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FP7 and Opportunities for participation for the Scientific Community of Eastern European Countries
Rules of Participation
Funding schemes
Contractual and Financial issues

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SEVENTH FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME

EU research: the story so far

- **1952:** ECSC treaty; first projects started March 1955
- **1957:** Euratom treaty; Joint Research Centre set up
- **1983:** ESPRIT programme
- **1984:** First Framework Programme (1984-1987)
- **1987:** 'Single European Act' – science becomes a Community responsibility;
  Second Framework Programme (1987-1991)
- **1990:** Third Framework Programme (1990-1994)
- **1993:** Treaty on European Union;
- role of RTD in the enlarged EU
- **1994:** Fourth Framework Programme (1994-1998)
- **1998:** Fifth Framework Programme (1998-2002)
- **2000:** European Research Area
- **2002:** Sixth Framework Programme (2002-2006)
- **2005:** Proposal for the Seventh Framework Programm
  (2007-2013; 2007-2011 for Euratom)

Source: European Commission

What's new in FP7

Our global budget of more than €50 billion over 7 years, which represents a significant increase with respect to FP6 in terms of annual money.

FP7 will last longer, running for **seven years** rather than four, from 2007 to 2013, allowing for longer term planning of research activities

A simpler structure, organised into four main programmes: Cooperation, Ideas, People and Capacities (in addition to the JRC and EURATOM programmes).

The introduction of the European Research Council (ERC) through the Ideas SP for boosting Basic Research at European level.

Simplification in implementing the programme: aspects of this are a **unique registration facility** for all prospective participants, **the introduction of a unique cost model etc.**

Integration of the **international dimension** into all four Specific Programmes

Source: European Commission

FP7 Specific Programmes

Cooperation – Collaborative research 60.8%

Ideas – Frontier Research 14.1%

People – Marie Curie Actions 8.9%

Capacities – Research Capacity 7.7%

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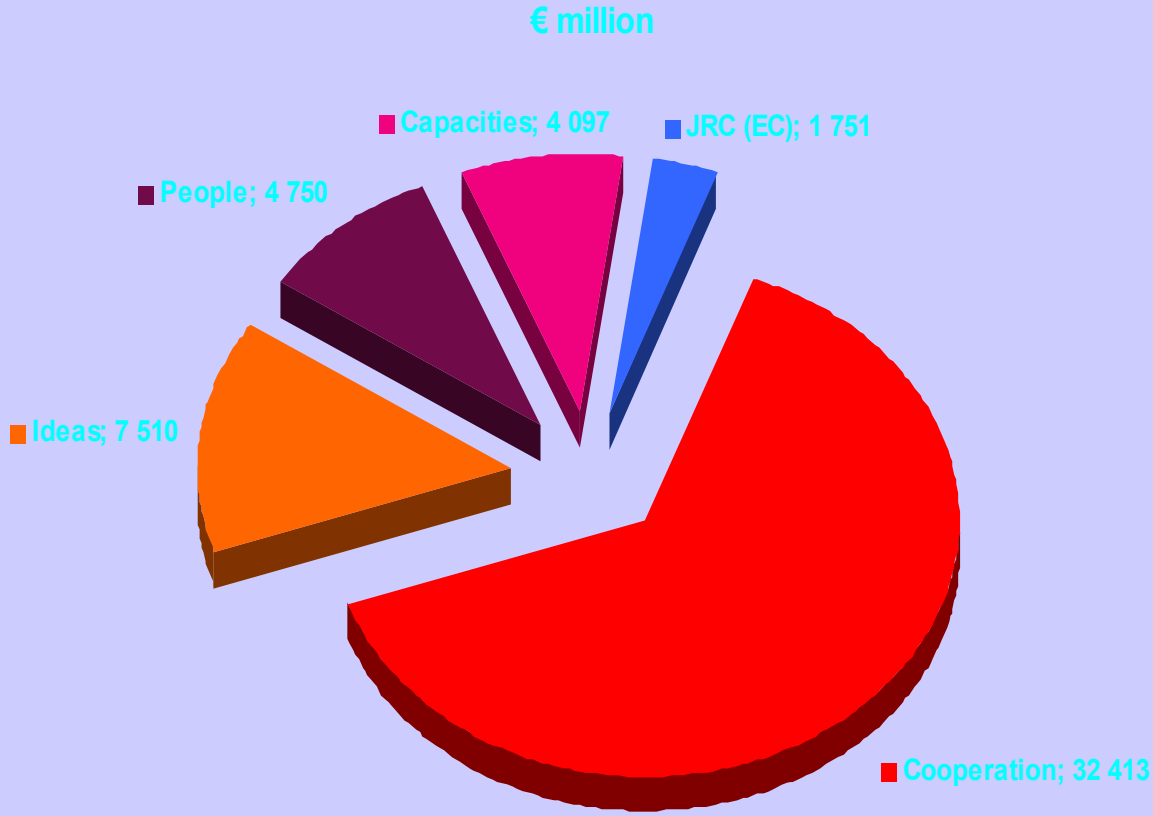
JRC non-nuclear research 3.3%

