Technology Transfer and Innovation

Events in technology transfer and innovation field

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. Do you want to participate at some events? Do you have technology profiles in the fields? Please contact office@ipacv.ro to support you.

**March 2011**

10 Successful R&D in Europe - 3rd European Networking Event Duesseldorf (Germany)
11 BIOLOGICA 2011: Organic Products brokerage event Thessaloniki (Greece)
16 SWEET 2011 Gwangju (Korea, Republic of)
18 BUD-GRYF & ENERGIA Brokerage Event for Construction and Energy Sector Szczecin (Poland)
19 B2KONYA-AGRI 2011 Konya (Turkey)
22 Technology B2B for Finance Warsaw (Poland)
22 6th Taste Nutrition Health International Congress Dijon (France)
22 Symposium on Transatlantic EU-U.S. Cooperation on Innovation and Technology Transfer Vienna (Austria)
25 WOOD Meetings 2011 Namur (Belgium)
29 TELMI’2011: Linguistics, semantics & e-reputation Lille (France)
29 IT/ICT POLISH-ISRAELI MATCH-MAKING EVENT Warsaw (Poland)
29 Photonics Brokerage Event 2011 Nieuwegein (Netherlands)
29 Alimentaria&Horexpo - Polish-Portuguese matchmaking event Lisbon (Portugal)
30 Generating the Hydrogen Fuel Cell Future Birmingham (United Kingdom)
30 AMPER 2011 Brno (Czech_Republic)
30 International B2B Software Days Vienna (Austria)
30 AERODAYS 2011 Brokerage Event in Aeronautics Madrid (Spain)
30 International B2B Software Days Vienna (Austria)

**April 2011**

05 SMOPYC 2011 International Show of public works, construction and mining machinery Zaragoza (Spain)
05 11th Venture Capital and Private Equity Forum Thessaloniki (Greece)
06 HANNOVER MESSE 2011: b2fair Tech Co-operation Days on Solutions & Tech for Future Mobility Hannover Germany)
06 SIFER - railway brokerage Lille (France)
07 Brokerage Event within ENREG ENERGIA REGENERABILA® 2011 Arad (Romania)
07 Renewable Energy Usage in Malopolska Region and State of Thuringia Cracow (Poland)
07 Biomedica Matchmaking 2011 Eindhoven (Netherlands)
12 NANOSCIENCE AND MICRO-NANO TECHNOLOGY BROKERAGE EVENT 2011 Bilbao (Spain)
12 Brokerage Event @ Salone Internazionale del Mobile, 12-17 April 2011 Milan (Italy)
12 Agrofood Innovation Days Turin (Italy)
13 BROKERAGE EVENT SINAVAL 2011 Bilbao (Spain)
B2B Matchmaking – Automotive Düsseldorf (Germany)
CHEMIKA 2011 Szczecin (Poland)
International Wine Brokerage Event 2011 Timisoara (Romania)
CleanTech2011 B2B meetings Fribourg (Switzerland)
La Mêlée Numérique - the most important regional ICT trade show in France Toulouse (France)
ISEND 2011 EUROPE International Symposium and Exhibition on Natural Dyes FRANCE 25-30 April La Rochelle (France)
Individual Business Meetings during exhibition "Individual House Building 2011" Klaipeda (Lithuania)
Matchmaking at jazzhead! 2011 Bremen (Germany)

May 2011
03 European Seafood Exposition - business partnering event Brussels (Belgium)
05 B2B@BalticFuture 2011 - Brokerage Event for Maritime Sector and Offshore Wind Energy Hansemesee Rostock (Germany)
05 Brokerage event PROECO 2011- recycling, waste management Banska Bystrica (Slovakia)
05 B2B @ M2M - Brokerage event in the machine to machine sector and virtual meetings in key applications Milan (Italy)
05 AGRO ARCA - Brokerage event Visnica (Slatina) (Croatia)
10 B2B @ TUTTOFOOD 2011 Milan (Italy)
11 AUTOSTRADA-POLSKA 2011 Brokerage Event Kielce (Poland)
11 GENERA 2011 BROKERAGE EVENT Madrid (Spain)
12 Web X.O - Company Mission in Web based technologies Porto (Portugal)
18 "Unlocking the Potential" - a regional b2b networking event Valletta (Malta)
18 B2B matchmaking at waste to energy+recycling 2011 Bremen (Germany)
19 Design of semiconductor components&electronic based miniaturised systems: EU-Russian R&D cooperation" Ulyanovsk (Russian Federation)
23 Update 2011 Helsingborg (Sweden)
25 2nd EU-Russia Innovation Forum Lappeenranta (Finland)
25 Dem@t-Tech Alençon / Normandy (France)
26 Engineering 2011 Nitra (Slovakia)

