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European openair cinema during 395th Anniversary RUG 2009

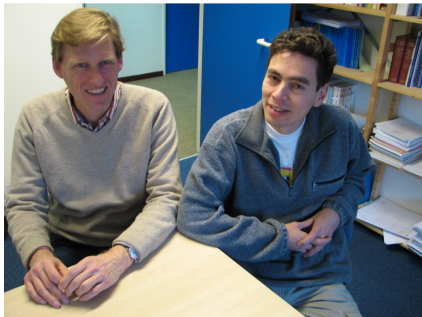
Groningen meets Europe is the subject of a series of lectures and a night of debate somewhere between 9 May (Day of Europe) and 4 June (European Elections). In addition, a European open air cinema night will be organised in cooperation with Filmtheatre Images

**Transfer & Liaison Groep wishes you a
Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year**



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Project participants of the RUG: Gosse Bouma (left) and Erik Tjong Kim Sang (right).

Nine million awarded to language technology project CLARIN-NL

28 November 2008, Dutch Education Minister Ronald Plasterk has awarded 63 million euros to five large research projects which are expected to enable groundbreaking research. One of the involved projects is CLARIN-NL (Common Language Resources and Technology Infrastructure), a cooperation of 15 Dutch research institutions among which CLCG (Center for Language and Cognition Groningen). The Groningen researchers John Nerbonne, Gosse Bouma and Erik Tjong Kim Sang (all from Informatiekunde) took part in writing the project proposal. CLARIN-NL will receive 9 million euros of funding.

More information:

<http://www.rug.nl/tlg/kp7/Clarín%20project.pdf>

Interview postponed

Please note: The announced interview with Mr. Mushin Harakeh, former director of the Kernfysisch Versneller Institute (KVI), will be published in Post Europe 1, January 2009.

NEWS

Success for the Faculty of Law

The Groningen Centre of Energy Law of the Law Faculty University of Groningen has been awarded an important European subsidy for the development of a new course on Energy Law. Among the 170 proposals which have been submitted in 2008 on the European Life Long Learning programme, this RUG-project is the only law programme awarded. <http://www.rug.nl/Rechten/nieuws/facultair/gcel>

New call Rare diseases ERA-net (E-Rare)

Deadline: 5 February 2009

Early 2009 the second joint call of the E-Rare Programme will be published. ZonMw has a budget available of 1 million euro for Dutch participation. The project partners will develop common activities to reduce research fragmentation in the field of rare diseases and to stimulate a multi disciplinary approach.

<http://www.zonmw.nl/nl/subsidie/subsidiekalender/subsidieronde/item/e-rare-europes-onderzoeksprogramma-rond-zeldzame-ziekten/>

Changes People Programme/Marie Curie

The FP7 programme finances foreign research grants, better known as Marie Curie grants. These enable individual researchers to broaden their scientific knowledge and to acquire new research skills by staying in another country. On the other hand knowledge organisations and companies can create training vacancies for foreign researchers, be host institute for foreign researchers or send their own researchers abroad to develop new skills, which can be later applied in the organisation. Some changes have been announced regarding:

- ITN networks (in three years two calls instead of three, which means probably better chances)
- European cofinancing of regional and national grants http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm?fuseaction=UserSite.PeopleDetailsCallPage&call_id=173
- Different criteria for "nationality rule" (which enables Dutch people abroad after at least a two-year-stay to apply for a Marie Curie grant for the Netherlands).
- Finances.

http://www.senternovem.nl/egl/nieuws/people_wijzigingen_werkprogramma_2009.asp

[Factsheet Marie Curie](#)

<http://www.rug.nl/tlg/kp7/Factsheet%20Marie%20Curie.pdf>



More News

Regions of knowledge

Objectives

The 'Regions of knowledge' initiative aims to strengthen the research potential of European regions, in particular by encouraging and supporting the development, across Europe, of regional 'research-driven clusters', associating universities, research centres, enterprises and regional authorities.

Why it is important?

