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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 SMEs the unparalleled business opportunities in the EU Single Market.

More... <http://een.ec.europa.eu/> ; <http://een.ec.europa.eu/tools/services/EVE/Event/ListEvents>

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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>

6th Ambient Assisted Living Joint Programme - AAL Forum, 9-12 September 2014, Bucharest, Romania

AAL Ambient Assisted Living program (<http://www.aal-europe.eu/>) is a research program aiming to support, fund research projects to enhance the quality of life of older people and strengthen the industrial base in Europe through the use of ICT.

The **6th AAL Forum** will be organized under the title "**Broader, Bigger, Better – AAL solutions for EU**".

This is an annual platform for the increasing European **AAL community** support its' meetings during which to discuss update topics, relevant for improving the [AAL Joint Programme](#). The event will show best practices examples of successful solutions, evaluate the impact in terms of increased independence for older adults and the economic growth.

The AAL event offers a forum for the European AAL community to meet, discuss several topics, relevant for improving the AAL programme, the adoption of ICT for ageing solutions in the market. You can learn more about innovation, commercialization of ICT for ageing in the exhibition area, network with the major community in this field in Europe.

During the **AAL 2014 Forum** are going to be developed satellite events (<http://aalforum.uefiscdi.ro/event/side>), an exhibition dedicated to the **AAL domain** (<http://www.aalforum.eu/exhibition>), also a photo exhibition (<http://www.aalforum.eu/photo-exhibition>) to which you are invited to participate. One satellite event is the **Young Researcher's Workshop** (<http://www.aalforum.eu/young-researchers-workshop>) with the theme "the role of entrepreneurship in the development of technological innovation for elderly".

More... <http://www.aalforum.eu/> ; aalforum@uefiscdi.ro ; <http://www.aalforum.eu/side-events-2014>

Brokerage Event ICT for Ambient Assisted Living in H2020, Idealist/EEN joint event, 9 Sept. Bucharest, Romania

Ideal-ist, the network of National Contact Points for ICT research, in cooperation with the [Enterprise Europe Network](#) invites you to participate in a brokerage event with pre-arranged face2face meetings in at the [AAL-Forum 2014](#).

This event will gather representatives of companies, universities and research institutes working in the ICT-health sector, interested in sharing new project ideas, finding collaboration partners in the topics under the new Horizon 2020 Programme.

More... <http://www.b2match.eu/aal2business> ; [Registration](#) ; [Brokerage-EEN](#) ; office@ipacv.ro

4th Annual International Cybersecurity Conference, 14-15 September 2014 Tel Aviv University, Israel

The conference will include international leading cyber experts who will share insights about the means, methods utilized to deal with cybersecurity challenges and discuss key dilemmas and opportunities arising from the evolving technologies.

More... <http://sectech.tau.ac.il/cyberconference/index.php/aboutb>

DLD Tel Aviv Festival Events 13-20 September 2014, Tel Aviv, Israel

DLD Tel Aviv Digital Conference is Israel's largest international Hi-tech gathering, featuring hundreds of start ups, VC's, angel investors and leading multinationals Boasting top technological talent, the highest venture capital investments per capita and multi national centers for industry leaders.

More... www.dldtelaviv.com

3rd Conference dedicated to Eastern European Copernicus users & service providers, 18-19 Sept. 2014, Bucharest

The conference is co-organised by the Romanian Space Agency, the European Space Agency and EURISY, supported by the EC, hosted by the Romanian Ministry of National Education. This year's edition, Copernicus Services in the Sentinel Era - Benefits for Eastern EU is marked by the significant advance in providing users worldwide with high quality environment, security information services, due to the successful launch of the first Copernicus Sentinel spacecraft.

More... [Copernicus Services in the Sentinel Era - Benefits for Eastern Europe](#) ; [Sentinel-1-missions](#) ; [Rosa-Tenders](#)

Environmental Technology Network Danube Region (ETNDR), 25-27 September 2014, Ruse, Bulgaria

ETNDR Forum Environmental Technology "How to develop Waste-Water-Management in Bulgaria & Romania"

Leading speakers will introduce into the main topics:

- *Situation, need of the Water-Waste-Management in Bulgaria & Romania*
- *Financing the Danube Region*
- *Panel 1 : Waste Management / Panel 2: Water Management*
- *Open Discussion with experts*

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More... <http://www.umwelttechnik-bw.de/environmental-technology-network.html>

LET'S 2014: Leading & Enabling Technologies for Societal Challenges, 29 Sept. - 1 Oct. 2014, Bologna, Italy

LET'S Match 2014 is a day of one to one meetings organised by ASTER-SIMPLER as Enterprise Europe Network partner, between SMEs, research centres, universities, in order to match technology demand & offer, to find potential partners for Horizon 2020 projects, in particular on the Work Programme NMP+B Leadership in enabling & industrial technologies - Nanotechnologies, Advanced Materials, Biotechnology & Advanced Manufacturing & Processing.

More... <http://www.lets2014.eu/>

ICT Proposers' Day and Brokerage Event, 9-10 October 2014, Florence, Italy

Find your ICT Research Partners in the Face2Face meetings. The event will focus on [Horizon 2020](#), by emphasizing the integration of the ICT theme into the 3 pillars of the programme: 1. ICT for Excellent science 2. ICT for Industrial Leadership 3. ICT for Societal challenges. In total, more than 3,000 researchers, innovators, entrepreneurs, industry representatives, young people, policy makers are expected to attend.

More... <http://www.b2match.eu/proposersday2014/> ; www.ec.europa.eu/ictproposersday ; <mailto:ict2014@apre.it>

Brokerage event at the Romanian National Innovation Forum, 16-17 October 2014, Bucharest, Romania

The Romanian Forum for Innovation represent the main place to discuss, analyse the synergies, strategies, ideas on innovation, technology transfer, entrepreneurial formation, research, in benefit of the market. The event are organized in parallel with the International Fair of Romania – TIB 2014, 15-18 October 2014, <http://www.tib.ro/home>

A traditional brokerage event are organized during the Forum. We are looking for EEN partners to join us as co-organizers. During this Forum, industry leaders, local authorities and scientists will be strongly encouraged to share their expectations, exchanging knowledge understand the specific characteristics of innovation systems, and discover the best practices and innovations to be capitalised on as part of an original partnership-based approach.

More... <http://www.arott.ro/forum/> ; [Event/Innovation-Forum-Brokerage](#)

Brokerage event during the Energy Efficiency Specialized Exhibition, 5-6 November 2014, Kiev, Ukraina

The "Energy Efficiency Specialized Exhibition" will take place on 4-7 November 2014 in Kiev.

The main target group for the brokerage event are: researchers and SMEs with expertise, TO/TR in energy field. Activity will focus on one-to-one 30-minute pre-scheduled meetings.

More... <http://www.iec-expo.com.ua/en/energy-efficiency-2014.html> ; Contact person is Oliver Rohde: oliver.rohde@dlr.de

BBI - The Bio-Based Industries, Info Day, 2 September 2014, Brussels

The BBI Info Day is a must-attend for all stakeholders interested in understanding the BBI rules for participation with a view to putting together project proposals. The BBI launched its 1st [Call for Proposals](#).

Participation in the event is free of charge; the registration is open until August 10, 2014 (first-come, first served).

More... <http://www.bbi-europe.eu/events/bbi-info-day-brussels> ; [BBI Infotag](#) ; [BBI Call](#) ; [BBI Call on Participant Portal](#)

Mission for Growth to China, 21-23 October 2014

European business men, CEOs and managerial staff of small and medium sized companies are kindly invited to join

Director-General of Enterprise and Industry Daniel Calleja to China. The purpose of this visit is to confirm the strong political relationship between the EU and China and to strengthen our co-operation in strategic fields.

More... [Missions-for-growth/Daniel-Calleja/China](#) ; ENTR-M4G@ec.europa.eu

26th International Trade Fair for Electronic Components, Systems & Applications, 11-14 November, 2014, München

Electronica has been showing the electronic trends of tomorrow, providing a comprehensive overview of the international industry. The key topics will be automotive, embedded systems, lighting, medical electronics, the over-arching themes of security, energy efficiency, automotive electronics.

