Programme Overview

Day 1 – Thursday 07.05.2009

9:30	**Opening session** (Congress Hall) **Opening and Keynote speeches by:** • Vlastimil Růžička, Vice Minister of Education, Youth and Sports, Czech Republic • Janez Potočnik, Commissioner for science and research • Jeremy Rifkin, President, Foundation on Economic Trends						
11:00	Press Conference						
11:00	The European Research Council (ERC) and its Starting Grant Scheme	Industrial opportunities in the new era of the nuclear research	Building the ERA	Cohesion Policy and Research (Structural Funds)		Forum 1. The "MCFA Scientific Café": meeting Marie Curie Fellows Forum 2. ITKnet: Innovative and Traditional Knowledge network for the proper use of natural resources.	How to participate in FP7 - 1
12:00	**Press Briefings**						
12:45	Lunch						
14:00	**Press Briefings**						
14:30	EU-funded Health research collaboration in FP7	Marie Curie Actions - 1	Regional dimensions of FP7	The Competitiveness and Innovation Framework Programme (CIP)	Scientific Support to EU Policies: Joint Research Centre (JRC)	Forum 3. Creating 2-Way Communication Forum 4. Maximizing synergies of FP7, Structural Funds and Collaboration of Academia and Industry for Central European Biotech Research	Research and Innovation for SMEs - 1
16:10	Coffee Break						
16:30	Food, Agriculture and Fisheries, and Biotechnology	Information and Communication Technologies – The EU12 can ICT RTD	Research Infrastructures: nurturing knowledge	Let's embrace space	Ethics Review and the FP7 Ethics Framework	Forum 5. Bring research to the media: hints and tips from successful projects Forum 6. Managing finances and reporting in grant funded projects - Main issues and best practice	How to participate in CIP
18:30	**Networking Cocktail**						

Day 2 – Friday 08.05.2009

9:00	**Press Briefings**						
9:00	Industrial Technologies - Nanosciences, Nanotechnologies, Materials and Production (NMP)	What role for EU Socio-economic Sciences and Humanities?	Synergies between research and regional development	Marie Curie Actions - 2	Forum 13. ITER - Opportunities for industry in fusion technology	Forum 7. Full costing and FP7 Forum 8. EU RTDI Programmes for New Member States: a practical insight to opportunities for participation	Research and Innovation for SMEs - 2
10:40	Coffee break						
11:00	Get involved! Your guide to going places with EU transport research projects	Science meets Society: beyond building the knowledge base	Innovation: from research to the market	The European Research Council (ERC) and its Advanced Grant Scheme	Forum 14. Quality in the communication of research	Forum 9. Participate in the forthcoming European R&D&I program for biotech SMEs (EurotransBio) Forum 10. Your Support Network - Health National Contact Points (NCPs) for 7th Framework Programme (FP7)	How to participate in FP7 - 2
12:45	Lunch						
14:15	**Press Briefings**						
14:30	Find environmental research partners in an enlarged Europe!	Energy Research for a sustainable energy system	Security research	International cooperation	Forum 15. International cooperation among clusters under FP 7	Forum 11. ERRIN regions bridging the gap: involving regional stakeholders in European research and innovation programmes Forum 12. The value of culture and creativity. How to build a successful and competitive European community.	Opportunities for individual researchers
16:30	**Closing session** (Congress Hall) • Zoran Stančič, Deputy Director-General, European Commission						

Session colour coding

	Plenary sessions
	Parallel sessions
	Forum sessions
	Practical sessions
	Coffee breaks and lunches
	Social events