

# Linking Russia to the ERA.

## Coordination of MS/AC S&T programmes towards and with Russia

### Pilot Joint Call on Collaborative S&T Projects



**The ERA.Net RUS Pilot Joint Call on Collaborative S&T Projects will be open for proposal submission from 16 March 2011 until 31 May 2011.**

Research proposals regarding one of the following thematic fields can be submitted:

#### **1. Innovative materials and cutting edge technological processes**

- ultrahigh-power laser sources
- intelligent materials and nanomaterials
- quantum optics

#### **2. Environmental research and climatic change**

- biodiversity and ecophysiology of natural ecosystems
- climate change in the arctic and subarctic regions
- Material sciences connected with energy conversion and storage

#### **3. Research on serious human health problems**

- viral infections: HIV and Hepatitis
- auto-immune diseases
- neurodegenerative diseases

#### **4. Contemporary socio-economic studies**

- social security systems and welfare state (in the context of globalization)
- labour, labour market, and employment
- transformation of the educational system

The goal of the Pilot Joint Call for Collaborative S&T Projects is to create long-term research collaboration between EU MS/AC and Russia. Research collaboration of a high standard between teams from EU Member States and/or Associated Countries and Russia will be supported through open competition.

#### **The participating countries are:**

- Estonia
- Finland
- France
- Germany
- Greece
- Norway
- Poland
- Russia
- Spain
- Switzerland
- Turkey

Project consortia must comprise project partners from at least 3 of the countries listed above, of which at least one from Russia.

Project duration maybe up to 24 months. The overall budget of the call is EUR 5,930,000 plus additional money from INTAS.

The terms of references, the guidelines for applicants and all other relevant materials may be downloaded at:

[www.eranet-rus.eu/en/175.php](http://www.eranet-rus.eu/en/175.php)

Online proposal submission should be done by using the webtool accessible at:

<http://www.pt-it.de/ptoutline/application/stprojects>

General information on the call is available from the ERA.Net RUS Joint Call Secretariat:

International Bureau of the Federal Ministry of Education and Research at the Project Management Agency c/o German Aerospace Center (DLR) E-Mail: [era.net-rus@dlr.de](mailto:era.net-rus@dlr.de)

For detailed information about the respective national eligibility and funding criteria please check the terms of references or contact the National Contact Point in your country.

**For more information please check the project website**  
[www.eranet-rus.eu](http://www.eranet-rus.eu)