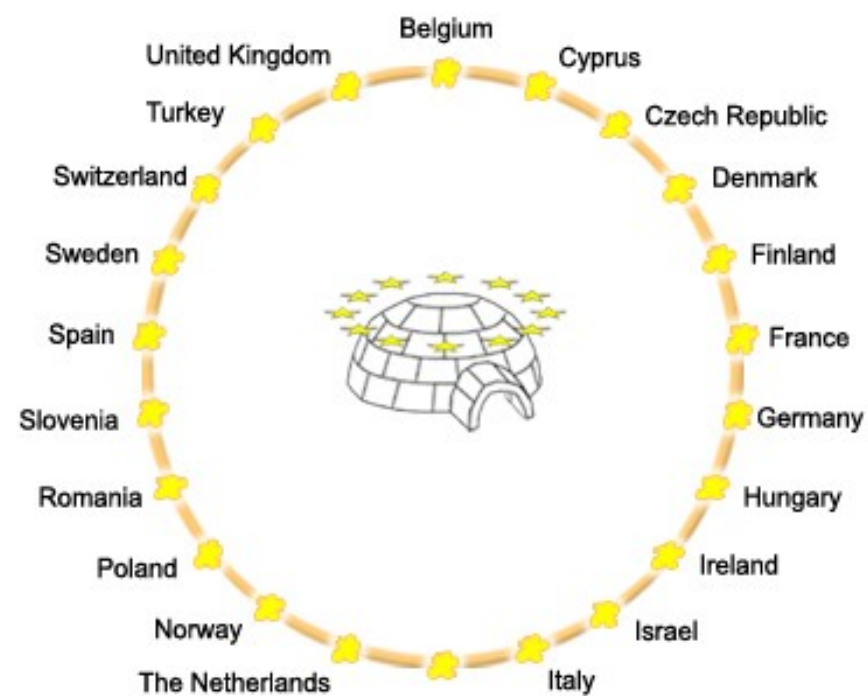




IGLO

Informal Group of RTD Liaison Offices

in Brussels





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IGLO is an informal association of Brussels-based non-profit R&D Liaison Offices. The aim is to facilitate and enhance the interaction, information exchange and co-operation between Members of IGLO, their national research systems and the European institutions on issues related to EU R&D, in particular, the Framework Programme.

This brochure describes the purpose and structure of each office. Each is set up slightly differently, reflecting the needs of the parent organisations in each country, but all have the common goal of promoting participation in European research programmes.

The offices:

- disseminate targeted, timely advice and information on research funding opportunities
- facilitate contacts and act as a user-friendly interface between the scientific community and the European institutions
- interact proactively with the European Commission and other Brussels contacts
- monitor developments in research, innovation and education policy
- provide the European Commission and other Brussels contacts with information about the research and training community in each country
- provide a partner search service

The offices also work together through regular meetings of IGLO, to exchange information, to debate new developments with key contacts and to promote collaboration and the sharing of best practice. IGLO also aims to act as a platform to bring together research, innovation and higher education policy makers and managers from across Europe.

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UKRO
United Kingdom Research Office



Mission

To promote effective UK engagement in EU research, innovation and higher education activities by the provision of advice, guidance and training

Clients

- Sponsored by the seven UK Research Councils
- Subscription service to approximately 150 UK universities, public sector research establishments and other research organisations
- Associate membership is open to industrial and non-UK research organisations

Services

- Information Services: tailored information on funding opportunities, insight into the latest developments in policies, programme areas, the European Institutions and other emerging issues at European level. Users choose the area(s) of interest to them and view these via a personal web page with e-mail alerts to inform them when new information is available
- An enquiry service, giving advice and practical guidance on gaining and managing EU funding opportunities
- UK briefing visits by the UKRO team of expert European Advisors
- UKRO website: provides subscriber access to all services, with guides to FP6, FP7, the ERA, and non framework funding opportunities and policy areas
- Meeting Room in Brussels
- Annual Conference for European officers and research managers
- Training Courses and Information Days
- UK National Contact Point for Framework Programme, Marie Curie Actions and the European Research Council (ERC)

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TuR&Bo - ppp

Turkish Research and Business Organisations
Public-Private Partnership



Mission

TuR&Bo aims to assist Turkey in attaining success in the European Union's RTD and private sector-orientated programmes within the framework of the Lisbon Strategy by providing information, communication, consultancy and training services, operating target-orientated networks and carrying out lobbying activities in line with the expectations of the organisations TuR&Bo represents and their beneficiaries.

