More informations: www.irc4d.ipacv.ro

Sinequanet workshop; Space Intelligence Engineering & Quality Network; Germany - February 8, 2007

GERMANY - February 8, 2007
Held at the European Space Operations Centre (ESOC), Darmstadt

Register now for the next Sinequanet WORKSHOP, and obtain the opportunity to:
1. meet new contacts in the space sector,
2. gain new insights,
3. improve your understanding on how to participate best in the business & technology of European space programmes.

In November 2005, the European Space Agency (ESA) and the European Commission launched Sinequanet.

The objective is to build a network able to organise, structure & deliver access to technical facilities, expert support and training services. This is specifically aimed at the needs of high-technology Small/Medium-size Enterprises (SMEs) which are currently supplying, or planning to enter, the European space industry.

Ultimately, the aim is to reinforce the profitable flow of innovation into and out of the European space technology business.

The Darmstadt, Germany workshop will provide a mix of:
- concrete examples of assistance provided to SMEs,
- debates & dialogue - your chance to help us ensure Sinequanet will meet your expectations.

To download more information: 1. SINEQUANET Executive Overview
2. Workshop: Rationale & Agenda

Click here.

ATTENDANCE AT THE WORKSHOP IS FREE OF CHARGE.
PLACES ARE HOWEVER LIMITED. THEREFORE PLEASE CONFIRM YOUR ATTENDANCE SOONEST

To confirm your attendance, Click here to register.

More informations: http://www.isd2006.com/WP5/index.php ; Contact: simard@proximumgroup.com

Clean Energy Power innovation congress and exhibition, Berlin, Germany, 24-25th January, 2007

CLEAN ENERGY POWER® 2007

January 24th - 25th 2007, ICC Berlin

The CLEAN ENERGY POWER® innovation congress and exhibition takes place in Berlin in just three weeks! A presentation of our Top-Themes for this year awaits you, read on!

Improve your knowledge in the area of Solar Power Plants and find out what is going on in each of the world markets. Refresh your interest in the Gasification of Biomass. Relive the international success stories from the projects against Renewable Sea Water Desalination. Hear the latest developments in regards to CO2 Monitoring (German) and the controlling of gas and fuel emissions. Give your own ideas and questions the experts opinions! Don't forget to stop by the exhibition on Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency for construction and redevelopment.

Are you active in the Energy or Energy Efficiency sector and would like to present your products and services to the specialists and trade fair visitors? If so then follow this link to our website where you will find our non-binding Offer for Exhibitors.

Click here for any further information for the CLEAN ENERGY POWER®.
Promoting your TTT Agreements as Success Stories

What can be better than a Success Story to promote your successful TTT Agreements to clients or shareholders? Explaining transnational technology transfers is indeed complex, and we are never sure that our clients got the message right. Taking a concrete example of a successful deal makes things much brighter in a flash.

The latest Success Story publicised, “Burning a brighter flame”, involves IRC Bavaria and IRC Hungary. You want to propose a Success Story? Please check first that your TTT Agreement fulfils the criteria for publication. Criteria for publication:

- The TTT Agreement has been validated by the IRC-S
- At least 2 IRCs are involved in the deal
- The TTT Agreement is of course not confidential and the 2 clients agree for publication
- The technology involved is particularly innovative or we can already measure some socio-economic impact after the deal

Launch of Thematic Group Security and Defence (SeDe)

The IRC Intranet section related to the new Thematic Group Security and Defence (SeDe) is now available. As promised in a previous issue of IRC Today, a section dedicated to this new TG has been inserted on the IRC Intranet and is available here. Every IRC is warmly welcome to participate to the initiative.

Cooperation with other networks - NEW section in the IRC intranet

We are pleased to announce you the opening of a new section in the IRC Intranet database. This section will be entirely dedicated to the cooperation with other networks as well as any interactions between the IRC Network and external partners.

You can find the information in our Intranet by clicking on the Networking entry. Moreover, the IRC-S has opened a new section "collaboration with other Networks" on the Public Web site. The networks mentioned in this section can easily be counted among the most important players on the European entrepreneurship and innovation stage.

All these networks have strong background and deep experience in building and supporting small and medium-sized companies.

All of them cooperate together to create synergies and provide better access to services and knowledge to their members in the fields of technology transfer, market-oriented R&D, regional economic development and private investment.

The section will be updated regularly. We are still waiting for information about a few important partners.

