

# ENERGY, ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

CO-FINANCING PROJECTS FROM EUROPEAN SOURCES



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## Overview

The European Commission has set aside financial instruments promoting cohesion between the European states, regions and also for supporting the implementation of common European policies. Much of the success of further enlarging the European market and raising European living standards will depend on the way these funds are used by the different actors of the European society.

The implementation of **energy and environmental** policies of the EC is on the top of the list of all priorities. Accordingly, funding available for this sector is especially extensive and there is a nice variety of financial instruments at all levels, such as:

- ✓ Environmental and energy priorities of the Pre-accession instruments – developing projects and building strategic partnerships in the Acceding Countries (Romania, Bulgaria, Croatia and Turkey)
- ✓ Sustainable development under the Structural Funds and the Cohesion Fund
- ✓ Environmental and regional development programmes of the Community Initiatives (INTERREG III and its follow-up programmes)
- ✓ Relevant Community Programmes financed directly from Brussels (FP6/FP7, CIP, SAVE, ALTENER, COOPENER, STEER, LIFE III, etc)
- ✓ There are also hundreds of continuously open European Tenders in the domain of environmental protection and energy that can be interesting for the corporate/SME sector.

An innovative combination of the above sources with private and venture capital, bank loans can generate billions worth of projects in Europe. It is, however, not an easy task to understand the link between the various instruments, this is why we have summarised some of the most relevant sources in this guide and included an up-to-date list of open calls and tenders in the field of energy, environment and sustainable development.

### Pre-Accession Instruments

Pre-Accession Funds are financial instruments, which were established by the European Union to assist the preparation of the applicant countries for the EU-accession.

- One of the main objectives of **Phare** is to assist the preparation of the applicant countries for joining the regional (ERDF) and social (ESF) sections of the Structural Funds.
- the aim of the **SAPARD** programme is the assistance of the preparation for the accession in the fields of agriculture and rural development. No more project proposals can be submitted from 30 April 2004,. The sources of SAPARD can be used till 2006 according to the signed contracts.
- ISPA finances only major environmental and transport infrastructure projects. That system which was designed to make **ISPA** financial sources payable will make the grants of the Cohesion Fund payable, too. Cohesion Fund has taken out the role of ISPA after the accession.
- **CARDS** (Community Assistance for Reconstruction, Development and Stabilisation) programme was established in 2000 to abet stability and peace in the Western Balkans. Previously, the European Union assisted EUR 6.8 billion to this region. CARDS is aiming to help

these countries (Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Serbia, Montenegro, and the former Republic of Macedonia) in the participation of the Stabilization and Association Process.

- The application of the Euro-Mediterranean Partnership is the main objective of **MEDA** programme. The first MEDA programme was introduced in 1996, which was followed by MEDA II in 2000. In the period of 2000-2006 EUR 5.35 billion will be allocated in the region.
- The technical assistance called **TACIS** was created in 1991 to support the transition to market economies and democratic societies in the Eastern Europe and Central Asia (EECA) countries (Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Mongolia, Russian Federation, Turkmenistan, Tajikistan, Ukraine, Uzbekistan). The total fund of the programmes amounts to EUR 3.138 million until the end of 2006.

### **ENPI (Future Programme)**

Within the framework of the European Neighbourhood Policy of the EU, European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument (ENPI) will from 2007 onwards replace the current TACIS and MEDA programmes in the ENP partner countries and Russia. Drawing on substantially increased funds, it will support the Neighbourhood Policy and its Action Plans, as well as EU's strategic partnership with Russia. It will furthermore have a specific and innovative component catering for the needs of cross-border cooperation at the EU's external borders. Until 2006, the Commission is substantially enhancing the coordination of existing instruments for cross-border cooperation in so-called "Neighbourhood Programmes".  
([http://europa.eu.int/comm/world/enp/components\\_en.htm](http://europa.eu.int/comm/world/enp/components_en.htm))

### **IAP (Future Programme)**

With an aim to constitute a single framework for assistance, the Commission is proposing the Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance (IAP) for the forthcoming financial perspective from 2007-2013. This framework incorporates the Phare, ISPA and SAPARD system along with "structural funds" and "rural development funds" components. The objective is to prepare the candidate countries better for the implementation of structural and rural development funds after accession.  
(<http://europa.eu.int/scadplus/leg/en/lvb/e50020.htm>)

## **Structural Funds**

The reduction of the regional development differences in the EU is the main objective of the Structural funds and the Cohesion fund. The main supporting instruments of the EU are the Structural Funds which are the following:

I. The European Regional Development Fund (**ERDF**) was established in 1975.

The aim of the fund:

- to assist the reduction of the differences among the regions in the field of level of development and the standard of living
- to support the reduction of the major territorial differences in the EU with taking part in the development of the underdeveloped regions and in their social adjustment.

II. According to the Treaty of Rome, the European Social Fund (**ESF**) was established in 1958.

The aim of the fund:

- to help the expansion of the employment with the promotion of the rate of employment, enterprise, equal opportunities, to support the investment in the human resources and in trainings.

III. The European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund, Guidance Section (**EAGGF-G**) operates since 1970.

The aim of the fund:

- to sustain the contact between the multifunctional agriculture and the soil
- the improvement of the competitiveness of the agriculture (as the most important activity of the rural areas)
- to secure the diversification of the rural economy
- to help the preservation of the rural communities
- the improvement and the preservation of the environment, land and cultural heritage

IV. These three structural funds were supplemented in 1993 with the Financial Instrument of Fisheries Guidance (**FIFG**).

The aim of the fund:

- to help the achievement of the sustainable balance between the resources of sea and their utilization
- the modernization of the fisheries structures
- to help to sustain a dynamic and competitive fishing and to boost those regions which depend on fishing
- the improvement of the supply and utilization of fisheries products.

The Union has separated altogether 257 billion euro for the financing of the Structural Funds for the 25 Member States between 2000 and 2006.

([http://europa.eu.int/comm/regional\\_policy/index\\_en.htm](http://europa.eu.int/comm/regional_policy/index_en.htm))

### **Financial perspective for 2007-2013**

The European Union's regional and cohesion policy will have to meet four challenges during the 2007-13 programming period:

- Increase cohesion in an enlarged Union
- Strengthen the Union's priorities
- Improve quality to promote sustainable and more balanced development
- Create a new partnership for cohesion

On 18 February 2004, the European Commission adopted "A new partnership for cohesion in the enlarged Union: convergence, competitiveness cooperation" for the period 2007-2013. A budget of approximately EUR 336 billion will be allocated to the cohesion policy.

### **Community Initiatives**

The Community Initiatives, which are financed by the Structural Funds represent one of the most important pillars of the supporting system. For the period 2000 and 2006 four initiatives (programmes) are being supported. 5.35 % of the sources of the Structural Funds have been separated for the financing of these programmes. The most important aim of the Community Initiatives is to support new, innovative approaches which belong to specific fields. The participants of the initiatives commit themselves to make the results of their projects known in order to share their experience with the Member States and the applicant countries.

For the period of 2000-2006 there are four Community Initiatives:

**INTERREG (III)** - it assists cross-border, international and regional co-operation programmes ([http://europa.eu.int/comm/regional\\_policy/interreg3/abc/voleta\\_en.htm](http://europa.eu.int/comm/regional_policy/interreg3/abc/voleta_en.htm))

Following consultations with the European Parliament and the committees representing the Member States, the European Commission adopted the definitive guidelines for the Community initiative INTERREG on 28 April 2000. The total support offered by the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) for the new initiative will be 4 875 million euro for the period 2000-2006.

The INTERREG III has three sections:

- Section A concerns cross-border co-operation that is the promotion of integrated regional development between bordering regions
- Section B concentrates on cross-national co-operation, contributing to an integrated and harmonious territory across the European Union
- Section C aims to reinforce interregional co-operation and by the same token to improve the policies and techniques of interregional economic development

**LEADER+** supports the development of rural regions

([http://europa.eu.int/comm/agriculture/rur/leaderplus/index\\_en.htm](http://europa.eu.int/comm/agriculture/rur/leaderplus/index_en.htm))

Encouraging the implementation of integrated, high-quality and original strategies for sustainable development, it has a strong focus on partnership and networks of exchange of experience. A total of EUR 5 046.5 million for the period 2000-2006 will be spent, of which EUR 2 105.1 million is funded by the EAGGF Guidance section and the remainder by public and private contributions.

Leader+ is structured around three actions, in addition to technical assistance:

Action 1: Support for integrated territorial development strategies of a pilot nature based on a bottom-up approach

Action 2: Support for cooperation between rural territories

Action 3: Networking

Implementation of Action 1 is through Local Action Groups (LAGs) selected in an open procedure based on the criteria laid down in the programmes. These include the rural nature of the territories, their homogeneity in physical, economic and social terms, and integrated and innovative development plans. Economic and social partners and associations must make up at least 50 % of the local partnership, and the relevance and effectiveness of this partnership is also taken into account.

The aim of the **URBAN (II)** is to support the economic and social regeneration of the declining towns.

([http://europa.eu.int/comm/regional\\_policy/urban2/index\\_en.htm](http://europa.eu.int/comm/regional_policy/urban2/index_en.htm))

Urban II aims more precisely to promote the design and implementation of innovative models of development for the economic and social regeneration of troubled urban areas. It will also strengthen information and experience-sharing on sustainable urban development in the European Union. The Framework for Action for Sustainable Urban Development adopted by the Commission in October 1998 recognises the importance of the urban dimension in Community policies, and highlights in particular the possibilities offered by the regional development programmes co-financed by the Structural Funds.



The programming documents of the regions eligible for priority Objectives 1 and 2 during the period 2000-06 comprise integrated measures of economic and social development covering many urban areas. Through an integrated territorial approach, these measures can make a substantial contribution to the balanced development or conversion of the regions concerned. Furthermore, the measures financed under Objective 3 also strengthen social cohesion in the towns not covered by Objectives 1 and 2.

### Cohesion Fund

The Cohesion Fund finances major environmental and transport infrastructure development projects in the less developed Member States of the European Union. The Cohesion Fund supports determined projects, which are being selected according to the Cohesion Fund Strategy.

The main fields of the Cohesion Fund are:

- within transport the railway transport, road traffic, inland waterways, civil air transport, combined transport
- within environment the reduction of air pollution, the protection of surface and groundwater, to secure drinking-water supply, dirty water maintenance, disposal of refuse.

