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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

- 30 ["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 [Matchmaking event at 20th International Defence Industry Exhibition](#) Kielce (Poland)
- 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)
- 07 [B2B session during RIGA FOOD Fair, 7th September 2012](#) RIGA (Latvia)
- 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 ( FC) (Italy)
- 26 [EnergExpo 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 [Eurogamer Expo Matchmaking 2012](#) London (United Kingdom)
- 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)
- 25 [50 Billion connected devices by 2020](#) Guildford (United Kingdom)
- 26 [b2b@SASofair](#) Split (Croatia)

#### November 2012

- 06 [Match-making at Elmia Subcontractor 2012](#) Jönköping (Sweden)
- 08 [Company mission at EIMA International agricultural & 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 & Smart Mobility Brokerage event - Modilis 2012](#) Mulhouse (France)
- 14 [EuroTier Matchmaking 2012](#) Hanover (Germany)
- 15 [CZECHBUS 2012](#) Prague (Czech Republic)
- 15 [Healthcare Brokerage Event MEDICA 2012](#) Düsseldorf (Germany)
- 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)

#### June 2013

- 12 [EEN Brokerage Event at "GR Business Days" in Luxembourg](#) Luxembourg (Luxembourg)

#### 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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#### See how the Network's brokerage events work

See how the Network's brokerage events work in the short video shot during the global media tradeshow IBC in Amsterdam. See how Dutch entrepreneurs link up with business managers worldwide at a brokerage event organised by the Enterprise Europe Network in the Netherlands. Syntens & AgentschapNL organised an international matchmaking event, one of the most important events on the calendar for the global electronic media industry.

**More...** [http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player\\_embedded&v=fERuBYG7sWI](http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=fERuBYG7sWI)

#### 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 kind invite you and yours 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.

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

**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)

#### Matchmaking Event, E-mobilityMatch 2012, 10 October 2012, Ahoy Trade Centre, Rotterdam, the Netherlands

Enterprise Europe Network (EEN), Ecomobiel , Syntens and the Chamber of Commerce join forces in the organization of an international matchmaking event during the 2012 Ecomobiel trade show for Sustainable Mobility in Ahoy Rotterdam.

The Ecomobiel trade show is a major event on E-mobility/sustainable transport in EU. Exhibitors are a.o. car manufacturers, suppliers, research- services organizations in the E-mobility industry, other areas related to sustainable mobility. For more details, see [www.ecomobiel.nl](http://www.ecomobiel.nl).

The uniqueness of this event is the broad selection of different companies with products, services, technologies. Ecomobiel is the only exhibition throughout the world with an indoor test/drive circuit for visitors, to experience all state-of-the-art sustainable mobility solutions.

E-mobilityMatch 2012 is a unique opportunity during the Ecomobiel Trade Show to meet, learn, match with potential business partners from several EU Countries, in combination with a visit to the exhibition. The program consists of a matchmaking event where companies can have pre- selected 1-on-1 meetings with potential partners in trade, development or research. In rounds of 20 minutes you will meet all interesting companies *you have pre-selected yourself*, or companies that would like to meet you. Participants can find more information, subscribe and select companies to meet with at the matchmaking website.

The matchmaking event, as well as entrance to the exhibition, is offered free of charge by the organizing partners.

**More...** [www.b2match.eu/EmobilityMatch2012](http://www.b2match.eu/EmobilityMatch2012), contact **Ruben van der Horst** at [rsh@syntens.nl](mailto:rsh@syntens.nl) Phone: +31 6 51375254

#### 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 & Energy Efficient Construction and Renovation with Passive & Low Energy Houses, 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



World Famous Mountains Conference contributes to the establishment and better understanding of innovation throughout Europe, especially in mountain areas. The conference will focus on sectors that are essential for the development of sustainable mountain areas, such as energy, protected areas, tourism, forestry and other related topics.

The 2012 edition will bring together more than 120 participants from France, Italy, Bulgaria, Austria, Turkey, Portugal, China, USA, Brasil, Australia and others. The conference offers a unique opportunity to facilitate exchanges of information between EU mountain organizations (mountain chambers of commerce, mountain associations, business associations for mountain companies, public administration, etc) and the rest of the world, to implement common lobbying actions at a EU level and to implement interregional projects encouraging the transposition of successful actions from one EU mountain region to another. It also leads entrepreneurs to be aware of their affiliation to the EU mountains range, and to built a community and solidarity relationship with the other mountain companies and stakeholders. In addition, the Conference will feature plenary sessions and working groups organised around thematic and regional focus for industry and academia participants. The event will go beyond the traditional scientific conference with the organization of an exhibition of mountain regions with successful actions for sustainable development, related innovation issues. The event will serve as a good opportunity for match-making-networking for companies, public administration, universities, research organizations, other stakeholders involved in mountain regions sustainable development.

**More...** <http://www.worldfamousmountains.ro/> ; [modesta.dragan@ccivil.ro](mailto:modesta.dragan@ccivil.ro)

#### **MedicoMatch, Medical Device Manufacturers Brokerage Event, 18-19 October 2012, Ankara, Turkey**

Hezarfen-Medical brokerage event & International Conference brings you the opportunity to meet potential partners and clients from Turkey, Europe and Middle East. Hezarfen Medical offers the opportunity to expand your network with Turkish and Middle East decision makers, gross buyers and business partners from the Medical industry.

**More...** <http://www.b2match.eu/medicomatch/>

#### **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

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

#### **ICT Proposers' Day 2012, 26-27 September 2012, Warsaw, Poland**

The ICT Proposers' Day is a unique networking opportunity to build partnerships and projects targeting the new ICT Work Programme for 2013. The event is an exceptional occasion to meet potential partners from academia, research institutes, business and industry, SMEs, government actors from all over EU. More than 2000 participants are expected. Anyone interested in responding to calls for proposals for R&D projects in the field of ICT should attend. The event will provide:

- first-hand information on the ICT Work Programme 2013, which offers around € 1.5 billion of EU funding;
- answers to questions related to the upcoming calls for proposals;
- an opportunity to present and discuss project ideas bduring the networking sessions;
- a platform for exchanging ideas and finding right partners to form project consortia;
- guidance on how to present a successful proposal.

FET will be in Warsaw with its own networking booths in Hall 1. We are also organising networking sessions (in Room "Excellence, Media & Data") on September 26th: - FET-Open: from 11:00 to 12:30, - FET-Proactive: from 13:00 to 14:30 - FET-Flagships: from 14:45 to 16:15

**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) ; <http://ec.europa.eu/ictproposersday>

#### **Dublin WEB Summit & Startup Europe, 17-18 October 2012, Dublin, Ireland**

In two years, the Dublin Web Summit has grown from a tiny meetup organized from my sitting room in Dublin, to the second largest tech conference in Europe. Since 2010, speakers have included the founders of Twitter, YouTube, Skype, over 100 international entrepreneurs, investors, influencers. This year it might even become Europe's largest tech and startup conference. We'll have to wait and see! In 2011, over 1,500 attendees joined us from 45 countries across the world. This year over 3,000 will join us, and we hope from even more countries than ever before.

During the day, multiple stages cater to lots of communities from startups, engineers, to CEOs, CMO's, beyond. You can find out about the many communities and stages in the [why attend section here](#)

**More...** <http://www.websummit.net>

#### **Healthcare Brokerage Event MEDICA 2012, 15-16 November 2012, Düsseldorf, Germany**

During MEDICA 2012, the global No. 1 meeting place for the medical sector, ZENIT GmbH together with the Healthcare Sector Group of the Enterprise Europe Network will organise the international Brokerage Event. The aim is to assist enterprises, universities, research institutions in finding partners in EU for product development, manufacturing, licensing

agreements, joint ventures or other types of partnership. In 2011 the brokerage event had more than 180 participants from 25 countries with more than 700 meetings. It is the world biggest brokerage event in the healthcare sector.

**More...** [www.b2match.eu/medica2012](http://www.b2match.eu/medica2012) ; [www.medica2012.com](http://www.medica2012.com) ; [Medica2012@zenit.de](mailto:Medica2012@zenit.de)

### Brokerage Event Pollutec Lyon 2012 "GREEN DAYS", 26-30 November 2012, Lyon, France

The Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Rhône-Alpes, Enterprise Europe Network CIPRAA, will organise a brokerage event within Pollutec fair in Lyon. Pollutec Lyon France is the Europe's most important International exhibition of environmental equipments, technologies and services. With more than 50 830 visitors and 2528 exhibitors in 2010 for the 24th edition. The main thematic are:

- Water and Wastewater
- Energy and renewables
- Air
- Waste, Recycling, Cleaning
- Analysis, Measurements, Monitoring
- Products and sustainable development
- Sites and Soils
- Risks prevention
- Risks management

Other activities like company visits and interclustering meetings will be also proposed.