We will keep you informed as soon as we have news in this area. We wish you a pleasant reading, and hope that you will find it useful!

TransBio - Matching Transoceanic Biotechnology Opportunities

IRC Catalonia is proud to introduce the TRANSBIO - Matching Transoceanic Biotechnology Opportunities project, funded within the framework of INNOV7. TRANSBIO gathers 6 European partners (Catalonia, Austria, Bayern, Flanders, Scotland and Sweden) and 2 North American ones (Quebec and Massachusetts).

The project started in June 2006, and collects the best offers and requests in the biotech field from the partner regions. All IRCs are very welcome to browse the database and search the technology profiles.

Technology transfer services / All reasonable models of co-operation will be considered

You are un inventor; do you have technology to transfer; do you have new products, technology based on innovations to offer; do you need news technologies; do you need technical assistance in technology transfer… Please contact IPA CIFATT Craiova, e_mail: office@ipacv.ro; web site: www.ipacv.ro.

New Newsletter: EIFN - Energy Sector Innovation-Financial Network

According to the EU innovation and energy policies a comprehensive network for a better understanding between innovation energy enterprises and institutions and financial agents will be designed and developed based on the following criteria:

- Collaboration to update the financial services to the energy sector innovation needs.
- Provide practical and efficient solution to facilitate innovation agents in the energy sector the access to financial services; European scope.

Interest to receive Newsletters: office@ipacv.ro; More about EIFN Network: http://www.eifn.ipacv.ro

FP 7 is active. First informations, forms, calls.

- Ideas: 2006-12-22: ERC-2007-StG
To know more about this event:
The event takes place in Brussels on 22 January in the EC Charlemagne building (Rue de la Loi 170).

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The Socio-economic Sciences and Humanities Theme will operate at the interface between these objectives. It will do this by supporting research and related activities aimed not only at providing the basis for policy development but also at improving insight and understanding of the key underlying trends and the factors driving them. This Theme should therefore help improve our knowledge in these fields but also our policies.

In addition, Socio-economic Sciences and Humanities will support the development of actions undertaken elsewhere within the 'Cooperation' Specific Programme and, where appropriate, within the Specific Programmes 'Ideas' and 'Capacities'. Complementarities and synergies are sought with other priorities of the 'Cooperation' specific programme (in particular the 'Food, Agriculture, Fisheries and Biotechnology', 'Energy' and 'Environment' priorities).

The Socio-economic Sciences and Humanities Theme are implemented by means of the Work Programme which was provisionally adopted by the Commission on 21 December 2006.

The first call for proposals from this programme was published on 22 December 2006. It is very important that Europe's research communities respond with energy and enthusiasm to the new Framework Programme and take advantage of the opportunities that it offers.

To inform potential applicants about funding possibilities and acquaint them with proposal submission procedures the European Commission is organising a Proposer's Day devoted to the calls in the areas of Socio-economic Sciences and Humanities as well as in the area of Science in Society.

The event takes place in Brussels on 22 January in the EC Charlemagne building (Rue de la Loi 170). To know more about this event: http://cordis.europa.eu/wire/index.cfm?fuseaction=article.Detail&rcn=11939

For SSH in FP7: http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/cooperation/socio-economic_en.html

Information Day on ICT research in FP7: 1 February 2007, Köln, Germany

On 1 February 2007 the Commission and German Presidency are organising an Information Day for people wanting to participate in research activities under FP7. The event will take place in Köln, Germany.

This is a "not to be missed" opportunity to meet other researchers having similar interests, and to build the consortia necessary to make a research proposal. Entry is free of charge.

On line registration in now open: http://ec.europa.eu/information_society/events/koln_2007/index_en.htm

In preparation for attending the event, we encourage you to prepare and publish on the event's website a profile of yourself, and your organisation's research interests. If you are forming a research consortium, it may also help you to provide a short profile of the skills / industrial expertise you are seeking from others to complete your consortium. This information supports our networking objective of allowing you to be "found" during the event, and also allowing you to find others.