Services

1. Information and Communication

- Information services concerning the EU Research, Innovation & Science and enterprise policy programmes
- Publishing newsletters, brochures, handbooks etc.
- Operating a website to provide all members with easy access to updated information
- Early warning systems
- Facilitating contacts with representatives of the EU institutions on behalf of stakeholders
- Partner search

2. Consultancy and Training

- Consultancy and guidance on EU Research, Innovation & Science and enterprise policy funding programmes
- Providing assistance to members in overcoming impediments encountered in projects and related activities
- Support services for conferences, seminars, workshops etc...

3. Networking and Lobbying

- Carrying out lobbying activities
- Developing relations with the EU institutions
- Promoting the interests of the Turkish Research Community

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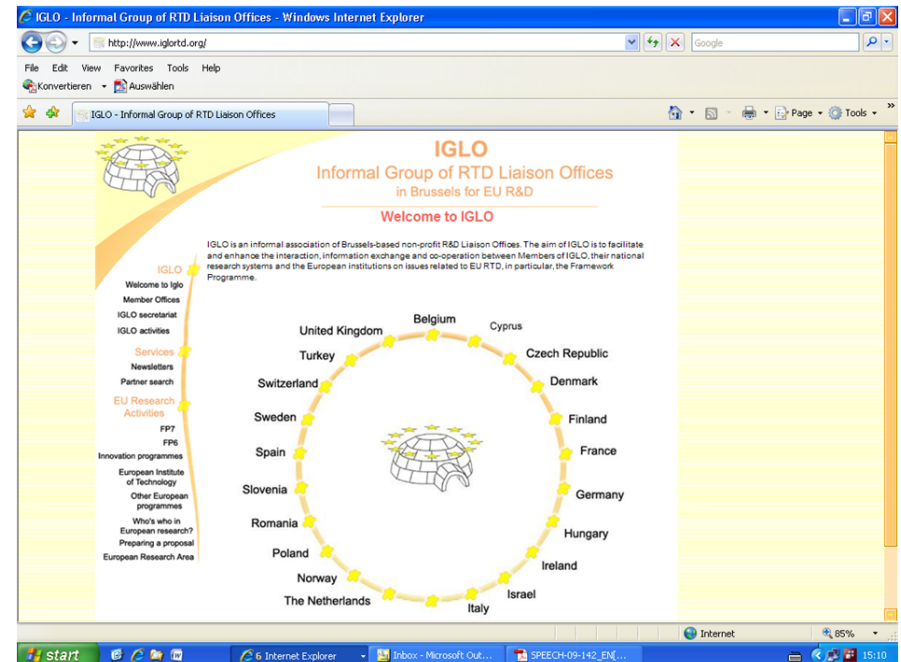
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The IGLO web site features:

- links to all **IGLO member offices**, with mission statements, services and contact details
- IGLO partner search**, a service allowing researchers to disseminate details of a proposed research project and/or research skills to researchers in the countries of the IGLO member offices
- free access to a range of **newsletters** from different countries in several languages, providing the latest information on European research policies and programmes
- links to further **information sources** on the EU Framework Programmes and the European Research Area

<http://www.iglortd.org>



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Mission

To promote Swiss participation in European research, innovation and education programmes

Clients

- The funding partners: the Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF), the State Secretariat for Education and Research (SER) and the Federal Office for Professional Education and Technology (OPET)
- Euresearch - the Swiss Information Network on EU research programmes, (i.e. Head Office with National Contact Points and Regional Offices at universities and other research institutions)
- Researchers from universities, Federal Institutes of Technology, Universities of Applied Sciences, industry and from other private or public research institutions

