



# The *IncoNet EaP* project and Opportunities for Grants

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# The *IncoNet EaP* project

- A 3 years long **Coordination and Support Action** dedicated to the EU - EaP RDI cooperation
- **Building on previous** FP7 IncoNets and other projects addressing the region (Bilat, BS-Eranet, BS-ResPot, etc.)
- Implemented by a consortium of 19 Partners from **all EaP countries and 10 EU MS/AC**

# I. Coordinating activities on major **Societal Challenges**

- **Identifying** actions (i.e. Programmes and projects) and stakeholders, especially in the fields of **Climate Change, Energy and Health** (R2I, ERA-WIDE, Thematic, Bilateral, etc.)
- Initiate **clustering/twinning** of projects and mentoring of Institutes
- Feasibility/promotion of **Eranets**

## II. Providing analytical evidence

- **Bibliometric** analysis on the 3 Societal Challenges
- **STI cooperation barometer** ('attitude', challenges, bottlenecks, etc.)
- **Implementation of 2 Policy Mix Peer reviews** (in GE and AM)





## III. Supporting RDI Policy Dialogue

- Organization of **Policy Stakeholder Conferences** in the 3 Societal Challenges (May 2014, Yerevan, CC)
- **Capacity Building** in R&I Policy (training of STI stakeholders; establishing a regional STI evaluation network; etc.)
- Providing **ad-hoc support to Policy Dialogue** (to the EaP Panel on R&I in particular). Tentative actions: providing input; implementing recommendations; follow-up activities; etc.

## IV. Promoting H2020

- Strengthening **NCPs** (reviewing and promoting their activities; training them; etc.)
- Organizing **InfoDays** in the EaP countries
- Providing **Grants** for the participation in Brokerage Events
- But also: '**Reciprocity**' (How EU researchers could participate in national Programmes in the EaP countries? – and how to promote that?)

# V. Promoting Innovation

- Cooperation with **EU Innovation Platforms** (ETPs, KICs, etc.): a two-way awareness campaign
- Promote cooperation with **Enterprise Europe Network –EEN** (lessons from AM, MD, UA; new applications to CoSME; possible extension)
- Exploring the extension of the **European Innovation TrendChart**
- **Training** on Innovation management and entrepreneurship (seminar + e-learning)

# To sum-up...

An **ambitious project**  
with numerous activities running in parallel,  
from *evidence based policy dialogue*  
to *support participation in H2020*



**Grants**



# Grant schemes...

Two types of Grants under the *IncoNet EaP*:

- **Twinning Grants** for teams/institutes
- **Individual Grants** for researchers to attend Brokerage Events

# Twinning Grants: **for teams/institutes**

- **To promote a more structured cooperation;**
- **Three teams** with at least one in EaP and one in EU;
- **Up to 10.000 Euros** (travel costs, staff exchange, preparation of workshop);
- **Objective: to prepare an application in H2020 (CC, EN, HE)**

# Twinning Grants: **for teams/institutes**

- **Evaluation criteria:**

- **Quality and originality of research;**
- **Promotion of EU – EaP cooperation;**
- **Expertise of participants;**
- **Preparation of H2020 proposal.**

- **Information:**

- IncoNet EaP website: <http://www.inco-eap.net/en/401.php>
- incrEAST portal: [www.increast.eu/en/1711.php](http://www.increast.eu/en/1711.php)

**→ A very rapid and simple process!**



# Individual Grants

for researchers to attend Brokerage Events

- To promote networking in view of applications to H2020
- Evaluation criteria:
  - Precise plans are needed (call, topic, etc.);
  - Expertise of the applicant;
  - Quality/relevance of the event to attend in EU.
- The travel cost are covered

Info: <http://www.inco-eap.net/en/402.php>

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**Thank you for your attention!**

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