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Technology Transfer and Innovation

Events in technology transfer and innovation field



The events provide you the opportunity to meet potential cooperation partners during pre-arranged face-to-face meetings, to present your business or technology offers. Do you want to participate at some events? Do you have technology profiles in the fields? Please contact office@ipacv.ro to support you.

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- 18 [Techno MATCH 2011](#) Skopje (Macedonia, the Former Yugoslav Republic of)
- 19 [Tech Fruits & Vegetable 2011 - 3rd Ediction](#) PARMA (Italy)
- 19 [EUROTOOL Brokerage Event 2011](#) Krakow (Poland)
- 20 [Renewable Energy Technology Transfer Day: Seoul 2011](#) Seoul (Korea, Republic of)
- 20 [FAKUMA 2011](#) Friedrichshafen (Germany)

November 2011

- 03 [AquaMatch 2011](#) Amsterdam (Netherlands)
- 09 [HERVEX-Hydraulics, pneumatics, mechanics, dedicated electronic devices, mechatronics](#) Calimanesti (Romania)
- 10 [BATIMAT - Sustainable construction matchmaking event](#) Paris (France)
- 15 [WATEC Israel 2011](#) Tel Aviv (Israel)

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Useful links

[Enterprise Europe Network](#) [DG Enterprise](#) [EU-Services](#) [Portal-for-SMEs](#) [Your-Europe-Your-Business](#) [Cordis](#)
<http://www.us-eu-match.com> [Executive-Agency-for-Competitiveness&Innovation-EACI](#) [EIM's Knowledge Web on](#)
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NANOTEX, Brokerage event - Nanotechnologies & Organic Electronics. Thessaloniki, Greece, 13-14 July 2011

The Brokerage Event will be organised in the framework of NANOTEX 2011 Expo, the first specialized exhibition on Nanotechnologies & Organic Electronics taking place in Greece, International Conference on Nanosciences & Nanotechnologies, International Symposium on Flexible Organic Electronics. The mega-event will host 100 exhibitors from Greece and abroad and 2,000 trade visitors from Greece and SE Europe. There may be some limited funding for the visitors of the EXPO and participants to the brokerage event. Areas of interest will include:

- * Large scale Organic Electronics & Photonics
- * Micro & Nanoelectronics
- * Nanotechnology in Energy & Environment
- * NanoFabrication & Nano-Construction
- * Metrology, Equipment & Characterization systems
- * Nanotechnology in Agriculture & Food
- * Nanotextile
- * Nanomedicine
- * Nano Biotechnology
- * Pharmacy

More... contact Dr Dimitriadis directly through e-mail or by telephone at +30 2810 391963, adimi@help-forward.gr

FP7 Transport Information Days 18-19 July 2011, Brussels

The next round of calls for proposals under the FP7 will be published at the end of July 2011. In order to support the preparation of proposals, the EC's Research & Innovation DG will hold 2 Information Days on 18 & 19 July 2011 in the Charlemagne building, rue de la Loi 170, in Brussels.

The aim of the 2-day event is to inform potential researchers about FP7, the new Transport Calls for Proposals under the 'Co-operation' Programme. Participants will also have the chance to network with potential project partners.

Information boards will be available for participants to present their ideas.

Please **register** by 4 July 2011 at the latest. Your registration needs to be **confirmed** by the Commission. A maximum of **two representatives** from a given organisation **will be accepted**.

The EC will not reimburse any travel, accommodation or other expenses for participants of the Information Days.

The conference will be broadcast on the Internet. You can find the draft version of the Work Programme 2012 [here](#).

More... [Practical information](#) ; [Announcement letter](#) ; [Draft Agenda AAT](#) ; [Draft Agenda SST](#) ; [Registration](#)

European SME Week 2011, 3-9 October 2011, all over Europe

Coordinated by the EC, this campaign promotes enterprise across EU in line with the Small Business Act for Europe. It is taking place in 37 countries, so events, activities – national, regional or local – will be as close as possible to existing potential entrepreneurs. These events – organised by business organisations, business support providers, national, regional, local authorities – will also enable existing companies to share their experience, develop further themselves.