More... <http://www.electronica.de>

Clusters

New instrument START – Danube Region Project Fund – Call 1. Deadline: 17 September

This is a new pilot initiative that provides seed money facility for kick-start projects especially small EU grants that help to develop the Danube Region. START is coordinated by Priority Area 10 "Institutional Capacity & Cooperation", Vienna City.

More... [Danube-capacity-cooperation-pages-start](#) ; [Application form](#) ; [Guidelines](#); [START](#) ; [START application tool](#)

INNOVATION Express: Trans-National Call for Proposals for the Internationalisation of SMEs through Clusters

[BRS Stars](#) - a programme aiming at strengthening competitiveness, economic growth in the Baltic Sea Region

The call is an instrument to support the internationalization of SMEs through cluster initiatives, to facilitate smart specialization, cross-border learning, competence development by fostering transnational linkages between SME networks, clusters, other specialized research & innovation nodes, for the benefit of their members.

The expected amount granted will be up to a maximum of €60.000 per approved project per country. Deadline: 31 October.

More... <http://www.bsrstars.se/project/bsr-innovation-express/>

5th Balkan & Black Sea Conference Days of Clusters, 30-31 October 2014, Tekirdag, Marmara Sea, Turkey

The initiative is the result of assesment of the Cluster House members' needs, in the field of business, cultural connections. Please fill [the registration form](#). Deadline for free registration: October, 17th. Registration fee after 17 Oct is EUR 60/ person.

More... <http://daniklastera.clusterhouse.rs/> ; info@clusterhouse.rs

EUREKA Clusters are looking for projects to fund in Clean energy as well as Water technology and Smart system!

Check out our latest call for projects:

- Acqueau, our water cluster: <http://bit.ly/UBaYgE>
- Eurogia, our clean energy cluster: <http://bit.ly/1rFPJFn>
- Euripides, our smart electronic system cluster: <http://bit.ly/1k78SRH>

More... <http://www.eurekanetwork.org/programmes/clusters>

EUREKA Innovation Event, 19 November 2014, Basel, Switzerland

We aim to provide businesses in EU, in partner countries beyond, a reliable, open, dynamic platform for cooperation in the domain of research, development, innovation. The event will provide an opportunity for actors from all fields to network in an international environment at the B2B Meetings and give an insight into the benefits of EUREKA's activities.

More... <http://www.swiss-innovation.com/eureka> ; [Download Brochure](#) ; [Speakers](#)

EUREKA Success Story - CELTIC EO-NET Cluster Project

The EO-Net research project aims to provide innovative solutions for the development of elastic optical networks. With wide-ranging impacts, this work is key in the race to increase network capacity, cut costs, reduce power consumption. The disruptive approach has already aroused widespread interest in the telecommunications community. It is clear that this [EUREKA CELTIC](#) project will continue to deliver optimal performance, giving flexibility to telecommunications.

More... http://www.eurekanetwork.org/showsuccessstory?p_r_p_564233524_articleId=4248734&p_r_p_564233524_groupId=10137

French Clusters 2014 Digital Guide

More...<http://www.nxtbook.fr/newpress/France-Clusters/Guide-2014/index.php>

Academic articles on clusters

The TCI Network seeks to develop tighter bridges between the practitioners in our network and the academic community working on clusters. As a first step, we will regularly post listings of new academic articles on clusters and competitiveness on our website. A further selection is available here.

More... <http://www.tci-network.org/news/827>

SMEs

Business Offer

[A company, specialized in innovative desalination technology, that desalinates brackish water at the lowest...](#) Netherlands

[A company specialises in the operating of recycling hazardous waste, automotive waste, electronic equipments](#) Turkey

[A company working in the field of quarrying, processing, delivery, placement of natural and decorative stone...](#) Spain

[A company specialized in the production, sale of customized high quality windows, doors made of wood, wood...](#) Italy

[A company specialized in manufacture of furniture in a wide range of models is looking for trade intermediary...](#) Romania

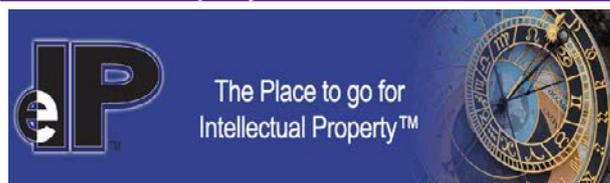
A bricklayer, concrete worker is looking for co-operation partner in Poland and Sweden. The company offers...	Germany
A company specialised in single-use medical devices is looking for distributors for their range of proctologic...	UK
This innovative company from Northern Poland offers commercial co-operation in the field of oil and other...	Poland
A company, a lifestyle fashion brand manufacturing perfumes, shoes, bags and belts made of Icelandic...	Iceland
A Korean manufacturer of wood pellet boilers for home is looking for local agents and distributors.	Korea
Latvian company producing and exporting high quality charcoal of different fractions (for grill and fireplace) is...	Latvia
A company that specializes in designing and manufacturing of unique silver and plated jewelry is looking for...	Israel

155 small firms to receive funding in first wave of grants under EU SME Instrument

The EC announces the first results of its new €3 billion SME Instrument, launched under Horizon 2020 to help innovative small firms get ideas from the lab to the market. In total, 155 SMEs from 21 countries (EU Member States or countries associated to Horizon 2020) will each receive €50,000 to finance feasibility studies to develop their innovation strategy. In addition, SMEs can benefit from up to three days of business coaching.

More... http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release_IP-14-876_en.htm?locale=en

Intellectual Property ; Standards



The new Academy learning portal

The Academy of the [Office for Harmonization in the Internal Market \(OHIM\)](#) has launched a learning portal with the aim to share knowledge and activities gathering IP professionals from EU national and regional IP offices.

The Academy has developed a training catalogue for the EU national intellectual property offices with more than 20 modules, from training in general IP topics to specific courses covering all aspects of trade mark, design registration by collaborating with other international institutions - European Patent Academy, World Intellectual Property Academy.

More... <https://oami.europa.eu/ohimportal/en/learning>

PCT at the EPO, Conference for patent professionals and industry, 1-2 October 2014, The Hague, The Netherlands

Save your place at this conference for patent attorneys & IP professionals from industry interested in filing PCT applications with the EPO. Make your choice from a wide range of topical, informative presentations run by experts from four of the five largest patent offices worldwide, by very experienced patent attorneys. Listen to a panel discussion on PCT key developments, the enhancement of PCT search, strengthening of Chapter II, simplification of entry into the national phase.

More... www.epo.org/pct-conference

WIPO Launches a new feature for the Global Brand Database: the Unique - Image Search Function

The [World Intellectual Property Organization - WIPO](#) has launched a new feature for the [Global Brand Database](#) which allows users to use an image as a search term instead of text, quickly find similar records without using the [Vienna Classification](#). With this one-of-a-kind image-search function, a user can simply upload a proposed logo, quickly return records - browsing through more than 4 million images from 15 national/international collections - of other protected images that may bear a resemblance. The new feature adds another important service to the Global Brand Database's users, who often need to know if a logo, trademark or other similar image is separately registered for use.

More... http://www.wipo.int/pressroom/en/articles/2014/article_0007.html

Nominate an inventor for the European Inventor Award

The EPO is now collecting entries for next year's award. Nominations are welcome in any field of technology; the only proviso is that a European patent has to have been granted for the invention.

More... <http://www.epo.org/learning-events/european-inventor/nominate.html>

Research

Horizon 2020 – Details about the €100 million Fast Track to Innovation & 5 innovation prizes announced by the EC

The FTI pilot supports projects undertaking innovation from the demonstration stage through to market uptake, including stages such as piloting, test-beds, systems validation in real world/working conditions, validation of business models, pre-normative research, and standard-setting. It targets relatively mature new technologies, concepts, processes and business models that need a last development step to reach the market and achieve wider deployment.

