

Call Title: Trans-National Cooperation among NCPs - INCO-NCP

- **Call identifier: FP7-INCO-2009-4**
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- **Deadline: 12 January 2009, at 17.00.00, Brussels local time**
- **Indicative budget^{1,2}: EUR 2.00 MILLION**

Activities called:

Activity/ Area	Funding Schemes
7.4. Reinforcing the network of National Contact Points (NCP) under the activities of International Cooperation by promoting trans-national cooperation (INCO-NCP)	Coordination and Support Action (coordinating action)

Eligibility conditions

The general eligibility criteria are set out in Annex 2 to this work programme. The additional eligibility criteria that apply to this call are:

- The participation to this action is restricted to the NCPs, who have been officially appointed by the relevant national authorities as well as to FP7 contact points from third countries, who have been officially appointed by the national authorities of the so-called third countries as national coordinators or as INCO contact points. Any other participants from the Member States, Associated Countries and third countries are ineligible.

Minimum number of participants³ as set out in the Rules for Participation:

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

Evaluation procedure:

- A one-stage submission procedure will be followed.
- Proposals may be evaluated remotely.
- The evaluation criteria (including weights and thresholds) and sub-criteria are set out in Annex 2 to this work programme.

¹ An amount of EUR 2 million is given to this call budget from the 2009 budget. This is under the condition that the preliminary draft budget for 2009 is adopted without modifications by the budget authority.

² The budget for this call is indicative. The final total budget awarded to this call, following the evaluation of proposals, may vary by up to 10% of the total value of the call.

³ MS = Member States of the EU; AC = Associated country. Where the minimum conditions for an indirect action are satisfied by a number of legal entities, which together form one legal entity, the latter may be the sole participant, provided that it is established in a Member State or Associated country.

Indicative evaluation and contractual timetable:

Evaluations are expected to be carried out during the month of February 2009. It is expected that the grant agreement negotiations for the shortlisted proposals will start in May 2009.

Consortia agreements

Consortia agreements are recommended but not mandatory for the projects.

Forms of grants:

The forms of grant and maximum reimbursement rates which will be offered are specified in Annex 3 to this work programme.