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

Events in technology transfer and innovation field

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/ ; http://een.ec.europa.eu/tools/services/EVE/Event/ListEvents

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

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
- advanced materials
- ICT solutions
- health condition & performance testing & monitoring
- 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.
More… http://sporttechmatch.talkb2b.net/

Green Building Congress, Exhibition and B2B meetings, 4-6 September 2014, Hyderabad, India

It is the Asia's largest conference and exhibition. The event will feature three days of multiple conferences and a parallel exhibitions showcasing Green BuildingTechnologies (including renewable energy) products & services.
More than 2,000 delegates, including several international partners are expected to attend the event.
The Exhibiiion will attract more than 120 manutacturers, vendors& service providers, showcasing the latest green technologies products & services. A B2B event are organized.
More… www.cii.in/Event-Details ; orasanna.pasoti@cii ; shyamchander.k@cii.in

DLD Tel Aviv Festival Events 13-20 September 2014, Tel Aviv, Israel

DLD Tel Aviv Digital Confernce is Israel's largest international Hi-tech gathering, featuring hundreds of start ups, VC's, angel investors and leading multinationals Boasting top technological talent, the highest venture capital investments per capita

and multi national centers for industry leaders such as Google, Barclays, Motorola, BMC Software, Broadcom, EMC, Microsoft, GM, Amdocs, SAP, Applied Materials, Marvell, Oracle, HP, Cisco Israel etc.
Tel Aviv is the best location to get up close and personal with the entire Hi-tech hub!
More… www.dldtelaviv.com

OPEN DAYS University Master Class (ODU-MC) on EU Cohesion Policy, 6-9 October 2014, Bruxelles
The aim of the ODU-MC is to improve the understanding of EU Cohesion Policy and its research potential among selected EU PhD students/early-career researchers. The ODU-MC will be held during the Open Days-EU Week of Regions & Cities.
More… OPEN DAYS Master Class concept ; ODU-MC 2014 Application Form ; daniela.carl@regionalstudies.org

ENTENTE-Life Sciences Investment Forum, 9 October 2014, Brussels
Are you a R&D SME active in the life sciences sector developing innovative products or technologies? Are you seeking for funding or partnering in the next 24 months?
The event will give you the chance to pitch your innovation developments/needs in front of an international jury consisting of about 40 business angels, venture capitalists, corporate investors, other industry experts. Application, participation is free of charge but based on selection. Only the 28 most attractive companies to investors will be invited to join the forum. Information provided in your application will be visible to the members of the selection committee, to the members of the International Venture Club. The profiles of the selected companies will be published in the ENTENTE-Life Sciences Investment Forum conference binder.
More… http://entente-lifescienceinvestmentforum.eu/

Defence Security Days, 15-16 October 2014, Paris-Orly France
The leading international defence & security B2B event focused on industrial and R&D partnerships. **B2B Meetings, Exhibition, Conferences**. **50** Countries represented, **1,000** Participating decision-makers, **8,000** Business meetings. An efficient opportunity to meet new partners, able to respond to the current defence and security market demands.
More… http://www.defencesecuritydays.eu/EMAIL/2014/UK/Email_1.html

Brokerage event at the Romanian National Inovation Forum, 16-17 October 2014, Bucharest, Romania
The Romanian Forum for Innovation represent the main place to discuss, analyse the synergies, strategies, ideas on innovation, technology transfer, entrepreneunerial formation, research, in benefit of the market. The event are organized in parallel with the International Fair of Romania – TIB 2014, 15-18 October 2014, http://www.tib.ro/home
A traditional brokerage evet are organized during the Forum. We are looking for EEN partners to join us as co-organizers.
During this Forum, industry leaders, local authorities and scientists will be strongly encouraged to share their expectations, exchanging knowledge understand the specific characteristics of innovation systems, and discover the best practices and innovations to be capitalised on as part of an original partnership-based approach.
More… EEN-Brokerage-event-at-the-National-Innovation-Forum

International Research Conference on Technology Business Incubation Mechanisms & Sustainable Regional Development, 23 October 2014, Toulouse, France
The rapidly increasing number of incubation mechanisms has gone together with a proliferation of various incubator models that have given rise to a diverse incubation industry. A contextual analysis of these models as components of their regional ecosystems is warranted to assess their role in regional economic development. The call for presentations on exploring empirical evidence of the role played by incubation mechanisms in driving regional innovation, entrepreneurship in their changing environments.
More… International-Conference-technology-business-incubation-mechanisms-&-sustainable-regional-development

Clusters

Cluster Observatory
The concept of clusters originates with Harvard Professor Michael Porter, who also has been the driving force behind the cluster mapping methodology. Professor Porter had worked out his model which could statistically define, describe clusters across the economy. The mapping consisted of two fundamental parts:
• Development of cluster codes which can identify and measure industrial agglomeration within regions
• Development of performance measures (the size, specialization, competitiveness, dynamism) of clusters
A set of 41 so called "traded cluster" codes were decided on, accounting for roughly one third of the total employment.
More… http://www.clusterobservatory.eu/index.html#!view=aboutobservatory;url=/about-observatory/

Cluster Management
The program raises several important issues around cluster management, such as key objectives and activities, governance and financing, and the crucial role of the cluster manager, sometimes referred to as cluster facilitator or process leader.
The program has invited several guests who are involved in cluster management.
More… The accompanying presentation slides can be found here.