**More...** [www.greendays-pollutec2012.b2b-match.com](http://www.greendays-pollutec2012.b2b-match.com) ; [www.polutec2012.com](http://www.polutec2012.com)

### 22<sup>nd</sup> International Exhibition for Technological Developments in the Industry, Tel Aviv, Israel, 18-20 June 2013

Sectors: Automation control/measurement, technical supply, tools/equipment, raw materials, paints, chemicals, adhesives, oils, fuels, metals, laser tech, computers/software, machines/pneumatics/hydraulics/robotics, industry services

**More...** [Technology/2013/International\\_Exhibition\\_for\\_Technological\\_Developments\\_in\\_the\\_Industry](http://Technology/2013/International_Exhibition_for_Technological_Developments_in_the_Industry)

### 6<sup>th</sup> NoAE Project-Day European Showcase for Ideas, Innovations & Projects, 17-18 April 2013, Duesseldorf

The opportunity: Ideas become projects, projects become contracts. Interactive program with plenum-sessions, [workshops](#) and project-meetings via exhibition-partner (country-pavilions, eco-systems, best partner)

Step 1: **Presentations** see: <http://www.project-days.com/index.php/presentations.html>

Step 2: **Changing ideas and projects** for cooperations – see <http://www.project-days.com/index.php/ideas-projects.html>

Step 3: **Innovations** for automotive, aerospace and transportation: October 2012 to March 2013

..... for the 6<sup>th</sup> project-day we offer **workshops** (like 2012 see: <http://www.project-days.com/index.php/workshops.html>),

**showcases & marketplaces**. We invite universities, small companies, also bigger companies for 4 different areas:

- Ideas for Projects
- Proposals for Project-Industrial
- Proposals for Project Industry-Science
- Proposals for Funding Projects

Feedback to the 5<sup>th</sup> project-day – a 6-minute-Video

from Romania: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=53jB5sbrHu4&feature=plcp>

More Videos: <http://www.project-days.com/index.php/videos.html>

All Workshops: <http://www.project-days.com/index.php/workshops.html>

**More...** [www.noae.com](http://www.noae.com); <http://www.project-days.com/index.php/agenda.html>

### 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

### Joint Cluster Position Paper "Integrating Cluster Policies within the future EU programmes"

Future research & Innovation policies should address the changing role of clusters to facilitate the emergence of new and revitalised competitive industries in EU, ensure stronger engagement of SMEs in EU programmes.

On the basis of its collective experience, the TACTICS consortium, together with members of the European Cluster Alliance (gathering 120 members, policy makers), with EU networks EURADA and ERRIN would like to emphasize the need for a strong cluster policy within the future EU programmes dealing with regional competitiveness.

Striving for excellence should thus be a high priority. Despite the importance of clusters, they seem to have been somewhat missing in the discussions about the future research & innovation policies. Not only are **clusters central to innovation & competitiveness, they also have adapted to new trends**. Therefore, we must now make a **better use of clusters**. Clusters are a necessary, an important tool to improve economic performance.

The Joint Cluster Position Paper sets out a number of key recommendations for ensuring clusters feature prominently in the next round of European research, innovation and regional development programmes.

We would be grateful to receive your comments on this text. Please send them to [eca-tactics@proinno-europe.eu](mailto:eca-tactics@proinno-europe.eu) and help us improve this cluster position paper.

**More...** [Position-Paper](#) ; Read the Position Paper [here](#) ; Support the position [here](#).

### Clusters - Classroom

The European Cluster Observatory offers a free educational video series: ON CLUSTERS. The series of three programs is hosted by Professor Örjan Sölvell from the Stockholm School of Economics, a renowned expert on clusters and innovation. ON CLUSTERS is based on years of research on clusters; Professor Sölvell, in cooperation with Dr Christian Ketels and Dr Göran Lindqvist, has published a number of important works.

If you would like a DVD to see these programs in higher quality, please contact Ms Malin Ekberg ([Malin.Ekberg@hhs.se](mailto:Malin.Ekberg@hhs.se)), and we will send you a DVD by mail free of charge. You will find information and videos on the following subjects:

- [Cluster Dynamics](#)
- [Cluster Policy](#)
- [Cluster Management](#)

**More...** <http://www.clusterobservatory.eu/index.html#!view=classroom;url=/classroom/>

### European Cluster Policy Group Final Recommendations – A Call for Policy Action

The European Cluster Policy Group (ECPG), has presented its final cluster policy report to the Commission. The report presents three principles and outlines eight action proposals.

**More...** The report can be downloaded [here](#) . A video presenting its contents can be viewed here [Part-1](#) , [Part-2](#)

## SMEs

### Technology - Offers and Requests

#### Plasto-Polish - Leading manufacturers high-quality household cleaning products is looking to connect with relevant contacts - distributors, importers, in Europe

Established as a family business in 1952, Plasto-Polish develops, manufactures, markets high-quality household cleaning products. Over the decades, Plasto-Polish has gained a worldwide reputation for innovation, quality. The company focuses on making even the toughest cleaning jobs quick and easy, utilizing top quality materials to ensure the best possible results. Plasto-Polish puts the emphasis on strict quality control, thereby ensuring ongoing customer satisfaction. Plasto-Polish recently expanded its production floor, enabling it to extend its capacity to meet increasing demand. Plasto-Polish's products are sold worldwide under its own Bianco label as well as private label for leading companies such as 3M, Kimberly Clark. Plasto-Polish is looking to connect with relevant contacts (distributors, importers) in the EU Market.

**Contact:** Inon Paz, [inonpaz@plasto-polish.co.il](mailto:inonpaz@plasto-polish.co.il) ; [www.plasto-polish.co.il](http://www.plasto-polish.co.il)

#### Innovative NFC / RFID Security Technology For Sale

These patents cover technologies related to adjustable and securable RFID read area, directional object tracking, secure wireless communication and secure near-field communications. Applications for these patents include the virtual wallet (NFC pay terminals), object tracking, secure wireless communication, and directional RFID applications.

The patented methods can make information unintelligible to eavesdroppers even when broadcast over a known channel without encryption. The patents rely on a simple physical idea , do not require expensive antenna arrays, and work across the full spectrum of wireless devices: from low-frequency near-field communications, to RFID systems, to wireless internet networks. The physical security layer is fully compatible with encryption, which can add further layers of protection. A simple/elegant, but high utility, solution for physical security of near-field, other wireless communications.

<http://www.slideshare.net/Streambank/seknion-patents-summary>

**More...** **Contact:** Peter Huntington, [phuntington@hilcostreambank.com](mailto:phuntington@hilcostreambank.com), 781-444-4940 ext. 201, Matthew Helming, [mhelming@hilcostreambank.com](mailto:mhelming@hilcostreambank.com), 781-444-4940 ext. 205

#### Search for a manufacturer of baby (play) items

I am currently searching on behalf of a client developing an innovative baby teething product for someone with experience of manufacturing baby (play) items (quality standards etc). There is likely to be some final development with choice of materials etc. Any interested parties - please get in touch!

**Contact:** Andy Hebb, Business Development, Commercialisation of Technology, London, [akhebb@gmail.com](mailto:akhebb@gmail.com)

#### Looking for Plywood Production Manager

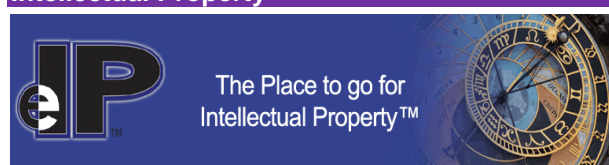
1. Job Role: The job holder is accountable for management of the production activity in order to achieve the cost, quality targets as set in the approved Business Plan/Budget.

2. Job requirements

- Accountable for organising/planning the production activity in order to deliver the demanded products at planned total costs
- Accountable for the plywood production according to the quality standards, planned volumes and categories.
- Accountable for defining and managing cooperation contracts needed for achieving the full capacity of demanded sales.
- The job holder will propose ways to optimize the production activity from the point of view of technology, planning, HR improvement.
- The job holder will cooperate with the top management team for preparation of the annual Business Plan and Budget.
- The job holder will cooperate with Maintenance Dept. in order to get the optimum production results and minimise the production stops.
- The job holder will implement and monitor compliance to policies, strategies and procedures set at company level.
- Represent the company in relation with cooperation partners.

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## Intellectual Property



#### Patent portfolio management with IPscore, 12-13 Sept, Vienna

This training has been designed to enable you to successfully use IPscore as a consultant to SMEs. The knowledge you will learn in this course includes both how to use IPscore, and how patent valuation is performed, in general.

During the lectures, demonstrations and exercises you will learn what the value of patents is, how it can be evaluated and documented with IPscore, and how this can be used for systematic portfolio management and other important tasks. Both

the qualitative approach used in IP management and the monetary approach used in finance is discussed and trained in realistic exercises. Upon completion of the workshop, participants will be able to understand the different approaches of patent valuation. They will have the necessary basic knowledge and abilities to guide qualitative (strategic) and monetary patent valuation in SMEs with IPscore and to advise in this matter.

