



# TENDER WATCH 2009-01

## EBN Project Engineering Services

### Dear EBN Members,

Welcome to the first EBN Tender Watch of 2009. It is with great pleasure that we are presenting the first opportunities for you to bid this year!

For the members of the BIC Clean tech network who will meet on the 1st April in Brussels, you'll find all relevant calls on page 2 to prepare your ideas for an interesting working session.

We would like to inform you that EBN is joining forces with some of you on the Galileo call (page 4) as well as the Entrepreneurial culture of young people and entrepreneurship education (page 5).

As always, your EBN Project Engineering Team remains at your disposal to assist with any aspect of project development, including:

- Help in finding partners to join your consortium;
- Help join other consortia, established within or outside the EBN network;
- Support in establishing a project consortium and to identify the project leader;
- Obtain more detailed information on specific calls and undertake specific lobbying if relevant;
- Identify and mobilise qualified expertise for your consortium;
- Help in identifying and mobilising specific expertise for the engineering of the offer (i.e. writing the technical offer, re-drafting CVs and/or organizational profiles, gathering administrative documents).

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## Open & Forecast Calls for Proposals in the Clean tech sector

### Intelligent Energy Europe (IEE)

Executive Agency for Competitiveness and Innovation (EACI)

**Call 2009**

**Publication:** late March 2009

**Deadline:** late June 2009

#### Promotion and dissemination projects

**Objective:** to save energy, to encourage the use of renewable energy resources and support sustainable energy projects.

#### Funding areas:

- Energy efficiency
  - Buildings
  - Energy-efficient products
- Renewable energy sources
  - Electricity
  - Heating and cooling
  - Biofuels
  - Small-scale in buildings
- Mobility
  - Alternative fuels and clean vehicles
  - Energy-efficient transport
  - Capacity building in agencies
- Local leadership
  - European networking for local action
  - Sustainable energy communities
- Special initiatives
  - Bio-business
  - Energy services
  - Intelligent Energy Education

**Overall budget:** 65 million €

**Duration:** max. 36 months

[http://ec.europa.eu/energy/intelligent/index\\_en.html](http://ec.europa.eu/energy/intelligent/index_en.html)

### Eco-Innovation

EACI in close cooperation with DG Environment

**Call 2009 part of the Entrepreneurship and Innovation Programme (EIP) under the Competitiveness and Innovation Programme (CIP)**

**Publication:** 20th April 2009

**Deadline:** 10th September 2009

#### Objectives:

- To support first applications and market uptake of innovative technologies and practices;
- To help bridge the gap between research & development and the business world;
- To help overcome the residual market barriers that currently hamper the success of eco-innovative products and services, especially those encountered by European SMEs.

#### Main priority areas (from 2008 call, tbc):

- Materials recycling
- Buildings
- Food and Drink sector
- Greening business and smart purchasing

**Budget:** 30 million € to be awarded to around 40 projects

**Duration:** max. 36 months

#### Info Day: 20th April 2009

To register on-line, please visit:

[http://ec.europa.eu/environment/etap/ecoinnovation/events\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/environment/etap/ecoinnovation/events_en.htm)

[http://ec.europa.eu/environment/etap/ecoinnovation/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/environment/etap/ecoinnovation/index_en.htm)

### Energy 2009 EU-Brazil Coordinated Call

DG Research

**FP7-ENERGY-2009-BRAZIL**

**Deadline:** 5th May 2009

**Expected impact:** Benefit from the complementarities of expertise and experience in EU and Brazil. Pave the way for significant enhancement in the cooperation between key researchers, institutions and industries that are active in biofuel research in EU and Brazil.

**Special features:** To ensure a project implementation that reflects a genuine EU-Brazil cooperation, priority in evaluation will be given to proposals involving properly coordinated research activities between Europe and Brazil in the research plan of the two coordinated projects.