June 2011
02 VISIO 2011 Bibao (Spain)
03 International matchmaking event “B2B GOLF” Klaipeda (Lithuania)
09 Brokerage Event on Solar Technology Munich (Germany)
16 Baltic Business Arena Stockholm (Sweden)
22 Brokerage Event - Public Transport / Interiors 2011 Berlin Berlin (Germany)

November 2011
07 BATIMAT - Sustainable construction matchmaking event Paris (France)
09 HERVEX - Hydraulics, Pneumatics, Sealing Systems, Fine Mechanics, Dedicated Electronic Devices and Equipment and Mechatronics Calimanesti (Romania)
15 WATEC Israel 2011 Tel Aviv (Israel)
18 Philoxenia 2011:B2B Event in the Tourism Sector Thessaloniki (Greece)


Presentation of the Enterprise Europe Network What is a Network Partner? Find your local Enterprise Europe Network partner You are looking for a Commercial or Technology partnership?

Conference Week of Innovative Regions in Europe, WIRE2011, 7-9 June 2011, Debrecen, Hungary
Idea or ideal? Clusters & research infrastructures working together? WIRE2011 connects cluster development, research infrastructure policy in order to enhance innovation performances / regional development. It is dedicated to possible synergies between research infrastructures and cluster policy. WIRE2011 put urgent questions:

• Can the regions use the resources devoted to research and development, especially Structural Funds, the Research Framework Programme, the Competitiveness and Innovation Programme and other funding resources more efficiently to support their clusters and research infrastructures?
• How smart specialisation strategies related to EU Regional Policy can enable to optimise the use of R&D infrastructures by considering the role in clusters, regional innovation support systems, networks? How should the cooperation between EU regions, coherence between the priorities defined at the different levels of governance be ensured?
• Can the regional dimension of research infrastructures contribute to regional development and better regional research and innovation performance? Will member states complete and launch the construction of 60% of the ESFRI Roadmap Research Infrastructure projects by 2015, as it is called for in the Innovation Union?
• Can tools, such as European Research Infrastructure Consortia, help to improve the construction of and the access to high quality large research infrastructures?
More... http://wire2011.eu/ ; Irmela.Brach@ec.europa.eu

7th b2fair matchmaking event at HANNOVER MESSE, 4-8 April 2011
This international matchmaking event are organised by the Enterprise Europe Network-Luxembourg of the Luxembourg Chamber of Commerce in close collaboration with the Enterprise Europe Network Hanover at the NBank and the support of many colleagues of the Enterprise Europe Network.
With over 5,000 exhibitors and some 200,000 trade visitors, Hannover Messe offers an enormous potential of companies looking for business contacts on an international level. As connecting link between trade fairs and business co-operation events, b2fair allows visitors as well as exhibitors of the world's biggest industrial trade fair to optimise their trade fair participation by organising customised business meetings. Partner country of HANNOVER MESSE 2011 is France.
More... www.b2fair.com/HannoverMesse2011

Brokerage event SEETRANS Transport Research Opportunities for South East Europe in the EU, Liubliana, Slovenia, 12-13 April 2011
EU Transport NCP Alliance-ETNA, University of Maribor-TEC, WBC-INCO NET-Coordination of Research Policies with the Western Balkan Countries, Ministry, of Transport of Republic of Slovenia organise the networking& brokerage event. SEETRANS aims at bringing representatives of the EU transport research community together to discuss ideas for future cooperation – especially within the EU Framework Programme for Research & Innovation.
On the first day of this two-day event, researchers and research organisations will have a chance to present their expertise and research interests. The activities on the second day will concentrate the exchange of information on concrete project ideas and the development of strategies to realise collaborative projects – within the framework programme or by making use of other relevant platforms. This will take place in a series of parallel workshops focussing on thematic issues which will be defined according to information collected from registered participants prior to the event.
The EU network of Transport NCPs will provide participants with further active support in the dissemination of the partner search data generated by the event (project ideas, descriptions of expertise).
Participation in the event is free of charge, registration is mandatory. Deadline for registration is the 25th of March 2011.
More... http://www.transslo.plus.si/en/ ; fg.tec@uni-mb.si

7th INSME Annual Meeting on Competitiveness, Culture & Cross-Border Co-operation: Assisting SMEs to Grow, Innovate and Reach International Markets, 23-26 May 2011, Helsinki, Finland
The meeting is co-organised by the INSME Association, EPROCA – the EU ProClusters Association and will be an occasion for stimulating an open international debate on the innovation economy, involving lecturers/experts from outside the EU. The event will include, along with the International Conference, 9 thematic Roundtables, the Industrial Technical site visit to Arabiaranta and 2 Training Programmes - the EPROCA training programme on “Increasing global competitiveness of SMEs: tips and tools” and the INSME training programme on “Access to research and innovation for SMEs: challenges and tools”. Please note that registration deadline is 10th May 2011.
More ... http://www.annualmeeting2011.insme.org/

