

SOCIO-ECONOMIC SCIENCES AND THE HUMANITIES

Per informazioni Giovanna Maracchia - maracchia@apre.it

Reference n.: **SSH-PT-LCP-1**

Deadline: **22/11/2007**

Programme:

Project Title: Reception of new knowledge of the person: Qualitatively new methodological approach to revealing, an estimation and application of a mental potential of the person at long before University period

Financial Scheme:

Description: At a stage of information development of a society the ground, work and the capital are not major factors of manufacture any more. The theoretical knowledge became the major strategic resource, and the science has turned to the basic productive force. Thus it is difficult to overestimate a role of education - as a basis of progress of development of a society. Only the new knowledge and ways of its practical application are capable to transfer mankind on qualitatively new stage of development, not breaking processes coevolution.

Authors consider, that for today there are sufficient bases cardinally to change a sight at use of human reason. Till now problem there are questions of revealing of talents, developments of creative intelligence and its effective orientation.

Studying of intelligence in a science has old tradition. The analysis of mental faculties is submitted in works: F.Galtona, A.Bin, R.Kettela, V.Stern, R.Sternberga, H.Eysenck, H.Gardner and other researchers. We have made the following simplified classification of intelligence on the basis of the analysis of these researches:

1. Logic intelligence (intelligence Aristotelian, trivial thinking), estimated in the quotient of intelligence IQ.
2. Creative (intelligence in sphere of arts).
3. Heuristic intelligence (intelligence inventor's, not trivial thinking), creating new material objects and technologies.

Behind frameworks of research there is a studying creative. As against opposition of logic thinking predominating in the scientific literature to heuristic thinking, authors consider, that they convergent and closely correlate among themselves, is especial at long before University period.

In researches we base on H.Eysenck's conclusions (his schedule of dependences IQ from age) and own operational experience on creation of inventions in the environment of schoolboys. We have drawn a conclusion what most effectively to open and train heuristic intelligence it is necessary, starting on the average with 13-th years old. We have developed qualitatively new methodological approach to revealing, an estimation and application of a mental potential of the person, is especial its heuristic component, at long before University period which demands the further researches.

Expected results: Long before University orientation and practical application of heuristic intelligence of the person will allow to begin inventor's activity for 15 years earlier, than it occurs now. Progressive changes first of all will come in economy, and also in all spheres of ability to live of the society, demanding application of intelligence.

Organization Type: Università

Partner Sought: Any

Per informazioni Giovanna Maracchia - maracchia@apre.it

Reference n.: **SSH-EU-SMCP-4**

Deadline: **15/11/2007**

Programme:

Project Title: Not Specified

Financial Scheme:

Description: European Monetary Union (EMU) is characterized by low flexibility in labor markets. Hence, for efficient functioning of the monetary union, business cycle synchronization among the members of the monetary union is one of the key mechanisms to offset asymmetric shocks. The goal of our project will therefore be to study the elements of the business cycle synchronization not only among the current member states of the EMU but also the business cycle synchronization of the CEE countries with the current EMU member states. The primary focus of the research is monetary policy but we will also study how other economic policies can facilitate business cycle synchronization within the monetary union, and business cycle synchronization of a potential member of EMU with the current EMU member states. In particular, we will study various redistribution mechanisms of fiscal policy, and regulatory aspects of industrial policy and labor policy.

Organisation Type: Università

Partner Sought: We are looking for a coordinator of our project or other eventual partner for research. We have one partner from France and we are in negotiation with an Italian partner.

Per informazioni Giovanna Maracchia - maracchia@apre.it

Reference n.: **SSH-EU-SMCP-2**

Deadline: **19/11/2007**

Programme:

Project Title: HOW DIRECT PARTICIPATION OF THE CIVIL SOCIETY AND RECOGNITION OF THEIR KNOW HOW ARE PROMOTING DEMOCRATIC OWNERSHIP.

Financial Scheme: >

Description: Participation is the direct and most natural way to give voices to citizen. To recognize their experience of long life learning means in one hand the formal recognition of their know how and knowledge as well to let show how they are promoting democratic ownership.

POLITICAL CONTEXT

- The member states have imagined various systems of valuation of the civil, voluntary experience and it's a fact that all these know how and knowledge are not any more disconnected from formal knowledge because their expertise is fundamental to support democratic ownership.

- The European Union write some directives about the possibility to develop a common system of recognition and validation of the non formal and informal learning.