More... http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/initiatives/sme-week/about/index_en.htm ; [Want to take part?](#)

TII's 10th anniversary summer school, Coimbra, Portugal, 5-9 September 2011

The summer school is the major training activity in the association's calendar of events and offers five one-day practical, case-based workshops which are delivered by an international team of leading innovation support and technology transfer practitioners. The 2011 programme features the following topics and trainers:

- Creativity and Innovation: an Introduction to Creative Problem-Solving Techniques (CPS), Han van der Meer (NI)
- Coaching SMEs for Collaborative Business Innovation Projects, Andreas Wolf (De)
- Interactive Ideation for Problem-Solving and Business Development, Guido Giebens (Be)
- Making the Business Case for Technology Opportunities, Max Nielsen (Dk)
- Negotiation Skills and the Art of Reaching Agreement, Henning Sejer Jakobsen (Dk)

More... www.tii.org (and follow the links).

Workshop Ready to use Venture Capital Funds, How to set up and launch financial engineering measures using ERDF (European Regional Development Fund). Brussels, 30th September 2011

"Early buy" discount until 15th July! By attending the workshop you will:

- understand the relevant aspects affecting the launch of an early stage fund, including the EU legal framework, the assessment criteria to make strategic choices of funds models (size, target companies, investment modalities, etc);

- define the operational steps to be undertaken to launch the measures, related tested “ready to use” tools (technical specifications, tenders).
- analyse Real life successful early stage fund case studies, targeting both innovative start ups, existing SMEs, also in terms of results and the impact achieved.

More... <http://www.meta-group.com/innovationlab/index.html> ; ml.fornaci@meta-group.com

Addressing evolving needs for cross-border eGovernment services, 11 October 2011, Brussels, Belgium

This workshop will focus on the evolving needs of the European Union towards a more efficient delivery of ICT-facilitated public services for citizens and businesses across the EU. The target is to widen the scope of use of the electronic means that public administrations have at their disposal outside the local, regional or national level. A further aim is to facilitate mobility of businesses and citizens i.e. for entrepreneurs to set up and run a business anywhere in Europe and allowing individuals to study, work, reside, receive health care and retire anywhere in the European Union.

More... <http://www.epractice.eu/en/events/epractice-workshop-cross-border-services>

East-Meets-West on Innovation and Entrepreneurship , 1- 4 September 2012 University of Cyprus, Nicosia

The Congress is organised by the European Office of Cyprus under the auspices of the Cyprus Presidency of the Council of the EU 2012. It will explore new tools to bring researchers, enterprises together from all over the world. The congress aims to: Improve links between scientific, business communities; promote private sector investment in science, innovation, enterprise development; to encourage SMEs, scientists to exploit global knowledge resources, increase innovation financing mechanisms.

More... <http://www.eastmeetswest.eu.com/>

Technology transfer services / All reasonable models of co-operation will be considered

You are an inventor, do you have technology to transfer, do you have new products, technology based on innovations to offer; do you need news technologies, do you need technical assistance in technology transfer...

Please contact IPA CIFATT Craiova, e_mail: office@ipacv.ro ; web site: www.ipacv.ro.

SMEs

Romanian company involved in a transborder business partnership with a company from Bulgaria, which produces poliester packages (trays) and PVC foil looking for partners to sell our products.

The company addresses mostly to :

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| - Fruit and vegetables producers | - Food delivery companies |
| - Meat and meat products producers | - Restaurants with food delivery service. |

We offer the following products:

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| - Poliester absorbing trays | - Double poliester trays |
| - Poliester non – absorbing trays | - PVC foil |

For those interested samples or presentation photos can be delivered. If a company wants to meet face to face at company's headquarters it will pay transport and hotel accomodation

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Success of Enterprise Europe Network

After 1000 days in business, the Enterprise Europe Network has helped more than 2.5 million companies to make the most of the Single Market. Europe's largest business support network contributes to the competitiveness of SMEs by making it easier for them to internationalise, innovate and access EU finance and funding.

