

# Enterprise Europe Network – Services in benefit of Small and Medium Enterprises

#### Events in technology transfer and innovation field

The Enterprise Europe Network is a key instrument in the EU's strategy to boost growth and jobs. Bringing together close to 600 business support organisations from more than 50 countries, we help small and medium companies size the unparalleled business opportunities in the EU Single Market.

More... http://een.ec.europa.eu/; http://een.ec.europa.eu/about/about/sthash.uJG3x6OI.dpuf

## **Useful links**

Enterprise-Europe-Network DG Enterprise EU-Services Funding for SMEs Your Europe for businesses Small-Business-Portal Erasmus for entrepreneurs Fighting late payments EU financing by country Portal-for-SMEs Going-International Cordis Research&Innovation-SMEs-techweb Technology-Transfer Intellectual property US-EU-match Eco-innovation Knowledge Web SMEs & Entrepreneurship Access2Finance-for-SMEs Information Society: Thematic Portal Your Europe-Citizens-portal EU law & standards Job Seekers.

Events in the field of technology transfer, innovation and business finding partners



Enterprise Europe Network carries out a variety of events to promote their activities to companies and organisations at regional, national or European level. The events provide you the opportunity to meet potential cooperation partners during pre-arranged face-to-face meetings, to present your business or technology offers.

More... Events Calendar: http://een.ec.europa.eu/tools/services/EVE/Event/ListEvents

### UK businesses on a market visit to Hungary and Romania, 7-11 April 2014

Hungary has attracted more foreign direct investment per capita than any other country in the region, received more than 22bn euros of EU funding between 2007-2013.

Romania is an EU market with more than 21 million consumers, offering a strategic location, a skilled workforce, an emerging economy and major EU funding for the next decade.

East Midlands companies have well-established trade links with both countries and this market visit serves to strengthen bilateral partnerships and increase the value of trade. Schedule of events will include:

- B2B Matchmaking event at Hungarian Investment & Trade Association in Budapest, 8 April 2014 •
- Brokerage event organised by EEN Szeged, 9 April 2014 •
- Romania B2B Matchmaking event organised by CRIM and RO4Europe in Bucharest, 10 April 2014
- Company visits organised by British Romanian Chamber of Commerce, 10 April 2014

More... clarissa.roth@een-midlands.org.uk or sue.nattrass@een-midlands.org.uk or call on +44(0) 115 957 8757.

#### CrossTour 2014 B2B Brokerage Event in the field of tourism and creative industry, 24 April 2014, Ruse, Bulgaria

The matchmaking event offers the tourism and creative industry stakeholders the chance to meet potential partners in pre-arranged face-to-face meetings in order to establish business co-operation. CrossTour 2014 will focus on promoting the Danube region of North Bulgaria and joint tourism offers with neighbouring Romania. Interested buyers will be offered special accommodation terms and a custom-made FAM trip in the region. Why do you have to participate? - To develop business relationships; - To exchange experience; - To establish joint tourism activities and offers.

More... http://danubetournet.eu/crosstour2014/; e.yordanova@smebg.net; enterprise-europe-network@smebg.net

### Brokerage event on "Sports Technologies", 3-4 July 2014, Yorkshire, UK

To Celebrate the Grand Depart of the Tour de France in 20214 the Enterprise Europe Network in Yorkshire is organising a brokerage event on "Sport Technologies". The brokerage event will focus on sports technologies, in particular:

- health condition & performance testing & monitoring
  assistive and rehabilitation technologies
- sport equipmentadvanced materials
- ICT solutions

- simulation technologies
- food and drink
- clothing and footwear

The main goal of the event is to bring together innovative organizations from countries around the globe seeking to collaborate for mutual commercial benefit. Activity will focus on one-to-one 30-minute pre-scheduled meetings. **More...** http://sporttechmatch.talkb2b.net/

# Brokerage event at Hannover Messe, 9-10 April 2014, Hannover, Germany

This is the world's leading industrial trade show. Almost **150 companies**, **200 businessmen &-women** from 26 countries participated in the brokerage event in 2013. **1,250 meetings** were organised. The brokerage event of 2014 at a glance:

- Two days individual intensive **business meetings** in an exclusive atmosphere
- A complete hall in the centre of the trade fair dedicated to business matchmaking
- VIP lounge at the disposal of the participants; Festive evening event with "Live Music"
- Broad international partner network; Professional assistance on the spot.
- The brokerage event will cover **all sectors** of Hannover Messe, including:
  - Industrial Automation
- <u>MobiliTec</u>
  Digital Factory

- IndustrialGreenTec
- <u>Research & Technology</u>

More... www.een-matchmaking.com/hannovermesse2014 ; Technology Cooperation Days www.technologycooperationdays.com

# Brokerage event during the Conference Towards 2020: New Horizons for RTD & Innovation in the Western Balkan Region, 27-28 martie 2014, Viena