ICT Proposers' Day: Your networking opportunity for EU ICT research & development, Budapest, 19-20 May 2011
The event is dedicated to networking, promoting R&D in the field of Information and Communication Technologies. The event will provide academia/business sectors, SMEs/government actors from all over EU a platform for building partnerships/exchange ideas for participating in upcoming calls for proposals offering more than 1 billion € of EU funding.
About 2500 participants are expected to attend. Over 100 Commission officials will be present to provide information on the content of the calls for proposals, advice you on how to submit your proposal.
The on-line networking features of the website help proposers to meet virtually future project partners from all over EU, arrange meetings, share ideas and couple up to apply for EU support.
More... http://ec.europa.eu/information_society/events/ictproposersday/2011/index_en.htm

FUNEMS2011 – Future Network and Mobile Summit, Warsaw, Poland, 14-17 June 2011
It is the annual highlight of the EU future networks research. Registration is open with presenter and early bird delegate fees available up to 31 March.
In this newsflash we would also draw your attention on the recently published Green Paper on a Common Strategic Framework for future EU Research and Innovation Funding to consult all the stakeholders on the matter by 20 May.
Pre-Conference Events - Tuesday 14 June: Proposers' Networking Day - FP7-ICT Call 8 & Celtic-Plus Call 2
The Proposers' Networking Day, will focus on FP7-ICT Call 8 & Celtic-Plus Calls for Proposals. This workshop will be co-organised by NetiWorks (previously eMobility), ISI Technology Platforms & Celtic Plus, with support from the EC to provide an in-depth overview of these Calls. The afternoon session will be focused on project idea presentations that will be submitted in advance. The afternoon session will be restricted to those participants who have submitted ideas to be shared focused on preparing proposals. The following workshops will also take place on Tuesday 14 June 2011:
- Future Internet Cluster Workshop on Future Network Architectures (Full Day)
- European Workshop on Broadband Femtocell Networks (Full Day) ; Putting Mobile Services into Context (Half Day)
- Technologies for LTE-Advanced: from Theory to Practice (Half Day)
- Next Generation Converged Access Networks - Opportunities, Achievements and Challenges (Tuesday afternoon)
More... Pre-conference Events ; Advance Programme ; brochure ; Exhibition.
Open information day and brokerage event for FP7 Health, Brussels, 9-10 June 2011

The DG - Research & Innovation of the EC is organising the information event to highlight the 2012 Work Programme of FP7 Health, which is due to be published in July 2011. It is the best chance to get first hand information, to be involved in top level consortia. The programme consist of plenary sessions and several parallel workshops on participating in FP7 Health. Participants will also be able to exchange information and network at a special session where various service providers will be present. A related partnering event will take place on 10 June 2011. It will be organised by the FP7 support services Health-NCP-Net and Fit-For-Health at a different location. Session topics are set to include:
- FP7 Health planning 2012;
- Participating in an EU funded project: challenges & opportunities with parallel workshops on opportunities for SMEs, Focus on clinical trials, International cooperation, Communicating EU research;
- Participating in an EU-funded project: running and managing a project.
More... http://ec.europa.eu/research/health/events-05_en.html ; Open information day & brokerage event for FP7 Health

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

You are a un enter, 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.

SMEs

Business Offers

Bulgarian Company Complex Credo LTD was established in 2008 with its c. Trudovec. We are training and vocational centre. The education policy of the Centre is aimed at creating the conditions for qualitative study, vocational training and is ready to meet the current educational needs and specific vocational requirements. The Centre offers excellent facilities equipped with modern technical means. All training rooms with 30/60 places computer training room equipped with 10 jobs specialized laboratories for training with professional "Gas installations and air-conditioning". The hotel "Credo", as part of the complex "Credo" offers comfort and calm atmosphere for its guests high quality services at affordable prices.

1. We would like to contact partners to conduct joint training sessions on topical themes (new technologies, solar technologies, ecological balance)
2. We want to work with clients interested in corporate training, customers searching for conducting basis of their seminars, celebrations, events. We are interested in contact with tourists to organize tours and travel itineraries.
3. We are looking for information on the developments in the field of training and tourism information about the new requirements in the European regulations.
4. We want to participate in EU programs and projects in the field of training of personnel

Contact: “Complex Credo”LSD, Bulgaria, Trudovec, 6, Car Simeon Street, Tel: 035972393379; 0878 620 425;0878 620 319, Mrs Galina Nikolova, g.nikolova@centrecredo.com ; info@otvaszavas.bg

Looking for manufacturers (precision milling of aluminium castings) Romania

Looking for manufacturing partners who can offer improved efficiency with precision milling of aluminium castings (waveguide and other related components) up to 5kg maximum weight. The company supplies Diplexers, Couplers to the major global telecom companies. It is a high quality company and look for the same features in their partners.