Proposals must relate to any field under the specific objective "Leadership in enabling & industrial technologies" and/or to any of the specific objectives under the priority "Societal challenges".

More... [H2020-work-programmes-2014-15](#)

EU ETV and new EU public procurement rules

Public procurement rules organise the way public authorities/certain public utility operators purchase goods/works/services. These rules set up specific contract award procedures to ensure that public purchases are made in the most rational, transparent/fair manner. [Directive 2014/24/EU](#) aims for modernization of public procurement in the EU, repeals Directive 2004/18/EC. The Directive introduces the concept of "life-cycle costing" and will encourage public authorities to consider the full life-cycle of products in their purchasing decisions. The life-cycle cost will include both internal costs and costs imputed

to environmental externalities (including the CO2 footprint) linked to the product, service or works during its/their life cycle.
More... <http://www.etvexperience.org/?p=1773>

105 Online Indispensable Resources for Online Academic Research

Academic research is the heart of any masters or PhD program. While graduate level students must still take courses, the bulk of their work is focused on doing original research and writing a compelling paper that they will then have to defend in front of a panel of professors or others with [expertise in the field](#).

More... <http://brc-ibcas.info/105-online-indispensable-resources-for-online-academic-research/>

Innovation, Competitiveness and Entrepreneurship

Crowdfunding, an Equalizer for Women Entrepreneurs

Women entrepreneurs have steadily emerged as leading contenders among new business start ups. Although statistics show that the rate of women starting businesses has significantly increased over the years, women entrepreneurs are still experiencing undercapitalization.

More... http://www.nawrb.com/blog_home.asp?Display=790

The 10 Most Important Work Skills in 2020

Global connectivity, smart machines, and new media are just some of the drivers reshaping how we think about work, what constitutes work, and the skills we will need to be productive contributors in the future. The report analyzes key drivers that will reshape the landscape of work, identifies key work skills needed in the next 10 years.

More... <http://www.top10onlinecolleges.org/work-skills-2020/> ; [Future work skills 2020](#)

Google's Venture Capital Arm Adds \$100 Million European Fund

[Google Inc. \(GOOG\)](#)'s venture capital unit, the business responsible for investing in Nest Labs and Uber Technologies Inc., has added a European branch with a \$100 million initial investment. The new fund will be based in [London](#).

"We've seen compelling new companies emerge from places like London, Paris, Berlin, the Nordic region and beyond -- SoundCloud, Spotify, Supercell and many others," Bill Maris, managing partner of Google Ventures, said in a [blog](#) post. Google has announced more than a dozen deals this year as the company added artificial intelligence, connected device, advertising and wireless technology.

More... <http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2014-07-10/google-s-venture-capital-arm-adds-100-million-european-fund.html>

Partner Search

Partner Search from Romania for a Business Offer

Romanian company, Electroputere AIT SRL, producer of medium voltage & high voltage switchgear, would like to establish cooperation with companies from the EU, interested in Production/Manufacturing Activities of resin cast products and electro-insulating parts. The company is equipped with a resin treatment plant with hybrid mixer & moulding clamp machine, with 2 production lines, that can process a various range of products/parts: epoxy resin insulated instrument transformers, support insulators, bushing insulators, electroinsulating cylinders, terminal plates for power transformers, insulating parts. The casting of various parts may be done either using customer's moulds, or using moulds designed and manufactured by our company. If you are interested to subcontract the installation, if you wish to place an order for some parts or if you are looking for a partner in a project, please contact us.

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Innovation Norway has launched the 2nd Call for Project Proposals under RO 17

Romanian companies search Norway partners aiming to apply. Should this be of interest we are thanking you for your cooperation to replicate the information to relevant parties.

More... www.norwaygrants-greeninnovation.no ; http://www.innovasjon Norge.no/no/english/#.U8-nq_mSzwg ; office@ipacv.ro

We are Looking for partners for KA2 EACEA. Deadline 2 September 2014

Key action: cooperation for innovation, the exchange of good practices. Action: Capacity Building for Youth in ACP countries, Latin America, Asia, this is why we would like to exchange views with other organization, share ideas about a project in the field of Enhancing Entrepreneurial Spirit in Teachers and youth. The target are trainers of trainers, youth. We aims to undertake a number of activities designed to foster a sense of entrepreneurship in the countries partners by:

- Sensitising youth and teachers to entrepreneurial thinking and acting
- Enhancing the idea of self-employment/entrepreneurship as a vocational option
- Strengthening their understanding of economic processes and Improving their social competencies, 'soft skills'

The proposal aims to promote the social inclusion of young people in the vulnerable communities, amongst immigrants, ethnic minorities. The proposal aims to promote equality of opportunity, to reinforce social cohesion. The main priorities for intervention areas are school inclusion, non-formal education; vocational training, employability; civic, community participation; digital inclusion.

Contact: Ana Maria Solis, Regione Emilia Romagna, anamariasolis1@gmail.com

Technology Request from Hungary

Seeking a Solution that Prevents, or Allows for the Easy Subsequent Removal, of Dust that Accumulates on Internal Surfaces and Sensitive Components of an Electro-Mechanical Processing Device.

The Client is an established manufacturer of consumer processing devices whose internal structures contain both

mechanical and electronic components. These modules are made using a variety of materials including plastics, glass, metals, quartz etc. all of which are prone to dust settling on them. The build-up of this dust on delicate elements within the device, such as the optical and proximity sensors can affect their reliability and accuracy, whilst its moving mechanical parts such as gears and rods can also be fouled causing functional and durability issues.

The solution of interest should be cost effective and adaptable to the application. Technology Readiness Level: proof-of-concept has been established. Potential solutions may include (but are not limited to):

- Anti-dust coatings (preferably transparent for optical sensor applications, allowing penetration of visible to infrared wavelengths); Anti-static surface treatment
- Cryotrap; Dust traps or other sacrificial protection compartments/surfaces; Vacuum systems (with low turbulence)

Preferred Business Model: Licensing, IP Acquisition, R&D Collaboration, Joint Venture

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Partner Search from Romania for HORIZON 2020

IRECSON Institute (Romanian Institute for Economic-Social Research and Polls) promotes innovation and technology transfer within SMEs and research organizations. IRECSON is the partner for Romania of World Competitiveness Center (Institute for Management Development - Switzerland) in order to achieve the World Competitiveness Yearbook (http://www.imd.org/research/publications/wcy/partner_institutes.cfm).

IRECSON is part of the National Network for Innovation & Technology Transfer - ReNITT & ARoTT Romanian Association for Technology Transfer & Innovation carrying out analyzes, evaluations of innovation & competitiveness at national and regional level; Provides trainings and assistance in Management of innovation for business development.

IRECSON is searching for partners in order to develop projects within HORIZON 2020 on the following calls:

1. Call for integrating Society in Science and Innovation [issi-2-2014](#) ; [issi-1-2014](#) ; [issi-5-2014](#)
2. Call for making science education, careers attractive for young people [calls/H2020-seac-2014](#)

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Looking for Partners for Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs call

The Piraeus Chamber of Commerce & Industry intends to submit an application for funding within the frame of COS-WP 2014-4-05 call for proposals (Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs), deadline for the application submission: 19/8/14.

The scope is the identification of 10 New Entrepreneurs (NE) (or would be entrepreneurs) from each of the participating countries in order to prepare them and arrange on the job training to other Host Enterprises (HE) in the partners countries. In addition, you must identify and prepare 10 Host Entrepreneurs in order to host on the job training for 10 NE from the partners countries. The participation of the NE in the project is 100% funded.

We are looking for Chamber of commerce, Business incubators or other business support organisations which role would be that of Intermediary organization facilitating the above-mentioned relationships between NE and HE.

Contact: Nadya Ilieva, Regional Manager at Personnel Holding JSC, varna@personnel-hold.com

Partner Search from Romania

RURIS IMPEX SRL, producer of garden equipment for surfaces up to 7000 sqm, would like to establish cooperation with companies from the EU, interested in selling and promoting our products around their country.