**More...** <http://www.epo.org/learning-events/events/search.html>

### How to deal with IP in transnational negotiations

The European IPR Helpdesk offers free of charge, first-line support on IP and IPR matters to beneficiaries of EU funded research projects and EU SMEs involved in transnational partnership agreements. With SMEs being increasingly involved in internationalization processes, cross-border transaction and cooperation are the order of the day. Issues concerning Intellectual Property (IP) and Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) often play a crucial role in this context.

However, negotiating IP transactions is not an easy task and can be extremely demanding, particularly at the transnational level. In order to avoid common missteps, the European IPR Helpdesk published a fact sheet addressing essential considerations that any person negotiating IP assets should bear in mind. First and foremost, as negotiations are deemed to start off with coming to sit at one table with your potential business partners, careful preparation beforehand proves to be fundamental for beneficial and successful discussions.

**More...** the guide *"How to deal with IP in transnational negotiations"* [here](#) ; EU IPR Helpdesk [www.iprhelpdesk.eu](http://www.iprhelpdesk.eu)

### Bridging the gap: How the US and EU can boost trade - through a harmonized patent system

This is a special Report of a [Science|Business](#) Conference which took place in Washington on May 7<sup>th</sup>, organized in cooperation with the [Transatlantic Policy Network](#) and with the support of the [Federal Circuit Bar Association](#).

The focus was set on how this historic convergence could help inventors and the economy.

The Report highlights how **the American & European systems for patents are starting to look more alike**.

As a consequence this process is going to have big implications for inventions, trade, economies on both sides of the Atlantic. With the changings in law in Washington & Brussels, **there is further space for even more harmonization** left.

On one side, the EU has been trying to simplify its costly and complicated patent system. On the other side, in the US the first major change in patent law since 1980 was signed in 2011, that made the US system a bit more EU: "It does go a fair degree towards promoting international collaboration".

**More...** please download the Full Report [here](#).

## Research

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

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

This rethink is outlined in the ESF's new report titled 'Central & eastern Europe Beyond Transition: Convergence & Divergence in Europe'. The report aims to identify new themes for social science research in and on the CEE, to be promoted and endorsed by national and European funding institutions.

**More...** [http://cordis.europa.eu/search/index.cfm?fuseaction=news.document&N\\_LANG=EN&N\\_RCN=34877&pid=1](http://cordis.europa.eu/search/index.cfm?fuseaction=news.document&N_LANG=EN&N_RCN=34877&pid=1)

### Towards open access in Horizon 2020

The EC has released the communication '**Towards better access to scientific information: Boosting the benefits of public investments in research**'. The communication highlights the will of the EC to 'improve access to scientific information and to boost the benefits of public investments in research'. It also exposes how open access will be implemented in Horizon 2020. In parallel, the EC has adopted a recommendation to the member states on 'access to and preservation of scientific information'.

The EC argues that open access is needed in order to 'accelerate innovation, foster collaboration, build on previous research and involve society'. The communication cites studies that have shown that **open access has a direct impact on innovation and competitiveness** of SME. Open access must however not be limited to the dissemination of scientific publications (articles), but **should also consider the access to scientific data**.

**More...** [Towards-better-access-to-scientific-information](#) ; [Recommendation-access-&-preservation-scientific-information](#) ; [Impact-assessment-executive-summary](#)

### Digital Agenda: Commission opens public consultation on preservation of the open internet

The EC is today launching a public consultation seeking answers to questions on transparency, switching, certain aspects of internet traffic management, with a view to its commitment to preserve the open, neutral character of the Internet. These questions have emerged as key issues in the "net neutrality" debate that has taken place in EU over the past years, including the recent findings of the Body of EU Regulators of EC (BEREC).

**More...** [http://ec.europa.eu/information\\_society/digital-agenda/scoreboard/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/information_society/digital-agenda/scoreboard/index_en.htm) ;

<http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/12/817&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en>

## Innovation and Entrepreneurship

### Scientific data: open access to research results will boost Europe's innovation capacity

The EC outlined measures to improve access to scientific information produced in EU. Broader, more rapid access to scientific papers, data will make it easier for researchers & businesses to build on the findings of public-funded research.



This will boost EU's innovation capacity and give citizens quicker access to the benefits of scientific discoveries. In this way, it will give Europe a better return on its €87 billion annual investment in R&D. The measures complement the Commission's Communication to achieve a European Research Area (ERA), also adopted.

**More...** <http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/12/790&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en>

### European Commission targets barriers to Single Market for research and innovation

The EC has set out concrete steps Member States should take to achieve the EU Research Area (ERA), a Single Market for research & innovation in EU. The goal is to enable researchers, research institutions, businesses to better move, compete, co-operate across borders. This will strengthen Member States' research bases increase their competitiveness, allow them to work together more effectively to tackle major societal challenges, such as climate change, food and energy security, public health. To help achieve the ERA, the EC has also signed a Joint Statement and Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs) with organisations representing key research organisations and research funding bodies. The proposals are a response to the deadline set by EU leaders to make the European Research Area a reality by 2014.

**More...** <http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/12/788&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en>

### Entrepreneurship education

**More...** [www.fichannels.com](http://www.fichannels.com)

### New EIP showcases cities of the future

The EC has launched the **EU Innovation Partnership (EIP) on Smart Cities & Communities (SCC)**. It is the 5<sup>th</sup> of its kind after the pilot EIP on 'Active and Healthy ageing' and those on 'Raw Materials', 'Agriculture' and 'Water'.

**EIPs are platforms**, which are created to reinforce the coherence of European research and innovation priorities and help focus, streamline and simplify policy actions, while pointing to measures to bridge gaps and accelerate the uptake of innovations. They **do not supersede or replace other existing initiatives or instruments**, nor are they a substitute for existing institutional decision-making mechanisms.

**EIPs** constitute one of 34 action points the EC has committed to in order to reach the targets set for the Europe 2020 Flagship Initiative 'Innovation Union'. Most importantly EIPs are based on **using & linking existing knowledge, actions, funding** rather than 're-inventing the wheel'.

**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)

### Public consultation on: Problems that arise in the direct tax field when venture capital is invested across borders

Period of consultation: From 03/8/2012 to 5/11/2012

The EC has launched this public consultation in order to collect factual evidence of the direct tax problems that arise when venture capital is invested across borders. In this respect the EC needs not only to collect factual evidence of the problems, but also to find out why the problems arose, the Member States involved, the amount of money involved and the costs to investors, Member States and the EU's SMEs. Once the EC has collected this evidence, it will be able to estimate the size of the problem and decide whether there is a need for EU solutions to remedy the problems and what the benefits of any such solutions would be, for Member States and for the VC industry.

Finally, the EC would like to obtain suggestions from the public on feasible solutions to any such problems.

**More...** [http://ec.europa.eu/taxation\\_customs/resources/documents/common/consultations/tax/venture\\_capital/consultation\\_document\\_en.pdf](http://ec.europa.eu/taxation_customs/resources/documents/common/consultations/tax/venture_capital/consultation_document_en.pdf)

### Public consultation on demand-side policies to spur European industrial innovations in a global market

The aim of the public consultation is to gather inputs from stakeholders with the scope of **creating possible future EU-level actions in demand-side policies for industrial innovation policy**. **Objective:** The Commission is calling for ideas for potential new policy measures and focus areas for future targeted demand-side innovation actions at EU level, to enable **faster uptake of innovations and to create a better environment** for producing innovations in order to maintain the value and business investments in Europe. **Target groups:** All public authorities, organizations, businesses and citizens are welcome to contribute to this consultation. **Period of consultation:** From 14 June 2012 - 6 Sept. 2012

**Questionnaire:** The questionnaire falls into the following parts: Identifying the challenges and the role of demand-side innovation policies, Criteria for choosing the new focus areas, Sectors / Markets, Policy tools

**More...** View the questionnaire [here](#) ; To read the Background paper, please click [here](#).

### Entrepreneurship: consultation on future action at EU level

In these difficult times of increasing unemployment, EU needs more entrepreneurs. Whilst actually only 11% of EU citizens are entrepreneurs, 45% would like to be their own boss if they could. To unlock this enormous potential for jobs and growth, the EC will launch in autumn 2012 a European Entrepreneurship Action Plan to boost entrepreneurship at all levels. To this end, the EC has launched a public consultation with the aim to gather inputs from stakeholders and citizens on the scope of possible future actions at EU, national and regional level in promoting entrepreneurship.

**More...** <http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/12/797&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en>

### Innovation Lessons from the First Man on the Moon

1. **Urgency.** Be sure in your innovation project to seize the right moment: necessity is the mother of invention.
2. **Challenge.** Start your innovation journey with a clear and big challenge: an innovation assignment.
3. **Focus.** A concrete assignment serves during your innovation journey as a guide to make the right decisions.
4. **Prepare.** You can only start your innovation project once for the first time. Be sure to have your own step checklist'.
5. **Test.** test, test and test.



**6. Teamwork.** Innovate in a team and you get both better results and will create internal supporters for the outcomes.

