

**Public overview on the selected projects in
Call 2009 CIP Eco-Innovation
First application and market replication projects**

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I. Short summary of the submission

In the Call 2009, 202 proposals have been submitted, all considered to be eligible for CIP Eco-Innovation. A good coverage of countries was achieved in the Call 2009, involving 614 participants from 32 countries. Serbia, Albania and Iceland have not participated in the call last year, but are participating for the first time in the call 2009. Only Lithuania, Slovakia, Lichtenstein, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (FYROM) and Montenegro did not participate in any of the submitted proposals.

The Call 2009 did not require multinational participation but insisted in the European added value. Around 55% of the proposals originate from one country, while 45% are submitted by multinational consortia. In total almost 65% of the proposed projects are submitted by a consortium, composed of participants from one or several countries.

The Call 2009 notably succeeded in covering the priority given to small and medium-sized enterprises (SME). Around 70% of the participants indicate to be SMEs. Concerning the legal status of participants, the vast majority (83%) are organisations from the private sector, either commercial or non-profit.

The response of the market covered the four priority areas established in the Call 2009 with similar shares on Recycling and Green Business, followed by the Building sector and the Food and Drink sector. Proposals that do not sort into any of these sectors are summarised in the category Others.

After the final approval, 56 proposals were considered worthwhile to receive funding, but due to the available budget only 45 of them will actually enter negotiations. These 45 proposals respect 32M € funding from the European Commission and mobilising around 64M €. From the total number of 202 proposals evaluated, 146 have been definitely rejected as their scores do not reach the threshold.

II. Sectors covered

Regarding the selected projects, the sectors Recycling, Green Business and Food and Drink are around 30%. This shows the good quality of Food and Drink sector as it represented only 17% of the submitted proposals. The Buildings did not show good results with only 7% of selected proposals with an 18% of the submitted proposals. The share of the sector 'Others' is 2%. Figure 1 and 2 gives an overview of the sector coverage.

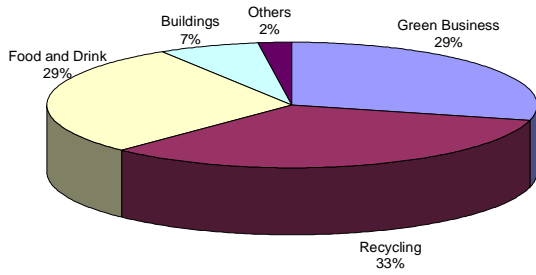


Figure 1 Selected projects by sector.

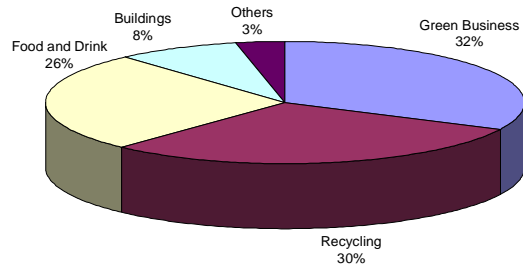


Figure 2 EC funding requested by the selected projects.

The Recycling sector addresses recycling processes and technologies, new products from recycled material as well as new recycling services. The selected projects cover areas such as ceramics, plastics, leather, metal, fibreglass, car windscreens, tyres etc. The sector of Green Business contains projects on cleaner production, greening of businesses and new materials or products to be brought into the market. The Food and Drink sector covers mostly projects on waste treatment, food packaging and labelling and eco-innovative food chain logistics. The buildings sector covers mostly new construction materials and elements which reduce consumption of resources and production of waste.

The selected projects will undertake the actions in various areas reaching out to increase resource efficiency (raw material, water and energy) and to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, waste, toxicity and general pollution while being economically feasible and attractive.

Selected projects will cover the innovation aspect in processes, products and also services with a big share of process innovation.

III. Countries covered

Altogether 21 countries are covered by the selected projects, see figure 3.

