconomy", on the call "Leadership in enabling & industrial technologies LEIT - Biotechnology" in the new framework program H2020. Registration is open until 13 January; it is advisable to register as soon as possible.

More... Information Day website (information, registration)

Ecobuild 2014 - Sustainable Design & Construction, Energy & Future Cities, 4-6 March 2014, London

Ecobuild 2014, the world's leading event for sustainable design, construction, energy & the built environment, a great forum for meeting new and existing customers and manufacturers.

- 1000s of sustainable construction products for new build, refurbishment, residential, commercial, industrial projects
- Three main show sections Sustainable Design & Construction, Energy & Future Cities
- Six new content zones Building Performance & BIM, Refurbishment & Retrofit, Green Energy, Design, Water, Waste & Materials & Future Cities that will host our unrivalled seminar programme and drop-in advice clinics
- Two conference arenas bringing over 600 industry leaders, ministers, global academics to the heart of the exhibition
- Dozens of features & attractions including Solar City, Practical Installer, Biodiversity Pavilion, live product demo

More... http://www.ecobuild.co.uk/; Register for Free Entry

Clusters

EUROGIA2020, the EUREKA low-carbon energy technology cluster, launched its second call

EUROGIA2020, announced its latest call (CALL 02) for the submission of transnational low-carbon energy related R&D projects. The call is open to all innovative project ideas that will reduce the carbon footprint of energy production and use potentially qualify for EUROGIA2020 label. The process is one of continuous submission with 4 cut-off dates per year. The next cut-off date is February 14, 2014 by close of business. Application conditions, details of the submission process can be found on www.eurogia.com or contacting the EUROGIA2020 Secretariat, contact@eurogia.com, + 32 2 502 1814. More... http://www.eurekanetwork.org/home/-/journal_content/56/10137/2967644

The Eurostars Programme

The Eurostars Programme is a joint programme between EUREKA & the EC and the 1st EU funding, support programme to be specifically dedicated to research-performing SMEs. Eurostars stimulates them to lead international collaborative research and innovation projects by easing access to support and funding. The Eurostars Programme is dedicated to the R&D performing SMEs, and co-funded by the EC & 33 EUREKA member countries.

Eurostars aims to stimulate these SMEs to lead international collaborative research and innovation projects by easing access to support and funding. It is fine-tuned to focus on the needs of SMEs, and specifically targets the development of new products, processes and services and the access to transnational and international markets.

More... http://www.eurekanetwork.org/activities/eurostars

Location, Competition and Economic Development: Local Clusters in a Global Economy

Economic geography during an era of global competition involves a paradox. It is widely recognized that changes in

technology and competition have diminished many of the traditional roles of location. Yet clusters, or geographic concentrations of interconnected companies, are a striking feature of virtually every national, regional, state, and even metropolitan economy, especially in more advanced nations.

More... http://www.isc.hbs.edu/econ-clusters.htm

Clusters, Convergence, and Economic Performance

This paper evaluates the role of regional cluster composition in the economic performance of industries, clusters, regions. On the one hand, diminishing returns to specialization in a location can result in a convergence effect: the growth rate of an industry within a region may be declining in the level of activity of that industry. At the same time, positive spillovers across complementary economic activities provide an impetus for agglomeration: the growth rate of an industry within a region may be increasing in the size and "strength" (i.e., relative presence) of related economic sectors.

More... http://www.isc.hbs.edu/econ-clusters.htm

SMEs

EU SMEs are becoming more resource efficient & are contributing substantially to the transition towards a lowcarbon economy

Compared to last year, European SMEs are becoming more resource efficient and are contributing substantially to the transition towards a low-carbon economy, according to the results of the 2013 Eurobarometer survey on "SMEs, resource efficiency and green markets" published on 17 December.

The survey shows that 42% of EU SMEs now have at least one full or part-time green employee, a 5% increase from 2012 which exceeds the expectations set by businesses almost two years ago. More than nine in ten SMEs are taking at least one action to be more resource efficient, the level of their efforts has increased since last year.

More... http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/newsroom/cf/itemdetail.cfm?item_id=7194&lang=en&tpa_id=0&displayType=news&nl_id=1034

Intellectual Property ; Standards



New European Patent Register release

New features include the option to download Zip archives of PDF files in the "All documents" section, RSS feeds for search results and the "All documents" section, and the possibility to export your search results in XML or CSV format.

More... Read more!

WIPO GREEN - Marketplace for environmentally friendly technologies

The World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO) launched a new marketplace for environmentally friendly technologies: the <u>WIPO GREEN</u>. According to WIPO, this free-of-charge database:

- offers green technology providers greater visibility for their products, services and IP assets.
- advertises technological needs, specific technologies & IP assets, funding, training & professional services.
- lists innovative green technologies, IP assets and experts; connecte green technology providers and seekers.
- hosts a freely accessible online roster of green technology consultants & service providers, who offer expertise.
- acts as a gateway to useful IP services, such as WIPO's Arbitration and Mediation Center.
- enables members to meet a wide range of stakeholders, providing opportunities for collaboration, partnership.