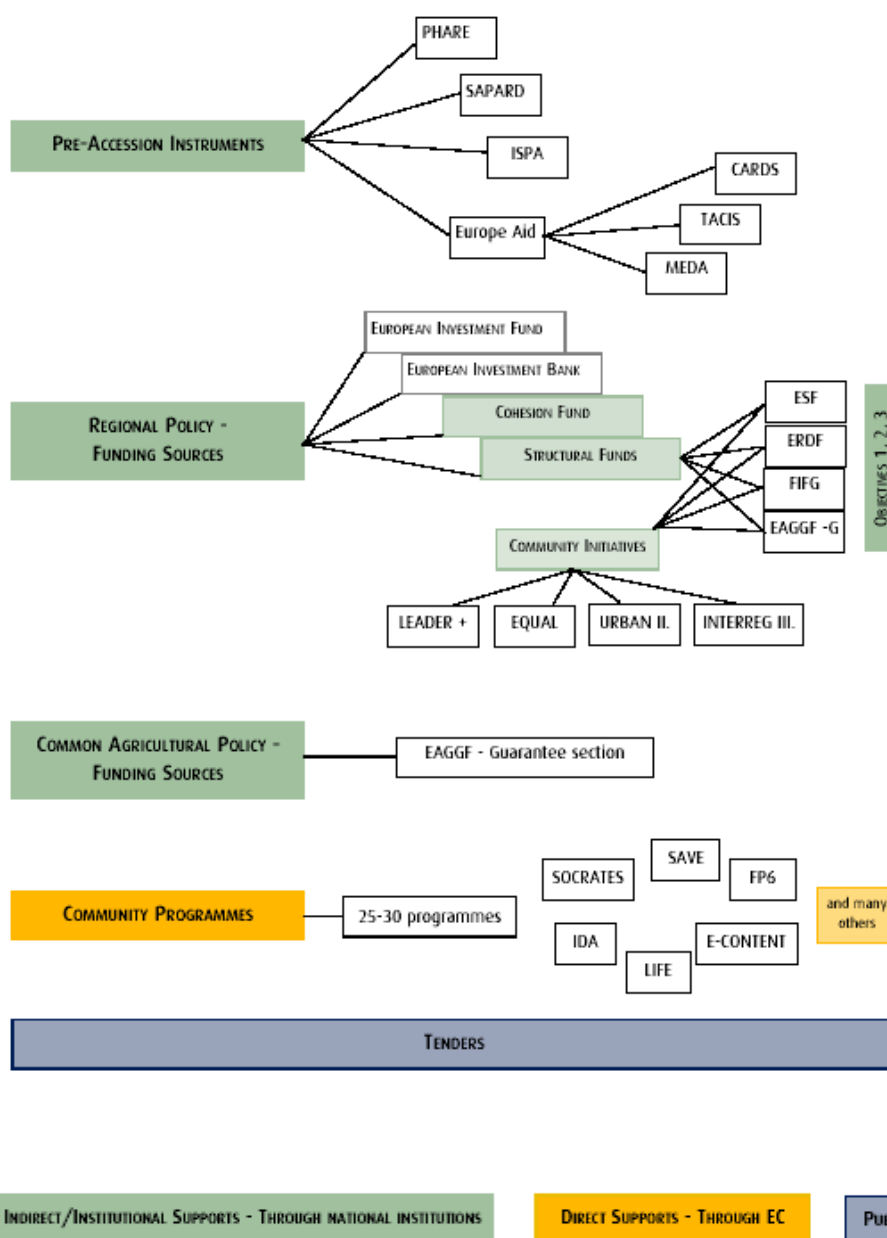
The Cohesion Fund was founded in 1994. Those Member States have access to the sources of this fund where the per capita GNP is below 90% of the Community average. All of the new Member States are below this Community average. The rate of the support granted by the Cohesion Fund varies between 80% and 85% of expenditure, the minimum size of a project is 10 billion euro.

([http://europa.eu.int/comm/regional\\_policy/funds/procf/cf\\_en.htm](http://europa.eu.int/comm/regional_policy/funds/procf/cf_en.htm))

### Community Programmes

The Community Programmes are a series of integrated measures accepted by the European Commission aiming to strengthen the co-operation among the Member States regarding Community policies for a longer period of time. The Community Programmes are financed from the general budget of the Community. The original aim of the Community Programmes was to bring the European Union nearer to its inhabitants, to make the citizens acquainted with the objectives of the Community policies, with the operation of the supporting-redistributing system and with the "whys" and "hows". Therefore originally only the organisations of the Member States could take part in the programmes. Since 1993 the applicant countries also have the opportunity to participate in the programmes although an annual fee has to be paid to the budget by them.

Community Programmes can be tied to almost every Community policies. The Community decides about the type of programmes, about their budgets and their lengths. In every cases the European Council decides about the budget of a programme for a period of 4,5,6 or 7 years. Project proposals can be submitted for this sum of money, no national quotas are determined. Any legal entities (sometimes individuals too) can submit a proposal. The submission, the evaluation, the settlement of the accounts and the full administration belongs to the General-Directories of the European Commission. The proposals can be submitted in consortiums with the participating of minimum 2 or 4 organisations of the EU Member States.



The project proposals are evaluated in English, but they can be submitted in every official languages of the EU. The Commission translates the materials into English with its own translators at its own cost. Still the language of the administration, settlement etc. is English.

The applicants are directly in contact with Brussels, they submit their project proposals to Brussels and they are notified of their results from Brussels. However every country opens a programme office (either within a competent Ministry or within a separate organisation) whose task is the collection of information and the mediation. At some educational and youth programmes, the project proposal submission procedure is two-step. In this case the project proposal has to be submitted to the national programme office. The Community Programmes concern almost every field of the economic-social life of the EU's citizens. The competent Directorate-Generals of the European Commission are responsible for the single programmes. Their aim is the implementation of the objectives and priorities of the accepted EU-policies.

## ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES – AUTUMN/WINTER – 2005-2006

EIE - INTELLIGENT ENERGY FOR EUROPE	
<p><b>Intelligent Energy - Europe (EIE)</b> is the Community's support programme for non-technological actions in the field of energy, energy efficiency and renewable energy sources. The programme mainly supports mid-term and long-term developments. The <b>duration</b> of the programme is from <b>2003-2006</b>. The <b>total operational budget</b> of the EIE programme for the period of 2003-2006 is <b>215 + 50 million euros</b>.</p>	
KEY AREAS	
<p>The programme is structured in four fields:  <b>Vertical key actions:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>SAVE:</b> Improvement of energy efficiency and rational use of energy, in particular in the building and industry sectors (<b>75 million euros</b>). <i>Key areas:</i> Multiplying success in buildings; Retrofitting of social houses; Innovative approaches in industry; Energy Efficient Equipment and Products.</li> <li><b>ALTENER:</b> Promotion of new and renewable energy sources for centralised and decentralised production of electricity and heat and their integration into the local environment and the energy systems (<b>86 million euros</b>). <i>Key areas:</i> RES-Electricity; RES-Heat; Small Scale RES Applications; Alternative vehicle propulsion.</li> <li><b>STEER:</b> Provides support for initiatives related to all energy aspects of transport, the diversification of fuels, such as developing and renewable energy sources, the promotion of renewable fuels and energy efficiency in transport (<b>35 million euros</b>). <i>Key areas:</i> Alternative fuels and vehicles; Policy measures for an efficient use of energy in transport; Strengthening the knowledge of local management agencies in the transport field.</li> <li><b>COOPENER:</b> Provides support for initiatives related to the promotion of renewable energy sources and energy efficiency in developing countries, in particular in the framework of the Community cooperation with developing countries in Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Pacific (<b>19 million euros</b>). <i>Key areas:</i> Energy policies, legislation and market conditions for enabling poverty alleviation in developing countries; Strengthening local energy expertise in developing countries.</li> </ol> <p><b>Horizontal key actions:</b> Sustainable Energy Communities - Think globally, act locally - Financing mechanisms &amp; Incentives - Dissemination &amp; Promotion; Monitoring &amp; Evaluation</p>	
WHO CAN APPLY?	
Research centers, Local and Regional authorities, Corporations, Training centers, Federations and Unions, Administrations and States, Agencies and Chambers, SMEs, Universities, Associations, etc.	
EU Member States, Candidate countries, EEA, Developing countries	
Grants can be allocated in 4 actions	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Specific Support for Events,</li> <li>General Actions,</li> <li>Support for the establishment of new local and regional energy management agencies,</li> <li>Concerted Actions with Member States and participating countries</li> </ol>
CALLS FOR PROPOSAL	
<p>The Commission is currently preparing the <b>third call for proposals under 'Intelligent Energy – Europe'</b>. The call is likely to be published towards the <b>end of September 2005</b> and it will be <b>open until early 2006</b>. Most thematic areas of the global work programme 2003-06 will be open for proposals. Final details of the 2005 call will be set out in the annual work programme for 2005, which is expected to be published in August or September. Approximately 50 million euros of financial support will be made available, for energy efficiency, renewables, the intelligent use of energy in transport and horizontal actions including the creation of energy agencies. This call will be the <b>last opportunity for COOPENER</b> projects in the area of co-operation with developing countries under this current programme. There will also be two calls for events, one with a deadline to coincide with the main call and a second later in 2006. Proposals for events should be submitted at least 6-9 months before the event takes place.</p>	



