

Call title: "Future Internet"

Public-Private Partnership "Future Internet"

- Call identifier: FP7-2013-ICT-FI
- Date of publication: 28 June 2013
- Deadline: 10 December 2013 at 17.00.00 (Brussels local time)
- Indicative budget¹: EUR 130 million²

See indicative budget breakdown in section 7 of the ICT work programme.

- Topics called:

Challenge	Objectives	Funding schemes
Challenge 1: Pervasive and Trusted Network and Service Infrastructures	FI.ICT-2013.1.8 Expansion of Use Case	CP-CSA
	FI.ICT-2013.1.9 Technology Foundation Extension and Usage	IP/CSA

- Eligibility conditions:

The general eligibility criteria are set out in Annex 2 of 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.

The minimum number of participating entities required, for all funding schemes, is set out in the Rules for Participation. See Appendix 1 of the ICT work programme for further details on the minimum number of participants.

- Evaluation procedure:
 - A one-stage submission procedure will be followed.

¹ The budget for this call is indicative. The final budget awarded to actions implemented through calls for proposals may vary:

- The final budget of the call may vary by up to 10% of the total value of the indicated budget for each call; and
- Any repartition of the call budget may also vary by up to 10% of the total value of the indicated budget for the call

² Under the condition that the draft budget for 2013 is adopted without modification by the budgetary authority.

- The evaluation criteria and sub-criteria (including weights and thresholds), together with the eligibility, selection and award criteria, for the different funding schemes are set out in Annex 2 to the Cooperation work programme.

Proposal submission must be made by means of the electronic Submission Services of the Commission on or before the published deadline. Applicants must ensure that proposals conform to the page limits and layout given in the Guide for Applicants, and in the proposal part B template.

- Particular requirements for prioritisation of proposals with the same score:

The procedure for prioritising proposals which have been awarded the same score (ex aequo) within a ranked list is described below. It will be applied successively for every group of ex aequo proposals requiring prioritisation, starting with the highest scored group, and continuing in descending order:

(i) Proposals that address geographies and/or domains not otherwise covered by more highly-rated proposals, will be considered to have the highest priority.

(ii) These proposals will themselves be prioritised according to the scores they have been awarded for the criterion impact. When these scores are equal, priority will be based on the scores for the criterion Quality and efficiency of the implementation and the management. If necessary, any further prioritisation will be based on other appropriate characteristics, to be decided by the panel, related to the contribution of the proposal to the European Research Area and/or general objectives mentioned in the work programme.

(iii) The method described in (ii) will then be applied to the remaining ex aequos in the group.

- Indicative evaluation and contractual timetable: It is expected that the grant agreement negotiations for the shortlisted proposals will start as of May 2014.
- **Typically grant agreements resulting from this call will include Special Clause 39 'Open Access'.**
- Participants in all actions resulting from this call are required to conclude a consortium agreement. Special Clause 41 'Complementary Grant Agreements' and special clause 42 'Financial Support given by Beneficiaries to third Parties' and the provisions therein will be applicable to all projects selected under this call.
- In view of the implementation of Special Clause 42, the proposal must include the following elements:
 - a fixed and exhaustive list of the different types of activities for which a third party may receive financial support,
 - the definition of the persons or categories of persons which may receive financial support,
 - the criteria for awarding financial support,
 - the maximum amount to be granted to a third party³
 - the criteria for determining the exact amount.

The forms of grant which will be offered are specified in Annex 3 to the Cooperation work programme.

³ The EUR 60.000 limit mentioned in Special Clause 42 does not apply because the primary aim of these grants is the financial support to the third parties