Euratom– JRC nuclear research 1.0%

Euratom– nuclear fusion and fission research 4.2%

Source: European Commission

FP7 budget (€ 50 521 million)



Source: European Commission

FP7 Specific Programmes- Third Countries

Organisations or individuals from countries outside of the EU and Associated States can participate in FP7:

- In the Cooperation programme – research cooperation between global research partners and European researchers
- In the Ideas programme – individual top international researchers participate in Europe-led research teams
- In the People programme – as beneficiaries of training and career development activities promoting both incoming and outgoing international mobility of researchers
- In the Capacities programme - in international activities to strengthen research capacity in the European scientific community and other regions in the world

Source: European Commission

FP7 "Cooperation": Themes

Health	6,000
Food, Agriculture & Biotechnology	1,935
Information & Communication Technologies	9,120
Nanosciences, Nanotechnologies, Materials & new Production Technologies	3,505
Energy	2,300
Environment (including Climate Change)	1,900
Transport (including Aeronautics)	4,195
Socio-Economic Sciences & the Humanities	610
Space	1,430
Security	1,320

All ten themes have important international dimension

Source: European Commission

FP7 "Cooperation Themes"
Examples for international cooperation activities

- Theme 1- Health: International Cooperation is an integral part of this theme.

Specific International Cooperation Actions

- 2.3.2-13: Coordination of European research activities with the global initiatives
- 2.3.2-14: Next generation of researchers for HIV/AIDS, malaria, tuberculosis, and neglected infectious diseases
- 2.3.4-1: Development of new tools to control infectious due to parasites of the Trypanosomatidae family
- 2.3.4-2: Development of a Leishmania vaccine
- 2.3.4-3: Bioprospecting for drug leads
- 4.1.8: Promotion and facilitation of international cooperation in areas relevant to the objectives of this theme
- Theme 3–ICT:

Coordination and Support Actions

- 1.4. Secure, dependable and trusted infrastructures
- 1.5. Networked media
- 1.6 New paradigms and experimental facilities
- 1.7. Critical infrastructure protection
- 3.1. Next generation nanoelectronics components and electronics integration
- 3.5. Photonic components and subsystems
- 3.7. Networked embedded and control systems
- 5.3. Virtual physiological human
- 6.2. ICT for cooperative systems
- 7.1. ICT and ageing
- 7.2. Accessible and inclusive ICT

Collaborative Projects

- 3.3. Embedded systems design

FET Open

Source: European Commission

FP7 "Cooperation Themes"
Examples for international cooperation activities

- Theme 5- Energy: "Simulation and state estimation of smart electricity transmission networks"
- Theme 7- Transport (incl. Aeronautics): "Explosives detection techniques"
- Theme 8- SSH: Globalisation and its effects on the European economy, Migration, Conflicts and Peace, Europe seen from outside, Multilateralism and the new external relations of the European Union
- Theme 9- Space: international cooperation in GMES (Global Monitoring for Environment and Security)
- Theme 10- Security: Provision of enhanced security related technologies and systems

Joint Security and ICT call:

Critical Infrastructure protection

Improving security systems integration, interconnectivity and interoerability

Source: European Commission

Ideas – European Research Council

- Frontier research
- Support to individual teams, to promote excellence through Europe-wide competition
- Executive Agency
- Independent scientific governance (Scientific Council)