More... http://www.wipo.int/; http://www.wipo.int/pressroom/en/articles/2013/article 0025.html

Research

Electronic Components & Systems Initiative: boosting Europe's electronics design & manufacturing capabilities Electronic components & systems are essential for Europe's industrial landscape. They underpin product & productivity

innovation across the whole of the economy, play a critical role in addressing societal challenges.

But Europe's industries must cope with fierce global competition, high research costs, the very fast pace of technology development. The answer is to cooperate, pool resources, build on expertise at the European level to bring research faster to market, stimulate demand for European-produced electronic components & systems.

More... ENIAC: www.eniac.eu; ARTEMIS: www.en

More... Electronics: www.eniac.eu; www.aeneas-office.eu; <a href="Embedded systems: www.artemis-ju.eu; <a href="www.artemis-ju.eu; <a href="www.artemi

5th Management Board: Towards the development of the SRIA

Eighteen member countries and observers met to take stock of the development of the Strategic Research & Innovation Agenda (SRIA) and other aspects of the implementation of JPI Oceans.

Read more

Horizon 2020: €100m in 2014 for seas and oceans

The 1st calls for proposals have been announced following the launch of the 79 billion euro investment package H2020 Read more

EC publishes Guidelines for Open Access and launches Pilot on Open Research Data in Horizon 2020

The EC has published its Guidelines on Open Access to Scientific Publications & Research Data in Horizon 2020, has launched the Pilot on Open Research Data which will be implemented in certain areas of the framework programme. Open access to scientific publications will be mandatory for scientific publications resulting from H2020 funded projects.

More... Commission press release; Guidelines on Open Access to Scientific Publications & Research Data in H2020; Guidelines on Data Management in Horizon 2020; Open Access Guidelines for researchers funded by the ERC

Innovation, Competitiveness and Entrepreneurship

Textbook to teach 'Innovation' to a group of science and technology students

- The Innovator's Toolkit http://www.amazon.com/The-Innovators-Toolkit-Predictable-Sustainable/dp/1118298101
- Christian Terwiesch & Karl T. Ulrich Innovation Tournaments, Innovation+Tournaments+book+by+Terwiesch&Ulrich
- How top entrepreneurs adapt & change course to find ultimate success, WileyCDA/WileyTitle/productCd
- Diffusion of Innovations by Everett M. Rogers, Stripbooks&field-keywords=diffusion+of+innovations+6th+edition
- The Little Black Book of Innovation How it Works & How to Do It by Scott D. Anthony Little-black-book/
- Sources of innovation http://web.mit.edu/evhippel/www/books.htm
- Think like a Zebra http://www.thinklikeazebra.com
- Teaching science by encouraging innovation in appropriate tech for sustainable development Aps.org/units/book/
- Inside Real Innovation Worldscientific/Worldscibooks; Innovation-commercialization
- Innovation Management Standards for Innovation Master Classes, www.timfoundation.org

Mobility Adoption in Local and State Governments

Mobility provides several opportunities to governments for improving the quality of services for its citizens/public. It enables citizens to get the desired service or information within seconds/minutes resulting in extremely fast turnaround times. Mobility has the potential to revolutionize the way local, state government agencies handle various processes such as issuance of permits, licenses registration certificates, etc. Government budgets around the world are shrinking, with the increased cost pressures they are forced to move towards a paperless work environment. Mobility is playing a key role in accomplishing this objective by redefining the process flows.

More... http://blog.newgensoft.com/mobility-adoption-in-local-and-state-governments#!

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 and 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 and ferrous materials, Welding of complex structures with 200.000 kg maximum weight, bending plates and 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.

Procurement process for the supply a turn-key solution for biogas power generation for a large scale pig-farm

IrRADIARE, Science for Evolution, is managing the engineering and procurement consultation process for an around 50.000 livestock pig farm. All the interested technology suppliers are invited to present their solutions. As a result of this pre-procurement consultation, a short list of suppliers will be delivered to the promoter and considered for procurement of engineering, technology and installation. Suppliers are requested to submit proposals until January 31st.

 $\textbf{Contact:} \ \ \textbf{For further information requests:} \ \underline{andre.castro@irradiare.com} \ ; \ \underline{info@irradiare.com} \ ; \ \underline{info@irradiare.com}$

Looking for partners for Horizon 2020 projects from Turkey?

If you are looking for a partner or an expert in Turkey. GIS Fusion is ready to take part as an innovative SME partner on project proposals and available for collaboration on R&D and all forms of innovation projects.

Contact: M. Taner Aktas, Founder & CEO of GIS Fusion, mtaktas@yahoo.com; taner@gisfusion.com;

Partner Search for a ready Grundtvig project for disabled people and their carers

We prepared this project for an association for disabled people and their families. We are a group of teachers (English & Computer Technologies Teachers. The project is both for disabled people and their carers, mostly related to the carers, it aims showing the societies that, the carers should also need care and help just like disabled people, because they are always with the disabled people, their lives are also the same as the disabled people, we think that there is no difference at the living standarts of the disableds and their carers. The project is completely ready now, only need partners.

