

EUREKA & the Eurostars Programme



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What is EUREKA ?

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- > EUREKA is a public network supporting R&D-performing businesses
- > Established in 1985 by French President Mitterrand and German Chancellor Kohl



- An intergovernmental network of 39 members: EU-27, European Community and 11 other countries
- EUREKA projects are financed through national public and private funding
- Market-oriented: Projects must result in a marketable product, process or service
- Bottom-up: The consortium decides on the project objectives; there are no thematic restrictions

Since 1985, more than **26 billion euro** of public-private investment has been mobilised to support over **3,000 EUREKA projects**



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EUREKA member countries

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Austria	Estonia	Malta
Belgium	European Union	Monaco
Croatia	Finland	The Netherlands
Cyprus	France	Norway
Czech Republic	Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	Poland
Denmark	Germany	Portugal
	Greece	Romania
	Hungary	Russian Federation
	Iceland	San Marino
	Ireland	Serbia
	Israel	Slovakia
	Italy	Slovenia
	Latvia	Spain
	Lithuania	Sweden
	Luxembourg	Switzerland
		Turkey
		Ukraine
		United Kingdom

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What comprises EUREKA ?

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EUREKA supports **THREE** types of projects

Clusters



Long-term and strategically-significant.
Clusters involve a large number of participants, many from Europe's largest companies.
Develop generic technologies of key importance to European competitiveness.

Individual Projects (eg. E!1782; E!1344)



Small, shorter-term projects, involving participants from at least two member countries.
Result in a product, process or service with a significant advance in their sector.
Some of these projects are grouped together in a thematic network, known as an Umbrella.

Eurostars Projects



Small, short-term projects, involving participants from at least two member countries.
The consortium leader is a research-performing SME.
Programmed jointly with the European Community (through the Framework Programme).



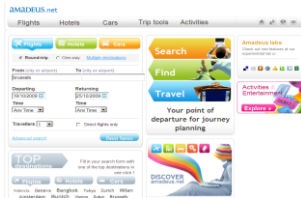
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Large Projects

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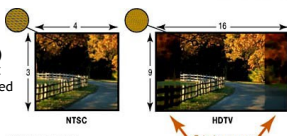
E! 328 AMADEUS 1987-1991 350 M€ 3 countries involved



E! Cluster MEDEA projects on ADSL Alcatel µElectronics



E! 95 HDTV (IMP) 1986-1995 730 M€ 13 countries involved



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Recent Success stories in Life Sciences

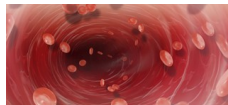
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E! 3198 RFO



Cost € 0.76 million Duration 38 months
Countries involved : France, Norway

E! 3147 DRUG ELUTING STENT



Cost € 0.18 million Duration 46 months
Countries involved The Netherlands, Ireland

E! 3292 MULTI-PATCH



Cost € 2.10 million Duration 18 months
Countries involved : France, Poland

E! 2614 NEWVOICE

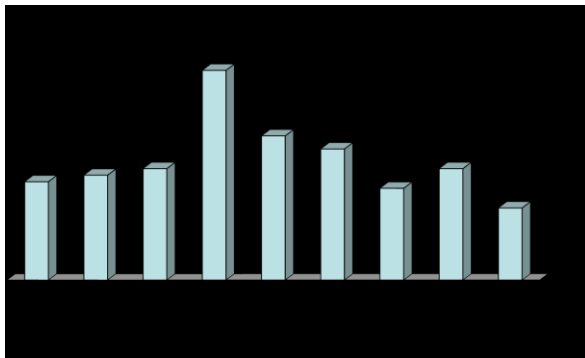
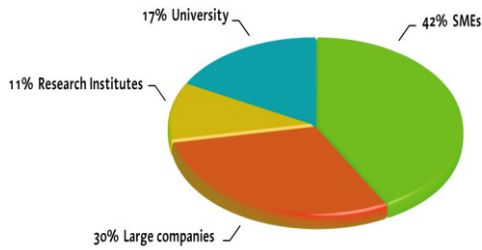
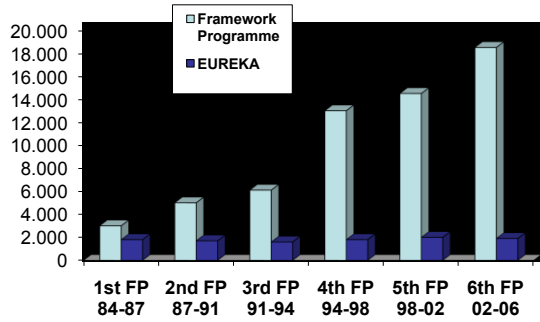