Services

- Provide focused information on current developments in European research, innovation and education programmes (e.g. through SwissCore Synopsis)
- Advise on European research, innovation and education policy and anticipation of trends
- Facilitate access to European authorities
- Information on Swiss research, innovation and education policy
- Increase presence of Swiss research in Brussels (e.g. through Swiss Science Briefing, SwissCore Annual Event)
- Organise training seminars and visiting programmes in Brussels
- Provide office space, meeting rooms and infrastructure for visitors and project teams
- Opportunities of traineeship and stage at SwissCore to become familiar with procedures in the EU and interaction with the Brussels research community

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Mission

- To provide information, advice and assistance for Swedish organisations involved in EU funded research
- To act as the National Contact Point, NCP for all programmes within the EU 7th Framework Programme for research and technical development

Clients

The European Programmes at Vinnova is working for the benefit of all Swedish organisations, which have an interest in the Community R&D programmes. This entails close collaboration with networks of intermediaries, universities and higher education establishments, institutes, industry, and other public funded bodies.

Services

- <http://www.vinnova.se>
- Up to date information for ongoing calls for proposals
- Publications and guides related to EU funded research
- Printed and electronic newsletters
- Help desk, partnersearch & pre-screening of proposals
- General information, specific lectures, training courses & bilateral consultations
- Gate opener to the Swedish research community
- Establishing links with relevant Commission officials
- Providing office and meeting room facilities for visitors

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Fonds de la Recherche Scientifique — FNRS
Mission

The founding principle of the research council is the promotion of basic scientific research in the French-speaking Community of Belgium. The organisation has four associated funds: Medical Research, Nuclear Science, Collective Basic Research and Agro-Industrial Research. As the organisation does not harbour laboratories in its premises, all the research is carried out in universities.

In 2006, the Fonds de la Recherche Scientifique-FNRS has created a National Contact Point for the 7th Framework Programme (FP7). The NCP-FNRS is located in its premises and benefits from its existing structure. Its mission is to stimulate, promote and strengthen the participation of researchers in research activities sponsored by the EU, to provide advice and assistance to researchers, to liaise with the EU Commission/EP officials on specific issues.

Clients

- Doctoral students, qualified researchers, scientific research workers, research managers (F.R.S.-FNRS)
- Researchers, research groups, administrators from French-speaking Belgian universities (NCP-FNRS)

Services

- Funding of individual researchers in all areas of research, based on scientific excellence and in a bottom-up approach (F.R.S.-FNRS)
- Funding of Belgian researchers who will coordinate or participate in a FP7 project (F.R.S.-FNRS)
- Monitoring and analysing EU RTD policy, disseminating information via direct contact via e-mail, daily help-desk service, website, advice (top-down and bottom-up) seminars and workshops and liaising with the Belgian Inter-ministerial Commission on Scientific Policy (NCP-FNRS)

agency for Innovation by Science & Technology — IWT
Mission

IWT is a governmental funding agency of the Flemish Government. It is responsible for the promotion of innovation through science and technology in Flanders. In this framework one of the missions of IWT is to stimulate the Flemish participation to international RTD and innovation programmes. IWT is besides the NCP-organisation for Flanders also the Eureka office and part of Enterprise Europe Network-Flanders.

Clients

- Researchers from industry, universities (incl. high schools) and their intermediary organisations, private and public research institutions in Flanders
- European R&D networks

Services

- Updated information on EU programmes and opportunities through website, newflashes & newsletters
- Advice (administrative, contractual, financial, legal) and assistance on proposal preparation of European projects seeking additional R&D partners in Flanders
- IWT-NCP forms together with the department of Economy, Science and Innovation of the Flemish Government the coordination structure called "Flemish Contact Point"
- Unique contact point to interface between the European research and innovation policy and the Flemish research council

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Mission

The Spanish Office for Science and Technology (SOST) is a centre for information and consultancy on research and technology development (RTD) based in Brussels. Their aim is to support the Spanish participation in European research and, in particular, in the European Union's Framework Programmes.

SOST is administered, managed and coordinated by the Spanish Centre for Technology and Industrial Development (CDTI) by mandate of the Spanish Ministry of Science and Innovation.