Organised back to back with the WBC-INCO.NET final conference, this brokerage event aims to foster networking activities between the participants. It offers the opportunity to meet potential collaboration partners in individually planned B2B meetings, share project ideas/innovations, discuss more in detail participation in one of the upcoming H 2020 Calls. More... http://www.b2match.eu/wbc-inco-net ; http://towards2020.wbc-inco.net/

# 7<sup>th</sup> Annual B2B Matchmaking Forum Russia - Europe: Cooperation without Frontiers, 24-25 June 2014, Moscow

The Forum is one of the tools to support and develop business partnerships between Russian and European SMEs. The six B2B fora already held brought together 685 Russian and 372 European SMEs which had 2,688 bilateral negotiations. An unlimited number of informal meetings were also held. Registration - from 31 March to 17 June More...www.regionomica-moscow.ru

#### 11<sup>th</sup> Economic Forum, 16 May 2014, Gomel, Belarus

The thema: Economic potential & business climate of the Gomel region. The Gomel Oblast is considered one of the most rapidly advancing regions of the Republic of Belarus. It has accumulated a huge industrial, agricultural, sci-tech potential. **More...** www.gomel-forum.by and www.gomel-region.by ; yved@mail.ru , ginvest@yandest.ru

# IFATT, Trade Fair for water, sewage, waste, and raw materials management, 5-9 May 2014, Munchen, Germany

IFATT is the worlds leading trade fair for clean drinking water, effective recycling, responsible approach towards valuable resources. 2,939 exhibitors from 54 countries came together at IFAT to put on an inspiring display of innovations, solutions in the field of water, sewage, waste, raw materials management. It was a chance to glimpse the future. More... <u>http://www.ifat.de/en/Home</u>

# Information Session on 5G PPP, Cal 1, related topics during Future Internet Assembly, 20 March 2014, Athens

The EU Commission and 5G PPP are organizing an information session at Future Internet Assembly 2014. The aim of this event is to present the 5G-PPP latest developments on the Horizon 2020 Future Internet Call 1 preparations seen from the Association perspective, the participants and the testbed and experiment dimension in this call.

- Future Internet Assembly 2014: <u>https://www.fi-athens.eu/program/sessions/5g-ppp-event</u>
- 5G PPP website: <u>http://5g-ppp.eu/events/</u>

• ETP website: http://www.networks-etp.eu/meetings-activities/events-of-interest.html

More... Horizon 2020 - Work Programme 2014 – 2015 - LEIT – ICT ; H2020 Future Internet Call 1 Info Day ; ICT 2013

# Celtic-Plus Event & Proposers' Day, Smart Connected World, Towards A New Horizon, 23-24 April 2014, Monaco

The event is an important occasion to discuss current/new challenges with important people from industry, research. The collocation with <u>WIMA</u> allows additional opportunities to establish new contacts. **More...** Event Website. For registrations please follow this link.

## Funding, Eureka Event Creating Future Solutions for Healthcare, 4-5 June 2014, Bruxelles

Understand what funding is available and how to access it. Furthermore, this is your opportunity to participate in new funding workshops. Themed 'How we do research – maximising impact through collaboration', the event will address key issues such as international collaboration, funding for research and support for research excellence. Attendees will

benefit from a dynamic programme comprising keynote presentations, workshops and interactive panel sessions. **More...** <u>http://wric-health.com/</u>

### COST Action SIMUFER – Action Showcase event, 16-20 June 2014, Bucharest, Romania

COST Action SIMUFER (Single & multiphase ferroics & multiferroics with restricted geometries) is organizing the Ferroelectric & Multiferroics Electroceramic: Trends & Perspectives showcase as part of the Electroceramics XIV Conference. <a href="http://stoner.phys.uaic.ro/cost/">http://stoner.phys.uaic.ro/cost/</a>

More... Electroceramics XIV Conference: http://www.electroceramics14.com/

# COST Actions A great opportunity as incubators for molecular science & technology 27-28 March 2014 Brussels

The event will provide background information on legal issues, managing skills, business-oriented networking, venture capital, policy mechanisms and it should stimulate technology transfer from COST <u>Actions</u>. During the event successful examples of spin-off created or working within CMST Actions will be showcased.

More... http://www.cost.eu/events/actionsincubators

## Alpine Venture Forum, 6 May 2014, Lausanne

We are seeking the 45 most promising early stage companies of the Alpine region for the Alpine Venture Forum! The selected entrepreneurs will have a chance to pitch in front of an international investors' jury and will find great opportunities for funding and partnership. Deadline is 21st of March - don't forget to register! More... http://www.e-unlimited.com/register/register.aspx?events\_id=570

#### Clusters

#### Call H2020 LEIT ICT-18 - Creative Industries SMEs, integrate innovative ICT tech. Deadline: 23 April 2014

The EU provides funding opportunities for the Creative Industries SMEs (Advertising, architecture, arts, design, fashion, films, music, publishing, video games, audio-visual...) willing to integrate innovative ICT technologies.