Casting capability: Available capacity
Customer orientated; Pays attention to detail
Proactive and open communicators
Experience in machining waveguide components

Choose: Tracey Ward, European Knowledge Transfer Executive, Enterprise Europe Scotland, Tel: +44 (0)141 2282252 ; Mob: +44 (0)7879085873; email: tracey.ward@scotent.co.uk

Business Request

A company from Eastern Europe (Transylvania, Romania) search for partners in renewable energy field

The company profile design consultancy European funds and we are looking for unconventional energy investors (wind, small hydropower, solar and photovoltaic panels, biomass). We offer our services from the establishment phase of the site, project development, obtaining approval of operation, building permits, including supervision of construction works.

Contact: Mr. Vlad Dan, email: stelutaimpex@gmail.com ; phone: +040740235675

BABADAG” WIND ENERGY PROJECT Investment Opportunity

The developer (or the “Shareholder”) of a wind energy project (the “Project”) has expressed his intentions to proceed with the sale of up to 100% of the shares held in the project company (the “Special Purpose Vehicle” or the “Company”). The shareholder invites either strategic or financial investors to participate in this sale process.

The Project consists of building and operating a 31.5 MW wind farm (15 x 2.1 MW Suzlon S88 WTGs), located in Dobrogea region, SE Romania, with the following characteristics: Capacity: 31.5 MW; Mean wind speed (80 m): 6.5–7 m/s; Main Wind Direction: NNW; Capacity Factor: 26.1%; Annual production (E): 73.656 MWh; Project life: 20 years

Data analysis and modelling and the preliminary wind study performed by MEGAJOULE II - Consultoria em Energias Renovaveis SA (Portugal), based on the data from the existing 3 met masts covering an area of 25 km radius.
In order to obtain a better characterization of wind resource and to reduce the inter-annual variability, a correlation with two auxiliary station with enough data period was performed. The Measure-Correlate-Predict (MCP) methodology was
applied between the MJ084 – Babadag 1 in situ measurement station, two near masts with enough measurement period, MJ030 – Agighiol, located at about 15 km to Northeast, and MJ017 – Acic Suhat, located at about 25 km to Southeast. The MCP was done to enlarge the time period of Babadag 1 met station wind data up to 4 years.

Contact: Mr. Vlad Ion, email: stelutaimpex@gmail.com; Tel/Fax: +40 36 141-3126

**Company from Scotland is looking for a distributor for their product(s) in Romania.**

A background about the company: it markets a portfolio of innovative consumer healthcare products in Central and Eastern Europe, Scandinavia and the CIS. They sell a range of branded medical devices, over-the-counter medicines and food supplements via a network of distributors and affiliated companies. Current product innovations in the Ear, Nose and Throat category have lead to strong sales across a broad spectrum of markets. This should be repeatable in Romania offering good revenue and profit streams to the local company.

In sum the client is looking for a company to act as a distributor for one or more of the company’s range of over-the-counter (OTC) products through the pharmacy channel with the support of medical representatives visiting General Practitioners, Ear. Nose & Throat (ENT) specialists and possibly also paediatricians.

**Contact:** Anis Mourad, Scottish Enterprise, Glasgow, Email: anis.mourad@scotent.co.uk; Tel: +44 (0)141 228 2522

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**A Company from Turkey, search for the following issues**

1. Engineering and design work for 500KV and 220KV High Voltage Energy Transmission Lines (HVTL). Contact with engineering companies having experience in HVTL is required.
2. Tower manufacturing companies with reference in HVTL. (special interest for companies in Ukraine, Makedonia, Russia, Bulgaria, Romania)
3. Conductor manufacturing companies, certified by EN
4. HVTL izolator manufacturing companies

**Contact:** EEN-Anatolia and Mr. Ugur Yuksel, Director of Procurement, email: ugur.yuksel@lotus-enerji.com

**Technology Offers**

**Technology for build barrier against flooding, erosion, ground stabilisation, coastal protection from Switzerland**

“Quick-Snake” distinguished by the “Prix Prevention” from Swiss Real Estate Insurance". If the sand bags, in the case of erosion are considered the quickest solution, the modular barrier were each modular unity corresponds to 70 sand bags represent a more efficient solution. Anyway plausible were that this system, thought to erect sand-barriers (also submerged) to combat flood-and erosion damages, by means of a modular and mechanical driven filling method, as well could serve to create larger spaces of safety around other civil strategic objectives.

The barriers “Quick-Snake” are recommended by the VKF/AEAI (Vereinigung Kantonaler Feuerversicherungen (Organisation of Canton Fire Insurances and Federal Office for Water and Geology), Bern und Bundesamt für Wasser und Geologie, Biel March 2004. At the moment the Company for the Rhine Protection in Switzerland and Austria has ordered 2 Km of our modular mobile barrier, as first integration for its equipment of sandbags followed form the flooding defence of the Rhon (650 m)”. We have experimented with success in Switzerland this barrier-set up system, in company with a team of armed forces specialist on the field of disaster management, as well on a air field.

