



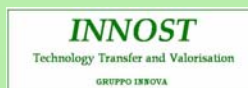
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*From FP6 to FP7*

# Rules and tips for participation

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*Where we stand now*

## **Between FP6 and FP7**

- Lot of experience gained from FP6
- The basics of FP7 rules and principles
- Continuity between FP6 and FP7



# General Rules for Participation

## Eligibility principles

Any **legal entity established** in the EU or associated states or third country partners

- ✓ Public bodies
- ✓ Administrations
- ✓ Large companies
- ✓ Small and medium sized companies
- ✓ Associations



# General Rules for Participation

## What is an SME according to the EU

Recommendation of the European Commission of May 2003 applies

A small or medium sized enterprise has:

- ✓ Less than 250 employees
- ✓ An annual turnover not exceeding the following values

	<i>Medium</i>	<i>Small</i>	<i>Micro</i>
<b>Annual turnover</b>	<b>50 M€</b>	<b>10 M€</b>	<b>2 M€</b>
<b>Annual balance-sheet</b>	<b>43 M€</b>	<b>10 M€</b>	<b>2 M€</b>



# Funding by type of organisation

Relevant changes on FP6 rules

- Main rule for funding to research is 50%
- However a max of 75% can apply for:
  - ✓ *Public Bodies*
  - ✓ *Secondary and Higher education establishments*
  - ✓ *Research organisations*
  - ✓ *SMEs*



## Funding by type of activities

Main rule for funding to research is still 50%

- Research 50%
- Demonstration 50% (*it used to be 35% in FP6*)
- Management 100% (*ceiling fixed at 7% of EC funding applied for FP6*)
- Support to Research 100%



## FP7 Instruments (types of project)

### COLLABORATIVE PROJECTS (RESEARCH)

- Large scale – Integrating Projects (IP)
- Small medium scale focused research – (STREP)

*Funding rate 50%*

### NETWORKING OF RESEARCH ORGANISATIONS

- Networks of Excellence (NoE)

*Funding established on the basis of n° of researchers*

*Lump sum of 23.500€/researcher should apply*

### COORDINATION AND SUPPORT ACTIONS

- Support to Research

*Funding rate up to 100%*



## Minimum project requirements

- a) At least **three legal entities**, each of which is established in a Member state or Associated country and no two of which are established in the same Member State or Associated country
  
- a) All three legal entities must be **independent** of each other

**Exception:** *Coordination and Support actions, and actions in favour of training and career development of researchers (one legal entity required)*



## In practice: From idea to project

### 1) CALL FOR PROPOSAL

The EC invite to submit research proposals at a given deadline

### 2) PROJECT SUBMISSION

Projects are sent electronically within deadline.

### 3) EVALUATION

Panels of three independent evaluators rank the proposals

### 4) NEGOTIATION

The EC invite the best projects to negotiate the contract

### 5) CONTRACT

Project can start



## In practice: From idea to project

### *Timeframe example*

- 1) **CALL FOR PROPOSAL** published in December 06
- 2) **PROJECT SUBMISSION** deadline in April 07
- 3) **EVALUATION** scheduled in May-June 07
- 4) **NEGOTIATION** starting in July-August 07
- 5) **CONTRACT** depending on negotiation process, two three months in average

This means a project can start usually about 6 months after project submission



# Basic rules on project implementation

## Costs

- *need to be actual and incurred during the action*
- *in accordance with accounting principles of the participant*
- *recorded in the accounts*

## Payments

- *From the EC via the co-ordinator*
- *Different instalments depending on project length*
- *Retained amounts paid only after project completion*



## Basic rules on project implementation

### Relations among partners

- *A Consortium Agreement is mandatory*
- *High degree of autonomy in setting the internal rules of the consortium*
- *Collective responsibility discontinued from FP6*
- *Protection of knowledge (background and foreground)*



# An insight on the ICT research agenda

## Challenge 1 –Pervasive and Trusted Network and Service Infrastructure

1.1 The Network of the Future (ubiquitous network, future network infrastructures, system architectures)

1.2 Service and Software Architectures, Infrastructures and Engineering

1.3 Secure dependable and trusted Infrastructures

1.4 Networked Media



# **An insight on the ICT research agenda**

## **Challenge 2- Cognitive Systems, Interaction, Robotics**

### 2.1 Cognitive Systems, Interaction, Robotics

## **Challenge 3- Components, Systems, Engineering**

### 3.1 Next-Generation Nanoelectronics Components and Electronics Integration

### 3.2 Organic and large-area electronics and display systems

### 3.3 Embedded Systems Design

### 3.4 Computing Systems



# **An insight on the ICT research agenda**

## **Challenge 4- Digital Libraries and Content**

4.1 Digital Libraries, Usage and Learning

4.2 Intelligent Content Creation and Management

## **Challenge 5- Towards sustainable and personalised healthcare**

5.1 Personal Health System for Monitoring and Point-of-Care diagnostics

5.2 Advanced IT for Risk Assessment and Patient Safety

5.3 Virtual Physiological Human



# An insight on the ICT research agenda

## Challenge 6- ICT for Mobility, Environmental Sustainability and Energy Efficiency

6.1 ICT for the Intelligent Car and Mobility Services

6.2 ICT for Environmental management and energy efficiency

## Challenge 7- ICT for Independent Living and Inclusion

7.1 ICT and Ageing

7.2 Accessible and Inclusive ICT



## Practical tips to optimise participation

- ✓ Get familiar with the ICT work-programme and set your own roadmap (especially if potential is high). Do not expect results in 2 months time.
- ✓ Consolidate or establish relations with European counterparts
- ✓ Networking is important. Attend at events in Europe and India (IST events, Infodays)



## Practical tips to optimise participation

- ✓ Structure your offer so as to make your research potential clearly emerge
- ✓ Start your experience as partners in projects co-ordinated by others
- ✓ You'll be seen as far away partners. You must have a + to be preferred to others
- ✓ Seek advice from those who have experience



## Useful sources of information

- ✓ The ICT Work-Programme (soon on Cordis)
- ✓ The Community Research and Development Information System, at: <http://www.cordis.lu>
- ✓ The Delegation of the European Union in India <http://www.delind.cec.eu.int/en/stcoop/sthome.htm>
- ✓ The Monsoon project <http://www.euroindia-it.org>
- ✓ The INCITE project: <http://www.inciteproject.org>



## Things you need to know

- ✓ The ICT Work-Programme 2007-08  
WP is updated (usually every year) on the basis of input from industry and the research community
- ✓ The Strategic Agendas of the European Technological Platforms
- ✓ Search for already funded projects within your areas of interest (be complementary, avoid overlapping)



## Events not to be missed

- ✓ The IST Event 2006 – 21-23 November Helsinki, Finland
- ✓ The Infodays (Brussels and sometimes in third countries)
- ✓ INCITE and other projects events – Next round of INCITE workshops in Jan 07 in Bangalore, Kolkata, Delhi



## Don't forget we can help you

- ✓ Always keep an eye on the INCITE web-site for news and tips, [www.inciteproject.org](http://www.inciteproject.org)
- ✓ If not yet registered, do it NOW, you will benefit from it
- ✓ Our mission is to “raise” Indian participation in FP activities, so get in touch with us if you have a project idea or technological offer
- ✓ Address the INCITE Indian co-ordinator or the National Contact Point (coming soon)