The funding is based on a competitive call. Projects are expected to be between 0.5 - 1 Mio € funding, between 6 - 18 months long, with at least 3 partners from 3 different countries, aiming at supporting the creative industries SMEs in leveraging emerging ICT technologies (e.g. 3D, augmented reality, advanced user interfaces, visual computing) for the development of innovative products, tools, applications and services with high commercial potential.

Info day documentation: http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/ict/creativity/call1-infoday\_en.html

More... http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/89-ict-18-2014.html

## Projects looking for partners - EUROGIA Programme, the EUREKA Cluster for low carbon energy technologies

**EUROGIA2020** is a bottom-up, industry driven, market oriented programme which addresses all areas of the energy mix, from renewable energy to efficiency, and reduction of carbon footprint of fossil fuels.

EUROGIA2020 is a <u>cluster</u> of the EUREKA network, a decentralized intergovernmental initiative started in 1985 to enhance European competitiveness by supporting businesses, research centers and universities that take part in transnational projects. EUROGIA2020 goal is to support and promote international partnerships developping innovative projects in low-carbon energy technologies.

More... http://www.eurogia.com/projects/projects-looking-for-partners.html

#### The Additive Manufacturing Platform is having a 'Clustering' Event, 2 April 2014, Yorkshire, UK

This event is supported by the EC and seeks to bring together existing projects with significant Additive Manufacturing/3D Printing content to share information, address common challenges and network to seek further opportunities. There will be a brokerage session as required.

More... Please contact Rachel Sanderson, rachel.sanderson@twi.co.uk to reserve a place as these are limited.

#### 17<sup>th</sup> Conference Creating shared value through clusters for a sustainable future, 10-13 Nov 2014, Monterrey Mexic

The conference will address the question of how clusters contribute to creating shared value among organizations and in regions/communities. It provides a unique opportunity for cluster practitioners, policy-makers, business executives and academics to advance the understanding of shared value creation and to work towards practical solutions. More... www.tci2014.org

#### SMEs

#### Strategic Business Alliance - Ten Reasons Why

1. More Variety

4. Batch Products 5. A bigger Work Force

- A bigger Sales Force
   More Marketing & advertising budget
- 6. Beat your Competition7. Add Credibility
- 8. Faster Growth Path9. Problem Solving Partner10. A Think Tank

**More...** <u>Strategic-business-alliance-ten-reasons-why</u>; <u>How To Calculate Selling Price</u>; <u>Successful Business</u>; Create Strategic Goals That Guide Your Company's Growth

# Ten Ways To Ensure Your Business Success

Here are some ways to ensure your business success:

Keep your business moving forward

• Market your business every day: repetition counts

- Expect to be successful, repudiate your doubts on paper
- Don't sweat the small stuff (it's all small stuff)
- Close your office door
- Do what makes you uncomfortable

- Trust your intuition
- Trust your dreams
- Don't buy into limitation
  - Stay passionate

More... http://4bn.co.uk/community/articles/ten-ways-to-ensure-your-business-success

#### Intellectual Property ; Standards



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## Patent filings at the EPO reach all-time high

Patent filings at the EPO grew by 2.8% last year, hit another all-time high, showing that EU continues to be a key market for innovation. In 2013 the EPO received 266 000 patent filings, compared to 258 000 in 2012. The EPO granted 66 700 EU patents, which was 1.6% more

than in 2012 (65 600), the highest number ever. "Demand for patent protection in Europe is up for the fourth consecutive year," said EPO President Benoît Battistelli. "This is proof that companies from around the world continue to see Europe more and more as a premier hub for innovation. The strong position of EU companies in patent-intense technologies also underlines the central role these industry sectors play in generating employment and growth in the EU economy." **More...** http://www.epo.org/news-issues/news/2014/20140306.html

#### Research

#### A good overview of H2020 current calls

More... http://www.horizon2020.gouv.fr/cid77090/page.html

#### The State of University-Business Cooperation reports in 14 European countries are now available

The Science-to-Business Marketing Research Centre, apprimo and UIIN, with the support of the European Commission (DGEAC), are proud to present 14 country-level reports on University-Business Cooperation. The 6,280 European academics and HEI representatives who responded to our survey made it the largest study into cooperation between HEIs and business yet completed in Europe. After presenting the general European results, national reports have been created to provide an overview and specific insights of University-Business Cooperation in 14 countries.

#### Innovation, Competitiveness and Entrepreneurship

# Regional & EU Innovation Scoreboards 2014

All the EU regional innovation leaders (27 regions) are located in only eight EU Member States: Denmark, Germany, Finland, France, Ireland, Netherlands, Sweden, UK, as result innovation excellence is concentrated in relatively few areas in EU. At the EU regional level, most of the regions improved their innovation performance but at the same time innovation performance worsened for 35 regions scattered across 15 countries.

Europe's regions have been classified into Regional Innovation leaders (34 regions), Regional Innovation followers (57 regions), Regional Moderate innovators (68 regions) and Regional Modest innovators (31 regions).