Offers the possibility for the European research teams to involve third country researchers on the basis of their scientific excellence

Source: European Commission

IDEAS Programme
First Call of Proposals

ERC Starting Independent Researcher Grant (ERC Starting Grant)

- *The only programme funded in 2007*
- *Ca. 200 new investigators/year in any field; funded ca. 1.5 M€ up to 5 yrs*
- *Sole selection criterion: Excellence of person & proposal*
- *Eligibility:*
  (a) 2-9 years since PhD (at submission deadline) (could be up to 12 years according to specific circumstances)
- *(b) Newly established in research or educational position (or offer of position), within EU or associated States*
- *(c) No nationality criterion*: The **3 Rs:**
- ***Recruit, Repatriate, Retain** TOP TALENT (ca 1200 positions in 7 years)*

Source: European Commission

Source: European Commission

Applying for ERC Grants (II)

Eligibility (ERC Starting Grant)

- **PI**
  - ✓ 2-9 years since completion of PhD: Special circumstances will be taken into account, such as maternity/paternity leave, military/civil service (+2 years max.)
- **PI and contributing investigators (team members)**
  - ✓ Any nationality
  - ✓ One ERC Grant per investigator only may be active at any one time
- **Hosting institution**
  - ✓ Located in a *EU member state or associated country*
  - ✓ Intra-European grant portability allowed

Source: European Commission

People – Human Potential

Initial training of researchers (≈40%)
Marie Curie Networks

Life-long training and career development (25-30%)
Individual Fellowships
Co-financing of regional/national/international programmes

Industry-academia pathways and partnerships (5-10%)
Industry-Academia Scheme

International dimension (25-30%)
Outgoing International Fellowships; Incoming International Fellowships
International Cooperation Scheme; Reintegration grants

Specific actions (≈1%)
Excellence awards

Source: European Commission

People – Human Potential

A human-resources programme with several actions open to third country nationals:

- **Career development/ life long training for EU researchers**

International outgoing fellowships at postdoctoral level and beyond (with a mandatory return phase): training of European researchers within high level third country research organisations

International re-integration grants: return of European researchers to MS or AS country after at least 3 years of research in a third country

- **International cooperation for and with researchers from third countries**

International incoming fellowships for experienced researchers: researchers from third countries will undertake research projects in Europe

Marie curie host driven actions: open to third country nationals e.g. the Research Training Networks targeting doctoral candidates

Partnership schemes: staff exchanges between European research organisations and organisations from third countries covered by the European Neighbouring Policy or S&T Agreements with the EU

Support to scientific diasporas: network European Researchers abroad – the ERA- link initiative- to establish links between Europe and expatriate European Researchers and support networking activities of third country researchers in Europe

Source: European Commission

Capacities – Research Capacity

- Research infrastructures
- Research for the benefit of SMEs
- Regions of Knowledge
- Research Potential
- Science in Society
- Coherent development of policies
- Activities of International Cooperation

Source: European Commission

Research Infrastructures

International Cooperation

- Attracting users from various countries and through networking so that to integrate the scientific community
- Added value from partner countries concerning the research infrastructures (databases, data gathering…)
- Targeted calls to identify mutual interests between EU and ICPC

Source: European Commission

Research Infrastructures

International Cooperation

Support to existing Research Infrastructures with the objective of max their use, access and development.

Infrastructures where third country participation is welcome include:

GEANT2 and Grid infrastructures- support global collaboration between similar infrastructures around the world- Global Ocean Observing (EURO ARGO), the Integrated Carbon Observation System (ICOS), LIFE WATCH initiative in Biodiversity

Source: European Commission

Regions of knowledge and Research potential

International Cooperation

- Promote closer S&T cooperation between Europe and other regions in the world by improving the research capacity in those other regions
- Example: cooperation between Europe and the Western Balkan countries

Researcher exchanges in order to include the West Balkan countries in the ERA

Source: European Commission

Science in Society

International Cooperation

- International dialogue on the relations between and science and society
  - E.g. Global dialogue on Ethics involving Africa, Latin America, Asia and Central Asia

