



# EU research programmes



EUROPEAN COMMISSION  
European Research Area

## Where to find information?



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### 1 - European Union institutions and other bodies



European Research Area

[European Research Area](#)

1. **Europe 2020: A strategy for smart, sustainable and inclusive growth**. The Europe 2020 strategy put forward by the EC sets out a vision of Europe's social market economy for the 21<sup>st</sup> century.
2. **EUROPA web site – The EU At a glance (Basics) – European Commission**
3. **Summaries of EU Legislation - Research & innovation Seventh Framework Programme (2007 - 2013)**
4.  **CORDIS web site**
5. **Coordination of research activities - ERA-NET under: FP6 - FP7**
6. **European Technology Platforms - CORDIS**
7. **ESFRI - European Strategy Forum on Research Infrastructures**

### European policies

1. **All EU Policies** (EU explained, Culture, education and youth, Science and technology, etc.)
2. **European Union documents**: this site sets out all the documents available and will help you find the document you need.
3. **White Papers**: this list contains White Papers published since 1985 and provides access to the full or summarised version of these texts.
4. **Green papers**: this list contains Green Papers published since 1984 and provides access to the full or summarised version of these texts.

## 2 - Get support & promote your activities

### National Contact Points (NCPs) - [CORDIS FP7 web site](#)

1. In European Union and Associated States

[All NCPs](#) (CORDIS Data base) - [France](#) (French NCPs)

2. FP7 contacts in [Third countries](#) - South Korea

### Stay tuned

1. [CORDIS News](#): coverage of EU research and innovation activities
2. CORDIS News: [Latest on FP7](#)
3. [CORDIS Express](#): the best of CORDIS in a weekly e-mail newsletter
4. [CORDIS Rapidus](#) (News e-mail notification)
5. EUROPA – [What's New](#)

### Promote your activities

1. [CORDIS Partners](#): The Partners Service is a free on-line service, tailor-made to help you to find the best research partners for your projects:
  - [Publish your partners profile](#) – Create new profile (needs login & registration)
  - [Search for partners](#)
2. [CORDIS Wire](#): This service gives you access to information sent to us by European innovation and research stakeholders - **Possibility to submit your own releases** (needs login & registration).

### Miscellaneous

1. [DG Research web site](#)
2. International co-operation ([EUROPA](#) & [CORDIS](#) web sites)
3. EUROPA - [Glossary](#)
4. Research and innovation

[EUROPA](#): General provisions and Framework Programmes  
[Innovation Policy in Europe](#) (DG Enterprise & Industry)

5. Participation of SMEs:

- [SME TechWeb](#) – DG Research
- [European Small Business Portal](#) – DG Enterprise & Industry

6. [Technology market place](#) – CORDIS (a free on line service where you can find research and technological development results and search for innovative business opportunities on emerging technologies).



7. [Gender equality](#) - [Ethics review](#) - [EGE](#) (European Group on Ethics in Science and New Technologies)



8. [IPR-Helpdesk](#) (Intellectual Property Rights issues in the Framework Programme) - [IPR-Helpdesk – Bulletin – N° 44 \(Oct – Dec 2009\)](#)

9. [USE&DIFFUSE - Guide to the Successful Use & Dissemination of Research Results](#) (Guide produced in order to equip and prepare SMEs to make better use of the results of collaborative R&D projects so that they can be of benefit to their businesses).

10. [EU Magazines on FP7 and EU Research](#)  
[Research\\*eu – Family of publications](#)

From June 2007: [research\\*eu](#) – The ERA magazine  
[RTD Info](#) – Magazine on European Research  
International cooperation - [Special INCO issue](#)

[research\\*eu results supplement](#) - [research\\*eu focus](#)



## 3 – Define your strategy for FP7

### 1. [CORDIS Search](#)

- [CORDIS Simple search](#) - To search quickly and easily **all CORDIS content** at once.
- [CORDIS Advanced search](#) - To narrow your search by using **specific criteria** such as

[Acronym](#) – [Events](#) – [Partners](#) – [Projects](#)

### 2. [Become a proposal evaluator:](#) [Registration of Experts for Research Activities](#)

Individual: [New expert](#) – Organisations: [New organisation](#)

### 3. [Other relevant sources of information](#)

- [IPTS](#) – The Institute for Prospective Technological Studies [Activities](#) - [Publications](#)
- [EUROSTAT](#) – Statistical Office of the European Communities

4. [CORDIS Contacts & Support](#): individuals and organisations providing information, assistance and advice



5. [ERAWATCH](#): [ERAWATCH®](#) provides information on national research policies, structures, programmes and organisations. [French National profile](#)



6. [NETWATCH](#) is a European Commission information platform on transnational R&D programme collaboration, with a current focus on the ERA-NET scheme.





