



Single Joint Call on Innovation

March 31st-May 28th 2014

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The ERA.Net RUS Plus Single Joint Call on Innovation is now open for the submission of proposals, from March 31st to May 28th, 2014.

The goal of the call is to create a **long-term research collaboration** in the field of innovation between EU Member States/Associated Countries and Russia. Innovative research collaboration of a high standard between teams from EU Member States and/or Associated Countries and Russia will be supported through an open competition.

EU-Russia collaborative innovation projects can be funded in research areas thematically assigned to innovative technologies of high utilization and with a high market potential and of particular importance for the EU as well as for Russia.

By innovation projects are meant joint R&D projects designed to lead to **innovative products**, **services or processes of significant economic and/or societal value**. Compared to the rather advanced cooperation between the EU and Russia in the field of basic research, the cooperation in the field of innovation still bears a lot of potential to be exploited. Against this background this joint activity shall also address applied research and technology development implemented by small sized innovative research performing enterprises in Russia in partnership with universities and/or non-university public or private research performing institutions/companies from EU.

Funding organisations

- Austrian Research Promotion Agency (FFG, Austria)
- Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF, Germany)
- AiF Projekt GmbH (Germany)
- General Secretariat for Research and Technology (GSRT, Greece)
- Israeli Industry Centre for Research and Development (MOITAL, Israel)
- National Centre for Research and Development (NCBR, Poland)
- Executive Agency for Higher Education, Research, Development and Innovation Funding (UEFISCDI, **Romania**)
- Foundation for Assistance to Small Innovative Enterprises (FASIE, Russia)
- Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TÜBITAK, Turkey)

Teams applying for funding must be eligible for funding by their respective national funding organisation. They can be research and higher education entities, research and innovation performing SMEs, or other entities eligible for funding according to respective national legislation.

Eligible project consortia must comprise project partners from at least three different countries, of which at least one team is from Russia. Applicants who are non-eligible for funding can join any eligible consortium submitting a proposal on their own expenses.

Proposals will be submitted and evaluated in two stages: preproposals and full proposals.

The duration of a project is at least 24 months but should not exceed 30 month (depending on the involved Funding Parties).

For detailed information about the respective national eligibility and funding criteria, you are strongly recommended to contact your respective <u>Contact Point</u> before submitting your proposal.

Further information on the call is available from the ERA.Net RUS Plus Joint Call Secretariat

- – German Aerospace Center (DLR) Project Management Agency, European and International Cooperation
 - Foundation for Assistance of Small Innovative Enterprises (FASIE)

All contact details available at http://www.eranet-rus.eu/en/201.php

General information and Terms of Reference of the Single Joint Call on Innovation are available at: http://www.eranet-rus.eu/en/196.php

Proposal submissions must take place exclusively in electronic form by using the PT-Outline webtool accessible at: https://secure.pt-dlr.de/ptoutline/RUS_INNO2014