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# Open calls under FP7

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(calls tender): FORESIGHT-2007-01, FORESIGHT-2007-02, for FORESIGHT-2007-03 ,2007/S 100-122426

**People** 

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**Capacities** 

FP7-SCIENCE-IN-SOCIETY-2007-2, FP7-SME-2007-1, FP7-INFRASTRUCTURES-2007-2

**Euratom** FP7-Fusion-2007

## • Events

FP7 project proposal training course 12-14/9/2007 , Rome- Italy

European Congress on Biotechnology 16-19/9/2007, Barcelona- Spain

MOLEDA Summer School "Non-viral gene tranfer into muscle and Skin<sup>"</sup> 16-22/9/2007, Paris-France

**European Conference on Cancer and Aging** 4-6/10/2007, Warsaw- Poland



# **FP7** in Brief

The Seventh Framework Programme (FP7) refers to the next programme in a series of multiannual Framework Programmes that have been the European Union's main instrument for funding R&D since 1984. Programmes have so far been conceived for a period of five years. FP7, however, is proposed for the period 2007-2013. The total European Commission (EC) budget of FP7 is € 53.2 billion. The broad objectives of FP7 have been grouped into four specific programmes: Cooperation, Ideas, People and Capacities. For each type of broad objectives, there is a specific programme corresponding to the main areas of EU research policy. On 4 June 2007, the Commission adopted a decision on the use of lump sum payments for International **Cooperation Partner** Countries (ICPC). This sum covers all the costs of an ICPC participant including the costs for personnel and travel, equipment, consumables and indirect costs. More information about FP7 can be found in: http://cordis.europa.eu/f p7/home\_en.html



### National events related to FP7

Jordan's Information point, in its endeavor to increase the awareness of Jordanian researchers on FP7 had participated in three national events: Two of them were seminars organized in cooperation with FIGES -Leading Computer Aided Engineering Company in Turkey at Radisson SAS Hotel (Amman-Joradn) and at the University of Jordan on 19/3/2007 and 21/3/2007 respectively. The third one was a scientific day entitled "Teaching Excellence and Research Innovation in Engineering" conducted at Applied Science Private University (ASU) on 9/5/2007.

Furthermore, HCST tends to organize a joint seminar for the four projects: Idealist7fp, ERA-MED, FOOD-N-CO and PROMEDAccess. The first day will cover general information about FP7, PROMEDAccess and ERAMED, and the second day will consist of 4 parallel sessions: national event on ICT during FP7 "Idealist7fp" Project, thematic workshop according to the second call for proposals of Energy "ERA-MED" Project, thematic workshop on health and a national training session on Food, Biotechnology and Agriculture "FOOD-N-CO" Project.

### • Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

### Q1: Who can participate in FP7?

A: Participation in the Seventh Framework Program is open to a wide range of organizations and individuals. Universities, research centers, multinational corporations, SMEs (Small to medium-sized enterprises), public administrations, even individuals, from anywhere in the world-all have the opportunity to participate in FP7. Different participation rules apply depending on the research initiative in question.

### Q2: What is the cooperation Specific Program?

A: The cooperation program aims at supporting international cooperation projects to promote the progress of knowledge and technology not only across the European Union but also beyond Cooperation is endowed with a €32 billion budget (2007-1013) to support research in ten important areas:

- <u>Health:</u> €6 100 million
- Food, Agriculture and Fisheries, and Biotechnology: €1 935 million
- Information and Communication Technologies: €9 050 million
- Nanosciences, Nanotechnologies, Materials and New Production Technologies: €3 475 million
- Energy: €2 350 million
- Environment (including Climate Change): €1 890 million
- <u>Transport (including Aeronautics):</u> €4 160 million
- <u>Socio-economic Sciences and Humanities:</u> €623 million
- <u>Space:</u> €1 430 million
- <u>Security:</u> €1 400 billion

#### Q3: What is the Ideas Specific Program?

A: The Ideas Specific Programme (budget: €7.5 billion) will be implemented through the creation of the European Research Council (ERC), and will provide its source of funding in the field of *frontier research. The ERC* is a pan-European funding organization which aims at supporting researchers' projects and activities, both from the public and private sectors, in order to boost Europe's competitiveness and excellence in science. *Frontier research* reflects a new concept of basic research as a key driver of wealth and social progress characterized by an absence of disciplinary boundaries.

Other FAQs will follow in subsequent newsletters.

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