**Contact:** GAIATEC AG, Tel/Fax +41 71 3111908, Dr. Sergio Manzin manzin@bluewin.ch; www.gaiatec.ch

A Romanian University have developed a new technology: TELEMON, Integrated system for real-time telemonitoring of patients, elderly people; Key worlds: e-Health, telemonitoring, embedded systems, (bio)signal processing, elderly people

**Contact:** Prof. dr. eng. HARITON COSTIN, “Gr.T. Popa” University of Medicine and Farmacy Iasi, e-mail: hcostin@gmail.com; tel: 40-0232-21.41.46, 40-0232-21.35.93, www.umfiasi.ro

**Technology Request**

**eLearning technology platform supporting and integrating CAD/modeling activities**

An Italian company holding a unique know-how in apparel modeling supplies simple web-based remote learning and consultancy services to clients of the fashion sector. It is looking for a suitable eLearning platform with effective features to engineer and support learning modules for modeling (also CAD-based).

**Software application for risk potential analysis of individual human beings**

A Dutch high profile logistics & distribution organization is seeking software technology that can automatically and autonomously make a risk assessment or risk profile of individuals. The organisation is interested in contacts R&D institutes
and specialised companies in the framework of technical cooperation and commercial agreements with technical assistance.

**Development of dental consumables such as glass ionomer cement and tooth filling products**

A French manufacturer in dental products is looking for a technical partner to develop a range of dental consumable products. The French SME wants to maintain its competitive advantage through the development of new products such as a glass ionomer cement and a last generation dental bonding for composite.

**Innovative technologies for waste treatment (water, sludge)**

An Austrian company specialised in plant engineering of waste water and drinking water applications is looking for innovative technologies to broaden its product range. Technologies of interest are in the field of waste water and sewage sludge treatment and heat recovery.

**Intellectual Property**

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**Research / Innovation and Entrepreneurship**

**Business matchmaking**

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- This is a free business matchmaking where contacts get created directly over the internet.

More... http://www.newexportmarket.com/

**Seeking innovative devices to reduce / monitor water consumption or to assist in recycling**

An international company is seeking innovative devices to reduce/monitor water consumption or to assist in recycling water. Desired outcome: Innovative technical devices to reduce water consumption, assist users in monitoring their consumption of water, for use with taps / faucets, showers, baths & toilets, in both domestic/commercial usage. New, inexpensive, innovative ways to help recycle water e.g. garden water (collection, storage, usage), hot water tanks, cylinders, central heating systems, grey water recycling devices etc.

Devices should be easy to fit by consumer or competent plumber, retrofit-fit or new fit.

Through the web site Innoget we connect our customers with companies and research institutions worldwide.

More... www.innoget.com ; http://tinyurl.com/4loeynd ; info@innoget.com

**From the Perfect Storm of IP in 1980 to the Rapid Decline of IP in 2011. What Happened?**

Several weeks ago Neil Wilkof proposed a list of 25 IP milestones since the 1970s here.

During 1980s, we encountered a perfect storm whereby IP burst upon the scene, capturing popular consciousness, aligning itself with both the technological, political trends of the time, where high IP protection was the dominant norm. Forward to 2011, what we find?... Patents, reconceived in 1980s as a potential handmaiden of competition, are now increasingly viewed as potential exclusionary tool for unjustified legal exploitation. The patent troll is a term of opprobrium in many circles, the explosion of registered patents is now accompanied with claims of “declining” patent quality.

More... Read the Full and Original Article, "IP Renaissance and IP Baroque: A Coda on IP Milestones"

**WIPO Launches New On-line Tool to Facilitate Brand Searches**

Innovation thrives between the lines of chaos & control

The world's biggest R&D spenders

The Impact of the Global Financial Crisis on the Budgets of Low-Income Countries

The World's favorite country

Why US&China Woo Mongolia

What's the best thing about being a woman entrepreneur?

**Partner Search**

**CIVITAS Call - Profile of Croatian Public Authority**

The County Institute for Physical Planning Primorsko-goranska County” from Croatia search for partnership under CIVITAS Programme. **Fields of Activity:** Physical and Regional Planning, Coordination of Spatial Plans for Local Authorities, Project Management, other Strategically documents of Regional Level. **Topic(s) Interested:** FP7-SST-CIVITAS-2011-MOVE. SST.2011.3.4-1. Design, implement, test innovative strategies for sustainable urban transport, other topics connected to land use, sustainable transport planning, planning transport infrastructure in physical plans, etc.