**7. Passion.** Follow your passion in your innovation projects. And do things only on your terms.

**More...** [Seven-innovation-lessons-from-the-first-man-on-the-moon](#)

### **Innovation in SMEs: Reducing the costs of innovation through the adoption of open innovation**

There is a huge opportunity for SME's and open innovation. It's a shift from being solely solution providers to present day solution SEEKERS. With the technology cost-of-entry so low, the financial barriers are all of a sudden reduced for SME's. That's one several reasons why I think the time is now for SME's and open innovation.

SMEs will have an increasingly important role to play to keep our economic system sustainable, hence OI is one of the options to leverage their R&D potential without having the resources that large companies have. There are multiple dimensions to the questions. One would be the more 'technologically' oriented dimension (i.e. which partnerships are useful for accelerating R&D amongst them) while another would be the more 'human' oriented dimension (how to build a culture of trust, how to manage relationships, ... see e.g. the theories about social networking, human capital etc.)

**More...** <http://www.exnovate.org/gallery/documents/open-innovation-in-smes.pdf>

### **Partner Search**

#### **Looking for a non-Spanish SME with expertise in Inmotics to submit a proposal for the next Eurostars call, deadline September 20**

**Contact:** Wendy Moreno Peña, Soros Gabinete, Madrid Area, Spain, [wmoreno@soros.es](mailto:wmoreno@soros.es)

#### **Looking for Partners for EUREKA - Eurostars Projects (Non-Turkish partners)**

A Turkish company is looking for non-Turkish partners for their EUREKA - Eurostars projects.

1. Information Technologies - A company that has expertise in remote control of electronics systems via remote control and user interface development.

2. Optics Design - A company that has expertise in lighting optics design and optical materials

3. Optical Materials - A company that has experience in optical materials and the technology to process them

4. Electronics - A company that has experience in one or more of the following fields: Power electronics, wireless communication (RF, ZigBee, GPRS) modules design, sensor circuit design and programming.

**Contact:** Emre Yurttagul, EUREKA National Project Coordinator at TÜBİTAK, Turkey, [emre.yurttagul@tubitak.gov.tr](mailto:emre.yurttagul@tubitak.gov.tr)

#### **Search for partners to join a consortium bidding for FP7 call: Research for the benefit of SMEs**

1. A RTD performer (university, research center or SME) which has competencies on designing and developing a prototype of electronic control board for the pulse or nano-impulse generation

2. A SME end user in the field of water recycling (appliances)

We already have three Italians in the consortium so unfortunately Italian partners are not sought.

**Contact:** Andy Hebb, Business Development, Commercialisation of Technology, London, [akhebb@gmail.com](mailto:akhebb@gmail.com)

#### **Looking for organizations with experience in cryopreservation of stem cells without DMSO-dimethyl sulfoxide**

We are looking for European organizations with excellence and proven experience in cryopreservation of stem cells 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.

**Contact:** Javier Carrero, Madrid, [javier@euradia.es](mailto:javier@euradia.es)

#### **Search for partners - Automotive Manufacturer to support an application for R4SMEs funding**

I'm currently supporting a consortium applying for funding for an innovative engine project. The deadline is fast approaching and we would be very interested in talking to an automotive manufacturer regarding support for such a project and its end use. Any interested parties please get in touch,

**Contact:** Andy Hebb, Business Development, Commercialisation of Technology, London, [akhebb@gmail.com](mailto:akhebb@gmail.com)

#### **A UK company is looking for partners to use its 3D online cities for research in ageing, city planning**

A North East England SME has created a virtual model of a Large City on two pieces of online software. The company is wanting to work with researchers and town planners to help design age-friendly cities.

The company is offering opportunities to build other local environments such as for existing environments to be used to aide research (currently working on ageing, archaeology areas) for business and entertainment events (meetings, conferences, concerts etc) This technology may be of interest to City planners, researchers, companies from any sector wanting to host meetings or events.

**More...** [http://www.een-northeast.co.uk/find-a-partner/technology-profile/171861/?goback=.gde\\_1287967\\_member\\_147396062](http://www.een-northeast.co.uk/find-a-partner/technology-profile/171861/?goback=.gde_1287967_member_147396062)

#### **Looking for a project partners for LIFE+ program**

Main topic is to built as a communication campaign , raise awareness on water issues, importance of drinking water, its protection etc. From that reason a ideal partner would be a water companies in EU or non-profit organizations dealing with this topic (water and environment protection, education).

**Contact:** Jan Hamornik, Director, Gemini Group s.r.o., Slovak Republic, [hamornik@geminigroup.sk](mailto:hamornik@geminigroup.sk)

### **Partner Search: EU organizations experienced in the development of avant-garde Technology Watch Systems**

We are looking for EU organizations with a vast experience, excellence in the development/programming of pioneering Technology Watch Systems. Organizations fitting this profile, please send a description on their experience in this field.

**Contact:** Age Laine, Senior consultant at Advisio Ltd, Estonia, [age.laine@advisio.ee](mailto:age.laine@advisio.ee)

#### **Looking for partners from the Slovak Innovation& Energy Agency for FP7 2013 projects in the field of energy**

The Slovak Innovation and Energy Agency (SIEA) look for partners for the below topics in work programme:

- ENERGY.2013.3.7.1 Developing regional & pan-EU schemes for the sustainable delivery of non-food biomass feedstock in a pan-EU integrated market
- ENERGY.2013.4.1.1 Innovative solar thermal facade systems
- ENERGY.2013.7.2.1: Advanced concepts for reliability assessment of the pan-European transmission network
- ENERGY.2013.7.2.4: Ensuring stakeholder support for future grid infrastructures
- ENERGY.2013.7.3.2 Enhanced interoperability & conformance testing methods/tools for interaction between grid infrastructure & electric vehicles
- ENERGY.2013.10.1.1: ERA-NET Plus – Bioenergy: Demonstrations of the EU Industrial Bioenergy Initiative

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.

SIEA is focusing also on the intense cooperation with universities, research and development institutions, organizations operating in the area of technical standardization and testing, government authorities, Regulatory Office for Network Industries, State Energy Inspection, etc.

We are looking for companies that are interested in acquiring partners for European projects on the field of “Developing regional and pan-EU schemes for the sustainable delivery of non-food biomass feedstock in a pan-EU integrated market”.

**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 from the Institute of Water & Environmental Engineering, Spain, for FP7 2013 projects in the field of environment**

The Institute of Water and Environmental Engineering, IIAMA, of the Technical University of Valencia look for partners for the below topics in work programme:

- ENV.2013.6.2-3 Transition to sustainable, low-carbon societies
- ENV.2013.6.2-5 Urban biodiversity and green infrastructure
- ENV.2013.6.2-8 Sustainable management of Europe's deep sea and sub-sea floor resources
- OCEAN 2013.1 – Biosensors for real time monitoring of biohazard, man made chemical contaminants in the marine environment
- OCEAN 2013.2-Innovative multifunctional sensors for in-situ monitoring of marine environment maritime activities
- OCEAN 2013.3 Innovative antifouling materials for maritime applications
- ENV.2013.6.3-3 Contribution to the assessment of global water resources through the use of new Earth Observation datasets and techniques
- ENV.2013.WATER INNO&DEMO-1 Water innovation demonstration projects
- ENV.2013.WATER INNO&DEMO-2 Ensuring the integration of water & innovation demonstration projects & support to trans-national networks of procurers
- EeB.ENV.2013.6.3-4 Energy efficient retrofitting and renewal of existing buildings for sustainable urban districts
- ENV.2013.6.5-4 Knowledge platforms, networking and uptake of research results for more strategic international R&I cooperation
- ENV.2013.6.2-2 Toxicants, environmental pollutants and land and water resources management
- KBBE.2013.1.4-04 Improving the capacity of agro-meteorological crop modelling to integrate climatic variability and extreme weather events
- KBBE.2013.1.4-06 Support to agricultural policy

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 “Transition to sustainable, low-carbon societies”.

**Contact:** Carlos A. García Meseguer at the mail: [gestor@iiama.upv.es](mailto:gestor@iiama.upv.es) ; [www.iiama.upv.es](http://www.iiama.upv.es)

#### **Looking for partners from EDE - Research Group in Economics, Business and Environment, Spain, for FP7 2013 projects in the field of energy**

EDE Spain look for partners for the below topics in work programme:

- EeB.ENV.2013.6.3-4 Energy efficient retrofitting and renewal of existing buildings for sustainable urban districts
- FoF.1.5.2 Environmental technologies for brownfield regeneration

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".

**Contact:** Alberto Gago Rodríguez (Director) at the mail: [agago@uvigo.es](mailto:agago@uvigo.es) ; [www.rede.uvigo.es](http://www.rede.uvigo.es)

### Looking for partners from Agresta, Spain, for FP7 2013 projects in the field of environment

Agresta S. Coop, Madrid, Spain, look for partners for the below topics in work programme:

- ENV.2013.6.2-4 Sustainable land care in Europe
- ENV.2013.6.2-6 Improved monitoring of the impact of the cultivation on the environment using global Earth Observations
- ENV.2013.6.2-7 Development of advanced technologies and tools for mapping, diagnosing, protecting and managing cultural landscapes in rural areas

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, 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 interested in acquiring partners for EU projects on the field of Sustainable land care.

