

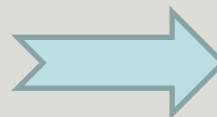


cip competitiveness and innovation
framework programme
2007-2013



European Commission

Why a CIP



Contribute to the Lisbon strategy for Growth and Jobs

- by supporting the improvement of the business environment
- by enhancing competitiveness of European companies, particularly SMEs
- in the framework of a sustainable development



CIP objectives

1. Foster the competitiveness of enterprises, in particular of SMEs
2. Promote all forms of innovation, including eco-innovation
3. Accelerate the development of a sustainable, competitive, innovative and inclusive information society
4. Promote energy efficiency and new renewable energy sources in all sectors, including transport



Time frame and budget

- **Time frame:** 2007-2013
- **Budget envelope:** € 3.621 million
- **Annual work programmes** for each of the three specific programmes:
 - Entrepreneurship and Innovation Programme
 - ICT Policy Support Programme
 - Intelligent Energy Europe



Some major CIP themes and their budgets

Facilitate access to finance for SMEs	€ 1129 million
Support services for enterprises (especially SMEs)	€ 338 million
Promotion of innovation and particularly eco-innovation	€ 585 million
ICT interoperability and up-take	€ 728 million
Energy issues (e.g. efficiency, renewable)	€ 727 million



Intervention mechanisms

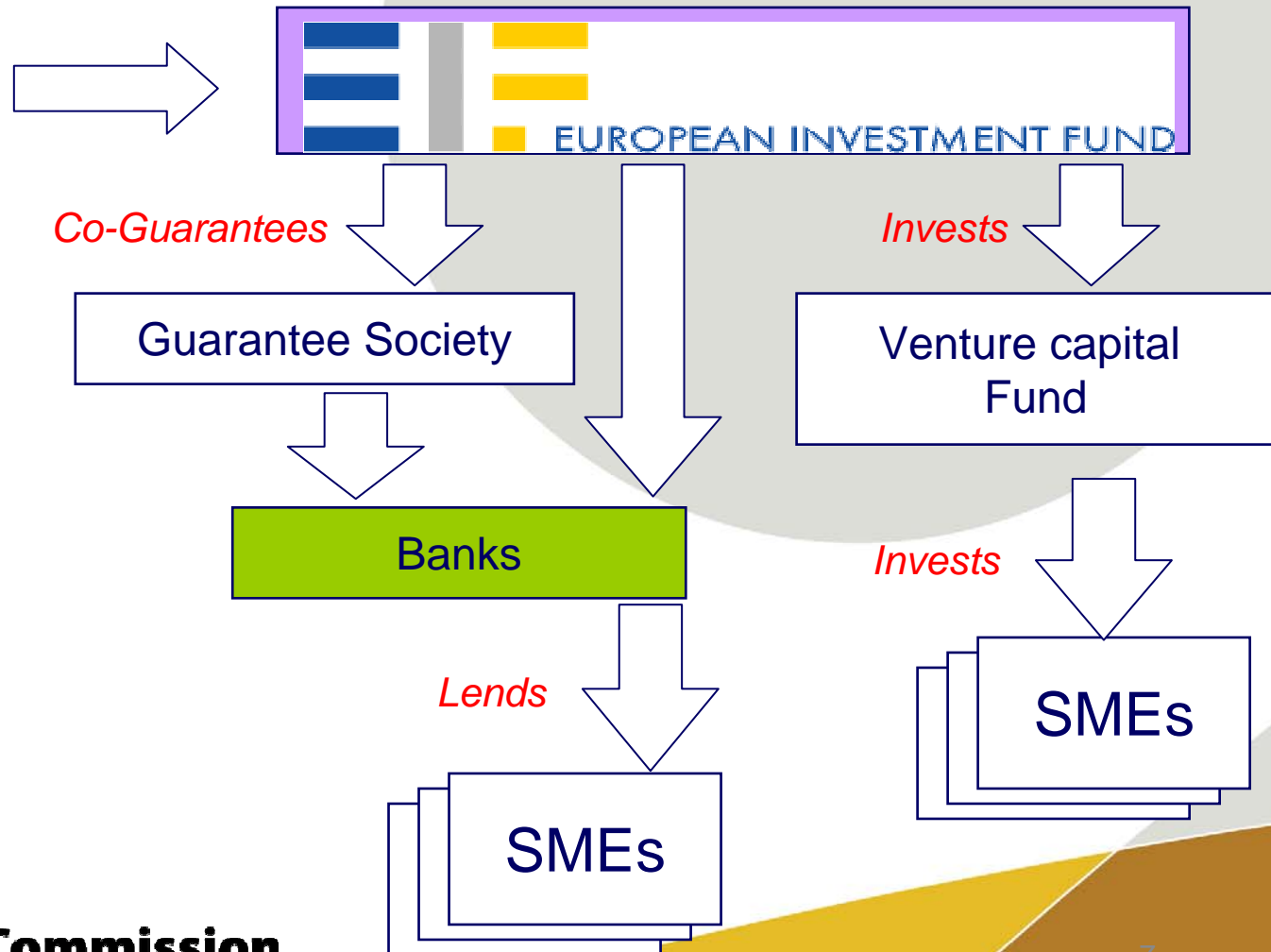
1. Community financial instruments for SMEs
2. Business and innovation support services
3. Pilot and Market replication projects
4. Policy development at Community level as well as at national, regional and local level