**Contact** Ljudevit Krpan, PhD, Head of Section for Strategic Infrastructure and Development, Tel/fax: +385 51351751, +385 99 8020233, ljudevit.krpan@pgz.hr ; www.zavod.pgz.hr

**Interreg IVC partner search from Castilla y Leon region (Spain)**

A Non-profit organization from Castilla y Leon region (Spain), working on the research and treatment in Mental Health, is looking for partners for an Interreg IVC project proposal (deadline 1st April). The project proposal "INNOCARE" focuses on raising awareness and enabling policy-makers to effectively design innovation strategies addressed to dependent and elderly people in the social-health domain, so that to preserve and enhance independence and dignity in all aspects of
life. The lead partner is looking for Regional Government Authorities from the Socio-health area interested in this project proposal. Expressions of interest should be sent as soon as possible and are welcomed from every European country.

Contact: Ana Cuadrado, consorcios@adeuropa.org

**Data Base – Partner Search for INTERREG IVC Projects**


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

Call for tender: Study on Open platforms for Web-based applications and services in Europe, enlarging the stakeholders’ community - SMART2011/0043

**Deadline:** 04/04/2011

Development of new generation of web-based applications, services requires a deep knowledge of the current web ecosystem and its foreseen evolution, including the identification of EU stakeholders groups involved, as well as the identification of technical, policy, economic challenges posed by future web platforms. An analysis of the social uses of the existing platforms/future trends is required. This is essential to prepare future EU R&I programmes to support this important economic area.


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**Business sectors**

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**Open calls for proposals of the Seventh Framework Programme for Research and Development**

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Policy

Genomics: Ministers back innovation alliance on 'healthy ageing'
As the EU prepares to launch a pilot innovation partnership on "active and healthy ageing," patient groups are stressing that the initiative should not only focus on medical innovation, but also address age-friendly environments and access to health care.

The EU’s population is getting older and older. According to the EC, the working-age population will start to shrink from 2012, while the over-60s population will continue to increase by two million people each year. The strongest pressure is expected to occur during the period 2015-35, when the baby-boomer generation reaches retirement age. This presents challenges for the sustainability of public finances, in particular for the financing of health care and pensions.


The goal of the partnership, which will involve private and public partners, is to increase the life expectancy of Europeans by an average of two years by 2020. It is the first pilot partnership adopted under the 'Europe 2020' flagship initiative for an Innovation Union [http://ec.europa.eu/research/innovation-union/index_en.cfm] and seeks to find solutions to societal challenges, while nurturing a competitive advantage for EU businesses in key markets related to ageing.

The research effort could involve new EU-funded projects or simply coordinate existing programmes, (as for Alzheimer's & Parkinson's Disease) [http://www.euractiv.com/en/science/eu-countries-join-forces-on-ageing-research-news448949].

NextSteps

LinksEuropeanUnion
* 2012 to be the European Year for Active Ageing [http://ec.europa.eu/social/main.jsp?langId=en&catId=89&newsId=860]
* EU Public Health Alliance (EPHA): response to consultation on Healthy & Active Ageing [http://www.epha.org/a/4389]

European Energy Efficiency Plan: Commission gears up for more savings with smart meters

The EC adopted a plan for saving more energy through concrete measures, among them the roll-out of smart grids.smart meters which provide consumers with the information/services necessary to optimise their energy consumption/calculate their energy savings. Energy efficiency is a key tool for strengthening EU's competitiveness, reduces energy dependence, while decreasing the level of emissions. The set of measures proposed aims at creating substantial benefits: it should improve the EU's industrial competitiveness, generate financial savings of up to EUR 1000 per household every year. More... [http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/11/271&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en]

A European Single Market for employee ownership

European Commissioner Michel Barnier organised a vast consultation about the new "Single Market Act". The single market is all about bringing down barriers, simplifying existing rules across EU. It would also include a EU single market for employee ownership.

Read more

Employee ownership improves company performance

There is a lot of social science evidence today that shows the combination of meaningful broad-based employee ownership...
with a team-oriented corporate culture improves company performance. Many research works have been done in the U.S. for long. A first econometric work is now also available about French companies:

According to the Center for Strategic Analysis, the social performance of a company having employee share ownership is 52% higher than that of companies which have neither employee share ownership nor employee savings plan.