**Contact:** María Jesús Toledo Pablo Ascasibar, [mjtoledo@agresta.org](mailto:mjtoledo@agresta.org) ; [www.agresta.org](http://www.agresta.org)

### Looking for partners from ZSE Distribúcia, a.s., Slovakia, in Energy Field

The company ZSE Distribúcia, a.s. (E.ON Slovakia) look for partners for the below topics in work programme:

- ENERGY.2013.10.1.8 Integrated research programme on smart grids
- ENERGY.2013.7.1.1 Development/validation of methods/tools for network integration-distributed renewable resources
- ENERGY.2013.7.2.4 Ensuring stakeholder support for future grid Infrastructures
- ENERGY.2013.7.3.1 Planning rules for linking electric vehicles (EV) to distributed energy resources
- ENERGY.2013.7.3.2 Enhanced interoperability, conformance testing methods/tools for interaction between grid infrastructure and electric vehicles

ZSE Distribucia will bring its long-standing expertise in distribution network operation, real-world system-management issues and the global expertise of parent company E.ON in electricity generation, transmission and distribution. It is an owner/operator of distribution system (110, 22, 0.4 kV) on the territory of West Slovakia with electricity distribution/operation of distribution network on the territory of 15 000 km<sup>2</sup> with more than a million supply points. It is responsible for the electricity distribution, connection of new generation sources. It has long-running, rich experience with running a distribution network, dealing with challenges of connecting new distributed sources of energy, storage devices to the grid. ZSE Distribucia offers its existing distribution network for testing purposes, technical requirements definition and modeling. The general interest is in Smart Metering and Smart Grid as such (resulting from the DSO role) with detailed focus on the distributed generation sources integration, quality of electricity supply, generation sources management, energy storage and e-mobility, intelligent energy solutions, etc..

**Contact:** Peter Sevce, +421 2 5061 2998, [peter.sevce@eon-slovensko.sk](mailto:peter.sevce@eon-slovensko.sk)

### Partnership Search from an innovative polish SME, on Computational Fluid Dynamics, LCA, Business models

IZNAB Sp. z o.o. is an Innovative Engineering & Consulting SME focused on cost-effective technologies in various field of Industry activities. Our offered expertise are following:

- Computational Fluid Dynamics – CFD
- Virtual Testing
- Selection, design and development of innovative materials and/or processing technologies in requested WPs
- Reuse and recyclability approach analysis of such materials
- Life Cycle Analysis / Life Cycle Cost Analysis
- Dissemination and Exploitation, including Business Models

Relevant topic in work programme:

- ENERGY.2013.2.3.2: Small to medium wind turbines;
- ENERGY.2013.2.3.1: Advanced aerodynamic modelling, design and testing for large rotor blades;
- ENERGY.2013.5.1-2: New generation high-efficiency capture processes;
- ENERGY.2013.4.1.1: Research and development of innovative solar thermal facades;
- ENERGY.2013.8.8.1: Demonstration of optimised energy systems for high performance-energy districts.



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

### Romania – Bulgaria Call for Proposals for Joint R&D Projects within EUROSTARS Programme

First Deadline for Submission – 20<sup>th</sup> September, 2012. Second Deadline for Submission – 4<sup>th</sup> April, 2013

Romania and Bulgaria are announcing the Call for Proposals for joint R&D projects, focusing on development of innovative products, services or processes and applications **in all technological domains**. Applicants are expected to develop ready to market solutions having strong market potential for Romania, Bulgaria and Europe.

« National Authority for Scientific Research (ANCS) and Executive Unit for Financing of the Higher Education, Research, Development and Innovation (UEFISCDI) from Romania and Bulgarian SMEs Promotion Agency (BSMEPA) will provide access to public funding for joint projects.

« The call is announced in the field of industrial research & development between Romania and Bulgaria within EUREKA initiative and EUROSTARS programme, in particular, in which both countries participate. Hence, the program is managed in cooperation and in line with the procedures of Eurostars program (<http://www.eurostars-eureka.eu/>).

« ANCS and UEFISCDI (Executive Unit for Financing the Higher Education & University Researches) for Romanian side, BSMEPA for Bulgarian side will provide all necessary assistance to project partners during project proposal, evaluation, contracting, monitoring phase.

Application Forms for projects that qualify to the EUROSTARS programme have to be submitted via <http://www.EUROSTARS-EUREKA.eu> not later than 20<sup>th</sup> September 2012 - the deadline of the EUROSTARS Cut-off 9.

**More...** <http://www.uefiscdi.ro/> ; <http://www.eurostars-eureka.eu/> and <http://sme.government.bg/> ; <http://www.eurostars-eureka.eu/>

### 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@cns-dir.fr](mailto:anna.boitard@cns-dir.fr) ; [http://www.ancs.ro/uploads/programe-internationale/cooperari-bilaterale/apeluri-deschise/romania-japonia-2012/cj-jc-call-text-and-regulations\\_provizoriu.pdf](http://www.ancs.ro/uploads/programe-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)

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

Political area	Title	Deadline	Themes	More
COOPERATION	ARTEMIS-2012-1	2012-09-06	Joint Technology Initiatives	<a href="#">link</a>
PEOPLE	FP7-PEOPLE-2012-CIG	2012-09-18	FP7 People	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	FP7-HEALTH-2013-Innov-2	2012-09-25	Health	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	FP7-HEALTH-2013-Innov-1	2012-10-02	Health	<a href="#">link</a>
IDEAS	ERC-2012-PoC	2012-10-03	FP7 Ideas	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	FP7-AAT-2012-RTD-L0	2012-10-04	Transport	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	IMI-CALL-2012-7	2012-10-09	Joint Technology Initiatives	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	FP7-NMP-2013-EU-China	2012-10-12	Nanosciences, nanotechnologies, materials and new production technologies	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	FP7-ENV-2013-two-stage	2012-10-16	Environment	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	FP7-ENV-2013-one-stage	2012-10-16	Environment	<a href="#">link</a>
IDEAS	ERC-2013-StG	2012-10-17	FP7 Ideas	<a href="#">link</a>

