



Grant Scheme to facilitate the participation of EaP countries in Energy Networking4Innovation WITH training

Guidelines for Applicants

Eligibility criteria

These criteria **have to be met** in order to be eligible for participation.

- Be a member or an employee of a research institution/organization and/or of a network of organizations and/or of a higher education institution and/or of an SME-enterprise working on research. The aim is that the participation will have a multiplier effect in the country and/or region.
- Conduct research in one of the partner countries (AM, AZ, BY, GE, MD, UA)
- Submit a completely filled in application form along with all the required documentation.
- Have a PhD degree and/or at least three years' full time experience in research.
- Carry out research in one of Societal Challenges: Health, Energy or Climate Change.
- Speaking fluent English.
- Some international experience (already existing contacts in other countries, participation in previous international conferences and collaborations, etc.).
- Commitment to participate in a particular Horizon2020 call.

Evaluation criteria

- Scientific excellence/Research performance (publications, patents, project, etc.) (40% of the score)
- Previous international cooperation activities (projects and/or structured cooperation with other countries; trainings abroad; participation in international conferences, etc.) (20% of the score)



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- Commitment to participate in a particular Horizon2020 Call, commitment to take full advantage of the participation in the event: expected outcome, concrete plans for cooperation, participation in Horizon2020 calls should be described in more detail (40% of the score)

Additional evaluation criteria

- Gender: Encouragement of female researchers to participate
- Encouragement of young researchers
- Additional activities planned during the event (e.g. giving a presentation, taking part in a poster session, submitting a partner search profile, scheduling a bilateral meeting etc.)

Deadline for submission: 20th of October 2016

Selection Process

Formality and eligibility check

The Local IncoNet EaP Partner will be responsible for the formality and eligibility check. Applications which do not comply with the eligibility criteria will not be considered within the evaluation process.

Evaluation

The evaluation, based on a specified scoring matrix (see below) will be carried out by the Local Partners, the Task Leader and the Coordinator.



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Scoring Matrix

Evaluation Criteria	Scoring
Have a postgraduate degree and/or at least three years' full time experience in research	Yes or No
Be a member or an employee of a research institution and or of a higher education institution or of a research department of an SME-enterprise in one of the partner countries	Yes or No
Sufficient knowledge of English (language exam, or self-estimation)	Yes or No
Thematic Area of research (Health, Energy, Climate Change)	Yes or No
Research performance/scientific excellence: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 5 most important publications, relevant to the event - total number of publications - total number of citations - patents, if any - participation in projects related to the topic of the Brokerage Event 	max: 10 points min: 7 points
International cooperation activities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - projects and/or structured cooperation with other countries; - trainings abroad; - participation in international conferences 	max: 5 points min: 3 points
Commitment to take full advantage of the participation in the event: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - expected outcome, concrete plans for cooperation (become a member of a Horizon 2020 consortium, deepen already existing international contacts etc.) - other activities planned (poster, presentation etc.) 	max: 10 points min: 7 points



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Funding Requirements

The Grants will be paid by RCISD as a reimbursement for travel costs (travel, accommodation, visa costs). The Grant cannot exceed 1500 euro. If the cost of participation exceeds this amount, the additional cost must be borne by the Grant recipient. An advance payment up to 75% of the budget may be paid to the Grant recipients (covering travel, accommodation and visa) while the remaining costs (per diem, actual expenses during stay, according to the Local Partner rules) will be reimbursed by Local partner upon the return of the researcher and the handing of the participation evidence and related documents (Event Participation Report) to the Local partner.



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Energy Networking4Innovation Brokerage Event WITH training

RCISD provides H2020 training for the selected participants back-to-back with the Energy Networking4Innovation Brokerage Event. Nomination of two scientists (at least one scientist) from each EaP country for this event is highly recommended. Eligibility, evaluation criteria, selection and evaluation procedure are the same like in the general scheme above. Costs (accommodation, travel and visa) of the participating scientists are covered from the budget of the RCISD dedicated for the Grant Scheme to facilitate the participation of EaP countries in the Brokerage Event and H2020 training.

Details of Energy Networking4Innovation Brokerage Event

Date: 30 November 2016

Venue: DOUBLE TREE by Hilton Hotel, Trnavská cesta 27/A, Bratislava, Slovakia

Registration deadline: 20 November 2016

Training: 29 November 2016, provided by RCISD

Registration fee: free of charge

Number of days covered by the project: 28 November – 1 December (maximum 3 nights)

More information: <https://www.b2match.eu/networking2016>

Topics: smart energy & energy efficiency; renewable energy; R&D, policy making, governance and energy

Description: On November 30, 2016 you are welcome to participate in the international Networking4Innovation brokerage event. This matchmaking event focused on research, innovation or business cooperation in the field of energy efficiency and renewable energy organised as a side event to the SET Plan conference 2016 & Central European Energy Conference 2016 from 30 November to 2 December 2016 (<http://www.setplan2016.sk/index.php>). SET Plan – Central European Energy Conference X will be held during Slovakia's EU Council Presidency and will create a prestigious international platform for open discussion on the most important issues regarding current EU energy policy and research and innovation policy between stakeholders.



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