Contact: Orhan Karakaya, İletişim@boluumutisigi.org; Tel: 0374 2179006; Fax: 0374 2202079

Partner Search for 2014-15 Calls

Please JOIN, announce & post your PARTNER SEARCH requests in the following groups based on H2020 Work

Programme 2014-15 and focus areas. Let's work together to make Horizon 2020 a success by wider participation, spreading excellence. Let's SHARE & INVITE others to the groups below.

EXCELLENT SCIENCE Pillar:~ € 3 billion

- European Research Council, http://goo.gl/VwmRen
- Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions, http://goo.gl/VoFJF3
- Future & Emerging Technologies, http://goo.gl/PVwR1o
- European Research Infrastructures, http://goo.gl/PVwR1o

INDUSTRIAL LEADERSHIP Pillar:~ € 1.8 billion

- Information & Communication Technology (ICT), http://goo.gl/PVwR1o
- Geo-ICT Sub-Programme of ICT, http://goo.gl/W459Co
- Nanotechnology, http://goo.gl/H8EWXm
- Biotechnology, http://goo.gl/j6yNFi
- Space, http://goo.gl/KRrnxK
- Access to Risk Finance & Venture Capital, http://goo.gl/rp1uwm
- Innovation in SMEs & COSME, http://goo.gl/l6aX7F
- Eurostars SME Instrument & EUREKA, http://goo.gl/klc9e0

SOCIETAL CHALLENGES Pillar:~ € 2.8 billion

- Health, Demographic Change & Wellbeing, http://goo.gl/frlWBM
- Food Security, Sustainable Agriculture, Forestry, http://goo.gl/j6yNFi
- Secure, Clean & Efficient Energy, http://goo.gl/JH2DWH
- Smart, Green & Integrated Transport, http://goo.gl/fDvhl9
- Climate Action, Environment, Resource Efficiency, http://goo.gl/3iN94E
- Europe in a Changing World Inclusive, Innovative, Reflective Society, http://goo.gl/1olgBm
- Secure Societies, http://goo.gl/SfNb4m

The 12 Focus Areas:~ € 2 billion

- (1) Personalising Health & Care, http://goo.gl/frlWBM
- (2) Sustainable Food Security, http://goo.gl/j6yNFi
- (3) Blue Growth: Unlocking the Potential of Seas & Oceans, http://goo.gl/3iN94E
- (4) Digital Security, http://goo.gl/PVwR10
- (5) Smart Cities & Communities, http://goo.gl/KVlckZ
- (6) Competitive Low-Carbon Energy, http://goo.gl/JH2DWH
- (7) Energy Efficiency, http://goo.gl/JH2DWH
- (8) Mobility for Growth, http://goo.gl/fDvhl9
- (9) Waste: a Resource to Recycle, Reuse & Recover, http://goo.gl/3iN94E
- (10) Water Innovation: Boosting its Value for Europe, http://goo.gl/3iN94E
- (11) Overcoming the Crisis: Governance Structures for Europe, http://goo.gl/1olgBm
- (12) Disaster-Resilience: Safeguarding & Securing Society, http://goo.gl/SfNb4m

IN ADDITION:

- Spreading Excellence & Widening Participation, http://goo.gl/VwmRen
- Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) & Tech Transfer (TTO) in H2020 Projects, http://goo.gl/JUoR9H
- EU Program for Education, Training, Youth & Sport (ERASMUS Plus), http://goo.gl/8kZ472
- EU Location Framework, e-Government & Public Sector Innovation, http://goo.gl/lAatFQ
- Innovation in Building & Construction and Smarter Cities, http://goo.gl/KVlckZ
- Science with and for Society, http://goo.gl/1olgBm

Call For Tender / Proposals / Applications / Fundings / Awards

Horizon 2020's proposal templates (SME Instrument, CSA, Innovation Actions, R&I Actions...)

This page includes all the H2020 & FP7 reference documents starting with legal documents and the Commission work programmes for research and innovation up to model grant agreements and guides for specific actions and horizontal issues. The documents are grouped by categories. Horizon 2020's application forms will be made available soon. You can search a specific H2020 or FP7 document on the Europa Search service.

More... http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/funding/reference docs.html#h2020-call ptef-pt

Horizon 2020 - First calls for proposals

Horizon 2020 cross-cutting issues have been mainstreamed in each of the different parts of the WP, ensuring a more integrated approach (innovation, excellence, participation, ICT, social sciences, humanities, gender, international cooperation, climate action, sustainable development). A number of areas have been identified for special focus in the first H 2020 WP. Each of these is embedded in the relevant parts of the WP, covered by a specific call. The 12 focus areas represent around 15% of the total number of calls covered by the WP, amount for a total 2014 budget of €2 billion.

