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## Technology Transfer and Innovation

### Events in technology transfer and innovation field



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

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

### August 2012

- 27 ["Nutrition and Diagnostics" conference and brokerage event](#) Prague (Czech\_Republic)
- 30 [Bulgarian-Romanian B2B for Agriculture](#) Dobrich (Bulgaria)
- 30 [B2B-Cooperation Exchange for Timber Construction & Forestry at the International Timber Fair](#) Klagenfurt (Austria)

### September 2012

- 03 [EastMeetsWest 2012 Brokerage Event](#) Nicosia (Cyprus)
- 05 [MariMatch 2012](#) Hamburg (Germany)
- 05 [Seminar-Exhibition in Croatia on Russian Innovation](#) Zagreb (Croatia)
- 06 [Brokerage Event Knowledge Management I-Know 2012](#) Graz (Austria)
- 06 [AIRMATCHING @ AIRET](#) Rimini (Italy)
- 11 [Contact-Contract at International Engineering Fair](#) Brno (Czech\_Republic)
- 11 [Inter-Cluster Brokerage Event 2012 \(ICBE 2012\)](#) Cambridge (United Kingdom)
- 11 [Brokerage event MTM Furniture Fair Ostróda Poland](#) Ostróda (Poland)
- 11 [Renewable Energy: the added value of satellite solutions for SMEs](#) Graz (Austria)
- 12 [MME 2012](#) Ilmenau (Germany)
- 12 [EU Biotechnology Transfer Day: Seoul 2012](#) Seoul (Korea, Republic of)
- 12 [SPACE 2011 - Livestock and agriculture brokerage event](#) RENNES (France)
- 12 [AUTOMECHANIKA B2B EVENTS FOR AUTOMOTIVE SUPPLIERS](#) Frankfurt / Darmstadt (Germany)
- 13 [International Matchmaking Event - Slovenia 2012](#) Celje (Slovenia)
- 18 [Mat & nano brokerage day](#) Warsaw (Poland)
- 18 [INNOTRANS 2012 - International brokerage event "Connecting Railways"](#) Berlin (Germany)
- 19 [WindMatch 2012](#) Husum (Germany)
- 19 [Uncertainty modelling in engineering - international workshop](#) Leuven (Belgium)
- 19 [AMB 2012](#) Stuttgart (Germany)
- 20 [Subcontracting B2B Matchmaking 2012](#) Tampere (Finland)
- 20 [CINCOS'12 Brokerage Event](#) Aveiro (Portugal)
- 20 [Energy from waste](#) Szekesfehervar (Hungary)
- 21 [TRACKING the WORLD of PACKAGING](#) Istanbul (Turkey)
- 21 [Brokerage Event - construction advanced technologies](#) Bielsko - Biala (Poland)
- 25 [SIMO NETWORK 2012 - Technological Brokerage Event in ICT Services and Solutions](#) Madrid (Spain)
- 25 [The 7th EU-China Business & Technology Cooperation Fair](#) Chengdu (China)
- 26 [AutomotiveDay 2012 - Automotive industry in Greater Region](#) Trémery (France)
- 26 [Company Mission on Micro-technology and Precision Industry](#) Neuchatel & Besançon (France)
- 26 [COMPANY MISSION AT MACFRUT 2012](#) Cesena (Italy)

- 26 [EnergoExpo Brokerage Event](#) Debrecen (Hungary)
- 26 [Technologies for Foundry METAL Brokerage Event](#) Kielce (Poland)
- 27 [8th Micro & Nanotechnologies brokerage event](#) Besancon (France)
- 27 [Brokerage for SME in ICT technologies and business](#) Kufstein (Austria)
- 27 [French-Belgian nutrition company mission](#) Clermont-Fd (France)
- 27 [Company mission in the sector of bakery products](#) Thessaloniki (Greece)
- 28 [NEXT 2012- Workshop & Technology dating on food/nutrition](#) Trieste (Italy)

#### October 2012

- 02 [International matchmaking event "EastLink: Business-Science Cooperation"](#) Klaipeda (Lithuania)
- 03 [BioNorth 2012](#) Gateshead (United Kingdom)
- 04 [Electric Vehicles Conference & Show - 10th edition - Brokerage Event](#) Bucharest (Romania)
- 09 [International matchmaking event at POLAGRA FOOD Fair \(food&drink sector\)](#) Poznan (Poland)
- 09 [North Sea Offshore Wind Conference and Brokerage Event](#) Hull (United Kingdom)
- 10 [Nanotechnology Business Matchmaking Event](#) Jyväskylä (Finland)
- 10 [IZB - Business Matching 2012](#) Wolfsburg (Germany)
- 11 [EUROCONTACT Export-Import Hungary](#) Gyor (Hungary)
- 12 [TURKCHEM Matchmaking 2012](#) Istanbul (Turkey)
- 12 [BUSINESS RENDEZ-VOUS OSTRAVA 2012](#) Ostrava (Czech Republic)
- 18 [Brokerage event at the Romanian National Innovation Forum](#) Bucharest (Romania)
- 18 [MedicoMatch](#) Ankara (Turkey)
- 22 [ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE ENTERPRISE EUROPE NETWORK](#) Pafos (Cyprus)
- 22 [SIAL Match 2012](#) Paris (France)
- 24 [Potato Potential event in Arnhem The Netherlands](#) Arnhem (Papendal) (Netherlands)
- 25 [FoodMatch brokerage event during Food Valley Expo](#) Arnhem (Papendal) (Netherlands)
- 25 [One-Day-Company Mission to the 17th buyer's fair - „Salon à l'Envers de Lorraine“](#) Thionville (France)
- 26 [b2b@SASOfair](#) Split (Croatia)

#### November 2012

- 08 [Company mission at EIMA International agricultural and gardening machinery Exhibition](#) Bologna (Italy)
- 08 [ECOBUSINESS COOPERATION EVENT 2012](#) RIMINI (Italy)
- 08 [G-Star brokerage event 2012](#) Busan (Korea, Republic of)
- 13 [4th Edition of Urban and Smart Mobility Brokerage event - Modilis 2012](#) Mulhouse (France)
- 14 [EuroTier Matchmaking 2012](#) Hanover (Germany)
- 15 [CZECHBUS 2012](#) Prague (Czech Republic)
- 21 [Technology and Business Brokerage Event within RENEXPO South-East Europe 2012](#) Bucharest (Romania)
- 22 [Euro-Mediterranean Business Meetings ECOBAT](#) Marseille (France)
- 23 [International Business Meetings CONTACT "denkmal"](#) Leipzig (Germany)
- 26 [Brokerage Event Pollutec Lyon 2012 "GREEN DAYS"](#) LYON (France)
- 27 [VINITECH SIFEL](#) Bordeaux (France)
- 27 [SYRREN 2012 - Super Yachts Refit & REpair Brokerage Event](#) Marseilles (France)
- 28 ["Mission for Growth" – Brokerage event at "CAT 2012" Business & Technology Convention](#) Tunis (Tunisia)
- 29 [Tech Industry 2012](#) Riga (Latvia)

#### December 2012

- 06 [Brokerage Event on Water Technologies in 6-9 December in Bursa / TURKEY](#) Bursa (Turkey)

#### April 2013

- 11 [Biopesticide Market Opportunities](#) London (United Kingdom)

#### Useful links

[Enterprise Europe Network](#) [DG Enterprise](#) [EU-Services](#) [Portal-for-SMEs](#) [Your-Europe-Your-Business](#) [Cordis](#) [US-EU-match](#) [Executive-Agency-for-Competitiveness&Innovation-EACI](#) [EIM's Knowledge Web on SMEs & Entrepreneurship](#) [Access2Finance - EU-Finance for SMEs](#) [EU's Information Society: Thematic Portal](#) [Your Europe - Citizens portal](#)

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#### **B2B & Brokerage event during the Forum for Innovation & Research Fair, Bucharest, Romania, 18-19 Oct. 2012**

With the occasion of the International Technical Fair TIB 2012 and the Research Salon, AROTT – Romanian Association for Technology Transfer and Innovation and Enterprise Europe Network – Romania have the pleasure in inviting you to take part, in a **Business Meetings and Brokerage Event** as well as the **Innovation Forum**.

The event represent the main place to discuss, analyse the synergies, strategies, ideas on innovation, technology transfer, entrepreneurial formation, research, in benefit of the market. The event will take place in parallel with:

- the Research Fair [www.mct.ro](http://www.mct.ro) ,
- INVENTIKA - International Fair for Inventions [www.expoinventika.ro](http://www.expoinventika.ro)

- TIB - Bucharest International Technical Fair <http://www.tib.ro/>
- Brokerage event <http://www.enterprise-europe-network.ec.europa.eu/public/calendar/viewdetails.cfm?EventID=2249&type=future>
- The Innovation Forum

We kindly invite you and your clients to participate, specially if you have:

- Business offers or requests (for the sought partners)
- Offers of new technologies, inventions, innovations, that you wish to promote through technology transfer or require offers of new technologies, equipments to be promoted in Romania.
- Offers or requests for partnerships for the participation in European projects (FP7, CIP, Eureka, etc)

Whether you're interested in the latest trends in innovation, technology transfer, new technologies in the field, **technologies for maximizing SMEs competitiveness**, a trip to the **event** would really pay dividends. The event functions as an interface between research, innovation and the market sector allowing new technologies, processes, patents and licenses to be offered.

You will have the opportunity to get to know selected partners during individual discussions, which aim to pave the way for future co-operations. 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** information about us you find at <http://www.ipacv.ro/ro4een/> ; [gabriela.canureci@ipacv.ro](mailto:gabriela.canureci@ipacv.ro) ; [office@ipacv.ro](mailto:office@ipacv.ro)

#### **Brokerage event during RENEXPO® South-East Europe 2012, Bucharest, 21-23 November 2012**

RENEXPO® South-East Europe 2012, International Trade Fair and Conference for Renewable Energy and Energy Efficient Construction and Renovation with Passive and Low Energy Houses, from 21st – 23th November 2012 in Palace Hall Cultural Center, Bucharest brings together for the third time multipliers and actors from the south-eastern European area at a central event.