It will allow regions to intensify the role of research and technological development (RTD) in economic development and to invest better and more in RTD through cultivating innovative 'research-driven clusters' at a local and regional level. The aim is to increase the capacity of European regions to invest in and develop their commitment in research which can contribute significantly to economic development. The actions undertaken in this area will enable European regions to strengthen their capacity for investing in and carrying out research activities, while maximising their potential for a successful involvement of their operators in European research projects. These activities will be implemented in close relationship with the EU's regional policy and the Competitiveness and Innovation Programme (CIP).

For the factsheet on Regions of Knowledge see page 14
<http://www.rug.nl/tlg/kp7/Regions%20of%20Knowledge%20factsheet.pdf>

For the call see:

http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm?fuseaction=UserSite.CapacitiesDetailsCallPage&call_id=167

Possible European participation on FP7 by the USA and others countries oversea

Be aware: In the USA, Canada, Australia, New Zealand and Japan a lot of research has been done on agriculture, food, and bio-technology. All of these countries are allowed to participate in the FP7. The following programme themes are important:

- Biomass and bioproducts: sustainability certification and socioeconomic implications.
- Mining genomics information of small ruminants.
- Tools for nano-particles in the food matrix .
- Abiotic stress tolerance: biotechnological applications.
- Nanobiotechnology: smart devices to study biomolecule dynamics in real time

http://www.sentemovem.nl/egl/nieuws/food_deelname_van_verenigde_staten_aan_kp7.asp

Valorization in the Jungle of Papoea / FP6 success



June 2006, researcher **Bart Hollebrandse** from the University of Groningen, started with partner universities a famous project called 'Characterizing Human Language by its Structural Complexity'. The project is financed out of the EU 6th Framework Programme. Focus of the project is on studying the recursion in language and cognition. Papuan languages seem to be an excellent example of this recursion and cognition. One of these Papuan languages is the Teiwa language. The pictures are from the project in progress. For the full text of the project:

<http://www.rug.nl/tlg/contact/Fieldwork%20on%20Teiwa%20in%20Pantar%20Indonesia.pdf>



Ferry passage

Vision 2020: definition for ERA

The European Way to competitiveness and excellence

On 4 April 2007, the Commission submitted its Green Paper on the European Research Area called "New Perspectives", which proposed for debate a vision of the ERA for the Future of Science and Technology. The vision was underlined at the Ljubljana process on 30 May 2008. Key points for the near future: ERA will provide for open circulation of knowledge across national borders and European Research Institutions will have the strategic, financial and managerial autonomy to engage in durable partnerships and alliances across Europe to interact with business.

Read more: <http://www.rug.nl/tlg/kp7/Vision%202020.pdf>



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NEW Calls European Framework Programme FP7

In the overview below, you will find the new calls concerning Frame Programmes ,Ideas, Cooperation, People, Capacities 2008 - 2009.

Field	Call Identif.	Call Title / Topics	Deadline
People Programme			
Support for training and career development of researchers	FP7-PEOPLE-2009-IRSES	Marie Curie International Research Staff Exchange Scheme http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm?fuseaction=UserSite.FP7DetailsCallPage&call_id=174	27 March 2009
Capacities Programme			
Support to existing research infrastructures	FP7-INFRASTRUCTURES-2009-1	Call 5 http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm?fuseaction=UserSite.FP7DetailsCallPage&call_id=190	17 March 2009