- European Research Council (4 calls) €1 662 million http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427025
- Marie Skłodowska-Curie actions (6 calls) € 800 million http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427023
- Future & Emerging Technologies (FET) (4 calls) €200 million http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427033
- EU R&D Infrastructures (incl e-Infrastructures) (4 calls) €277 million http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427033
- Nanotechnologies, Advanced Materials (5 calls) €500 million http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427012
- Biotechnology and Production (5 calls) € 500 million http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427000
- Space (5 calls) € 128 million http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427037

- Health, Demographic Change & Wellbeing (2 calls) €600 million http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427021
- Food Security, Agriculture & Forestry, Bioecon (3 calls) € 300 million http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427000
- Secure, Clean & Efficient Energy (4 calls) € 600 million http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4435311
- Climate, Environment, Resource (3 calls) € 300 million http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427008
- EU in a Changing World (5 calls) € 112 million http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427026
- Secure Societies (4 calls) € 200 million http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427002
- Spreading Excellence & Widening Participation (3 calls) €50 million http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427025
- EU Location Framework, e-Government & Public Sector Innovation http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427038
- EU Program for Education, Training, Youth & Sport http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4235201
- Science with and for Society (4 calls) € 45 million http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427026
- Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) in H2020 Projects http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427001

Factsheets & standard presentation can be found here: https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/horizon2020/node/119.

Summary of first calls: http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release MEMO-13-1122 en.htm

More... https://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/index.html

Details regarding the NCP Network in Romania & Horizon 2020: http://www.research.edu.ro/ro/articol/3285/Orizont2020

Innovation in SMEs (1 call) €10 million

More... http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427035

Access to Risk Finance (2 calls + Financial instruments) €300 million

More... http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427003

Eurostars SME Instrument (Several Calls) €251 million

More... http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427017

Smart, Green & Integrated Transport (3 calls) €540 million

More... http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427028

Innovation in Building & Construction & Smart Cities

More...http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427029

Horizon 2020 - First calls for proposals - ICT

The call H2020-ICT-2014-1, "Leadership in enabling and industrial technologies" (LEIT, 658,5 M€) http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/calls/h2020-ict-2014-1.html The 2nd call - ICT-14-2014 "Advanced 5G Network Infrastructure for the Future Internet" (125 M€): http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/calls/h2020-ict-2014-2.html Geo-ICT Sub-Programme of ICT http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=4427019

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

Area	Title	Deadline	Themes	More
COOPERATION	I IMI-JU-10-2013	2014-01-28	Joint Technology Initiatives	<u>link</u>
COOPERATION	I FCH-JU-2013-2	2014-02-27	Joint Technology Initiatives	<u>link</u>
CAPACITIES	FP7-CDRP-2013-EUR-CD	2014-04-15	FP7 Capacities	<u>link</u>

Open calls for proposals related to innovation and competitiveness

Area	Title	Deadline	More		
Research	Eureka : Euripides call for expert	2013-12-31	<u>link</u>		
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 2013 — EAC/S11/13 - Erasmus+ programme 2013/C 362/04

The 2014-2020 EU programme for education, training, youth & sport proposed by the EC on 23 November 2011 has not yet been adopted by the EU legislative authority. The EC has decided to publish this call for proposals in order to allow a smooth implementation of the programme as soon as its basic act has been adopted by the EU legislator, to enable potential beneficiaries of EU grants to prepare their proposals in good time.

http://new.eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=uriserv:OJ.C_.2013.362.01.0062.01.ENG

Creative Europe is now open

Creative Europe replaces the MEDIA, MEDIA Mundus and Culture programmes. The first Calls for Proposals under Creative Europe are now open.

More... http://ec.europa.eu/culture/creative-europe/calls/index en.htm

Natura 2000 - the centrepiece of EU nature & biodiversity policy

It is an EUwide network of nature protection areas established under the 1992 <u>Habitats Directive</u>. The aim of the network is to assure the long-term survival of Europe's most valuable and threatened species and habitats. It is comprised of

Special Areas of Conservation (SAC) designated by Member States under the Habitats Directive, and also incorporates Special Protection Areas (SPAs) which they designate under the 1979 Birds Directive.

More... http://ec.europa.eu/environment/nature/natura2000/

EIT Call 2014: evaluation criteria published

The European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT) has published the criteria for the selection of the next two "Knowledge & Innovation Communities" (KICs) with the following topics:

- Innovation for healthy living and active ageing
- Raw materials: sustainable exploration, extraction, processing, recycling and substitution

The call will be officially launched on 14 February 2014. In January 2014, the EIT will publish further guidance documents on the structure, financial rules, evaluation of the next KICs. The criteria are available on the following link:

http://eit.europa.eu/fileadmin/Content/Downloads/PDF/2014_KIC_Call_Selection_Criteria.pdf

More... http://eit.europa.eu/about-us/contacts-and-location/; EIT call page 2014

Euratom Fission 2014-2015. Deadline: 17 September 2014

Euratom Fission 2014-2015 are organised in five main sections:

- A. Support safe operation of nuclear systems
- B. Contribute to the development of solutions for the management of ultimate radioactive waste
- C. Foster Radiation Protection
- D. Cross-cutting aspects for nuclear fission and radiation protection
- E. Support the development of nuclear competences at Union level and socio-economic aspects.