More... [pressReleasesAction](#)

The Executive Training Programme in Japan and Korea: empowering business through understanding

In order to help EU companies understand Japan & Korea's particularly complex, cultures and markets, the EC organizes the Executive Training Programme. It is a unique, intensive professional development programme designed to provide EU companies with the latest, advanced knowledge of the Japanese or Korean economy, language, business culture.

More than 1,000 European executives have already been trained, becoming high level experts on the Japanese or Korean market. ETP organises a 44-week training as follows: Enrolment of participants is from September, 2011, until April, 2012; training starts in September, 2012.

More... <http://www.etp.org>

Intellectual Property



[Improving your organization](#)

- [Setting up a trade support institution ; Impact assessment](#)
- [Assessment and benchmarking ; Assessing your web delivery](#)
- [Designing your business strategy ; Market analysis](#)
- [Developing your service portfolio ; Improving management](#)

Research / Innovation and Entrepreneurship

Horizon 2020 - the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation

Mrs. Máire Geoghegan-Quinn, European Commissioner for Research and Innovation, has announced on 21 June 2011 the new name for the future EU funding programme for research and innovation: **Horizon 2020 - the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation**. It will enter into force on 1 January 2014, after the end of FP7 on 31 Dec 2013. **Horizon 2020** is not just a new name. It is the name for the new, integrated funding system that will cover all research and innovation funding currently provided through **the Framework Programme for Research and Technical Development, the Competitiveness and Innovation Framework Programme (CIP) and the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT)**. These types of funding will be brought together in a coherent and flexible manner. Research and innovation funding will focus more clearly on addressing global challenges.

More... <http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=MEMO/11/435&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=fr>

Partner Search

Call For Tender / Proposals / Applications / Fundings / Awards

Call for proposals: Supporting public procurement of innovative solutions: networking & financing procurement

Deadline: 27/09/2011. The call for proposals aims at supporting public procurers in purchasing new/improved solutions, products, services in areas of grand societal challenges as defined by Innovation Union communication. This objective is to be realised through establishing trans-national networks to enable Contracting Authorities (as defined by Directives 2004/18/EC and 2004/17/EC), organizations supporting innovation procurement: to offset the additional risks, costs, to collaborate to create a critical mass, to test the feasibility and implementation modalities of a future EU support scheme.

More... http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/newsroom/cf/itemlongdetail.cfm?item_id=5229&lang=en&tpa=0&displayType=fo ; [eHealth Procurers forum ; entr-cip-11N02C00@ec.europa.eu](mailto:entr-cip-11N02C00@ec.europa.eu)

IMI's 4th Call for proposals in particular for academics, patients organizations, SMEs

The revised Strategic Research Agenda: new research areas:

- New taxonomy of human diseases - pharmacogenetics
- Rare diseases and stratified therapies
- Systems approaches in drug research
- 'Beyond high-throughput screening' - pharmacological interactions at the molecular level
- Active pharmaceutical ingredients development
- Advanced formulations
- Stem cells for drug development and toxicity screening
- Integration of imaging techniques into drug research

The 4th Call for Proposals, key features:

- First '**Think Big**' topics (\pm €50 million total budget per topic)
 - European Medical Information Framework (\pm €50 million)
 - Induced pluripotent stem cells (\pm €50 million)
- In addition, **new research areas** in pharmaceutical chemistry, oral drug delivery, binding kinetics, optimising delivery of biological macromolecules will be addressed
- The topics will continue to bring together **data, resources** and **expertise** from the **public and private sectors** to improve pharmaceutical research

Call 4 topics (indicative)

Medical Information System

1. A European Medical Information Framework (EMIF) of patient-level data to support medical research
2. eTRIKS: European translational information and knowledge management services

Chemistry, Manufacturing and Control

3. Delivery and targeting mechanisms for biological macromolecules
4. *In vivo* predictive biopharmaceutics tools for oral drug delivery
5. Sustainable chemistry – delivering medicines for the 21st century