Cost € 3 million
Countries :
The Netherlands,
United Kingdom,
Czech Republic,
Germany




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eurostars™ **How to submit ?** > 10



- All partners submit to the Eureka quality control procedure, this often includes a (short) project presentation in the participating member states
- EUREKA Project Form = public project description = declaration of intent = official start labeling procedure
- Applications for financial support: separately in each Member State: requires 'synchronisation': CUSTOMIZED APPROACH
- International Cooperation Agreement (IPR and exploitation aspects)

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eurostars™ **IWT Subsidy** > 11

Enterprise	Development	Research
Large	25 %	50 %
Medium	35 %	60 %
Small	45 %	70 %

+ 10 % with policy objective (automotive, air/space, Sustained development, or > 20 % cooperation with a research institute)

SME: Project preparation (SME-feasibility study) : 50 % support - max. 10.000 €

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eurostars™ **Governmental support for foreign partners** > 12

- No harmonized procedures and criteria
- Better opportunities for SME's
- Local return is important
- Partners can cooperate on basis of own financing
- Winning line ups:
 - Joint development for geographically separated markets
 - Companies aligned in a production chain

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Eurostars



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The Eurostars Programme

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- > The Eurostars Programme is the first European funding and support programme to be specifically dedicated to R&D performing SMEs.

A joint programme (from 2007-2013), combining:

- > National R&D programmes from 31 participating countries (300+ million euro already committed)
- > Seventh Framework Programme (+/- 100 million euro committed)
- > EUREKA Secretariat (20+ years of experience in coordination of national R&D programmes)

First deadline for applications: 8 February 2008
Next deadline for applications: 25 February 2010



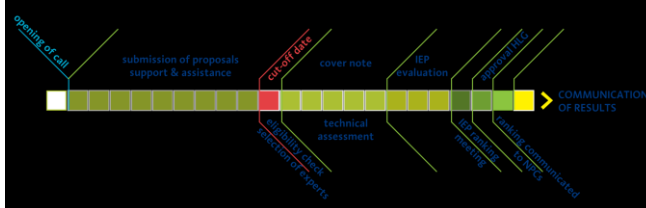
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Central evaluation process

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14 weeks from cut-off date to communications of results



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Support and assistance from EUREKA > 16

Applicants are strongly advised to contact their EUREKA National Project Coordinator (NPC) for information on Eurostars and support and assistance in the preparation of an application for Eurostars funding.

General information on the Eurostars Programme, support throughout the application process, explanation of eligibility criteria

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Signing up as a Eurostars applicant > 17

Subscribers receive a mail with their username and password valid for one call. NPC will be informed.

Submit an application

- > Download an empty project application form now
- > Download the Eurostars guidelines for applicants
- > download the checklist for the creation of a consortium agreement

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The Eurostars application procedure > 18

application form
yearly account report or business plan
draft consortium agreement

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- > Eurostars application form (pdf)
- > Annual financial report
- > Business plan
- > Draft consortium agreement

- > Information is provided electronically and entered into database
- > A number is assigned to each application
- > An email is automatically sent to NPCs in involved countries
- > Information on each application is available on restricted website (including details of any missing documents)

Only complete applications will undergo an eligibility check

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- Consortium Leader is an **R&D-performing SME***
- At least 2 participants that are Eurostars members
- Project duration is less than 3 years
- Market introduction is foreseen within 2 years after project completion
- The R&D performing SMEs are undertaking at least 50% of total R&D cost
- Well balanced partnership (no country responsible for more than 75% of the project costs)
- No restriction on thematic area (bottom up)

* 10% FTE engaged in R&D or 10% turnover dedicated to R&D



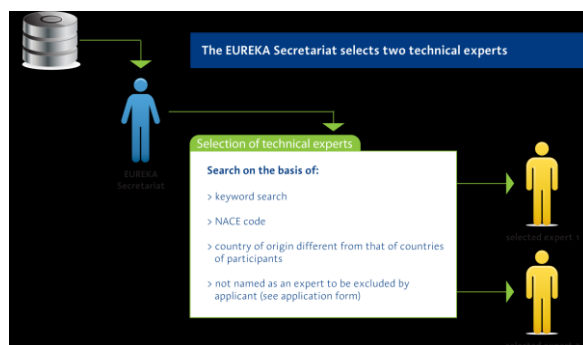
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1. Technical assessment by two independent experts
2. Evaluation and ranking by members of the Independent Evaluation Panel (IEP):
 - > **Basic Assessment (maximum 100 points)**
 - > Well balanced partnership; Added value through cooperation
 - > Technological and managerial capacity of all participants
 - > Methodology; Cost and financing structure
 - > **Technology and Innovation (maximum 100 points)**
 - > Degree of Technological maturity
 - > Technological achievements envisaged
 - > Degree of Innovation
 - > **Market and Competitiveness (maximum 100 points)**
 - > Market size, access and risk
 - > Time to Market
 - > Return on Investment