I would like to remind you that while this event will cover all ICT-related activities under FP7, the DG INFSO Unit F3 is organising an information event on the first calls for proposals under the e-Infrastructure activity of the Capacities specific programme that will take place on 6 February 2007 in Brussels. Further information on the venue will follow. For more details please see: http://cordis.europa.eu/ist/mi/cnd/fp7info-day.htm

Lifelong Learning Programme launched

The European Commission welcomes the final step in the legislation process to adopt the 'Lifelong Learning Programme', as the European Parliament has adopted the Commission's proposals for this new action in the field of education and training. (more)
**SMEs in the Seventh Framework programme**
About 25 million SMEs accounting for approximately two-thirds of Europe’s employment and GDP are a key component of the research and innovation system. (more)

**Dedicated website for SMEs**
A new website dedicated to Europe’s Small and Medium sized Enterprises (SMEs) has been launched by the European Commission. (more)

**CALL for proposals published - enquiries service**
Should you have nevertheless particular question, please address these to the new "enquiry service" which is now available in four major languages and soon in the rest of the 21 official languages at the following address: http://ec.europa.eu/research/enquiries
Ask your questions about any aspect of European research in general—and the EU Research Framework Programmes in particular. Your enquiry will be logged in a database to ensure that you get a response in a reasonable length of time and passed through to the relevant department for expert handling. This service replaces the traditional Help Desk email service.

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**UKRO Proposal Writing for FP7! - Registration Now OPEN**
Abstract: The UK Research Office (UKRO) is pleased to announce that registration to its "Proposal writing sessions for FP7" is now open!
Organisation: UKRO ; Date: 2007-01-09 ; Country: BELGIUM

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Management of Intellectual Property Rights and Contract Management training course
Abstract: Forschungszentrum Karlsruhe's training centre (FTU) offers a training course on the Management of Intellectual Property Rights and Contract Management in cooperation with EARMA, the European Association of Research Managers and Administrators.
Organisation: Forschungszentrum Karlsruhe GmbH ; Date: 2007-01-09 ; Country: GERMANY

**eHealth Week Berlin 2007 - 16-20 April 2007 Berlin, Germany**
Conceived and organised as a European event, the eHealth week Berlin 2007 is part of the associated programme of the German EU Presidency 2007. It is a combined venue for all the leading events concerned with IT and telematics in the German health system: Telemed, eHealth Conference 2007, ITeG (International Forum for Healthcare IT) and the KIS Conference. The IHE Connectathon and other international meetings relating to eHealth will also take place during the eHealth week Berlin 2007.
See also: eHealth 2007 conference ; http://www.ehealth2007.org/

**Workshops on Business Intelligence & Grid Solutions meeting the Finance Sector 24-26 Jan-Pisa, Italy**
We would like to invite you to the sixth EGEE Industry Day: Grid meets the Finance Sector – leveraging off the success of past Industry Days where over 60 of Europe’s most preeminent, players, decision makers, CEOs and CTOs attended both as speakers and participants from Business and Research organisations. The Pisa “Camera di Commercio, Industria e Artigianato” is hosting this event and will provide a platform to examine risk-management, current experiences and challenges, implementation and future opportunities for Banks, Finance institutions, and Insurance companies using Grid Technology.
Grid Analysts state a 30% increase in just the last 3 years making 100% of the top 20 investment banks now using Grid in some way or another. With an ever-growing need for mass data computing and as Grid moves into retail banking, asset management, and insurance, now is the time to act, now is the time to seek better ways to manage your business.
Take advantage of the multiple opportunities available over the 3 days which are organised as follows:
24 January, features the international workshop which addresses on Business Intelligence in Finance, Credit and Operational Risk Management and Internationalisation in collaboration with the EC funded project MUSING - Multi-Industry, Semantic-based, Next Generation Business Intelligence Project, http://www.musing-project.eu.
25 January, the largest European Grid infrastructure project— EGEE (http://www.eu-egee.org) – will discuss industry involvement with the presence of private enterprises already deploying and vending Grid software solutions in the Finance sector. The day looks to highlight the advantages of using Grid technology, ultimately generating optimal use of IT resources and increased revenues on the Finance sector.
26 January will be dedicated to a presentation by the European Grid Forum, EGRID (http://www.egrid.it), funded by the Italian Ministry for Education and research (MIUR), is developing an Italian national Grid infrastructure for financial and economic research. The day will revolve around the applications of EGRID in the finance sector, with inside look at data management.
Participation is FREE! Go to the on-line registration at http://www.eu-egee.org/pisaday
We are taking this opportunity to remind you that the abstract submission deadline for the 2nd EGEE User Forum is 31st January. For more information please visit http://www.eu-egee.org/uf2