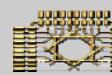
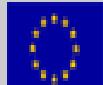


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• National events related to FP7

Jordan's Information point, participated in the Fifth Jordanian International Mining Conference during 3-6/9/2007 at the Radisson SAS Hotel (Amman-Jordan). The four projects: Idealist7fp, ERA-MED, FOOD-N-CO and PROMEDAccess were represented by disseminating leaflets, giving brief explanation on each project and urging the Jordanian researchers to register in Jordan's Information Point through filling in the membership form: <http://www.inp.jo/en/members.php>

Furthermore, HCST tends to organize a joint seminar during 8-10/1/2008 for the above mentioned projects. 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 on 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: What is the Capacities specific programme?

A: [Capacities](#) aims to optimize the use and development of research infrastructures, while enhancing the innovative capacities of small and medium sized enterprises (SMEs). *Capacities* programme (global budget: €4.1 billion) operates in 6 areas:

- Research infrastructures: €1 715 million
- Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs): €1 336 million
- Regions of Knowledge: €126 million
- Research potential: €340 million
- Science in Society: €330 million
(International cooperation: €180 million)

Q2: What is the People specific programme?

A: [People](#) focuses on the *Training and career development of researchers*. It offers individuals the opportunity to follow a career in research, in order to encourage European researchers to stay in Europe, but also to attract the best researchers in the world. A key activity of the programme is the *Marie Curie Actions*. The budget for People is €4 750 million.

Q3: What are workprogrammes?

A: The individual 'work programmes' are the detailed implementation plans for the specific programmes, research themes and other activities under FP7. They specify the concrete scientific-technical, economic and societal objectives of each activity, providing both a broad background and the detailed technical content. They project a 'road map' of the planned calls for proposals. They also indicate for each call the instruments that will be available and the evaluation criteria that will be applied. Understanding the objectives of the work programme is essential for preparing a good proposal.

Q4: How do you begin?

- A: 1. You have an idea or vision for a research project
2. Consult the results for FP7 research
3. Seek out other EU partners or participants from abroad who Share your vision and with which you can cooperate
4. Submit your application to the European Commission, according to the Call for Proposal deadlines and dedicated work programme.
5. The European Commission guarantees proper evaluation of your submission by 3-7 independent evaluators, who are experts in that field.
6. The Commission will notify you of the evaluation results, if they are positive, contract negotiations will begin.
7. Contract signature and start of the project.

• Useful Links

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| Understand FP7 http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/understand_en.html | Participation in FP7 http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/participate_en.html | Find A Document http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/find-doc_en.html | Finance Help Desk ShowCategory.aspx?CatId=30">http://www.finance-helpdesk.org/Front>ShowCategory.aspx?CatId=30 |
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