Technology and Molecular Disease Understanding

6. Human induced pluripotent stem (hiPS) cells for drug discovery and safety assessment
7. Understanding and optimising binding kinetics in drug discovery

Official launch: **End June 2011**, Deadline for submission of Expression of Interests: **End October 2011**, Peer review evaluation: **November 2011**, Deadline for submission of Full Project Proposals: **March 2012**, Approval of Full Project Proposals: **May 2012**

On the IMI website, you find a more comprehensive **info pack on the 4th Call**, including digital versions of the **IMI brochure and leaflet** (<http://www.imi.europa.eu/content/info-material-and-publication>) as well as links to more detailed presentations about IMI's 4th Call for proposals.

More... www.imi.europa.eu; infodesk@imi.europa.eu

Second Celtic-Plus Call has been launched- Submission deadline 10 October 2011

Celtic-Plus, the extended EUREKA cluster programme in ICT/telecommunications, has started its 2nd Call for Proposals. The new fast call process, allowing two full proposal calls per year is expected to speed up the overall proposal process by 6 to 9 months. It is expected that accepted and labelled projects may already start early 2012.

More... details are provided in the Celtic-Plus Purple Book 2011 <http://www.celticplus.eu/PurpleBook+/Purplebook.asp>

- Infrastructure&connectivity aspects; Fixed/Wireless, optics, energy-efficiency; Network architecture, autonomic networks

While Connected: End-to-end services and applications, like - Digital home, digital enterprises; - Digital City (incl. digital school, digital transport); - E-Health; - Security, privacy, identity
Future Internet relations: - Complement Future Internet (FI-PPP) program by Making the Internet a high-quality service platform; Introduce the 'Celtic-Plus Use-Case Factory' (Extend the program by additional use-cases); Contribute to future internet capacity building and test cases/ platforms Green-Internet relations; - Consider environmental issues in ICT; Encourage better energy efficiency; Consider Smart Grid, Water management & ICT; Develop multi-disciplinary approach
More... Call details are available at: <http://www.celticplus.eu/Project-calls/Call-2011/call-2011-information.asp>

Presented of Project Ideas

Numerous project ideas have been presented at the Celtic Event, Heidelberg, at the EU.FP7 & Celtic-Plus Proposer's Day, Warsaw. Many of the proposers are interested to extend their current consortium with additional interested partners. please contact the presenters for further information.

EU-FP7 & Celtic-Plus proposer's day, Warsaw <http://www.futurenetworksummit.eu/2011/default.asp?page=relevants>

Celtic-Plus Event & Proposer's Day, Heidelberg <http://www.celticplus.eu/Events/Old-events/Event2011/programme-1.asp>

Building the capacity of SMEs in the field of human rights, deadline: 29/07/2011

The overall objective is to enable small and medium-sized enterprises to further develop their capacity in the field of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR), so enhancing the creation of shared value for their owners, other stakeholders and society at large. The specific objective is to provide guidance for SMEs, and the people and organisations that advise them, on the issues of business and human rights, and to deepen the understanding of policy makers and other stakeholders of human rights from an SME perspective.

More... <https://etendering.ted.europa.eu/cft/cft-display.html?cftId=6> ; ENTR-DIRF-FINANCIAL-TEAM@ec.europa.eu

Multiple framework contract with cascade, Industrial competitiveness&market performance, deadline: 26/08/2011

This open call for tenders aims to support industrial policy making in the EU by providing information, analysis, assessment of policies impacting on industrial competitiveness, market performance

More... http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/newsroom/cf/_getdocument.cfm?doc_id=6623

European e-Skills Week, 91/PP/ENT/CIP/11/C/N01C013, Deadline: 29-07-2011

The objective of this service contract is to organise in 2012 the European e-Skills Week, a major awareness raising campaign in Europe to promote e-skills. It should offer the opportunity to present the achievements of the EU e-skills strategy and to provide a unique pan-European platform to promote experiences and best practices, foster cooperation and efficiently mobilise stakeholders. The European e-Skills Week will take place in March 2012. It is aiming at:

- Providing a platform for awareness raising on e-skills at European level
- Stimulating partnerships through the promotion and coordination of activities
- Developing joint communication, awareness activities with public authorities/stakeholders, encouraging the organisation of self-funded national events, communication activities with the aim achieving high visibility/impact
- Providing a wide public with consistent information

More... http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/newsroom/cf/itemlongdetail.cfm?item_id=5143&lang=en&tpa_id=0&displayType=Call

Request for Proposals for Peer Learning, Exchange, and Cooperation for Think Tanks

The Think Tank Fund and the East East: Partnership Beyond Borders Program of the Open Society Foundations announce a Request for Proposals to launch a grant competition which will support bilateral partnerships between think tanks in Central and Eastern Europe/former Soviet Union and Southeast Asia, and between think tanks in Central and Eastern Europe/former Soviet Union and Latin America. The objective of this competition is to connect policy analysts and experts to promote global peer cooperation in analysis, debate, and comparative policy solutions.

Globalization processes have changed practices of applied social science and policy-relevant research. While the developed 'western' world retains its leadership role in policy-relevant research, other regions/continents are increasingly becoming laboratories not only for policy experimentation, but also for policy innovation. The purpose of this competition is to stimulate innovation and impact through direct bilateral peer cooperation, and to bring new thinking and innovative dialogue and debate to issues relevant to the Open Society Foundations. The deadline is September 30, 2011.

More... www.osi.am ; www.partnership.am ; EE.TTF.application@osf-eu.org

Policy

A strategy for unmanned aircraft systems in the European Union

The EC services launched on 23 June 2011, at le Bourget Air Show in Paris the work to prepare a strategy for UAS in the EU, to be concluded in the first half of 2012. The objective is to gather updated information on obstacles for the use of unmanned aircraft systems in Europe which would need to be removed, and to identify possible EU actions in this field.

More... http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/sectors/aerospace/uas/index_en.htm ; entr-uas@ec.europa.eu

BIC Observatories available on-line

You will find detailed information on the BIC results, performances and value for money in 2010 at network level. Plus country observatories for Germany, Spain, Italy, France, Portugal, Belgium and UK.

More... [EBN - BIC Observatory ; www.ebn.eu](http://www.ebn.eu)

EU project budget 2014-2020

Quick review: Cohesion policy: down to 336 020 mio€. Convergence down to 162 590 mio€.

Competitiveness up to 53 143 mio€. A new type of transition region is created with a budget of 38 925 mio€. Territorial cooperation up to 11 700 mio€. ; Research CSF: up to 80 000 mio€
New competitiveness/sme: down to 2 380mio€ ; Common Agricultural Policy: direct interventions: down to 281 825 mio€
Rural Development: up to 89 895 mio€ ; Pre-accession (IPA): 12 520 mio€
Neighbourhood polivy: 16 097 mio€ ; Total: 1 025 000 mio€ or 1.05 of GNI
Full details on: http://ec.europa.eu/budget/biblio/documents/fin_fw1420/fin_fw1420_en.cfm
The detailed structure at: http://ec.europa.eu/budget/biblio/documents/fin_fw1420/fin_fw1420_en.cfm#doc1

Small Business Act strengthens small businesses and drives growth

Europe's 2020 strategy and Europe's economy rely heavily on Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (SMEs) achieving their potential. In the EU, some 23 million SMEs employ 67% of the private sector workforce.

The Small Business Act (SBA) is the EU policy framework aimed at strengthening SMEs so that they can grow, create employment. Between 2008-2010, the EC 7 EU Member States implemented actions set out in the SBA to alleviate the administrative burden, facilitate SMEs' access to finance and support their access to new markets. Most initiatives foreseen by the SBA have begun, a review of implementation so far reveals that more must be done to help SMEs.

More... http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/newsroom/cf/itemlongdetail.cfm?item_id=4920&lang=en&tpa=1011&displayType=news

The EU's Smart Specialisation Platform - How can regions join?