The company was established in 1993 under Romanian sole association and has now more than 100 employees and a turnover of 4.2 mil. euros in 2013. Our main products are: tillers, brushcutters, motormowers, chainsaws, water pumps and mist dusters, all designed by our own department of research and development and manufactures by famous producers around the world, in Europe, America and Asia. Our main selling channels are through our 120 dealers, presence in over 100 DIY stores around Romania, our 6 own stores. Since 2012 we began export in EU, we are looking forward to be present in all important agriculture areas in EU. We are looking for partners interested in long term cooperation with motivated people looking for a challenging business with great rewards.

Contact: Cristina Stroe, Foreign Trade Manager, Ruris Impex, www.ruris.ro, cristina.stroe@ruris.ro, M: +40 727 224 664

Partner Search for investing in Industrial & Logistic Facility

Romanian Industrial Park developer, Ciromat Servconstruct, acting as a General Antreprenur for complex industrial plants, would like to establish cooperation with companies from EU interested to open production & logistic facilities in the South - East of Europe. Our group of companies are acting mainly in industrial facilities development, distribution and production of construction materials (metal & wood mainly) but also in agriculture and tourism.

We are now developing a new industrial park, nearby Craiova, placed along the European road that connects Western Europe to Constanta Black Sea Port. The park is only 1.5km away from Craiova International Airport. There are 85 km from CIROMAT Industrial Park to the Danube Port of Calafat & the bridge over the Danube. CIROMAT Ind. Park is placed at a crossroads of commercial paths, being easy accessible by water, roads, air or railroad. A train station is 1.5 km.

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Call For Tender / Proposals / Applications / Fundings / Awards

The first call in the new multinannual LIFE work programme (2014-2017)

LIFE is the funding instrument for the environment and is divided into the 2 subprogrammes „Environment“ (EUR 1 347 million, WP 2014-2017) & „Climate Action“ (EUR 449,2 million, WP 2014-2017). The objective is to contribute to the implementation, development of EU environmental policy & legislation. Deadlines:

- Traditional projects: 16 October 2014 ; Preparatory projects: 29 October 2014

- Integrated projects: Deadline Phase I, concept note: 10 October 2014 Deadline Phase II, full proposal: April 2015
- Technical assistance projects: D: 15 Sept 2014 ; Capacity building projects: on a rolling basis until 30 September 2015

Contacts for NCPs: <http://ec.europa.eu/environment/life/contact/nationalcontact/index.htm> :

More... [LIFE call page](#); [Orientation document](#); [LIFE WP 2014-2017](#); [DG Environment](#); [Executive Agency for SMEs EASME](#)

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Call for proposals - Fiber to the Home - FTTH 2014. Deadline: 30 September

Pilot project – Connected for Health: Well-Being and Healthcare Solutions in Open Access FTTH Networks

More... <https://ec.europa.eu/digital-agenda/en/news/call-proposals-fiber-home-ftth-2014>

Fast track to Innovation Pilot (FTI). Deadline: 01 December 2015

100 Million euro for the market uptake of innovative ideas! The EC presented the "Fast Track to Innovation" (FTI) pilot action which will provide grants to small consortia to facilitate the access to market technological breakthroughs with high societal impact. The first call will be open to applications from January 2015. In addition, in late 2014/ early 2015 the EC will launch five innovation prizes (worth 6 million euro in 2015) focusing on some thematic areas of research: health, environment, ICT.

More... <http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/calls/h2020-ftipilot-2015-1.html>

Call for EoI - 'Business Cooperation Centres' in third countries for the Enterprise Europe Network (2015-2020)

This call addresses leading business, innovation support organisations located in third countries. The objective is to establish 'Business Cooperation Centres' for the Enterprise Europe Network in international markets in order to form a unique international network of excellence facilitating business cooperation, technology transfer, research collaboration.

More... http://ec.europa.eu/easme/business-cooperation-centres_en.htm

COS-WP2014-4-05 call for proposals Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs. Deadline 19 August 2014

The aim of this call is to expand, strengthen the existing network of Intermediary Organisations which act as local contact points for newly established entrepreneurs as well as experienced entrepreneurs in the participating countries. Intermediary Organisations (IOs) will be selected to implement the Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs programme at local level.

They will recruit and assist the entrepreneurs who will benefit from the programme. This call will therefore support actions for organisations enhancing and facilitating the mobility of new entrepreneurs, and is not intended for entrepreneurs willing to participate in the programme.

More... http://ec.europa.eu/easme/eye_en.htm

Young-4-2015: The Young Generation in an Innovative, Inclusive and Sustainable Europe. Deadline: 28 May 2015

Specific challenge: Meeting the challenges of the ageing population, a transformation into a more sustainable social, economic model, characterised by growing scarcity of resources, greater consideration for the natural environment, living under a shifting climate with uncertain consequences, more gender equality, necessitates profound changes in the EU society concerning our lifestyles, consumption patterns, the way we do business, develop our cities and design our homes, but also the way we build and govern our societies, forge intra- and intergenerational relations, organise our daily lives.

<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/2100-young-4-2015.html>

START - Danube Region Project Fund. Deadline: 17 October 2014

START is a new pilot initiative of the EUSDR and provides Seed Money for the development and implementation of Danube Region projects. Seed Money means that beneficiaries receive an early pre-financing in order to cover the project expenses from the beginning. This helps especially small organisations with limited resources to START their projects.

More... [Danube-Capacity-Cooperation-START](#) ; [Application form](#) ; [Guidelines for Applicants](#) ; [Information Factsheet](#)

INNO INDIGO: EU-India Joint Call on Clean Water & Health. Deadline: 15 October 2014

INNO INDIGO's EU-India Joint Call on Clean Water and Health. R&D projects will be funded for a period of 3 years. Each project consortium should consist of at least 3 partners, 1 from India, 2 from 2 different EU countries participating in the Call.

More... http://indigoprojects.eu/funding/inno-indigo-calls/ipp_1

Europe for Citizens Programme, Town Twinning. Deadline 1 September 2014

Town twinning is a reality in today's Europe, as an important number of municipalities are linked to each other through a formal town twinning agreement. Such partnership aims at encouraging cooperation between the towns and mutual understanding between their citizens.

More... http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/citizenship/programme/action1_measure1_en.php ; [The Programme Guide](#)

Call for „Twinning“. Deadline: 2 December 2014, but will be probably be extended to 7 May 2015

The EC has opened the call for the funding line „Twinning“ within the the sub-programme „Spreading Excellence & Widening Participation“ of Horizon 2020. The programme aims at strengthening the innovation capacities of EU countries, regions which are underperforming in research & innovation, compared to the EU average..

More... [Call for Twinning](#) ; [Website on Spreading Excellence & Widening Participation](#) ; [Infoday](#)

Grant Scheme to facilitate the Participation of Eastern Partnership & Central Asian Countries in EU Brokerage Events. Deadline: 31 December 2014

This grant scheme financially supports the participation of local researchers from Eastern Partnership and Central Asian countries in large-scale brokerage events and other similar activities related to Horizon2020 in the EU Members States or Associated Countries. The thematic priorities of the call are the three Societal Challenges, targeted by the project, namely Health, Energy and Climate Change. There are 6-9 grants (2000-3000 EUR per grant) per country.

More... <http://www.increast.eu/en/1673.php>

Call for EoI for setting up of a list of coaches for coaching activities in connection with the SME Instrument

The objective is to set up a list of external experts, hereafter called "business coaches". The business coaches will perform their tasks within the framework of the Horizon 2020 SME instrument.

EOI: <http://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/businesscoachesSMEI>. Deadlines: 24 September, 17 December 2014.

More... <http://ec.europa.eu/easme/files/sme/SME-Instrument-coaches-call-text.pdf>

Dedicated SME Instrument – Phase 1 + Phase 2 2014. Deadline 17 December 2014

Specific challenge: To engage SMEs in space research and development, especially those not traditionally involved in it and reduce as much as possible the entry barriers to SMEs for Horizon 2020 funding.