Read more

Events

2nd Workshop on Software Services: Cloud Computing & Applications based on Software Services, 6-9 June 2011 - Timisoara, Romania

Aim: WoSS intends to be an open forum for academics, practitioners, and vendors, allowing them to discuss the current trends as well as scientific and technological challenges in software services. Topics:

- Cloud computing architectures and standards
- Cloud oriented programming and middleware
- Cloud application portability and scalability
- Cloud services reliability, availability, performance and monitoring
- Business and applications based on software services
- Service modeling, specification, composition, discovery, monitoring
- Cloud compliant applications; Cloud security
- Automatic computing
- Virtualization technologies
- Service oriented computing
- Negotiation and service-level agreements
- Quality of services and non-functional aspects

More... [http://spurers.eu/events/2nd-woss](http://spurers.eu/events/2nd-woss); [http://www.easychair.org/conferences/?conf=2ndwoss](http://www.easychair.org/conferences/?conf=2ndwoss)

22nd EAEEIE Annual Conference, Maribor, Slovenia, June 13 - 15, 2011

The EAEEIE (European Association for Education in Electrical & Information Engineering) is a EU non-profit organization, with members from seventy EU Universities, most of them teaching in the area of Electrical and Information Engineering (EIE). The mission of the EAEEIE is to enhance education in EIE through understanding of European education practices, industry participation, continuing education, credit transfer in international exchanges, scientific, educational research, to determine criteria to establish standards on EIE education. The event is organized by the University of Maribor, Faculty of Electrical Engineering & Computer Science, Institute of Informatics, Database Technology Laboratory.

The objective of the Conference is to bring together lecturers, researchers, professionals in the field of EIE all over Europe with the aim to exchange ideas and information and contribute to the development of EIE education. We cordially invite you to participate and submit your contribution to EAEEIE 2011, which includes (but is not limited to) the following topics:

- Engineering education & internationalization
- Innovation in pedagogical way of teaching
- Application of ICTs in Education
- European Curricula in Electrical & Information Eng.
- International Partnerships in Teaching
- Cooperation with Industry in Teaching
- Gender Issues, Women in Engineering
- The Student Perspective of Electrical and Information Eng.
- Virtual Learning Environments in Electrical & Information Eng
- Lifelong Learning in Electrical & Information Engineering
- Raising Security & Privacy Awareness in Education
- Research & Innovation as a Part of Education

Additionally, a special parallel session for postgraduate students presenting their work will be organized. A special best paper award will also be presented for works presented in this session.

Submissions: The Program Committee invites original proposals which contain at least four pages and at most six pages in standard IEEE two-column format; full paper submissions are preferred. Electronic submission (using the paper submission system) in PDF format is required. Please identify a contact author with his/her affiliation and e-mail address.

Proceedings: EAEEIE 2011 will produce informal proceedings of the accepted contributions. During the closing session of the conference a special award will be presented to the best paper of EAEEIE 2011. After the conference the formal proceedings will be produced and made available via IEEE Xplore. Deadlines and Key Dates: Submission of manuscripts: March 20, 2011, Notification of acceptance: April 15, 2011, Camera-ready manuscript: May 6, 2011

More... [http://eaeeie2011.uni-mb.si](http://eaeeie2011.uni-mb.si); [eaeeie2011@uni-mb.si](mailto:eaeeie2011@uni-mb.si)

Get prepared to the CBC Black Sea programme call for proposals: the AER Conference in Batumi, 5-6 April 2011

The Assembly of European Regions (AER) is organising on 5-6 April 2011 in Batumi, Georgia, a Conference of the Black Sea Region which will focus on the CBC Black Sea programme. The 2nd call for proposals has been postponed to April. The Conference will therefore be a very timely event and will offer you the possibility to:

- get to know more about the new call and the new application package
- meet potential project partners for your project, if you have one
- get to hear more about other project proposals which you might join if you do not have a specific project on your own
- get tips from an experienced project manager, Umiliana Grifoni, who has been working on the programme, to help you design a successful project proposal
- get to know everything about Black Sea Joint Operational Programme from Iulia Bara, Head of the Joint Managing Authority, in charge of the programme coordination, Ministry of Regional Development and Tourism, Romania

Time has been planned for a partnership fair, allowing you to fully benefit from this 1,5-day event to meet your counterparts in partner countries, ask our expert for an individual meeting. Representatives from the Joint Managing Authority, national contact points have been invited, regional authorities from Black Sea Regions, delegates from the Black Sea NGO Forum, members of BSEC or PABSEC. Do not miss this unique opportunity to develop or get involved in a project around the Black Sea! Registrations are free of charge. Simultaneous interpretation will be ensured in English, French, German, Georgian, Turkish. Please note the deadline for registrations: 18 March!

More... [www.aer.eu](http://www.aer.eu) (Click on Black Sea Conference at the bottom)

9th International Conference on Reliability, Maintainability & Safety ICRMS, 12-15 June 2011, Guiyang, Guizhou
Provinve, China
During the conference, academic forums, subject reports will be delivered by experts from around the world. The conference will provide participants with the latest research in RMS. The papers presented at the conference will be published in highly regarded journals and entered in El Retrieval. The organizing committee would like to receive more papers and contributions from outside China in order to increase the exchanged values between participating experts during this event. Subsequently, an exceptional extension of the abstracts submission date until Mars 31st have been decided, for contributions from outside China. Topics of interest to:

- Reliability, Maintainability,
- Safety Theory and Application
- Safety Management; Reliability, Maintainability,
- Safety Design and Analysis
- Reliability Test and Verification
- Reliability Design Methods and Tools

More... http://www.icrms.cn/

CFP-VINOrg, 1st International Conference on Virtual & Networked Organizations: Emergent Technologies & Tools, Ofir, Portugal, July 6-8, 2011
The overall objectives of the conference are to contribute to the development, implementation and promotion of advanced emergent IC technologies to be used in future Virtual & Networked Organizations, through the discussion and sharing of knowledge, as well as experiences/scientific/technical results.

