

## Call Title: Activities of International Cooperation BILAT

- **Call identifier: FP7-INCO-2009-2**
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- **Indicative budget<sup>1,2</sup>: EUR 3.00 MILLION**

### Activities called:

Activity/ Area	Funding Schemes	Indicative amount
7.2. Bilateral coordination for the enhancement and development of S&T Partnerships		
7.2.1 Argentina	Coordination and Support Action (supporting action)	EUR 0.50 million
7.2.2 Canada	Coordination and Support Action (supporting action)	EUR 0.50 million
7.2.3 Egypt	Coordination and Support Action (supporting action)	EUR 0.50 million
7.2.4 Japan	Coordination and Support Action (supporting action)	EUR 0.50 million
7.2.5 Jordan	Coordination and Support Action (supporting action)	EUR 0.50 million
7.2.6 USA	Coordination and Support Action (supporting action)	EUR 0.50 million

### Eligibility conditions

The general eligibility criteria are set out in Annex 2 to this work programme. The additional eligibility criteria that apply to this call are:

- Each proposal must target only one single Area covered by the call.
- The consortium must include participants from the country that is aimed at in the proposal

Minimum number of participants<sup>3</sup> as set out in the Rules for Participation:

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

<sup>1</sup> An amount of EUR 3 million is given to this call budget from the 2009 budget. This is under the condition that the preliminary draft budget for 2009 is adopted without modifications by the budget authority.

<sup>2</sup> - 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.

<sup>3</sup> 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.

**Evaluation procedure:**

- A one-stage submission procedure will be followed.
- Proposals may be evaluated remotely.
- The evaluation criteria (including weights and thresholds) and sub-criteria are set out in Annex 2 to this work programme.
- The participation of the third country 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 project and will be reflected in the evaluation.
- For proposals targeting industrialised countries, matching funds from the target country would be welcomed and this will be reflected in the evaluation.
- The participation of organisations from Member States and/or Associated Countries in the proposals would be welcomed and this will be reflected in the evaluation.

**Indicative evaluation and contractual timetable:**

Evaluations are expected to be carried out during the month of February 2009. It is expected that the grant agreement negotiations for the shortlisted proposals will start in May 2009.

**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.