Previously published Calls European Framework Programme FP7 in Post Europe 1 - 5

Field	Call Identif.	Call Title / Topics	Deadline
Cooperation Programme http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm?fuseaction=UserSite.FP7CallsPage			
Joint Call Covering Environment; Health; Food, Agriculture and Fisheries, and Biotechnology; Nanosciences, Nano-technologies, Materials and new Production Technologies; Socio-economic sciences and Humanities. http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm?fuseaction=UserSite.FP7DetailsCallPage&call_id=183	FP7-ERANET-2009-RTD	Coordinated ERA-NET Call 2009. Coordination of public research programmes conducted at national/regional level.	21 April 2009
Joint Call Recently a call for proposals has been published on the themes of novel ICT solutions for smart electricity distribution networks. http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm?fuseaction=UserSite.FP7DetailsCallPage&call_id=186&act_code=ENERGY&ID_A			31 March 2009
Energy			
Energy	FP7-ENERGY-2009-2	Energy Call Part 2	29 April 2009
Information and Communication Technologies			
Future and emerging technologies http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm?fuseaction=UserSite.FP7DetailsCallPage&call_id=189	FP7-ICT-2009-C	FET Open / Additional funding is expected to be added to this call from the 2010 budget	From 20 January 2009 until 24 May 2011
The Network of the Future. Cognitive systems, interaction, robotics; Personalised healthcare. http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm?fuseaction=UserSite.FP7DetailsCallPage&call_id=185	FP7-ICT-2009-4	ICT call 4	1 April 2009
Additional funding	FP7-ICT-2007-C	FET Open Scheme	1 June 2009
Nanosciences, Materials and new Production Technologies (NMP) http://www.senternovem.nl/eglnanotechnology/index.asp Look under section meetings, page 14			
EU-Russia cooperation http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm?fuseaction=UserSite.FP7DetailsCallPage&call_id=179	FP7-NMP-2009-EU-Russia	Theme 4 – NMP - EU-Russia	31 March 2009
Mapping of nanotechnology and nanostructured materials research infrastructures in Russia. http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm?fuseaction=UserSite.FP7DetailsCallPage&call_id=180	FP7-NMP-2009-mapping	Theme 4 – NMP - Mapping	31 March 2009
Activities towards the development of appropriate solutions for the use, recycling and/or final treatment of nanotechnology-based products. http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm?fuseaction=UserSite.FP7DetailsCallPage&call_id=181	FP7-NMP-ENV-2009	Joint Call Theme 4 – NMP - Theme Environment	31 March 2009
Large-scale integrating Collaborative Projects http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm?fuseaction=UserSite.FP7DetailsCallPage&call_id=175	FP7-NMP-2009-LARGE3	Theme 4 – NMP - LARGE	17 February 2009
Small or mediumscaled focused research projects http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm?fuseaction=UserSite.FP7DetailsCallPage&call_id=176	FP7-NMP-2009-SMALL	Theme 4 – NMP - SMALL	17 February & 22 July 2009
SME-targeted Collaborative Projects http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm?fuseaction=UserSite.FP7DetailsCallPage&call_id=177	FP7-NMP-2009-SME-3	Theme 4 – NMP -SMEs	17 February & 22 July 2009