**Budget:** 4 million € up to 2 projects will be funded on each side.

**Duration:** max. 48 months.

[http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm?fuseaction=UserSite.CooperationDetailsCallPage&call\\_id=192](http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm?fuseaction=UserSite.CooperationDetailsCallPage&call_id=192)



## Open Calls for Proposals in the Research are I

### FP7—ICT Call 4

DG Research

**Objective ICT-2009.9.3 : General  
Accompanying Measures**

**Deadline:** 1st April 2009

#### Target outcomes:

- a) Co-ordinated approach to assess the current and future situation with regards to ICT *R&D skills* in Europe and to engage in promotion actions aimed at building up and attracting more ICT research expertise in Europe.
- b) Networking actions to raise awareness of *pre-commercial procurement* in Europe and exchange experiences between stakeholders, as well as to debate concrete mid-to-long term public needs that would require the development of new technology solutions with a potential role for pre-commercial procurement strategies.
- c) Co-ordinated approach to the setting-up of *shared research facilities excellence centres or clusters*.
- d) Coordination of the research in the economics of ICT by bringing together the main research groups in Europe addressing for example the assessment of ICT induced investment in intangibles, the assessment of the impact of ICT R&D expenditures and ICT R&D policy on productivity, the economic impact of ICT as an enabler of new inventions and R&D externalities in and between industries, and between countries.
- e) A platform to facilitate access to finance for innovative SMEs participating in the ongoing ICT projects in the Framework Programme.

**Budget:** 4 million € overall; each CSA to be awarded a budget of 400.000 to 700.000 €

**Duration:** 24 months

[http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm?fuseaction=UserSite.CooperationDetailsCallPage&call\\_id=185](http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm?fuseaction=UserSite.CooperationDetailsCallPage&call_id=185)

### FP7—Coordinated ERA-NET Call 2009

DG Research

**FP7-ERANET-2009-RTD**

**Deadline:** 21st April 2009

**Objective:** to develop and strengthen the coordination of public research programmes conducted at national or regional level.

#### Joint Call covering five themes:

- 1) Environment (including Climate Change);
- 2) Health;
- 3) 3) Food, Agriculture and Fisheries, and Biotechnology;
- 4) Nanosciences, Nanotechnologies, Materials and new Production Technologies;
- 5) Socio-economic sciences and Humanities.

#### Eligibility criteria:

Only "**Programme owners**" (typically national ministries/regional authorities) and "**Programme managers**" (such as research councils or funding agencies) are considered as eligible partners in an ERA-NET action.

Research organisations or universities which are NOT programme owners or managers are NOT eligible partners for ERA-NET actions.

**Overall budget:** up to 12.5 million €

[http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/Index.cfm?fuseaction=UserSite.FP7DetailsCallPage&call\\_id=183](http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/Index.cfm?fuseaction=UserSite.FP7DetailsCallPage&call_id=183)

### 7th Joint CORNET Call

For Transnational Collective Research Project Proposals

**Deadline:** 30th April 2009

**Objective:** to promote close cooperation of the national/regional ministries and agencies and to create opportunities to set up transnational collective research with national/regional funding.

Since this call is organised and funded by the national and regional ministries and agencies through their funding programmes, **it is important for all project partners to consult their respective agencies** during the preparation of the proposal to secure compliance with the applicable national and regional criteria on the Cornet website.

[www.cornet-era.net](http://www.cornet-era.net)





## Open Calls for Proposals in the Research are II

### FP7-Transport including aeronautics

DG Research

**FP7-GALILEO-2008-GSA-1**

**Deadline:** 31st March 2009

**Objective:** to procure and set up the various elements that constitute the Galileo infrastructure, in particular the completion of the space and ground infrastructures, system support tasks, launch and operation of services, as well as the development of external interfaces for the future service/application systems and test receivers.

Beyond manufacturing of equipments, the procurement activities encompass tradeoffs and analysis, simulations, testing, demonstration, in-orbit validation, and other activities that increase competencies of European companies in satellite navigation.