More... http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/calls/nfrp-2014-2015.html

Horizon 2020: http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/index.html

FP7-CDRP-2013-EUR-CD - Career Development, Deadline: 15 April 2014

This call aims to complement the efforts made so far in support of the career development of researchers in an academic environment. Starting from the knowledge, behaviour and characteristics of an individual researcher, career development advice, coaching, training could further enable a researcher to aspire to excellence, whether inside/outside academia.

More... http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/fp7/calls/fp7-cdrp-2013-eur-cd.html

Fuel Cells and Hydrogen Joint Undertaking Call for Proposals 2013 Part II. Deadline: 27 February 2014

The Fuel Cells & Hydrogen Joint Undertaking (FCH JU) is a public private partnership supporting research, development, demonstration activities in fuel cell & hydrogen energy technologies in EU. Its aim is to accelerate the market introduction of the technologies, realising their potential as an instrument in achieving a carbon-lean energy system.

More... Participant Portal help desk http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/page/contactus

IPR help desk- http://www.ipr-helpdesk.org

FCH JU reference documents are available at the website: http://www.fch-ju.eu/content/how-participate-fch-ju-projects

European Innovation Partnership on Water (EIP Water) 2nd call for "Action Groups"

The "European Innovation Partnership on Water" (EIP Water) has published a 2nd call for the formation of thematic "Action Groups" in five priority topics:

Natural Waters

- Water Policy and Administration
- Water Services and Water UseWater Technology

Sustainability

The new "Action Groups" should work on technical and non-technical innovations in the five priority topics. Currently there are nine actions groups active in the EIP Water that are supposed to promote innovative solutions for societal challenges. To reach these goals, resources, expertise of private & public actors on EU-, national, regional level should be mobilised.

More... About the EIP Water; Call information

Call for proposals operating grants 2014-2017 - Europe for Citizens Programme (2014-2020)

The call for proposals for Structural support for EU public policy research organisations, for civil society organisations at EU level - COMM-C2/01-2013. The aim is to select organisations with EU outreach which, through their permanent, usual and regular activities, make a tangible contribution to the objectives of the 'Europe for Citizens' programme. It concerns structural support, referred to as operating grants, to bodies pursuing an aim of general EU interest, to raise awareness on EU remembrance (strand 1) or to encourage democratic and civic participation (strand 2). Support is granted to organisations in the form of Framework Partnerships for 2014-2017 awarded further to this call for proposals.

More... http://ec.europa.eu/citizenship/news-events/news/06112013_callforproposals_en.htm

European Innovation Partnership (EIP) - Raw Materials. Deadline: 31 january 2013

In order to be successful, the European Innovation Partnership (EIP) needs to involve a very large number of partners across the EU, the entire raw materials value chain that will carry out actions contributing to the objectives of the EIP. The aim is to mobilise the EU raw materials community thus significantly increasing the positive impacts of the EIP.

More... Call-EIP

10th Call for proposals IMI-JU-10-2013 - Innovative Medicines Initiative (IMI). Deadline for Eol: 28 January 2014

With a topic on Immunological assay standardisation & development for use in assessments of correlates of protection for

influenza vaccines. Based on the recommendations of the <u>IMI Research Agenda</u> 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.

11th Call for proposals Innovative Medicine Initiative (IMI). Deadline for Eol 8 April 2014

The Joint Undertaking Innovative Medicine Initiative / JU IMI has published outline-topics for the forthcoming 11th Call. The period for submitting Expression of Interest starts on 11 December 2013, deadline for submission of EoI (Expression of Interest) is 8 April 2014. Priorities of this 11th call are:

- Applied public-private research enabling osteoarthritis clinical headway (APPROACH)
- European platform for proof of concept for prevention in Alzheimer's Disease (EPOC-AD)
- Blood-based biomarker assays for personalized tumour therapy: value of latest circulating biomarkers
- Zoonoses anticipation and preparedness initiative (ZAPI)
- Generation of research tools to translate genomic discoveries into drug discovery projects

Under the theme "New Drugs for Bad Bugs (ND4BB)"

- ND4BB Topic 6: Epidemiology research and development of novel systemic antibacterial molecules against healthcare-associated infections due to gram-negative pathogens
- ND4BB Topic 7: Development of novel inhaled antibiotic regimens in patients with cystic fibrosis (CF) and patients with non-CF bronchiectasis (BE)

More... http://www.imi.europa.eu/content/11th-call-2013-8; IMI 11th Call 2013 - Stage 1; IMI Access; IMI Partnering

9th EuroTransBio Call for Proposal. Deadline: 31 January 2014

ETB is organizing annual joint calls for innovative near to the market R&D&I projects in all fields of modern biotechnology (health, agro/food, industrial biotech, environment, marine/aquatic solutions). Consortia have to be coordinated by an SME, include at least 2 enterprises from two different countries participating in ETB and may include additional partners from research organizations.

