

In perioada 1-2 iulie 2015, 20 de agentii de finantare din Austria, Belgia, Estonia, Finlanda, Franta, Germania, Letonia, Moldova, Polonia, România, Slovacia, Elvetia, Turcia si Rusia s-au întâlnit la Universitatea de Stat din Sankt Petersburg pentru a lua o decizie finala cu privire proiectele de cercetare multilaterala ce urmeaza a fi finantate in cadrul proiectului ERA.NET Plus, finantat prin programul cadru 7 (FP7).

Cu un numar coplesitor de 300 de propuneri depuse in cele doua linii de finantare "Science & Technology" (nanotehnologii, mediul / schimbarile climatice, sanatatea, stiinte sociale si umaniste) si "Inovare", proiectul ERA.NET Plus a demonstrat in mod clar interesul extraordinar al cercetatorilor europeni si rusi in implementarea de proiecte comune de cercetare, in ciuda inrautatirii relatiilor politice dintre Rusia si UE.

Cu **62 de proiecte finantate** (44 in S & T / 18 in inovare) si un volum financiar de **20 de milioane de euro alocate de** agentile nationale si regionale de finantare si Uniunea Europeana, proiectul ERA.NET Plus este considerat a fi un mare succes. El a devenit nu numai cel mai mare ERA.NET geografic, ci, de asemenea, un flagship lider in cooperarea stiintifica UE-Rusia. Astfel, aceasta initiativa va spori si mai mult importanta parteneriatului UE-Rusia contribuind la atingerea un nou nivel strategic in cooperare stiintifica UE-Rusia, cu beneficii pentru comunitatile stiintifice europene si rusesti, factorii de decizie, economiile si societatile civile deopotriva.

Mai multe informatii puteti gasi pe site-ul proiectului: <http://www.era.net-rus.eu/>

On 1/2 July 2015, 20 funding parties from Austria, Belgium, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Latvia, Moldova, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Switzerland, Turkey and Russia met at Saint Petersburg State University to take a final decision on multilateral research projects to be funded in the framework of the ERA.NET Plus with Russia, an initiative supported under the EU's Seventh Framework Programme for Research (FP7).

Officially launched in November 2013, the overall aim of the ERA.NET Plus with Russia initiative, which is coordinated by the German Aerospace Center (DLR), is to encourage durable partnership, develop and strengthen the coordination of national research activities as well as to further enhance transnational funding of research between Europe and Russia.

With an overwhelming number of 300 proposals submitted within the two funding lines 'Science & Technology' (nanotechnologies, environment/climate change, health, social sciences and humanities) and 'Innovation', the ERA.NET Plus with Russia has clearly demonstrated the tremendous interest of European and Russian researchers in implementing joint research projects despite the worsened political relations between Russia and the EU.

With **62 funded projects** (44 in S&T/18 in innovation) and a financial volume of **EUR 20 million** of the national and regional funding parties and the European Union, the ERA.NET Plus with Russia is considered to be a huge success. **It has become not only the largest**

geographical ERA.NET, but also a flagship and leading initiative in the EU-Russia science cooperation. Thus, the initiative will further enhance the significance of the EU-Russian partnership and help to reach a new strategic level in EU-Russian science cooperation with benefits for European and Russian S&T communities, policy-makers, economies and societies alike.