Clients

- Industrial companies and SMEs
- Researchers from public and private centres/companies, universities and Spanish regional offices

Services

- <http://www.sost.es>
- Up to date information on European research programmes and in particular calls for proposals
- Periodic newsletter which provides information on current developments in European research
- Establishing contacts with relevant Spanish Commission officials and the Spanish research community
- Exchanging information with the Spanish regional offices in Brussels
- Partner search orientation
- Support from Brussels to the Spanish representatives and NCP in FP6 and FP7
- Provide current documentation in European research for visitors
- Provide meeting room and infrastructure for visitors and other kind of facilities like: videophone service, video image projector and slide projector, internet and photocopier

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Mission

Providing Slovenian R&D, business and local communities with information on European R&D programmes and other EU activities

Clients

- Founding members: Chamber of Commerce and Industry Slovenia, Cooperative Union of Slovenia, Institute Jozef Stefan, University of Ljubljana, University of Maribor
- Associate members: Chamber of Crafts Slovenia, City of Nova Gorica, City of Ljubljana, City of Maribor, City of Novo Mesto, City of Celje, Gea College, Korona, Krka, Lek, Niko Transport, Nova Ljubljanska Banka, Perutnina, Riko, Sava, Slovenian Insurance Association, University of Primorska, Nafta Geoterm, Academy of Design

Services

- Monitor R&D developments and strategic policy considerations in EU
- Assist Slovenian R&D community in communication with their European counterparts, including partner search
- Evaluation of Slovenian performance in community programmes, particularly Framework programmes
- Providing documentation and other assistance to visiting researchers
- Providing Slovenian R&D community and business community with relevant information on EU
- Servicing the following networks:
 - EREF (European Regional Economic Forum) implementation of Lisbon Agenda, with particular reference to regional level
 - RIBN (Research Innovation and Business Network for Central and South Eastern Europe) connecting partners in RTD and business
 - NIROC (Network of Interest Representation Offices from new Member States, Candidates and potential Candidates)

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Mission

- Facilitate its members to actively engage at EU level and enhance their participation in EU-funded programmes and initiatives
- Promote cross-border cooperation

Clients

- All the public academic institutions of Cyprus: University of Cyprus, Cyprus University of Technology, Open University of Cyprus
- Private academic institutions: European University Cyprus, University of Nicosia, Frederick University
- Cyprus Scientific and Technical Chamber
- Local authorities: Municipality of Nicosia, Municipality of Aglantzia, Municipality of Strovolos
- Organisations involved in youth, culture and tourism: Cyprus Youth Association, SOFIA Foundation, Cyprus Theatrical Organisation, Cyprus Tourism Organisation, Federation of Association of Restaurateurs in Cyprus, Diamond setting and Jewellery School of Cyprus - Greece
- Organisations with interests in banking and law: Union of Commercial Banks, Coop Central Bank, Cyprus Bar Association

Services

- Represent members towards EU institutions and networks
- Facilitate contacts with EU officials
- Increase visibility of Cypriot researchers at EU level
- Provide and disseminate targeted and early warning information on EU funding opportunities (via regular e-mails alerts and website)
- Monitor and analyze evolutions on EU policies
- Provide assistance on partner search
- Provide advice on proposal development
- Edit weekly and monthly newsletters and data on future calls for proposals
- Organize training courses, seminars and conferences
- Provide facilities for visiting members (meeting room and infrastructure for visitors)

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CZELO



Czech Liaison Office for Research and Development

Mission

The role of CZELO is to promote the effective participation of the Czech research in EU-funded research programmes and its integration into the European Research Area.

Clients

CZELO is hosted by the Technology Centre of the Academy of Sciences of Czech Republic. CZELO offers its services to the whole Research and Development sector, it means to public and private research institutes, universities and innovative business companies.