- The 7 Cooperation Work Programme SSH 2007 by his ambitious agendas set out by Lisbon and Gothenburg summits, wants to reconcile distinctly but complementary objectives, reinforcing core values, respecting diversity, operating interface between employment, competitiveness and social cohesion by cultural and educational challenges in Europe.

In this national and European favourable context, it seems urgent to research how the non formal citizen experience could be "agree" by the formal vocational field and how all these experiences are positive active citizenship, strength participation and democratic ownership.

FACTS :

Long life learning, which covers all the educational activities which do not lead to official certifications are proposed by a variety of institutions, non-profit associations, unions or by political party. How do we recognize participation as a main tool of democratic ownership ?

From the past until now, citizen practices, most of them are adults or young people from other cultural backgrounds, needs to be better identified as good practices which help to build democratic ownership.

WHAT DO WE LIKE TO RESEARCH ?

Objectives :

to show, to compare on European level how and why long life learning and recognition of citizen good practices in a vocational frame, strength citizen participation and democratic ownership

- From a legal and institutional point of view: what are the measures which allow the recognition of citizen experiences, in terms of pre required, to enter a vocational training ? Impacts of democratic partnership

- From the point of view of the training courses : what is the flexibility offered by the vocational trainings which facilitates the access for citizen, what are the methods or the educational tools allowing to transform the experiences of non formal education into professional knowledge? Impacts of better participation and democratic ownership

- From the point of view of the certification: which scales could be formal certified as basic and fundamental tools of democratic ownership and participation?

- How to promote the collaborative European results, multiply our common experience

FORMS

Collaborative European research which will focus on

1. workshops : based by the civil society and each partner organization, we would like to organize a collaborative and innovative research on the mentioned objectives.. 4 thematic workshops, each one duration 3 days in each organisation. Interviews, formal consultation.
2. Study visits : by partner organization to compare practices, policy and proposals for a change. 11 participants (7 citizen + 1 leader of the partner organization, 1 researcher, 1 person from the Union and 1 European deputy)
3. Round tables between citizen, partner organization and European deputies, party's and union on the topic . Face the challenge to strength an European policy by strengthening Democratic Ownership and Participation
4. European Forum : result of the European collaborative research, stand of the question recognition of citizen know how , stand about how the European deputies, union have been involved to promote democratic ownership and participation by strengthening citizen experiences into an European policy.
5. Communication : CD ROM of the global project and focused on the main results.

Organisation Type: Altro>

Partner Sought: Research Centers, NGOs / Voluntary organisations, Education, European political party's / European deputies Union of workers.

Expertise required (key words):

Participation civic society recognition, certification of citizen experiences new process - measures - democratic methods Strengthening policy coherence in Europe between long life learning and vocational training.

Per informazioni Giovanna Maracchia - maracchia@apre.it

Reference n.: **SSH-PT-LCP-2**

Deadline: **22/11/2007**

Programme:

Project Title: Interactions between knowledge, economic growth and social well-being

Financial Scheme:

Description: Knowledge management became an imperative nowadays, because only those societies and companies that innovate the knowledge are able to deal with competition and to achieve economic growth. Knowledge represents intellectual capital and is inseparable to people; together with technologies and finances, it makes the basis of successfulness. Once earned, knowledge has to grow; therefore the need for life-long learning arose. Formerly, the work and the capital have been taken as basic factors of production, while the knowledge has the priority today in those societies that want to achieve or retain their welfare: it became impossible to invest into technologies, but not into the people.

Knowledge is a specific resource that, in contrary to the others, cannot be exhausted by use, but grows. Today, knowledge along with ideas and information, represents a key factor of economic growth and success at market. Therefore, strategic advantages of an organisation, region or a state, are reflected through their abilities to develop and use the knowledge. Knowledge is very important for offering different kind of services that follow up new, networked system of production and sales.

Knowledge management is targeted, systematic business activity that has been arisen to the levels of strategic business today, and which basic purpose is to clarify and organise information necessary for communications in order to enhance performances of employees and overall competitiveness of a company. Knowledge cannot be separated from education, which could be both formal and informal. Furthermore, knowledge could be explicit or implicit. The choice of the type of knowledge and education could be influenced by economic factors and numerous cultural elements as well. Another important classification of education is related to workplace and the education gained elsewhere. Sometimes, a gap known as „over-education“ or „under-education“ can arise. Labour markets undergo to radical changes because of dominant influence of knowledge economy, in which ideas and different forms of creative knowledge are in the heart of innovation and economic growth. A majority of workforce is involved not only in physical production and distribution of material goods, but in their design, technology development, marketing, sales and maintenance.