More... https://www.eurotransbio.eu/index.php?index=12

FI-CONTENT 2: Open Call for additional beneficiaries. Deadline: 8 January 2014

FI content expects respondents to the Open Call to propose solutions that build on and complement at least one of the three platforms being developed and deployed in test locations by the project partners. The proposals should either describe new experimentations (for instance by extending the test population toward new socio-cultural groups – e.g.: children, elderly people) or add significant improvements to existing experimentations (for instance by improving the user experience or providing advanced scenarios for targeting and customizing advertisement). Provision of new functions or features could be achieved by developing, integrating new technology modules, by interconnecting one or several of the FI content platforms with other systems. **Total EC funding available** for new partners: up to 1.35 Million Euro.

More... FIcontent-open-call!

Funding Opportunities Linked to H2020 and FP7

1. ERA-NET actions

ERA-NET actions aim at coordinating national and regional research programmes by developing joint activities or supporting joint calls for proposals.

Calls for proposals for ERA-NET actions and ERA-NET Plus actions are published on the Participant Portal.

NETWATCH - the platform that gives further information about ERA-NETS & transnational R&D programme collaboration <u>H2020 online manual</u>

2. Article 185 Initiatives

Article 185 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the EU (TFEU) enables the EU to participate in research programmes undertaken jointly by several Member States. Calls for proposals for the initiatives are available on each initiative website:

- AAL r&d programme Ambient Assisted Living better living conditions for older people through ICT solutions
- BONUS programme in the field of Baltic Sea research
- EMRP programme in the field of Metrology (the science of measurement)
- EUROSTARS programme for SMEs performing market-oriented research

Article 185 TFEU in the Sixth Framework Programme

European and Developing Countries Clinical trials Partnership (EDCTP)

3. Joint Technology Initiatives (JTI)

JTIs are public-private partnerships involving industry, research community and public authorities to pursue common ambitious research objectives.

Calls for proposals of the JTIs are available on the FP7 Calls page under the Cooperation programme, except for the SESAR and Fusion for Energy Joint Undertakings. Further details are provided on the JTI websites:

- Innovative Medicines Initiative (IMI)
- Embedded Computing Systems (ARTEMIS)
- Aeronautics and Air Transport (Clean Sky)
- Nanoelectronics Technologies 2020 (ENIAC)

- Fuel Cells and Hydrogen (FCH)
- Single European Sky ATM Research (SESAR)
- Fusion for Energy (F4E)

4. Co-funded Calls of the FP7 People Programme

COFUND is a Marie Curie Action under the FP7 People Programme that co-funds regional, national, and international fellowship programmes for research training and career development.

Applicants for COFUND should be public or private bodies responsible for managing such programmes.

5. Competitive Calls in FP7 projects

In FP7 Collaborative projects and networks of excellence may reserve a portion of their budgets for specific tasks to be carried out by a beneficiary (or beneficiaries) joining the consortium at a later stage of a project. Such new beneficiaries are selected from proposals submitted in response to a "competitive call".

Competitive calls are published on the websites of the consortia and can also be published on the Participant Portal. European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT)

<u>EIT</u> aims at reinforcing the EU innovation capacity providing support for knowledge transfer and networking. It puts innovation into practice through its operational Knowledge and Innovation Communities (KICs), highly integrated and excellence driven partnerships that bring together the fields of education, technology, research, and business. EIT assigned its three first KICs in December 2009:

- Climate KIC (Climate Change)
- EIT ICT Labs (Information and Communication Technologies)
- KIC InnoEnergy (Sustainable Energy)

The EIT Strategy 2014-2020 plans creating six new KICs.

Intergovernmental Opportunities

<u>EUREKA</u> aims at raising the productivity and competitiveness of businesses through technology. It supports SMEs, companies and technology related organisations through various clusters, networks and individual projects. EUREKA has a network of National Contact Points (NCPs) that help setting up new projects and finding partners.

COST funds European networks of researchers across all science fields to coordinate nationally funded research. COST does not fund research itself, but provides support for networking activities. There is a continuous Open Call.

Structural Funds

Structural Funds help all EU regions build research and innovation capacities including infrastructures, entrepreneurship, ICT development and human capital actions. To apply for the funding, you will need to contact the relevant Managing Authority in your country or find out on their websites about their calls for proposals and funding conditions.

- Operational programmes and financial allocations
- European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) Managing authorities
- European Social Fund (ESF) Managing authorities
- Regional Policy:
 - o 50 different cross-border & 13 transnational cooperation programmes under "territorial cooperation objectives"
 - o INTERREG IV C
 - o **URBACT**
 - o JEREMIE
- Rural Development Policy and Funding (CAP)

Policy

Europeans' attitudes towards animal cloning

Animal cloning is the creation of a genetically identical copy of an existing or previously existing animal. This Flash Eurobarometer survey asked citizens of the EU to clarify their attitudes towards animal cloning, and its perceived effects on a number of areas including food safety, ethical and animal welfare concerns.