As a partner from the Network, IPA CIFATT - Research Development, Engineering and Manufacturing for Automation Equipment - RO 4 Europe, will organise a brokerage event on 22<sup>nd</sup> November.

The participation is free of charge for all interested participants.

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

This event will add an extra dimension to the trade fair for visitors and exhibitors as well as for partners into the Network interested to promote collaboration with Romanian research or business representatives.

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#### **4<sup>th</sup> World Famous Mountains Conference, 25-28 September 2012, Olanesti, Valcea, Romania**

Thanks to the generous support of the Montana Association, the World Famous Mountains Association brought their fourth annual conference to Romania for the first time. The first three conferences, held two in China and one in the USA, attracted over 300 attendees. Our main purposes are:

- To establish partnerships with similar organizations in Europe;
- To promote the concept of sustainable development in rural & urban areas;
- To support the investments for a modern infrastructure;
- To use the mountain resources to help SMEs to develop.

**More...** <http://www.worldfamousmountains.ro/>

#### **Hungarian – Slovakian – Romanian - Ukrainian B2B meeting & Professional Day, 10 Aug 2012, Debrecen Hungary**

The event are organized commonly by the Chamber of Commerce & Industry of Hajdú-Bihar County, the Hungarian-Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce & Industry, the Carpathian Region Business Network within the Exhibition and Fair of Hajdúböszörmény town.

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#### **Brokerage Event at Eurasia Packaging Fair, Istanbul, 21 September 2012**

The event is the gateway not only to the Turkish market but also to the Near & Middle East markets, is organized in the framework of **Eurasia PACKAGING Istanbul Fair**, is the **biggest annual** packaging fair in EU. In **2011, 1031 companies** from **33 countries** which spread to **America, EU, Asia** have participated at 2011 Fair. A total of **40.753 professionals from 82 countries** have visited to the fair.

For the detailed information about the fair, please [click!](#) For the free online invitation to the fair, please [click!](#)

**More...** [http://www.een-b2b.org/eurasiapack/ShowContent.aspx?id=185&qoback=%2Egde\\_1146577\\_member\\_141698922](http://www.een-b2b.org/eurasiapack/ShowContent.aspx?id=185&qoback=%2Egde_1146577_member_141698922)

#### **ICT Proposers' Day, 26-27 September, Warsaw, Poland**

The ICT Proposers' Day is a unique networking opportunity to build partnerships and projects targetting the new [Information and Communication Technologies Work Programme for 2013](#). The event will provide:

- first-hand information from European Commission officials on the upcoming calls for proposals and the ICT Work Programme 2013, offering around 1.5 billion euro of EU funding
- an opportunity to present and discuss your project idea during one of the networking sessions
- an [electronic platform](#) for exchanging ideas and finding right partners to form project consortia
- a [face2face brokerage event](#) with pre-arranged meetings within the ICT Proposers' Day
- guidance on how to present a successful proposal

**More...** <http://www.b2match.eu/proposersday2012/pages/home>



### **Take part in the ICT Proposers' day online networking**

The preparations for the ICT Proposers' day in September have already started as the [online networking](#) online networking for the event has been opened. Therefore you should already go and create your profile and get in contact with other proposers. Here you can also find put more about the Work Programme 2013 and present your project idea and browse others ideas as well as leave comments and upload presentations.

**More...** [http://ec.europa.eu/information\\_society/events/ictproposersday/2012/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/information_society/events/ictproposersday/2012/index_en.htm)

### **Romanian Energy Center – INFO DAYS Energy, ICT, R&D Event, 27-28 September 2012, Bucharest, Romania**

The main objective of this event is to inform participants about/provide potential applicants with the currently expected main lines of the FP7 2013, to highlight the Energy Priorities, Funding Programs for Energy, EU Funding Opportunities for "ICT for Green" as well as key research areas, topics in the energy field.

The event will give the role of funding programmes for energy, ICT, R&D projects as a major driver in promoting sustainable energy. Case studies, success story projects will be presented for each of the 3 sessions. Interested participants of: energy utilities, companies, universities, research organisations, ministry of economy, ministry of education & research, regulatory authority, all interested in the topics of energy, ICT, R&D funding programmes/projects.

This event will be a good opportunity to meet, exchange views with: high level representatives of our members, representatives of the EC DG Energy, DG ICT, DG R&D, Universities, Research Organisations, representatives of other energy associations or energy companies.

**More...** <http://www.crenerg.org> ; +40 21 3035 630 or send an e-mail to [office@crenerg.org](mailto:office@crenerg.org)

### **European Job Day, Brussels, 6 October 2012**

Are you an employer looking for people to fill your jobs vacancies? Would you like to connect with skilled jobseekers across Europe and raise your company's profile at the same time? European Job Day (EJD) is an onsite and online job day event aimed at matching jobseekers with employers across Europe. The event is jointly organised by the EC & EURES, the European job placement service offering free information, advice and support to jobseekers, employers.

From wherever you are in Europe you can now log on to [www.europeanjobdays.eu](http://www.europeanjobdays.eu) to find useful information about the event. You will be able to follow the live streamed presentation, hold free one-to-one interviews with jobseekers either onsite or online, gain advice from employment advisors. This year's event will focus on healthcare, ICT, green jobs which have been identified as growth sectors. To attend Job Days, fill in the [online form](#) or email [info@europeanjobdays.eu](mailto:info@europeanjobdays.eu).

**More...** [www.europeanjobdays.eu](http://www.europeanjobdays.eu) ; [register here](#) ; [Frequently Asked Questions](#) ; download and print EJD posters [here](#).

### **Events to build successful consortia on FP7 – Security Research**

The SEREN2 Network offers two precious opportunities for people interested in preparing a proposal for "Security Research" in the 7<sup>th</sup> Framework Programme and want to build successful consortia.

<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/page/cooperation?callIdentifier=FP7-SEC-2013-1>

For this purposes, the network of the Security National Contact Points will organize:

1. Security 6<sup>th</sup> Call Joint Partnering Event, 11<sup>th</sup> September 2012, Brussels (& INFO DAY organised by the Commission)
2. Security International Partnering Day & Brokerage Event, 25<sup>th</sup> September, Essen (Germany)

These initiatives represent exceptional opportunities to meet other companies, research organizations and end-users active in research and technology development to present project ideas and to discuss it personally.

**More...** [http://ec.europa.eu/rea/about\\_us/events/security\\_fp7\\_infoday2012\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/rea/about_us/events/security_fp7_infoday2012_en.htm) ; <http://www.b2match.eu/security-brussels2012> ; <http://www.b2match.eu/securityessen2012>

### **EBTC Biotechnology Mission 2012, in two parts**

The European Business & Technology Centre-EBTC invite you to participate in an two-part biotechnology mission. With a focus on various biotech subsectors, emerging trends, challenges, policy frameworks, the mission aims to showcase interesting, relevant, ready-to-go opportunities in the biotechnology sector in India, encourage EU-India collaboration.

#### **Part 1 – 'EBTC Biotechnology Virtual Matchmaking' (24<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> September 2012)**

Register online at <http://www.b2match.com/biotechfm2012>, meet virtually with Indian counterparts. The virtual match-making will allow you to explore potential private/public opportunities without the need to invest major financial resources for first contacts. You will also have access to view full Indian biotech project briefs, enabling you to virtually interact with Indian counterparts to explore possible collaborations; joint ventures; technology development / transfer, clinical trials covering research organizations, industries/public/private funding organizations – all in a virtual set up.

#### **Part 2 – 'EBTC Business & Research Delegation to India' (5<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> November 2012, Bengaluru)**

With time to develop relationships, advance agreements virtually will allow you to meet your prospective Indian counterparts in person, will be the perfect occasion to cement relationships. This event is open to any EU organization / individual interested in exploring the best Indian opportunities in the biotech sector. Be it a small medium sized enterprise (SME's) or research institution, the event ensures a mix of interesting professionals from both the EU & India.

**More...** Register online: [www.b2match.com/biotechfm2012](http://www.b2match.com/biotechfm2012) ; Event: [www.ebtc.eu/events.html](http://www.ebtc.eu/events.html) ; [Event Information Sheet](#)

### **EBTC Energy Flagship Mission 2012, 7-9 November 2012, New Delhi, India**

The mission aims to showcase relevant, ready-to-go opportunities in the energy sector, encourage collaboration, with a focus on various emerging trends, challenges, policy frameworks. This event is open to EU organization/individual, SME, research institutions interested in exploring the best Indian opportunities in the clean energy sector. **Mission Benefits:**

- Attend the 6<sup>th</sup> Renewable Energy India 2012 Expo & Conference.
- Showcase European research, technology and solutions.
- Get an overview of Indian private and public sectors renewable energy project opportunities.
- Opportunity to gain insight into various financing sources.
- Participate in high-level networking and information sessions.
- A customized schedule of one-on-one business meetings with pre-screened Indian potential partners.
- Pre-registered company/industry site visits.
- Empower yourself with adequate knowledge about doing business in the Indian renewable sector.

The delegation will enable you to gain an understanding of the Indian energy market, explore business opportunities. The event will include a multitude of activities including high-end workshops; B2B / B2G meetings, site visits, networking sessions. It is the objective of the EBTC business, research delegation to assist EU companies, researchers in their venture to India, identify needs within India, facilitate the transfer of clean energy technology to the Indian market.