More... [Space-SME-2014-1-SMEInstrument](#); [Space-SME-2014-2-SME Instrument](#); [H2020: An overview on SME support](#); [H2020SMEs Financial instruments](#); [H2020 funding-for-SMEs](#)

ERA.NET RUS Plus Joint Calls 2014 – Call for S&T Projects. Deadline: 25 September 2014

One of the priorities in the 'Partnership for Modernisation' between the EU & Russia is to enhance cooperation in innovation, R&D. In this context ERA.Net RUS Plus implements 2 Joint Calls for transnational & excellent research projects:

The first call to open was the one on 'Innovation', the 2nd call which covers 'S&T projects' in the fields of Nanotechnologies / Materials / Production Tech, Health, Environment / Climate Change, Social Sciences / Humanities, is open!

More... www.era.net-rus.eu/en/196.php

M-ERA.NET Transnational Call 2014. Deadline for mandatory pre-proposals: 16 September 2014

Transnational R&D projects in Materials Science & Engineering. 36 funding agencies from 24 countries, including Taiwan and Russia participate in this joint call. Funding will be offered to innovative projects focusing on:

- Integrated Computational Materials Engineering
- Materials for Sustainable & Affordable Low Carbon Energy Tech
- Composite Technology
- New Surfaces and Coatings
- Materials for Health
- Functional Materials Focusing on Sensors

We strongly recommend contacting your regional/national funding agency for regional/national programme details.

The partner search tool for the M-ERA.NET Call 2014. <http://www.nmpteam.com/>

More... <https://www.m-era.net/joint-call-2014> ; <https://www.m-era.net/joint-call-2014/participating-countries-call-2014>

COSME Open Calls

- [Supporting Entrepreneurs Entrepreneurship education \(Pan-European entrepreneurial learning initiative\) - COS-ENTEDU-2014-4-06](#). Deadline: 20/08/2014
- [Supporting Entrepreneurs Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs 2014 - COS-EYE-2014-4-05](#). Deadline: 17/07/2014
- Tourism Work Programme 2014 [Enterprise-initiatives-COSME](#) ; [Enterprise/Sectors/Tourism](#)
- [More favourable conditions for business creation & growth Diversifying the EU tourism offer & products - Sustainable transnational tourism products - COS-TSUST-2014-3-15](#). Deadline: 07/10/2014
- [More favourable conditions for business creation and growth Maximising synergies between tourism, high-end and creative industries - COS-TSYNER-2014-3-15](#). Deadline: 16/09/2014
- **More...**<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/cosme/index.html>

Horizon 2020 - Open calls for proposals

- H2020 - Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA) - Individual Fellowships. Deadline: 11 September 2014
More... [H2020/calls/h2020-msca-if-2014](#)
- H2020 - Water Innovation - Two-stage. Deadline for Stage 1: 16 October 2014
More... [H2020/calls/h2020-water-2015-two-stage](#)
- Disaster Resilience: Safeguarding & Securing Society, including Adapting to Climate Change. D: 28 August.2014
More... [H2020/calls/h2020-drs-2014](#)
- H2020 - Energy Efficiency PPP EEB and SPIRE topics. Deadline: 09 December 2014
More... [H2020/calls/h2020-ee-2015-1](#)
- H2020 - Personalising Health and Care - Two-stage. Deadline for Stage 1: 14 October 2014
More... [H2020-phc-2015-two-stage](#)
- H2020-SEAC-1 Making science education & careers attractive for young people. Deadline: 2 Oct 2014
More... <http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/2423-seac-1-2014.html>
- H2020-SEAC-2. Call for making science education & careers attractive for young people. Deadline: 2 Oct 2014
More... <http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/2424-seac-2-2014.html>
- H2020 - Science with and for Society 2014 Calls. Deadline 2 October 2014
More... <http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/horizon2020/en/h2020-section/science-and-society>

- H2020 - Capitalising the full potential of on-line collaboration for SME. Deadline: 2015-03-10, Stage 2: 2015-08-12
More... <http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/2351-innosup-6-2015.html#tab1>
- H2020-Innosup-2014-5. Peer Learning of Innovation Agencies. Deadline 16 December 2014
More... <http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/2354-innosup-5-2014.html>
- H2020-GV-2014 – Green Vehicles 2014. Deadline: 28 August 2014
More... [Horizon 2020 - GREEN VEHICLES 2014.](#)
- Call for SILC II – Sustainable Industry Low Carbon II. Deadline: 02 September 2014
More... [Horizon 2020 - CALL FOR SILC II - Sustainable Industry Low Carbon II.](#)
- Horizon 2020 - Call for Energy Efficient Buildings. Deadline: 09 December 2014
More... [Horizon 2020 - Call for Energy Efficient Buildings.](#)
- HORIZON 2020 - Future and Emerging Technologies - FET programme calls for funding. Deadline: 31 March 2015
More... [HORIZON 2020 - Future and Emerging Technologies - FET programme calls for funding](#)
- The first COST Open Call for proposals in Horizon 2020
More... Stay up-to-date with the latest developments at COST by visiting the [Open Call](#) page on the COST website.
- H2020-DS-2014-1. Digital Security: Cybersecurity, Privacy and Trust. Deadline 28 August 2014
More... <http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/99-ds-01-2014.html>

Open Calls: <http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/index.html>

Participation rules: <http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/funding/index.html>

Bio-based Industries PPP – BBI. Deadline: 15 October 2014

- [BBI.VC1.D1: Lignocellulosic residues to \(di\)carboxylic acids, diols and polyols](#)
- [BBI.VC1.D2: Chemical building blocks and value-added materials through integrated processing of wood](#)
- [BBI.VC1.R1: Efficient pre-treatment of lignocellulosic feedstock to advanced bio-based chemicals and biomaterials](#)
- [BBI.VC2.D3: Advanced products from lignin and cellulose streams of the pulp and paper industry](#)
- [BBI.VC2.R2: New sustainable pulping technologies](#)
- [BBI.VC2.R3: New products from sustainable cellulose pulp exploitation](#)
- [BBI.VC2.R4: Fibres and polymers from lignin](#)
- [BBI.VC2.R5: Sugars from effluents of the pulping process and discharged fibres](#)
- [BBI.VC3.D4: Functional additives from residues from the agro-food industry](#)
- [BBI.VC3.F1: Added value products from underutilised agricultural resources](#)
- [BBI.VC3.R6: Fermentation processes to obtain biosurfactants and specialty carbohydrates from agricultural and agro-industrial streams](#)
- [BBI.VC3.R7: Protein products from plant residues](#)
- [BBI.VC3.R8: Bioactive compounds from meso-organism's bioconversion](#)
- [BBI.VC4.D5: Cost efficient manure valorisation on large scale](#)
- [BBI.VC4.R10: Nutrient recovery from biobased waste streams and residues](#)
- [BBI.VC4.R9: Valuable products from heterogeneous biowaste streams](#)

Partner Search: Idea-list <http://www.ideal-ist.eu/partner-search/pssearch> , portal BBI <http://www.bbi-europe.eu/>

More... <http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/calls/h2020-bbi-ppp-2014-1.html>

Public-private partnerships under Horizon 2020 launched first calls

Public-private partnerships set up under the EU's new research and innovation programme Horizon 2020 launched their first calls on 9 July 2014 in Brussels. The partnerships work in strategic areas such as medicines, fuel cells, air and rail transport or electronics. They represent an essential investment into Europe's economy and in a better quality of life.

- **Innovative Medicines 2 (IMI2):** to develop next generation vaccines, medicines, treatments [website](#) | [factsheet](#)
- **Fuel Cells & Hydrogen 2 (FCH2):** use of clean/efficient technologies in transport, industry, energy [website](#) | [factsheet](#)
- **Clean Sky 2 (CS2):** to develop cleaner, quieter aircraft with significantly less CO2 emissions. [website](#) | [factsheet](#)
- **Bio-based Ind (BBI):** to use renewable natural resources, innovative technologies for greener products. [web](#) | [factsheet](#)
- **Electronic components & systems for EU leadership (ECSEL):** [website](#) | [factsheet](#)
- **Shift2Rail:** to develop better trains, railway infrastructure. [website](#) | [factsheet](#)
- **SESAR 2020:** to advance the technology needed to reform Europe's airspace. [website](#) | [factsheet](#)

The overall investment over the next 7 years as part of the Innovation Investment Package is worth nearly €23 billion, where the EU's contribution of €9 billion will secure a €10 billion investment from the private sector, €4 billion from Member States.