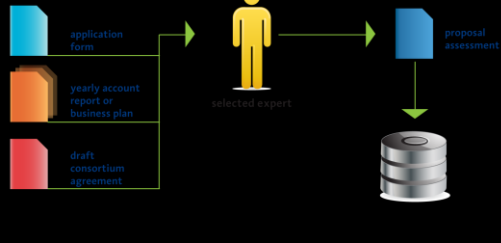
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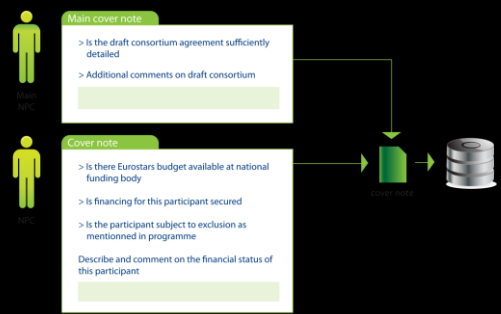
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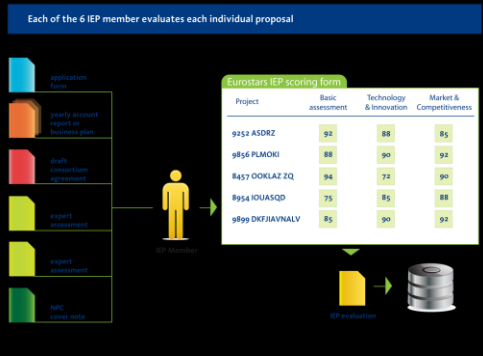
Based on the information received, both experts provide a proposal assessment with comments and indications



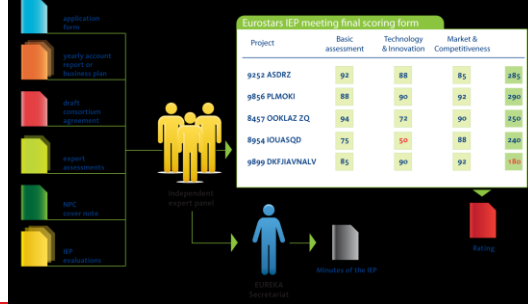
Involved NPCs prepare information for the main NPC to fill in the cover note



Independent Evaluation Panel : 6 members + 1 chairman



Based on all information combined and the individual IEP evaluation, the IEP collectively review and rank each Eurostars application



The HLG endorse the list of project proposed by the IEP

Threshold > less than 60 in one of the criteria or less than 200 on total



Once the ranking list has been endorsed by the Eurostars High Level Group:

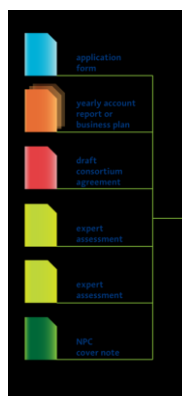
- > Applicants whose projects are scored above the threshold (200 points) are informed of their position in the ranking list and must contact their NPC to progress.
- > Applicants whose projects scores below the threshold are informed.

Applicants must make immediate contact with their NPC to move forward

- > The funding of partners is based on national funding rules
- > The funding of projects is following the ranking list until national budget is exhausted
- > For the project to be a valid Eurostars one, all partners must be funded

Ranking	Project	AT	BE	CY	DE
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58	EI4567	V		V	
59	EI4289		V		V
60	EI4978	X	V		
61	EI4157		V		V
...	...				

1. Preparatory talk
 - procedures
 - Advice on project & consortium
 - SME: feasibility study ?
2. EUROSTARS Proposal
3. Result central evaluation (E!*)
4. Contact with IWT : instruction for short IWT application
5. Formal Application IWT
6. Decision IWT Board
7. Contract with IWT (and finalisation consortium-agreement)



Formal application:

In accordance with IWT handbook for R&D projects and its cost model, including only :

- Partner coordinates
- Detail of costs for Flemish partners
- Innovation target for Flemish partners (contract)

1. Coördinator :
 - > Research Performing SME
2. As Partner :
 - a. SME
 - b. Large Enterprise
 - c. Research institute: as a subcontractor (research partner) of an industrial Flemish partner

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