FURTHER INFORMATION		<a href="http://www.eucenter.org">http://www.eucenter.org</a>
		<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/energy/intelligent/index_en.html">http://europa.eu.int/comm/energy/intelligent/index_en.html</a>
FUTURE		
<b>Intelligent Energy for Europe II.</b>		
<p>The Intelligent Energy – Europe programme will be continued and enlarged under the <b>Competitiveness and Innovation framework Programme (CIP)</b> in the <b>period 2007-2013</b>. Its <b>budget</b> will be <b>780 million euros</b>. The Programme will encourage the wider uptake of new and renewable energies and improve energy efficiency, and shall foster compliance with our energy regulatory framework. The programme will be structured in three specific fields: <b>SAVE</b>: Promotion of energy efficiency (<b>283,8 million euros</b>), <b>ALTENER</b>: Grants for the promotion of renewable energy sources (<b>316,35 million euros</b>), <b>STEER</b>: Grants on the field of sustainable use of transport energy (<b>179,85 million euros</b>). Moreover, the programme will provide funding for horizontal initiatives integrating energy efficiency and renewable energy sources in several sectors of the economy and/or combining various instruments, tools and actors within the same action or project. <b>COOPENER</b> Programme will be continued in the frame of the new external assistance instruments.</p>		
LIFE III.		
<p><b>LIFE III</b> (L'Instruments Financiers pour l'Environnement), the <b>Financial Instrument for the Environment</b>, introduced in 1992, is one of the milestones of the European Union's environmental policy. LIFE is a horizontal legal instrument system, which has three main fields of activity. On the bases of these activities it tries to have an effect in all fields of the environmental protection and the preservation of nature. LIFE co-finances environmental initiatives in the European Union and certain third countries bordering on the Mediterranean and the Baltic Sea and in Central and East European Accession Candidate Countries that have decided to participate in LIFE. The <b>duration</b> of the programme is from <b>2000-2006</b>. The total operational <b>budget</b> of LIFE III. programme for the period of 2000-2006 is <b>957 million euros</b>.</p>		
KEY AREAS		
LIFE III programme has three actions:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>LIFE - Nature</b> works to conserve natural habitats and the wild fauna and flora of European Union interest. The specific objective of LIFE-Nature is to contribute to the implementation of Community nature protection legislation: the "Birds" Directive and the "Habitats" Directive, and in particular the establishment of the "Natura 2000" network for the in-situ management and conservation of Europe's most remarkable fauna and flora species and habitats (<b>47%</b>)</li> <li><b>LIFE - Environment</b> aims to implement Community policy and legislation on the environment in the European Union and in Candidate Countries. This approach enables demonstration and development of new methods for the protection and the enhancement of the environment. The LIFE Regulation defines five areas eligible for funding: land-use development and planning; water management; reduction of the environmental impact of economic activities; waste management; reduction of the environmental impact of products through an integrated product policy (<b>47%</b>)</li> <li><b>LIFE - Third Countries</b> concerns technical assistance activities for promoting sustainable development in third countries. This component of the programme supports the development of environmental management capacities, both for our administrative partners outside the Union and for companies and NGOs in those countries (<b>6%</b>)</li> </ol>		
WHO CAN APPLY?		
Research centers, Local and Regional authorities, Corporations, Training centers, Federations and Unions, Administrations and States, Agencies and Chambers, SMEs, Universities, Associations, etc.		
EU Member States, Candidate countries, New Independent States		
Financed actions		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LIFE – Nature</li> <li>LIFE – Environment</li> <li>LIFE – Third countries</li> <li>Preparatory actions</li> </ol>		
CALLS FOR PROPOSAL		
LIFE - Environment and LIFE – Third countries		

CATEGORY	ID	BUDGET	APPLICANTS	SUBJECT	DEADLINE	LINK
<b>Call for proposals - LIFE 2005 - 2006</b>	2005/C 149/10	Budget: 6,6 million euro Support: max. 50 % of eligible costs	EU member states, Romania	Second part call LIFE 2005 – 2006 to co-finance activities preparatory to the development of new legislations or policy and Third countries assistance	30/09/2005 31/10/2005	<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/environment/life/funding/index.htm">http://europa.eu.int/comm/environment/life/funding/index.htm</a>
<b>FURTHER INFORMATION</b>						
<a href="http://www.eucenter.org">http://www.eucenter.org</a>						
<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/environment/life/home.htm">http://europa.eu.int/comm/environment/life/home.htm</a>						
<b>FUTURE</b>						
In 2007 the programme will be replaced by <b>“LIFE+” (2,19 billion euro for 2007-2013)</b> . LIFE+ aims at combating climate change, stopping the decline in bio-diversity, minimising negative effects on human health and dealing with natural resources and waste in sustainable ways. The <b>2 sub-programmes</b> are the following:						
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Implementation and Governance of environmental policy (75-80%)</li> <li>2. Information and Communication on environmental issues (20-25%)</li> </ol>						

## FP6 – FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME FOR RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT - OVERVIEW

FP6 has one of the biggest budgets of the Community Programmes. The aim of the programme is to lay the foundations for the European Research Area, to structure and create it in the favour of making the European Union the most dynamic developing R+D economy in the world. The **duration** of the programme is from **2002-2006**. The total operational **budget** for this period is **17.5 billion euros**.

### KEY AREAS

FP6 is composed in 3 main blocks of activities:

1. Integrate and Reinforce the European Research Area
  - a. Thematic Areas
    - Life sciences, genomics and biotechnology for health
    - Information society technologies (IST) (3,625 billion euro)**
    - Nanotechnologies and nano-sciences
    - Aeronautics and space
    - Food quality and safety
    - Sustainable development, global change and ecosystems (2,210 billion euro)**
    - Citizens and governance in a knowledge-based society
  - b. Specific activities covering a wider field of research: Research for policy support; Specific Research activities for SMEs; New and Emerging Science and Technology (NEST); **Specific international co-operation activities (INCO) (346 million euro)**; JRC activities
2. Structuring the ERA: Research and Innovation; Human resources and mobility; Research infrastructures; Science and Society
3. Strengthening the ERA: Coordination of research activities; Development of research/innovation policies

### WHO CAN APPLY?

Research centers, Local and Regional authorities, Corporations, Training centers, Federations and Unions, Administrations and States, Agencies and Chambers, SMEs, Universities, Associations, etc.

EU Member States, Candidate countries, EEA, Switzerland

### CALLS FOR PROPOSAL

#### FP6 - SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT, GLOBAL CHANGE AND ECOSYSTEMS

ID	BUDGET	APPLICANTS	SUBJECT	DEADLINE	LINK
FP6-2002-Transport-2	Budget: 5 million euro Support: max. 100 % of eligible costs	EU, Candidate countries, EEA	Thematic call in the area of “Sustainable Surface Transport Specific Support Actions”	01/09/2005 Final closure date: March	<a href="http://fp6.cordis.lu/fp6/call_detail.scfm?CALL_ID">http://fp6.cordis.lu/fp6/call_detail.scfm?CALL_ID</a>

				2006	<a href="#">=21</a>
FP6-2005-Transport-4	Budget: 150 million euro Support: max. 100 % of eligible costs	EU, Candidate countries, EEA	Thematic call in the area of 'Surface Transport 3B'	01/09/2005	<a href="http://fp6.cordis.lu/fp6/call_details.cfm?CALL_ID=206">http://fp6.cordis.lu/fp6/call_details.cfm?CALL_ID=206</a>
FP6-2005-Global-4	Budget: 205 million euro	EU, Candidate countries, EEA	Thematic call 4 in the area of Global Change and Ecosystems	03/11/2005	<a href="http://www.cordis.lu/sustdev/environment/home.html">http://www.cordis.lu/sustdev/environment/home.html</a>
FP6 - INFORMATION SOCIETY TECHNOLOGIES					
ID	BUDGET	APPLICANTS	SUBJECT	DEADLINE	LINK
FP6-2002-IST-C	Budget: 60 + 60 million euro Support: Between 35-100%	EU, EEA, EFTA	Future and Emerging Technologies – Open domain (Continuous submission)	20/09/2005 14/02/2006	<a href="http://fp6.cordis.lu/fp6/call_details.cfm?CALL_ID=55">http://fp6.cordis.lu/fp6/call_details.cfm?CALL_ID=55</a>
FP6-2005-IST-5	Budget: 638 million euro Support: Between 50-100%	EU, Candidate countries, EEA	IST Call 5 Information Society Technologies - FP6 Including “ <i>Environmental Risk Assessment</i> ”	21/09/2005	<a href="http://fp6.cordis.lu/fp6/call_details.cfm?CALL_ID=208">http://fp6.cordis.lu/fp6/call_details.cfm?CALL_ID=208</a>
FURTHER INFORMATION		<a href="http://www.eucenter.org">http://www.eucenter.org</a> ; <a href="http://www.cordis.lu">www.cordis.lu</a>			
FUTURE					
<p>FP6 will be running up to the end of 2006. It has been proposed for FP7, to run for seven years. The <b>duration</b> of the programme is from <b>2007-2013</b>. The total operational budget for <b>2000-2006 period</b> is <b>72,726 billion euros</b>. For nuclear research and training activities carried out under the Euratom treaty EUR 3092 million are foreseen for 2007-2011. FP7 will be organised in <b>four programmes: Cooperation, Ideas, People, and Capacities</b>. Each of these programmes will be the subject of a Specific Programme. In addition, there will be a Specific Programme for the Joint Research Centre and one for Euratom nuclear research and training activities. FP7 presents strong elements of continuity with its predecessor, mainly as regards the themes that are covered in the Cooperation programme. The aim is to <b>contribute to sustainable development</b>. Further information is available at <a href="http://www.cordis.lu/fp7/">http://www.cordis.lu/fp7/</a></p>					

## FP6 - SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT, GLOBAL CHANGE AND ECOSYSTEMS

FP6 - Sustainable Development, Global Change and Ecosystems is for research projects developing sustainable transport in the context of global change and protection of biodiversity and preserving ecosystems. The **main objectives** of the programme are strengthening the S&T capacities needed for Europe to be able to implement a sustainable development model in the short and in the long term, integrating its social, economic and environmental dimensions; contributing to international efforts mitigating adverse trends in global change.

The 3 priority areas are the following:

1. **Sustainable Energy Systems:** Grants for research projects in the field of energy consumption, energy efficiency and renewable energies (**810 million euros**)
2. **Sustainable Surface Transport:** Grants for research projects in the field of environmentally friendly and competitive transport systems and means of transport (**610 million euros**)
3. **Global change and ecosystems:** Grants for research projects in the field of understanding and forecasting global change and preserving ecosystems (**700 million euros**)

The indicative **budget** allocated to the Thematic Priority Sustainable development, global change and ecosystems for the **duration** of FP6 2002– 2006 is **2,12 billion euros**.