Contact the S³Platform and introduce the following information:

- Designated department/body and persons that will be responsible for the work with the platform;
- Chart/diagram illustrating the bodies, responsibilities regarding the drafting, coordination of innovation strategies including names and contacts (in this diagram the national/regional coordination should be clarified if relevant for the country);
- Commitment to develop a portal/webpage in the department/body to communicate with the region, link to the S3 portal;
- Commitment to use SF technical assistance or other financial resources available for these actions.

Regions will be asked to fill a self-assessment questionnaire on their innovation system/smart specialisation, in order to fully activate their registration.

More... jrc-ipts-s3platform@ec.europa.eu or <http://ipts.jrc.ec.europa.eu/s3platform.html>

Europe, the U.S. and Japan adopt a common standard for data centres' energy efficiency

The Power Usage E. ctiveness (PUE) measurement standard has been chosen by Government organisations in three continents as the common standard for measuring the energy efficiency of data centres. This will allow data centre operators to measure, calculate, improve and communicate the energy efficiencies of their data centres worldwide.

More... http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/jrc/index.cfm?id=1410&obj_id=13000&dt_code=NWS&lang=en

Networking Support for Japanese and European Clusters

Cluster organisations have reached a certain stage of development at which they need innovative supporting structures for better performance. The EU Cluster Collaboration Platform (ECCP) has been established to this gap. The platform within the framework of the EU Cluster Excellence Initiative provides online quality information and networking support for cluster organizations and their members aiming to improve their performance and increase their competitiveness through stimulation of international cooperation. Cluster organisations are invited to use this online platform to discover new horizons of excellence and explore opportunities of collaboration. The main functions are:

- Mapping and profiling of cluster organisations
- Mapping and profiling of cluster members
- Establishing geographical, sectoral and thematic communities
- Finding new project ideas and financing sources
- Adding news/events/documents and getting information provided by users

More... <http://www.clustercollaboration.eu>

The entry into force of the Science & Technology Agreement between the EU & the Government of Japan

The EU-Japan Science & Technology agreement which was signed on the 30 November 2009, entered into force on the 29 March 2011, after both the EU & the government of Japan completed their internal procedures, exchanged diplomatic notes. The new agreement gives ample possibilities to upgrade scientific, technological and innovation cooperation between Japan, one of the world's most innovative countries, and the European Union, harnessing the enormous potential of its 27 Members States. The agreement comes at a time when Japan and Japanese researchers may want to join forces with other researchers to analyse the impact of the natural disasters in March and the nuclear accident on mankind, the environment, food, and the economy to develop mitigation strategies in various fields.

More... http://www.deljpn.ec.europa.eu/modules/media/news/2011/110427.html?ml_lang=en

Events

European Biofuels Technology Platform, 4th Stakeholder Plenary Meeting, 14-15 September 2011, Bruxelles

The EU Biofuels Technology Platform invite you for the SPM4 meeting *From feedstocks to finance: upscaling sustainable biofuels*. 1st Day concludes with a cocktail-networking event to provide opportunities for discussion between stakeholders. The event provides an opportunity for researchers, academia, biofuels companies, vehicle manufacturers, trade organisations, forestry, feedstock organisations, NGOs, media, Government to contribute to ongoing development of the:

* European Industrial Bioenergy Initiative (EIBI) <http://www.biofuelstp.eu/eibi.html>

* To meet stakeholders from across the European biofuels industry and advanced biofuels R&D&D projects

* Hear up-to-date presentations from the EC, EBTP, IEA, ePure, US DoE, Bioenergy 2020, Chemrec, UPM, IFP, covering financing, progress on deployment, upscaling of advanced biofuels technologies, including feedstock issues, sustainability
More... http://www.biofuelstp.eu/spm4/spm4_prog.html ; secretariat@biofuelstp.eu

TRA, the International Transport Conference *Sustainable Mobility through Innovation*, Athens, 23-26 April 2012