More Information: European Commission: [Michael Jennings](#) +32 2 29 63388. [Monika Wcislo](#), +32 2 298 65 95

More ... [Horizon 2020](#) ; [EU Access To Finance portal](#) ; [European Investment Bank](#) ; [European Investment Fund](#)

Calls for proposals: [Innovative Medicines \(IMI2\)](#); [Fuel Cells & Hydrogen \(FCH2\)](#); [Clean Sky 2 \(CS2\)](#); [Bio-based Industries \(BBI\)](#); [Electronic Components and Systems for European Leadership \(ECSEL\)](#); [SESAR](#); [Shift2Rail](#)

1st Call for Proposals 2014. Innovative Medicines Initiative 2. IMI 2 - Call 1: Stage 1. Deadline: 12 November 2014

Topic Title: Translational approaches to disease modifying therapy of Type 1 Diabetes Mellitus. ID: IMI2-2014-01-01

The aim of the project is to significantly progress the understanding of the T1DM disease, its patients by bringing together leading clinicians, researchers from immunology, beta cell biology, biomarker research from academia, industry.

Topic title: Discovery, validation of endpoints in dry age macular degeneration, diabetic retinopathy. ID: IMI2-2014-01-02

The aim is to evaluate novel endpoint candidates for dry AMD & DR.

More... <http://www.imi.europa.eu/content/stage-1-13> ; [full topic text of IMI 2 Call 1](#)

[Partnering platform](#) ; [Partner search tool](#) ; [Intellectual-Property-Policy](#)

Webinars: <http://www.imi.europa.eu/events/2014/06/17/imi-2-1st-call-webinars>.

InfoDay. 30 September 2014, Bruxelles <http://www.imi.europa.eu/events/2014/06/16/imi-2-open-info-day-2014>.

Calls for Proposals under the "Third EU Health Programme". Deadline: 25 September 2014

The DG for Health & Consumers, DG SANCO has published two calls for proposals within the "Third Health Programme":

- "Call for proposals 2014 for framework partnership agreements, specific grant agreements for operating grants": The deadline: 25 September.
- "Call for proposals for projects 2014", is composed of seven individual topics The Deadline: 25 September.

More... [Website of DG SANCO](#) ; [Participant Portal](#) –under the menu item "Third Health Programme"

EUREKA Open Calls

- Call for EUREKA individual projects, open all year long. + [info](#)
- Call for Eurostars-2 projects. Deadline March 5, 2015. + [info](#)
- Call for Eurostars-2 projects. Deadline September 17, 2015. + [info](#)
- Call for EUROGIA2020 projects. Deadline September 22, 2014. + [info](#)
- Call for EURIPIDES² projects. Deadline September 23, 2014. + [info](#)
- Call for ACQUEAU projects. Deadline October 1, 2014. + [info](#)
- Call for CELTIC PLUS projects. Deadline October 15, 2014. + [info](#)
- Call for ITEA 3 projects. Deadline October 31, 2014. + [info](#)
- Bilateral call between Canada and Israel, open all year long. + [info](#)
- Bilateral call between Austria and Israel. Deadline October 29, 2014. + [info](#)

EIT Call for Proposals for Knowledge and Innovation Communities – KICs. Deadline: 10 September 2014

A KIC's portfolio of activities includes: entrepreneurial education, training programmes, research & innovation projects, incubation of & support to start-ups & ventures. Two new KICs are selected which address the thematic fields of: Innovation for healthy living & active ageing, Raw materials: sustainable exploration, extraction, processing, recycling and substitution.

More... <http://eit.europa.eu/kics/2014-call-for-kics/> ; [EIT brochure](#) ; [2014 Call](#)

HORIZON 2020 - Future and Emerging Technologies - FET programme calls for funding

Do you have a great idea for a new technology that is not possible yet? Do you think it can become realistic by putting Europe's best minds on the task? €2,7 billion will be invested in [Future and Emerging Technologies \(FET\)](#) under the new research programme [Horizon 2020 #H2020](#). This represents a nearly threefold increase in budget compared to the previous research programme, FP7. FET actions are part of the [Excellent science](#) pillar of Horizon 2020. The calls:

- [Excellent Science FET-Proactive - H2020-FETHPC-2014](#). Deadline: 25/11/2014
- [Excellent Science FET-Open - H2020-FETOPEN-2015-CSA](#). Deadline: 31/03/2015
- [Excellent Science FET-Open - H2020-FETOPEN-2014-CSA](#) - Deadline: 30/09/2014
- [Excellent Science FET-Open - H2020-FETOPEN-2014-2015-RIA](#). Deadline: 30/09/2014 31/03/2015

More... Website: [Link](#)

New call for experts, Focus Groups of the EU Innovation Partnership on "Agricultural Productivity & Sustainability"

The European Innovation Partnership (EIP) "Agricultural Productivity & Sustainability" calls on experts from agriculture, science, industry, consumer organisations, NGOs, other relevant institutions, to apply for three new „Focus Groups“ to be set up in the context of the EIP, deadline 8 September 2014:

- Optimising the profitability of crop production through Ecological Focus Areas
- Innovative Short Food Supply Chain management
- IPM practices for soil-borne diseases suppression in arable crops, both in greenhouse and open field

More... [Call for experts](#) ; [EIP Agricultural Productivity and Sustainability](#)

The European Union Prize for Cultural Heritage

More... www.europanostra.org ; [Watch video](#) ; eb@europanostra.org

Peer Learning of Innovation Agencies. Deadline: 16 December 2014

More... <http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/2354-innosup-5-2014.html>

Call for Integrating Society in Science & Innovation: supporting structural change in research organisations to promote Responsible Research & Innovation. Deadline: 2 October 2014

More... <http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/calls/h2020-issi-2014-1.html>

Electronic Components and Systems for European Leadership - ECSEL JU - "Expression of Interest" launched

More... [Website ECSEL JU](#)

Creative Europe. Calls

More... http://ec.europa.eu/culture/calls/index_en.htm#_status=open

Policy

6th 'Cohesion Report' confirms Energy efficiency, job creation and SME support as the main target of investments

The Report analyses the state of cohesion of the EU, highlights the challenges faced by national, regional/local authorities in overcoming the impact of the financial, economic crisis. In particular it finds that Cohesion Policy has cushioned the dramatic decline of public investment, injecting much needed investment resources in many Member States, creating vital financial stability which serves to attract private investment.

EU Cohesion Policy investments from 2014-2020 will make more than €38 billion available to support the shift to a more environmentally-friendly economy, through investments for energy efficiency and renewables, while up to €33 billion will support Europe's SMEs to become more competitive.

More... http://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/sources/docoffic/official/reports/cohesion6/6cr_en.pdf

World Investment Report 2014

The Report provides valuable analysis that can inform global discussions on how to accelerate progress toward the Millennium Development Goals and shape a long-range vision for a more sustainable future beyond 2015.

After a decline in 2012, global foreign direct investment flows rose by 9 per cent in 2013, with growth expected to continue in the years to come. This demonstrates the great potential of international investment, along with other financial resources, to help reach the goals of a post-2015 agenda for sustainable development.

More... <http://unctad-worldinvestmentforum.org/about-wif-2014/world-investment-report-2014/>

Towards a circular economy: A zero waste programme for Europe

Higher, sustained improvements of resource efficiency performance are within reach, can bring major economic benefits. Circular economy systems keep the added value in products for as long as possible, eliminates waste.

More... <http://ec.europa.eu/environment/circular-economy/pdf/circular-economy-communication.pdf>

Energy

Brokerage Event, within the frame of 7th Int Trade Fair Energy Efficiency, Renewable Energy, 4-5 Nov, Kyiv, Ukraine

Forms are available to generally present your company or institution, and to present the technology you want to offer or which you need to further pursue your idea, which you are invited to fill in at www.pt-partnering.de. Deadline: **30 Sept. 2014**.