### KEY AREAS

This action concentrates on three major fields:

1. **Sustainable energy systems**
  - Short term impact (clean energy sources, savings and efficiency, alternative motor fuels)
  - Long term impact (fuel cells, carriers/transport storage, renewable energy technologies, capture and sequestration of CO<sub>2</sub>)
2. **Sustainable surface transport**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Environmentally friendly and competitive transport systems and means of transport</li> <li>New technologies and concepts for all surface transport modes (road, rail, waterborne)</li> <li>Advanced design and production techniques</li> <li>Safer, more effective and competitive rail and maritime transport</li> <li>Rebalancing and integrating different transport modes</li> <li>Increasing road, rail and waterborne safety and avoiding traffic congestion</li> </ul>					
<p>3. <b>Global change and ecosystems</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Greenhouse gas</li> <li>water cycle</li> <li>Biodiversity</li> <li>Desertification, natural disasters</li> <li>Sustainable land management</li> <li>Operational forecasting and modelling</li> <li>Complementary research</li> </ul>					
<b>WHO CAN APPLY?</b>					
Research centers, Local and Regional authorities, Corporations, Training centers, Federations and Unions, Administrations and States, Agencies and Chambers, SMEs, Universities, Associations, etc.					
EU Member States, Candidate countries, EEA, Switzerland					
<b>CALLS FOR PROPOSAL</b>					
ID	BUDGET	APPLICANTS	SUBJECT	DEADLINE	LINK
FP6-2002-Transport-2	Budget: 5 million euro Support: max. 100 % of eligible costs	EU, Candidate countries, EEA	Thematic call in the area of "Sustainable Surface Transport Specific Support Actions"	01/09/2005 Final closure date: March 2006	<a href="http://fp6.cordis.lu/fp6/call_detail.s.cfm?CALL_ID=21">http://fp6.cordis.lu/fp6/call_detail.s.cfm?CALL_ID=21</a>
FP6-2005-Transport-4	Budget: 150 million euro Support: max. 100 % of eligible costs	EU, Candidate countries, EEA	Thematic call in the area of 'Surface Transport 3B'	01/09/2005	<a href="http://fp6.cordis.lu/fp6/call_detail.s.cfm?CALL_ID=206">http://fp6.cordis.lu/fp6/call_detail.s.cfm?CALL_ID=206</a>
FP6-2005-Global-4	Budget: 205 million euro	EU, Candidate countries, EEA	Thematic call 4 in the area of Global Change and Ecosystems	03/11/2005	<a href="http://www.cordis.lu/sustdev/environment/home.html">http://www.cordis.lu/sustdev/environment/home.html</a>
<b>FURTHER INFORMATION</b> <a href="http://www.eucenter.org">http://www.eucenter.org</a> ; <a href="http://www.cordis.lu/fp6/sustdev.htm">http://www.cordis.lu/fp6/sustdev.htm</a>					

## SPECIFIC MEASURES IN SUPPORT OF INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION (INCO)

**International co-operation (INCO)** represents an important dimension of the Sixth Framework Programme. As a contribution to a European Research Area open to the world, it will be implemented in the Sixth Framework Programme through three **major** routes:

1. The opening of "**Focusing and Integrating Community Research**" to third country organisations with substantial funding
2. **Specific measures** in support of international co-operation,
3. International activities under the heading of **Human Resources**

The first two are implemented through the specific programme "Integrating and strengthening the European Research Area"(SP1). The third is part of the specific programme "Structuring the European Research Area"(SP2). The main **objectives** of the programme are: To help European researchers, businesses and research organisations in the European Union and in the countries associated with the Framework programme to have access to knowledge and expertise existing elsewhere in the world, and To help ensure Europe's strong and coherent participation in the research initiatives conducted at international level in order to push back the boundaries of knowledge or help to resolve the major global issues. The **duration** of the programme is from **2002-2006**. The **total operational budget** is **346 million euros**.

KEY AREAS					
1. <b>Developing countries:</b> Health and public health, Rational use of natural resources, Food safety 2. <b>Mediterranean partner countries:</b> Environment, Protection and conservation of Cultural Heritage, Health 3. <b>Western Balkans:</b> Health, Environment 4. <b>Russia and the new independent states (NIS):</b> Health protection, Environment protection, Adjusting the system of industrial production and communication					
WHO CAN APPLY?					
Research centers, Local and Regional authorities, Corporations, Training centers, Federations and Unions, Administrations and States, Agencies and Chambers, SMEs, Universities, Associations, etc.					
EU Member States, Candidate countries, New Independent states, Africa-Caribbean-Pacific, Latin America, Mediterranean countries, Asia					
CALLS FOR PROPOSAL					
ID	BUDGET	APPLICANTS	SUBJECT	DEADLINE	LINK
FP6-2002-INCO-DEV/SSA-1	Budget: 2 million euro	EU, EFTA, Western Balkan, Acceding c, Candidate c, Developing c, Med countries	Specific Support Actions (SSA) for Developing countries (DEV)	07/09/2005 06/03/2006	<a href="http://fp6.cordis.lu/fp6/call_details.cf?m?CALL_ID=42">http://fp6.cordis.lu/fp6/call_details.cf?m?CALL_ID=42</a>
FP6-2002-INCO-MPC/SSA-2	Budget: 0,9 million euro	EU, EFTA, Western Balkan, Acceding c, Candidate c, Developing c, Med countries	Specific Support Actions (SSA) for Mediterranean Partners Countries (MPC)	07/09/2005 06/03/2006	<a href="http://fp6.cordis.lu/fp6/call_details.cf?m?CALL_ID=43">http://fp6.cordis.lu/fp6/call_details.cf?m?CALL_ID=43</a>
FP6-2002-INCO-Russia+NIS/SSA-4	Budget: 0,8 million euro	EU, EFTA, Western Balkan, Acceding c, Candidate c, Developing c, Med countries	Specific Support Actions (SSA) for Russia and other NIS	07/09/2005 06/03/2006	<a href="http://fp6.cordis.lu/fp6/call_details.cf?m?CALL_ID=45">http://fp6.cordis.lu/fp6/call_details.cf?m?CALL_ID=45</a>
FP6-2002-INCO-COMultilatRTD/SSA-5	Budget: 1,5 million euro	EU, EFTA, Western Balkan, Acceding c, Candidate c, Developing c, Med countries	Specific Support Actions (SSA) for Multilateral co-ordination of national RTD policies and activities	07/09/2005 06/03/2006	<a href="http://fp6.cordis.lu/fp6/call_details.cf?m?CALL_ID=47">http://fp6.cordis.lu/fp6/call_details.cf?m?CALL_ID=47</a>
FP6-2004-INCO-DEV-3	Budget: 60 million euro Funding: 35-100%	EU, EFTA, Western Balkan, Acceding c, Candidate c, Developing c, Med countries	Specific Targeted Research Projects (STREPs) and Coordination Actions (CAs) for Developing countries (DEV)	13/09/2005	<a href="http://fp6.cordis.lu/fp6/call_details.cf?m?CALL_ID=185">http://fp6.cordis.lu/fp6/call_details.cf?m?CALL_ID=185</a>
FP6-2004-INCO-MPC-3	Budget: 10 million euro Funding: 35-100%	EU, EFTA, Western Balkan, Acceding c, Candidate c, Developing c, Med countries	Specific Targeted Research Projects (STREPs) and Coordination Actions (CAs) for Mediterranean Partner Countries	13/09/2005	<a href="http://fp6.cordis.lu/fp6/call_details.cf?m?CALL_ID=186">http://fp6.cordis.lu/fp6/call_details.cf?m?CALL_ID=186</a>
INFORMATION					
<a href="http://www.eucenter.org">http://www.eucenter.org</a> ; <a href="http://www.cordis.lu/fp6/inco.htm">http://www.cordis.lu/fp6/inco.htm</a>					



## PRE-ACCESSION FUNDS - OVERVIEW

For the period up to 2006, the Union provides support under the three Pre-accession Instruments to Candidate Countries: **PHARE, ISPA, and SAPARD**, which are vitally important, as they will have an impact on the candidate countries' economies, cover so vital areas as transport, agriculture and the environment in general. Pre-accession funds will generate more money, therefore shape the future of at least two major sectors in the accession countries - transport and agriculture. These instruments will be a training experience or future use of structural and/or cohesion funds. During the period **2000-2006** financial assistance from the European Communities to the candidate countries of Central and Eastern Europe will be provided through three instruments: the Phare programme, ISPA and Sapard. The year 2000 has marked the coming into effect of the two new financial Pre-accession Instruments: ISPA and Sapard. The overall pre-accession assistance is **3 billion euros per year during the 2000-2006 period**, half of which is allocated to Phare. The precise appropriations are **540 million euros for Sapard, 1,080 million for ISPA, and 1,620 for Phare**, amounting to an **overall budget of 3,240 million**.

### KEY AREAS

1. **ISPA:** Structural Pre-Accession Instrument supports the candidate countries to prepare accession to the European Union in the field of environment and transport
2. **PHARE:** Support in the framework of the main instrument for pre-accession to assist the applicant countries in their preparations for joining the EU and supporting the process of political and economic transition.
3. **SAPARD:** Support sustainable agricultural and rural development in the applicant countries
4. **TACIS:** Technical assistance programme stimulating partnerships between the EU and the Community of Independent States
5. **CARDS:** Support to participation of South-Eastern European countries in the stabilisation and association process
6. **MEDA II:** Support to cooperation activities leading to economic transition and strengthening the socio-economic balance in the Mediterranean countries

### WHO CAN APPLY?

Local and Regional authorities, Federations, Unions, Administrations, States, SMEs, Agencies, Chambers

EU Member States, Candidate countries

### CALLS FOR PROPOSAL

CATEGORY	ID	BUDGET	APPLICANTS	SUBJECT	DEADLINE	LINK
<b><u>PHARE</u></b>	CFCU/TR 0301.03	Budget: 500,000 euro Support: between 50-90% of eligible costs	Turkey	Turkey: Improving Co-operation between NGOs and Public Sector and Strengthening the NGOs' Democratic Participation Level	11/08/2005	<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/enlargement/pas/phare/index.htm">http://europa.eu.int/comm/enlargement/pas/phare/index.htm</a>
<b><u>PHARE</u></b>	CFCU/TR 0305.02/002 CFCU/TR 0305.02/003 CFCU/TR 0305.02/004	Budget: 9,86 mill, 14,8 mill, 24,6 mill euro Support: max 50% of eligible costs	Turkey	Turkey: 3 calls for proposals within the National Pre-Accession Programme	04/07/2005 07/07/2005 11/07/2005	<a href="http://www.deltur.cec.eu.int/default.asp?lang=1">http://www.deltur.cec.eu.int/default.asp?lang=1</a>
<b><u>MEDA II.</u></b>	EuropeAid/12 1666/L/G/SY	Budget: 225,000 euro Support: 25-80% of eligible costs	EU, MEDA, Syria	Local Cultural Activities Syria - MEDA 2005	25/07/2005	<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/projects/memd/regional/delegationsact_en.htm">http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/projects/memd/regional/delegationsact_en.htm</a>
<b><u>CARDS</u></b>	-	Budget: 3,3 million euro Funding: 25,000-100,000 euro	EU, Serbia	EXCHANGE Programme "Introducing EU Models of Local Government Practice in Serbia"	02/12/2005	<a href="http://www.exchange.org.yu">http://www.exchange.org.yu</a>
<b><u>CARDS</u></b>	EuropeAid/12 1522/D/G/KOS	Funding: 30,000-80,000 euro	EU, CARDS Regulation	Strengthening of Civil Society Associations for Social Dialogue in Kosovo	22/08/2005	<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/projects/car">http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/projects/car</a>

						<a href="#">ds/index_en.htm</a>
<b>CARDS</b>	-	Budget: 1.5 million euro Funding: 100,000-25,000 euro	EU, CARDS Regulation	Croatia: Good Governance and Rule of Law	20/09/2005	<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/enlargement/cards/index_en.htm">http://europa.eu.int/comm/enlargement/cards/index_en.htm</a>
<b>FED</b>	EuropeAid/121772/C/G/ACP	Budget: 7,200,000 Funding: 80 % of eligible costs	EU, ACP	EU - ACP Microfinance programme	20/10/2005	<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/projects/accp/microfinance/call_en.htm">http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/projects/accp/microfinance/call_en.htm</a>

**INFORMATION** <http://www.eucenter.org>; [http://europa.eu.int/comm/enlargement/financial\\_assistance.htm](http://europa.eu.int/comm/enlargement/financial_assistance.htm)

#### FUTURE

For the period **2007-2013**, the **Instrument for Pre-Accession (IPA)** will cover the Candidate Countries (Turkey, Croatia) and the potential candidate countries (Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia and Montenegro, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia) a **budget of 14,653 billion euros** has been proposed. Regional policy components will concern cross-border cooperation and – for the candidate countries – preparation for the implementation and management of the Structural Funds. IPA replaces the existing instruments **PHARE, ISPA, SAPARD and CARDS**.

