

INFODAY
The novelties

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What is new compared to the previous Researchers' nights? (1)

* The audience

vone more condition: reach a MASS audience

provide an estimates of the public likely to be reached
 explain the basis of such estimates (simulations, previous experiences...)

△ Evaluators will be told to take this aspect in consideration



What is new compared to the previous Researchers' nights? (2)

- * The messages
 - "researchers are among us" (researchers are ordinary people)
 - Europe cares for its researchers: European stand, drawing competition, witnesse of beneficiaries from EU support
- underline the European dimension at all stages of the project (awareness campaign, activities of the Night, impact assessment)
- △ Evaluators will be told to take this aspect in consideration



What is new compared to the previous Researchers' nights? (3)

- * The activities
 - European stand to integrate from the very start to the activities planned
 - involvement of researchers having benefited from European support
 - organisation of a drawing competition
- b chose a strategic location for the European stand
- ▶ foresee witnesses of researchers who have benefited from a European support (Marie Curie actions)
- △ Evaluators will be told to take this aspect in consideration

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What is new compared to the previous Researchers' nights? (4)

- * The evaluation criteria
 - v scientific and technological excellence
 - v quality and efficiency of the implementation and management
 - potential impact through the development dissemination and use of the project results
- pay a particular attention to the quality of the activities planned
- pay a particular attention to the potential impact (researchers' image and awareness about European action in this field)



What is new compared to the previous Researchers' nights? (5)

* The average funding

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    average expected between € 20,000 and € 80,000
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- indicative budget of the call increased by 50 % (from € 2 million to € 3 million)
- be ambitious in terms of activities and public target
- > mobilise however potential national/regional funders (local investment will be an asset as last year)



As a conclusion, your event should:

- be a popular mass meeting
- > popularise researchers and their role
- > underline the European action in the field
- > start to become a traditional "Fall rendez-vous" with researchers...

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