See also the Innovation Union Scoreboard'14 which tell us that if the EU becomes more innovative but the differences between Member States are still high & diminish only slowly. As a result, the EU has closed half of the innovation gap towards the US. Most progress has been made in the openness and attractiveness of the EU research system as well as business innovation collaboration and the commercialisation of knowledge as measured by licence and patent revenues from abroad. However, the growth of public R&D expenditures over the last years was offset by a continuous decline in venture capital investments and non-R&D innovation investments in companies.

More... http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/policies/innovation/files/ius/ius-2014\_en.pdf

#### Seven Things the Competent Innovation Manager Should Know

If you have recently been promoted -- or perhaps demoted -- to the position of innovation manager, your first action has probably been to do a bit of research. In so doing, you may understandably have been overwhelmed by the amount of information on-line, in books and peddled by over-priced consultants. Worse, a lot of that information is contradictory, uses unintelligible jargon or requires you hire an over-priced consultant.

More... http://www.jpb.com/creative/innovation\_manager\_1.php

#### Partner Search

## Genomica: Partner Search from Czech Republic, for the relevant call PHC-15 within the Horizon 2020 Programme

The Institute of Experimental Medicine (Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic, IEM ASCR) who is seeking potential partners for cooperation in the field of clinical research in regenerative medicine, in particular for relevant call PHC-15- within the Horizon 2020 Programme. IEM has an Innovation Biomedical Center, which is a business incubator for innovative SMEs companies focused on manufacturing products for cell therapy in clean rooms.

The Institute is willing to co-participate in team preparing the project reacting to call PHC-15 for 2014 (deadline is set up for 15<sup>th</sup> April 2014) or looking for partners for call PHC-15 for next year (deadline October this year).

Any information will be very much welcomed within two weeks, the sooner the better, **Contact:** Denisa Mimrova, <u>denisa.mimr@gmail.com</u>.

# Partner Search from Cyprus, in energy research field

The Research Centre for Sustainable Energy RCSE was created in order to play a key role in research & technological development activities in the field of sustainable energy within Cyprus & at international level with the aim of contributing to the achievement of the relevant energy and environment objectives set out by EU. In particular, the RCSE strives to become a centre of excellence in energy that will act as a structure where world-standard R&D work can be performed, in terms of measurable scientific production (including training) and/or technological innovation.

**Expertise offered:** Design & mathematical modelling of energy systems within an engineering thermodynamics context, including: fuel cell systems, electrolyzer, fuel processing, hybrid fuel cell-turbine systems, LNG-fuelled power systems, combined-cooling-heating-&-power systems, micro-combined-heat-&-power systems, process integration, exergy analysis, thermoeconomic optimization.

**Contact:** Alexandros Arsalis, University of Nicosia, Cyprus, tel: +357-99220715, <u>arsalis.alexandros@ucy.ac.cy</u>, cc: <u>egabriel@research.org.cy</u>; <u>https://sites.google.com/site/alexandrosarsalis/</u>

#### Erasmus+ - KA2 Skill Alliances, Looking for Partner– Network & Export Manager for Artistic Craft Firms

Umbria Trade Agency is a non-profit Association of Public Bodies. Our core activity is supporting regional economy in commercial and industrial internationalization by providing support to Umbria Regional actors. Most of them are committed in traditional heritage crafts which is one of the most important sectors we follow. We are already engaged as coordinator or partners in LLP projects. We are submitting an Erasmus+ proposal KA2 - Sector Skill Allinaces and We are looking for partners, notably Chamber of Commerce, University - Economics Dept., RDA, VET insitution; SME association (artistic Craft); Intermediary Organisations.

Contact: Antonello Fiorucci, euprojects@tr.camcom.it, marco.liviantoni@tr.camcom.it, http://www.centroesteroumbria.com

#### Looking for partners in Erasmus+ KA2 strategic partnerships. 3 concepts to offer

1.Facilitating change in communities through storytelling; Objective: Introducing narrative approaches and shared-story building to empower communities and give them new purpose, meaning and a better future, economically and socially 2. Orality in Family and Literacy Learning - Applying storytelling to literacy learners during the whole school curriculum (Kindergarten, primary and secondary school); Objective: Storytelling should be an integral part of the school curriculum (urban and rural) of a child and its parents. Educators and policy makers should be convinced of the necessity of storytelling in every school curriculum in Europe

3. Storytelling as a tool to facilitate Adult Literacy - For low literates (e.g. early school drop-outs, prisoners, rural areas); Objective: Attract, help, inspire exclusion victims to re-enter language education by using storytelling to facilitate their language, comprehension, reading/writing skills. Better chances for after-education, on the labour market **Contact:** Peter Fruhmann, Owner at Storybag & Associate Partner at In-Dialogue, peter@storybag.nl

# Looking for partners in a pilot project of Expert Exchange, leading to a H2020 project later next year

Miktech Oy (<u>www.miktech.fi</u>) are preparing a project in the area of Expert Exchange, for experts in Technology centers who are not included in Erasmus + -program, who are not university employees or students, but business development professionals working in private or public-owned technology centers or development organizations. First we plan to have a pilot in this subject, and are interested in 3-4 weeks exchange periods for experts in the fields of SME business development, bioenergy, ICT, and CBRNE.

