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• Events

1. [International winter school on new developments in solid state physics](#)
18 to 22 February in Bad Hofgastein, Austria
2. [Sixth European Business Summit, Belgium](#)
21 and 22 February in Brussels, Belgium
3. [Workshop: 'putting the human back into color'](#)
Charleville-Mézières, France, from 21 to 24 February
4. [Conference on quantum optics](#)
Oberurg, Austria, from 24 February to 1 March



FP7 in Brief

The Seventh Framework Programme (FP7) refers to the next programme in a series of multi-annual Framework Programmes that have been the European Union's main instrument for funding R&D since 1984. Programmes have so far been conceived for a period of five years. FP7, however, is proposed for the period 2007-2013.

The total European Commission (EC) budget of FP7 is € 53.2 billion. The broad objectives of FP7 have been grouped into four specific programmes:

Cooperation, Ideas, People and Capacities.

For each type of broad objectives, there is a specific programme corresponding to the main areas of EU research policy. On 4 June 2007, the Commission adopted a decision on the use of lump sum payments for International Cooperation Partner Countries (ICPC). This sum covers all the costs of an ICPC participant including the costs for personnel and travel, equipment, consumables and indirect costs. More information about FP7 can be found in: http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/home_en.html

- 5. [Conference on quantum optics in Obergurgl, Austria](#)**
24 February to 1 March in Obergurgl, Austria
- 6. [Nano2Life network presents main achievements](#)**
26 February in Brussels
- 7. [European Lighten the Load Summit](#)**
26 February in Bilbao, Spain
- 8. [Celtic: state-of-the-art telecommunications and multimedia](#)**
27 to 28 February in Helsinki, Finland
- 9. [Telecommunications event in Helsinki, Finland](#)**
27 and 28 February in Helsinki, Finland
- 10. ['Science with Africa' conference, Ethiopia](#)**
Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, on 3 to 7 March
- 11. [Biodegradable polymers and sustainable composites](#)**
3 and 4 March in Valencia, Spain
- 12. [DEISA training session](#)**
High Performance Computing Centre Stuttgart (HLRS), Germany, from 5 to 7 March 2008
- 13. [IRC Future Match 2008](#)**
the CeBIT trade fair in Hannover, Germany, on 5 March
- 14. [Symposium on Gigahertz technologies](#)**
5 to 6 March in Gothenburg, Sweden
- 15. [World Sustainable Energy Days](#)**
5 to 7 March in Wels, Austria
- 16. [Conference on driving innovation from science to business](#)**
Aix en Provence, France, on 6 March
- 17. [Renewable energy: trade fair and conference](#)**
7 to 9 March in Stuttgart, Germany
- 18. [ESF conference on rare diseases](#)**
Sant Feliu de Guixols, Spain, from 8 to 12 March
- 19. [Third ERA Chemistry Flash Conference in Killarney](#)**
Killarney, Ireland, from 9 to 13 March
- 20. [Workshop on new trends in emerging pathogens in Hohenheim](#)**
10 March in Hohenheim, Germany
- 21. [International Conference NANOTEC2008 NANOTEC2008](#)**
Venice, Italy, from 10 to 13 March
- 22. [COST strategic workshop on forest ecosystems in Istanbul](#)**
11 to 13 March in Istanbul, Turkey
- 23. [Conference on governance and sustainable development](#)**
Vienna, Austria, from 11 to 14 March
- 24. [Trust in information technology: Trust2008](#)**
Villach, Austria, on 11 and 12 March
- 25. [Workshop on methane hydrates](#)**
13 and 14 March 2008, in Laxenburg, Austria
- 26. [European robotics symposium and annual meeting](#)**
26 to 27 March in Prague, the Czech Republic
- 27. [Conference on agri-food research in the Western Balkan countries](#)**
Belgrade, Serbia, on 27 March
- 28. [ESF conference on molecular bioenergetics](#)**
Sant Feliu de Guixols, Spain, from 29 March to 3 April
- 29. [Mechanosensors: from biological to bionic systems](#)**
in Girona, Spain, from 30 March until 3 April
- 30. [European Wind Energy Conference](#)**
Brussels, Belgium, from 31 March to 3 April
- 31. [Artificial intelligence conference](#)**
1 to 4 April in Aberdeen, Scotland
- 32. [BioSapiens workshop](#)**
2 April in Brussels, Belgium
- 33. [JRC training course on reference materials](#)**
Geel, Belgium, on 2 and 3 April
- 34. [European Photonics Innovation Village at Photonics Europe 2008](#)**
7 to 11 April in Strasbourg, France
- 35. [Workshop on global change and sustainable development in mountain regions](#)**
Innsbruck, Austria, from 7 to 9 April

• National events related to FP7

The Higher Council for Science and Technology (HCST) -Jordan's Information Point organized a joint seminar during 8-10/1/2008 for the four projects namely: Idealist7fp, ERA-MED, FOOD-N-CO and PROMEDAccess.

6 European experts from France, Greece, Belgium, Italy and Austria carried out the presentations as follows:

The first day (8/1/2008): General presentations on FP7, ERA-MED, and PROMEDAccess projects.

The second day (9/1/2008): Three parallel sessions on health, Information and Communication Technologies (ICT), and food, agriculture, fisheries, and biotechnology (FAFB).

The first day and the parallel sessions took place at the Holiday Inn Hotel while PROMEDAccess practical training for the liaison officers took place at the University of Jordan during 9-10/1/2008. The objective of such training is to enable these officers to act as our representatives in different Research, Academic, and SMEs institutions in our endeavor to disseminate information about FP7 and other EC RTD sponsored activities.

HCST has adopted SMS service for the purpose of disseminating the information, if you are interested; please fill in the membership form <http://www.inp.jo/en/members.php> "if you haven't filled it before".

All the presentations of the joint seminar and the practical training can be downloaded from:

<http://www.inp.jo/en/events.htm>

• Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Q1: What scope is there for R&D players from non-EU countries to participate in FP7?

A: The International Cooperation Partner Countries (ICPCs), including those of the Mediterranean region, can participate in all four specific programmes of FP7 - Cooperation, Capacities, People, Ideas – so long as they respect the minimum consortium composition requirements (unless otherwise specified in the call text).

Cooperation programme

ICPCs can participate in the following ways:

- in the regular calls for proposals for the above themes
- in the Specific International Cooperation Actions (SICA), which are calls for proposals dedicated to ICPCs on each of the above themes.

Capacities programme

All the elements of the Capacities Programme are open to third country participation but particularly the actions of International Cooperation, which support Bilateral & Bi-regional coordination of S&T cooperation as well as the coordination of national policies on S&T among EU and ICPC countries.

People programme

This is the mobility arm of FP7. ICPCs can participate through:

- International incoming/outgoing fellowships
- International reintegration grants
- An international cooperation scheme to support common initiatives between EU organisations and countries with S&T agreements
- Measures to counter the risk of 'brain drain' from ICPCs through support for 'scientific diasporas'.

Ideas programme

ICPCs can participate in the Ideas Programme. However, their participation would need to be justified on the basis of the scientific value they would add to the consortium.

• Useful Links

Understand FP7

http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/understand_en.html

Find Project Partners

http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/partners_en.html

Participation in FP7

http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/participate_en.html

Open calls under FP7

<http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm>

Find A Document

http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/find-doc_en.html

Network of National Contact Points

http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/get-support_en.html

Finance Help Desk

<http://www.finance-helpdesk.org/Front/ShowCategory.aspx?CategoryId=30>

FP7 Events

http://cordis.europa.eu/fetch?CALLER=FP7_EVENTS