Eureka Clusters
EUREKA **'Clusters'** are long-term, strategically significant industrial initiatives. They usually have a large number of participants, and aim to develop generic technologies of key importance for European competitiveness mainly in ICT, energy and more recently in the biotechnology sector.

Through regular calls for projects, Clusters bring together large companies, often competitors, along with SMEs, research institutes and universities, sharing both the risk and benefits of innovation. They focus on developing and commercially exploiting new technologies. Their goal is to ensure that Europe retains its leading position in the world market.

Initiated by industry in close collaboration with national funding authorities, each Cluster has a technological 'roadmap' defining the most important strategic domains. Specific goals are achieved through scores of individual projects.

Clusters are in the following technological areas:

Information Technology: CATRENE (2008-2016); EURIPIDES² (2013-2020); ITEA 3 (2014-2022)

Energy: EUROGIA2020 (2013-2020)

Communication: CELTIC Plus (2011-2019)

Water: ACQUEAU (2010-2015)

More… by reading the EUREKA Clusters : Essential Instruments for Global Competitiveness document.

SMEs	
Technology Request	
Natural, preferably organic fabric for use in nursery products	UK
Looking for clinical testing laboratories for new eczema cream	UK
Shears for cutting scrap and breaking railway	Poland
Technology sought for extraction of phosphates from manure and waste water.	Netherlands
PS-FP7: New innovative solutions for petty crimes based on video analysis (TOPIC SEC-2013.7.2-1)	Netherlands
Master Data solutions for Business Intelligence	Belgium
Commercial forensic laboratory that can provide reference measurements for chemical analysis	Sweden
Innovative technology for production of food supplements from dry brewer's yeast.	Lithuania
Seeking Novel Water-related Technologies & Methodologies	Greece
PS. Energy recovery systems from rice waste	Spain
PS EUREKA: Partner for "High Temperature Insulation Material Development" project is sought	Turkey
PS EUREKA: Development of a low cost volatile organic compounds (VOC) sensor for specific compounds	Turkey
Looking for strategic partner to manufacture a Class 2a bag on valve spray with 2 ends	France
Development of a system for estimation of external cost of freight transport by road/rail, to define the thresholds	Italy
Engineering & material design applied to yacht sector for the development of a therapeutic and wellness couch	Italy
Integrated management of environmental factors in complex development of irrigation	Romania
Research of electrostatic separation of particles using finite element method	Romania

Intellectual Property ; Standards

The Global Intellectual Property Outsourcing Conference, 9-10 September, 2014, London

Are you ready for the new world of IP? Recognizing the challenges, opportunities that these patent reforms present, the GOAL is producing the IP Conference. This conference will gather IP lawyers and legal departments, legal process outsourcing professionals and government representatives to discuss issues and opportunities for global IP and IP outsourcing industry.

More… http://www.connect-goal.com/londonipsep2014

Research

5th Edition of the Guide Horizon 2020

The EU, if it is to improve its research & innovation policy, needs to be more open, to new voices, new ideas. To be sure, the conception of H2020 has involved consultation with thousands across the EU and beyond. One project, Voices, ran 99 focus groups with citizens to ask them directly how they felt about recycling, sustainability, how innovations might help. And H2020 includes interesting experiments for science, society interaction. But we need more. The EU's new omnibus R&D programme promises more money, less red tape, broader benefits, more jobs, economic growth – but will it deliver?

More… http://sciencebusiness.net/OurReports/ReportDetail.aspx?ReportId=58

Webcast conference on Horizon 2020 - and how the EU can advance innovation

On the eve of the new R&I programme's launch, Science|Business organises a conference at the European Parliament gathering key MEPs to review strengths, weaknesses of the Horizon 2020 package, discuss what needs to be done next.

More… http://www.sciencebusiness.net/events/Horizon2020LabToMarket/

Innovation, Competitiveness and Entrepreneurship

Synergies between European Structural & Investment Funds, Horizon 2020 & other research, innovation, competitiveness-related Union programmes

Although there has been a substantial increase in the budget of Horizon 2020 (almost EUR 80 billion) compared to the previous research framework programmes and although there has been a steep increase of the innovation and competitiveness-related budgets under cohesion policy over the past decade5, it is of utmost importance to ensure optimal

synergies between the funds to face the ever increasing competitive pressure from global markets and maximize impact and efficiency of public funding6. The European Parliament and Council made it clear
that this approach is no more a "nice to have" but a "need to implement". This political will needs to permeate all layers of stakeholders, at Member State level as well as EC services level, including intermediaries, facilitators' networks.
More… SWD-synergies ; S3platform-Guide ; RIS3-Guide ; Erasmus+-guide ; COSME-EEN ; Innovation-in-SMEs ; Innovation-procurement ; Jaspers ; Research-infrastructures ; EIT/KICs ; JTI ; Art-185-initiatives ; JPI-Food-Agriculture-Climate-Change ; Era-Net ; H2020-MSCA ; Widening ; H2020-WP-2014-15 ; Digital-agenda ; Culture/creative-europe