Such workers could be recognised as „workers with knowledge“. Research conducted under this project should point out possible interactions of knowledge with labour market and to investigate which changes on labour market are necessary to achieve larger economical efficacy.

Making an environment that is open to learning and achieving new knowledge, enhancing mobility and exchange, and re-organizing the educational system to facilitate the economical recovery of the country, are essential. Increase of productivity will be based upon the knowledge, which is related to information and flexible management. In post-socialistic countries, it is important to start from the educational system, which should lead to increasing of productivity and therefore contribute to welfare of a country through the transfer of knowledge, continuing education and overall transformation of a society.

How efficient and expensive the existing educational systems are? Should they be reformed, what should be changed, especially in those countries that transform their economical systems? An important dilemma still exists: would the information technologies individualize the work process, or reduce the need for workforce?

The questions that would be arisen from this investigation, will be related to Serbian example, along with eventual comparison to European Union countries.

Organisation Type: Centro di Ricerca

Partner Sought: Any

Per informazioni Giovanna Maracchia - maracchia@apre.it

Reference n.: **SSH-EU-SMCP-3**

Deadline: **15/11/2007**

Programme:

Project Title: Participation and Exclusion: In Search of the Patterns of Social, Political, and Legal Attitudes in the EU Member States

Financial Scheme:

Description: Our project has an interdisciplinary character. It is aimed at scholars from the fields of social, political, and legal thought as well as opinion poll institutions, government and non-government organizations which deal with the implementation of the findings concerning participation and exclusion.

Our project is a comparative one. It implies the analyses of the data collected in various social groups in different political settings.

Particularly important are the comparisons between the old and new EU member states. Given the wide dimension of our project two coordinators are necessary - one for the old member states and one for the new ones. We are ready to assume the responsibilities of the coordinator for the new member states but we do expect one of our partners to coordinate the other part of the project.

The aim of the project is to analyze social, political, and legal attitudes of EU politicians, civil servants, civil society members, and ordinary citizens. These attitudes take a behavioral dimension. They are to be found in social discourse which will constitute the hard core of our research interest. It is in this discourse that two alternative sets of attitudes are to be discovered. First, there are attitudes shaping what we call, following Karl Popper, open society which implies dialogue, negotiations, and compromise. As such, they advance participation in democratically structured civil society. Second, there are attitudes responsible for close society which includes nationalism, religious fundamentalism, and homophobia. As such, they lead to exclusion or, indeed, self-exclusion from democratically structured civil society. These two kinds of attitudes also take a declarative dimension which should confirm, in form of opinion polls, the findings of our research on social discourse.

Our project implies a close cooperation with government and non-government organizations at regional, national, and European level. We will organize conferences, prepare publications, launch internet campaigns concerning the problems of civic participation and the challenges of social exclusion. This should lead to formulating legislative postulates and political solutions addressed to both parliamentarians and local authorities and encouraging civil society institutions (including trade unions, business associations, and minority organizations) to act their behalf.

Organisation Type: Università

Partner Sought: We call for research institutions, in the old as well as new EU member states, ready to collaborate in the Seventh Framework Programme in search of the reasons for civic participation and social exclusion. We assume that these reasons contain a whole range of ideological motivations for acceptance or rejection of democratic institutions.

Per informazioni Giovanna Maracchia - maracchia@apre.it

Reference n.: **SSH-EU-LCP-2**

Deadline: **07/09/2007**

Programme:

Project Title: THE INTERNATIONALISATION OF SERVICES AND THEIR INTERFACES WITH MANUFACTURING

Financial Scheme:

Description: This project aims at researching the consequences of the current shift in the economy and in FDI towards services. We want to understand the international networks that are emerging in the production of services and to explore the relationships and the interfaces between services and manufacturing. This project examines the interplay between the increased internationalization of business services, its relationship to manufacturing and the implications for the competitiveness of the European industries. The project will highlight the significant implications that the internationalization of services can have for country and region competitiveness. The expected result of the project will show that the linkages between manufacturing and services, often seen as independent activities, are crucial factors for competitiveness in global markets.

