



EUROPEAN
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The Framework Programme

- **The EU programme for research and technological development**
- **Multi-annual programme**
- **Open to applications from European researchers from all sectors, in collaboration with other European and non-European researchers**
- **Established by three key legal texts – the Framework Programme, the Rules for Participation and the Specific Programmes**
- **Separate Programmes for non-nuclear and nuclear research**
- **Budget EUR 53.3 Bn 2007-2013**



FP7 Specific Programmes 2007 - 2013

Cooperation – Collaborative research

Ideas – Frontier Research

People – Human Potential

Capacities – Research Capacity

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JRC (non-nuclear)

JRC (nuclear)

Euratom



FP7 Work Programmes

- Provides further details of the topics
- Expected impact statements at the level of the topic or research area
- Details of funding scheme(s) to be used
- Call 'fiche' – the official announcement of the call
- Any specific eligibility or evaluation criteria
- Grants to named recipients, calls for tender
- Information on future topics – as basis for future consultations

Calls for Proposals

- **Announced in the Official Journal**
- **Call 'fiches' published on CORDIS**
- **Set out details of:**
 - ➔ **Call budget, opening and closing dates**
 - ➔ **Topics and funding schemes**
 - ➔ **Eligibility and evaluation criteria (and any deviation from the norms)**
 - ➔ **Indicative evaluation and contractual timetable**
- **NB All call fiches for that year are included in the work programme**



Eligibility for Funding

- **Three independent participants from different Member States (MS) or Associated Countries (AC)**
- **Additional conditions can be established by the work programme or specific programme**
- **Frontier Research Actions (ERC) – at least one legal entity established in a MS or AC**
- **Coordination and Support Actions/Training at least one legal entity**
- **International Cooperation (SICA) – at least four participants: two in MS/AS, two in ICPC**
- **Participation of international organisations and participants from 3rd countries in addition to minimum requirements**



FP7 Costings

- **FP based on the principle of co-financing**
- **No financial profit**
- **Usual method is reimbursement of eligible costs**
- **May also use flat-rate or lump sum financing**



Maximum Reimbursement Rates

Activity	Public Bodies, Universities, SMEs	Other organisations
Research and Technological Devt	75%	50%
Demonstration	50%	50%
Training, Management, CSA	100%	100%
ERC	100% direct costs, plus a 20% flat rate for indirect costs	



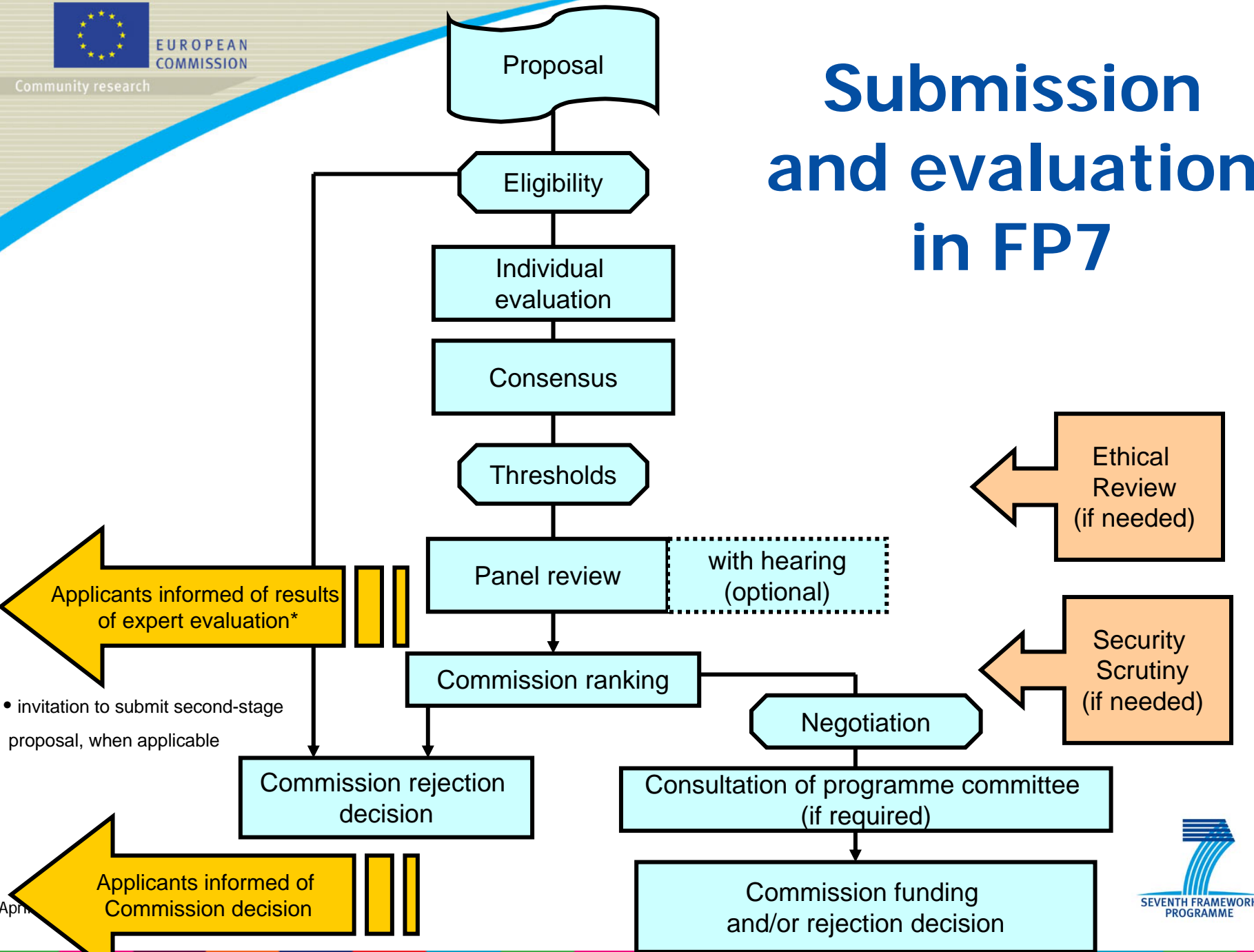


FP7 Evaluation

- **Evaluated by independent peer review**
- **Evaluation criteria**
 - **Scientific and/or technological excellence (& relevance to SP)**
 - **Potential impact through the development, dissemination & use of project results**
 - **Implementation and management**
- **Scientific excellence as sole criterion for ERC**
- **Detailed criteria in WPs – including thresholds and weightings**
- **Ethics principles cannot be contravened**
- **Redress Procedure**
- **FP7 evaluator database – sign up for this!**



Submission and evaluation in FP7



* invitation to submit second-stage proposal, when applicable



FP7 Implementation

- **100 calls published to date (32 on 30 November 2007)**
- ***ca* 25,000 proposals submitted (of which 9100 for Ideas)**
- **126,000 participants involved in submitted proposals**
- **More than 70 evaluation sessions finished, involving more than 9000 evaluators**
- **To date *ca* 2000 proposals, involving 12,175 participants recommended for funding**
- **First grant agreements signed**



Further Information

- EU research: <http://ec.europa.eu/research/>
- 7th Framework Programme: <http://ec.europa.eu/research/fp7/>
- Information on research activities and projects: <http://cordis.europa.eu/>
- *research*eu* magazine: <http://ec.europa.eu/research/research-eu/>
- Questions? <http://ec.europa.eu/research/index.cfm?pg=enquiries>

