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Networking and Brokerage Activities

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National Contact Points (NCPs)



Individuals/Organisations commissioned by national authorities to promote the FP and to support researchers in their efforts to become involved.

Typical NCP services include:

- Guidance on choosing thematic priorities and instruments
- Advice on administrative procedures and contractual issues
- Training and assistance on proposal writing
- Distribution of documentation (forms, guidelines, manuals etc.)
- Assistance in partner search



THE SEVENTH FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME
The Seventh Framework Programme covers EC activities in the field of research, technological development and demonstration (RTD) for the period 2007 to 2013

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Challenges

- National Orientation of NCPs
- Steady Influx of New NCPs
- Complexity of the Framework Programme

Response

- Development and Implementation of a Coordination Mechanism in order to:
 - Improve the Overall Quality of Transport NCP Services Across Europe
 - Increase Transparency of EU Research Funding Opportunities

Auxiliary Objectives

Reinforcing the network of NCPs by promoting trans-national cooperation

1. Identification and promotion of best practice
2. Provision of training and twinning measures tailored to the specific needs of transport NCPs
3. Improvement of networking with other networks, organisations and initiatives with the ultimate goal of acquiring and disseminating information
4. Development of tools and practical initiatives which benefit cross-border audiences – **in particular for supporting potential participants in their search for project partners**

Support in Search for Partners



- Exchange of Information ad hoc
- Structured Exchange of Information
 - Standardised Forms
 - Online tools
 - Bi-lateral and Multilateral Activities
 - Sector-relevant Events
 - European Brokerage Events
 - Cooperation with other Networks

Networking and Brokerage Today



During the course of the entire day:

- “Pin Boards”
 - Partner Search Forms (Project Ideas)
 - Partner Profiles (Description of Expertise)
 - Interested? Leave a Business Card Behind

(All written information will be uploaded to the ETNA website: www.transport-ncps.net)

In the afternoon session after lunch:

- Round of ***Speed*** Presentations

Thanks for your attention



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