

CIP - ICT Policy Support Programme

INFORMATION on CALL 6 based on Work Programme 2012

What is the ICT Policy Support Programme?

The **Competitiveness and Innovation framework Programme** (CIP) runs for the years 2007-2013 and is organised around three multi-annual specific programmes:

- Entrepreneurship and Innovation Programme (EIP)
- Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) Policy Support Programme (ICT PSP)
- Intelligent Energy Europe Programme (IEE)

The **ICT Policy Support Programme** (ICT PSP) has an overall budget of € M 730. In 2012 the annual budget amounts to around €139 million. It will go to around €150 million in 2013.

Objectives of ICT PSP

The ICT Policy Support Programme aims at a wider uptake and best use of ICT and digital content by citizens, governments and businesses, in particular SMEs.

It helps overcome hurdles that hinder the advancement of an information society for all. ICT PSP aims to develop pan-European, ICT-based solutions and services, most notably in areas of public interest.

Greater uptake of such ICT services will open a wide range of new business opportunities, in particular for innovative SMEs.



Activities supported by ICT PSP

ICT PSP supports pilot actions and networking activities in areas such as:

- ICT for health, ageing and inclusion
- ICT for smart cities
- Digital content, open data
- ICT for improved public services
- ICT for trusted eServices

Projects funded by ICT PSP are selected following open calls for proposals launched each year. The themes and objectives addressed for a call are detailed in the ICT PSP annual Work Programme.

Who can apply?

Participation in the programme is open to organisations from all EU member states and other countries having a specific agreement to participate in ICT PSP¹.

Any proposal needs to be submitted by a consortium which should comprise the necessary stakeholders to address one of the objectives of the annual Work Programme. It has also to include a minimum number of organisations from different member or associated states.

The sixth **Call for proposals**, based on the **Work Programme 2012** (WP2012) opens from 3 February till 15 May 2012. Details on the call are provided on the website: http://ec.europa.eu/ict_psp

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¹ These countries include Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, Croatia, Turkey, Montenegro and Serbia. The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia is expected to join in 2012.

Information on ICT PSP Call 6

Sixth call for proposals in 2012, the ICT PSP WP2012 focuses on the following five themes and 19 relevant objectives:

Themes and objectives	Budget <i>Instruments</i>
1. ICT for "smart" cities	24 M€
1.1 Smart urban digital services for energy efficiency	<i>Pilot B</i>
1.2 Cooperative transport systems for smart mobility	<i>Pilot B</i>
1.3 Smart connected electromobility	<i>Pilot B</i>
2. Digital Content, open data and creativity	41 M€
2.1 Europeana and creativity	<i>BPN, Pilot B, TN</i>
2.2 Open data and open access to scientific information	<i>Pilot A, Pilot B, BPN</i>
2.3 eLearning	<i>Pilot B</i>
3. ICT for health, ageing well and inclusion	27 M€
3.1: Wide deployment of integrated care services	<i>Pilot A</i>
3.2: Towards open and personalised solutions for active and independent living	<i>Pilot B</i>
3.3: Digital capacity and skills	<i>Pilot B, TN</i>
3.4: Fall prevention network for older persons	<i>TN</i>
3.5: Large scale deployment of telehealth services	<i>Pilot A</i>
3.6: Standards and specifications for eHealth interoperability	<i>TN</i>
3.7: Community building on Active and Healthy Ageing	<i>TN</i>
4. ICT for innovative government and public services	20 M€
4.1 Basic Cross Sector Services	<i>Pilot A</i>
4.2 Extension of eCODEX (on eJustice)	<i>Pilot A</i>
4.3 Extension of HeERO (on eCall)	<i>Pilot A</i>
5. Trusted eServices and other actions	15 M€
5.1 Cybersecurity	<i>Pilot B, TN</i>
5.2 Mobile Cloud for business applications	<i>Pilot B</i>
5.3 Contribution of satellite to 100% EU broadband coverage	<i>TN</i>

Four types of instruments provide complementary financing tools in order to reach the ICT PSP objectives:

- Pilot A - building on initiatives in Member States or associated countries and focusing on developing EU-wide interoperability of ICT-based solutions;
- Pilot B - stimulating the uptake of innovative ICT based services and products;
- Thematic Network (TN) - providing a forum for stakeholders for experience exchange and consensus building;
- Best Practice Network (BPN)² - promoting the adoption of standards and specifications for making European digital libraries more accessible and usable.

More details from WP2012 and other guides are provided on the ICT PSP website³.

Calendar

- Formal adoption WP2012: 3 February 2012
- Info Day: 3 February 2012
- 6th Call for proposals: 3 February– 15 May 2012
- Evaluation, negotiation: June 2012 /early 2013
- Projects start: end 2012/ early 2013
- Call for independent experts: Open



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