Source: European Commission

Activities of International Cooperation

Objectives

- Dialogue for current and future research activities between different stakeholders
- Increase of coherence in international research activities – coordination of actions in S&T cooperation

Source: European Commission

Activities of International Cooperation

A strategic planning programme focusing on three main areas:

- Call 1: Bi-regional coordination of S&T Cooperation

INCO-NET platforms bringing together policy makers and stakeholders, dialogue on S&T priorities, workshops and development of FP7 information points

Regions: WBC, MPC, Eastern European and Central Asia, ASIA, ACP and Latin America

- Call 2: Bi-lateral S&T cooperation partnerships "BILAT"

Strengthen partnership with countries which have an S&T cooperation agreement

E.g. development of information facilities in third countries

- Call 3: Coordination of national policies and activities

Increase the cooperation and coordination of national research programmes

Source: European Commission

International Cooperation

The calls

Calls	Participants	Opening / Closure	Scheme	Project budget (ind.)	Max duration (ind.)
FP7-INCO-2007-1	- 3+ EM/ EA - "significative number" of ICPC	22-12-06 / 02-05-07	CSA	3 M €	4 years
FP7-INCO-2007-2	- Min. 1 legal entity	02-05-07/ 04-09-2007	CSA	0.5 M €	3 years
FP7-INCO-2007-3.1	- Min. 3 EM/EA	02-05-07/ 04-09-07	CSA (ERA-Net)	3 M €	4 years
FP7-INCO-2007-3.2	- Min. 5EM/EA	02-05-07/ 04-09-07	CSA (ERA-Net PLUS)	>3 M €	5 years

Source: European Commission

International Cooperation:
Third Countries

1- Associated countries

2- Industrialised countries (USA, Canada, Japan, Australia….)

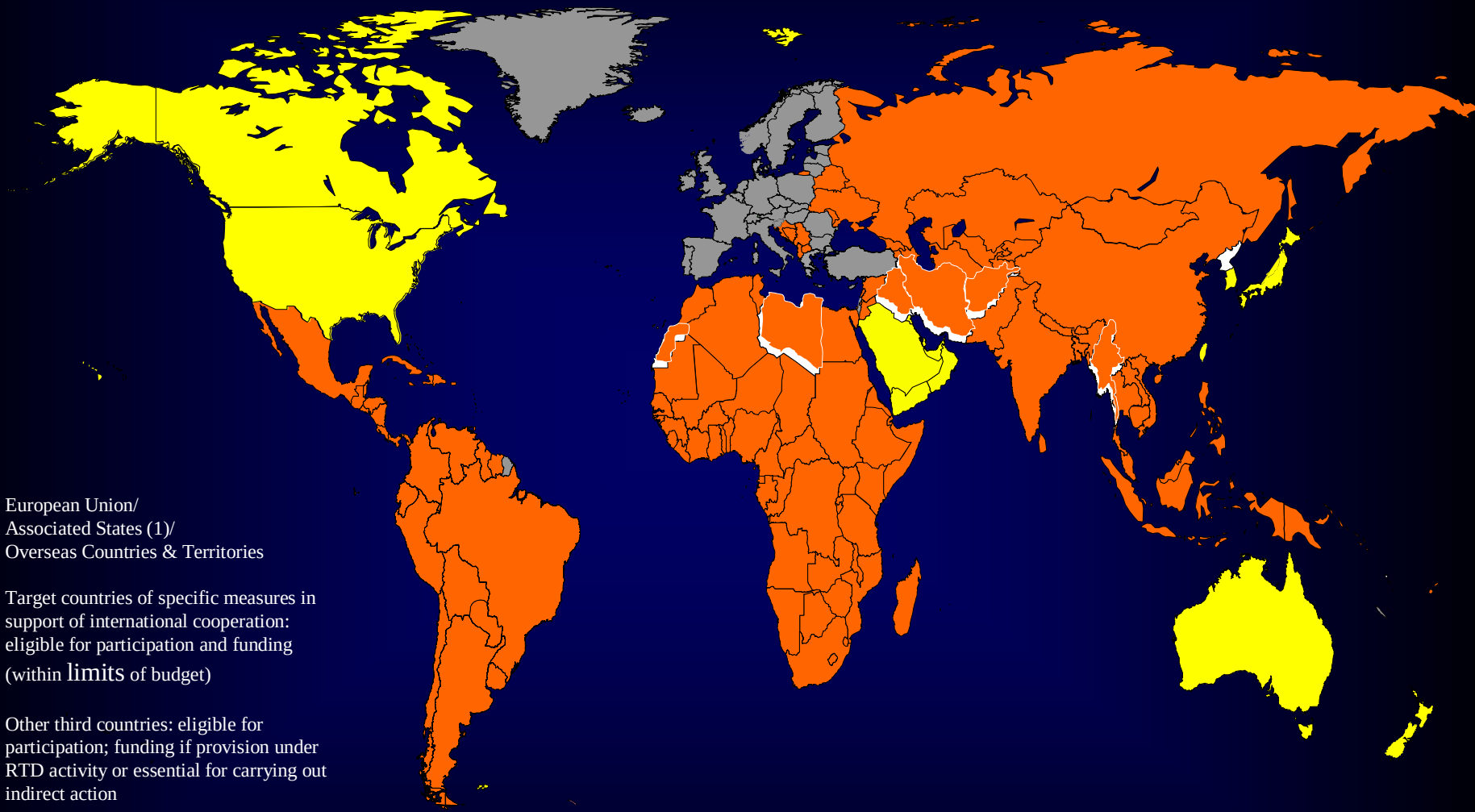
3- International Cooperation Partner Countries **(ICPC):**

