<u>Call title: Strengthening joint European S&T centres in Third Countries – Activity INCO-HOUSE</u>

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• Deadline¹: 15/03/2011, at 17.00.00, Brussels local time

• Indicative budget^{2,3}: EUR 0.50 MILLION

Activities called:

Activity/ Area	Funding schemes	Indicative amount
INCO-8 Strengthening joint European		
S&T centres in Third Countries		
INCO.2011-8.1 India	Coordination and Support	EUR 0.50 million
	Actions (supporting action)	

Eligibility conditions:

The general eligibility criteria are set out in Annex 2 to 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 participants⁴ as set out in the Rules for Participation:

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

The following additional eligibility criteria apply in this call:

- The eligible joint centres must be the result of institutional arrangements⁵ based on a bilateral or multilateral agreement, contract or memorandum of understanding between at least one partner government, ministry or research organisation of an EU Member State or Associated Country with a counterpart in a Third Country concerned. The eligible joint centre is an organisation, which is an independent legal entity established in the third country, whose aim is to facilitate joint science and innovation related activities through co-funding of projects. The eligible joint centres should not host research projects.
- The call targets joint centres established only in India.

¹ The Director-General responsible may delay this deadline by up to two months.

An amount of EUR 0.50 million is given to this call budget from the 2011 budget. This is under the condition that the draft budget for 2011 is adopted without modifications by the budget 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.

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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.

The institutional arrangements must be established before the publication of the call.

Evaluation procedure:

- The evaluation criteria and scoring scheme are set out in Annex 2 to this work programme.
- Proposal page limits: Applicants must ensure that proposals conform to the page limits and layout given in the Guide for Applicants, and in the proposal part B template available through the EPSS.
- The Commission will instruct the experts to disregard any pages exceeding these limits.
- The minimum font size is 11. All margins (top, bottom, left, right) should be at least 15 mm (not including any footers or headers).
- A one-stage submission procedure will be followed.
- Proposals may be evaluated remotely.

Indicative timetable:

Evaluations are expected to be carried out during the month of May 2011. It is expected that the grant agreement negotiation for the shortlisted proposals will start in September 2011.

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.

Use of flat rates for subsistence costs:

In accordance with Annex 3 of this work programme, this call provides for the possibility to use flat rates to cover subsistence costs incurred by beneficiaries during travel carried out within grants for indirect actions. For further information, see the relevant Guides for Applicants for this call. The applicable flat rates are available at the following website: http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/find-doc_en.html under 'Guidance documents/Flat rates for daily allowances'.