Guides related to Social Innovation
The delivery instruments, horizontal approaches illustrated in the RIS3 Guide are to be considered as the 'branches' of the smart specialisation 'tree', whose 'trunk' is represented by this guide. The 'trunk' feeds, nurtures the 'branches' but the latter form self-standing elements of the whole policy array of tools made available to policymakers, who can ultimately combine them following their strategic vision and building up their own policy mix for responding to their needs and expectations.
More… http://s3platform.jrc.ec.europa.eu/guides

Are Small Wins the Key to Solving Large, Complex Problems?
Complex problems are made up of smaller, simpler problems that collectively lead to the big solution. So there is wisdom in seeking the small wins that create the foundation for making big changes. The aerospace industry is a great example of how complex problems are solved through a series of smaller wins. How should we approach big, staggeringly complex challenges in our businesses and our lives?
More… http://www.forbes.com/sites/stevemeyer/2014/06/18/solar-freakin-roadways-and-the-wisdom-of-small-wins/

Think Locally, Act Locally: Building a Robust Entrepreneurial Ecosystem
According to the report, entrepreneurship is a local phenomenon and entrepreneurs primarily follow entrepreneurship-focused Twitter accounts, such as those by other entrepreneurs, entrepreneurial programs and individuals affiliated with local entrepreneurship support organizations.
More… Kauffman_org-research-reports

The Role of Associations in Regional Innovation Systems
This paper addresses **the need for research regarding the role of associations in innovation systems.** As defined in the publication, the term association embraces not only organisations like business associations, but all actors who associate to pursue joint objectives and positively influence their (regional) innovation system. In the innovation system's perspective, these associations perform intermediary functions. The report considers not only the level of the organisation (i.e. meso level), but also the macro level of the innovation system and the micro level of individuals.
More… http://www.isi.fraunhofer.de/isi-wAssets/docs/p/de/arbpap_unternehmen_region/2014/ap_r4_2014.pdf

Partner Search

Partner Search from Romania for a complex sustainable rural development project
A Research Institute and a company from Romania ICTCM & GNIR is promoting a complex sustainable rural development project that brings together a large number of business opportunities. ICTCM & GNIR invites you to take advantage of these quite varied opportunities that are particularly interesting at the time of the current economic crisis.
Presented as *"Innovative Pilot Project for Agroindustrial Food and Fooder Park, Integrateg with Regional / Rural Business Center, based on Bioeconomy".* For your better knowledge please visit http://gnir.ro/pagini/dezvoltare-rurala-durabila.php
The project offers state-of-the-art solutions to the stringent problems facing the rural communities. It puts in place the first bases for the poles of competitiveness in rural, where the vegetal/animal production as well as that of their derivatives benefit from very good geo-climatic conditions, are supported by traditions, relevant schools and others.
Contact: Gheorghe Lifu, ICTCM SA General Manager, Denis Diaconescu, GNIR Holding SA General Manager, denis.diaconescu@gnir.ro, office@gnir.ro

Partner Search from Romania for a Business Offer
Romanian company, Electroputere AIT SRL, producer of medium voltage and high voltage switchgear, would like to establish cooperation with companies from the EU, interested in Production/Manufacturing Activities of resin cast products and electro-insulating parts.
The company is equipped with a resin treatment plant with hybrid mixer and moulding clamp machine, with 2 production lines, that can process a various range of products/parts: epoxy resin insulated instrument transformers, support insulators, bushing insulators, electroinsulating cylinders, terminal plates for power transformers, various insulating parts.
The casting of various parts may be done either using customer's moulds, or using moulds designed and manufactured by our company. If you are interested to subcontract the installation, if you wish to place an order for some parts or if you are looking for a partner in a project, please contact us.
Contact: Ionut RIZEA, General Manager, Electroputere AIT SRL, www.electroputere-ait.ro, irizea@electroputere-ait.ro, office@electroputere-ait.ro, Mobile: +40 748 130180

Technology Request from Hungary: *Methods for Minimising Fat Migration*
We are looking for new, innovative ways of minimizing fat migration between the components within a confectionery product. **The proposed technology should be:** An ingredient that could be added to one or more components; An

ingredient that will "lock in" or "lock out" fat, blocking fat and moisture migration; Edible i.e. non toxic; Appropriate for use in confectionery; Compatible with chocolate. **Possible Approaches Include, but are Not Limited To:**

- Materials that will absorb/adsorb the fat over time and slow the rate of migration. Careful control of the absorption/adsorption will be required to allow the free fat to aide processing and be released on consumption to benefit the textural experience.
- Self assembling barrier layers that can form a barrier at the interface of a two confectionery components. The barrier should not dominate the eating experience.
- Self assembling molecules that can develop a lipid network that can withstand moderate levels of shear and / or not requiring high temperatures to establish the network.