### PRE-ACCESSION FUNDS - CALLS FOR TENDERS

#### PHARE, ISPA, SAPARD

ID	BUDGET	APPLICANTS	SUBJECT	DEADLINE	LINK
EuropeAid/121409/C/G/Multi	EUR 750,000	EU, Candidate countries	Small Projects Programme in Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey	14-06-2005	<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/iframe12.pl">http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/iframe12.pl</a>
EuropeAid/121535/C/G/multi	EUR 2,000,000	European Union, Bulgaria and/or Romania	Networking Programme – Civil Society Component – Bulgaria and Romania	12-08-2005	<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/iframe12.pl">http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/iframe12.pl</a>
Europeaid/119875/D/SV/BG	EUR 850 000	EU, CARDS Regulation	Identification and Preparation of Future Cross-Border Projects in the Field of Nature Protection – General Activities Bulgaria	04-07-2005	<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/iframe12.pl">http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/iframe12.pl</a>
EuropeAid/119102/D/SV/RO	EUR 3,000,000	EU, CARDS Regulation	Preparation of large infrastructure projects Romania	07-07-2005	<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/iframe12.pl">http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/iframe12.pl</a>
EuropeAid/119242/D/W/RO		EU, CARDS Regulation	Environmental Rehabilitation of SNAGOV LAKE Romania	16-08-2005	<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/iframe12.pl">http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/iframe12.pl</a>
Europeaid/120518/D/SV/RO	EUR 750,000	EU, CARDS Regulation	Policy support for land consolidation - Romania	20-07-2005	<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/iframe12.pl">http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/iframe12.pl</a>
EuropeAid/121317/D/SV/RO	EUR 2,000,000	EU, CARDS Regulation	Decentralised Information and Communication Programme 2005 Romania	11-07-2005	<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/iframe12.pl">http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/iframe12.pl</a>

#### TACIS

EuropAid/120569/C/SV/Multi	EUR 1,000,000	EU, Tacis programme, Phare programme	Regulation on the Transport of Dangerous Goods along the TRACECA Corridor Azerbaijan, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Turkmenistan and Ukraine	13-07-2005	<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/iframe12.pl">http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/iframe12.pl</a>
EuropeAid/120639/C/SV/Multi	EUR 800,000	EU, Tacis programme, Phare programme	Emergency Priority Actions for Security and Improvement of Exploitation Conditions for Gas Transportation Systems in CA	06-07-2005	<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/iframe12.pl">http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/iframe12.pl</a>

#### CARDS

EUROPEAID/120806/C/SV/BA	EUR 250,000	EU, CARDS Regulation	Supervision of Construction of Ivanica Border Crossing Point (BCP) Bosnia-Herzegovina	08-08-2005	<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/iframe12.pl">http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/iframe12.pl</a>
EuropeAid/120858/C/SER/BA	EUR 1,400,000	EU, CARDS Regulation	Technical Assistance to Support the Energy Department Bosnia-Herzegovina	20-07-2005	<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/iframe12.pl">http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/iframe12.pl</a>
EuropeAid/120903/C/SER/BA	EUR 2,500,000	EU, CARDS Regulation	EU Support to SME and Regional Economic Development in Bosnia and Herzegovina	06-07-2005	<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/iframe12.pl">http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/iframe12.pl</a>
EuropeAid/120905/C/SER/BA	EUR 4,000,000	EU, CARDS Regulation	Provision of Design for the Reconstruction of the Overhaul and Signalisation for the Railways in Bosnia and Herzegovina	18-07-2005	<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/iframe12.pl">http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/iframe12.pl</a>
EuropeAid/121262/C/SER/BA	EUR 1,000,000	EU, CARDS Regulation	Support Implementation of Functional Review Recommendation in Agriculture Sector Bosnia-	01-08-2005	<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/iframe12.pl">http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/iframe12.pl</a>

			Herzegovina		<a href="#">i/frame12.pl</a>
EuropeAid/120957/C/SER/HR	EUR 770,000	EU, CARDS Regulation	Technical Assistance for Water Supply and Sewerage Improvements in Croatia	01-07-2005	<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/i/frame12.pl">http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/i/frame12.pl</a>
EuropeAid/121366/C/SER/HR	EUR 1,250,000	EU, CARDS Regulation	Upgrading of VET Schools- Establishing Centres of Excellence Croatia	29-07-2005	<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/i/frame12.pl">http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/i/frame12.pl</a>
EuropeAid/121427/C/SER/HR	EUR 1,500,000	EU, CARDS Regulation	Support to the management of economic and social cohesion projects Croatia	15-07-2005	<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/i/frame12.pl">http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/i/frame12.pl</a>
EuropeAid/121459/C/SER/HR	EUR 1,800,000	EU, CARDS Regulation	Institution and Capacity Building for Cross-border Co-operation Croatia	15-07-2005	<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/i/frame12.pl">http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/i/frame12.pl</a>
<b>MEDA</b>					
EuropeAid/120588/C/SER/TR	EUR 5,600,000	EU, MEDA countries	Supervision of Construction of Educational Facilities in 10 rural eastern provinces 1 rural western province and 5 urban provinces under the Programme for Support to Basic Education Project in Turkey	04-07-2005	<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/i/frame12.pl">http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/i/frame12.pl</a>
EuropeAid/121147/D/SER/TR	EUR 1,900,000	EU, MEDA countries	Technical Assistance for Strengthening Social Dialogue for Innovation and Change In Turkey	06-07-2005	<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/i/frame12.pl">http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/i/frame12.pl</a>
<b>EAR</b>					
EuropeAid/121400/D/SER/MK	EUR 2,400,000	EU, CARDS Regulation	Small and Medium Size Enterprise Development- Government and Private sector FYROM	11-07-2005	<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/i/frame12.pl">http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/i/frame12.pl</a>
EuropeAid/120663/D/SER/YU	EUR 500,000	EU, CARDS Regulation	Capacity building for Energy Regulatory Agency Republic of Montenegro Serbia and Montenegro	04-07-2005	<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/i/frame12.pl">http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/i/frame12.pl</a>
EuropeAid/120664/D/SER/YU	EUR 1,000,000	EU, CARDS Regulation	Advisory support for energy sector reform Serbia and Montenegro	04-07-2005	<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/i/frame12.pl">http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/i/frame12.pl</a>
EuropeAid/120666/D/SER/YU	EUR 1,200,000	EU, CARDS Regulation	Support to the Ministry of Environment Serbia and Montenegro	25-07-2005	<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/i/frame12.pl">http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/i/frame12.pl</a>
EuropeAid/120801/D/SER/YU	EUR 6,700,000	EU, CARDS Regulation	Municipal Support Programme Serbia and Montenegro	26-07-2005	<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/i/frame12.pl">http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cg/i/frame12.pl</a>

**\*Candidate countries:** Turkey, Romania, Bulgaria

**\*CARDS Regulation:** Albania, former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Croatia and Serbia-Montenegro, Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey

**\*MEDA countries:** Algeria, Cyprus, Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Malta, Morocco, Syria, Tunisia, Turkey, Gaza and the West Bank

**\*Phare programme:** Bulgaria and Romania

**\*Takis programme:** Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Russian Fed, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Mongolia, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Ukraine

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## CIVIL PROTECTION

The overall objectives of the Community cooperation in the field of Civil Protection are to ensure better protection of people, the environment, property and cultural heritage in the event of major natural, technological and radiological disasters, including accidental marine pollution, chemical spills as well as terrorist attacks, occurring inside or outside the EU. The duration of the programme is from **2000-2006**. The **annual budget** of the programme is **7,5 million euros**.

### KEY AREAS

1. **Civil Protection:** Grants for the prevention and protection of persons, environment and goods in case of natural or technological catastrophes
2. **Marine Pollution:** Grants for actions on the control and reduction of pollution caused by hydrocarbons released in the sea
3. **Chemical Accidents (SEVESO)**

### WHO CAN APPLY?

Federations, Unions, Administrations, States, Associations

EU Member States, Candidate countries, EEA, Mediterranean countries

### CALLS FOR PROPOSAL

CATEGORY	ID	BUDGET	APPLICANTS	SUBJECT	DEADLINE	LINK
<u><b>Civil Protection</b></u>	OJEU 2005 C 125 of 24.05.2005	Budget: 2 million euro Funding: max 75% of eligible costs	EU, EEA	2005 Call for Proposals in the field of Community co-operation as regards civil protection	30/06/2005	<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/environment/civil/index.htm">http://europa.eu.int/comm/environment/civil/index.htm</a>
<u><b>Civil Protection</b></u>	2005/C 134/08	Budget: 2,5 million euro Funding: 200.000-500.000 euro	EU, EEA, Bulgaria, Romania	Major emergency simulation exercises	31/07/2005	<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/environment/civil/index.htm">http://europa.eu.int/comm/environment/civil/index.htm</a>
<u><b>Marine Pollution</b></u>	OJEU C126 of 25.5.2005	Budget: 3,2 million euro Funding: 50-75% of the eligible costs	EU, EEA	Community co-operation in the field of accidental or deliberate marine pollution	31/07/2005	<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/environment/civil/index.htm">http://europa.eu.int/comm/environment/civil/index.htm</a>

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## INTERREG III.