**More...** [Event Information Flyer](#) ; [Expression of Interest Form](#) , [martinelli@eurochambres.eu](mailto:martinelli@eurochambres.eu) ; [energy@ebtc.eu](mailto:energy@ebtc.eu)

## **2<sup>nd</sup> European Gender Summit, European Parliament, 29-30 November 2012, Bruxelles**

The [European Gender Summit](#) brings together researchers, science leaders, industry experts and policy makers from the fields of research and innovation. Through exchange of knowledge, best practice, the Summit promotes evidence-based strategies for integrating the gender dimension in research & innovation for better/more effective results.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> European Gender Summit will focus on **aligning the agendas** of stakeholders in the European Research Area & Innovation Union. Its key outcome will be the development of a **European Gender Equality Standard**. Building on the success of the [1st Gender Summit](#), the [Manifesto for Integrated Action on the Gender Dimension in Research & Innovation](#), this edition will continue using collaborative consultation processes for integrative policy development.

**More...** [www.gender-summit.eu](http://www.gender-summit.eu)

## **Europe INNOVA Conference, Stress Test of EU Innovation Policy, 23-24 October 2012, Copenhagen, Denmark**

Europe INNOVA 2012 will stress test innovation policy in three areas:

- SME innovation support schemes
- Commercial exploitation of knowledge, IP and new inventions
- Networks and cluster policies

Europe INNOVA 2012 will provide you with:

- The latest knowledge and the hottest discussions going on in the innovation policy society
- New knowledge on how you can improve your performance as policy maker and programme owner
- New knowledge on the best innovation policies as well as the most embarrassing failures you should avoid
- Access to likeminded people who can support you as policy maker and programme owner
- New ideas and new energy to meet the challenges of the future

The conference is based on a completely new innovative concept: **"Ten Dogma Rules For Conferences"**

1. **No opening speeches from VIPs**
2. **No time wasted on long presentation of speakers**
3. **No keynote speakers**, but we can offer you access to brand new knowledge on innovation policy
4. **No PowerPoint presentations**, the speakers will be interviewed on stage by a professional moderator
5. **No reports will be presented**, you will get access to reports before the conference.
6. **No parallel sessions** – you will get access to all the wisdom of the conference.
7. **No quotations** – participants should contribute with their own thinking, own ideas and original thoughts
8. **No best practice without a critical angle** – all cases presented will be submitted to a stress test
9. **No one is allowed to be bored** – minimum one good laugh per hour
10. **Lots of breaks** – you will get the best opportunities to make contacts, dating and networking

**More...** <http://www.europeinnova2012-copenhagen.eu/>

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

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

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

## **Clusters**

### **Take part of the SoCool@EU community, sustainable organisation between Clusters of Optimised Logistics@EU**

If you are interested in taking part of the SoCool@EU project, become a member of the SoCool@EU Community, do not hesitate to sign up on our website. Send us your interests, needs, objectives and we will keep you updated on the progress of the project.

**More...** <http://www.socool-logistics.eu/socool3/index.php/en/socool-community.htm>

### **The quality label for cluster organizations: criteria, processes, framework of implementation**

The EU Cluster Excellence Initiative-ECEI has published the online publication that delivers cluster managers a detailed insight into the indicators/processes of the EU Cluster Management Excellence Label GOLD developed within the ECEI.

**More...** <http://www.tci-network.org/news/card/477>

## **Clusters in emerging industries**

From a policymaker's point of view, emerging industries, independent of how they are defined, are highly important. They yield the highest potential for the growth and competitiveness of firms, especially SMEs. The key question is: how can emerging industries' firms participation in clusters be supported? How can clusters contribute? How shall clusters adopt policies and support measures? Is there any need for new approaches? Answers to these and other questions can be found at a working paper by the Institute for Innovation and Technology.

**More...** <http://www.tci-network.org/news/card/478>

### Clusters new trends & smart specialization

Over 75 European policy makers gathered in Brussels to review the linkages and synergies between clusters, the new regional policy framework known as RIS3 (Research & Innovation Strategies for Smart Specialisation). From a policymaker's point of view, emerging industries, independent of how they are defined, are highly important. They yield the highest potential for the growth, competitiveness of firms, especially SMEs. The key question is: how can emerging industries' firms participation in clusters be supported? How can clusters contribute? How shall clusters adopt policies/support measures? Is there any need for new approaches? Answers to the questions can be found at a working paper by the Institute for Innovation & Technology.

**More...** <http://www.tci-network.org/news/card/475>

## SMEs

### Technology - Offers and Requests

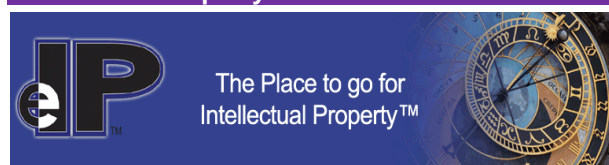
<a href="#">Automated Oxygen Consumption Measurements</a>	Denmark	OFFER
<a href="#">New technology for monitoring of stress, fatigue, cracking and metal loss in ferromagnetic steel.</a>	Norway	OFFER
<a href="#">Original method for chemical restoration and biological disinfection of historical paper's surface.</a>	Romania	OFFER
<a href="#">Commercial forensic laboratory that can provide reference measurements for chemical analysis</a>	Sweden	REQUEST
<a href="#">PS FP7-SMARTCITIES-2013: Methods &amp; tools for testing electric vehicles as sustainable urban public transport in interaction with the existing grid infrastructure</a>	Romania	REQUEST
<a href="#">Silicate-based lightweight building system</a>	Hungary	OFFER
<a href="#">Space Vision Marker or Position System</a>	UK	OFFER
<a href="#">Innovative, high-power LED lighting technology for agricultural use</a>	Hungary	OFFER
<a href="#">Storage system for electrical energy generated by solar cells</a>	Germany	REQUEST
<a href="#">Active Heating System for Low-energy Consumption Greenhouses</a>	Sweden	OFFER
<a href="#">Innovative lubricant and sealing material for the use in tunneling</a>	Germany	OFFER
<a href="#">Process or system optimisation through innovative turnkey computer solutions</a>	France	OFFER
<a href="#">Small combined heat and power plant to produce heat and electricity</a>	Germany	OFFER
<a href="#">Looking for a preclinical partner developing new biodegradable scaffold/matrix materials for stem cell-based bone tissue engineering.</a>	Belgium	REQUEST
<a href="#">FP7-PS-Fabrication of Nanoparticle-Reinforced Al-Si-Mg Alloys for High Performance Applications</a>	Spain	REQUEST

### Compilation of patents that have been challenged in the USPTO

USPTO - The United States Patent and Trademark Office, on a weekly basis, publishes information corresponding to reexamination requests received by them. Check if there is a patent relevant to your business!

**More...** <http://goo.gl/cCUFy> ; <http://invntree.com/blogs/uspto-reexamination-request-update-july-18th-july-24th-2012-%E2%80%93-invntree>

## Intellectual Property



### Searching for patents;

Includes a look at some useful Espacenet functions, information about patent citations, the new classification scheme for clean-energy patents, updates on the CPC.

**More...** [Read more](#)

### Learn how standards can help your enterprise to grow. StandarDays, 25-26 September 2012, Bruxelles

A info session which will answer your questions about European Standardization System. Participation is free of charge.

**More...** <http://www.cencenelec.eu/News/Events/Pages/EV-2012-010.aspx>

### **Meeting of tutors with the EQE committees 19-20 September 2012, Berlin**

This year's meeting will again provide an excellent opportunity for tutors to learn more about where to put particular emphasis (and how) when training candidates for the EQE.

**More...** [Read more and register](#)

### **Seminar "Boards of appeal and key decisions" 8-9 November 2012, Munich**

This high-level seminar delivers unique insight into the work of the EPO boards of appeal. EPO experts, patent attorneys and judges will speak about the boards' case law and the latest developments.

**More...** [Read more and register](#)

### **Online training course for the EQE pre-examination 2013**

A 6-month online training course has been developed by the EU Patent Academy in co-operation with the EPI, aimed at students preparing for the next EQE pre-examination paper. It consists of e-learning parts, video tutorials, reading material, case studies, virtual classroom sessions, all developed, presented by experienced tutors. Registration is open.

**More...** [Learn more and how to register](#)

## **Research**

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### **Focusing in on European research in central and eastern Europe**

European research, technology and development has long been at the forefront of many breakthroughs but, according to the European Science Foundation, a rethink needs to occur to identify the challenges of the future and new agendas being developed. In addition to this, attention is needed on how these pan-European research agendas can blend with the specific dynamics of change occurring in various regions, and in particular, central and eastern Europe.

**More...** [http://ec.europa.eu/research/infocentre/article\\_en.cfm?id=research/headlines/news/article\\_12\\_07\\_26\\_en.html&item=Infocentre&artid=26233](http://ec.europa.eu/research/infocentre/article_en.cfm?id=research/headlines/news/article_12_07_26_en.html&item=Infocentre&artid=26233)

## **Innovation and Entrepreneurship**

### **Commission launches innovation partnership for Smart Cities and Communities**

The initiative is dedicated to demonstrating commercial-scale solutions in a small number of locations, thus supporting European cities and communities to meet their commitments in, for example, the fields of energy, transport, air quality or climate change mitigation. The 1<sup>st</sup> phase is the orientation of the 2013 FP7 to reflect the integrated nature of the urban energy, transport, ICT topics. In this Work Programme, topics related to SCC have been united in a call that maximises the impact of projects at the interface of the 3 sectors.

Lighthouse projects will tackle issues at the intersection of the transport, energy and ICT sectors. The projects should trigger strategic partnerships of innovation-driven companies from the three sectors acting across geographical borders. They should forge strong partnerships with local leaders and municipal authorities to gain the vital support and visibility necessary to engage and empower citizens and local stakeholders to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and energy consumption and more widely to improve the urban environment. Throughout the SCC, cities will be given the opportunity to highlight to potential consortia their project plans, key areas of interest and longer-term ambitions.