Over 25,000 randomly selected citizens aged 15 years and above were interviewed in the 27 EU Member States.

More... http://ec.europa.eu/food/food/resources/docs/eurobarometer_cloning_sum_en.pdf

Rural development policy case studies

If you're interested in EU rural development policy case studies then have a look at these new videos released recently by the European Network for Rural Development (ENRD):

- 8 projects supported by EU Agricultural Fund for Rural Development: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=torypJr5xfU
- Version of the Compilation's Madeiran 'short supply-chain' case study: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ysodi2it-pg
- Rural innovation project example from the ENRD KT&I Focus Group* showcasing win-win benefits from closing gaps between research and business in Italy's horticulture market: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cqsL-CqioCI
- 3.5 minute version of the same film available, no case studies: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BN4jixb0Ljl
- One minute version titled EAFRD Snapshots: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=phjmTPsfdIU

State aid: Consultation on draft revised General Block Exemption Regulation (GBER)

The EC has published a public consultation on which it invites stakeholders to comment on the draft revised version of the General Block Exemption Regulation. The revised draft GBER proposes additional exemption categories, among others innovation aid for large companies. The EC proposes to increase certain notification thresholds so that higher aid amounts can be exempted from prior notification, e.g. in the area of research infrastructures. In light of the feedback received through the consultation, the EC will draft the final regulation which is supposed to be adopted by July, 2014.

More... http://ec.europa.eu/competition/consultations/2013_consolidated_gber/index_en.html

Energy

Horizon 2020 - First calls for proposals - Energy

The WP: http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/funding/reference docs.html#h2020-work-programmes-2014-15 Information on the calls for proposals: http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/index.html

Horizon 2020 - secure, clean and efficient energy

On Energy Information Day 5 December, the Charlemagne building in Brussels was packed to capacity as delegates travelled from all over the EU to learn about the new opportunities for funding energy projects in Horizon 2020. Introducing Horizon 2020, Marie Donnelly (DG ENER) said that she was proud that EU is leading the transition to sustainable energy. She also commented on the rise of the 'prosumer', the potential for decentralized energy systems to contribute to the sustainable energy future.

More... http://www.managenergy.net/articles/71#.UrHImeJCfcu

2014 ManagEnergy Award: Call for submissions!

ManagEnergy invites local and regional authorities and energy agencies to submit their projects for the 2014 ManagEnergy Award! Winning projects will be showcased at the ManagEnergy annual conference and during a special ceremony in Brussels during the 2014 European Sustainable Energy Week.

More... http://www.managenergy.net/sm_2013_awards.html

EU Sustainable Energy Week 2014: Start organising your Energy Day!

Join the ranks of hundreds of Energy Day organisers across EU for next year's EU Sustainable Energy Week, EU's biggest event on renewable energy & energy efficiency. Energy Days can be organised **during the whole month of June 2014**. Discover how to become an Energy Day organiser. Online registration for Energy Days will start in January. **More...** please contact Pierre-Loïc Nihoul at: energydays@eusew.eu, +32-2-340.30.65.

New finance pages available online

Explore the first of ManagEnergy's new series of pages dedicated to financial instruments. Find information, analysis, case studies, events, and more: Energy Performance Contracting (EPC), European Structural and Investment Funds (ESI), Community funding

More... http://www.managenergy.net/financial#.UrHF3OJCfct

Rethinking District Heating and Cooling in Europe Seminar, 6 March 2014, Sofia, Bulgaria

The thermal energy plays the most important role in the European energy demand. Heating represents the largest energy end-use in Europe, being responsible for approximately 50 % of total final energy consumption. Now 40 % of commercial and institutional buildings in Europe have cooling systems and demand is set to grow substantially.

More... http://viaexpo.com/en/pages/program-ee-re

Nuclear Power Generation at the Crossroads

This IDC Energy Insights white paper examines the future of nuclear power across the globe, analyzes the role of IT in the design, permitting, construction, operation, and decommissioning of nuclear power plants; provides recommendations to plant owners on ensuring a secure and robust IT infrastructure.

More... Download Now!

EU Parliament discusses challenges to industrial CHP

The European Union has been told to do more to get behind the promotion of industrial combined heat and power (CHP) technology. A question put to the <u>European</u> Commission by the Vice-President of the European Parliament asks what action is currently being undertaken to ensure the technology can perform its role in maintaining and improving the energy competitiveness of industries in the European bloc in the face of serious market challenges.

More... http://www.cospp.com/articles/2013/12/eu-parliament-discusses-challenges-to-industrial-chp.html

DG Energy: Guidance on state intervention in electricity market

The EC has presented a Communication which gives guidance to Member States on how to make the most of public interventions in the electricity market. The Communication discusses how to reform existing interventions, especially renewable energy subsidy schemes, how to effectively design new ones, especially for back-up capacity schemes.