Contact: Ms Katarína Nagyová, Innovation Manager, LC Innoconsult International, innovacio@lcinnoconsult.com

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Call For Tender / Proposals / Applications / Fundings / Awards

Call for EoI for setting up of a list of coaches for coaching activities in connection with the SME Instrument

The objective of this call for expressions of interest is to set up a list of external experts, hereafter called "business coaches". The business coaches will perform their tasks within the framework of the Horizon 2020 SME instrument.
The Horizon 2020 SME Instrument (hereinafter "the SME instrument") is a novel funding tool supporting SMEs with the ambition and potential to engage in innovation-driven growth on the EU & global market. Phase 1 aims to cover the assessment of technical feasibility, market potential of new ideas, phase 2 aims to cover R&I activities with focus on demonstration activities, market replication, phase 3 support measures in view of helping SMEs toward commercialising their innovative products/services. EOI should be submitted: http://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/businesscoachesSMEI
Deadlines: 24 September 2014, 17 December 2014.
More… http://ec.europa.eu/easme/files/sme/SME-Instrument-coaches-call-text.pdf

Dedicated SME Instrument – Phase 1 + Phase 2 2014. Deadline 17 December 2014

Specific challenge: To engage SMEs in space research and development, especially those not traditionally involved in it and reduce as much as possible the entry barriers to SMEs for Horizon 2020 funding.
The specific challenge of the actions could cover any aspect of the Specific Programme for Space (Horizon 2020
Framework programme and Specific programme). However, it is considered that actions in the areas of applications, especially in connection to the flagship programmes Galileo & Copernicus, spinning-in (i.e. application of terrestrial solutions to challenges in space), the development of certain critical technologies could be adequately suited for this call.
More… Space-SME-2014-1:-SMEInstrument ; Space-SME-2014-2:- SME Instrument

Peer Learning of Innovation Agencies. Deadline: 16 December 2014

The call for proposal intends to provide incentives in the form of small lump sum grants to national and regional innovation agencies for engaging in peer learning on all topics relevant to design, delivery of innovation support programmes for SMEs.
More… http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/2354-innosup-5-2014.html

Call for Integrating Society in Science & Innovation: supporting structural change in research organisations to promote Responsible Research & Innovation. Deadline: 2 October 2014

The DG Research & Innovation of the European Commission launched a call in order **to support structural change in research organisations to promote Responsible Research and Innovation - RRI**. This topic aims at developing a Responsible Research & Innovation Plan covering five RRI keys (societal engagement, gender equality, gender in research & innovation content, open access, science education, ethics) in each participating institution. The action plan shall:

- Conduct impact assessment/audit of procedures and practices in order to identify RRI barriers at organisation level;
- Implement innovative strategies to address RRI barriers;
- Develop the RRI dimension in research content and programmes;
- Set targets and monitor progress via indicators at organisation level.

The proposals should include an international dimension. The call budget is € 10,300,000
More… http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/calls/h2020-issi-2014-1.html

M-ERA.NET Transnational Call 2014. Deadline for mandatory pre-proposals: 16 September 2014

Transnational R&D projects in Materials Science & Engineering. 36 funding agencies from 24 countries, including Taiwan and Russia participate in this joint call. Funding will be offered to innovative projects focusing on:

- Integrated Computational Materials Engineering
- Materials for Sustainable & Affordable Low Carbon Energy Tech
- Composite Technology
- New Surfaces and Coatings
- Materials for Health
- Functional Materials Focusing on Sensors

We strongly recommend contacting your regional/national funding agency for regional/national programme details.
The partner search tool for the M-ERA.NET Call 2014. http://www.nmpteam.com/
More… https://www.m-era.net/joint-call-2014 ; https://www.m-era.net/joint-call-2014/participating-countries-call-2014

Call for proposals for 'Sustainable Industry Low Carbon II'

This new call comes under the Horizon 2020 specific pillar 'Industrial Leadership'.
The SILC II initiative supports research and innovation activities aiming to develop innovative, cost-effective technologies to reduce the GHG emission intensity (ratio between direct GHG emissions and output units of an activity) of manufacturing and process industries. Proposals will preferably focus on energy-intensive industries, which may be exposed to a

significant risk of carbon leakage. Targeted sectors include, but are not limited to, production of iron/steel, non-ferrous metals such as aluminium and copper, cement, glass, pulp and paper, chemicals, ceramics.
Implementation of demonstration programmes, business plans are expected to demonstrate the commercial viability of the technology. Activities are intended to start at Technology Readiness Levels 4-5 and target Technology Readiness Level 6-7.
More… http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/calls/h2020-silc-ii-2014.html

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More… http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/calls/h2020-issi-2014-1.html