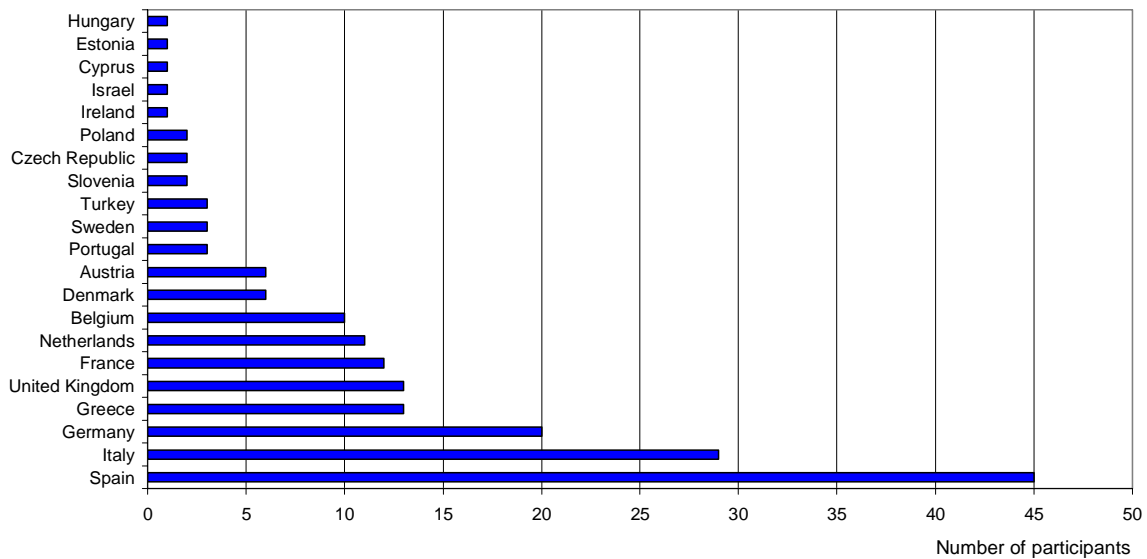


Figure 3 Participants per country in the selected projects.

The Call 2009 did not require multinational participation but insisted in the European added value. As mentioned before, 45% of the proposals were multinational. After the evaluation,

more than 70% of the selected projects originate in more than one country with an average number of countries in a consortium of 2. Furthermore, almost 85% of the selected projects are submitted by a consortium, i.e. have more than one participant. The average number of participants per proposal is 4.

IV. Small and Medium-sized Enterprises

The Call 2009 notably succeeded in covering the priority given to SMEs. Around 70% of the participants in the selected projects are SMEs, which is about the same percentage compared to the situation in submitted proposals. This figure confirms that SME proposals have a similar quality as larger companies' proposals. The share of SMEs per sector is shown in figure 4 below.