Field	Call Identif.	Call Title / Topics	Deadline
Environment (including Climate Change)			
Activities towards the development of appropriate solutions for the use, recycling and/or final treatment of nanotechnology. http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm?fuseaction=UserSite.FP7DetailsCallPage&call_id=181	FP7-NMP-ENV-2009	Joint Call Theme 4 – NMP - Theme Environment	31 March 2009
Socio-Economic Sciences and Humanities			
Collaborative research projects	FP7-SSH-2009-A	Collaborative research projects	13 January 2009
Collaborative research projects	FP7-SSH-2009-B	Collaborative projects	13 January 2009
Coordination and support actions	FP7-SSH-2009	Collaborative projects	13 January 2009
Joint Technology Initiatives (Annex IV-SP1)			
Transportation & Refuelling Infrastructure Hydrogen Production & Distribution Stationary Power Generation & CHP	FCH-JU-2008-1	FCH JU Call for Proposals 2008 Part 1	15 January 2009
Ideas Programme ERC Advanced Grant			
http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm?fuseaction=UserSite.FP7CallsPage			
Advanced Grant for Life Sciences http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm?fuseaction=UserSite.FP7DetailsCallPage&call_id=184 Please note that 'ERC-2009-AdG' consists of 3 subcalls/deadlines	ERC-2009-AdG_20090325	Call for proposals for ERC Advanced Investigators Grant.	6 May 2009
Advanced Grant for Social Sciences and Humanities http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm?fuseaction=UserSite.FP7DetailsCallPage&call_id=187	ERC-2009-AdG_20090415	Call for proposals for ERC Advanced Investigators Grant	15 April 2009
Advanced Grant for Physical Sciences and Engineering http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm?fuseaction=UserSite.FP7DetailsCallPage&call_id=184	ERC-2009-AdG_20090325	European Research Council Advanced Grant	25 March 2009
People Programme			
http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm?fuseaction=UserSite.FP7CallsPage			
Support for training and career development of researchers. http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm?fuseaction=UserSite.FP7DetailsCallPage&call_id=173	FP7-PEOPLE-COFUND-2008	Marie Curie Co-Funding	19 February 2009
Support for training and career development of researchers http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm?fuseaction=UserSite.FP7DetailsCallPage&call_id=168	FP7-PEOPLE-2009-RG	Marie Curie Re-integration Grants	31 December 2009
Coordination and support actions (support)	FP7-PEOPLE-2009-NIGHT	Researchers' Night	14 January 2009
Capacities Programme			
http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm?fuseaction=UserSite.FP7CallsPage			
Unlocking and developing the Research Potential of research entities established in the EU's Convergence Regions. http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm?fuseaction=UserSite.FP7DetailsCallPage&call_id=169	FP7-REGPOT-2009-1	Unlocking and developing the Research Potential	13 February 2009
Research for SME's	FP7-SME-2009-1	Coordination and Support Activity	27 January 2009
Regions of Knowledge	FP7-REG. 2009-1	Transnational coop. between regional clusters	27 January 2009
Science in Society	SCIENCE-IN-SOCIETY-2009-1	Better understanding of S & T in society	13 January 2009
International Cooperation	FP7-INCO-2009-1	Bi-regional coordination of S&T cooperation	12 January 2009
International Cooperation	FP7-INCO-2009-2	Bilateral coordination of S&T Partnerships	12 January 2009
International Cooperation	FP7-INCO-2009-5	Supporting EU access to third country progr.	12 January 2009



New other EU-Calls December 2008

No.	Title
1.	EFSD European Foundation for the Study of Diabetes <p>In 1999, the European Association for the Study of Diabetes (EASD) increased its commitment to stimulate diabetes research in Europe by creating the European Foundation for the Study of Diabetes (EFSD). The Foundation is closely related to the EASD; it is governed exclusively by the Executive Committee of the EASD, which itself is under the close supervision of the EASD Council and the General Assembly of the EASD. EFSD operates on a strictly non-profit basis under the control of the relevant authorities for charity and taxation in order to support diabetes research. The EASD, as an academic non-profit association, benefits from the possibilities offered by the legal status of its Foundation to advance diabetes research by various methods.</p> <p>Application deadlines of Research Programmes and RFA-s 2009 http://www.europeandiabetesfoundation.org/Programmes.html</p> <p>General Information http://www.europeandiabetesfoundation.org/</p>

No.	Title
2.	 <p>Setting Science Agendas for Europe</p> <p>The ESF provides a common platform for its Member Organisations in order to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Advance European research• Explore new directions for research at the European level <p>Through its activities, the ESF serves the needs of the European research community in a global context. Click on image to read our Strategic Plan 2006-2010. http://www.esf.org/</p> <p><u>Coming soon on the ESF programme:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• ESF-UB Conference in Biomedicine. Small funds available for participation. 29 March – 3 April 2009 http://www.esf.org/activities/esf-conferences/details/2009/confdetail294.html?conf=294&year=2009• ESF-EMBO Conference. Small funds available for participation. 16- 21 May 2009, Spain http://www.esf.org/activities/esf-conferences/details/2009/confdetail287.html?conf=287&year=2009• ESF Conference on cell polarity and membrane traffic. Small funds available for participation. 23 – 28 May 2009, Spain http://www.esf.org/activities/esf-conferences/details/2009/confdetail288.html?conf=288&year=2009