- **Countries neighbouring the EU** (Mediterranean Partner Countries, Western Balkans, Eastern European and Central Asian Countries)
- **Developing countries** (ACP, ASIA, Latin America)
- **Emerging economies** (e.g. China, India, Brazil, Russia, South Africa)

Source: European Commission

7th Framework Programme

Participation by legal entities from third countries



European Union/
Associated States (1)/
Overseas Countries & Territories

Target countries of specific measures in support of international cooperation: eligible for participation and funding (within limits of budget)

Other third countries: eligible for participation; funding if provision under RTD activity or essential for carrying out indirect action

Currently no cooperation

JRC

International Cooperation

JRC aims to:

- develop international collaborations in the area of strategic importance e.g. global warming, sustainable development, external security, metrology, nuclear safety and safeguards, food security and global resources
- promote research cooperation with third country partners to ensure harmonised approaches to measurements e.g. safety testing (for hydrogen storage)

Source: European Commission

Euratom

International Cooperation

- High level agreements between Euratom and certain third countries facilitate International cooperation in the area of research for fission and radiation protection e.g. nuclear plant lifetime management in Russia
- Global initiatives enhances the potential for future INCO under Euratom such as Generation IV International Forum coordinates research on the next generation nuclear reactors
- In fusion research international collaboration by bilateral or multilateral fusion agreements e.g. ITER project (creation of prototype reactors for fusion power stations) is implemented by an international organisation established by Euratom, India, Japan, Korea, the Russian Federation and the United States of America

Source: European Commission

First Calls for proposals

- 42 calls published on 22 December

see CORDIS for more information:
http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm

- Calls sorted by call identifier and by Specific Programme

Source: European Commission

First Calls for proposals

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Finding European partners for Cooperation projects

- The EC supports:
- Information days and briefings in Brussels and elsewhere in Europe and worldwide
- Partner search facilities within the different themes e.g. for ICT http://www.ideal-ist.net
- And a network of National Contact Points in Europe and beyond: http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/ncp_en.html
- Your NCP will inform you of any national arrangements for funding proposal preparation or project participation

Source: European Commission

Participation: Minimum conditions for participation

- 3 independent participants from 3 different Member States (MS) or Associated countries (Ac)
  - ***Member States (MS): EU 27***
  - ***Associated countries (Ac): EU non member countries associated to FP7, ie, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, Switzerland, Israel, Turkey, Croatia and Serbia***
- Natural persons may participate
- Sole participants composed of members that meet the criteria above can participate
- JRC may participate and is deemed to be from a different MS or Ac (same principles for international European interest organisations; and entities established under Community law, eg, a European Economic Interest Grouping)