Horizontal Actions for collaboration on key challenges. The Commission will support selected horizontal activities to address specific challenges, foster cross-project collaboration and promote common approaches (see figure 2). This will include Working Groups within the Stakeholder Platform (see chapter 4.2) and also specific actions to disseminate results to stakeholders. Moreover options for EU policy initiatives, future regulation and standardisation facilitating commercial roll-out will be collected. This will necessitate the use of performance data and other information from the lighthouse projects including use of common standards and metrics to measure environmental and other relevant impacts, common practices for data collection and integration, financing and citizen empowerment and engagement.

The governance structure of the SCC will be composed of two entities: the High Level Group, the Stakeholder Platform.

**More...** [http://ec.europa.eu/energy/technology/initiatives/doc/2012\\_4701\\_smart\\_cities\\_en.pdf](http://ec.europa.eu/energy/technology/initiatives/doc/2012_4701_smart_cities_en.pdf)

### **Regional Innovation Reports**

Regional innovation reports provide a description and analysis of contemporary developments on regional innovation policy. For a selected number of regions, the regional innovation reports take into account the specific context and general trends to highlight innovation policy trends and priorities.

**More...** <http://www.rim-europa.eu/index.cfm?q=p.report&section=innovation>

### **Breakthrough Solutions through Global Best Practices**

Innovation is the key to sustained growth and profitability. Smart business leaders know this, but how many managers actually achieve breakthrough results through innovation? Using new methods & tools, clients regularly achieve quantum improvements in key business metrics. We bring the best practices of the world's leading innovators to you, so you can apply them to challenges in every area of the enterprise. Do you, your company have what it takes to innovate for success? We are certain that you do. Let us prove it to you, then, let us show you how.



**More...** <http://www.theinnovationworkgroup.com/>

### **Unleashing the huge potential of key enabling technologies for jobs**

The EC has called for a European effort to boost Key Enabling Technologies (KETs). The global market in KETs, which comprises micro- and nanoelectronics, advanced materials, industrial biotechnology, photonics, nanotechnology and advanced manufacturing systems, is forecast to grow from € 646 Billion to over € 1 Trillion by 2015. This is a jump of over 54%, or more than 8% of the EU's GDP. Rapid growth in jobs is expected, too. In nanotechnology industries alone, the number of jobs in the EU is expected to increase from 160,000 in 2008, to around 400,000 by 2015.

**More...** [http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/newsroom/cf/itemdetail.cfm?item\\_id=6033&lang=en&tpa\\_id=0&displayType=news&id=1021](http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/newsroom/cf/itemdetail.cfm?item_id=6033&lang=en&tpa_id=0&displayType=news&id=1021)

### **6 Steps to Franchising Your Business**

Franchising your small business may be a good way to grow fast. Figuring out whether or not franchising will work for you is a matter of knowing your business and yourself. From drawing up a Financial Disclosure Document to figuring out what potted plants will line the storefront, when turning a business into a franchise the devil is in the details. The pay off, however, can be lucrative, as franchising is one of the best ways to spread a brand and grow a business quickly.

**More...** [How-to-franchise-your-business](#)

### **Is your organization ready to become an Innovation Superstar?**

- World-renowned innovation provides powerful keynote presentations on innovation.
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**More...** [www.lasseninnovation.com](http://www.lasseninnovation.com)

### **Navigating the Three Horizon Framework**

The [Three Horizon Approach](#) is a more than valuable one for you to begin to build the necessary structure into your thinking about its evolutionary place bridging strategy, innovation. This framework helps your thinking to construct the different activities into their appropriate space for deciding what resources to commit to them.

By breaking these up into their different needs you begin to break down the 'debate' on what and where to place your emphasis, resources and thinking in clearer time frames of attainment. The discussions become far more 'framed', allow for a clarity, can often defuse needless debates/fuel more 'mature' ones.

**More...** [Navigating-the-three-horizon-framework](#)

### **How would you manage innovation in org that thrives on operational excellence/continuous improvement?**

Continuous improvement is innovation, incremental innovation. A large mass of managers, employees working on incremental improvements is a powerful force, creates a capability, difficult for rivals to copy (witness Toyota with Lean).

A clear vision/strategy for the firm's overall improvement needs will help identify where 'step change' improvement is needed as opposed to incremental. Strategic organizations pay attention to the emerging changes in the market place. Truly "excellent" organizations also identify disruptive solutions to as yet unrevealed future demands.

As an organization that thrives on operational excellence, do you have a robust strategic planning process excellence to ensure your performance well into the future? This is an essential guiding element of an overall innovation effort, must be distinct – but connected – efforts. Then the company's strategic vision must be clear, well communicated, embraced throughout the organization as fundamental to business decisions, and (very important) incentivized appropriately.

Lean initiatives primarily support ongoing efficiency (aka incremental). Where incremental innovation efforts reside within core processes throughout the enterprise/disruptive innovation development benefits from a separate strategically focused "laboratory" environment that incorporates diverse inputs. Concurrently with their continuous production efficiency activities, Toyota's innovative hybrid program was developing a disruptive offering aligned with their green strategy. This wasn't an incremental innovation or a waste elimination effort.

Harvard Business Review, May 2012, has a great article, "Managing Your Innovation Portfolio", that prescribes a holistic perspective for an organization's innovation. It recommends an active, centralized management of innovation as opposed to allowing disparate innovation initiatives throughout the company. The thinking describes the mix of core, incremental, transformational innovations both in terms of investment and returns.

**More...** <http://hbr.org/2012/05/managing-your-innovation-portfolio/ar/1>

## **Partner Search**

### **NMP Partner Search Facility**

With the publication of the NMP Work Programme 2013 on July 10th, 2012, the Partner Search Facility provided by the NMP Team (network of national contact points for the NMP programme) has been updated.

An important pre-requisite for a promising project proposal is a suitable consortium of project applicants. Usually, a project consortium must have a minimum of 3 partners from 3 EU countries; more details concerning such rules, regulations may be found in the respective call texts, in the document "[EC rules for participation](#)".

When building a project consortium the expertise of the project partners should complement each other, ideally, the prospective partners should already be in close contact or collaboration.

The Search Facility has been established by the network on NMP NCPs in order to offer best support to its clients. The web service is strictly focused on the open calls for proposals of theme 4 – NMP/FP7. We discern between:

- **Partner Offers** - Researchers who offer their research expertise, who are looking for collaboration in project consortia



- **Partner Offers** - Researchers or consortia with a definite idea for a project who are looking for further partners to complement the expertise scope of the consortium

**More...** <https://www.nmp-partnersearch.eu/index.php>

### Partner Search from Romania

SANDI Project: "Support Actions to create New RDI partnerships in trans-border area in order to bring together Business and Research for accessing European Funds"

SANDI project is looking for experts in the field of innovation, research, technology transfer from Romania and Bulgaria (or Europe) to be part of our Cross Border Cooperation Network of specialists from all technological fields. CBC Partners means partnerships in Romania - Bulgaria Cross Border Area for a sustainable development. The project and the network will benefit of an interactive website dedicated to the local needs.

We intend to improve the support in cross-border cooperation, to promote the research results and to improve the local image in order to attract new Regional & European funds, to develop research & economic partnerships agreements between network partners, to submit projects proposals. The project aims to identify the local needs, to correlate them with specific partners of the network. More information: <http://www.cbc-partners.ro>

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### Looking for partners for the FP7 2013 - ENV.2013.6.5-2 Mobilizing environmental knowledge for policy & society

The art of music in the European dialogue. Similarities and differences between the classical art and musicology in Eastern European countries (Romania, Hungary) and Northern countries (Norway, Denmark, Sweden). Research wishes to distinguish the common landmarks but also the different approaches to the role of classical music in two geographically distinct regions but which have many common elements in common. Although the research area is a rich one we wish to decant the things that unite us, to learn from each other ways of approaching the analysis of classical interpretive and vocal art, the art of musicology and their management. As a small start-up we are looking to join research groups that are preparing to submit a proposal for the call but we are more interested in [ENV.2013.6.4-1 Assessing individual exposure to environmental stressors and predicting health outcomes](#). There are any parties that are interested in that?

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### Looking for partners for the FP7 2013 - ENV.2013.6.5-2 Mobilizing environmental knowledge for policy & society

Organist European art. A cultural dialogue between Romanian and Spanish contemporary organistic creation.

The research proposes to built a connection bridge between this 2 cultures, in a conference dedicated to organ building, performing art and organ musical pedagogy. We are starting from two existing databases concerning the status of the organs in the two countries, but especially concerning the Romanian experience in composition of the [www.monografia-organilor.uvt.ro](http://www.monografia-organilor.uvt.ro) page. In the performing arts domain we propose to realise two stages of master courses.

We also propose to organise, as a part of two national festivals, „Timorgelfest" in Romania and „Organaria" in Spain, to an edition dedicated exclusively to Romanian music in Spain and the Spanish one in Romania. . As a small start-up we are looking to join research groups that are preparing to submit a proposal for the call but we are more interested in [ENV.2013.6.4-1 Assessing individual exposure to environmental stressors and predicting health outcomes](#).

**Contact:** Phd. Felician Rosca, Vest University of Timisoara, Music departament. [felixorganist@yahoo.com](mailto:felixorganist@yahoo.com)

### Mapping Italian research interests in the last Health call

APRE, together with experienced Italian health Research teams, has put together a list of specific interests on the next health call 2013. In some cases, Italian researchers are expressing an interest to coordinate and in others, to be partners. The "mapping" is meant to encourage the networking among the research groups In view of this last call.