No.	Title
3.	<p data-bbox="537 275 1349 338"> European Molecular Biology Organization</p> <p data-bbox="537 369 1000 396"><i>promoting the scientific leaders of tomorrow</i></p> <p data-bbox="537 428 1268 455">Calls open to submission on the young investigator programme</p> <p data-bbox="537 474 773 501">Deadline: 1 April 2009</p> <p data-bbox="537 516 1365 709">The EMBO Young Investigator Programme has been identifying and supporting outstanding life scientists in Europe since 2000. The programme targets researchers who are within four years of having established their first independent laboratories in an EMBC member state. The aim of the programme is to give these promising young scientists an added advantage in the early years of their independent careers, drawing attention to the quality of their research and enhancing their standing in the scientific community.</p> <p data-bbox="537 726 902 753">http://www.embo.org/yip/about.html</p>



Previously published other European calls in Post Europe 1 - 5 and still open, are:

Programme & Calls	Deadline
Lifelong Learning Programme 2007 - 2013 European Commission launches a new action for regional cooperation in education. Source: Post Europe 4 http://ec.europa.eu/education/lifelong-learning-programme/doc78_en.htm	January until September 2009
Call for proposals for the ESPON 2013 Operational Programme Please visit: www.espon.eu regularly for further information. Source: Post Europe 5	
Call for proposals to award grants to actions in support of the development of sustainable mobility policy for urban agglomerations: http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/energy_transport/grants/proposal_en.htm Source: Post Europe 5	
CERN, the European Organization for Nuclear Research Senior and junior fellowships for 1 or 2 years. http://ert.cern.ch/browse_www/wd_pds?_web_site_id=1 Source: Post Europe 5	9 March 2009
Transplantation research subsidies, short stay and study grants from the European Society for Organ Transplantation www.esot.org Source: Post Europe 5	1 March 2009
Cardiology The European heart Failure Association offers fellowships for young researchers who want to get experience abroad in fundamental or clinical research for a 2-year-period. http://www.escardio.org/Pages/index.aspx Source: Post Europe 5	14 April 2009
ERA-NET ERASysBio: Announcement of the second call for transnational research projects within The consolidation of systems biology research stimulating the widespread adoption of systems approaches in biotechnology, biomedicine and agrifood. Source: Post Europe 4 http://www.erasysbio.net/ New additional financial support of 1 million euro by ZonMw http://www.zonmw.nl/?id=7428	5 January 2009
Biotechnology, biomedicine and agrifood Source: Post Europe 4 http://www.erasysbio.net/	5 January 2009
INTERREG IVc / All 27 EU member States and Norway & Switzerland Source: Post Europe 4 http://www.interreg4c.eu/	30 January 2009
Diabetes 1,2 and 3; European Foundation for the Study of Diabetes. Source: Post Europe 4 http://www.europeandiabetesfoundation.org/	1 April 2009 and 1 October 2009
European Molecular Biology Organisation. Source: Post Europe 4 http://www.embo.org/	1 February 2009

Programme & Calls	Deadline
Fusion for Energy Source: Post Europe 2 http://www.iter.org/	Until 2017
Culture Programme 2007 – 2013 Source: Post Europe 1 http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:C:2008:141:0027:0031:NL:PDF	1 November 2008 until May 2009
Culture Programme 2007 – 2013 Transnational Mobility, promotion intercultural dialogue (2007-2013) Source: Post Europe 2 http://www.culture.org.mt/	1 November 2008 until May 2009
ESPON Call for Proposals on the Scientific Platform and Tools. Source: Post Europe 2 http://www.espon.eu/	9 April 2009



Factsheets

- European Information on the Internet (only Dutch version)
- Regions of Knowledge: ROK

Europese informatie op het internet /

Versie: 6 oktober 2008

Waarom dit factsheet?

De Nederlandse wet- en regelgeving worden in grote mate beïnvloed door het Europese recht. Het is om deze reden belangrijk op de hoogte te zijn van het Europese recht. Medewerkers van gemeenten, provincies en waterschappen die regelmatig met 'Europa' te maken hebben, lopen echter nogal eens aan tegen het feit dat Europese informatie op het Internet lastig te vinden is. Er bestaan veel informatiebronnen en de 'EUROPA-website' van de Europese Unie bevat op zichzelf al miljoenen documenten. Welke bronnen zijn nu echt noodzakelijk om te kennen en relevant om mee om te kunnen gaan? Hoe blijft u op de hoogte van nieuws, nieuwe wetgevingsvoorstellen en andere relevante documentatie?