**More...** <u>http://prezi.com/s074rhbfaugi/?utm\_campaign=share&utm\_medium=copy&rc=ex0share</u> **Contact:** Kimmo Haapea, Development Manager at Miktech Oy, kimmo.haapea@miktech.fi

#### Call For Tender / Proposals / Applications / Fundings / Awards

#### Europe as a global actor, INT-02-2014. Deadline: 29 April 2014

<u>Topic:</u> Encouraging the research & innovation cooperation between the Union and selected regional partners, proposals targeting Black Sea, Middle East, Africa.

Specific challenge: The aim is to:

- stimulate and enhance the cooperation between researchers from the Union and those of the regional partners in question, including and in particular through Horizon 2020 and the partner's funding programmes;
- eliminate remaining obstacles to cooperation between researchers from the Union, its international regional partners **More...**<u>http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/1066-int-02-2014.html#tab1</u>

## New call for expression of interest for experts for Focus Groups of EIP Agricultural Productivity & Sustainability

The European Innovation Partnership (EIP) "Agricultural Productivity and Sustainability" calls on experts from agriculture, science, industry, consumer organisations, NGOs and other relevant institutions, to apply for four new "Focus Groups" to be set up in the context of the EIP:

•High Nature Value (HNV) farming profitability

Profitability of permanent grassland

•Mainstreaming precision farming

•Fertiliser efficiency – focus on horticulture in open field

The goal of the Focus Groups is to explore practical innovative solutions to problems or opportunities in the field, and to draw on experience gained from related useful projects and to share experiences among actors involved in those projects (researchers, farmers, advisers etc.). The current call for expression of interest is open until 8 April 2014. **More...** Call for EoI; EIP Agricultural Productivity and Sustainability; Focus groups of the EIP

#### The 2014 Call for Proposals for two new Knowledge and Innovation Communities - KICs

The new calls was publish by the European Institute of Technology & Innovation. By the end of the year, these new KICs

will be designated in the areas of healthy living & active ageing & raw materials, sustainable exploration, extraction processing, recycling and substitution.

As an integral part of Horizon 2020, the upcoming KICs will address societal challenges with a novel approach focused on integrating higher education institutions, research centres, companies to create new businesses, opportunities, promote a risk taking and entrepreneurial culture, and generate new and high quality jobs. More... <a href="http://eit.europa.eu/kics/2014-call-for-kics/">http://eit.europa.eu/kics/2014-call-for-kics/</a>; <a href="http://eit.europa.eu/kics/2014-call-for-kics/">EIT brochure</a>; <a href="http://eit.europa.eu/kics/2014-call-for-kics/">2014 Call</a>

Open calls for proposals of the Seventh Framework Programme for Research and Development					
Area	Title	Deadline	Themes	More	
Capacities	FP7-CDRP-2013-EUR-CD	2014-04-15	FP7 Capacities	<u>link</u>	
Open calls	for proposals related to innovation and competitiveness				
Education	EACEA/21/08 Erasmus Mundus External Cooperation Window Asia Region in the academic year 2008/2009	2020-10-31		<u>link</u>	
Horizon 2020 More… <u>Opportunities/Horizon2020</u> ; <u>http://www.horizon2020.gouv.fr/cid77090/page.html</u>					
	20 Dedicated SME Instrument – Phase 1 + Phase 2 2014. Deadl		er 2014		
<b>More</b> <u>Sp</u>	ace-SME-2014-1:-SMEInstrument ; Space-SME-2014-2:- SME Instr	ument			
	-2013-EUR-CD – Career Development. Deadline: 15 April 2014 p://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunitie	s/fp7/calls/fp7-c	drp-2013-eur-cd.h	<u>tml</u>	
Grant Scheme - Participation of Eastern Partnership & Central Asian Countries in EU Brokerage events More http://www.increast.eu/en/1673.php					
Call for Proposals for ERC Consolidator Grant ERC-2014-CoG. Deadline: 20 May 2014 More <u>H2020/Calls/ERC-2014-cog</u> ; <u>Support/national_contact_points</u>					
	oposals for ERC Starting Grant. ERC-2014-STG. Deadline: 25 M p://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal4/desktop/en/opportuniti		erc-2014-stg.html		
Call for Proposals for ERC Proof of Concept Grant. ERC-PoC-2014. Deadline: 1 April 2014 More http://erc.europa.eu/proof-concept					
IPorta 2, H2020-INNOSUP-2014-3. Deadline: 2 April 2014 More http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/2348-innosup-3-2014.html					
European label for innovation voucher H2020-INNOSUP-2014-4. Deadline 2 April 2014 More http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/2349-innosup-4-2014.html#tab2					
Peer Learning of Innovation Agencies, H2020-Innosup-2014-5. Dedline 16 December 2014 More http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/2354-innosup-5-2014.html					
Access to integrated multidisciplinary facilities for Materials & Biomaterials. Deadline 15 April 2014 More <a href="http://www.ceric-eric.eu/index.php?n=CallZero.Homepage">http://www.ceric-eric.eu/index.php?n=CallZero.Homepage</a>					
	I: Sustainable Ecosystem. Deadline: 16 April 2014 with preregis nus-Portal-Sustainable-ecosystem-services ; helpdesk@bonusporta		Aarch 2014		
	pression of interest for experts for Focus Groups of EIP Agricu Il for expressions of interest; EIP Agricultural Productivity and Susta			bility	
	Leadership_Call for Nanotechnologies, advanced materials & pr	oduction, H20	20-NMP-CSA-2014	4. 6 May	
	09-2014: Networking of SMEs in the nano-biomedical sector				
	31-2014: Novel visualization tools for enhanced nanotechnology awa 33-2014: The materials 'common house'	2101055			
	36-2014: Facilitating knowledge management, networking and coord	dination in NMP			
	37-2014: Practical experience and facilitating combined funding for I		<i>initiatives</i>		
	38-2014: Presidency events		·		