Topics: metaverse, virtual/augmented reality, ubiquitous computing/organizations, grid computing, cloud computing, human-computer interfaces, architectures, games, intelligence/soft computing, data mining, web services, cognitive systems, social networks, emergent IT/IS approaches in various function domains, such as decision support systems, planning, design, control, negotiation, marketing, management, in the context of virtual/networked enterprises and organizations.

All accepted full papers will be published in the Conference Proceedings to be published by Springer-Verlag in a book of the CCIS series (Communications in Computer & Information Science), which is listed in the ISI proceedings index. Authors of selected papers will be invited to extend their papers for publication in some international scientific journals.

More... http://www.2100projects.org/vinorg11; vinorg@2100projects.org

Invaluable Infrastructure, Enabling development and innovation, 22 June, The Barbican, London
This event is CPD certified. The Invaluable Infrastructure conference will look at how renewed investment in public infrastructure is vital for the economy to flourish. The speakers will discuss the vision to bring long-term stability to investment and explore innovations in finance, the potential of public private partnerships and new investment models. Delegates will also hear how best to secure private investment and improve infrastructure on a regional and national level.

More... Read more; Register; http://www.publicserviceevents.co.uk/q8hn/overview.asp?ID=184; programme online

Federated Conference on Computer Science & Information Systems, FedCSIS, Szczecin, Poland, 19-21 Sept 2011
In cooperation with IEEE Region 8 and sponsored by Intel Proceedings in IEEE Xplore. This multi-conference is still very much in the making, but it is already shaping up as the largest computing, information systems conference staged in Poland. The FedCSIS multi-conference consists of a significant number of Events, the Call for Events is open in all areas of computer science, information systems and new proposals for associated Events (conferences, symposia, workshops, special sessions, etc.) are cordially invited until 1-May-2011.

More... http://www.fedcsis.org; secretariat@fedcsis.org

The European Electric Vehicles Conference, 26 May, 2011, Brussels
Hosted by The Centre for European Policy Studies and Forum Europe, the European Electric Vehicles Conference, the event will analyse the key policy and business steps required to deploy electric vehicles on a commercial scale and will be of interest to stakeholders in the energy, transport and environment sectors.

More... www.e-vehicles2011.eu

EU-US cooperation on eHealth: ongoing and planned action, 14 April 2011, Brussels
Following the signature on 17th Dec 2010 of the MoU EU-US related to ICT for Health activities, the EC is organising a workshop on the EU-US cooperation on eHealth to present ongoing & planned actions together with the US Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology. Several European stakeholders will also participate. Registration is free but compulsory.

More... http://ec.europa.eu/information_society/newsroom/cf/itemlongdetail.cfm?item_id=6788 eHealth@ec.europa.eu

Training Events / Jobs
Calendar of training courses in nanoscience and electronics

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Micropositioning 06-07.04.2011  Neuchâtel (CH)
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Electromagnetic Compatibility of Integrated Circuits 14.04.2011  Neuchâtel (CH)
Electron Microscopy: recent progress in methodologies and new applications 28.04.2011  Neuchâtel (CH)
Polymer Microfabrication (2 days) 03-04.05.2011  Karlsruhe (DE)

More... [link to course directory]

**EURO Doctoral Dissertation Award EDDA 2012 Announcement**

The EDDA (EURO Doctoral Dissertation Award) is a EURO instrument. It consists of a prize that is awarded at each EURO-K conference. The purpose of the prize is to distinguish an outstanding PhD thesis in Operational Research defended in the countries having an OR society that is member of EURO. It will be awarded for the sixth time at the closing session of the EURO-2012 conference (Vilnius, July 8-11, 2012).

The EDDA 2012 jury will only consider PhD theses in Operational Research defended between 15 January 2010 and 15 January 2012 (the deadline). The dissertation should have been defended in a University located in a member country of EURO. Since many PhD theses in OR are defended each year, the jury would like to remind supervisors that only outstanding pieces of work have a reasonable chance of winning the award.

More... [link to more details]

**Calendar of training courses in project management, regional and SMEs development**

Finance in FP7, 5 April 2011, Cambridge, UK, [link to registration]
Cordis Europa Events; Selected Events 2010