## 4 - Preparing and submit FP7 proposals

FP7 is the short name for the Seventh Framework Programme for Research and Technological Development. **FP7 is the EU's main instrument for funding research in Europe** and it will run **from 2007 to 2013**. FP7 is also designed to respond to Europe's employment needs and competitiveness. FP7 supports research in selected priority areas - the aim being to make, or keep, the EU as a world leader in those sectors. FP7 is made up of 4 specific programmes: **Cooperation**, **Ideas**, **People**, **Capacities**, plus a fifth specific programme on nuclear research.

**CORDIS:** [Understand FP7 - FP7 legal basis](#) - [Legal documents for implementation](#) - [Find a call](#)  
[Guidance documents](#) - [All Current Work Programmes](#) - [Ethics Review](#)

### Resources to prepare a successful proposal

**EUROSFAIRE – Mind Maps:** [FP7-Beginners' Guide](#) - [FP7-Instructions for drafting Part B – \(CP\)](#)

### Writing labs

Several **Writing resources** are available on the web, such as:

- [OWL™](#) – Purdue University's Online Writing Lab
- The Art of Writing Proposals: [Some Candid Suggestions for Applicants to Social Science Research Council Competitions](#)
- [Write, Edit, and Proof Like a Pro](#) (NIAID site)
- Writing tips : [The Center for writing studies](#) - University of Illinois
- [Proposal writer's guide](#) (University of Michigan)

### Consortium agreement models for FP7

- [DESCA](#)
- [IPCA](#)
- [Checklist for the Consortium Agreement](#)
- [IMG4](#)
- [EUCAR](#)
- [Comparison of FP7 consortium agreement models](#)
- **Consortium Agreement – [IPR-Helpdesk FAQs](#)**

### Ethics review

- [Ethics check list](#)
- [Supporting documents](#)
- [Ethics for researchers](#)
- [First World Conference on \*\*Research Integrity\*\*](#)

### Submission (Monitoring & Management)

**[Research – Participants' Portal](#)** - Single entry point of interaction with the Research Directorates-General of the European Commission.

**[Register your organization](#)** – Steps to register your organisation - Data once and receive a [Participant Identification Code](#) (PIC) used in the process of electronic proposal submission and negotiation.

**EPSS** - **E**lectronic **P**roposal **S**ubmission **S**ervice. The [Electronic Proposal Submission Service](#) (EPSS) is an internet-based application providing a secure work space for a consortium to prepare and submit a proposal jointly. Access requires only a standard web browser, no special software has to be installed on the users' computers. For all details see the [EPSS User Guide](#) (PDF) and the [EPSS Online Frequently Asked Questions](#) (FAQ).





# COOPERATION

Under the programme “**Cooperation**”, research support will be provided to international cooperation projects across the European Union and beyond. In 10 thematic areas, corresponding to major fields in science and research, the programme will promote the progress of knowledge and technology. Research will be supported and strengthened to address European social, economic, environmental, public health and industrial challenges, serve the public good and support developing countries.

Specific programme « **Cooperation** » on [CORDIS](#) & [EUROPA](#)

“**Cooperation**” supports research actions in the following thematic areas:

Thematic areas	CORDIS	EUROPA
Health	<a href="#">CORDIS</a>	<a href="#">EUROPA</a> <a href="#">EUROPA</a>
Food, agriculture and fisheries, and biotechnology	<a href="#">CORDIS</a>	<a href="#">EU-AgriNet</a> <a href="#">Biosociety</a>
Information and communication Technologies	<a href="#">CORDIS</a> <a href="#">ICT</a>	<a href="#">EUROPA</a> <a href="#">Information Society</a>
Nanosciences, nanotechnologies, matériaux and new production technologies	<a href="#">CORDIS</a> <a href="#">Nanotechnologies</a>	<a href="#">EUROPA</a> <a href="#">Nanotechnology</a> <a href="#">EUROPA</a>
Energy	<a href="#">CORDIS</a> <a href="#">Energy</a>	<a href="#">Energy</a> <a href="#">Site Energy</a>
Environment (including climatic change)	<a href="#">CORDIS</a> <a href="#">Environment</a>	<a href="#">EUROPA</a> <a href="#">Environment</a> <a href="#">Water initiative</a> <a href="#">EUROPA</a>
Transports (including Aeronautics)	<a href="#">CORDIS</a>	<a href="#">Transport</a> <a href="#">Mobility &amp; Transports</a>
Socio-economic sciences and Humanities	<a href="#">CORDIS</a>	<a href="#">EUROPA</a> <a href="#">SSH</a>
Space	<a href="#">CORDIS</a>	<a href="#">EUROPA</a> <a href="#">Space</a>
Security	<a href="#">CORDIS</a>	<a href="#">EUROPA</a> <a href="#">Security research</a>





# IDEAS

The “**I**deas” programme hosts all those activities that are to be implemented by the **European Research Council** (ERC). The ERC is expected to enjoy a high degree of autonomy in order to develop high-level frontier research at a European level, building on excellence in Europe and raising its profile at the international level.

This programme will enhance the dynamic character, creativity and excellence of European research at **frontier knowledge**.