Source: European Commission

Minimum conditions for participation

- Collaborative projects for specific international cooperation actions (SICA) dedicated to international cooperation partner countries (ICPC) identified in WP – minimum is 4 participants of which 2 in different MS or Ac and 2 in different ICPC countries unless otherwise foreseen in work programme
  - ***The list of ICPC countries is given in annex 1 of the work programme***
- Participation of international organisations and participants from third countries possible if in addition to minima

Source: European Commission

Eligibility for Funding

1. Legal entities from MS and Ac (including JRC) or created under Community law
2. International European interest organisations
3. Legal entities established in international cooperation partner countries (ICPC)

   and

4. Other than the above, if provided for in SP or WP; or essential for carrying out action; or provision for funding is provided for in a bilateral agreement between Community and the third country.

Source: European Commission

Funding Schemes

3 funding schemes – 5 types of projects

- Collaborative Projects (CP)
  - Large-scale integrating projects (IP)
  - Small or medium-scale focused research actions (STREP)
- Networks of Excellence (NoE)
- Coordination and Support Actions (CSA)
  - Coordinating or networking actions (CA)
  - Support actions (SA)

Source: European Commission

CP - Integrating Projects

- **Activities in an Integrating Project may cover**
  - ✓ Research and technological development
  - ✓ Demonstration
  - ✓ Training activities
  - ✓ Innovation linked activities
  - ✓ Management of the consortium
- ✓ **Experience of IPs in FP6**
  - ✓ Average duration: 36-60 months
  - ✓ Optimum consortium: 10-20 participants
  - ✓ Total EC contribution: 4-25 M€

Source: European Commission

CP – Focused Projects

- **Activities in a Focused Project may cover**
  - Research and technological development
  - Demonstration
  - Management of the consortium
- Experience of STREPs in FP6
  - Average duration: 18-36 months
  - Optimum consortium: 6-15 participants
  - Total EC contribution: 1-4 M€

Source: European Commission

Networks of Excellence (NoEs)

- **Activities in an NoE may cover**
  - ✓ Joint programme of activities (JPA)
  - ✓ Integrating activities
  - ✓ Joint research programme
  - ✓ Spreading of excellence
  - ✓ Management of the consortium
- Experience of NoEs in FP6
  - ✓ Average duration: 48-60 months
  - ✓ Optimum consortium: 6-12 participants
  - ✓ Total EC contribution: 4-10 M€

Source: European Commission

Coordination actions

- **Activities in a Coordination action may cover**
  - Networking, coordination and dissemination activities
  - Management of the consortium
  - *(Coordination actions do not conduct S&T research !)*
- Experience of CAs in FP6
  - Average duration: 18-36 months
  - Optimum consortium: 13-26 participants
  - Total EC contribution: 0.5-2 M€

Source: European Commission

Support actions

- **Activities in a Support action may cover**
  - Conferences, seminars, working groups and expert groups; Studies, analysis;
  - Fact findings and monitoring; Preparatory technical work, including feasibility studies; Development of research or innovation strategies;
  - High level scientific awards and competitions;
  - Operational support, data access and dissemination, information and communication activities
  - Management of the consortium *(Support actions do not conduct S&T research !)*
- Experience of SSAs in FP6
  - Average duration: 9-30 months
  - Optimum consortium:1-15 participants
  - Total EC contribution: 0.03-3 M€

Source: European Commission

Forms of grants

- ✓ **Reimbursement of eligible costs as the preferred method**, particularly at the beginning of FP7
- ✓ Flat rates: a percentage for indirect costs or scales of unit costs
- ✓ Lump sum amounts
- ✓ Combination possible
- ✓ ***Forms of grants to be used are specified in WP/calls for proposals***
- ✓ ***ICPC participants may opt for lump sum financing***

Source: European Commission

Maximum funding rates

- **Research and technological development activities** – up to **50%** of eligible costs except for:
  - Public bodies – up to **75%**
  - Secondary and higher education establishments – up to **75%**
  - Research organisations (non-profit) – up to **75%**
  - SMEs – up to **75%**
- **Demonstration activities** – up to **50%** of eligible costs
- **Other activities (management, etc)** – up to **100%**
- **Coordination and support actions** – up to **100%**
  - Flat rate indirect costs: 7%