#### Activities:

- Activity 7.4.1 Exploiting the full potential
- Activity 7.4.2 Providing the tools and creating the appropriate environment
- Activity 7.4.3 Adapting receivers to requirements and upgrading core Technologies
- Activity 7.4.4 Supporting infrastructure evolution

**Overall budget:** 30 million €

[http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm?fuseaction=UserSite.CooperationDetailsCallPage&call\\_id=191](http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm?fuseaction=UserSite.CooperationDetailsCallPage&call_id=191)

### EUROTRANS-BIO (ETB) 4th Call

**Deadline:** 27th April 2009

12 countries and regions participate in this call:

- Austria
- Finland
- France
- Germany
- Hungary
- Italy
- The Netherlands
- Basque Country (Spain)
- Catalonia (Spain)
- Madrid (Spain)
- Flanders (Belgium)
- Wallonia (Belgium)

#### Objectives:

- to foster biotech SMEs in sharing risks, costs and skills related to innovation.

- to establish cross-border partnerships between SMEs in the biotech sector to improve and accelerate trans-national technology transfer, strengthen European efforts to achieve sustainable development, to develop an internal market for research & technology and to develop an efficient joint European research policy.

**Eligible partners:** Although SMEs form the main target, Universities and research institutes as well as large industries are eligible as partners.

**Budget:** min. of 30 million € of overall funding

**Duration:** 24 to 36 months

<http://www.eurotransbio.net/>

### Eurostars 2nd Call

EUREKA

**Call 2009**

**Deadline:** 24th September 2009

**Objective:** to provide funding for market-oriented research and development with the active participation of specifically research and development performing small and medium-sized enterprises (R&D-performing SMEs).

The list of participant countries is available at: <http://www.eurostars-eureka.eu/where.do>  
Eurostars projects will be funded primarily through national funding schemes. The amount of funding and costs eligible for funding will follow national rules and procedures. It may therefore vary between Eurostars member countries. You are strongly invited to contact your EUREKA NPC at <http://www.eureka.be/contacts> for information on the applicable funding rules, and availability of funding per cut-off date.

<http://www.eurostars-eureka.eu>



## Open Calls for Proposals dedicated to enhance Entrepreneurship

### Entrepreneurial culture of young people and entrepreneurship Education

DG Enterprise & Industry  
**ENTR/CIP/09/E/N02S001**

**Deadline:** 20th April 2009

#### Objective:

##### Lot 1:

Establishing a cross-European workshop programme for entrepreneurship professors in higher education to share knowledge and learn from practitioners (Entrepreneurship Summer Academy);

##### Lot 2:

- Creating a common on-line platform for entrepreneurship educators and related practitioners;
- Creating a European Entrepreneurship Educators Network;
- Fostering entrepreneurship among female university graduates;
- Fostering the entrepreneurial mindsets of young people outside the educational environment;
- Developing innovative and practice-based teaching material on entrepreneurship for higher (university) education, in particular by using real cases and experiential learning.

**Overall budget:** 2.750.000 €

**Individual EC funding:** 200.000 € to 500.000 €

Up to 2 projects to be funded under Lot 1

Up to 10 projects to be funded under Lot 2

#### Duration:

Lot 1 : 36 months

Lot 2: 15 months

[http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/newsroom/cf/itemlongdetail.cfm?item\\_id=2103&lang=en](http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/newsroom/cf/itemlongdetail.cfm?item_id=2103&lang=en)

### Erasmus for young entrepreneurs

DG Enterprise & Industry

#### Objectives:

- Offers new entrepreneurs the opportunity to learn from an experienced entrepreneur who is running a small or medium-sized enterprise (SME) in another EU country;
- Enables the exchange of experience between new and experienced entrepreneurs;
- Facilitates access to new markets and the search for potential business partners;
- Enhances networking between business people and SMEs;
- Allows experienced entrepreneurs to develop new commercial relations and find out more about opportunities in another EU country.

#### Eligibility criteria:

- **New entrepreneurs** are entrepreneurs who are firmly planning to set up their own business or have already started their own business within the last three years.
- Experienced entrepreneurs should own or manage an SME in the EU.