NMP-39-2014: Support for NCPs

NMP-34-2014: Networking and sharing of best practises in management of new advanced materials through the eco-design of products, eco-innovation, and product life cvcle management More... http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/calls/h2020-nmp-csa-2014.html

#### Creative Europe, 17 Calls

The Culture sub-programme of Creative Europe supports cultural and creative organisations with a view to helping them operate transnationally, promoting cross-border circulation of works of culture & mobility of cultural players. It helps to launch projects with a EU dimension and to share cultural content across national, and EU borders; it enables cultural, creative players to work internationally, to internationalise their careers, activities in the EU/beyond; it funds cooperation projects, literary translations, networks, platforms. More innovations a new Financial Instrument for the Creative sector. More... http://ec.europa.eu/culture/creative-europe/calls/index en.htm

# **Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs**

Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs is a cross-border exchange programme which gives new or aspiring entrepreneurs the chance to learn from experienced entrepreneurs running small businesses in other Participating Countries. More... www.erasmus-entrepreneurs.eu : Read more about participating in the programme

## Marie Sklodowska-Curie Research & Innovation Staff Exchange H2020-MSCA-RISE-2014. Deadline: 24 April 2014

The RISE scheme will promote international, inter-sector collaboration through research and innovation staff exchanges, and sharing of knowledge and ideas from research to market (and vice-versa) for the advancement of science and the development of innovation. The scheme fosters a shared culture of research and innovation that welcomes and rewards creativity & entrepreneurship and helps to turn creative ideas into innovative products, services or processes. More... http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/calls/h2020-msca-rise-2014.html

## COFUND: Call for proposals DAAD fellowship programme (P.R.I.M.E.)

Co-financed by the Marie Skłodowska-Curie programme COFUND, the German Academic Exchange Service DAAD offers the fellowship programme Postdoctoral Researchers International Mobility Experience P.R.I.M.E. Researchers of any nationality are eligible to apply with a project proposal from any scientific discipline. The funding comprises a 12month stay abroad & a 6-month mandatory return phase to a German host institution that will employ the fellow for the whole duration of the project. Applicants can choose the country of destination freely. The funding period starts on 1 September 2014; in exceptional cases the start date can be postponed. Deadline: 31 March 2013

More... DAAD/postdoctoral-researchers-international-mobility-experience/; prime@daad.de

## 11<sup>th</sup> Call for proposals Innovative Medicine Initiative (IMI). Deadline for Eol 8 April 2014

The IMI has published outline-topics for the forthcoming 11th Call. Priorities of this 11th call are:

- Applied public-private research enabling osteoarthritis clinical headway (APPROACH)
- European platform for proof of concept for prevention in Alzheimer's Disease (EPOC-AD)
- Blood-based biomarker assays for personalized tumour therapy: value of latest circulating biomarkers
- Zoonoses anticipation and preparedness initiative (ZAPI)
- Generation of research tools to translate genomic discoveries into drug discovery projects

More... http://www.imi.europa.eu/content/11th-call-2013-8; IMI 11th Call 2013 - Stage 1; IMI Access; IMI Partnering

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Health Programme

The Third Health Programme will run from 2014 to 2020, with a planned budget of 449 million EUR. It will support actions that complement, support and add value to the policies of the Member States to improve the health of EU citizens and reduce health inequalities by promoting health, encouraging innovation in health, increasing the sustainability of health systems and protecting Union citizens from serious cross-border health threats.