More... http://ec.europa.eu/energy/gas_electricity/internal_market_en.htm; MEMO-13-948

11th International Conference on Biofuels "Fuels of the Future 2014", 20-21 January 2014, Berlin

The goal and ambition is to continue the conference's success as a leading international event and to consolidate its role as a central biofuel industry platform. We have extended the consortium for the conference, which previously consisted of two organizers, namely the German BioEnergy Association (BBE), the Union for the Promotion of Oil & Protein Plants (UFOP). The list of supporters and co-organizers includes also the German Bioethanol Industry Association (BDBe), the

German Biofuels Industry Association (VDB) and the German Biogas Association (FvB). **More...** www.fuels-of-the-future.com

Events

NBIA's Eighth Summit for Advanced Incubation Professionals, 9-11 February 2014, Orlando, USA

NBIA's 8th Summit for Advanced Incubation Professionals is a members-only event for experienced incubation leaders (three years or more in the industry). The summit provides a unique forum for veteran leaders to discuss, debate and exchange ideas about innovation, entrepreneurship and business incubation.

More...http://www.nbia.org/events/summit2014/index.php

10th International Conference on Technology, Knowledge, and Society, 6-7 February, Madrid, Spain

The complex synergies between technology, knowledge and society will be the focus of this meeting. Gender equality, globalization and ICT are some of the areas that will be addressed. Participants will be guided through an interactive two-day course with opportunities to present their research and network with experts from a range of disciplines.

More...http://techandsoc.com/the-conference/

LINK 2014 Learning Innovations and Quality Conference, 7-9 May, 2014, Crete, Greece

LINQ 2014 will continue the discussion began during the previous conferences in Rome and Brussels with the its motto: "Changing the Trajectory: Quality for Opening up Education". This year, LINQ is teaming up with EFQUEL to bring you LINQ 2014 in tandem with the 9th EFQUEL Innovation Forum. It invites all experts, practitioners and interested stakeholders in the fields of lifelong learning, education and training from EU, all other countries worldwide to present, share and discuss experiences, expertise and open questions.

More... Discover the LINQ 2014 / EIF 2014 Call for Papers and Projects here.

University-Industry Interaction Conference on Challenges & solutions for fostering entrepreneurial universities & collaborative innovation, 23-25 April 2014, Barcelona, Spain

With more than 300 participants, the conference will be the leading international discussion forum for academics, researchers, practitioners, business representatives on university-industry interaction, where theory & practice are equally emphasised in the programme, which consists out of keynote presentations, track sessions, workshops, sight visits. During the conference high emphasis is placed on networking opportunities, creative space, as well as skill development workshops (executive education), delivered by EADA Business School, one of EU's leading Business Schools.

More... http://www.university-industry.com; 2014 University-Industry Interaction Conference

International Workshop - Intelligent Data Analysis with Applications in Information Retrieval & Machine Learning IDAIR, 7-9 July 2014, Chania Crete, Greece

Within the framework the 5th International Conference on Information, Intelligence, Systems and Applications. IDAIR welcomes submissions of original papers concerning all aspects of multimedia domain ranging from concept, theoretical developments to advanced technologies, innovative applications. IDAIR invites original unpublished contributions that are not submitted concurrently to a journal or another conference. Papers acceptance, publication will be judged based on their relevance to the symposium theme, clarity of presentation, originality, accuracy of results, solutions.

More... http://iisa2014.unipi.gr/; http://iisa2014.unipi.gr/workshops-special-sessions/

Training Events / Career opportunities / Jobs

Calendar of training courses in nanoscience and electronics

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

INSEC - 4 classic training sessions, 14-15 January 2014, Tallinn, Estonia

INSEC will organize **4 classic training sessions** on topics related to *innovation management* (development of innovation strategy, innovation plan, IPR strategy, project management), HORIZON 2020 – as the main funding program of the EC in 2014 – 2020, related to RDI activities

The 1st training session will be organised in Estonia, Tallinn (more at http://www.insec-project.eu/en/-b-training-sessions-b-.26/estonia.29/estonia.a74.html). The other 3 events will be organised in 2014 in Spain, Madrid, France (tbd) & Romania, Bucharest by the Consultant organisations, partners within the INSEC project. One of the main targets of INSEC project (www.insec-project.eu) is to supply security end-users (e.g. police, rescue services, fire departments, security infrastructures) with knowledge, practical skills in the management of innovation, to improve security end-user' collaboration (innovative) practices by training. This will assist them to improve their innovation management system, support them to increase collaborations & networking with organisations from other sectors, mainly SMEs.

More... training themes, language, location, date, etc, please visit http://www.insec-project.eu/en/-b-training-sessions--b-26/training-sessions.a72.html and contact the responsible persons for aadresing questions and/or registering.



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