COOPERATION	SP1-JTI-CS-2012-03	2012-10-18	Joint Technology Initiatives	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	FP7-ICT-2013-FET-F	2012-10-23	Information & Communication Technologies	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	FP7-NMP-2013-EU-Japan	2012-10-23	Nanosciences, nanotechnologies, materials and new production technologies	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	FP7-NMP-2013-SME-7	2012-10-23	Nanosciences, nanotechnologies, materials and new production technologies	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	FP7-NMP-2013-LARGE-7	2012-10-23	Nanosciences, nanotechnologies, materials and new production technologies	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	FP7-NMP-2013-SMALL-7	2012-10-23	Nanosciences, nanotechnologies, materials and new production technologies	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	FP7-2012-ICT-FI	2012-10-24	Information & Communication Technologies	<a href="#">link</a>
CAPACITIES	FP7-CDRP-2013-Incubators	2012-11-07	Supp for coherent develop of research policy	<a href="#">link</a>
CAPACITIES	FP7-CDRP-2013-STAKEHOLDERS	2012-11-07	Support for the coherent development of research policies	<a href="#">link</a>
EURATOM	FP7-Fission-2013	2012-11-13	Nuclear Fission and Radiation Protection	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	FP7-SST-2013-RTD-1	2012-11-14	Transport	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	FP7-Transport-2013-Move-1	2012-11-14	Transport	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	FP7-AAT-2013-RTD-Russia	2012-11-14	Transport	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	FP7-AAT-2013-RTD-1	2012-11-14	Transport	<a href="#">link</a>
CAPACITIES	FP7-SME-2013	2012-11-15	Research for the benefit of SMEs	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	FP7-SPACE-2013-1	2012-11-21	Space	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	FP7-SEC-2013-1	2012-11-22	Security	<a href="#">link</a>
IDEAS	ERC-2013-ADG	2012-11-22	FP7 Ideas	<a href="#">link</a>
PEOPLE	FP7-PEOPLE-2013-ITN	2012-11-22	FP7 People	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	FP7-ENERGY-2013-1	2012-11-28	Energy	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	FP7-SMARTCITIES-2013	2012-12-04	Information & Communication Tech; Energy	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	FP7-2013-NMP-ICT-FOF	2012-12-04	Information and Communication Technologies; Nanosciences, Nanotechnologies, Materials and new Production Technologies	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	FP7-2013-ICT-GC	2012-12-04	Information & Communication Technologies	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	FP7-NMP-2013-CSA-7	2012-12-04	Nanosciences, nanotech, materials & new production technologies	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	FP7-2013-GC-Materials	2012-12-04	Nanosciences, nanotechnologies, materials, new production technologies	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	FP7-2013-NMP-ENV-EeB	2012-12-04	Environment (incl Climate Change); Nanotech, Nanosciences, Materials, Production Tech.	<a href="#">link</a>
PEOPLE	FP7-PEOPLE-2013-Cofund	2012-12-05	FP7 People	<a href="#">link</a>
CAPACITIES	FP7-Infrastructure-2013-1	2012-12-05	Research Infrastructures	<a href="#">link</a>
CAPACITIES	FP7-INCO-2013-1	2012-12-18	Activities of International Cooperation	<a href="#">link</a>
CAPACITIES	FP7-INCO-2013-3	2012-12-18	Activities of International Cooperation	<a href="#">link</a>
CAPACITIES	FP7-INCO-2013-2	2012-12-18	Activities of International Cooperation	<a href="#">link</a>
CAPACITIES	FP7-INCO-2013-4	2012-12-18	Activities of International Cooperation	<a href="#">link</a>
CAPACITIES	FP7-INCO-2013-9	2012-12-18	Activities of International Cooperation	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	FP7-ENERGY-2013-IRP	2013-01-08	Energy	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	FP7-ICT-2013-SME-DCA	2013-01-15	Information & Communication Technologies	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	FP7-ICT-2013-10	2013-01-15	Information & Communication Technologies	<a href="#">link</a>
CAPACITIES	FP7-Science-in-Soc-2013-1	2013-01-16	Science in Society	<a href="#">link</a>
PEOPLE	FP7-PEOPLE-2013-IRSES	2013-01-17	FP7 People	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	FP7-ENERGY-2013-2	2013-01-24	Energy	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	FP7-SSH-2013-1	2013-01-31	Socio-economic sciences & Humanities	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	FP7-SSH-2013-2	2013-01-31	Transport	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	FP7-KBBE-2013-7-1-stage	2013-02-05	Food, Agriculture and Fisheries, Biotech	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	FP7-OCEAN-2013	2013-02-07	Food, Agricult & Fisheries, Biotech; Nanotech, Nanosciences, Materials, Production Tech - NMP; Energy; Environment (incl Climate Change); Transport (incl Aeronautics)	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	FP7-ERANET-2013-RTD	2013-02-13	Food, Agriculture & Fisheries, Biotech ; Nanosciences, Nanotech, Materials & new Production Tech - NMP; Energy; Environment (incl Climate Change); Transport (incl Aeronautics); Socio-ec sciences & Humanity	<a href="#">link</a>
CAPACITIES	FP7-CDRP-2013-Adm-Innov	2013-02-15	Supp for coherent develop of research policy	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	FP7-ICT-2011-C	2013-03-12	Information & Communication Technologies	<a href="#">link</a>

COOPERATION	FP7-AAT-2013-RTD-High-Speed	2013-03-28	Transport	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	FP7-Env-2013-water-inno-demo	2013-04-04	Environment	<a href="#">link</a>
COOPERATION	Call for database of FP7 exp.	2013-07-31		<a href="#">link</a>
CAPACITIES	FP7-CDRP-Women-Inno	2013-10-15	Supp for coherent develop of research policy	<a href="#">link</a>

### Open calls for proposals related to innovation and competitiveness

Area	Title	Deadline	More
Innovation	CIP-EIP-ECO-INNOVATION-2012	2012-09-06	<a href="#">link</a>
NMP	EURIPIDES Autumn'12	2012-09-10	<a href="#">link</a>
Innovation	Eurostars EUREKA call for proposals	2012-09-20	<a href="#">link</a>
Transport	Marco Polo 2012 call for proposals	2012-09-21	<a href="#">link</a>
Environment	LIFE+ 2012 call for proposals	2012-09-26	<a href="#">link</a>
Research	COST 2012	2012-09-28	<a href="#">link</a>
Metrology	EMRP call 2012 - Stage 2	2012-10-01	<a href="#">link</a>
Environment	Expert evaluators Eco-innovation	2013-09-30	<a href="#">link</a>
Energy	Expert evaluators for Intelligent Energy Europe	2013-09-30	<a href="#">link</a>
Research	Eureka : Euripides call for expert	2013-12-31	<a href="#">link</a>
Education	EACEA/21/08 Erasmus Mundus Cooperation Window Asia Region 2008/2009	2020-10-31	<a href="#">link</a>

### 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;>

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

### New FET funding opportunities – Open calls

The FET 2013 Work Programme supports the transition to H2020. In FP7, FET experienced a deep transformation, with a wider range of activities at different levels of scale, and with an additional focus on young researchers, high-tech SMEs and international partnerships. The success of these changes forms the basis for a new extended mandate for FET in H2020, with a substantially larger budget as well.

- **FET Open:** dine **11 September 2012** (short proposals)
  - Challenging Current Thinking (STREPs + CSAs) (34M€)
  - High-Tech Research Intensive SMEs in FET research (6M€)
  - FET Young Explorers (8M€)
- **FET Proactive:** deadline **15 January 2013**
  - Evolving Living Technologies (16M€)
  - Atomic and Molecular Scale Devices and Systems (16M€)
  - Coordinating communities, identifying research topics for FET Proactive initiatives & fostering interdisciplinary dialogue (3M€)
  - Symbiosis between humans and computers (minimum 10M€)
  - Creative ICT (10M€)

**More...** [http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/ict/fet-open/home\\_en.html](http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/ict/fet-open/home_en.html)

- **FET Flagships:** deadline **23 October 2012**
  - CP-CSA proposals (108M€): restricted to the topics of the six preparatory actions.
- **FET Open:** deadline **12 March 2013**
  - Challenging Current Thinking (CSAs only) (3M€)
- **FET Open & Proactive:** deadline **12 March 2013**
  - International cooperation on FET research\* (2M€)
- **FET Flagships:** deadline **16 April 2013**
  - ERANET (2M€), coordination & support actions
- **FET-Open Xtrack** (launch date: 12/09/2012):  
deadline **29 January 2013** (15M€)

### FET-Proactive calls for 2 thematic R&D objectives, and for coordination and support actions

**Evolving Living Technologies:** the objective is to create living technologies using the principles of biological evolution that co-organize information and matter in systems of physical entities.



**Atomic and Molecular Scale Devices & Systems:** this objective targets the physical access, greater understanding of the behaviour of a single atom/molecule/small ensembles, as elementary functional resources for future ICT systems.

#### **Coordination and Support Actions,**

FET-Proactive has 2 more objectives in WP2013 which will be jointly managed within the DG CONNECT by FET & "Robotics" or "Creativity" units: - **Symbiosis between humans and computers** and - **Creative ICT**

**More...** [http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/ict/fet-proactive/calls\\_en.html](http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/ict/fet-proactive/calls_en.html)

#### **COST: Approved actions 2012 released**

COST is an intergovernmental framework for European Cooperation in Science & Technology, allowing the coordination of nationally-funded research on a European level. The programme aims to reduce the fragmentation in EU research investments, opening the ERA to cooperation worldwide. COST anticipates, complements the activities of the [EU Framework Programmes](#), constituting a "bridge" towards the scientific communities of emerging countries. It also increases the mobility of researchers across EU, fosters the establishment of scientific excellence in the **9 key domains**:

- [Biomedicine and Molecular Biosciences](#)
- [Food and Agriculture](#)
- [Forests, their Products and Services](#)
- [Materials, Physics and Nanosciences](#)
- [Chemistry and Molecular Sciences and Technologies](#)
- [Earth System Science and Environmental Management](#)
- [Information and Communication Technologies](#)
- [Transport and Urban Development](#)
- [Individuals, Societies, Cultures and Health](#)

**More...** [http://www.cost.eu/domains\\_actions](http://www.cost.eu/domains_actions)

#### **Framework Contract for the provision of services to the Commission in the field of evaluation of research & innovation programmes & policies**

The framework contract intends to provide a facility through which the EC, the ERC executive agency, other implementation structures active in the field of research & innovation, in particular the public-private partnerships such as the JTI, can obtain services in relation to the evaluation of EU research and innovation activities. Deadline 8 Oct 2012.

**More...** [http://ec.europa.eu/research/dgs/tenders/open\\_en.cfm](http://ec.europa.eu/research/dgs/tenders/open_en.cfm)

#### **Data-providing services in support of research and policy in the field of nanosciences and nanotechnologies**

Providing systematic, up-to-date global/national/sectoral monitoring, information for nanotechnologies (nanomaterials/nano-intermediates/nano-enabled products), taking into account all factors affecting the value chains/markets/the safety, regulatory/societal aspects, including assessing the impact of nanotechnology-related policy measures, action plans.

**More...** <https://etendering.ted.europa.eu/cft/cft-display.html?cftId=105>

### **Policy**

#### **Orientation Papers on Industrial Innovation - the NMP Expert Advisory Group**

The central role of innovation in the creation of jobs, wealth is stressed in the EU 2020 strategy, the Innovation Union flagship initiative. In this context, the NMP Theme, with its focus on smart, sustainable growth, its successor activities under Horizon 2020 have a primary role to play.