More... http://ec.europa.eu/health/programme/policy/2014-2020/state of play en.htm

#### Policy

## Romania Country Report - February, 2014

This report covers the main Romanian macroeconomic releases of February 2014 (up to closing date March) as well as financial and political trends in the country during this period. The report also summarizes corporate news for firms including Volksbank AG and Raiffeisen Bank Romania. The short-term macroeconomic indicators remain broadly positive and even encouraging for the year to come.

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## Romania Financial Sector Report

This report looks into the deleveraging incurred by the Romanian banking sector under the pressure of BIS-reporting banks reducing their exposure to the region. It is based on information available as of end-Feb 2014 - meaning BIS data as of end- Qx, 2013 and on more recent data from the national central bank.

The process is exposed in a regional context, which is described rather exhaustively. The region is defined as the eleven new EU countries in the Central and Eastern Europe, plus non-EU Western Balkans countries and Belarus. Separately, calculations were run for comparison purposes for Russia, Turkey and Ukraine.

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#### Energy

Business matching event at ENREG Energia Regenerabila® - international trade fair for renewable energy & energy efficiency, 9-11 April 2014, Expo Arad International

Ro4Europe, CENTI Cluj Napoca and "PRIMOM" Foundation for Promoting Enterprises in Szabolcs-Szatmár-Bereg county, Hungary, as partners Enterprise Europe Network organise a Brokerage Event during the international trade fair for renewable energy & energy efficiency - ENREG Energia Regenerabila®2014, in cooperation with REECO Ro. The event focuses on the entire spectrum of renewable energy and energy efficient construction and renovation.

The business matching will offer you the opportunity to meet potential cooperation partners. The marketing strategy has an international focus, aiming to attract and retain experts from within Romania, key international markets as customers. **More...** Access Map.bmp ; www.ipacv.ro/enreg ; http://EEN-ENREG-Business-matching-event ; office@ipacv.ro

#### The Nuclear Security Summit 2014, 24-25 March 2014, The Hague, The Netherlands

53 countries, four international organisations, 58 world leaders, thousands of delegates and journalists. In every respect the Nuclear Security Summit 2014 (NSS) is a world summit, aimed at preventing nuclear terrorism around the globe. **More...** <u>https://www.nss2014.com/en</u>

## Ideas, power and change: explaining EU–Russia energy relations

This article explores the EU's energy relations with Russia through new institutionalist concepts that understand ideas to be powerful within policymaking processes, in conferring credibility on certain governance norms, in contesting existing institutions. Explanations of the deterioration in EU–Russia energy relations have emphasized divergence in perspectives on energy, how it should be governed, between these actors.

The proliferation of different ideas about energy *within* EU institutions has significant implications for this relationship. **More...** <u>http://www.tandfonline.com/eprint/rdq7NJWYWihkFYzm2Enj/full#.Ux9Jg4Vg\_cu</u>

#### **Urban Mobility**

#### EU Parliament passes strict car emissions targets for 2020

The European Parliament has voted to apply stringent emissions limits on cars in new regulations passed in late February. The cap of 95g/km carbon will be the strictest in the world to date. More... read more

#### Transport Research Arena (TRA), 14 - 17 April 2014, Paris, France

Specific topics of this edition of the conference include thorough explanation of Horizon 2020, the new EU programme for Research & Innovation, discussion of the long-term scenarios for EU transport policy. Each day of the conference will include scientific/technical sessions examining over 60 different aspects of mobility technology in detail. Plenaries, panel discussions will examine the state of mobility in EU, the developments that research, innovation, good policy can produce. The scope of TRA encompasses all modes of surface transport, road, rail, water.

#### Tools to support the prediction & assessment of the wider policy impacts of traffic management measures & ITS

A wide range of traffic management measures & ITS can be adopted by public authorities to address their transport problems. However, the lack of information about the impact of these measures, particularly their wider impacts, means that public authorities are not always able to make informed decisions. The FP7 project CONDUITS developed a set of key performance indicators for traffic management & ITS, with the input of more than 30 cities from across EU & beyond. **More...** Download the leaflet in <u>English</u>; Visit the <u>website</u>; Download the <u>presentation</u>; Contact <u>Suzanne Hoadley, Polis</u>

#### Events

# 6<sup>th</sup> IFIP International Conference on eParticipation (IFIP ePart2014), 2-3 September 2014, Dublin, Ireland

The scope of ePart2014 covers the whole range of research in eParticipation. Its principal aim is to review advances in research in both social and technological scientific domains, seeking to demonstrate new theories, concepts, methods and styles of eParticipation with the support of innovative ICT. A PhD colloquium will be organised on 31<sup>st</sup> August. **More...** www.epart-conference.org ; www.scss.tcd.ie ; www.eqov-conference.org

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Conference Advances in Engineering & Management, 11-12 September, Drobeta Turnu-Severin, Romania

The ADEM 2014 Conference Proceedings containing the full papers accepted after peer-reviewing will be published in a special volume of *Advanced Engineering Forum* (<u>www.scientific.net</u>), indexed by Elsevier SCOPUS, Ei Compendex (CPX), Cambridge Scientific Abstracts (CSA), Chemical Abstracts (CA), Google and Google Scholar, Thomson (Web of Science, CPCI/ISTP), Institution of Electrical Engineers (IEE). **More...** http://www.imst.ro/adem/; adem@imst.ro