**INTERREG III** is a Community Initiative, which aims to stimulate interregional cooperation in the EU between 2000-2006. It is financed under the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF). This new phase (III) of the Interreg initiative is designed to strengthen **economic and social cohesion** throughout the EU, by fostering the balanced development of the continent through cross-border, transnational and interregional cooperation. Special emphasis has been placed on integrating remote regions and those, which share external borders with the candidate countries.

The duration of the programme is from **2000-2006**. The **total budget** of the programme is **4,875 billion euros**

### KEY AREAS

**INTERREG III has 3 sections:**

1. **Strand A: Cross-border cooperation** between adjacent regions aims to develop cross-border social and economic centres **(50-80% of the budget awarded o each country)**
  - Promotion of urban, rural and costal development
  - Strengthening the spirit of enterprise
  - Developing small and medium-sized enterprises, including those in the tourism sector
  - Developing local employment initiatives
  - Assistance for labour market integration and social inclusion
  - Initiatives for encouraging shared use of human resources, and facilities for research and development, education, culture, communication, health and civil protection
  - Measures for environmental protection, improving energy efficiency and renewable energy sources
  - Improving transport, information and communication networks, water and energy systems
  - Increasing cooperation in legal and administrative areas
  - Increasing human and institutional potential for cross-border cooperation
2. **Strand B: Transnational cooperation** involving national, regional and local authorities aims to promote better integration within the Union through the formation of large groups of European regions. **(Budget non used for the actions A and C)**
  - Drawing up regional development strategies at transnational level, including cooperation between towns or urban areas and rural areas
  - Promoting effective and sustainable transport systems, together with better access to the information society. The aim here is to facilitate communication between island or peripheral regions.
  - Promoting protection of the environment and natural resources, particularly water resources.
3. **Strand C: Interregional cooperation** aims to improve the effectiveness of regional development policies and instruments through large-scale information exchange and sharing of experience (networks). **(At least 6% of the budget awarded to each country)**
  - Exchanges of experience and good practice between Member States and with third countries concerning cross-border and transnational cooperation under Strands A and B of INTERREG III
  - Cooperation initiatives in sectors such as research, technology development, enterprise, the information society, tourism, culture or the environment.

### WHO CAN APPLY?

Local and Regional authorities, Federations, Unions, Administrations, States, Development NGOs, SMEs, Universities, Associations

EU Member States, Candidate countries, New Independent States, Mediterranean countries, Switzerland, Balkans

### CALLS FOR PROPOSAL

About INTERREG III A and INTERREG III B funding opportunities you can find information on your national Interreg website. About INTERREG III C you can find information on the following website: [www.interreg3c.net](http://www.interreg3c.net)

### FURTHER INFORMATION

[http://europa.eu.int/comm/regional\\_policy/interreg3/index\\_en.htm](http://europa.eu.int/comm/regional_policy/interreg3/index_en.htm)



## NEW PROGRAMMES

### COMPETITIVENESS AND INNOVATION FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME (CIP)

CIP brings together several existing EU activities that support **competitiveness and innovation**. As such it will be more visible and comprehensible for the public. It will also ensure continuity of programmes with a proven and successful track record. Many of the components of CIP are familiar. The new Competitiveness and Innovation framework Programme (CIP) is proposed to become one of the main Community measures contributing to generating economic growth and creating more jobs. It will bring together into a coherent framework specific Community support programmes and relevant parts of other Community programmes in the fields most critical to boosting European productivity, innovation capacity and sustainable growth, whilst also addressing complementary environmental concerns. The CIP will complement rather than duplicate the other relevant actions, and those conducted by Member States.

- CIP will **help SMEs access the 7th Framework Programme** and will leverage venture capital for innovative enterprises to help them bring their research results to market
- CIP will **identify and analyse examples of excellence** which can be adapted and replicated in order to make regional interventions more effective in meeting our cohesion goals
- CIP will help **meet environmental goals** by promoting sustainable approaches

The **duration** of the programme is from **2007-2013**. The **total operational budget** over the 7 year period is **4,2 billion euro**.

#### KEY AREAS

The three specific programmes under CIP:

1. **Entrepreneurship and Innovation Programme:** This programme will bring together activities that were previously dispersed over the MAP, activities for Industrial Competitiveness and elements of the existing **LIFE-Environment programme**. CIP will also build on innovation activities that have been successfully tested and developed under previous Research Framework Programmes. Through this programme, SMEs will also have simple, clear and efficient access to the EU – its legislation, programmes and opportunities via the business support networks, including a separate IPR helpdesk. **(2,6 billion euro)**
2. **ICT Policy Support Programme.** This programme will build on the aims of the **e-TEN, Modinis** and **e-Content** programmes in line with the new integrated strategy **i2010 - European Information Society 2010**. The ICT programme will: Stimulate the new converging markets for electronic networks, media content and digital technologies; Test solutions to the bottlenecks that delay wide European deployment of electronic services; Support the modernisation of public sector services that will raise productivity and improve services **(802 million euro)**
3. **Intelligent Energy-Europe Programme** will encourage the wider uptake of new and renewable energies and improve energy efficiency, and shall foster compliance with our energy regulatory framework. (**SAVE, STEER, ALTENER**) The programme aims at accelerating action in relation to the agreed EU strategy and targets in the field of sustainable energy, increasing the share of renewable energy and further reducing our final energy consumption. **(780 million euro)**

Each of these programmes will pursue its own objectives, benefit its specific beneficiaries and answer to its own stakeholders. Each specific programme will establish its annual work programmes, which in turn will be submitted to a specific management committee composed of CIP participating countries' authorities.

#### NEW ACTIONS IN CIP

- CIP will add a new **risk capital instrument** (the High Growth and Innovative Company Facility - "GIF2") to the existing instrument fostering SME start-ups.
- **Euro Info Centre** and **Innovation Relay Centre** networks will be developed to offer one-stop-shops for services in support of business and innovation.
- A scheme to support the cooperation between national and regional programmes for business innovation (**BISS**) will increase the opportunities for SMEs to benefit from creativity, know-how and market opportunities in other EU Member States.

#### WHO CAN APPLY?

Research centers, Local and Regional authorities, Corporations, Training centers, Federations and Unions, Administrations and States, Agencies and Chambers, SMEs, Universities, Associations, etc.

EU Member States, Candidate countries

FUTHER INFORMATION	<a href="http://europa.eu.int/comm/enterprise/enterprise_policy/cip/index_en.htm">http://europa.eu.int/comm/enterprise/enterprise_policy/cip/index_en.htm</a>
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## FP7 - 7TH FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME FOR RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT

Framework Programme (FP) is the European Union's main instrument for funding research and development. The current FP is FP6, which will be running up to the end of 2006. **It has been proposed for FP7, however, to run for seven years.** It is designed to build on the achievements of its predecessor towards the creation of the European Research Area, and carry it further towards the development of the knowledge economy and society in Europe. FP7 presents strong elements of continuity with its predecessor, mainly as regards the themes that are covered in the Cooperation programme. The Commission proposed that the maximum overall amount for Community financial participation in the EC seventh framework programme should be **EUR 72,726 billion for 2007-2011.** (For the **Euratom treaty additional EUR 3092 million** are foreseen)

### KEY AREAS

It will be organised in four programmes corresponding to four basic components of European research:

1. **Cooperation:** Support will be given to the whole range of research activities carried out in trans-national cooperation, from collaborative projects and networks to the coordination of national research programmes. International cooperation between the EU and third countries is an integral part of this action. This action is industry-driven and organised in four sub-programmes: Collaborative research, Joint Technology Initiatives, Coordination of non-Community research programmes and International Co-operation **(44,735 billion euro)**
2. **Ideas:** the programme will enhance the dynamism, creativity and excellence of European research at the frontier of knowledge in all scientific and technological fields, including engineering, socio-economic sciences and the humanities. **(11,94 billion euro)**
3. **People:** Strengthening the human potential in research and technology in Europe by putting into place a coherent set of **Marie Curie actions.** **(7,18 billion euro)**
4. **Capacities:** The objective of this action is to support research infrastructures, research for the benefit of SMEs and the research potential of European regions (Regions of Knowledge) as well as stimulate the realisation of the full research potential (Convergence Regions) of the enlarged Union and build an effective and democratic European Knowledge society.

Each of these programmes will be the subject of a Specific Programme. In addition, there will be a Specific Programme for the Joint Research Centre and one for Euratom nuclear research and training activities.

### THEMES

The themes identified for this programme correspond to major fields in the progress of knowledge and technology, where research must be supported and strengthened to address European social, economic, environmental and industrial challenges. The aim is to contribute to sustainable development. **The nine high level themes proposed for EU action are:**

1. Health
2. Food, agriculture and biotechnology
3. Information and communication technologies
4. Nanosciences, Nanotechnologies, Materials and new Production Technologies
5. Energy
6. Environment and Climate Change
7. Transport and Aeronautics
8. Socio-economic sciences and the humanities
9. Space and Security Research

In addition, two themes are covered by the Euratom Framework Programme: Fusion energy research and Nuclear fission and radiation protection

### NEW ELEMENTS IN FP7

The **new elements in FP7** include the following:

- Emphasis on research themes rather than on "instruments"
- Significant simplification of its operation

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Focus on developing research that meets the needs of European industry, through the work of <b>Technology Platforms</b> and the new <b>Joint Technology Initiatives</b></li> <li>▪ Establishment of a <b>European Research Council</b>, funding the best of European science</li> <li>▪ Integration of <b>International co-operation</b> in all four programmes</li> <li>▪ Development of <b>regions of knowledge</b></li> <li>▪ A <b>Risk-Sharing Finance Facility</b> aimed at fostering private investment in research</li> </ul>	
<b>WHO CAN APPLY?</b>	
Research centers, Local and Regional authorities, Corporations, Training centers, Federations and Unions, Administrations and States, Agencies and Chambers, SMEs, Universities, Associations, etc.	
EU Member States, Candidate countries, EEA, Switzerland	
<b>FURTHER INFORMATION</b>	<a href="http://www.cordis.lu/fp7/">http://www.cordis.lu/fp7/</a>

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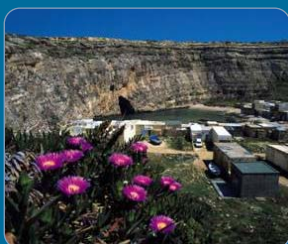
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# INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR ON EUROPEAN PROJECT DEVELOPMENT ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT

## 22-23 SEPTEMBER 2005

Hilton Malta Portomaso \*\*\*\*\*, St. Julians, Malta

The first seminar that presents the EC Seventh Framework Programme (FP7) and the Competitiveness and Innovation Framework Programme (CIP) together with existing funding sources for energy and environment projects

The European Commission will drastically change the funding schemes available for environmental and energy projects starting from 2006. These changes concern the introduction of completely new programmes and a significant increase in the budget of the existing ones. Learning heavily on the experiences gained from years of successful project development under the current funding schemes the lecturers of the seminar will introduce these new programmes for the first time.

