

Call title: FP7-SSH-2011- Collaborative projects (large scale integrating research projects)

- Call identifier: **FP7-SSH-2011-1**
- Date of publication: 20 July 2010:
- Deadline¹: 2 February 2011 at 17.00.00 Brussels local time
- Indicative budget:² EUR 40 million

The budget for this call is indicative. The final budget awarded to actions implemented through calls for proposals may vary:

- The final budget of the call may vary by up to 10% of the total value of the indicated budget for each call; and
 - Any repartition of the call budget may also vary by up to 10% of the total value of the indicated budget for the call.
- **Challenges called:**

Activity/Area	Challenge	Funding scheme	Budget per Challenge (EUR)
Activity 8.1: Growth, employment and competitiveness in a knowledge society – the European case			
Area 8.1.2. Structural changes in the European knowledge economy and society	SSH.2011.1.2-1. Europe moving towards a new path of economic growth and social development	Collaborative project (large scale integrating project)	EUR 8 million
Activity 8.2 Combining economic, social and environmental objectives in a European perspective: paths towards sustainable development			
Area 8.2.1 Socio-economic development trajectories	SSH.2011.2.1-1. Economic, social and political conditions for satisfying the world food needs	Collaborative project (large scale integrating project)	EUR 8 million
Activity 8.4. Europe and the world			
Area 8.4.1. Interactions and interdependences between world regions and their implications	SSH.2011.4.1-1. Tackling poverty in a development context	Collaborative project (large scale integrating project) for specific cooperation action dedicated to international cooperation	EUR 8 million

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Area 8.4.2. Conflicts, peace and human rights	SSH.2011.4.2-1. The evolving concept of borders	Collaborative project (large scale integrating project)	EUR 8 million
Activity 8.5: The Citizen in the European Union			
Area 8.5.1. Participation and citizenship in Europe	SSH.2011.5.1-1. Corruption and resistance to corruption in the private and public sphere	Collaborative project (large scale integrating project)	EUR 8 million

- **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.

Funding scheme	Minimum conditions
Collaborative Project (large scale integrating project)	At least 7 partners from a minimum of 7 countries. At least 7 independent legal entities, each of which is established in a MS or AC ³ , and no 2 of which are established in the same MS or AC.
Collaborative project (large scale integrating project) for specific cooperation action dedicated to international cooperation (topic <i>SSH.2011.4.1-1. Tackling poverty in a development context</i>)	At least 7 partners from a minimum of 7 countries. At least 7 independent legal entities, 2 of which are established in a MS or AC, and none of which are established in the same MS or AC. From the remaining participants at least 5 other entities must come from International Cooperation Partner Countries ⁴ and be established in Africa, South-East Asia, and/or Latin America and the Caribbean.

The following **additional** eligibility criteria apply in this call

- The minimum requested EU contribution under the funding schemes 'Collaborative project (large scale integrating project)' and 'Collaborative project (large scale integrating project) for specific cooperation action dedicated to international cooperation' is EUR 6 500 000

Only information provided in part A of the proposal will be used to determine whether the proposal is eligible with respect to budget thresholds and/or minimum number of eligible participants.

- **Evaluation procedure:**

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- The evaluation criteria and scoring scheme are set out in Annex 2 to the work programme;
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- The Commission will instruct the experts to disregard any pages exceeding these limits;
- The minimum font size allowed is 11 points. The page size is A4, and 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;
- Experts will carry out the individual evaluation of proposals remotely, with the consensus session being held in Brussels. Hearings may be organised;
- The procedure for prioritising proposals with equal scores is described in Annex 2 to the work programme;
- The evaluation criteria and sub-criteria, together with the eligibility, selection and award criteria for the different funding schemes are set out in Annex 2 to the 'Cooperation' Specific Programme work programme. For this call the scientific and/or technological excellence evaluation criterion will include the following additional sub-criterion: 'appropriate comparative perspective and the largest possible European coverage in relation to the subject of research (though not necessarily simply by reason of a geographically diverse consortium)⁵;
- Only the top ranked proposal per challenge will be selected, on the condition that proposals pass all the requisite evaluation thresholds;
- A reserve list of projects will be established to be used in case the negotiation for entering into a grant agreement fails.

Any parts of the budget of this call that will remain unspent will be transferred to the call FP7-SSH-2011-2.

- **Indicative evaluation and contractual timetable:** evaluation of proposal will take place in May 2011 and first grant agreements are **expected** to be signed in November 2011.
- Participants are required to conclude a consortium agreement prior to grant agreement.
- **The forms of grant** which will be offered and the maximum reimbursement rates are specified in Annex 3 to the 'Cooperation' work programme.
- **Flat rates to cover subsistence costs:** In accordance with Annex 3 to 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'.

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