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## Associated Partners:

- Belgium, Scientific and Technical Information Service [www.stis.fgov.be](http://www.stis.fgov.be)
- Belgium, Institute for the Promotion of Innovation by Science and Technology in Flanders [www.iwt.be](http://www.iwt.be)
- Cyprus, Research Promotion Foundation [www.research.org.cy](http://www.research.org.cy)
- Czech Republic, Technology Centre of the Academy of Sciences [www.tc.cz](http://www.tc.cz)
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- Lithuania, Agency for International Science and Technology Development Programmes [www.tpa.lt](http://www.tpa.lt)
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- Montenegro, Ministry of Education and Science of Montenegro [www.mpin.cg.yu](http://www.mpin.cg.yu)
- Norway, Research Council of Norway [www.norsar.no](http://www.norsar.no)
- Romania, Ministry of Education and Research - National Authority for Scientific Research [www.mct.ro](http://www.mct.ro)
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- UK, Biotechnology and Biological Science Research Council [www.bbsrc.ac.uk](http://www.bbsrc.ac.uk)

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## Specific Programme PEOPLE



## NATIONAL CONTACT POINTS NETWORK



## FP7 Specific Programme 'People'

The **overall strategic objective** of the 'People' Programme is to make Europe more attractive for the best researchers, and thus to support the further development and consolidation of the European Research Area.

### Pan-European Network of National Contact Points

National Contact Points (NCPs) play a crucial role in the Framework Programme as providers of information and assistance to public and private research, higher education and business organizations, to researchers and managers all around Europe.

NCPs inform and raise awareness about the funding opportunities of the Framework Programme, advise and assist potential applicants in the preparation, submission and follow-up of grant applications, and offer support during the execution of projects – especially with respect to the management and administrative aspects of projects.

One of the great strengths of the NCP system is its national orientation and ability to provide support to applicants in their own native language, and to avail itself of the collective knowledge of the whole NCP Network.

The European Commission perceives the NCP Network as an important instrument for gathering feedback on possible challenges in the implementation of the Framework Programme.

## 'People' NCPs main activities

### 1. Informing, raising awareness

- Circulate general and specific documentation on the Specific Programme 'People', including on conditions for participation, and on possibilities and conditions for submission of proposals.
- Organize promotional activities, e.g. infodays, seminars, conferences, web sites, fairs, etc.
- Raise awareness for the Community objectives of increasing the participation of women in the Framework Programme, and of strengthening the link between science and ethics and between science and civil society.

### 2. Advising, assisting and training

- Advise on administrative procedures, financial and legal issues of the 'People' Specific Programme.
- Assist the Commission in assuring transparency and equal access to funding by disseminating calls for proposals.
- Assist in partner search activities.
- Assist organizations, in particular new actors and SMEs, with a view to increasing their participation in FP7.
- Organize training sessions on the 'People' Specific Programme for specific target groups or on specific topics.

### 3. Signposting and Feedback

- Give feedback to the Commission on any challenges and difficulties in implementing and participating in the Framework Programme.

## Where to find targeted information and assistance?

Information for all FP7 calls is published on the CORDIS web site:

<http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/>

For specific information on Marie Curie Actions visit the FP7 'People' web site:

<http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/people/>

For information on existing Marie Curie Actions under the Sixth Framework Programme visit:

<http://cordis.europa.eu/mariecurie-actions/>

Information on National Contact Points in Member States and Associated Countries can be found on:

[http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/ncp\\_en.html](http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/ncp_en.html)

Researchers looking for a job in Europe could visit the EURAXESS portal at:

<http://ec.europa.eu/euraxess/>