Whereas official EU Information Days tend to concentrate on individual programmes with theoretical presentations, the Energy & Environment EC Seminar will discuss all relevant EU programmes in a common structure providing a unique basis for decision making and future business strategy development.

The new Energy & Environment EU Programmes that will be first introduced during the course:

### Seventh Framework Programme for Research and Development (FP7)

Did you know that...

- » New, different categories of actions and types of supported activities will be implemented through a much simpler set of funding scheme?
- » The budget of the programme is more than four-times bigger than its predecessor's?
- » Emphasis will be put on research themes rather than instruments?
- » Financial regulations will be simplified?

### Competitiveness and Innovation Framework Programme (CIP) 2007-2013

Did you know that...

- » CIP will bring together all the activities that were previously dispersed over MAP, LIFE - Environment, e-TEN, e-Content and the Intelligent Energy for Europe Programme?
- » Three specific programmes are defined: Entrepreneurship and Innovation Programme, ICT Policy Support Programme and Intelligent Energy Europe (IEE)
- » IEE will have its emphasis on the mass replication of new and renewable energy sources and energy efficient technology

This unique seminar will discuss all the above new programmes and the existing ones, like LIFE-III Environment, LIFE-III Nature, LIFE-III Third countries, Intelligent Energy for Europe, INTERREG III, Structural Funds, the Cohesion Fund and the Pre-Accession Instruments (Phare, Sapard, Ispa, Cards, Meda) in a common structure, tailored to fit the needs of project leaders and CEOs.



- » Consult personally with professional experts and EC project developers
- » Establish international partnerships for future business cooperation, and
- » Leave the every-day business burdens behind and enjoy the breathtaking environment of the island!

### TARGET GROUP

The program is recommended for both decision makers and high-level project managers representing companies and other organisations that intend to take an active part in the development of future energy and environmental projects in Europe. The training has been tailored to suit the needs of small and medium sized enterprises, NGOs, and universities although we also foresee the participation of municipalities and other organisations.

### TOPICS

#### Day 1 - Session 1: Overview

Classification of present and future funding opportunities open for companies and other organisations from Member States and Candidate Countries.

- » Pre-accession instruments (PHARE, ISPA, SAPARD)
- » Structural Funds and the Cohesion Fund
- » Community Programmes (LIFE-III, EIE, FP6, etc)
- » Relevant Community Initiatives (INTERREG III, LEADER+)
- » Information sources about EC funding possibilities on the Internet

#### Day 1 - Session 2: Community Programmes

Introduction to relevant Community Programmes providing funds for energy and environmental projects

- » The 6th Framework Programme (Sustainable Surface Transport, Sustainable Energy Systems, Global Change and Ecosystems priorities and other relevant thematic areas),
- » Intelligent Energy for Europe Framework Programme and its four sub-programmes (SAVE, ALTENER, COOPENER, STEER),
- » LIFE III programme and its three sub-programmes (Environment, Nature and Third countries),
- » Other Community Programmes with environmental thematic areas
- » Special EC programme introduction: Forthcoming Community Programmes:
  - » **FP7: Seventh Framework Programme on Research and Technological Development**
  - » **CIP: Competitiveness and Innovation Framework Programme**
  - » **LIFE+: Financial Instrument for Environment +**

#### Day 2 - Practical advice for Project Developers

An outlook to the new programmes based on experiences gained during the previous programmes

Administrative and financial conditions of participating in the Community Programmes

From the original idea till signing the contract - project examples

- » Presentation of funded/successful projects - Why were they accepted?
- » Practical guidance to prepare competitive proposals

Successful strategy for proposal preparation

- » Evaluation of proposals - Experiences of a Brussels evaluator expert
- » Procedure of signing the contract and the implementation of projects
- » Basic requirements for a project proposal: General principles, success criteria, tricks and useful ideas selecting the most suitable call, setting up and managing the consortium

### In summary

All relevant EC programmes are comprehensively covered during first day which is followed by the practical sessions during Day2 on experiences and useful hints.

### TOPICS

#### Pre-Accession Funds:

For the period up to 2006, the Union will provide support under the three pre-accession instruments to candidate countries: PHARE, ISPA, and SAPARD, which are vitally important, as they will have an impact on the candidate countries' economies, cover so vital areas as transport, energy and the environment in general. Pre-accession funds will generate more money, therefore shape the future of at least two major sectors in the accession countries - transport and environmental protection.

#### Structural Funds and Cohesion Fund:

Structural Funds are the European Union's main instruments for supporting social and economic restructuring across the Union. ERDF covers all areas: transport, communication technologies, energy, the environment, research and innovation, social infrastructure, etc. The Cohesion Fund finances projects designed to improve the environment and develop transport infrastructure in Member States whose per capita GNP is below 90% of the Community average.

#### Community Initiatives:

Interreg III supports cross-border, transnational and transregional cooperation and regional development. The Urban 2 Community Initiative aims to support troubled urban districts of the EU. For the period 2000-2006 the total cost of the programmes is EUR 1.6 billion. Leader + is designed to help rural actors consider the long-term potential of their local region.

#### In the spotlight Community Programmes

#### Sixth and Seventh Framework Programme on Research and Technological Development

FP6: Sustainable Surface Transport, Sustainable Energy Systems, Global Change and Ecosystems

#### Intelligent Energy for Europe and the new Competitiveness and Innovation Framework Programmes

EIE: Renewable Energy, Non-technological action on energy efficiency, energy aspects of transportation, cooperation with third countries

#### LIFE-III and LIFE+ Environmental programmes

LIFE-III: Financial Instrument for the Environment

## COSTS

Standard fee: 1149 EUR

Special early bird rate: 890 EUR\*

\* for applications before 15 July

All rates include taxes plus buffet lunch, coffee breaks and the official training material but do not include accommodation costs.

## VENUE

Hilton Malta \*\*\*\*\*, Portomaso, St. Julians, Malta

### Malta, St. Julians



In Malta, you will explore 7000 years of history yet live passionately in the present. You'll span the millennia with an astonishing array of things to discover. And wherever you go, the Islands' scenery and architecture provide a spectacular backdrop. The colours are striking. Honey-coloured stone against the deepest of Mediterranean blues.

St. Julians' was originally a tiny fishing village, built round a small bay. It has retained most of its charm, thanks to some sympathetic restoration. Overlooking the bay is Spinola Palace, built in 1688. Today St. Julians provides some of the best restaurants, like the San Giuliano and Barracuda, overlooking the Bay, popular with locals and visitors alike. It gets quite busy over the weekends and during the peak season, making parking a problem. However, public transport is frequent and nearby Paceville and St George's Bay within walking distance.

### Hilton Malta \*\*\*\*\*, Portomaso, St. Julians, Malta



The Hilton Malta is situated at Portomaso, a unique waterfront development, situated in the fashionable district of St. Julian's on Malta's north-east coast. At the heart of the Portomaso Development is the brand new 294 room Hilton Malta, marina & convention centre. The Hilton development overlooks a magnificent new yacht marina bordered by a tree-lined promenade. With extensive underground parking facilities, Portomaso remains a completely car free zone area.

The development, in addition to the five star Hilton International, has luxurious apartments, a spectacular convention & conference centre, business tower and a range of upmarket restaurants & bars as well as a shopping arcade. For further details please visit: [www.hilton.com](http://www.hilton.com)

All seminar participants may receive a special discount from the standard Hilton register price. There is a nice variety of other hotels available in the area. For details please visit [www.eucenter.org](http://www.eucenter.org)

## MORE INFORMATION

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## ABOUT THE ORGANISERS

Europa Media PSC,  
[www.eucenter.org](http://www.eucenter.org)

The main objective of Europa Media Public-Service Corporation is to structure and to disseminate all available but still dispersed information about the European Union to potential stakeholders in Europe and World-wide. The founding members of the corporation have a wide-range of expertise and knowledge of the European Union, which guarantees the achievement of this goal. Europa Media Public Service Corporation is a non-profit organisation.

Geonardo Ltd,  
[www.geonardo.com](http://www.geonardo.com)

GEONARDO Ltd. is a high-tech consulting firm specialised in environmental and business consulting. Over the past few years the company has participated successfully in a variety of European environmental and energy funded projects, laying down the basis for combining various types of project financing mechanisms, such as domestic and European grants, venture capital and bank loans. The professional competence and experience of the Geonardo crew regarding EU project development is truly exceptional in Central-Eastern Europe. The training courses organised by Geonardo Ltd. have attracted thousands of participants from all over the world. In addition to its own projects the company experts have developed over a hundred EC project proposals on a consulting basis.