Source: European Commission

Reimbursement of eligible costs

- ✓ **Co-financing, no profit**
- ✓ **Eligible**
  - ✓ Actual
  - ✓ Incurred during the project
  - ✓ Determined according to usual accounting and management principles/practices
  - ✓ Used solely to achieve project objectives
  - ✓ Consistent with principles of economy, efficiency and effectiveness
  - ✓ Recorded in accounts and paid (or the accounts of third parties)
- ✓ **Non-eligible**
  - ✓ Identifiable indirect taxes including VAT…

Source: European Commission

Reimbursement of eligible costs

- **Cost reporting models eliminated**
  - Participants charge direct and indirect eligible costs
- **Average personnel costs** accepted if: *(new)*
  - Consistent with the management principles and accounting practices
    - and
  - they do not significantly differ from actual personnel costs= if identified according to a methodology approved by the Commission
- **Receipts** taken into account at the end of the project
- **Interest from pre-financing**

Source: European Commission

Indirect Costs

- For all:
  - either real overheads or simplified method
  - flat rate of 20% of direct costs minus subcontracting and 3rd parties not used on the premises of the beneficiary
- Non profit Public Bodies, Secondary and Higher Education establishments, Research Organisations and SMEs unable to identify real indirect costs, may apply for a flat rate of 60% for **funding schemes with RTD**.
- For Coordination and Support Actions limit of 7% of direct costs

Source: European Commission

Upper funding limits

Maximum reimbursement rates of eligible costs	Research and technological development (*)	Demonstration activities	Training activities	Management of the consortium activities	Other activities (**)
Network of excellence				100%	100%
Collaborative project	50% 75% (***)	50%	100%	100%	100%
Research project for the benefit of specific groups (SMEs)	50% 75% (***)	50%	100%	100%	100%
Coordination and support action			100% (****)	100% (****)	100% (****)

(*) Research and technological development includes operational activities directly related to the protection of foreground and coordination of research activities.
(**) Other activities means any "specific activity" covered by Annex I.
(***) For *beneficiaries* that are non profit public bodies, secondary and higher education establishments, research organisations and SMEs
(****) The reimbursement of indirect eligible costs, in the case of coordination and support actions, may reach a maximum 7% of the direct eligible costs, excluding the direct eligible costs for subcontracting and the costs of reimbursement of resources made available by third parties which are not used on the premises of the beneficiary.

Source: European Commission

Evaluation criteria (1)

Divided into three main criteria

S&T Quality

- ✓ Concept, objectives, workplan

Implementation

- ✓ Individual participants and consortium as a whole
- ✓ Allocation of resources

Impact

- ✓ Contribution to expected impacts listed in the work programme
- ✓ Plans for dissemination/exploitation

Source: European Commission

Evaluation criteria (2)

Criteria adapted to each funding scheme

- Specified in the work programme (annex 2)
- Given in Guide for applicants

Scoring

- Criteria scored out of 5 => total=15
- Individual thresholod = 3;
  overall threshold = 10

Source: European Commission

Evaluation criteria for IDEAS Programme

Scientific Excellence is the sole Criterion

1. Potential of applicant
2. Quality of project
3. Research Environment

- Referees and panels evaluate and score criteria under Heading 1 and Heading 2 numerically which will result in the ranking of the projects
- Criteria under Heading 3 will be considered as "pass/fail" and commented but not scored

Source: European Commission

Differences between FP6 ≠FP7 Terminology

FP6		FP7
Cost Model	≠	"Does not exist any more"
Upper funding limit for R&D=100%	≠	Upper funding limit75%
Indirect Cost for SSA/CA=20%	≠	Indirect Cost for SSA/CA=7%
"Contract" becomes	≠	"Grant Agreement"
"Contractor" becomes	≠	"Beneficiary"
"Instrument" become	≠	"Funding Scheme"
"Audit certificate" becomes	≠	"Certificate of Financial Statements"
Evaluation criteria=5	≠	Evaluation criteria=3
Financial Collective Responsibility	≠	Not exist in FP7