#### How to participate:

Interested new and experienced entrepreneurs apply through the on-line registration form and establish contact with the intermediary organisations (IOs) that they have chosen. As part of the registration, the entrepreneurs will have to select one of the IOs officially appointed to handle their application. Ideally, the IOs should be active in the country or region of origin of the entrepreneurs. The chosen IO will act as guide and contact throughout the process. You can download the Intermediary Organisations Directory at: <http://www.erasmus-entrepreneurs.eu/page.php?cid=05>

For general questions, you can contact:

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<http://www.erasmus-entrepreneurs.eu/>





## Open & Forecast Calls for Proposals

### EraSME 5th Call

National agencies

**Deadline:** 31st March 2009

**Objective:** to strengthen the competitive capacity of SMEs by:

- increasing collaboration between SMEs from different countries,
- increasing cooperation between SMEs and RTOs,
- increasing the cooperative and competitive capability of SMEs to work in international R&D networks,
- increasing the ability of RTOs to cooperate with European SMEs.

**Budget:** 10 million € overall  
Each project should range between 0.3 and 2 million €

**Eligibility:** Check if your country/region is participating in the 5th EraSME call.

[www.era-sme.net](http://www.era-sme.net)

### European Network and Information Security Agency (ENISA)

Development of a Security Toolkit for Intermediaries and/or Multiplier Organisations of Micro Enterprises

**ENISA C/03/09/CFP**

**Deadline:** 21st April 2009

**Objective:** To increase knowledge and competence on how to build Network and Information Security (NIS) capacity among both micro-enterprise intermediaries and/ or multiplier organisations and their constituency/ members, and to develop a tailor-made toolkit using existing ENISA deliverables in the area of Risk Assessment/ Risk Management and Awareness Raising.

**Budget:** 80.000 €

[http://www.enisa.europa.eu/pages/procurement\\_details\\_security\\_toolkit.html](http://www.enisa.europa.eu/pages/procurement_details_security_toolkit.html)



### Interreg IVB North West Europe - 2nd Call

**Deadline:** 17th April 2009

**Objective:** to make the NWE area more competitive, environmentally friendly and cohesive.

**Themes for cooperation:**

- 1 - Capitalising on innovation
- 2 - Managing resources and risks
- 3 - Improving connectivity
- 4 - Strengthening communities

**Eligible cooperation area:**

[http://www.nweurope.eu/index.php?act=page&page\\_on=funding&id=84](http://www.nweurope.eu/index.php?act=page&page_on=funding&id=84)

**Budget 2007-2013:** 355 million € ERDF

<http://www.nweurope.eu/index.php>

### Atlantic Area Transnational Programme—2nd Call

**Publication:** 6th April 2009

**Deadline:** 5th June 2009

**Objective:** To achieve significant and tangible progress in transnational cooperation geared towards cohesive, sustainable and balanced territorial development of the Atlantic area and its maritime heritage.

**Priorities for 2007-2013 Strategy:**

- To promote transnational entrepreneurial and innovation networks
- To protect, secure and enhance the maritime and coastal environment sustainability
- To improve accessibility and internal links
- To promote transnational synergies in sustainable urban and regional development.

Projects will be funded through the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF)

**Launching seminar of the 2nd call:** 2nd April 2009 in Madrid

<http://atlanticaarea.inescporto.pt/>



## Open Calls for Proposals

### Tempus IV

DG Education and Culture

**Reform of Higher Education through International University Cooperation—2nd Call for Proposals EAC/01/2009**

**Deadline:** 28th April 2009

**Objectives:** To contribute to an area of cooperation in the field of higher education involving the European Union and partner countries in the surrounding geographic area.

The specific objectives of the Tempus programme are :

- To promote the reform and modernisation of higher education in the partner countries;
- To enhance the quality and relevance of higher education in the partner countries;
- To build up the capacity of higher education institutions in the partner countries and the EU, in particular their capacity for international cooperation and for a permanent modernisation process, and to assist them in opening themselves up to society at large, the world of work and the wider world;
- To foster the reciprocal development of human resources;
- To enhance mutual understanding between peoples and cultures of the EU and of the partner countries.