**More...** <http://doc.apre.it/?d9S3o6j2PqP9nFysYppiWkZqZuPK+u8lZJe3+UU2E2o=>

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### Partner Search from Italy, interested to Env Call 2013

- [http://ricercapartner.apre.it/view\\_pr.aspx?id=826](http://ricercapartner.apre.it/view_pr.aspx?id=826)
- [http://ricercapartner.apre.it/view\\_pr.aspx?id=818](http://ricercapartner.apre.it/view_pr.aspx?id=818)
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In order to have more information regarding the profile contact details, you have to register to Partner Search APRE platform <http://www.apre.it> or write directly to Matteo Di Rosa, NCP Environment (including Climate change), APRE, Tel. +39 06 48939993, Fax. +39 06 48902550, email: [dirosa@apre.it](mailto:dirosa@apre.it)

### Looking for partners for the FP7 2013-ENERGY.2013.2.4.1: Exploration and assessment of geothermal reservoirs

Slovak Innovation and Energy Agency (SIEA) is an advisory center for the rationalization in the use of energy, trainings for energy experts or consultations about the efficient use of energy. It makes an important contribution in the achievement of government energy policy objectives, principally by promoting energy efficiency, new technologies and RES. The agency follows the development of energy efficiency in Slovakia, acts to reduce the energy consumption and to eliminate adverse impact of energy generation, transmission, distribution and consumption on the environment.

We are looking for companies that are interested in acquiring partners for European projects on the field of “Exploration and assessment of geothermal reservoirs”.

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#### **Partner Search from Fraunhofer Portugal Research Center for Assistive Information & Communication Solutions**

Topics of interest, but not limited to: AAL-Ambient Assisted Living, Information & Communication Technologies for Development: AAT.2013.2-1. Airports, AAT.2013.3-1. Human factors, SST.2013.3-1. Managing integrated multimodal urban transport network, SST.2013.3-2. Implementing innovative & green urban transport solutions in EU & beyond, SST.2013.3-3. Capitalising CIVITAS knowledge & experience, SST.2013.4-3. Biomechanics & advanced digital human body models, testing for vehicle safety.

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#### **Looking for partners for the FP7 2013-ENERGY.2013.3.7.2 Support for key activities of the EU Biofuels Technology Platform (EBTP)**

Slovak Innovation and Energy Agency (SIEA) is an advisory center for the rationalization in the use of energy, trainings for energy experts or consultations about the efficient use of energy. It makes an important contribution in the achievement of government energy policy objectives, principally by promoting energy efficiency, new technologies and RES. The agency follows the development of energy efficiency in Slovakia, acts to reduce the energy consumption and to eliminate adverse impact of energy generation, transmission, distribution and consumption on the environment. We are looking for companies that are interested in acquiring partners for EU projects on the field of “Support for key activities of the European Biofuels Technology Platform (EBTP)”.

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#### **Open Partner Searches FP7-SME-2013, Research for the benefit of SMEs**

PS ID	Proposal Name	Sub-area 1	Country
<a href="#">PS-SME-AT-1697</a>	Decision support software for the optimized selection and positioning of implants for bone fractures (ISS-med)	Information & Communication Technologies	Austria
<a href="#">PS-SME-UK-1673</a>	Modular Mobile Units for Medical Application (Hospital-in-the-Box)	Medical / Biomedical equipment	UK
<a href="#">PS-SME-BE-1652</a>	SEAWARD ( Simulation-based Engineering of Advanced Wind turbines in view of Assessable and Robust Design)	Energy	Belgium
<a href="#">PS-SME-ES-1661</a>	Intelligent system for yield improvement in truffle production	Agriculture / Forestry	Spain
<a href="#">PS-SME-ES-1658</a>	Improving efficiency on current wood biomass drying systems by means of drying and management accurate management.	Materials processing	Spain
<a href="#">PS-SME-IT-1642</a>	ECOSTARLIKE "Development of a bicomponent water-based epoxy grout with enhanced eco-compatibility and environmental and toxicological safety"	Construction / Building	Italy
<a href="#">PS-SME-ES-1648</a>	BEECONNECTED: Intelligent bee surveillance collaborative platform for enhancing beekeeping and cooperation among beekeepers facing bee health problems	Agriculture / Forestry	Spain
<a href="#">PS-SME-FR-1634</a>	SCREENTOOL	Biotechnologies / Genomics	France
<a href="#">PS-SME-IT-1618</a>	DEFUN- FUNCTIONALIZED DENTAL IMPLANTS	Health care	Italy
<a href="#">PS-SME-ES-1610</a>	ASTICIC . Antigen Specific Tolerance Induction in Chronic Inflammation Conditions	Health care	Spain
<a href="#">PS-SME-HU-1573</a>	BLINDTRACK - Running track system for blind people	Health care	Hungary
<a href="#">PS-SME-HU-1571</a>	LASMIT - Laser micro-machining to improve durability of forging tools	Machinery / Instruments / Sensors	Hungary

#### **Looking for partners for the FP7 2013 - ENERGY.2013.7.1.1: Development and validation of methods & tools for network integration of distributed renewable resources**

Slovak Innovation and Energy Agency (SIEA) is an advisory center for the rationalization in the use of energy, trainings for energy experts or consultations about the efficient use of energy. It makes an important contribution in the achievement of government energy policy objectives, principally by promoting energy efficiency, new technologies and RES. The agency follows the development of energy efficiency in Slovakia, acts to reduce the energy consumption and to eliminate adverse impact of energy generation, transmission, distribution and consumption on the environment.

We are looking for companies that are interested in acquiring partners for European projects on the field of “Development and validation of methods and tools for network integration of distributed renewable resources”.

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#### **Looking for SMEs and LEs from Poland, Estonia, Lithuania, Turkey, Romania and Spain**

Looking for SMEs and LEs from Poland, Estonia, Lithuania, Turkey, Romania and Spain interested in participating in European projects supporting the creation of highly marketable products based on technological innovation and ready to go to market in 2 years max. Financial support in form of grants from 50% to 80% of Project total costs.

**Contact:** Mario Aznar, [marioaznar@rtdi.eu](mailto:marioaznar@rtdi.eu)

#### **Looking for EU organizations with experience in cryopreservation of stemcells without DMSO-dimethyl sulfoxide**

We are developing a European R&D project proposal in this area and would like to involve organizations with this profile and expertise. Organizations fitting this description and potentially interested in participating, please contact us via e-mail.

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#### **Looking for partners for the FP7 2013 - ENV.2013.6.1-1 Climate-related ocean processes and combined impacts of multiple stressors on the marine environment**

The Institute of Water and Environmental Engineering, IIAMA, of the Technical University of Valencia (Universidad Politécnica de Valencia, UPV), was created in 2001, as a new framework to better host and bust the research activities maintained by different groups within the University for more than two decades. It has the goal of promoting scientific research, specialized teaching and technical advising. It is currently integrated by nine Research Areas that focus on different water related fields, considering water both, as resource, and as a biosphere support. The Institute has a wide experience in technology transfer and cooperation with private companies and governmental agencies.

We are looking for companies that are interested in acquiring partners for EU projects on the field of "Climate-related ocean processes, combined impacts of multiple stressors on the marine environment".

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#### **Looking for partners for the FP7 2013-ENV.2013.6.1-3 Impacts of higher-end scenarios (global average warming > 2 °C with respect to preindustrial level)**

The Institute of Water and Environmental Engineering, IIAMA, of the Technical University of Valencia (Universidad Politécnica de Valencia, UPV), was created in 2001, as a new framework to better host and bust the research activities maintained by different groups within the University for more than two decades. It has the goal of promoting scientific research, specialized teaching and technical advising. It is currently integrated by nine Research Areas that focus on different water related fields, considering water both, as resource, and as a biosphere support. The Institute has a wide experience in technology transfer and cooperation with private companies and governmental agencies.

We are looking for companies that are interested in acquiring partners for European projects on the field of "Impacts of higher-end scenarios (global average warming > 2 °C with respect to preindustrial level)".

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#### **Looking for partners for the FP7 2013-ENV.2013.6.1-4 Land cover & land-use change & climate change mitigation**

The Institute of Water and Environmental Engineering, IIAMA, of the Technical University of Valencia (Universidad Politécnica de Valencia, UPV), was created in 2001, as a new framework to better host and bust the research activities maintained by different groups within the University for more than two decades. It has the goal of promoting scientific research, specialized teaching and technical advising. It is currently integrated by nine Research Areas that focus on different water related fields, considering water both, as resource, and as a biosphere support. The Institute has a wide experience in technology transfer and cooperation with private companies and governmental agencies.

We are looking for companies that are interested in acquiring partners for EU projects on the field of "Land cover and land-use change and climate change mitigation".

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#### **Looking for partners for the FP7 2013-ENERGY.2013.7.3.1: Planning rules for linking electric vehicles (EV) to distributed energy resources**

Slovak Innovation and Energy Agency (SIEA) is an advisory center for the rationalization in the use of energy, trainings for energy experts or consultations about the efficient use of energy. It makes an important contribution in the achievement of government energy policy objectives, principally by promoting energy efficiency, new technologies and RES. The agency follows the development of energy efficiency in Slovakia, acts to reduce the energy consumption and to eliminate adverse impact of energy generation, transmission, distribution and consumption on the environment. We are looking for companies that are interested in acquiring partners for EU projects on the field of "Planning rules for linking electric vehicles (EV) to distributed energy resources".

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#### **Looking for partners for the FP7 2013 - EeB.NMP.2013-3 Integration of technologies for energy-efficient solutions in the renovation of public buildings**

EDE -Research Group in Economics, Business and Environment- gathers 30 researches with a multidisciplinary background and specific research interest in Business Strategy, Technology and Innovation Management, Process Improvement, Energy and Environmental Economics and Energy Efficiency. Our academic work has been published in journals like Research Policy, Energy Journal, Organization Science, Harvard Business Review, Energy Policy, Journal of Environmental Management, Environmental Economics and Policy Studies, Technology Analysis and Strategic Managements, Climate Policy, Industrial and Corporate Change, Journal of Environmental Policy and Planning, Organizational Studies, International Journal of Operations and Production Management. REDE has been acknowledged as "Competitive Reference Research Group" by the Galician Government .