Horizon 2020 - Open calls for proposals
- H2020 - Marie Sklodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA) - Individual Fellowships. Deadline: 11 September 2014
  More… H2020/calls/h2020-msca-if-2014
- H2020 - Water Innovation - Two-stage. Deadline for Stage 1: 16 October 2014
  More… H2020/calls/h2020-water-2015-two-stage
- Disaster Resilience: Safeguarding & Securing Society, including Adapting to Climate Change. D: 28 August.2014
  More… H2020/calls/h2020-drs-2014
- H2020 - Energy Efficiency PPP EEB and SPIRE topics. Deadline: 09 December 2014
  More… H2020/calls/h2020-ee-2015-1
- H2020 - Personalising Health and Care - Two-stage. Deadline for Stage 1: 14 October 2014
  More… H2020-phc-2015-two-stage
- H2020-SEAC-1 Making science education & careers attractive for young people. Deadline: 2 Oct 2014
  More… http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/2423-seac-1-2014.html
- H2020-SEAC-2. Call for making science education & careers attractive for young people. Deadline: 2 Oct 2014
  More… http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/2424-seac-2-2014.html
- H2020 - Science with and for Society 2014 Calls. Deadline 2 October 2014
  More… http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/horizon2020/en/h2020-section/science-and-society
- H2020 - Capitalising the full potential of on-line collaboration for SME. Deadline: 2015-03-10, Stage 2: 2015-08-12
  More… http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/2351-innosup-6-2015.html#tab1
- H2020-Innosup-2014-5. Peer Learning of Innovation Agencies. Dedline 16 December 2014
  More… http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/2354-innosup-5-2014.html
- The first COST Open Call for proposals in Horizon 2020
  More... Stay up-to-date with the latest developments at COST by visiting the Open Call page on the COST website.
- H2020-DS-2014-1. Digital Security: Cybersecurity, Privacy and Trust. Deadline 28 August 2014
  More... http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/99-ds-01-2014.html

Open Calls: http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/index.html
Participation rules: http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/funding/index.html

IMI 2 – indicative topics for the first call
In its first call, the Innovatives Medicines Initiative is expected to call for proposals in the following topics:
▪ Translational approaches to disease modifying therapy of Type1 Diabetes Mellitus. Read the indicative topic text
▪ Discovery and validation of novel endpoints in retinal diseases. Read the indicative topic text
▪ Future topics - IMI 2 2014. RADAR: Remote assessment of disease and relapse. Read the indicative topic summary
Short descriptions of each topic can be found on the website of IMI. They enable researchers to develop ideas for projects and to form consortia before the calls is expected to be officially published on 9 July 2014.
More… website IMI ; Partnering platform-BMBF ; Partner search tool-IMI JU ; Intellectual-Property-Policy

Calls for Proposals under the "Third EU Health Programme". Deadline: 25 September 2014
The DG for Health & Consumers, DG SANCO has published two calls for proposals within the "Third Health Programme":
- *"Call for proposals 2014 for framework partnership agreements and for specific grant agreements for operating grants"*: This call has got one topic and a total budget of EUR 4.65 million. It will grant subsidy for non-governmental bodies and networks working at an EU level. In the context of the 2014 call, special attention will be given to organisations active in the fields of chronic diseases, cancer, HIV/AIDS, rare diseases, smoking prevention. The deadline: 25 September.
- *"Call for proposals for projects 2014"*, is composed of seven individual topics focussing on the areas of chronic diseases, medicinal product pricing, health monitoring, healthcare associated infections. The call has a total budget of EUR 12.3 million. The Deadline: 25 September.

More information about the calls, as well as all relevant documents, can be found on the Horizon 2020 "Participant Portal" under the menu item "Third Health Programme"..
More… Website of DG SANCO ; Participant Portal

Belmont Forum: two calls for proposals. Deadline 2 July 2014 / 31 July 2014
The High Level Group „Belmont Forum" has published two calls for proposals:
Formation of new international networks: „Biodiversity futures: projecting changes in biodiversity and ecosystem services for decision-making" ecosystem services for decision-making 2014, 6:00 PM (EDT). Deadline 2 July 2014
Collaborative research projects for „Arctic Observing and Research for Sustainability". Deadline: 31 July 2014
More… Biodiversity futures; Arctic Observing and Research for Sustainability; Belmont Forum

Call Strengthen the capacity of workers' organisations - VP/2014/002
Objectives include measures, initiatives to strengthen the capacity of workers' organisations to address, at EU/transnational level, changes in employment, work, social dialogue related challenges, such as modernisation of the labour market, quality of work, anticipation, preparation and management of change and restructuring, the greening of the economy, flexicurity, skills, mobility/migration, youth employment, health/safety at work, reconciliation of work, family life, gender equality, action in the field of anti-discrimination, active ageing, healthier and longer working lives, active inclusion, decent work.
More… http://ec.europa.eu/social/main.jsp?catId=629&langId=en&callId=403&furtherCalls=yes

CEF Energy Call for Proposals 2014. Deadline: 19 August 2014
The CEF Energy Call for Proposals 2014 will make €750 million available to finance projects of common interest in the energy sector, namely in electricity and gas. The aim of the Connecting EU Facility is to accelerate investment in the field of trans-European networks, to leverage funding from public and private sectors. While the bulk of the investment needed in energy should be delivered by the market and its costs recovered through tariffs, it is however recognised that EU financing may be needed for specific projects with wider regional and EU benefits which are unable to attract market-based financing. For any questions concerning this call please check the CEF Energy Call 2014 FAQ or contact the Call Helpdesk.
More… http://inea.ec.europa.eu/en/cef/cef_energy/apply_for_funding/cef_energy_call_for_proposals_2014.htm