Cooperative projects should be submitted under 2 actions types:

- **Joint projects**
- **Structural measures**

**Duration:** 36 months max.

**Individual projects grants:**

from 0.5 to 1.5 million €.

[http://ec.europa.eu/education/programmes/tempus/call09\\_en.html](http://ec.europa.eu/education/programmes/tempus/call09_en.html)

### Study visits for Education and Vocational Training specialists

DG Education and Culture

**Lifelong Learning Programme—Call 2009**

**Deadline:** 9th April 2009

**Objectives:** to support policy development and cooperation at European level in lifelong learning, notably in the context of the Lisbon process and Education and Training 2010 Work Programme, as well as the Bologna and Copenhagen processes and their successors.

A study visit is normally a short-term visit of three to five days for a small group (ideally 10-15 people) of specialists and decision makers representing various groups of education and vocational training stakeholders with the purpose of examining a particular aspect of lifelong learning in another participating country.

**Duration:** 3 to 5 days

<http://studyvisits.cedefop.europa.eu/>

### Skoll Awards for Social Entrepreneurship

The Skoll Foundation

The Skoll Foundation's mission is to advance systemic change to benefit communities around the world by investing in, connecting and celebrating social entrepreneurs.

The Skoll Awards for Social Entrepreneurship support social entrepreneurs whose work has the potential for large-scale influence on critical challenges of our time: environmental sustainability, health, tolerance and human rights, institutional responsibility, economic and social equity, and peace and security.

Within these issues, a particular interest will be paid to applications from social entrepreneurs working in five critical sub-issue areas – climate change, nuclear proliferation, global pandemics, conflict in the Middle East and water scarcity.

**Skoll Awards:** later-stage or mezzanine funding, generally structured as a \$1 million award paid out over three years.

**Deadline:** 12th August 2009

<http://www.skollfoundation.org/skollawards/>





## Open & Forecast Calls for Proposals & Procurement notices beyond the EU

<https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/europeaid/online-services/index.cfm?ADSSChck=1237799346177&do=publi.welcome&userlanguage=en>

Publication reference	Country	Contract description	Indicative max budget	EC Status	Deadline for submission / To be published
EuropeAid/ 127915/C/SER/ CN	China	<p><b><u>EU Centre for Support to European SMEs – EU SME Centre in China</u></b></p> <p>The Centre is a pilot project under the European Commission's Preparatory Actions China budget. The project aims to respond effectively and efficiently to the needs of European SMEs for assistance in entering the Chinese market. To that end the Centre will disseminate information, provide business networking activities and training and will act as a platform to raise the visibility of the Commission's support efforts for European SMEs coming to do business or invest in China.</p> <p>In order to be able to play a meaningful, long-term role with regard to its support function the Centre will have to provide added value by complementing already existing European business support initiatives and services in China. Seeking complementarities and avoiding unfair competition with existing European providers of comparable services are of utmost importance in this respect.</p>	5.000.000 €	Open	15th April 2009
EuropeAid/ 128242/L/ACT/K OS	Kosovo	<p><b><u>EU support for Regional Economic Development</u></b></p> <p>To contribute to creating the basis for sustainable development in Kosovo through the support to economic regeneration, job creation and human and infrastructural development in the five economic regions.</p>	2.500.000 €	Open	18th June 2009
EuropeAid/ 128223/C/SER/ ME	Montenegro	<p><b><u>Support to improving the business environment for small and rural enterprises</u></b></p> <p>The project shall provide Technical assistance to improve the business environment in Montenegro, especially for small and rural enterprises, in order to contribute to more balanced regional development, increased employment and poverty reduction. This will involve assisting with the elimination of business barriers (building capacity for dialogue with the private sector leading to the elimination of current business barriers, assistance with the design, drafting and implementation of a regulatory framework consistent with the <i>acquis</i>); improving access to finance (especially for small and rural enterprises) through the credit guarantee fund; and developing business support services (notably through business incubators).</p>	1.200.000 €	Forecast	April 2009