We are looking for companies that are interested in acquiring partners for European projects on the field of “Energy efficient retrofitting and renewal of existing buildings for sustainable urban districts”.

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#### **Looking for partners for the FP7 2013-ENV.2013.6.1-4 Land cover & land-use change & climate change mitigation**

Agresta is an environmental company (SME), established in 2000, specializing in forestry, natural resources management and the applications of new technologies to the environment. Our main research areas are: Carbon consultancy, Forest Management, LiDAR technology applied to forest, Geographic Information System & GP, Land planning, Natural Environment Engineering, Use of forest resources-energy (forest biomass), Environmental impacts, Forest Property. Agresta is a multidisciplinary team of over 30 professionals, graduates in: Forestry engineering, surveying engineering, Biology, Statistics, Geography, Economics, Environmental sciences, Technical management and organization of natural resources. In the last years Agresta has participated in a Project Design Document (PDD) for one Afforestation and Reforestation Clean Development Mechanism (A/R CDM) in Senegal.

We are looking for companies that are interested in acquiring partners for European projects on the field of “Land cover and land-use change and climate change mitigation”.

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#### **Looking for partners for the FP7 2013 - ENV.2013.6.1-2 Atmospheric processes, eco-systems and climate change**

Ramem is a Spanish SME. Ramem's main R&D activities focus on the development of analytical instrumentation called Differential Mobility Analyser (DMA). DMA analyses, classifies molecules considering their ionic mobilities, related with size, shape. The main potentialities of the technique arise from applications where the size of the molecule is an important magnitude, some examples could be: size control of nano-particles production, atmospheric study of aerosols, especially in the nucleation stages. Other important characteristic is the possibility of distinguishing isomers, when they present different mobilities, which are indistinguishable using the most popular techniques of Mass Spectrometry. Any analysis considering atmospheric pollutants of water contaminants may take place using DMA.

We are looking for companies that are interested in acquiring partners for EU projects on the field of “Atmospheric processes, eco-systems, climate change”.

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#### **Looking for partners for the FP7 2013 - ENV.2013.6.2-4 Sustainable Landcare in Europe.**

We are a SME specialise in Remote Sensing apply to Water Resources Management. We have a strong experience at national/international level; we had been involved in 16 EU projects. We offer the a solid technological partner as well as important users at national level like River Basin Authorities, User Water Communities, etc. We are looking for companies that are interested in acquiring partners for EU projects on the field of “Sustainable Landcare in EU”.

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#### **Looking for partners for a Project under the call EAC/S01/2012 - Pilot project for the development of sector skills alliances. Training in Energy efficiency and sustainable building**

We are Montenegrin employers Federation. MEF Mission: development of social dialogue, representation, protection of interests of employers/entrepreneurs in relation with Trade Union, Government, other governing authorities.

The main objective - establishment of strong, independent and unique institution of employers and entrepreneurs. MEF is an umbrella and representative organization gathering employers and entrepreneurs whose membership consists of SME, associations and big economic systems. MEF members realize over 85% of GDP and employ over 65% workers.

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#### **Looking for partners for the FP7 2013-ENERGY.2013.7.2.3: Large-scale demonstration of innovative transmission system integration & operation solutions for (inter)connecting renewable electricity production**

Slovak Innovation and Energy Agency (SIEA) is an advisory center for the rationalization in the use of energy, trainings for energy experts or consultations about the efficient use of energy. It makes an important contribution in the achievement of government energy policy objectives, principally by promoting energy efficiency, new technologies and RES. The agency follows the development of energy efficiency in Slovakia, acts to reduce the energy consumption, to eliminate adverse impact of energy generation, transmission, distribution, consumption on the environment. We are looking for companies that are interested in acquiring partners for EU projects on the field of “Large-scale demonstration of innovative transmission system integration, operation solutions for (inter)connecting renewable electricity production”.

**Contact:** Eduard Jambor at the mail: [eduard.jambor@siea.gov.sk](mailto:eduard.jambor@siea.gov.sk) ; [www.siea.sk](http://www.siea.sk)

#### **Looking for partners for the FP7 2013 - ENV.2013.6.5-2 Mobilizing environmental knowledge for policy & society**

If your project will encompass the marine environment, then we would be very interested to be considered as a partner. The public & governmental perceptions of the use/impacts on the marine environment are very varied, this project could address this issue in a WP.

**Contact:** [sah@aquabt.com](mailto:sah@aquabt.com)

#### **Looking for partners, projects related to the field of: institutionalization of civil society; public service delivery by public agencies, NGOs... democracy/citizenship**

I am looking for partners and projects related to the field of: institutionalization of civil society; public service delivery by public agencies and nonprofit organizations; democracy and public participation.



**Contact:** Wojciech Kaczmarczyk, Warsaw/Kielce, tel. 0048600437855, [wojteklk@poczta.fm](mailto:wojteklk@poczta.fm)

### **Looking for partners for the European Commission Programme «Industrial Relations & Social Dialogue» 2012 (II. Improving expertise in the field of industrial relations)**

We are looking for partners to join a project in regards with the enhancement of industrial relations of the countries-members. Project Title: "Flexicurity practices analysis/implementation for the advancement of Industrial Relations". The project aims at identifying the best practices in the field of flexibility, mobility in the workplace. The effects of the practices of flexicurity in member states to industrial relations, employment, the economy will be examined. The implementation of flexicurity will be closely scrutinized, obstacles in the process identified along with measures for overcoming those.

The project's aims will be realized through the analysis of the issue in question with studies as well as a series of informational seminars, conferences, workshops which will exploit, disseminate the results of the studies. Actions within this measure will involve Social partners, organizations linked to industrial relations (NGOs, centres/institutes, universities), public authorities (Chambers). Programme deadline: 04/09/2012

**Contact:** Kostas Theodoridis, [theodtyr@gmail.com](mailto:theodtyr@gmail.com)

### **Partner Search: We are coordinating an FP7 security call; Smart & protective clothing for law enforcement, first Responders (SEC-2013.1.4-1)**

We are looking for four groups of partners;

1. Textile researchers/Institutes; Send a description of your expertise for the project/previous funding in the area.
2. SME who manufacture and/or design PPE (helmets, PPE (ideally seamless).
3. SME in sensors (measuring GSR, communication/positioning expertise) interested in working with academic partners.
4. Organisations or representation for First Responder or law enforcements.

**Contact:** Hugh Hayden, [hugh.hayden@ucd.ie](mailto:hugh.hayden@ucd.ie)

### **Partnering Offer from Passive House Platform, Belgium**

Expertise offer: Research activities of PHP include: collecting information, analyzing, disseminating frontrunners of newbuilt/retrofit construction and building technology projects with very high factor of energy reduction, use of renewable technologies; collaboration with SMEs towards market introduction/market growth of passive house building technology / products; collaboration with local/regional actors/municipalities in stimulating/transferring know-how.

Former participation in International projects: <http://www.passiefhuisplatform.be/research-php>

Relevant topic in Work Programme: ENERGY.2013.8.8.1: Demonstration of optimised energy systems for high performance-energy districts (Smart cities and communities)

**Contact:** Irena Kondratenko, [irena.kondratenko@passiefhuisplatform.be](mailto:irena.kondratenko@passiefhuisplatform.be) ; <http://www.passiefhuisplatform.be/>

### **CEEI of Guadalajara, Spain is looking for participate in a project in the FP7- Lifelong Learning Programme**

**Contact:** [europa@ceeiguadalajara.es](mailto:europa@ceeiguadalajara.es)

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

#### **CONCERT- Japan Funding Pilot Joint Call on Research & Innovation**

In the Frame of the CONCERT-Japan project a **Pilot Joint Call** for research project will be launched on 3<sup>rd</sup> September with deadline 15<sup>th</sup> November on the following topic:

- **Efficient Energy Storage and Distribution**
- **Resilience against Disasters**

The CONCERT-Japan project is an international ERA-NET initiative under the EU FP7, with the objective of coordinating and en-hancing the science, technology & innovation (STI) cooperation between the European countries and Japan.

In the frame of the CONCERT-Japan Pilot Joint Call, research projects with an innovative dimension will be funded for a period of 2 years in the above mentioned themes. The research projects are expected to have **mobility and networking** dimensions apart from the core **research** component. Each project consortium applying for this call should consist of at least 3 partners, 1 from Japan and 2 from two different Euro-pean countries participating in the call.

The call will be funded by the budget allocated by each partici-pating national/regional funding organization. Therefore, each participating funding organization reserves the right to apply its national/regional funding regulations.

**More...** <http://www.concertjapan.eu/> ; <http://www.concertjapan.eu/node/188> ; [anna.boitard@cnrs-dir.fr](mailto:anna.boitard@cnrs-dir.fr) ;

[http://www.ancs.ro/uploads/programme-internationale/cooperari-bilaterale/apeluri-deschise/romania-japonia-2012/cj-jc-call-text-and-regulations\\_provizoriu.pdf](http://www.ancs.ro/uploads/programme-internationale/cooperari-bilaterale/apeluri-deschise/romania-japonia-2012/cj-jc-call-text-and-regulations_provizoriu.pdf)

#### **CONCERT - Conference and Partnering Events - Pilot Joint Call**

In order to provide detailed information on the call and to allow to the interested science and innovation community for networking and exchange of project ideas a two-days event will take place. Researchers interested in presenting their project idea in the plenary session of Tokio or Milan are invited to apply by filling in the application form.