Services

In particular, CZELO will be offering the following services:

- Providing the Czech research institutions with the targeted and updated information on the possibilities of being involved in international research consortia
- Ensuring preliminary hearing of project proposals with relevant EC officers
- Arranging and facilitating meetings of Czech researchers with relevant EC officers in order to discuss the ongoing projects
- Ensuring a basic support infrastructure and assistance for meetings of Czech researchers with potential project partners
- Organising info days about Czech research and development for the European institutions representatives (i.e. European Parliament, European Commission, the Council of EU and others)
- Systematically promoting Czech research, its results and success stories, partner capacities and specific offers to collaboration

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ROST

Romanian Office for Science and Technology to the EU

Mission

- Promote the efficient participation of the Romanian research community to the EU R&D programmes
- Efficiently introduce to the interested organisations the Romanian research, development and innovation policies and the S&T potential
- Support and promote the co-operation between the industrial and services companies, universities and research institutes, for jointly participating in European R&D consortia
- Stimulate the setting up groups of interest at European level, by focusing the existent competencies at national level in order to increase the chances of participation in European projects/programmes

Clients

- Public and private institutions, research community from universities, national R&D institutes and other public/private R&D institutes, SMEs, industry and non-governmental organisations

Services

- Promotion of the Romanian research, development and innovation system;
- Searching and facilitating links with European partners
- Specific dissemination and promotion
- Facilitating connections with European institutions, similar bodies, national institutions and organisations
- Recommendations regarding the European best-practice

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Polish Science Contact Agency of the Polish Academy of Sciences

P o I S C A

- Is organized and funded by the Polish Academy of Sciences
- Is co-funded by the Minister responsible for science in Poland
- Represents all Polish scientific communities and institutions

Mission

To promote, facilitate and foster participation of the Polish R&D community in European projects and programmes, to reinforce the position of Poland in the European Research Area and EU framework programmes in particular.

Clients

- Scientists and researchers; scientific, educational, industrial and other R&D institutions, organizations and units - both public and private - participating or planning to participate in the European R&D actions
- Polish Academy of Sciences
- Ministry of Science and Higher Education
- National Contact Point for European RTD Programmes

Services

- Advice and assistance in the process of preparation and presentation of important projects that include Polish participation
- Providing relevant information to the Polish participants of EU framework programmes
- Monitoring and analyzing of EU RTD policy
- Providing relevant information and assistance to visitors, Polish members of respective EU organs and advisory bodies, and politicians interested in R&D
- Organizing meetings and seminars that help to fulfil the Office's mission

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Danish EU Research Liaison Office

Mission

- To stimulate, promote and strengthen Danish participation in the EU funded RTD programmes and other research activities sponsored by the EU
- Provide assistance to Danish researchers seeking contact to specific agencies of the EU Commission in order to discuss matters of scientific importance and interest
- To gain insight into recent developments in programme areas, policies and emerging issues at European level

Clients

- Researchers and research groups from all sectors
- Universities, research councils and other bodies supporting scientific activities
- The Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation and other authorities working with research or research institutions

Services

- Monitoring and analysing EU RTD policy through close contact to key personnel in the European Commission
- Disseminating information via direct contact, e-mail, newsletters etc.
- Organising meetings and seminars in Brussels for groups within the area of Danish research
- Assisting the search for project partners from EU or affiliated countries through contacts to similar RTD liaison offices in Brussels

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**Mission**

To foster collaboration between the European R&D programmes and the Finnish R&D&I system including the programmes of Tekes and the Academy of Finland.

Clients

- Advisors and management at Tekes and Academy of Finland
- Finnish Secretariat for EU R&D
- National research and innovation community in Finland
- European R&D&I networks

Services

- Information transfer to and from Finland
- Continuous briefing of Tekes and Academy of Finland staff including management
- Follow up of current issues of policy making in the field of R&D&I in Brussels
- Supplying Commission, Parliament and Council contacts for Finnish R&D&I system
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Mission

To create interest and promote activities contributing to Norwegian participation in EU RTD and innovation programmes

Clients

- Norwegian actors and stakeholders from academia, business and public sector who seek information and guidance on EU's RTD and innovation efforts
- Organisations and actors at European level interested in the Norwegian Research and Innovation landscape

Services

- Provide targeted information for Norwegian actors on EU RTD and innovation programmes
- Provide a link to Norwegian science and research landscape from Brussels
- Facilitate access to European institutions
- Organise meetings and seminars in Brussels
- Meeting facilities in Brussels

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Mission

- to enhance the influence of the Dutch institutions on the European policy formulation in the field of education, research and innovation;
- to maintain and, where possible, to increase the participation and share of Dutch institutions in European programmes for education, research and innovation

Members

The current member organisations of Neth-ER are:

- Association of Centres of Expertise on Vocational Education, Training and the Labour Market (**COLO**)
- European Platform Internationalising Education (**Europees Platform**)
- Netherlands Association of Universities of Applied Sciences (**HBO-raad**)
- Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences (**KNAW**)
- Netherlands Association of VET Colleges (**MBO Raad**)
- Netherlands Organisation for International Co-operation in Higher Education (**Nuffic**)
- Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (**NWO**)
- Netherlands Organisation for Applied Scientific Research (**TNO**)
- ICT Cooperation in Higher Education and Research (**SURFFoundation**)
- Association of Universities in the Netherlands (**VSNU**)

Services

- To inform: disseminating relevant, reliable and timely information (both formal and informal) through the Nether-portal (www.neth-er.eu)
- To facilitate: supporting the members and their constituency logistically in a variety of ways
- To represent: being actively involved on behalf of the associated organisations in the wider Brussels networks
- To network: developing and maintaining European and international contacts to support a strong Netherlands presence in the relevant international networks
- To mediate: establishing contacts and opening up communication channels between the relevant Dutch parties in order to promote a well coordinated position within Europe
- To explore: actively looking for and analysing developments, initiatives and opportunities which may offer new possibilities for Dutch organisations and institutes

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Mission

To facilitate and reinforce the participation of French research teams in European research programmes and activities

Clients

44 research organisations (mostly public) and French universities interested in EU programmes. 11 members have permanent representatives in Brussels: CEA, CEMAGREF, CNES, CNRS, IFREMER, INRA, INSERM, IRD, ONERA, MEEDDM/ DRI (Direction de la Recherche et de l'Innovation du Ministère de l'Ecologie, de l'Energie, du Développement Durable et de la Mer), CPU (Universities)

Services

- Information notes organised in several fields, sent by e-mail to members of CLORA
- Handbooks on general topics (e.g.: Project management, Structural Funds, ...)
- Brief notes addressed to international or European affairs managers of member institutions on policy issues, appointments, preliminary information, ...
- Design and operation of a Web server to provide all members with easy access to information (collected and/or produced), including links to databases operated by European institutions (Commission, Parliament, IGLO, ...)
- Thematic meetings for international or European affair managers and/or research scientists of member organisations
- Providing assistance in the research for partners (IGLO)
- Providing assistance to applicants in preparation of proposals
- Help desk (mail, phone, fax, e-mail)
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KoWi, the European Liaison Office of the German Research Organisations, is a non-profit organisation. KoWi is supported by the 'Association for the Promotion of European and International Cooperation in Science' and is financed by the German Research Foundation (Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft, DFG). KoWi provides information, advice and training services targeted primarily to researchers from German universities to participate successfully in the European Framework Programme.

Clients

KoWi offers its services to all German research institutions with a focus on universities and other higher education institutions.

Services

- Target group specific information on EU funding opportunities and research policies
- Advice on proposal writing and project implementation as well as strategic consulting for universities
- Training and practical guidance on obtaining and managing EU projects
- Meeting facilities

With premises both in Bonn and Brussels for more than 19 years, KoWi has been in close contact with other research organisations, with national authorities on federal and regional 'Länder' level as well as with the relevant EU institutions concerned with research and development. KoWi is part of the self-government of science and acts as an intermediary between EU institutions and the German Scientific Community. On the European level KoWi acts in close cooperation with other research offices within the *Informal Group of R&D Liaison Offices (IGLO)*.

KoWi supports the European cooperation of higher education institutions, non-university research institutions and the economy. KoWi is a service platform for all members of its association. Members of the association are: Alexander von Humboldt Foundation (AvH), German Federation of Industrial Research Associations (AIF), German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), German Research Foundation (DFG), Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft, Helmholtz Association of German Research Centres (HGF), the German Rectors' Conference (HRK), Max Planck Society for the Advancement of Science (MPG), the Stifterverband joint initiative of German industries to promote science and higher education, Leibniz Association (WGL).