EUREKA, is calling for projects to fund in energy technology. Deadline: 19 September 2014
This call is organised by EUREKA offices in Austria, Germany, and Switzerland, with funding being available for the projects selected in each of those three countries. At least one partner from Austria, Germany or Switzerland must be included in a project consortium for it to be eligible for this call. Organisations from other EUREKA member countries are also encouraged to take part in it with funding availability to be discussed on individual basis with national project coordinators.
More… http://www.eurekanetwork.org/showarticle?p_r_p_564233524_articleId=4230120&p_r_p_564233524_groupId=10137

EUREKA, the European network for innovation is calling for projects to fund. Deadline: 1 August 2014
EUREKA launched a new call for technological innovation projects. National innovation and funding agencies from four European countries are taking part in the call; they are based in France, Germany, Spain, and United Kingdom. Applications are to be submitted before August 1st, 2014 to EUREKA National Project Coordinators (NPC).
A single application form is available online, which is to be sent to NPC, depending on the applicant's location. Innovative companies and universities from EUREKA member countries which are not taking part this call and countries outside of the EUREKA Network may also participate with the agreement of their own national innovation agency.
More… details on the EUREKA call for joint collaborative project proposals.

Eurostars, the Programme that supports research-performing SMEs. Deadline: 11 September 2014
Eurostars supports research-performing SMEs, which develop innovative products, processes, services, to gain competitive advantage. Eurostars does this by providing funding for transnational innovation projects; the products of which are then rapidly commercialized. Funding for Eurostars participants is provided on a country-by-country basis. Discover more in-depth information on funding available in your country by visiting Eurostars in your country.
More… https://www.eurostars-eureka.eu/ Downloads documents https://www.eurostars-eureka.eu/home/guidelines

Technology Strategy Board targets £2.5m to address power challenges in electronic systems and the IoT
The UK's Technology Strategy Board TSB is launching a new collaborative R&D competition focussed on energy harvesting technologies. The innovation agency hopes funding of £2.5m will go towards solving the problem of powering wireless electronic devices, the millions of sensor nodes coming into operation with the Internet of Things (IoT).
In early June, the TSB launches a major competition with the aim of funding innovative projects using low-power energy harvesting technologies for autonomous electronics. Up to £2.5m is earmarked for investment for successful applicants.
More… Technology-strategy-board-targets-to-address-power-challenges-in-electronic-systems-and-the-IoT

Electronic Components and Systems for European Leadership - ECSEL JU - "Expression of Interest" launched
ECSEL Joint Undertaking is a public-private partnership implementing the Joint Technology Initiative on electronic components and systems. The Regulation is expected to enter into force on 26 June 2014 and the **JU ECSEL** first call for proposals on 9 July 2014. The call will probably include only a Full Project Proposal phase, with a submission deadline expected to be on 10 September 2014.
More… Website ECSEL JU

2nd SAF€RA Joint Call on the Theme "Innovating in Safety and Safe Innovations"

The SAF€RA ERA-NET on industrial safety has launched its 2nd joint call for transnational, collaborative research projects concerning *Innovating in safety & safe innovations*. The call aims to foster collaboration between researchers from different countries in EU, from different scientific disciplines, in order to improve safety & the management of technological risks. The call topics are: Managing emerging risks. New technologies for safety. Funding countries participating in this call are the Czech Republic, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, the Netherlands, Norway, Serbia, Spain (Basque country). Deadline for submissions of pre-proposals: 10 July 2014. Deadline for submission of full proposals: 30 October 2014.
More… http://call.safera.eu/ ; second joint call on *Innovating in safety and safe innovations*

DG Employment – call for proposals EASI WP-2014-008. Deadline: 30 July 2014
I would like to bring to your attention a new call for proposals under the EaSI Programme, aimed at sustaining reforms in social services through projects of social innovation.
More…. http://ec.europa.eu/social/main.jsp?catId=629&langId=en&callId=408&furtherCalls=yes

EIT Call for Proposals for Knowledge and Innovation Communities – KICs. Deadline: 10 September 2014
A KIC is a highly autonomous partnership of top-class higher education institutions, research organizations, companies and other stakeholders in the innovation process that tackles societal challenges through the development of products, services and processes and that nurtures innovative entrepreneurial people. A KIC's portfolio of activities includes: entrepreneurial education, training programmes, research & innovation projects, incubation of & support to start-ups and ventures.
This year, two new KICs will be selected which address the thematic fields of: Innovation for healthy living and active ageing and Raw materials: sustainable exploration, extraction, processing, recycling and substitution.
More… http://eit.europa.eu/kics/2014-call-for-kics/ ; EIT brochure ; 2014 Call

COSME; Tourism Work Programme 2014
The actions will contribute to the implementation of the 2010 Tourism Communication „Europe, the world's No 1 tourist destination", ensure a sustainable continuation to initiatives already undertaken under COSME, EIP.
Objectives: (1) increasing tourism demand, (2) diversifying tourism offer, (3) enhancing tourism quality, sustainability, accessibility, skills, information & innovation, (4) Improving socio-economic knowledge of the sector, (5) increasing Europe's visibility as a tourist destination as well as of its diverse destinations.
More... http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/initiatives/cosme/index_en.htm; http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/sectors/tourism/index_en.htm

The Social Entrepreneur of the Year Competition. Deadline: 15 July 2014.
The Schwab Foundation for Social Entrepreneurship, based in Switzerland, has just launched the Social Entrepreneur of the Year Competition to **recognize outstanding social entrepreneurs around the globe.** At the time of application, the candidate organization but also the individual(s) leading it, shall have already three years of operations and have implemented an innovation that took the form of:

- A new product or service;
- A new production or distribution method;
- A new labour supply;

- The reformulation of an existing product for an underserved population
- New organizational structures or funding models.