The project may **cover the travel expenses** of a limited number of eligible applicants which are eligible for funding under the rules/regulations of the funding organisations. Two Conference & Partnering Events are organized:

-Resilience against Disaster, Tokio, 10-11 Sept 2012, <http://www.concertjapan.eu/node/190>, [y3sakura@jst.go.jp](mailto:y3sakura@jst.go.jp)

-Efficient Energy Storage & Distribution, Milano, 27-28 Sept 2012, <http://www.concertjapan.eu/node/189>, [savini@cestec.it](mailto:savini@cestec.it)

### **EU-Japan collaborative R&D through FP7: Calls for proposals for 2013 and matching funds in Japan**

EU/Japan Innovation Strategy and Cooperation in R&D [http://www.j-bilat.eu/seminar/AS-en\\_2](http://www.j-bilat.eu/seminar/AS-en_2)

More... [http://www.j-bilat.eu/seminar/AS-en\\_3](http://www.j-bilat.eu/seminar/AS-en_3)

### Commission launches innovation partnership for Smart Cities and Communities

By launching a Smart Cities and Communities European Innovation Partnership (SCC), the European Commission aims to boost the development of smart technologies in cities. The objective is to pool research resources from energy, transport and Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) and concentrating them on a small number of demonstration projects which will be implemented in partnership with cities. For 2013 alone, € 365 million in EU funds have been earmarked for the demonstration of these types of urban technology solutions.

This initiative will contribute to the wider EU urban agenda, at the core of the future cohesion policy after 2013.

More... [http://ec.europa.eu/energy/technology/initiatives/doc/2012\\_4701\\_smart\\_cities\\_en.pdf](http://ec.europa.eu/energy/technology/initiatives/doc/2012_4701_smart_cities_en.pdf)

### Call for proposals for Sustainable surface transport (SST)

The EC has published its Sustainable surface transport call for proposals, which also includes the 'European Green Cars Initiative'. The document is part of the latest set of calls published under the EU's Seventh Framework Programme (FP7). The call aims to support innovation, sustainable growth, decongestion, competitiveness, safety across the entire surface transport system. It encompasses topics such as the creation of zero emission ships, railway infrastructure optimisation, integrated multimodal urban transport network, biomechanics, next generation electric motors, technology transfer.

More... [http://cordis.europa.eu/fetch?CALLER=EN\\_NEWS&ACTION=D&SESSION=&RCN=34905](http://cordis.europa.eu/fetch?CALLER=EN_NEWS&ACTION=D&SESSION=&RCN=34905)

### Call for proposals for FP7-ICT-2013-10, Specific Programme: Cooperation

**Budget:** € 705 500 000, **Deadline:** 15 January 2013, **OJ Reference:** [OJ C202 of 10 July 2012](#). Please note that this call uses the new Participant Portal Submission Service for submission of all funding scheme proposals, not the EPSS.

More... <https://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/page/cooperation?callIdentifier=FP7-ICT-2013-10;>

<http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/ict/>

### OICT's Mission Donation Programme (MDP)

Since 1998, the Office of Information and Communications Technology (OICT) has been operating a unique programme called the Mission Donation Programme (MDP) for the benefit of United Nations Permanent Missions and NGOs.

The Mission Donation Programme allows UN Permanent Missions and NGOs to request recycled computer equipment for their use, thus supporting a greener ICT operation for the United Nations Secretariat. Since the programme's establishment, more than 10,348 devices have been donated to over 122 countries and NGO's.

More... <http://www.oict-un.org/index.php/ict-news/53-learn-more-about-oicts-mission-donation-programme-mdp.html>

### Call for expression of interest to become members of its new European Innovation Partnership on raw materials

DG ENTR is looking for participants to become members of its new EU Innovation Partnership on raw materials. They will develop its Strategic Implementation Plan, contribute to finding innovative solutions along the entire raw materials value chain, bringing growth/jobs in the EU. All interested participants should lodge their interest by following the [link](#).

More... <http://wbc-inco.net/object/news/10475>

## Policy

### Your Europe Business portal – Practical guide to doing business in Europe

This portal is the 1<sup>st</sup> line information tool for entrepreneurs looking for information about doing business in the EU. The EU provides funding and grants for a broad range of projects and programmes. Find information on EU funding opportunities and look for organisations which already benefit from EU funding.

#### Starting up

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More... [http://europa.eu/youreurope/business/index\\_en.htm](http://europa.eu/youreurope/business/index_en.htm)

## Events

### Baltic Dynamics Conference, 13-15 September 2012, Vilnius, Lithuania

The Baltic Dynamics Conference is organised Baltic countries initiative aiming at a promotion of international co-operation in the fields of innovation, SMEs support, technology transfer. It attracts participants from a broad range of countries. It promotes exchange of experience/adds to the successful development of innovation/economy.

The Conference will aim at promotion of innovativeness among policy makers, business, science, education and society. Submissions from academics, policy makers, consultants, managers in innovation management, technology transfer as well as in SMEs support field are strongly encouraged and should focus on the following topics:

The role of Non-Governmental Organizations in Technology Development  
From Research to Market - International Cooperation

Public entrepreneurial support  
Innovation and Knowledge Transfer

More... [www.balticdynamics.com](http://www.balticdynamics.com)

### **9<sup>th</sup> Conference Instruments for Shaping a Knowledge Region – Interregional & International Collaboration in Science Based Regional Development, Leuven & Genk, Belgium. 17-19 September 2012**

Leuven is one of the most prominent examples of successful knowledge based regional development in the world. Intensive collaboration between the local government, KU Leuven, the business community has resulted in a thriving innovative economy. Not far from Leuven lies Genk, home to the 3<sup>rd</sup> largest industrial region of Belgium, currently in the process of transforming its manufacturing based economy into a knowledge driven economy.

This year's conference venue is C-mine, located at the former mine site of Winterslag in Genk. The program includes a Grand [Innovation Tour in Leuven](#), a [Social Program in Genk](#), a debate between mayors, entrepreneurs in Leuven, a 2-day inspirational program with over 30 speakers from all over the world.

More... [www.technopolicy.net/annualconference/](http://www.technopolicy.net/annualconference/)

### **OPEN DAYS – European Week of Regions and Cities, 8-11 October 2012**

The OPEN DAYS – European Week of Regions and Cities is an annual four-day event during which cities & regions showcase their capacity to create growth, jobs, implement EU cohesion policy, prove the importance of the local/regional level for good European governance. 3 workshops will be devoted to the challenges/opportunities of demographic ageing that regions are faced with:

- European Innovation Partnership on Active and Healthy Ageing: The Opportunity for regions
- Creating synergies between EU funds: demographic change, active ageing in EU Territorial Cooperation/the ESF
- Healthy Ageing: acting for innovation at regional and local level

More... [http://ec.europa.eu/information\\_society/newsroom/cf/item-detail-dae.cfm?item\\_id=8283](http://ec.europa.eu/information_society/newsroom/cf/item-detail-dae.cfm?item_id=8283)

### **CIVITAS Forum, 24-26 September 2012, Vitoria Gasteiz, Spain**

The CIVITAS Forum Network currently includes over 200 cities from 32 European countries, that have formally committed to clean and sustainable urban transport.

The conference will be the 10<sup>th</sup> such annual event, combined with the CIVITAS Plus Final Conference. For this reason, the occasion will run over three days to allow the exchange of dialogue, views between CIVITAS Forum city- European-politicians on the one hand, and experts in the field of urban mobility on the other.

More... [http://www.civitas-initiative.eu/index.php?id=12&event\\_id=453&more=](http://www.civitas-initiative.eu/index.php?id=12&event_id=453&more=)

### **World Urban Forum, UN Habitat, The Urban Future, Naples, Italy, 1-7 September 2012**

The World Urban Forum was established by the United Nations to examine one of the most pressing problems facing the world today: rapid urbanization, its impact on communities, cities, economies, climate change, policies. Save the date to share, learn, discuss the future of our cities. The World Urban Forum is the largest, most important UN meeting on cities.

Thousands of people drawn from the public/private sectors, academia, civil society, the media will meet in Italy in 2012. Equity, economy, ecology of cities will be the focus of the Forum. Urban job creation, livable cities, quality of life, culture, urban planning, the environment, urban mobility, energy will be the main topics as we reflect on the prosperity of cities.

The road to Naples starts with a series of 6 online debates about The Urban Future to garner new ideas, to enhance the dialogue sessions.

More... <http://www.unhabitat.org/categories.asp?catid=672>

### **Conference Towards competitive and resource efficient urban mobility, Brussels, 17 September 2012**

The conference will mark the launch of the public consultation on the EU's urban mobility activities in the context of the White Paper "Roadmap to a Single EU Transport Area - Towards a competitive & resource efficient transport system".

The event is aimed at institutional stakeholders, local governments, transport users, operators, as well as industry, research representatives. The conference will also take stock of the accomplishments of the CIVITAS Initiative. Launched in 2002, CIVITAS celebrates its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of supporting cities in implementing ambitious transport measures, policies towards sustainable urban mobility.

More... [the event page](#).

### **1<sup>st</sup> International Conference on Future Generation Communication Technologies, 28-30 Nov 2012, London, UK**

This conference is designed for teachers, administrators, practitioners, researchers and scientists in the development arenas. It aims to provide discussions and simulations in the communication technology at the broad level and broadcasting technology and related technologies at the micro level.

Through a set of research papers, using innovative and interactive approach, participants can expect to share a set of research that will prepare them to apply new technologies to their work in teaching, research, educational development amid this rapidly evolving landscape. Accepted papers in the conference will be published and indexed in the IEEE Xplore. Further they will be indexed in many global databases.