## SELECTED GEONARDO REFERENCES

Ore Mining and Environmental Technology Information Network: **OMENTIN** (Ore Mining and Environmental Technology Information Network.) In the aftermath of the devastating cyanide spill on the river Tisza, GEONARDO launched an EC funded project with Hungarian, Romanian, American, Swedish, and Austrian participation under the supervision of GEONARDO Ltd. The support is EUR 300 thousand. Ref. EU/HRP-CT-2001-00002. [www.omentin.org](http://www.omentin.org)

The **GEOTHERMAL POWER** project is funded by the European Union's ALTENER Program. The duration of the project will be 18 months. A new feasibility study concept will be developed in order to build geothermal mini-power generating plants, under the supervision of GEONARDO Ltd. The project will be carried out in Hungarian, Austrian, Icelandic, and Portuguese co-operation, its total cost is EUR 0.8 million. Ref. EU/AL-2002-045. [www.geothermalpower.net](http://www.geothermalpower.net)

The aim of **"SME ENVIRONMENT"** project is to support the participation of the small- and medium sized companies from the accession countries in the Sixth Framework Programme of the European Union. The Coordinator of the project is Geonardo Ltd, with participants from Austria, Hungary and Finland. The EC support of the project is 300.000 Euro. Ref: FP6-2003-Global-2-003925 [www.sme-environment.org](http://www.sme-environment.org)

The aim of the **INTUSER** project is to better inform the European public about the use of alternative energy sources and sustainable development. The overall EC contribution is EUR 450 thousand provided by the EU. The project is co-ordinated by the Hungarian INNOTERM Ltd. with GEONARDO Ltd. being the other Hungarian member in this international consortium of Austrian, English, Belgian, Slovakian, and Greek partners. Ref. EU/RPTN-2001-09 [www.intuser.net](http://www.intuser.net)

LIFE03ENV/H/000272, **IT RECYCLING**: The overall goal of this EUR 1.5 M project is to create a selective collection system of wastes arising from computer technology and mobile-telecommunication causing great concern both in the European Union and in the candidate countries. The project is coordinated by Hazai Rt, Geonardo Ltd. takes part as full Contractor. [www.itrecycling.hu](http://www.itrecycling.hu)

The project **ENERGY FORESTS** was endorsed by the EU in April 2002, with a total support of EUR 300 thousand. The project is co-ordinated by the Hungarian GEO-MONTAN Co., with GEONARDO on board as a contractor, along with Czech, Polish and Greek partners. The project attempts to quantify the potential in energy production by means of forest planting on low soil-quality and agriculturally worthless land. Ref. EU/NNES-2002-00049. [www.energyforest.com](http://www.energyforest.com)

The **"ENEFMUN"** project is making energy efficiency plans for municipalities in Eastern and Central Europe. Its total budget is EUR 600.000. Its goal is to accelerate energy efficiency market formation activities for the implementation of Rational Use of Energy (RUE) and Energy Efficiency measures in as many as possible municipalities of the countries involved. Ref. SAVE-2002-095 Website: [www.cres.gr](http://www.cres.gr), [www.enero.ro/english/enefmun.htm](http://www.enero.ro/english/enefmun.htm)

The **TISZA RIVER** project: This proposal was submitted under the leadership of the Hungarian VITUKI Rt. and its main goal is to examine again water-management practices in the Tisza river watershed area by applying uniform standards. GEONARDO participates in the consortium as full partner together with other Romanian, Slovakian, British, Belgian and Austrian partners, with an operating budget of EUR 2,8 million. Ref. EU/EVK1-2001-00088 [www.tiszariver.com](http://www.tiszariver.com)

The aim of the **"E-CONSULTING"** project is to establish an EU consulting service through the Internet, preparing the companies of the ten accession countries for the participation in projects financed by the European Union. Geonardo Ltd. is the partner of Innostart Foundation in this project. The EC support is 100.000 Euro. Ref: FP6-2003-ACC-SSA-GENERAL-510555 [www.sme-consulting.net](http://www.sme-consulting.net)

LIFE03ENV/H/000273, **BALATON PROJECT**: Implementing an Integrated Decision Support System for the Sustainable Management of Tourism in the Lake Balaton Region. The Coordinator of the project is the Association of Lake Balaton's Civil Forums, while Geonardo Ltd. is participating in this EUR 1500 thousand project as a contractor. [www.balatonproject.hu](http://www.balatonproject.hu)

LIFE02ENV/FIN/000321, **EMS for SMEs**: Launching an environmental control system for transportation companies. The system will be set up in Finnish, Portuguese and Hungarian co-operation with an operating budget of nearly EUR 2 million. GEONARDO Ltd. is the only Hungarian member of the consortium coordinated by the Helsinki University of Technology. [www.ecotra.net](http://www.ecotra.net)

The objective of the **AQUAREC** project is to provide knowledge for a rational wastewater reuse strategy in Europe as a major component of sustainable water management practices. GEONARDO is a member of the consortium, which is coordinated by the University of Aachen, Germany with partners from the Netherlands, UK, Israel, Greece, Czech republic, Belgium, Austria, Romania, Poland and Spain. Ref. EVK1-CT-2002-00130, [www.aquarec.org](http://www.aquarec.org)

## REFERENCES

Trainings organised by Europa Media PSC and Geonardo Ltd. have attracted thousands of European organisations so far. Based on previous experiences, the Energy and Environment Seminar is perfectly tailored to the needs of SMEs, universities, and all other organisations which are working in the field of energy and environment.

Geonardo Ltd has over 20 projects running that are financed by the European Commission. Please see our detailed references at [www.geonardo.com](http://www.geonardo.com)

The combined experience of the Geonardo staff in developing EC projects and the in-depth knowledge of EC policies by Europa Media are the two main assets of the seminar series that have attracted several thousand participants from all over the world.

## SEMINAR TOPICS

## Energy:

Renewable energy \* solar \* wind \* biomass \* geothermal \* small hydro \* energy efficiency \* public awareness

## Environment:

Water \* waste \* wastewater \* water framework directive \* non-point source pollution \* risk assessment \* plastics & chemicals





## SELECTED TRAININGS AND CONFERENCES BY EUROPA MEDIA

### Wollongong, Australia - 21 February, 2005

One-day seminar on submitting, managing and co-financing projects under the Sixth Framework Programme

This course was designed to give a practical overview of the FP6 programme, to justify direct and indirect benefits of participation through real project examples and to provide useful hints and tricks for Australian and New Zealander project proposers from universities, research institutions, innovative SMEs and the corporate sector.



### EU Enlargement from a Business Perspective Conference and Workshop - 28-29 April, 2005 - Keszthely, Hungary

International Conference on business aspects of the enlargement. Business leaders, technology providers and top government officials sat together in order to share the experiences and assess the challenges following the historic Enlargement of the European Union in 2004.

### Plovdiv, Bulgaria - 11-14 October 2004, 11-12 April 2005

International Training on EU Funding Opportunities for Managers and Decision-makers

In the focus: Energy & Environment, R&D, IT and digital content. Decision-makers were invited from Bulgaria and other European countries providing the opportunity to meet the experts of relevant industry sectors who were also interested in partnership and working in consortiums for EU funded projects.



### Seminar series: Lisbon, Portugal & Paris, France - 1-6 April 2004

Seminars on Business Cooperation in Central-Eastern Europe for French and Portuguese Companies. The topics included EU project proposal preparation, business cooperation opportunities for Portuguese and French companies with newly accessed countries from Central and Eastern Europe.

### Three-day Training Course on preparing and submitting EU project proposals funded by the European Commission - Environment & Sustainable Development - Heviz, Hungary 23-25 February 2004

The program was designed for those who wished to have a comprehensive overview on European Environmental Programmes and planned to submit proposals and take an active part in the development of EU funded projects.



### Other training programmes organised on a regular basis:

#### Three-day International Intensive Training for Junior Project Managers on EC Project Development, 2003, 2004, 2005

The course provides an overall picture of the EU programs and related EU funding opportunities for junior project managers and recent graduate students with a few years of experience in EU related issues.

#### Five-day Intensive training on EC project development for Junior Project Managers, 2004, 2005

Main topics: education, trainings, environment, research - Type of training: premium

The five-day international course is designed to give an overall picture of the EU programs and related EU funding opportunities. The course is proposed mainly for project managers who have some years of experience.

### Forthcoming events:

#### Istanbul, Turkey - 27 June 2005



EU Funding for Turkish companies, NGOs, Universities and Research Organisations. The number of Community Programmes and the amount of other available EU financial support open for Turkey will significantly increase during the year 2005 and in the coming years. The training will assist Turkish organizations to participate in these EU programmes and share the experiences of a NMS.

### E-learning training course on EC project development Next starting date: 1 July 2005

This is a special, cost and time effective 2-month do it yourself e-learning course on European Programmes. In 2 months the participants will have a much better appreciation of the types of EU funds that are available. Understand, what is required for each of the funds; Be able to write an application with confidence!

More information: <http://www.eucenter.org/training/training.php>



## FEEDBACKS FROM THE PARTICIPANTS

*"Fluent English, high level of knowledge about EU issues"*

Mr. Ville Niutanen - Ramboll Ltd. - [www.ramboll.fi](http://www.ramboll.fi) - FINLAND

*"...There has been some very interesting and informative presentations, which will be very useful for future preparations of proposals. I arrived knowing very little and leave with a good understanding of the practices and procedures for putting together what I hope will be successful proposals."*

Ms. June Cunningham - Renewables Northwest - [www.renewablesnorthwest.co.uk](http://www.renewablesnorthwest.co.uk) - UNITED KINGDOM

*"Thank you very much. The training course was very useful and successful"*

Ms. Giovanna Agostinelli - Italian Ministry For the Environment & Territory - [www.minambiente.it](http://www.minambiente.it) - ITALY

*"This training is recommended for every new EU funding Expert. Nowhere else you find a basic education like this. I am very satisfied with this training."*

Gunther De Mey - Flemish Environment Agency - [www.vmm.be](http://www.vmm.be) - Belgium

*"The material was presented by people from the battle line and good hints were given, especially for the evaluation process."* Mr Boyan Angelov - Nemetschek Ltd. [www.nemetschek.bg](http://www.nemetschek.bg) - Bulgaria

*"I was able to gain an overview and have sufficient knowledge to take a proposal forward with confidence."* - Mr David Wylie - Wylie Associates - [www.wylie-associates.com](http://www.wylie-associates.com) - United Kingdom

*"I was very pleased by this event, it was a very good idea. I would like to thank Geonardo Staff for their performance and support."*

Ms. Irina Grigorovici - ISPE - [www.ispe.ro](http://www.ispe.ro) - ROMANIA

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## EU Funding opportunities in brief

The primary aim of the booklet is to insure up-to-date and blanket information to those, who are in some way connected to the European Union concerning either proposals, education, or consultancy or anyone who only needs severe practical advices. The booklet is available for free, regularly updated and can be published with impunity.

The objective of the publisher - Europa Media PSC - is to provide a useful, up-to-date information on practical basis to potential project proposer organizations, primarily to small and medium-sized enterprises. The primal fields of activities include the mapping of EU Funding opportunities and extensive orientation, education and training of the proposers.

The EU Funding Opportunities in Brief booklet is the result of the joint work of the two enterprises.

## EU Center Magazine

EU Center Magazine is the official monthly newsletter of the EU Center. By signing up to the Newsletter the potential European promoters receive comprehensive and up-to-date informations about: European Programmes.

Additionally, EU Center Magazine ensures further opportunities for European organizations in the evolvement of partnerships, and also helps to solve individual problems by disclosing letters and frequently asked questions from the readers.

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- » News
- » Community Programmes
- » Funding news
- » Event Calendar
- » Deadlines

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