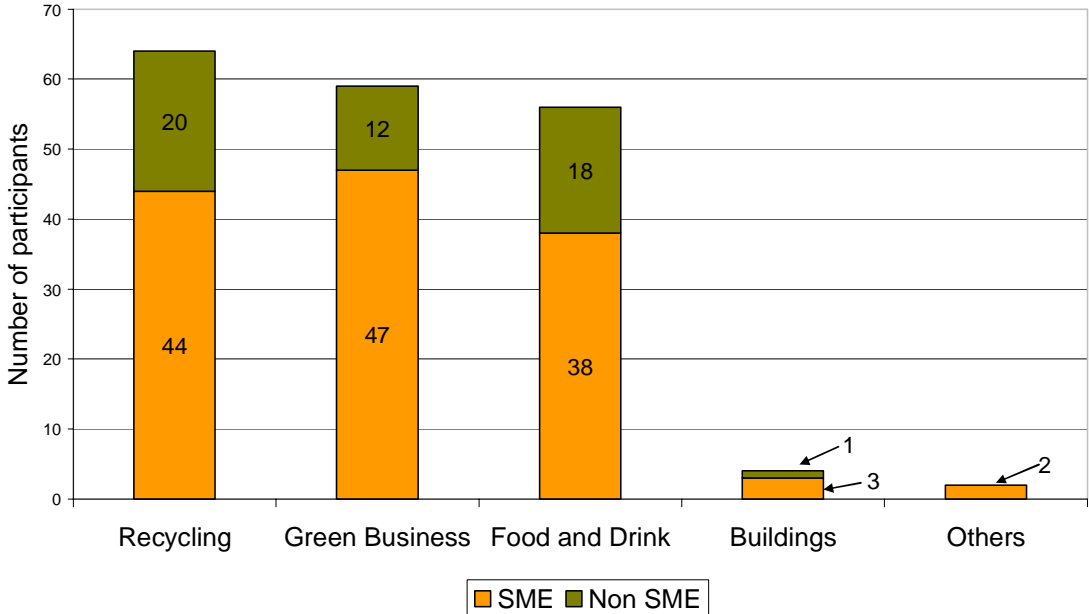


Figure 4 SMEs per sector in the selected projects.

V. Previous EC funding

From the total of 185 participants in the selected projects, 77% have never received funding for projects related to eco-innovation in a European Commission programme.

VI. Beneficiaries

Concerning the legal status of the participants in the selected projects, the majority (84%) are from private sector, either non-profit making or commercial. 14% of the participants are Universities and Research Institutes.

Most participants categorize themselves as Industry, Supplier of Technology/Products, Research Organisations and Service Sector. Some participants do not categorise themselves as any of these groups and are here sorted into the category "Others", see figure 5.

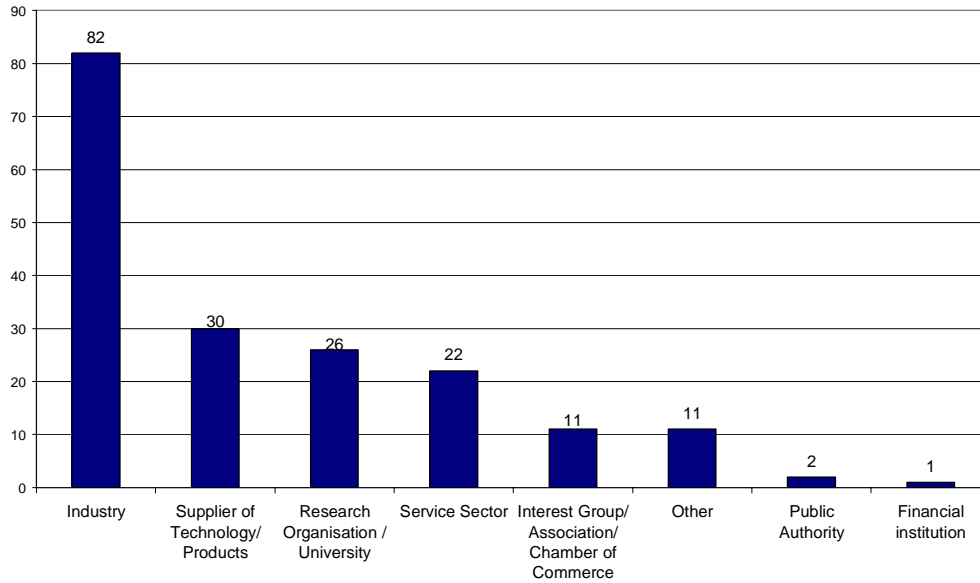


Figure 5 Categories of the participants in the selected projects.

VII. Indicators

Based on the feedback received from the Call 2008 a refined set of indicators has been included in the application from for the Call 2009. This range of indicators is meant to assist the consortia and EACI in steering and monitoring their projects in a better way. Additionally, they allow for an easier comparison of performance between the projects and near future programme evaluation. A table for listing the expected performance indicators was thus provided by each proposal. Coherent with the main objectives of CIP Eco-innovation, they were set up in order to indicate absolute and relative values in:

- Improved environmental performance
- Better use of natural resources
- Economic performance and market replication