<u>Call title: Reinforcing cooperation with European Neighbourhood Policy countries on bridging the gap between research and innovation (R2I-ENP)</u>

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• Deadline¹: 18.12.2012 at 17.00.00, Brussels local time

Indicative budget: EUR 9.5 MILLION

Activities called:

Activity/ Area	Funding Schemes	Indicative amount
Reinforcing cooperation with European Neighbourhood Policy countries on bridging the gap between research and innovation (R2I-ENP)	Coordination and Support Action (supporting action)	EUR 9.5 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)	At least 1 independent legal entity

Additional Eligibility Criteria:

Beyond the minimum number of participants as set out in the Rules for participation, the additional eligibility criteria that apply to this call are:

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

² - 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.

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 shall focus on only one societal challenge among those identified in the Commission proposal for Horizon 2020⁴;
- The consortium shall be composed of at least two participants from two different countries of each targeted geographic area (Eastern Partnership; Mediterranean Partner Countries) and two participants from two different Member States and/or Associated Countries;
- The consortium shall include at least two research organisations and two stakeholders from the industry or related business community (including industrial and SMEs associations, entities managing business incubators or industrial clusters, innovation support services providers).

Evaluation procedure:

- The evaluation criteria and scoring scheme are set out in Annex 2 to this work programme.
- A one-stage submission procedure will be followed.
- Proposals may be evaluated remotely.
- The procedure for prioritising proposals with equal scores is described in Annex 2 of the work programme.

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.

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