



## Spain- Israel 6th Call for Proposals for Joint R&D Projects

### Submission by June 30, 2014

Within the cooperation practices existing between Spain and Israel in the fields of industrial and technological research and development (hereinafter called “R&D Cooperation”) in the framework of the Eureka program, in which both countries are full and active members, participants from both countries are invited to submit joint project proposals.

#### 1. Scope of Topics for Bi-Lateral R&D projects

This call welcomes applications in all technological areas. However, special priority will be given to proposals of the following domains:

- **Nanotechnology**
- **Biotechnology**
- **Cleantech** (environmental, new energy sources and natural resource use and Water management technologies)
- **ICT** (including telehealth)
- **Agrotech** (agriculture and food science)

The projects approved by the Spanish and Israeli Authorities will be supported by *The Office of the Chief Scientist (OCS) of the Ministry of Economy* from Israel and by *CDTI (Center for the Development of Industrial Technology)*, a Spanish public entity under the Ministry of Economy and competitiveness, whose objective is to assist Spanish companies in raising their technological level.

The support will be given to each partner by its own Authorities in accordance with the national Laws, Rules, Regulations and Procedures in effect.

#### 2. Qualifications

The criteria to be followed in order to apply to the present Call are:

- The Israeli partner should be an Industrial entity (company) which may be technologically and scientifically assisted by non industrial entity (eg: university research institute etc). The Spanish partner should be an Industrial entity (company) which may be technologically and scientifically assisted by non industrial entity (eg: university research institute etc).
- The Spanish and Israeli partners must express the will to cooperate, on an equal base, to the development of a new product, industrial process or service.
- The product, process or service must be innovative and there must be a technological risk involved.
- The project must be equally significant for both the participants.

- The participants are required, prior to obtain the Eureka label, to have preliminarily signed a consortium agreement on the commercialization of the product, process or service once the phase of research and development has been completed which includes the ownership and use of know how and IPR settlements (“Consortium Agreement”).

Any partner whose cooperative R&D project is consistent with the aforesaid criteria can apply to the present announcement in accordance with the national Laws, Rules, Regulations and Procedures in effect.

### **3. Submission of the project proposals**

This announcement invites partners to present joint proposals for R&D projects using Eureka forms no later than June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

*Submission and the approval procedures consist of one phase with the following steps: **Partners will be asked to present a short project outline via the following [Eureka Project Application Form](#)***

The completed electronic form (the Eureka Project Application Form) must be submitted simultaneously to ISERD and CDTI by **June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014.**

The forms have to be legally signed by all participating companies.

The signatures must be scanned and sent together with the form as an integral part of the application. The forms must be filled in English, signed by both project partners and sent to the program managers.

**In ISRAEL:** Israeli partners will be invited to submit **in addition** and **at the same time as the short project outline** their funding applications to the OCS using this link: [הגשת בקשה](#).

A provisional consortium agreement among project partners is needed at the moment of proposal submission in this phase.

### **Submission to the OCS and Iserd: June 30<sup>th</sup> 2014.**

**In Spain:** Spanish partners will be invited to submit the Eureka proposal through [the submission system](#). In addition to the application form, a short project outline (template available in the website) and a draft consortium agreement must be attached.

It is highly recommended to contact our sectorial experts before preparing the application (see contact information at the end of the document).

**Submission to CDTI: June 30<sup>th</sup> 2014.**

**Projects starts are foreseen at the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2014.**

**Companies should contact ISERD and CDTI before submission in order to receive the submission guidelines** (see contact information at the end of the document).

### **4. Evaluation and selection of the projects**

The national authorities will carry out an evaluation process of the received projects and will select the proper project to be supported in accordance with their national laws and regulations.

In case the project could be financed through CDTI (there could be other alternative sources of funding), it will sign, with the Spanish partner selected for the financial support, a contract containing the details of the conditions and the terms of the financial support that will be granted as well as the rules for eligibility of costs and procedures for technical and financial reports. The Israeli Office of the Chief Scientist (OCS) will sign a similar document with the Israeli partner. In addition to the above-mentioned documents a Partnership Agreement signed by the counterpart, will be added as an annex.

## **5. Modalities for the financial support of the projects**

Projects in the frame of this announcement could be financed by the respective national authorities in Spain & Israel, in accordance with the national laws, rules, regulations & procedures in effect:

- In Israel, every selected project can be financed by the OCS up to 50% (+ regional incentives for companies located in "development zone ") of the eligible costs of research and development. When the project is successful and produces profits, the financial support of the Israeli party will have to be repaid, without interests, by means of royalties or profits deriving from the sales. No repayment is due when the project does not reach the stage of the commercialization.
- In Spain, CDTI will provide funding conditions for Spanish partners that will depend on the nature of the project and consist in credits in advantageous conditions (for more information on the details, please access <http://www.cdti.es>, in the Eureka section).
- According to EUREKA practices, applicants may choose to ask for a label without public financing (e.g. self-funding is also applicable) .

## **6. Publicity of the Results**

Project partners whose projects have been supported by its own authorities in accordance with the national regulations and procedures will be informed by means of email by the contact person mentioned below.

## **7 .Partnering Opportunities**

Nanolsrael (24-25 march, Tel Aviv, [www2.kenes.com/nano/pages/home.aspx](http://www2.kenes.com/nano/pages/home.aspx))

Israel Innovation Conference MIXiii (20-22 may, Tel Aviv, [www.mixiii.com](http://www.mixiii.com))

MIHealth Forum 2014 (21-22 May 2014, Barcelona, [www.mihealthforum.com](http://www.mihealthforum.com))

Fresh Agromashov (10-11 june, Tel Aviv, [www.agro.mashovgroup.net/en/](http://www.agro.mashovgroup.net/en/))

\*\* For partner search requests contact the program managers.

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