TRA 2012 is an initiative of EU origin that aims at highlighting and showcasing international research in transport-related areas. It has engaged world-known academics, practitioners from the area of Transport in order to man its scientific, management committees. It will offer a great opportunity to international researchers to present their work – whether theoretical or applied – after a peer-reviewed selection process, get feedback from some of the best people in their field. TRA 2012 will facilitate the interaction between research-industry; it will provide an opportunity for the private sector to partner/cooperate with leading researchers in practical applications, breakthrough solutions in the field of transportation.
More... <http://www.traconference.eu/>

14th European Health Forum, 5-8 October 2011, Bad Hofgastein, Austria

The theme is Innovation & Wellbeing - Europe's Health. We are looking forward to fruitful, lively discussions. Main topics:

- * Active & healthy ageing
- * Future of medicine
- * Social innovation and
- * Non-communicable diseases
- * Health2020
- * HTA

More... <http://www.ehfg.org/congress.html>

Training Events / Jobs

Calendar of training courses in nanoscience and electronics

Plans d'expériences - Méthode Taguchi	08-09.07.2011	Neuchâtel (CH)
Tronics & MultiMEMS MEMS Processes: Ecole d'Ingenieurs et d'Architectes	12-15.07.2011	Fribourg, CH
Jyväskylä Summer School	08.08.2011	Finland
Advanced Analog IC Design	22.08.2011	Switzerland
Practical Aspects in Mixed-Signal ICs	22.08.2011	Switzerland
Power Management	29.08.2011	Switzerland
Cryptographic Engineering	29.08.2011	Switzerland
Polymer Microfabrication	12.09.2011	Neuchâtel (CH)
Critères pour le choix d'un moteur électrique	27.09.2011	Neuchâtel (CH)
Réseaux de capteurs et transmission de données sans fil	12.10.2011	Neuchâtel (CH)

More... <http://www.fsrn.ch/e/formAgenda.php> ; [More FSRM courses](#) ; <http://www.eurotraining.net/view2.php?pk=2&pg=0>

Distance Learning Courses

QL - Quality labelled course

QL	Title	Location
QL	Advanced Applications & Design of Microsystems	Web based
QL	Design for Precision & Nanometrology	Web based
QL	Introduction to Electronics	Web based
QL	Micro Electronics & Micro Engineering	Web based
QL	Microsystems & Nanotechnology	Web based
QL	Online Course Introduction to Electronics	Web based
QL	Oxford University Introduction to Electronics Online Short Course	Web based
QL	Precision & Micro Engineering-An Overview	Web based
QL	Precision & Nano Metrology	Web based
	Advanced Electronic Design Automation	Web based
	Analogue and Mixed Signal Integrated Circuit Design	Web based
	Analogue Design using Analogue HDLs	Web based
	An Intuitive Approach to DSP	Web based

More... http://www.eurotraining.net/distance_learning.php?pg=0

Transparency & Access to Documents in the EU, 12-13 September 2011, Maastricht

The seminar *10 Years on from the adoption of Reg.1049/2001* will familiarise participants with the various aspects of “openness and transparency” in the EU. The sessions will address the latest developments regarding access to documents. These will cover both the acts of the community institutions and other bodies such as agencies, treatment of sensitive data, relevant case law as well as the role of the Member States. The seminar will focus on the changes resulting from the entry into force of the Lisbon Treaty, their ramifications on the revision process of Regulation 1049/2001.

More... [Programme](#) | [Online registration](#) | [Complete information package](#)

Workshop: FINANCE IN FP7 - with guest auditor, 9 August 2011, Cambridge, UK

This workshop addresses the financial rules, practices of the Cooperation and Capacities Programmes of FP7. Through lectures and exercises, it will give you a practical interpretation of the EU financial rules, guidelines drawing on real experience. Our guest auditor will be Julian Rummings, partner at Littlejohn LLP, chartered accountants. As part of the Polaris consortium of auditors, Littlejohn have audited projects in FP6/FP5 on behalf of the EC. Julian has over 12 years

experience, 3000 assignments behind him, so possesses an in-depth knowledge of the many issues encountered, consequent errors made by FP participants across EU in reporting their project costs.