More... <http://www.socio.org.uk/fqct>

### **9<sup>th</sup> Workshop on Agents for Complex Systems, in conjunction with SYNASC – 14<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Symbolic & Numeric Algorithms for Scientific Computing, Timisoara, Romania, September 26 - 29, 2012**

The aim of the workshop is to bring together researchers, developers from academia, industry in order to discuss current scientific/technical results on using agent technology for solving complex, distributed real-world problems. The workshop

welcomes submissions of original, high-quality papers reporting on models or systems that have been or are being implemented. Experience reports, application demonstrators are particularly welcome.

**More...** <http://synasc12.info.uvt.ro>

### **1<sup>st</sup> European Conference on e-Public Procurement & 1<sup>st</sup> Exhibition of European e-Platforms, 20 March 2013**

The objectives of this European Conference Exhibition of European e-Platforms are: Discussing the implications of the single digital market on public procurement; Presenting the new advances of e-procurement available through Software as a Service (SaaS); Discussing the role of e-procurement to improve the management of each organization; Identifying major macro-economic benefits due to the dissemination of e-public procurement; Discussing alternative strategies to simplify and to overcome e-procurement obstacles; Analyzing the new European Directives for e-public procurement; Presenting e-procurement impacts on innovation/SMEs access to public markets; Proposing new initiatives to increase cross-border public procurement. An exhibition of "best-of-breed" services of e-platforms is open during the whole day.

**More...** [http://ec.europa.eu/information\\_society/newsroom/cf/itemdetail.cfm?item\\_id=8306](http://ec.europa.eu/information_society/newsroom/cf/itemdetail.cfm?item_id=8306) ; [eprocurement.conference@gmail.com](mailto:eprocurement.conference@gmail.com) ; [Conference programme](#)

### **14<sup>th</sup> International Conference & Proposers' Day, on Modern Information Technology in the Innovation Processes of the Industrial Enterprises, 24-26 October, Budapest, Hungary**

Processes, relations in manufacturing are proliferating in complexity, creating new demands for flexibility, fast response, intelligence. Meanwhile, limitations are becoming severe, resources become scarce, new threats endanger the privacy of companies and persons likewise. Please submit your contributions via the EasyChair system:

**More...** [www.mitip.org](http://www.mitip.org) ; [http://www.mitip.org/infoday\\_pre.html](http://www.mitip.org/infoday_pre.html) ; <https://www.easychair.org/account/signin.cgi?conf=mitip2012>

### **International Biogas Events 2012, 18-21 & 24-27 September 2012, Stuttgart, Germany**

- 1) International Biogas Operators Course, 18-21 September 2012, University of Hohenheim, Stuttgart, Germany
- 2) International Biogas Study Tour, 24-27 September 2012, Stuttgart, Germany

**More...** [www.biogas-zentrum.de](http://www.biogas-zentrum.de) ; 0049 7954 926203 or e-mail [s.volk@biogas-zentrum.de](mailto:s.volk@biogas-zentrum.de)

### **Three parallel green-energy events in South East Europe, 29-31 May 2013, Sofia, Bulgaria**

#### **[SEE Solar – South-East European Solar PV & Thermal Exhibition](#)**

A new report from the European Photovoltaic Industry Association (EPIA) has pointed out that solar photovoltaic (PV) electricity continued its remarkable growth trend in 2011. The solar market in South-East Europe is still small, but it is growing rapidly, has great potential to become a considerable part of the global renewables market.

Two other events are being conducted in parallel:

[9th South-East European Congress & Exhibition on Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy](#)

[4th South-East European Conference & Exhibition "Save the PLANET" - Waste Management, Recycling, Environment](#)

### **Training Events / Jobs**

#### **[Calendar of training courses in nanoscience and electronics](#)**

24-25 September [Microfabrication Processes](#), Zürich, Technopark

4-5 October [Micropositioning](#), Barcelona, Spain

4-5 October [Labs-on-Chip Technologies: Basics and Applications](#), Barcelona, Spain

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

### **Sustainable Urban Mobility Plans - Technical Training Seminar, 18 September 2012, Helsinki, Finland**

A Sustainable Urban Mobility Plan is a way of tackling transport-related problems in urban areas more efficiently. Building on existing practices and regulatory frameworks in the Member States, its basic characteristics are:

- A participatory approach;
- A pledge for sustainability;
- An integrated approach;
- A clear vision,
- Objectives and measurable targets;
- A review of transport costs and benefits.

The technical training seminar is targeted at local planners, implementers in Finland. It is organised by the European Eltisplus project and the Union of the Baltic Cities - Environment and Sustainable Development Secretariat in Turku. The event will be organised in cooperation with the Ministry of Environment, the Ministry of Transport & Communication.

**More...** [www.mobilityplans.eu](http://www.mobilityplans.eu) ; [http://www.eltis.org/index.php?ID1=14&id=15&event\\_id=1952&home=1](http://www.eltis.org/index.php?ID1=14&id=15&event_id=1952&home=1)

### **IMP<sup>3</sup>rove Training: Introduction to Innovation Management, Paris, August 30-31, 2012**

Innovation Management becomes ever more important in your service offerings. You would like to further develop your knowledge in all dimensions of Innovation Management. In the course offered by the IMP<sup>3</sup>rove - European Innovation Management Academy you will learn how you can help your clients to create business impact by addressing all areas from innovation strategy to innovation organisation and culture and innovation processes.

**Objectives:** Leveraging the IMP<sup>3</sup>rove Assessment Reports for effective Innovation Management consulting; Applying basic consulting tools for effective recommendations for improving the Innovation Management performance at SMEs.

**Target groups:** Cluster managers, intermediaries supporting SMEs in developing their innovation management capabilities, Innovation Management consultants at the beginning of their career.

You will find a comprehensive overview on the upcoming IMP<sup>3</sup>rove training offerings here: <https://www.improve-innovation.eu/academy/education-programme/training-calendar/> general information at [www.improve-innovation.eu](http://www.improve-innovation.eu)



**Unitat d'Innovació of ParcBIT & IMP<sup>3</sup>rove jointly invite you the training "Introduction to the IMP<sup>3</sup>rove Approach", 24-25 September 2012, Mallorca**

Unitat d'Innovació of ParcBIT - PARC BALEAR D'INNOVACIÓ TECNOLÒGICA and member of the Enterprise Europe Network joined forces with the IMP<sup>3</sup>rove – European Innovation Management Academy to organize the training "Introduction to the IMP<sup>3</sup>rove Approach" at the site of ParcBIT in Mallorca.

This training offers you the opportunity to learn more about the EU approach to innovation management assessment as a starting point to effectively support your clients - SMEs - in re-gaining competitiveness. At the same time you have the chance to learn about ParcBIT in Palma de Mallorca, the diversity of enterprises located there.

Consultants, intermediaries, financial investors active in supporting SMEs are invited to attend the training. Due to the international participants, the training will be held in English language.

For registration for the IMP<sup>3</sup>rove trainings please send an email to: [improvecoreteam@atkearney.com](mailto:improvecoreteam@atkearney.com).

More ... IMP<sup>3</sup>rove at: <https://www.improve-innovation.eu/> and on ParcBIT <http://www.innovacioparcbit.es>

**Introduction to GIS, 10-11 September 2012, Newcastle University, UK**

Geographic Information Systems have become key in most corporate scenarios – 80% of all data now has a spatial element. Reap potential rewards in your business by learning about the power of GIS. This action packed two day course is structured to maximise your knowledge of GIS. Starting at the very basics, you will be taken through the key elements of a GIS and leave with the ability to independently tackle real world spatial problems within your corporate environment.

Audience: For those who have little or no experience or knowledge of Geographic Information Systems, who are looking for an accessible introduction to computer mapping which covers the main aspects of GIS. This intensive, fast paced course will run through all the basics of a GIS system.

More ... <http://www.ncl.ac.uk/cegs.cpd/cpd/giscourses.php>

**Proposals for interdisciplinary marine research (PhD/Postdoc), Deadline 01 September 2012**

The Future Ocean conducts multi-disciplinary scientific research to predict the future of the Earth's marine environment and develop global and regional ocean governance options. We offer: Postdoc Project funding in two lines:

- a. Line A -Max. 3 years project duration for young postdocs; max 6yr after PhD
- b. Line B - Max. 5 years project duration for experienced postdocs; min 2yr after PhD

More ... <http://www.futureocean.org/>

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More ... <http://www.bettercareers.net/apply-now-market-research-analyst-jobs-65k/>

**Postdoc, Department of Computer Science, University of Oxford, Deadline 31 August 2012**

The Department of Computer Science of University of Oxford, has several vacancies for postdoctoral research assistants to work in the area of logic based knowledge representation, reasoning, under the direction of Professor Ian Horrocks Dr. Bernardo Grau. The posts are funded by the UK Engineering & Physical Sciences Research Council-EP SRC, the EU FP7. The posts are available from late summer/autumn 2012, and will be of between two and four years duration.

The successful applicant will join an internationally leading,/growing research group, with research interests ranging from the logical foundations of information systems through to their implementation and deployment in large scale applications.

More ... <http://www.cs.ox.ac.uk/isg/krr/> ; <http://www.cs.ox.ac.uk/news/513-full.html>

**Postdoc, Computational Biology, UC Merced**

A post-doc position is available at the University of California at Merced on the NSF funded project "New Tools for Characterizing Protein Dynamics" The goal is to develop computational tools for analyzing molecular dynamics (MD) simulations of proteins, particular of disordered proteins that never fold into a fixed structure but are thought to perform their biological function through their dynamics. Experimental observation of the proteins is limited so computer simulation through MD, other techniques plays a key role. The challenge is in analyzing the amounts of data that result from the simulations. The candidate will work on applying / adapting machine learning/other knowledge discovery techniques in computer science to analyze the output of the simulations.

More... <http://vision.ucmerced.edu/projects/protein/>; <http://nsf.gov/awardsearch/showAward.do?AwardNumber=0960480>; [snewsam@ucmerced.edu](mailto:snewsam@ucmerced.edu)