




Information Day



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HOW TO PARTICIPATE IN FP7 in the ICT Priority

Venue: Sofia, 5 Alexander Zhendov str.

Date: 6th December 2006 (Wednesday), 9.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m.

9h00	Registration of participants
9h15	Opening and Introduction to WS Objectives and Agenda Ms. Dinka Dinkova, Program Director (ARC Fund)
9h30	FP7 Launch and Feedback from the European IST 2006 Conference in Helsinki Mrs. Sonia Spasova, State expert and NCP for FP7 - ICT priority (State Agency for ICT) Mr. Todor Yalamov, IT Group Coordinator (ARC Fund)
10h00	General introduction to FP7 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - FP7 preparation, structure of the FP7, differences with FP6 - How to stay up to date, sources of information Ms. Emilia Zakova, Consultant (EP-Bulgaria)
10h20	Main FP7 instruments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Collaborative projects - Network of Excellence (NoE) - Co-ordination/Support Actions (CSA) - Research for SMEs (CRAFT) - Research for associations of SMEs Mr. Aurélien Saffroy, Consultant (EQY-France)
10h45	Coffee break
11h00	FP7 ICT Work Programme and First Calls <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Presentation of research topics to be financed under the ICT priority. Discussion Mr. Aurélien Saffroy, Consultant (EQY-France)
11h45	How to proceed to submit and negotiate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What you should know about the procedure & documents - Consortium creation - EC procedures to submission, evaluation and negotiations - Example of evaluation and negotiation Ms. Emilia Zakova, Consultant (EP-Bulgaria)
12h00	Lunch Break
12h30	Examples of successful projects (under FP6) Aurélien Saffroy & Emilia Zakova
13h00	Individual meetings with the participants to discuss project ideas with EuroProject consultants
16h00	End of the training session

The language of the event will be Bulgaria and English. No interpretation will be provided!

Target groups: ICT companies and research organisations interested in participating in the EU research programmes (FP7)

Speaker's biographies

Sonia Spasova, holder of degrees in both Telecommunications and Law, whose career spans two decades of experience in the field of ICT and engineering. Employed within the public administration since 1992. Expert at the Information Society and Information Technologies Directorate at the Ministry of Transport and Communications between 2000 and 2005. Currently State Expert at the State Agency for Information Technology and Communications, Information Society Technologies Department. National Contact Person for the IST and ICT Thematic Priorities under FP5, FP6 and FP7. National Delegate at the Management Committee of EU's Safer Internet plus Programme.

Todor Yalamov, IT Group Coordinator at ARC Fund. Mr. Yalamov holds a Master's Degree in Economics and Management from Erasmus Rotterdam University School of Economics and Faculty of Economics and Business Administration at Sofia University, and MSc in Mathematics from Sofia University Faculty of Mathematics and Informatics. He has broad project management experience, and has worked on projects funded by FP6, FP5, PHARE, TEMPUS, the World Bank, and the Bulgarian Government. He is also editor of the annual e-Bulgarian Report and contributes to the ICT chapter of the annual Innovation.BG report.

Aurélien Saffroy Computer science Engineer, M.Sc, is Consultant in European Projects in France. He is Project Manager of 2 SSAs in FP6 IST priority, oriented towards Eastern European Countries Participation in FP6&FP7. He has set up projects in IST and Transport and currently runs 1 CRAFT and 1 STREP.

Emilia Zakova engineer, works as a project officer for Europroject. She has a Masters degree in Textile Engineering from Technical University – Sofia. She has previous experience in Bulgarian Association of Textile and Clothing (BATEC) and participated in PHARE Project - PERFECT-LINK. She takes an active part in 3 FP6 projects.

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