More... www.singleimage.co.uk

Awards & Scholarships, Hudson college, Canada

Hudson college, offers a variety of awards and scholarships every year to recognize students' academic achievements and levels of excellence in many other aspects of school life. Hudson is committed to encouraging students to constantly pursue excellence and to achieve their best in various intellectual, artistic, physical, and social pursuits.

More... <http://www.hudsoncollege.ca/Awards-Scholarships/>

Curtin University funded International Postgraduate Research Scholarship for International Student, Australia

Course Level: Postgraduate; Scholarship Provider: Curtin University; Scholarship can be taken at: Australia; Scholarship Open for International Students: Yes; How to Apply: By Post; Scholarship Application Deadline: 31 August, 2011

Eligibility: This award is open to citizens of an overseas country. Scholarships will be awarded on academic merit and research capacity to suitably qualified overseas graduates eligible to commence a higher degree by research in 2012.

Scholarship Description: The International Postgraduate Research Scholarship (IPRS) is available to any international student wishing to undertake a Higher Degree by Research at Curtin in 2012.

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PhD studentship Optimization of interconnected networks at Institute for Building Materials, ETH Zurich

Study Subject(s): Optimization of Interconnected Networks; Course Level: PhD; Scholarship Provider: ETH Zürich; Scholarship can be taken at: Switzerland; How to Apply: Online; Scholarship Application Deadline: Contact Employer

Eligibility: Applicants should have a Diploma or Master degree in physics or related area, strong programming skills and interest in numerical simulations and interdisciplinary topics

Scholarship Description: The Computational Physics group at the Institute for Building Materials, ETH Zurich is developing, applying numerical methods/simulations to many different areas ranging from general statistical physics, sociophysics, complex fluids, to material science, geomorphology. The group is multinational, offers a creative environment, with many possibilities for interdisciplinary collaborations.

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IMRC project: SG in CAE and Product Prototyping - Research associate position at Harriot Watt University, UK

Serious Games for Computer-Aided Engineering and Product Prototyping **Heriot-Watt University** - School of Engineering and Physical Sciences. **Salary:** £29,099 - £31,798.

The postholder will perform research in the area of serious games, knowledge capture, data mining and statistical analysis, formulating computational experiments and cognitive metrics, developing techniques, algorithms and methodologies that support the deployment of design for manufacture and assembly. Applicants must have excellent mechanical engineering design and manufacturing, software design skills and practical experience of the software and hardware systems.

More... <http://www.jobs.ac.uk/job/ACU714/research-associate/>. Heriot-Watt job reference number: 59/11/J

Grant position at UNINOVA-CA3 group, Italy

The UNINOVA-CA3 group (www.ca3-uninova.org) is offering a grant position in collaboration with the UNITE Programme. It is open to PhD, post-graduate students, researchers and other IT experts. Candidates should have a degree in Computer Science, Computer engineering or equivalent, will participate in one of 3 topics of choice:

1. An intelligent fuzzy monitoring system; 2. Parallelization of clustering algorithms; 3. Fuzzy clustering algorithms

Interested applicants should send an email to ca3@uninova.pt with subject "UNITE Grant", including an updated CV (PDF), research interests / topics, a brief motivation description for applying.

Call for applications for The MMI-CSIRO Materials Science PhD Scholarship Program, University of Melbourne

Study Subject(s): Materials Science ; **Course Level:** PhD; **Scholarship Provider:** Melbourne Materials Institute (MMI) of the University of Melbourne and the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO);

Scholarship can be taken at: Australia; **How to Apply:** Online

Eligibility: Open to local/international students. The key academic requirements that applicants must meet are

(i) completion of tertiary studies that are at least equivalent to a four-year honours degree at an Australian university, and (ii) completion of a R&D project/component as part of their studies that accounts for at least 25% of their year's work at 4th year or Masters level. Recipients of this program are expected to hold a 1st class honours degree/GPA 3.6/equivalent.

Scholarship Application Deadline: Applicants should submit their EOI by 4pm(EST), Friday, 29th July 31, 2011 at the latest for consideration in the 2011-2012 round, but the scholarships will remain open until filled

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