More... http://www.schwabfound.org/content/global-selection

EuropaBio's Most Innovative European Biotech SME Award. Deadline 1 July 2014
The Award aims at showcasing European Biotech SMEs that have developed an **innovative solution to technical, social and environmental problems**. The award is committed to strengthening the biotechnology and innovation arena in Europe while promoting and empowering SMEs to generate novel solutions to unmet needs.
Candidates must qualify as an SME under the standard EU SME definition outlined in the EC 'SME User Guide'.
More... http://www.europabio.org/europabio-most-innovative-european-biotech-sme-award-2014-now-open-applications

2015-2016 EURIAS Fellowship Programme
More... www.eurias-fp.eu ; EURIAS_Call2015-2016.pdf

The ENTENTE project launches its 3rd call for application to the Professional Exchange Programme
More… http://entente-health.eu/

Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs
More... www.erasmus-entrepreneurs.eu ; Read more about participating in the programme

Creative Europe. Calls
More... http://ec.europa.eu/culture/creative-europe/calls/index_en.htm

Policy

Regional policy
EU regional policy is an investment policy. It supports job creation, competitiveness, economic growth, improved quality of life and sustainable development. These investments support the delivery of the Europe 2020 strategy.

- How does it work?
- Is my region covered?

- Fields of activity
- Evaluation

- What funding is available?
- How can I apply?
- Cooperation
- Cohesion policy 2014-2020

More… http://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/what/index_en.cfm

Energy

12th WEC Central & Eastern Europe Regional Energy Forum - FOREN 2014, 22-26 June 2014, Bucharest, Romania
FOREN2014 with the topic Tomorrow's Energy: From Vision to Reality is organized by the WEC Romanian National Committee, under the auspices of the Government of Romania, under the leadership of the World Energy Council and with the support of WEC Member Committees in Central and Eastern Europe. The 12th edition of FOREN will focus on the main challenges, developments and opportunities of the CEE power industry for a sustainable development.
Venue: http://cnr-cme.ro/foren2014/Palace_of_Parliament.html
More... http://cnr-cme.ro/foren2014/

7th International Scientific Conference on "Energy & Climate Change", 8-10 October 2014, Athens, Greece
The event is oriented towards "Green economy". The Conference is divided in three main parts:
1. is devoted to policies promoting the Green Energy Development
2. is devoted to scientific presentations,
3. is shaped as a "Brokerage event" that will bring together scientists, engineers, policy makers/market stakeholders, to increase their cross-interaction promoting innovative solutions, cooperation. During this Ipart, a new session is devoted to participants that are interested to formulate consortia in the context of H2020 (or other international) calls for proposals.
More… http://www.kepa.uoa.gr/

Webinar: Grid Modernization and Its Impact on IT, 9 July 2014
The objective of this webinar is to provide a history of the "Smart Grid", its impact on IT, an overview of actual experiences throughout the electric system as industry leaders have begun to move toward implementation of "Smart Grid" applications across the power system by way of demonstration projects, full scale of adoption of automation technologies. This event will provide a ground level view point of the current smart grid in practice, look into the future at what the next generation of the intelligent electricity transmission/distribution system may be, how it will likely impact information technology/technologists.
More… https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/223485857

Energy Demand Dynamics in a Global and Interconnected World
For energy commodities such as power, natural gas, coal, weather was a principal driver of demand, hence price. However, in a world that is increasingly interconnected, once predictable pricing patterns are becoming more nuanced.
More... Energy-markets-energy-demand-dynamics-in-a-global-and-interconnected-world

Urban Mobility / SMART Cities

2nd International Electric Vehicle Conference, 17-19 December 2014, Florence, Italy
This event is the flagship initiative for the global engineering community. It represents a main platform to identify market, technology, standardization opportunities for electrified vehicles/related infrastructure. Key executives of the private, public sector, academic leaders will contribute to an interactive dialogue how to further develop the transportation electrification ecosystem. Our goal is to create not only a scientific event mainly interesting for academic representatives, but an operative platform for the electromobility to start cooperation, promote the innovation, support the institutions/organizations.
The representatives of the main European Municipalities will be present to discuss the problems and opportunities towards the sustainable mobility, a number of show-drives, initiatives will take place during the Congress for delegates/public.
More... http://www.ievc2014.org/

How Mobility Can Drive Shorter Estimated Time for Restorations (ETRs) - Free eBook
Utilities must be prepared to deal with storms, floods, and other catastrophic events that are today affecting a larger number of customers across a wider geographical area. Customers also expect their utility company to provide updates on critical situations at a lightning pace. Mobility can dramatically change how utilities operate during outage situations and set restoration efforts apart from other utilities. Read the eBook to find out just how mobility can help drive shorter ETRs.
More... Download Now!