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Mission

To promote and strengthen ENEA Participation in EU programmes and activities through:

- Collection and provision of updated information on EU R&D programmes
- Interface action between ENEA and EU
- Provision of consultancy to ENEA community (but not only) on European matters
- Opening ENEA competences and skills to external partners for establishing collaborations

Clients

- ENEA offices and technical units: more than 3000 people
- The Italian research community and industry
- The Italian public administration and local governments
- European partners looking for a qualified Italian research centre in the fields of Energy, Environment and New Technologies

Services

- Interface between clients and European institutions
- Updated information on EU programmes and activities
- Advice on proposal preparation
- Partner search through liaisoning with others
- Follow-up of applications
- Support for problem solution related to the participation of ENEA in EU programmes
- Meeting facilities for ENEA users

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CNR - EU Liaison Office

Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche



Mission

- To provide CNR researchers and the Italian scientific community with updated information on European research and development programmes as well as on other R&D related EU activities
- To provide a CNR-EU interface securing the correct functioning of all relevant institutional links
- To provide the CNR community with the best advice and support on European matters

Clients

- CNR community: more than 100 Research Institutes
- Other Liaison Offices of national and international research institutions
- All national scientists or researchers interested in EU initiatives

Services

- WWW server in national language continuously updated, containing information on R&D European programmes and other European initiatives of specific interest for the national scientific community.
- Partner search service through exchange of information among European Liaison Offices
- Updating on EU policy development through periodic communication to all the CNR structures
- Enquiry services available via e-mail, telephone, telefax or personal visits
- Organisation, jointly with CNR central offices, of national information days on relevant topics
- Local support for the solution of problems arising from CNR participation in EU programmes
- Room & facilities for meeting in Brussels for CNR users

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HunASCO

Hungarian Academy of Sciences Contact Office to the EU

Mission

To promote effective participation in EU-funded R&D programmes and other related activities by the provision of advice, guidance and training as well as to foster the integration of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences (HAS) into European Research Area.

Clients

HunASCO represents all research institutions and the Hungarian scientific community (researchers, research managers, administrators and policy-makers) linked to the HAS. It is an initiative funded by the HAS.

Services

- Acting as information and networking platform in Brussels:
 - Strategic consultancy and guidance on EU research funding programmes;
 - Enquiry service, giving advice and practical guidance on gaining and managing EU funding opportunities, insight into the latest developments in policies and relevant EU programme areas;
 - Searching and facilitating links with European partners; assistance in identifying project partners;
 - Providing the stakeholders with assistance to overcome the problems they encounter during their projects and related activities;
 - Arranging and facilitating meetings of HAS researchers/representatives with relevant EC officers;
- Develop and maintain continuous and close contact to European Institutions and similar bodies;
- Carrying out lobbying activities in line with the EU strategies of HAS;
- Promotion of the research activities of HAS institutes; providing information about HAS based research and development for the European institutions representatives (i.e. Europ. Parl., Europ. Comm., the Council of EU and others);
- Providing relevant information and assistance to visitors, Hungarian members of respective EU organisations/institutions, advisory bodies and politicians interested in R&D;

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Mission

- To provide practical information and support to Irish participants on FP7
- To promote the interests of Irish organisations within FP7 circles in Brussels
- To ensure effective network participation and intelligence gathering

Clients

Enterprise Ireland's role is to promote and benefit all Irish organisations, SMEs and researchers interested in participating in the Seventh Framework Programme. The main structure for delivering advice and support to potential participants is through the system of National Delegates and National Contact Points for the various FP7 themes and activities.

Services

- First point of contact for enquiries and information on calls for proposals
- Regular electronic bulletins and newsletters
- Identification of partners in other countries
- Support for participation including advice on proposal submissions
- Tailored information days
- Facilitating contacts with Commission Officials
- Providing meeting facilities for visitors

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Mission

To promote participation of Israeli scientists and academic research institutions in the EU RTD-Framework programmes and activities

Clients

The research universities of Israel :

- Bar-Ilan University
- Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
- Hebrew University of Jerusalem
- Technion-Israel Institute of Technology
- Tel-Aviv University
- University of Haifa
- Open University of Israel
- Weizmann Institute of Science
- Agricultural Research Organisation (ARO)

Services

- Informing FURAD about EU R&D programmes
- Advising on topics relating to EU R&D
- Organising information meetings in Brussels
- Assisting in contacting officials of European institutions

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