Dit factsheet is bedoeld om hierbij ondersteuning te bieden en zet de belangrijkste informatiebronnen op een rij. Hiermee wordt het zoeken naar 'Europese informatie' op het internet gemakkelijker. Een groot gedeelte van dit factsheet richt zich op de informatiebronnen en zoekmachines van de Europese Unie, maar ook andere informatiebronnen in Europa en in Nederland en enkele nieuwssites komen aan de orde. Via de informatie over de inhoud van internetsites en de bijbehorende verwijzingen (via directe links) in dit factsheet, is het mogelijk om Europese informatie te vinden op openbare internetsites. Een bronnenlijst is aan het einde van dit factsheet toegevoegd. Het factsheet is het gemakkelijkst te gebruiken in digitale vorm; door te klikken op de links komt u direct op de omschreven pagina. Echter, ook in papieren vorm is het factsheet te raadplegen als informatiebron; aan het einde van het document is een lijst opgenomen waarin alle volledige links van een groot aantal in dit factsheet genoemde websites staan geschreven.



Wat biedt Europa decentraal?

In de dossiers op de website van Europa decentraal is veel informatie te vinden. De dossiers bestrijken een breed veld van onderwerpen zoals milieu, staatssteun, vier vrijheden,

aanbestedingen en sociale zaken. Via themarubrieken onder de dossiers is gemakkelijk alle informatie rondom actuele zaken, wet- en regelgeving, jurisprudentie en praktijkvoorbeelden bij alle onderwerpen terug te vinden. Zie www.europadecentraal.nl.

Hoe vind ik snel informatie op de websites van de Europese Unie?

De EUROPA-site is de meertalige openbare toegangspoort ('portaal') tot alle informatie van en over de Europese Unie. Het doel van dit portaal is één enkel toegangspunt te vormen tot alle instellingen van de Europese Unie alsmede tot de activiteiten die door de instellingen worden verricht. Dit portaal is gestart in februari 1995 naar aanleiding van de ministeriële bijeenkomst van de G7 over de informatiemaatschappij, die de Europese Commissie had georganiseerd. Sindsdien is EUROPA snel gegroeid. De Europese Commissie besloot de portaal te ontwikkelen tot een kanaal voor algemene en gespecialiseerde informatie betreffende alle onderwerpen die worden bestreken door de Verdragen.

De toegang tot EUROPA is gratis. De Europese Commissie beheert EUROPA, in samenwerking met de overige Europese instellingen. Sinds mei 2006 is een grote wijziging doorgevoerd in de internetadressen van de EU-instellingen. Alle websites van de Europese instellingen functioneren vanaf dat moment onder het zogenaamde 'eu-topniveaudomein'. Dat wil zeggen dat de internetadressen eindigen op '.eu' en alle instellingen en agent-schappen van de EU zijn ondergebracht onder 'EUROPA', de portaal-site van de EU. 'EUROPA.eu' is het kenmerk van de internetadressen van de EU-instellingen en -agent-schappen.

http://www.europadecentraal.nl/documents/productendiensten/factsheets/Factsheet_Europese_informatie_op_het_internet_versie_061008.pdf



Fact Sheet

Regions of Knowledge: ROK

FP7 Capacities Programme

Call now open: closes 27-01-2009.

Budget 16,1 Meuro; grants per project up to 3 Meuro; funding 100% with 7% overhead.
Duration: up to 3 years.

Themes

Water management
Forest management
Soil and Land management
Waste management

Aim

Development, cooperation and integration between innovative and dynamic **research-driven clusters**. Projects must demonstrate a clear exploitation potential in their regions and should help actors in the regions to make the best use of EU instruments such as FP7, Competitiveness and Innovation Programme or the Structural Funds. ROK grants can be combined with EU and regional funds! They must be complementary.

Projects should favour innovative and cross-cutting approaches and the development of eco-technologies, notably based on life sciences, biotechnologies and biochemistry.