Events

International Conference on Knowledge, Innovation & Enterprise, 22-25 July 2014, Riga, Latvia
This conference is designed to be a major forum for the exchange of multidisciplinary and inter-organisational aspects of knowledge, innovation, enterprise management. Covering a variety of topics including technology and entrepreneurship, the event will provide participants collaboration and networking opportunities.
More… http://www.kiecon.org/index.html

International Conference on Agricultural, Ecological & Medical Sciences, AEMS-2014, 3-4 July 2014, London, UK
The conference aims to bring together leading academic scientists, researchers and scholars to exchange and share their experiences and research results regarding all aspects of agricultural, ecological and medical sciences. Participants will also discuss the practical challenges encountered and the solutions adopted.
More… http://www.iicbe.org/2014/07/05/47

International Conference on Green Chemistry and Sustainable Engineering, 29-31 July 2014, Barcelona, Spain
The conference sets out to create an international forum for academics, researchers, scientists to discuss research, results related to environmentally friendly and sustainable chemical processes.
The scientific program features sessions including: energy issues, climate change, green industrial processes, chemicals from renewable sources, and methodologies and tools for measuring environmental impact.
More… http://www.greenchemse.com/

10th International Symposium on Open Collaboration, OPENSYM'14, 27-29 August 2014, Berlin, Germany
The conference will focus on collaboration research including wiki and social media, Wikipedia, open source software, open data, open access and IT-driven open innovation research. The event seeks to foster collaboration and exchange between scientists from different areas of expertise including computer science, social science and law.
More… http://www.opensym.org/os2014/

18th International Conference on System Theory, Control & Computing, 17-19 October 2014, Sinaia, Romania
ICSTCC 2014 aims at bringing together under a unique forum, scientists from academia, industry to discuss the state of the art, the new trends in system theory, control, computer engineering, and to present recent research results, prospects for development in this rapidly evolving area. The Proceedings will be published in IEEE Xplore Digital Library and will also be submitted for indexing in Thomson Reuters Conference Proceedings Citation Index (formerly ISI Proceedings).
More… www.ace.tuiasi.ro/icstcc2014/

12th International Conference on Applied and Theoretical Electricity, October 23-25 2014, Craiova, Romania
The event is organized by the Faculty of Electrical Engineering, University of Craiova, with the technical co-sponsorship from IEEE. The aim is to provide an international forum for scientific research in the theory, technologies and applications of electrical engineering as well as in related fields. A plenary session and a special student session will be also hosted.
More… http://elth.ucv.ro/icate/register/openconf.php

The 6th International Conference on Robotics, 23-25 October 2014, Bucharest, Romania
The papers selected by the Scientific Committee will be published in the periodical **"**Applied Mechanics and Materials**",** available in full text online at www.scientific.net indexed by SCOPUS. Deadline: Abstract submission: June 02, 2014
More… http://www.events.imst.pub.ro/conferences/ROBOTICS

Events in the field of Innovation
27 June - 12 July 2014, Summer School on Management of Creativity in an Innovation Society, Barcelona, Spain
9 July 2014, Smart Cities, Smart Europe: Putting Our Energy into Innovation and Sustainability, Brussels, Belgium
29 September – 1October 2014, 2014 Good Practice Event on Entrepreneurial Universities, Madrid, Spain

Training Events / Career opportunities / Jobs

Calendar of training courses in nanoscience and electronics
More… http://www.fsrm.ch/e/formAgenda.php ; More FSRM courses
More… www.eurotraining.net
Looking for a summer school? Get access to over 40 Summer Schools in nanoelectronics and micro/nanosystems

Summer School in Economic History, Humboldt University, 1-5 September 2014, Berlin, Germany
The Summer School, is dedicated to reversing this trend by bringing together young scholars from different parts of EU whose research focuses on the economic history of Central, East & South-East Europe (CESEE) or on comparative development across different regions. Workshop sessions will give students the opportunity to present/discuss their work.
More… http://www.edu-active.com/camps/2014/may/10/european-summer-school-2014-economic-history-berli.html

Summer School: European RTDI policies, instruments & participation possibilities, 15-18 Sept 2014, Kyiv, Ukraine
The summer school provides training on project development, management and exploitation of research results in the frame of Horizon 2020. It is backed by a half-year mentoring programme for 30 young Ukrainian research and project managers. Deadline for applications is 10 July 2014.
More… http://www.bilat-ukr.eu/#2

Seminar European Defence & Security Procurement, , 9-10 October 2014, Maastricht
This seminar will explain and analyse the provisions of Directive 2009/81/EC and examine its application. According to the EC's Communication "Towards a more competitive, efficient defence & security sector", new actions are envisaged, among others, the rapid phasing out of offsets, the close monitoring of the application of the procurement rules.
The seminar will also address new initiatives by the European Defence Agency in the field of defence procurement. The last session of the seminar will be devoted to the new procurement rules, Directive 2014/24/EU.
More… Programme ; Online registration ; Complete information package