## Scientific Council of the ERC

## CORDIS

## EUROPA

[ERC Scientific Council web site](#)

[CORDIS](#)

[EUROPA](#)

- [Useful Information on ERC Funding](#)





# PEOPLE




The “**People**” programme offers individuals the opportunity to follow a career in research. European researchers should be encouraged to stay in Europe whilst at the same time the best researchers in the world should be attracted by European research excellence and infrastructures.

Building on the positive experiences with the “**Marie Curie Actions**”, the “People” programme should encourage individuals to enter the profession of researcher; structure their research training by offering options; and, encourage mobility within the same sector. The mobility of researchers is not only key to the career development of researchers but also vital to the sharing and transfer of knowledge between countries and sectors.

People	CORDIS	EUROPA
<a href="#">The European Researcher's Mobility Portal</a>	<a href="#">CORDIS</a> <a href="#">Marie Curie Actions</a>	<a href="#">EUROPA</a> <a href="#">Marie Curie Actions</a> (Archived)



## Researchers in the ERA – Mobility and careers development

1.  **EUROPA - [Marie Curie Actions](#)**
2.  **[European Researcher's Mobility Portal](#)** (Jobs, Services, Rights, Links)
3.  **CORDIS – [Marie Curie Actions](#)**
4. **[Marie Curie actions info page](#)** – Here you will find **all IPR-Helpdesk usual resources** (FAQs, events, IP related information);
5. **[IP provisions in Marie Curie actions under FP7](#)** - Marie Curie actions aim to allow researchers to develop skills at all stages of their careers by promoting their mobility.





# CAPACITIES

The “**Capacities**” programme aims to optimise the use and development of research infrastructures, while enhancing the innovative capacities of SMEs to benefit from research. The programme is designed to support regional research-driven clusters and at the same time unlock the research potential in the EU’s convergence and outermost regions. Support is to be provided for horizontal actions and measures underlining international cooperation. Finally, European society and science should be brought closer under the initiatives of the “Capacities” programme.

Specific programme « **Capacities** » on [CORDIS](#) & [EUROPA](#)

“**Capacities**” will operate in seven broad areas:

Thematic areas	CORDIS	EUROPA
Research infrastructures	<a href="#">CORDIS</a>	<a href="#">EUROPA</a> <a href="#">EUROPA</a>
Research for the benefit of SMEs	<a href="#">CORDIS</a>	<a href="#">SME TechWeb</a> <a href="#">EU Portal SME</a>
Regions of knowledge	<a href="#">CORDIS</a>	<a href="#">EUROPA</a>
Research potential	<a href="#">CORDIS</a>	<a href="#">EUROPA</a> <a href="#">EUROPA</a>
Science in Society	<a href="#">CORDIS</a>	<a href="#">Science &amp; Society portal</a>
Support to the coherent development of research policies	<a href="#">CORDIS</a>	<a href="#">EUROPA</a>
International co-operation	<a href="#">CORDIS</a> <a href="#">INCO Portal</a>	<a href="#">EUROPA</a> <a href="#">INCO service</a>







## 5 - Towards EU's new Research Framework Programme 2007-2013 (FP7)

 **EUROPA: [Future European Union research policy](#)** (Archived)

- [Research Themes in FP7](#) (Archived)
- [FP7 web site](#)

 **CORDIS: [FP7 web site](#)**



 **[European Parliament - ITRE](#)** - Committee on Industry, Research and Energy

 **Publications:**

- [Key documents for FP7](#)
- [Brochures](#)



## 6 - The Sixth Framework Programme (FP6)



### The Sixth Framework Programme (FP6)

1. EUROPA - [FP6 web site](#)
2. CORDIS - [FP6 web site](#)
3. CORDIS - [Expressions of Interest \(Eoi\)](#)



### Call for proposals (FP6)

1. EUROPA - [FP6 web site](#)
2. CORDIS - [FP6 web site](#)



### Rules of participation (FP6)

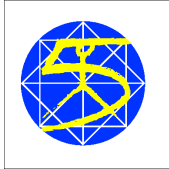
1. [EC Contracts for FP6](#)
2. [IPR-Helpdesk](#)
3. [CORDIS Glossary \(FP6\)](#)



### Funded Projects

1. [CORDIS Search](#) (All EU programmes)
2. EUROPA: [Major Projects Library](#): The library contains an overview of Integrated Projects (IPs) and Networks of Excellence (NoEs).





## **7 - The Fifth Framework Programme (FP5)** **1999 - 2002**

### **1. [EUROPA](#) (Archived)**

- **Project catalogues available**

### **2. [CORDIS](#)**

- **[Find funded projects](#) (Archived)**



## **8 - Miscellaneous**

- **[CORDIS Archive Index](#)**

- **[Eur-Lex](#) – Acces to the European Law**

- [Official Journal](#)
- [Treaties](#)

- **[Summaries of EU Legislation](#)**

- [Research and Innovation](#)
- [Regional policy](#)
- [Environment](#)

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