The NMP Expert Advisory Group (EAG) held a two-day workshop to identify practical steps for improving the economic and social impact of R&D in the NMP areas, nanotechnology, materials and production technologies. It was also recognised that more fundamental research also plays an important role and should be better linked to the more applied research, innovation. To support future strategy, EAG members completed five orientation papers to help the Commission assess experience from the NMP fields with a view to the future, with some recommendations on how innovation could be better supported. The five orientation papers outlined here are:

- Interactions between academia and industry
- Best practice in innovation
- Simplification and SME involvement
- Metrology and Standards in Innovation
- Key Enabling Technologies of interest to the NMP Theme

Each paper offers novel insight, practical recommendations built on the expertise of leading practitioners in its respective field, stands as an important contribution in its own right. However, all five papers are mutually synergistic, collectively address, enhance the opportunities offered for accelerating innovation in EU's industrial technology sectors, within the Competitive Industries pillar in Horizon 2020.

**More...** [http://ec.europa.eu/research/industrial\\_technologies/pdf/orientation-papers-industrial-innovation\\_en.pdf](http://ec.europa.eu/research/industrial_technologies/pdf/orientation-papers-industrial-innovation_en.pdf)

### **Events**

#### **Two workshops on regional innovation & smart specialisation during the Open days, Brussels, 9 October 2012**

09.00-10.45: How can the regional level learn from each other on innovation?

11.15-13.00: How can the regional context contribute to smart specialisation?

The 1<sup>st</sup> workshop presents testimonials of territorial cooperation in the field of regional innovation, which were carried out by partners of PERIA (Partnership of EU Regional Innovation Agencies). As PERIA is an **interregional cooperation to develop services offered by a region (in particular by the regional authority and its regional innovation agency)**,

**concrete results will be introduced on good practice exchanges** that were conducted between the partnering regions of Aquitaine, Champagne-Ardenne, Észak-Alföld, Saxony-Anhalt, Valencia, and Veneto regions.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> workshop focuses on conceptual aspects, implementation of smart specialisation, presenting the global approach of the concept, the regional implementations. The workshop provides opportunity for debate on the **role of regional authorities and RIAs in the smart specialisation concept**, and would introduce **regional examples about how smart specialisation can be implemented on regional level**.

**More...** [fruzsin.okros@eszak-alfold.hu](mailto:fruzsin.okros@eszak-alfold.hu) ; [Registration](#) (workshop code of 09B02); [Detailed Agenda is available here](#)

#### **20<sup>th</sup> European Signal Processing Conference, August 27-31, 2012, Bucharest, Romania**

**More...** <http://www.eusipco2012.org/home.php>

#### **ICI meeting - Innovations in Cardiovascular Interventions, From Idea to Reality, 2-4 Dec. 2012, Tel-Aviv, Israel**

The meeting will focus on innovative technology and therapies and will cover all stages of the innovation process from the bench to the patient bedside. The program will highlight numerous hot topics and will include presentations from international experts focusing on new therapies and research at various levels of development, alongside thematic live case presentations to present the impact of these technologies on current and future therapy - with a special focus on the future of valvular interventions and the many innovations under investigation for treating cardiac valvular pathology using percutaneous techniques or combined surgical/interventional pathways. Of great interest, will be emerging technology sessions, industry-academia discussions, a review of the regulatory, ethical, financial aspects of new devices.

The ICI Innovation Awards gives you a great opportunity to be **the best startup of the year**. Submit your business for consideration for the 2012 ICI Innovation Award Closing Deadline: 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2012. The ICI Innovation Awards is the world's largest and prestigious award for cardiovascular start-ups.

**More...** [www.icimeeting.com](http://www.icimeeting.com) ; [secretariat@icimeeting.com](mailto:secretariat@icimeeting.com)

#### **The Cultural Diplomacy in Europe Conference *The North & South of EU: Two Identities with a Common Goal*, Berlin, 11-14 September 2012**

A Forum for Young Leaders is a network of young individuals from across the world who have an interest in exploring and strengthening relations between EU states. The program is based on the recognition that the increasing economic, political integration of the EU must be accompanied by sustained activity to ensure that public opinion, relations between individual member states, between member-states, remain positive/constructive at the grass roots level.

**More...** [www.icd-europe.org](http://www.icd-europe.org) ; [To apply please click HERE](#) ; [To learn more about our advisory board please click HERE](#)

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Intelligent System & Applied Material, GSAM 2013, Taiwan, January 13-15, 2013**

The Conference is sponsored by Computer Science and Electronic Technology International Society, co-sponsored by harbin university of science and technology and trans tech publications inc. All accepted papers of GSAM 2013 will be published in the Advanced Materials Research Journal (ISSN: 1022-6680), which will be indexed by EI Compindex.

Full Paper Submission Deadline : September 30 2012

**More...** [gsam2nd@vip.163.com](mailto:gsam2nd@vip.163.com) ; <http://www.gsam2012.org>

#### **Conference on renewable energy, policy, regulation, technology & finance, 25-26 September 2012, Mumbai, India**

The conference is co-organized with The Council of EU Chambers of Commerce and Indo French Chamber of Commerce & Industry, and the conference has received support from the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy, Government of India and Government of Maharashtra.

The event seeks to leverage India's growing success in the development of the renewable energy market, and will encourage collaboration between European and Indian firms (both private and public) in order to address opportunities and challenges in India's renewable energy sector. The EU's experience in policy, technology and finance is of more relevance now for the growth of India's renewable energy sector.

The conference, apart from up-to-date information on the recent changes in legislative and regulatory framework, will also offer business development opportunities with dedicated **B2B meetings**. This will allow you to explore potential private and public opportunities without the need to invest major financial resources for first contacts. Upon registering for B2B meetings you will also have access to **view Indian project briefs** in the energy sector, enabling you to interact with Indian counterparts to explore possible collaborations, joint ventures, technology development / transfer. The event is open to any EU organization / individual interested in exploring the best Indian opportunities in the renewable energy sector. Be it a SME or research institution, the event ensures a mix of interesting professionals from both the EU & India.

**More...** [www.ebtc.eu](http://www.ebtc.eu)

#### **ACI's European Biomass To Power 2013, Krakow, Poland, 10-11 April 2013**

- **Understand** the latest regulatory & policy developments driving biomass use across the EU.
- **Listen** to case studies from leading biomass, co-firing plant owners and EPC contractors about strategies & technologies used for current & future biomass production projects.
- **Discover** what strategies have been adopted by these power companies to deal with the current economic, technical and political challenges.
- **Look** at biomass conversion process technologies
- **Learn** to be safe whilst reducing costs - safety & economics of biomass handling and storage.

**More...** <http://www.wplgroup.com/aci/home/home.asp>

## Forthcoming events

- UCNC, Orléans, France, 11th International Conference on Unconventional Computation & Natural Computation, September 3-7, 2012, <http://www.univ-orleans.fr/lifo/events/UCNC2012/index.php>
- CoSMoS Workshop 2012, Orléans, France, 5th workshop on Complex Systems Modelling and Simulation, September 3, 2012, <http://www.cosmos-research.org/workshops/cosmosworkshop-2012/>
- COBRA Workshop, Orléans, France, Second workshop on Biological and Chemical Information, Technologies (BioChemIT2012), September 6, 2012, <http://www.cobra-project.eu/biochemit2012.html>
- IPCN 2012, Orléans, France, First International Workshop on Information Physics and Computing in Nano-scale Photonics and Materials, September 7, 2012, <http://ipcn.i-photonics.jp/>
- Foun.QI 2, Orléans, France, 2nd Workshop on Foundations of Quantum Information, September 7-8, 2012, <http://membres-liglab.imag.fr/nesme/founqi2/>
- TNT 2012, Madrid, Spain, 13<sup>th</sup> edition of Trends in Nanotechnology International Conference, September 10-14, 2012, <http://www.tntconf.org/2012/index.php?conf=12>
- 1st COBRA Summer School on Biological and Chemical, Information Technologies, San Candido, Italy, September 9-21, 2012, <http://www.cobra-project.eu/summerschool.html>
- AtMol conference series 2012, Berlin, Germany, Imaging and manipulating molecular orbitals International Workshop, September 24-25, 2012, [http://atmol.phantomsnet.net/Berlin2012\\_index.php?project=7](http://atmol.phantomsnet.net/Berlin2012_index.php?project=7)
- WIFS'12, Tenerife, Spain, IEEE International Workshop on Information Forensics and Security, December 2-5, 2012, <http://www.wifs12.org/>
- AtMol Winter School, Les Houches, France, Quantum resources for single molecule-machines, January 27- February 01, 2013, <http://atmol.phantomsnet.net/events.php?project=7>

## Other events

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|---------------|------------------------|--|
| • General     | • Innovation           | • Employment & Social Affairs          |
| • ICT         | • Transport            | • Food, agriculture, fisheries         |
| • Energy      | • Education & Training | • Regional policy                      |
| • Environment | • Security             | • Health                               |
| • NMP         | • Space                | • Socio-economic sciences & Humanities |

## 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

18 October [Surface Analysis with AFM](#), Zürich, Technopark,

24 October [New Trends in Nanoelectronics: PC Memories, NEMS & Other Emerging Devices](#), 24 October, Lausanne

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

### IMP<sup>3</sup>rove Training, September 24-25, 2012, Mallorca, Spain

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 European approach to innovation management assessment as a starting point to effectively support your clients - **the small and medium sized enterprises** - in re-gaining competitiveness. At the same time you have the chance to learn about ParcBIT in Palma de Mallorca and the diversity of enterprises located there.

