

Call title: Joint Programming Coordination 2011

- Call identifier: **FP7-JPROG-2011-RTD**
- Date of publication: 20 July 2010.
- Deadline: 5 October 2010, at 17.00.00, Brussels local time¹.

Indicative budgets and Topics²:

∅ A total of EUR 6.0 million³ is foreseen for this call and will be allocated by individual Themes in the Cooperation Work Programme.

Overview of the Topics in FP7-JPROG-2011 –RTD⁴

THEME/Activity	Topic identifier	TITLE	Indicative budget (EUR million)
2. FOOD, AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES, AND BIOTECHNOLOGY			
2.1 Sustainable production and management of biological resources from land, forest and aquatic environment	KBBE.2011.1.4-01	Coordination action in support of the implementation by participating States of a Joint Programming Initiative on 'Agriculture, Food Security and Climate Change'	2.0 ⁵
2.2 Fork to farm: food (including seafood), health and well being	KBBE.2011.2.6-01	Coordination action in support of the implementation by participating States of a Joint Programming Initiative on 'A Healthy Diet for a Healthy Life'	2.0 ⁵
6. ENVIRONMENT			
6.3.2 Protection, conservation and enhancement of	ENV.2011.3.2.2-1	Coordination action in support of the implementation by	2.0 ⁵

¹ The Director-General responsible for the call may delay this deadline by up to two months.

² Under the condition that the draft budget for 2011 is adopted without modifications by the budget authority.

³ Total indicative budget provided by the concerned Themes. Following the evaluation of proposals, the final total budget of the call, as well the individual sub-budgets independently allocated by each Theme, may vary by up to 10% of the values initially foreseen.

⁴ Coordination and Support Actions (Coordinating Action)

⁵ Up to one project can be funded

cultural heritage, including human habitat		participating States of a Joint Programming Initiative on 'Cultural heritage and Global Change : a new challenge for Europe'	
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General 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. 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.

Funding scheme	Minimum conditions
Coordination and Support Actions (coordinating action)	At least 3 independent legal entities, each of which is established in a MS or AC, and no 2 of which are established in the same MS or AC

Additional Eligibility Criteria

The aim of these coordination actions is to support the implementation of Joint Programming Initiatives (JPIs) in the specified domains by proposing a sound approach to the pooling of national expertise and resources, establishing close and robust collaborations among the participating States.

All participants in the proposal must be ***independent legal entities*** which:

- Finance or manage publicly funded national or regional programmes related to the addressed domains or
- Institutions which have been expressly mandated to represent the country/region in JPI activities.

Each of these must be established in a different Member State or Associated Country.

Sole participants (as referred to in Article 10 of the Rules for Participation) may be eligible if the above-mentioned specific criteria for eligible partners are respected. A sole participant shall explicitly indicate which of its 'members', forming a sole legal entity, is either a programme owner or programme manager in the proposed action and indicate for these members the respective national/regional programmes which are involved in the JPI. Information on adequate delegation, representation and accountability procedures put in place between the JPI and the sole participant should be provided in the proposal.

Evaluation Criteria

The general criteria and thresholds applicable to Coordination and Support Actions (coordinating action) given in Annex 2 will be applicable for the evaluation of the proposals, complemented as follows:

1. Scientific and/or technological excellence - Quality of coordination (Threshold 3/5)

- The proposal should, in particular, configure a suitable governance structure for the JPI it intends to support, involving the participating organisations at an appropriate level.

2. Quality and efficiency of the implementation and the management (Threshold 3/5)

- The proposal should demonstrate a solid and firm commitment by participating Member States or Associated Countries to fund the initiative at a level adequate for the ambitious objectives the JPI aims to achieve.

3. Potential impact (Threshold 3/5)

- The proposal should demonstrate the consistency of the supported initiative with the Joint Programming declared objective of increasing the efficiency and effectiveness of Member States' and Associated Country's efforts in dealing with large scale, pan-European socio-economic challenges.

Proposal format:

- Applicants must ensure that proposals conform to the drafting instructions and layout given in the Guide for Applicants, and in the proposal part B template available through the EPSS. 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).

Evaluation procedure:

- The evaluation will follow a single stage procedure.
- Proposals will not be evaluated anonymously.
- Proposals may be evaluated remotely.

Indicative timetable:

- Evaluation in October 2010
- Opening of negotiations in November 2010
- Selections from January 2011
- Grant agreements from February 2011

Consortia agreements:

- Consortia Agreements are recommended.

Forms of the grant:

The forms of grant and maximum reimbursement rates which will be offered are specified in Annex 3 to the Cooperation work programme. This call provides 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, please refer to the relevant Guide for Applicants. The applicable flat rates are available at: ftp://ftp.cordis.europa.eu/pub/fp7/docs/flat-rates-subsistence_en.pdf.