## Samos 2014 Summit on ICT-enabled governance, 30 June - 2 July 2014, Samos, Greece

This year the main topics of the Summit revolve around Open Data and Global Systems Science. Within Samos Summit, a workshop on Open Data is being organized by the SHARE PSI 2.0 project and W3C. We look forward to receiving applications for innovative presentations, contributions, Short case studies on Open Data by April 13<sup>st</sup> More...www.samos-summit.org ; http://www.w3.org/2013/share-psi/workshop/samos/

#### IEEE-TTTC International Conference on Automation, Quality & Testing, Robotics, 22-24 May 2014, Cluj-Napoca

AQTR 2014 is an international forum for researchers in the field of automation, quality, testing and robotics. It will bring together researchers, equipment manufacturers, software developers, end-users to discuss the current trends and future directions of control and testing technologies, their industrial & social applications in the private & the public sectors. Selected papers will be submitted to the IEEE Xplore database and ISI, for indexing.

#### 2014 University-Industry Interaction Conference, 23-25 April 2014, Barcelona, Spain

With more 300 participants the conference will be the largest meeting of University-Industry Interaction professionals so far. With 6 workshops on Wednesday, a full conference day on Thursday & Friday, the program has now been finalized. **More...**<u>http://www.university-industry.com/index/program</u>

# Genomica: ESF-EMBO Symposium Synthetic biology of antibiotic production, 30 August - 4 September 2014, Saint Feliu de Guixols, Spain

The symposium is organised by the European Science Foundation, <u>ESF</u> in partnership with the European Molecular Biology Organization, <u>EMBO</u>. The conference will focus on the advancement of synthetic biology, especially its application in the field of antibiotic production in filamentous fungi, actinomycete bacteria, including the implementation, modification of complex biosynthesis pathway modules in existing/new production hosts. Deadline: 16 May 2014 **More...** www.syntheticbio.esf.org

# International Universities' Power Engineering Conference, UPEC, 2-5 September 2014, Cluj-Napoca, Romania

UPEC is a long-established conference, which is very popular with young researchers, PhD students, engineers from the power industry. The aim of the conference is to allow participants to exchange experiences, discuss the most up-to-date topics in power engineering. Contributions are welcome from universities as well as industry. **More...** http://www.upec2014.com ; Dan.Micu@et.utcluj.ro

# Conference Entrepreneurship for XXI century - images & perspectives, 20-21 November 2014, Warsaw, Poland

We would like to introduce to you different aspects of entrepreneurship, classical & alternative research perspectives. The conference will create a great opportunity to meet Polish representatives of national and foreign academic institutions and as well representatives of Polish business environments. Abstract submission deadline: 20<sup>th</sup> April 2014. **More...** http://www.p21.wz.uw.edu.pl/english ; p21@wz.uw.edu.pl

## International Work-International Conference on Time Series, ITISE'14, 25-27 June, 2014, Granada, Spain

The ITISE 2014 seeks to provide a discussion forum for scientists, engineers, educators and students about the latest ideas and realizations in the foundations, theory, models and applications for interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary research encompassing disciplines of computer science, mathematics, statistics, forecaster, econometric, etc, in the field of time series analysis and forecasting.

More... <u>www.itise.ugr.es</u>

#### Can policy follow the dynamics of global innovation platforms?, 14-15 April 2014, Den Bosch, the Netherlands

The conference will bring together state of the art thinking, research on the topic, is aimed at setting the agenda for future research & policymaking.

Rather than academic papers, we have solicited position papers in which the authors/presenters summarize their perception of the problem followed by their views on future trends and policy options.

The agenda provides ample opportunity to discuss consequences and policy options.

More... http://www.6cp.net/downloads/6CP2014\_Agenda%20LNJ3\_0.pdf

#### Training Events / Career opportunities / Jobs

# Calendar of training courses in nanoscience and electronics

More... http://www.fsrm.ch/e/formAgenda.php ; More FSRM courses ; http://www.eurotraining.net/

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Summer School on Open and Collaborative Governance, 30 June - 5 July 2014, Samos, Greece

In order to promote education and knowledge dissemination in the area of ICT-enabled governance, the <u>2nd International</u> <u>Summer School on Open & Collaborative Governance</u> will be held in <u>Doryssa Seaside Resort</u>, in Pythagorion, Samos, in conjunction with the <u>Samos Summit 2014 on ICT-enabled Governance</u>. The Summer School is being organized by the <u>Information Systems Laboratory</u>, of the <u>Department of Information & Communication Systems Engineering</u>, <u>University of</u> <u>the Aegean</u>, and is being supported by several European projects and initiatives in the area of electronic governance. **More...** you may read the latest <u>press release</u> and visit the <u>website</u> of the Summer School for more information.



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