Consultants, intermediaries and 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 this training, staff of the Enterprise Europe Network EEN partners will be offered a special discount of 10% of the participation fee.

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

**More...** <https://www.improve-innovation.eu/> and on ParcBIT <http://www.innovacioparcbit.es>.

### Two open positions for young researchers interested in European Union research projects and in potentially doing a PhD @ Research Group Electronic Government, University of Koblenz-Landau, Germany

The Faculty of Computer Science of the University of Koblenz-Landau is well known in the international field for its research excellence in the area of E-Government. The research group engaged in the area performs many research, implementation projects, both at international as well as national level.

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**More...** [wimmer@uni-koblenz.de](mailto:wimmer@uni-koblenz.de) ; <http://www.uni-koblenz-landau.de/uni/stellen/stellenarchiv/archiv-ordner/Stelle%2091-2012.pdf>

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1. Seconded National Experts-M/F, Ref.: ENISA-SNE-2012-04, Deadline for applications: **17 September 2012**, Location: Heraklion, Greece

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2. Contract Agent-M/F) Security & Resilience of Communication Networks Officer, Ref.: ENISA-CA-III-2012-05, Grade: FG III, Deadline for applications: **17 September 2012**, Location: Heraklion, Greece

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#### **Jobs at EASA - The European Aviation Safety Agency**

1. Seconded National Expert (M/F), Safety Information Officer, Deadline: **13/09/2012**, Location: Cologne, Germany

**More...** <https://erecruitment.easa.europa.eu/Home/VacancyList>

2. Temporary Agent (M/F), IT Operations Team Leader, Grade : AD 8, Deadline: **31.08.2012**, Location: Parma, Italy

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3. Temporary Agent (M/F), Head of the IT Systems Unit, Grade: AD 10, Deadline: **27.08.2012**, Location: Parma

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6. Temporary Agent (M/F), Head of Communications Channels, Ref.: EFSA/X/AD/2012/009, Grade: AD 9 Deadline for applications: **3 September 2012**, Location: Parma, Italy

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7. Temporary Agent (M/F), Senior Scientific Officer, Ref.: EFSA/X/AD/2012/014, Grade: AD 8, Deadline for applications: **4 September 2012**, Location: Parma, Italy

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8. Temporary Agent (M/F), Junior Scientific Officer, Ref.: EFSA/X/AD/2012/015, Grade: AD 5, Deadline for applications: **29 August 2012**, Location: Parma, Italy

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#### **Jobs at EIGE - The European Institute for Gender Equality**

1. Temporary Agent (M/F), Head of Operations, Ref.: EIGE/2012/TA/06/AD10, Grade: AD 10, Deadline for applications: **5 September 2012**, Location: Vilnius, Lithuania  
**More...** <http://www.eige.europa.eu/content/career-opportunities>
2. Trainee (M/F), Resource & Documentation Centre development, Ref.: EIGE/2012/TR/11, Deadline for applications: **17 August 2012**, Location: Vilnius, Lithuania  
**More...** <http://www.eige.europa.eu/content/career-opportunity/eige-2012-tr-11>
3. Seconded National Expert (M/F), Seconded National Expert - Gender Based Violence, Ref.: EIGE/2012/SNE/GBV, Deadline for applications: **30 September 2012**, Location: Vilnius, Lithuania  
**More...** <http://www.eige.europa.eu/content/career-opportunity/eige-2012-sne-gbv>
4. Contract Agent (M/F), Administrative Agent –Gender Equality and EU Enlargement, Ref.: EIGE/2012/CA/10/FG3, Grade: FG III, Deadline for applications: **26 September 2012**, Location: Vilnius, Lithuania  
**More...** <http://www.eige.europa.eu/content/career-opportunities>
5. Contract Agent (M/F), Administrative Agent –Electronic Network Animator, Ref.: EIGE/2012/CA/12/FG3, Grade: FG III, Deadline for applications: **30 September 2012**, Location: Vilnius, Lithuania  
**More...** <http://www.eige.europa.eu/content/career-opportunities>

#### **Jobs at ESMA - European Securities and Markets Authority**

1. Seconded National Expert (M/F), Officer for Secondary Markets, Ref.: ESMA/2012/VAC54/SNE, Deadline for applications: **1 September 2012 (13.00 H Paris local time)**, Location: Paris, France  
**More...** <http://www.esma.europa.eu/content/Vacancy-SNE-Policy-Officer-Secondary-Markets-deadline-1-September-2012>
2. Seconded National Expert (M/F), Post-Trading Officer, Ref.: ESMA/2012/VAC55/SNE, Deadline for applications: **1 September 2012 (13.00H Paris local time)**, Location: Paris, France  
**More...** <http://www.esma.europa.eu/content/Vacancy-SNE-Policy-Officer-Post-Trading-deadline-1-September-2012>
3. Temporary Agent (M/F), Senior Officer – Trade Repositories Supervision, Ref.: ESMA/2012/VAC56/AD7, Grade: AD 7, Deadline for applications: **1 September 2012 (13.00H Paris local time)**, Location: Paris, France  
**More...** <http://www.esma.europa.eu/content/Vacancy-TA-Senior-Officer-Trade-Repositories-Supervision-AD-7-deadline-1-September-2012>
4. Temporary Agent (M/F), Facility Officer, Ref.: ESMA/2012/VAC53, Grade: AD 6, Deadline for applications: **20 August 2012 (13.00H Paris local time)**, Location: Paris, France  
**More...** <http://www.esma.europa.eu/content/Vacancy-TA-Facility-Officer-AD6-deadline-20-August-2012>
5. Contractual Agent, IT Officer – Credit Rating Agency Unit, Ref.: ESMA/2012/VAC57/FGIV, Grade: FG IV, Deadline for applications: **3 September 2012 (13.00H Paris local time)**, Location: Paris, France  
**More...** <http://www.esma.europa.eu/content/Vacancy-CA-IT-Officer-CRA-FGIV-deadline-3-September-2012>
6. Temporary Agent (M/F), Senior Expert, Credit Rating Agencies Supervision, Ref.: ESMA/2012/VAC58/AD8, Grade: AD 8, Deadline for applications: **3 September 2012 (13.00H Paris local time)**, Location: Paris, France  
**More...** <http://www.esma.europa.eu/content/Vacancy-TA-Senior-Officer-CRA-Supervision-AD8-deadline-3-September-2012>
7. Temporary Agent, Team Leader - Credit Rating Agencies Supervision, Ref.: ESMA/2012/VAC59/AD8, Grade: AD 8, Deadline for applications: **3 September 2012 (13.00H Paris local time)**, Location: Paris, France  
**More...** <http://www.esma.europa.eu/content/Vacancy-TA-Team-Leader-CRA-Supervision-AD8-deadline-3-September-2012>
8. Temporary Agent (M/F), Financial Market Analyst, Ref.: ESMA/2012/VAC60, Grade: AD 5, Deadline for applications: **15 September 2012 (13.00H Paris local time)**, Location: Paris, France  
**More...** <http://www.esma.europa.eu/content/Vacancy-TA-EconomistFinancial-Market-Analyst-AD5-deadline-15-September-2012>
9. Temporary Agent (M/F), Senior Legal Officer, Ref.: ESMA/2012/VAC62/TA, Grade: AD 8, Deadline for applications: **12 September 2012 (13.00h Paris local time)**, Location: Paris, France  
**More...** <http://www.esma.europa.eu/content/Vacancy-TA-Senior-Legal-Officer-AD8-deadline-12-September-2012>
10. Temporary Agent (M/F), Legal Officer, Ref.: ESMA/2012/VAC63/TA, Grade: AD 6, Deadline for applications: **5 September 2012 (13.00h Paris local time)**, Location: Paris, France  
**More...** <http://www.esma.europa.eu/content/Vacancy-TA-Legal-Officer-AD6-deadline-5-September-2012>
11. Temporary Agent (M/F), Senior Expert, Information Systems Architect, Ref.: ESMA/2012/VAC61/TA, Grade: AD 8, Deadline for applications: **31 August (13h00 Paris Local time)**, Location: Paris, France  
**More...** <http://www.esma.europa.eu/page/ESMA-Vacancies>



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