The selected proposals will be invited to have face-to-face meetings with potential partners at the Nogap Brokerage Event. The Brokerage Event will offer opportunities for networking and finding potential collaborators and partners companies, organizations, entrepreneurs, researchers from different EU Member States & Eastern Partnership countries.

It consists of bilateral meetings, lasting 30 minutes each, structured according to an agenda. The event will comprise approximately 40-50 participants from EU Member States and Eastern Partnership Countries.

More... www.no-gap.eu, or contact Oliver Rohde, Oliver.Rohde@dlr.de

The EU Energy Challenge: Can innovation fill the gap?, 13 November 2014, Brussels

The Summit will re-examine how Europe can best stimulate, deploy the innovations it will need for a sustainable, affordable, secure energy sector. It will gather top international energy experts from government, academia, industry to debate the way forward as a new EC and Parliament take office later this year. Speakers will examine what has worked and what has not worked in EU energy innovation policy and highlight lessons from leading case studies.

More... <http://sciencebusiness.net/events/EnergyChallenge/>

Microgrid Executive MBA Self-Paced Training, 3 November – 12 December 2014

A cluster of microgrids represents the future topology of the grid. What are their economics, how do they interact with each other and with the macro grid? This is a comprehensive, data-driven business course on microgrid project development.

Students will learn to evaluate project economics of microgrid projects in a variety of markets using case studies, financial models, templates. Navigant projects the market to grow from \$8.3B worldwide in 2013 to more than \$40B by 2020.

More... [Microgrid-executive-mba-training](#) ; [The full course outline](#) ; [Registration is limited & only 30 seats are available.](#)

Webcast: Critical power: Transfer switches in switchgear, 14 August 2014

Consulting engineers must understand transfer switch types, timing requirements, ratings, the effects that the characteristic of each emergency load has on generator operation, understand how a facility's electrical system (available fault current, number of generators, paralleling configuration) affects transfer switch choices.

More... <http://www.csemag.com/media-library/webcasts/2014-webcasts/08142014-webcast.html> ; [Register here](#)

Five Steps to Build an Effective Threat Intelligence Capability

Against today's mutating threat landscape and sophisticated cybercriminals, security and risk (S&R) professionals are outgunned and outmatched. The traditional strategy of waiting for an alert and then responding to a compromise is futile against 21st century threat actors. In this report, we draw from the principles of military intelligence and guide S&R pros through a five-step process to build and leverage threat intelligence capabilities.

More... [Download this report now to read more!](#)

Urban Mobility / SMART Cities

Europe for Citizens - Calls for proposals

[Networks of towns](#)

Strands

Democratic engagement and civic participation,

Deadline

01/09/2014

Europe for Citizens - Calls for proposals

	Strands	Deadline
Town twinning	Democratic engagement and civic participation,	01/09/2014
Civil society projects	Democratic engagement and civic participation,	01/09/2014
More...		

Mobility for Growth 2014-2015. MG-5.4-2015: Strengthening the knowledge and capacities of Local Authorities. Deadline: 23 April 2015. Stage 2: 15 October 2015

Specific challenge: Achieving sustainable urban mobility requires the adoption of new strategic transport planning approaches at the local level which cover freight, passenger transport in an integrated way. Very few authorities undertake a sound analysis of trends, develop scenarios, provide the necessary long term policies/focus.

[More...](http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/2702-mg-5.4-2015.html)

Mobility for Growth 2014-2015. MG 5.5a & 5.5b Demonstrating & testing innovative solutions for cleaner & better urban transport & mobility (2 stages & single stage). Deadline: 23 April 2015. Stage 2: 15 October 2015

Specific challenge: Many of Europe's urban areas are struggling to address the transport-related challenges they are facing. New technologies and innovative measures are emerging, but they are not taken up at a scale that is necessary to meet the targets of the Transport White Paper.

[More...](http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/2703-mg-5.5a-2015.html)

Green Vehicles GV6: Powertrain control for heavy-duty vehicles with optimised emission. Deadline: 15 Oct 2015

Specific challenge: Reducing real driving emissions, consumption of heavy duty road haulage is one of the main societal challenges for the sector. Fuel efficiency and emissions reduction are sometimes dependent on how they interact with each other and with the specific vehicle application and operating conditions. The challenge is therefore to develop new means of flexible, global engine, emissions control in order to maximise the potential utilisation of the individual systems.

[More...](http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/2607-gv-6-2015.html)

GV8: Electric vehicles' enhanced performance & integration into the transport system & grid. Deadline: 15 Oct 2015

Specific challenge: The limited driving range of electric vehicles is one of the biggest deployment challenges for electromobility. A ground-up re-design is needed to fully take advantage of the design freedoms and the opportunities in defining and developing the electric and electronic architecture and components. This should result in increased efficiency and range and make a major contribution towards the transition to fully electric vehicles (FEV's).

[More...](http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/2608-gv-8-2015.html)

Two new tenders launched by EC (DG MOVE)

The EC's DG for Mobility & Transport has launched two new tenders for the development of guidance on urban logistics and vehicle access regulations:

- 'Preparation of EU guidelines on urban logistics' concerns the preparation of six guidance documents on different aspects of urban logistics, to be presented to EU Member States for their endorsement.
- 'Preparation of EU guidelines on urban vehicle access regulations', requires the development of six guidance documents focused on different aspects of access regulations.

[More... Calls for Tender page.](#)

Urban Mobility Initiative to offer funding to European cities

The CIVITAS project, co-financed by the EU, is encouraging cities that are interested in further engaging in sustainable mobility measures to apply for funding this autumn.

[More... Read more »](#)

Parking Workshop, Towards standardised approaches for on-street parking, 19 September 2014, Lisbon, Portugal

Polis & the EU Parking Association invite you to a joint event on the Iberian Parking Congress. The event will focus on standardised solutions for on-street parking, technologies to support parking management. The event will help to shape EU recommendations for standardisation of on-street parking management, enforcement, urban parking policies.

[More... Click here for the event's programme and registration form.;](#) icre@polisnetwork.eu

Innovation toolbox: 15 inspiring transport measures that can change your city

Each measure is illustrated with good practice examples, highlighting characteristics and benefits, useful references, and key aspects for implementation. These include a checklist that takes into account practical aspects such as city size, user needs, costs, time horizon, stakeholder involvement and any crucial or excluding factors.

[More...](http://www.tide-innovation.eu/en/upload/Results/TIDE-InnovationToolbox-ENG-lite.pdf) Download the toolbox:

City Express – Best practices

- The open data portal of Rome Mobility Agency is online. www.agenziamobilita.roma.it/servizi/open-data/
- Bologna hosts European Cycling Challenge. www.europeancyclingchallenge.eu/ecc2014/

Civitas Forum: Urban mobility & social inclusion. 23-26 September 2014, Casablanca, Morocco

The Forum bring together the representatives of the CIVITAS Network's member cities: policy makers, urban planners,

mobility experts, politicians to present, discuss transport measures, policies towards sustainable urban mobility, accessibility, socio-spatial inequalities.

More... <http://www.civitas.eu/content/civitas-forum-conference-2014#sthash.q8QXYkBQ.dpuf>

Events

The Entrepreneurial Universities Good Practice Event, 29 September - 1 October 2014, Madrid, Spain

The event will bring together around 150 academics, professionals driving this change, in their university, research institution, or in government or intermediaries. Already before the event, you have access to different tools to analyse your individual situation. Our online tool, will facilitate the networking before the conference by helping you to find the right networking partners. You will learn about 25 good practice cases, each being extensively presented & discussed in 45 min.

More... <http://www.entrepreneurial-universities.org/>

The Innovation Connection - The 2014 Science & Business Summit, 7 October 2014, Berlin, Germany

The Science and Business Summit will bring together leaders from research, industry, policy to debate how to best unleash Europe's technological potential. The Summit will also recognise excellence in innovation by celebrating the achievements of visionary entrepreneurs, top universities, corporate champions featured in the 6th Academic Enterprise Awards.