Consortium

A ROK consortium has at least 9 partners from 3 different countries. Every Region of Knowledge has three partners in its research-driven cluster: entities conducting **research** such as universities, **business** entities or clusters (SME and large enterprises), and **regional/local authorities**. Other actors such as TTOs, consultants, NOM etc. can join. Since you need to combine at least three different EU regions, you'll get 9 partners. The Coordinator should be a regional authority or a fully fledged RDC. ROK will seek to promote synergies between regional and research policies, primarily by supporting the development of regional research strategies which regional authorities can integrate into their economic strategy. Projects should favour innovative and cross-cutting approaches and the development of eco-technologies, notably based on life sciences, biotechnologies and biochemistry.

There are two objectives for all European regions:

1. Strengthen their capacity for investing in RTD and carrying out research activities.
2. Produce research strategies that contribute to regional economic development.

Expected outcome:

Improve links.
Foster transnational cooperation.
Enhance mutual learning, best practises; mentoring unexperienced regions compulsory!

Expected impact:

Regional economic growth.
Response to needs of regional business.
Mobilisation of local, national and EU funds (inc. SF)
Increase investment in R&D.
Inclusion more regions into ERA

Beware: neither the implementation of the Joint Action Programme (JAP) nor any research can be funded under ROK! This funding must be sought elsewhere: KP7, EFRO, regional/national funds etc. Actually you get funding for implementing the network which can be taken as the starting point for getting further funding. Therefore, the network needs to be sustainable. Be not too vague about implementation and sustainability! The JAP must be finalized during the first half of the project.

More information



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http://www.senternovem.nl/mmfiles/infoday%20Region%2009-2008_tcm24-287179.pdf

http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/capacities/regions-knowledge_en.html



Meetings, Training and Workshops on Europe Agenda 2008 – 2009

Date	Subject	Location	Organisation
13 January 2009	Artemis brokerage event https://www.artemis-ju.eu/	Brussels	EG-Liaison
14 January 2009	ICT - Workshop 'Language Technologies and Machine Translation' in KP7 and CIP. The workshop is focused on call 4 of the ICT programme (deadline: 1 April) and on call 3 of the CIP-ICT Workprogramme which will be published soon. http://www.senternovem.nl/egl/agenda/ict_workshop_language_technologies_and_machine_translation_in_kp7_en_cip.asp	Luxembourg	EG-Liaison
21 January 2009	Info day on the second call van de ERC Advanced grants, which has been published 19 November 2008. http://www.senternovem.nl/80/eglideas/agenda/aanmeldingsformulier_informatiemiddag_ideas_21_januari_2009.asp	Beatrixgebouw, Utrecht	SenterNovem
22 January 2009	FP7-ICT Proposers' Day 2009 http://www.senternovem.nl/egl/agenda/index.asp	Budapest, Hungary	EG-Liaison
27 January 2009	 Transport - Galileo Information event. Meeting to inform researchers on the second call of the Galileo Programme/Transport. This second call will be published on 19 December 2008 and will be closed 31 March 2009. http://www.senternovem.nl/egl/agenda/transport_galileo_informatiedagen.asp	Brussels	EG-Liaison
4 February 2009	MARCO POLO infoday on the call 2009 of the MARCO POLO programma. This call 2009 will be opened mid January 2009 and will be closed after 3 months. http://www.senternovem.nl/egl/agenda/transport_marco_polo_infoday.asp	Brussels	EG-Liaison
5 February 2009	Transport - Galileo brokerage event http://www.senternovem.nl/egl/agenda/transport_galileo_brokerage_event.asp	Munich	EG-Liaison
10 February 2009	 Info day on the national and international available research finance about the following programmes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Energie Onderzoek Subsidie (EOS) - Eureka - Eurostars - FP7 - Intelligent Energy Europe (IEE) http://www.senternovem.nl/eos/energie_parade_2009.asp	De Fabrique Utrecht	SenterNovem
21 April 2009	ICT - Conferentie Future Emerging Technologies 2009 http://www.senternovem.nl/egl/agenda/index.asp	Prague	EG-Liaison
6 May 2009	ICT - Africa 2009 Conference http://www.senternovem.nl/egl/agenda/index.asp	Uganda	EG-Liaison