1. Community Financial Instruments for SMEs



Provides funds



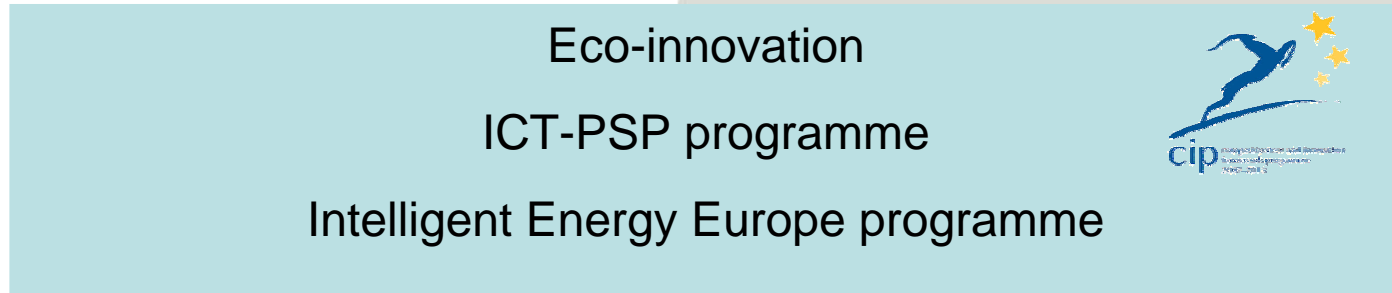
European Commission

2. Business and innovation support services

- 600 partner organizations in more than 40 countries
- Proximity, full geographical coverage, extension beyond EU
- Free-of-charge services:
 - ✓ Information
 - on EU legislation and policies
 - on EU funding opportunities
 - ✓ Assistance
 - to find a business partner for cooperation or technology transfer
 - to achieve internationalization
 - to foster innovation
 - ✓ Feedback to the Commission (listening to SMEs)



3. Pilot and market replication projects



GRANTS

To partially cover the eligible project costs

Projects:

First applications or market replications of techniques, products or practices which have been technically demonstrated with success, but owing to residual risk, have not yet significantly penetrated the market and support to interoperability (for ICT based services).



4. Policy development

- Networking and cluster schemes
- Mutual learning for excellence
- Benchmarking
- Best practice exchange
- Meetings of experts
- Data collection and surveys
- Analysis and monitoring performance



Who can apply

- A wide range of businesses, organisations and individuals
- All EU Member states
- Certain third countries

Check for each call:

- Eligibility criteria differ from one funding scheme to the other; it might also differ between two different calls within the same funding scheme



How to apply

- Grants for projects and other intervention mechanisms

➡ Through calls for proposals launched by the Commission

- Contracts for studies and other services

➡ Covered by calls for tenders launched by the Commission

- Community financial instruments for SMEs

➡ implemented by the EIF through financial intermediaries (e.g. banks) or specialised funds



Your first step: <http://ec.europa.eu/cip>

EUROPA - European Commission - Enterprise and Industry - Microsoft Internet Explorer provided by European Commission

File Edit View Favorites Tools Help

Address http://ec.europa.eu/cip/index_en.htm

Google Search Web 103 blocked

European Commission

European Commission > CIP - Competitiveness & Innovation Framework Programme

Contact Search What's new? Site map Index FAQ About this site

THE COMPETITIVENESS AND INNOVATION FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME (CIP)

What is the CIP ?

The Competitiveness and Innovation Framework Programme (CIP) aims to encourage the competitiveness of European enterprises. With small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) as its main target, the programme will support innovation activities (including eco-innovation), provide better access to finance and deliver business support services in the regions. It will encourage a better take-up and use of information and communications technologies (ICT) and help to develop the information society. It will also promote the increased use of renewable energies and energy efficiency.

The programme will run from 2007 to 2013.

The CIP is divided into three operational programmes:

- Entrepreneurship and Innovation Programme (EIP)**
 - Better access to finance for SMEs through venture capital investment and loan guarantee instruments
 - Business and innovation support services delivered through a network of regional centres
 - Promotion of entrepreneurship and innovation
 - Support for eco-innovation
 - Support for policy-making that encourages entrepreneurship and innovation
- Information Communication Technologies Policy support Programme (ICT PSP)**
 - Developing a single European information space
 - Strengthening the European internal market for ICT and ICT-based products and services
 - Encouraging innovation through the wider adoption of and investment in ICT
 - Developing an inclusive information society and more efficient and effective services in areas of public interest
 - Improving of quality of life
- Intelligent Energy Europe (IEE)**
 - Fostering energy efficiency and the rational use of energy sources
 - Promoting new and renewable energy sources and energy diversification
 - Promoting energy efficiency and new energy sources in transport

Important legal notice
de en fr pl

News highlights

- New Intelligent Energy video "Local communities for sustainable energy in Europe"
- Executive Agency for Competitiveness & Innovation, 22 May 2008
- The EIP 2008: building momentum to support SMEs and innovation 28/04/08
- Search is on for most entrepreneurial region 16/04/08
- Videoclip 'Access to finance: closer to SMEs' DG Enterprise and Industry, 4 April 2008

Grants and Tenders

- IEE Call for proposals 2008 (Deadline: 26/06/2008)
- 2008 Eco-innovation Call for innovative environmental products, services, management practices or processes (Deadline: 11/09/2008)

Related sites

- DG Enterprise and Industry
- DG Information Society and Media
- DG Economic and Financial Affairs
- DG Environment
- DG Transport and

Done Local intranet



Thanks for your attention !

<http://ec.europa.eu.cip>



European Commission