More... <http://www.sciencebusiness.net/events/InnovationConnection/Default.aspx>

Global Entrepreneurship Congress, GEC 2015, 16-19 March 2015, Milan, Italy

The Congress is an inter-disciplinary gathering of startup champions from around the world where entrepreneurs, investors, researchers, thought leaders, policymakers work together to help bring ideas to life, drive economic growth, expand human welfare. Over the past 5 years, the Congress has contributed to the expansion of a global entrepreneurial ecosystem, connecting experts, entrepreneurs across borders and sectors to unleash their ideas and transform innovation into reality.

More... <http://www.meta-group.com/news/Pagine/META-Group-is-the-official-host-for-GEC-2015.aspx>

LET'S 2014: Leading & Enabling Technologies for Societal Challenges, 29 Sept. - 1 Oct. 2014, Bologna, Italy

LET'S Match 2014 is a day of one to one meetings organised by ASTER-SIMPLER as **Enterprise Europe Network** partner, between SMEs, research centres, universities, in order to match technology demand and offer and to find potential partners for Horizon 2020 projects, in particular on the Work Programme NMP+B Leadership in enabling and industrial technologies - Nanotechnologies, Advanced Materials, Biotechnology and Advanced Manufacturing and Processing.

More... <http://www.lets2014.eu/>

World Investment Forum 2014, 13-16 October 2014, Geneva, Switzerland

The WIF Forum is a high-level, biennial, **multi-stakeholder** gathering designed to facilitate dialogue and action on the world's key emerging investment-related challenges. Its mission is to provide a platform where a debate on "investment for development" can take place, ultimately to promote investment flows that contribute to sustainable, inclusive development.

More... <http://unctad-worldinvestmentforum.org/about-wif-2014/>

18th International Conference on System Theory, Control & Computing, 17-19 October 2014, Sinaia, Romania

ICSTCC 2014 aims at bringing together under a unique forum, scientists from academia, industry to discuss the state of the art, the new trends in system theory, control, computer engineering, and to present recent research results, prospects for development in this rapidly evolving area. The Proceedings will be published in IEEE Xplore Digital Library and will also be submitted for indexing in Thomson Reuters Conference Proceedings Citation Index (formerly ISI Proceedings).

More... www.ace.tuiasi.ro/icstcc2014/

12th International Conference on Applied and Theoretical Electricity, 23-25 October 2014, Craiova, Romania

The event is organized by the Faculty of Electrical Engineering, University of Craiova, with the technical co-sponsorship from IEEE. The aim is to provide an international forum for scientific research in the theory, technologies and applications of electrical engineering as well as in related fields. A plenary session and a special student session will be also hosted.

More... <http://elth.ucv.ro/icate/register/openconf.php>

4th International Symposium on Shaping Europe 2020: socio – economic challenges, 14 Nov., Bucharest, Romania

Papers will be published in the 8th Volume of Review of Applied Socio-Economic Research (www.reaser.eu), an online peer-reviewed scientific journal with international Editorial Board, ISSN 2247-6172, indexed in international databases.

A special attention will be paid to early-stage researchers, academics PhD students, Post Docs who are encouraged to express their original ideas, to take part in the Competition "INNO Research Paper 2014".

More... www.reaser.eu/symposium2014 ; symposium@reaser.eu

5th International Conference on Clean Electrical Power - ICCEP 2015, 16-18 June 2015, Taormina, Italy

The aim of the Conference is to promote a Forum, where people involved with clean electrical power generation may compare their experiences, present solutions found for actual/further requirements. Prospective authors are also invited.

More... <http://www.iccep.net> ; [call for papers](#)

Training Events / Career opportunities / Jobs

Calendar of training courses in nanoscience and electronics

More... <http://www.fsrn.ch/e/formAgenda.php> ; **More** FSRM courses ; **More...** www.eurotraining.net

Looking for a summer school? Get access to over 40 [Summer Schools in nanoelectronics and micro/nanosystems](#)

Online courses for those interested in bringing innovative transport solutions to their own town, city or region

1. Road pricing & parking pricing measures
2. Cycle parking
3. Open transport data
4. Electric mobility charging infrastructure and clean logistics
5. Public transport organisation and public transport market research
6. Integrating new measures into your sustainable urban mobility planning
7. Analysing the impacts of new mobility measures

The courses should take 2-4 hours over the four weeks, are designed to include interaction with experts, other participants.

More... complete schedule, registration opportunities, contact Bonnie Fenton at b.fenton@rupprecht-consult.eu

Technology transfer workshop, Converting Technology to Wealth, October 21-30, 2014, Austin, Texas, US

IC² Institute of the University of Texas at Austin is offering a technology transfer workshop, Converting Technology to Wealth. This course combines an intensive on-site training experience with pre-Austin online training and individualized post-Austin mentoring. It prepares technology transfer specialists, incubator managers, scientists and researchers with practical skills and methodologies to commercialize R&D from their organizations.

More... <http://www.ic2.utexas.edu/global/services/education/austin-texas-september-technology-transfer/>; leonid.kurza@gmail.com

Finance in Horizon 2020, 18 September 2014, Brussels, Belgium

The ws is aimed at finance, administration staff involved in EU research projects, with or without a background in earlier EU programmes. It will consist of lectures, practical exercises, to be carried out in small groups with plenary feedback sessions. The workshop is designed to be interactive, questions can be asked at any time. attendance is limited to 24 participants.

More... <http://bit.ly/zb6fhk>

Webinar - Good Governance: Attracting Talent and Building High Performance Boards 4 August 2014

This webinar highlights successful strategies for financial institutions to attract, retain strong Board members, measure their performance. It discusses proven models, approaches, as well as staffing, roles, structure for effective Board leadership.

More... [Webinar-good-governance-attracting-talent-and-building-high-performance-boards](#); [Register here](#).

Summer School on Technology Transfer for Danube countries early-career professionals, 17-24 Sept, Belgrade

In the frame of the Strategy for the Support of the Danube region, the Joint Research Centre of the EC is organising a summer school on Technology Transfer for the Danube Countries.

More... <https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en/event/training-course/danube-innovation-partnership-summer-school?search>

Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich, ETH – Incoming-Fellowships for Postdocs in Switzerland, COFUND

Co-financed by Marie Skłodowska-Curie "Co-funding of regional, national & international programmes", COFUND the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich ETH offers Postdoctoral Fellowships for two years in Switzerland.

The proposal has to be submitted jointly by the candidate, the host, a professor of the ETH. Applicants must have been awarded a doctoral degree within two years of the submission deadline from an institution other than the ETH Zurich or the University of Zurich. Deadline: September 1, 2014.

The fellowship covers a living, mobility allowance for the fellow, a research cost contribution.

More... [Further information](#)

Region Västra Götaland Programme – Fellowships for experienced researchers in Sweden, COFUND

Co-financed by Marie Skłodowska-Curie Co-funding of regional, national & international programmes, COFUND the Region Västra Götaland Programme offers within the Mobility for Regional Excellence Programme (MoRE) incoming, outgoing fellowships for experienced researchers in Sweden for 12 months.

The proposal needs to relate to one of the following areas: sustainable transport solutions, life science, green chemistry, marine environment, urban development, material sciences, sustainable production, information & communication technologies, energy. Deadline: September 1, 2014,

More... [Further information](#); lisa.belfrage@vregion.se

William Harvey Research Institute (WHRI) – Fellowships for Postdocs worldwide, COFUND

Co-financed by Marie Skłodowska-Curie "Co-funding of regional, national and international programmes", COFUND the William Harvey International Translational Research Academy Programme, WHRI-Academy offers incoming, outgoing, reintegration fellowships for postdocs for 12 to 36 months worldwide.

The research areas include healthcare & life sciences. The host institution has to be an enrolled host organisation within the WHRI-ACADEMY programm. Deadline: October 13, 2014

More... [Further information](#); whri-academy@gmul.ac.uk



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