FP7 Cooperation Work Programme: Theme 5 Energy

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Call Title: Energy EU Russia Call

Call identifier: FP7-ENERGY-2008-RUSSIA

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Deadline: 26 February.2008 at 17.00.00 (Brussels local time)

Indicative budget: EUR 4 million from the 2008 budget

For information, the Federal Agency for Science and Innovation has agreed to dedicate to this call a similar budget of 4 EUR million for the funding of the Russian participants.

The final budget awarded to this call, following the evaluation of projects, may vary by up to 10% of the total value of the call.

Topics called:

Activity/ Area	Topics called	Funding Schemes	
ACTIVITY ENERGY.2: RENEWABLE ELECTRICITY GENERATION			
AREA ENERGY.2.2: BIOMASS	ENERGY.2008.2.2.1:Enhancing strategic international cooperation with Russia in the field of power generation from biomass	Collaborative Project	
ACTIVITY ENERGY.7: SMART ENERGY NETWORKS			
AREA ENERGY.7.2: PAN- EUROPEAN ENERGY NETWORKS	ENERGY.2008.7.2.1: Innovative operational and monitoring tools for large power systems	Collaborative Project	

The Russian participants in each project have to submit their corresponding Russian proposal (in Russian) to the Russian call to be launched by the Federal Agency for Science and Innovation for to the part of the project they are going to carry out..

The Russian call will have a submission deadline later than the FP7 Energy EU-Russia call.

The Russian participants are advised to submit the corresponding Russian proposals at the same time, or as soon as possible after, the overall proposal has been submitted by the EU coordinator to the EC.

¹ The Russian call is expected to be launched in January – February 2008 (www.fasi.gov.ru).

Particular requirements for participation, evaluation and implementation:

• The minimum number of participating legal entities required for this call is summarised in the table below²:

Funding scheme	Minimum conditions
Collaborative project	At least 3 independent legal entities, each of which is established in a MS or AC, and no two of which are established in the same MS or AC. At least two participants established in Russia

Collaborative Projects under this call shall have a maximum requested EC contribution of EUR 2 million. This is an eligibility criterion – proposals above this limit will not be evaluated.

The Russian participants will be funded by the Russian Funding Agency. The EC may contribute to the funding of the total eligible costs of Russian participants not covered by the Russian Funding Agency that can represent a maximum of 5 % of the total eligible costs.

For other participants, forms of grant and maximum reimbursement rates for projects funded through the Cooperation work programme are given in Annex 3.

Evaluation procedure:

- The evaluation shall follow a single stage procedure.
- The evaluation criteria (including weights and thresholds) and subcriteria, together with the eligibility, selection and award criteria, for the different funding schemes are set out in Annex 2 to this work programme.
- Proposals will not be evaluated anonymously.
- At the Panel stage, proposals with equal overall scores will be prioritised according to their scores for the Quality criterion. If they are still tied, they will be prioritised according to their scores for the Impact criterion, and then by their scores for the Implementation criterion.
- In addition, the corresponding Russian proposals will be evaluated by the Russian Federal Agency for Science and Innovation according to its procedures.

Additional Selection Criterion:

• Only proposals which have passed the EC evaluation and have been selected for funding by the Russian Federal Agency for Science and Innovation may be funded.

Indicative evaluation and contractual timetable:

Evaluations are expected to be carried out in March / April 2008. It is expected that the contract negotiations for the short-listed proposals will open by May 2008.

² 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.

Consortium agreements:

Participants in Collaborative Projects are required to conclude a consortium agreement.