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Tips:

Would you like to take part in an FP7 project? Are you looking for partners? We can disseminate your request among the NCPs. Please fill in the relevant form on

[http://
www.net4society.eu/
public/partner-search-
service.](http://www.net4society.eu/public/partner-search-service)

The Net4Society team is at your disposal.

We will assist you through all the stages of proposal preparation



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Editorial

Dear National Information Points, information multipliers and researchers from Third Countries, this is the 5th edition of the Newsletter for Socio-Economic Sciences and the Humanities.

The focus of this edition is the publication of the 2010 calls. The Socio-Economic Sciences and the Humanities (SSH) call was published on 30 July 2009. The call is composed of 5 calls, divided by the types of projects. You may find all the relevant information below.

In addition to the SSH programme, however, there might be many opportunities for SSH researchers in other thematic areas, such as Health, KBBE, ICT, Nano and others.

To provide you some help with gaining an overview on the opportunities, NET4SOCIETY has edited an impressive document with all the relevant topics in all these Themes. You will find this information just after the information about the SSH calls.

For those of you who are on summer vacation – we wish a nice and relaxed vacation, hoping all of you will get back to work with extra enthusiasm for taking part in FP7's SSH projects J

We are at your disposal,

The Third Countries Task Force

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Waiting for your inputs,

The Third Countries Task Force

Calls

The **SSH-2010 calls** were published on 30 July 2009 on <http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm> and will contain the following calls:

FP7-SSH-2010-1

Call date: 30 July 2009
Closing date: 2 February 2010
Budget: EUR 40 million
Type of call: Collaborative projects (large scale integrating research projects)

FP7-SSH-2010-4

Call date: 30 July 2009
Closing date: 15 December 2009
Budget: EUR 3.6 million
Type of call: Co-ordination and support actions

FP7-SSH-2010-2

Call date: 30 July 2009
Closing date: 2 February 2010
Budget: EUR 18.9 million
Type of call: Collaborative projects (small or medium-scale focused research projects)

FP7-OCEAN-2010

Call date: 30 July 2009
Closing date: 14 January 2010
Budget: EUR 34 million (EUR 1 million from Theme 8: SSH budget)
Type of call: "The ocean of tomorrow" joint call

FP7-SSH-2010-3

Call date: 30 July 2009
Closing date: 2 February 2010
Budget: EUR 8,100,000
Type of call: Collaborative projects (small or medium-scale focused research projects) for specific co-operation actions dedicated to international co-operation)

NET4SOCIETY screens all work programmes of other areas in FP7 for projects/topics which call for inclusion of SSH researchers. "Opportunities for Researchers from the Socio-economic Sciences and Humanities: Analysis of SSH Relevant Topics in Areas other than Theme 8 Socio-economic Sciences and Humanities" can now be found at <http://www.net4society.eu/public/documents>

Reports

"Science, Economy and Society in an enlarged Europe" is a summary of the sessions at the Research Connection conference that was held on 7-8 May 2009 in Prague. The paper gives a good overview of the SSH and SIS programmes and in addition it provides some highlights on the ethics and culture sessions. For more info:

http://ec.europa.eu/research/social-sciences/pdf/science-economy-and-society-in-an-enlarged-europe_en.pdf

"Handbook on the Socialization of Scientific and Technological Research" is a tool for promoting science and technology socialization policies addressed to policy makers, research and innovation actors and stakeholders. This publication was made by the SSERC project that received funding from FP6. for more info: <http://www.techresp.eu/IMG/pdf/Handbook.pdf>

"Cultures of Governance and Conflict Resolution - a Euro-Indian Workshop", is a new publication from the European Commission. The aim of the workshop was to discuss and compare research conducted in Europe and India on issues of common interest and high policy relevance such as governance, democracy and conflict resolution where mutual learning can enhance current and future analytical work. It was published by the European Commission. For more info:

ftp://ftp.cordis.europa.eu/pub/fp7/ssh/docs/euro-indian_workshop_2009_en.pdf

Upcoming Events

The **Euroscience Mediterranean Event 2009** (ESME 2009) will be held on 15-19 October 2009 in Athens, Greece. The event is organized by the Euroscience- Greek Regional Section. ESME provides a platform for dialogue on science and technology, society and policy, following the pattern of the Euroscience Open Forum, while focusing on the specific characteristics and needs of the Mediterranean region. For more info: <http://www.esme2009.org/>

The first **NET4SOCIETY SSH Brokerage Event** will be held on 16th October 2009 in Brussels. It will be devoted to 3 of the new large scale integrating projects - "**financial system**", "**addiction**" and "**multi-polar world**" - and provide a meeting point for all stakeholders within the SSH research community. Bringing together researchers, civil society organizations and public bodies and informing them about the FP7-SSH-2010 Calls and the 3 topics in specific will hopefully result in fruitful network or consortia building and proposal preparation. 1-to-1 sessions for interested parties will be organized by an online tool which will be available in the near future on <http://www.net4society.eu/public/brokerage>.

Useful information

- **The SSH programme introduces a new approach as from the 2010 Call for Proposals.** The new approach, designed in consultation with the scientific community and Member States is based on identification of a number of important societal challenges facing Europe in short to medium term perspective. For more info: http://ec.europa.eu/research/social-sciences/societal-challenges_en.html
- The European Commission announced that as part of the new approach, research under the SSH Programme will be following an overall integrated "**Indicative Strategic Research Roadmap**" covering the period 2011-2013. The roadmap is based on the objectives and activities defined in the "Cooperation" Specific Programme. For each activity it provides an overview of the topics already covered and projects already funded under FP7. For more info: http://ec.europa.eu/research/social-sciences/indicative-strategic-research-roadmap_en.html
- **SSH in Europe: Building knowledge, engaging debates, and supporting policies.** The Socio-economic Sciences and Humanities programme implements and disseminates results on EU research policies and activities that address changes facing the social, economic, political and cultural make-up of Europe. As such, the SSH area represents all sectors of European societies. For more info: http://ec.europa.eu/research/social-sciences/mission_en.html
- **NET4SOCIETY** project (our SSH NCPs project) has launched a new **on-line directory of research organizations in the SSH**, which functions as a kind of Partner Search tool. For more info: <http://www.w3service.at/net4society/index.php>
- On 15 June 2009, the Commission decided to **maintain the FP7 transitional flat rate for indirect costs at 60%** for the purposes of grants awarded to non-profit public bodies, secondary and higher education establishments, research organizations and small and medium enterprises under calls closing after 31 December 2009.