Source: European Commission

Similarities with FP6 contract

Structure

- Core part: Grant agreement parameters
- Annex I: Description of Work
- Annex II: General Conditions
- Annex III: Specific provisions for funding schemes
- Annex IV, V & VI: Forms A,B & C
- Annex VII: Form D - ToR for the certificate of financial statements and Form E – ToR for the certificate on the methodology *(new)*

Consortium agreement mandatory (except if excluded by Call)

Source: European Commission

Similarities with FP6 contract

- Signature by coordinator & Commission
- Accession of beneficiaries via “Form A”
- Later accession of beneficiaries via “Form B”
- Entry into force upon signature by coordinator & Commission

Source: European Commission

What is new compared to FP6

Financial provisions

1. Payment modalities
2. Reimbursement of eligible costs
3. Indirect costs
4. Certificates
5. Third parties
6. Upper funding limits
7. No financial collective responsibility

Other provisions

- Reporting
- Amendments

Source: European Commission

Payment modalities

- One **pre-financing** (upon entry into force) for the whole duration
- **Interim payments** based on financial statements *(EC contribution= amounts justified & accepted * funding rate)*
- **Retention** (10%)
- **Final payment**

Source: European Commission

Implementation and grant agreements

- Participants implement work jointly and severally towards the Community and carry out work of a defaulting partner unless the Commission relieves them of that obligation.
- But: no more financial collective responsibility ≠ FP6
- Instead: establishment of a participant guarantee fund to cover risks.
- If implementation of the project is impossible or participants fail to implement it, the Commission shall ensure termination.
- Consortium agreements obligatory unless exempted by call for proposals - Commission will publish guidelines on content
- Changes in consortium membership possible

Source: European Commission

Grant agreement

Model grant agreement to be drawn up in close cooperation with MS:

- to establish rights and obligations of participants (including submission of reports, termination etc);
- identify whether and what part of EC financial contribution is based on reimbursement of eligible costs, lump sums or flat rates;
- Identify which changes in the consortium require prior publication of competitive call;
- shall reflect general principles of the European Charter for Researchers and the Code of Conduct for the Recruitment of Researchers
- specific provisions for certain types of actions (IPR particularly)
- grant agreement comes into force upon signature by coordinator and Commission and applies to each participant that accedes
- future significant modifications to be reviewed with MS

Source: European Commission

No financial collective responsibility

Guarantee Fund

However, there is “technical responsibility” to carry out the project jointly and severally *vis-a-vis* the Commission

Source: European Commission

Certificates

Certificate of financial statements

- Mandatory when requested funding reaches 375,000 Euro (except for projects of 2 years or less: Certificates submitted at the end)
- If above the threshold, mandatory for every beneficiary, except if a certificate on the methodology is provided

Source: European Commission

Reporting

- Periodic reports to be submitted by coordinator 60 days after end of period:
  - progress of the work
  - use of the resources and
  - Financial Statement (Form C)
- Final reports to be submitted by coordinator 60 days after end of project:
  - publishable summary report, conclusions and socioeconomic impact
  - covering wider societal implications and a plan on use and dissemination of results

Source: European Commission

Reporting

Commission has 105 days to evaluate and execute the corresponding payment

- ✓ No tacit approval of reports
- ✓ EC will pay automatically interest on late payment

After reception Commission may:

- ✓ Approve
- ✓ Suspend the time-limit requesting revision/completion
- ✓ Reject them giving justification, possible termination
- ✓ Suspend the payment

Source: European Commission

Amendments

- Coordinator requests amendments on behalf of the consortium
- Coordinator can accept an amendment proposed by the Commission *(new)*
- For addition/withdrawal tacit approval after 45 days

Source: European Commission

Submission

- Fixed deadline calls*
  - 17h00 Tuesdays
- One stage submission or
- Two step submission (Short proposal and full proposal): According to the Specific Work Programme
- Electronic submission only
- EPSS (Electronic Proposal Submission System) will be fully operational from 19 March

Source: European Commission

More Info……

FP7: cordis.europa.eu/fp7

Seventh Framework Programme:
http://ec.europa.eu/research/fp7

Participate in FP7: cordis.europa.eu/fp7/participate_en.html

Find a Call: cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm

Source: European Commission

Thank you for your attention

Source: European Commission