

Call title: Bilateral coordination for the enhancement and development of S&T Partnerships - Activity BILAT

- **Call identifier: FP7-INCO-2013-2**
- **Date of publication: 10.07.2012**
- **Deadline¹: 18.12.2012 at 17.00.00, Brussels local time**
- **Indicative budget²: EUR 8 MILLION**

Activities called:

Activity/ Area	Funding Schemes	Indicative amount
7.2. Bilateral coordination for the enhancement and development of S&T Partnerships		EUR 8 million
7.2.1 Area 1: Canada, India, Japan, Republic of Korea	Coordination and Support Action (supporting action)	EUR 5 million
7.2.2 Area 2: Algeria, Egypt, Mexico, Tunisia	Coordination and Support Action (supporting action)	EUR 3 million

Eligibility conditions:

The general eligibility criteria are set out in Annex 2 of this work programme and in the guide for applicants. Please note that the completeness criterion also includes that part B of the proposal shall be readable, accessible and printable.

Minimum number of participants³ as set out in the Rules for Participation:

Funding scheme	Minimum conditions
Coordination and Support Action (supporting action)	At least 1 independent legal entity

Additional Eligibility Criteria:

The additional eligibility criteria that apply to this call are:

¹ At the time of the publication of the call, the Director-General responsible may delay this deadline by up to two months.

² Under the condition that the draft budget for 2013 is adopted without modification by the budgetary authority
 - The budget for this call is indicative. The final total budget awarded to this call, following the evaluation of proposals, may vary by up to 10% of the total value of the call.
 - All budgetary figures given in this call are indicative. The repartition of the sub-budgets awarded within this call, following the evaluation of proposals, may vary by up to 10% of the total value of the call.

³ MS = Member States of the EU; AC = Associated country. Where the minimum conditions for an indirect action are satisfied by a number of legal entities, which together form one legal entity, the latter may be the sole participant, provided that it is established in a Member State or Associated country.

- Each proposal must target only one country covered in the Areas of the call.
- The consortium must include at least one participant from the country targeted in the proposal.
- Proposals addressing a single societal challenge or a single industrial technology from those defined in the Commission proposal for Horizon 2020⁴ will be declared ineligible

Evaluation procedure:

- A one-stage submission procedure will be followed.
- Proposals may be evaluated remotely.
- The participation of the third countries authorities responsible for the follow-up of the S&T cooperation agreement or any organisation, which has received the necessary mandate from the national authorities, is considered essential for the action and this will be reflected in the evaluation.
- For proposals targeting Area 1, matching funds from the target country are expected and this will be reflected in the evaluation (impact criterion).
- The participation of public authorities, national agencies and research organisations from Member States and/or Associated countries is encouraged and this will be reflected in the evaluation.
- The participation of industry and SMEs associations is encouraged and this will be reflected in the evaluation.

Indicative evaluation and contractual timetable:

Evaluations are expected to be carried out during the month of March 2013. It is expected that the grant agreement negotiations for the shortlisted proposals will start in May 2013.

Consortia agreements:

Consortia agreements are recommended but not mandatory for the action.

Forms of grants:

The forms of grant and maximum reimbursement rates which will be offered are specified in Annex 3 to this work programme.

⁴ Societal challenges and industrial technologies defined in the Commission proposal "Horizon 2020 - The Framework Programme for Research and Innovation", COM(2011) 808.