We will make use of case studies and survey data from several countries to identify the trends, characteristics and drivers that account for increasing internationalization of services. What are the likely consequences of this economic shift at the level of firms, namely, which management models will be more adequate, how can firms develop strategies for interfacing services and manufacturing, and, finally, how can they best manage people in a service-based economy.

Organization Type: Università

Partner Sought: Any

1) Collaboration offered:

Activity: 8.1 and 8.2

Area: SSH-2007-1.1.1 and SSH-2007-2.1.1

Topic:

1.1.1. Interactions between knowledge, economic growth and social well-being

2.1.1. Analysing comparing and evaluating the various societal models in a medium to long-term perspective

Description of expertise related to the topic: socio-economic analysis at any level (micro, macro, applied-econometric, policy)

Target Partner sought

Type: (Specify: Research centre, University, SME, enterprise, local agency or authority...) any country

Expertise: (Specify key words) economics of environmental and natural resources, agricultural economics, micro-economics, econometrics, public policy, non-market valuation

Interested Organisation's Details

Name: Athens University of Economics and Business

Region: Athens, Greece

Address: 76, Patission Street, Athens 104 34, Greece

Contact Person

Name: Phoebe Koundouri

Title: Prof. Dr.

Main department/ faculty/ institute/ laboratory: Department of International and European Economic Studies, Athens University of Economics and Business

Webpage: <http://www.aueb.gr/deos/gr/kountouri.html>

E-mail address: pkoundouri@aueb.gr

Telephone: 0030 210 8203455

2) Collaboration offered:

Theme: Regional, territorial and social cohesion

Activity: Collaborative research projects (small or medium-scale focused projects)

Sub-activity: Coordination and Support Actions aiming at coordinating research activities and policies

Area: 8.2.2

Topic: SSH-2007-2.2.1, SSH-2007-2.2.2

Key words: Regional development challenges in an evolving international context

Expiry Date of collaboration offer: Collaboration offers should be sent until the middle of November 2007

Contact Person

Name: EVIS QAJA

Title: Candidate of doctor

Main department/ faculty/ institute/ laboratory: Aristotle University of Pedagogic Faculty

Webpage:

E-mail address: evisqaja@msn.com

Telephone: 2310 203183, 6978311814

3) Collaboration offered:

Theme: 8- SOCIOECONOMIC SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES

Activity: 8.1 GROWTH, EMPLOYMENT AND COMPETITIVENESS IN A KNOWLEDGE SOCIETY: THE EUROPEAN CASE

Sub-activity:

Area: 8.1.1 CHANGING ROLE OF KNOWLEDGE THROUGHOUT THE ECONOMY

Topic: SSH -2007-1.1.1. INTERACTIONS BETWEEN KNOWLEDGE, ECONOMIC GROWTH AND SOCIAL WELL BEING

Area: 8.1.2. STRUCTURAL CHANGES IN THE EUROPEAN KNOWLEDGE ECONOMY AND SOCIETY

Topic: SSH-2007-1.2.1 GLOBALISATION AND ITS INTERACTION WITH THE EUROPEAN ECONOMY

Activity: 8.2. COMBINING ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL OBJECTIVES IN A EUROPEAN PERSPECTIVE: PATHS TOWARDS SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Sub-activity:

Area: 8.2.1. SOCIOECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TRAJECTORIES

Topic: SSH-2007-2.1.1. ANALYSING, COMPARING AND EVALUATING THE VARIOUS SOCIETAL MODELS IN A MEDIUM TO LONG TERM PERSPECTIVE

Area: 8.2.2. REGIONAL, TERRITORIAL AND SOCIAL COHESION

Topic: SSH-2007-2.2.1. REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT CHALLENGES IN AN EVOLVING INTERNATIONAL CONTEXT

Activity: 8.4. EUROPE AND THE WORLD

Sub-activity:

Area: 8.4.3. EUROPE'S CHANGING ROLE IN THE WORLD

Topic: SSH-2007-4.3.1. EUROPE SEEN FROM OUTSIDE

Activity: 8.5. THE CITIZEN IN THE EUROPEAN UNION

Sub-activity:

Area: 8.5.1. PARTICIPATION AND CITIZENSHIP IN EUROPE

Topic: SSH-2007-5.1.1. DEMOCRATIC "OWNERSHIP" AND PARTICIPATION

Description of expertise related to the topics: experience in: collaborative projects participation with Public bodies and companies of the public and private sector, project planning, administrative management, coordination with trans-national partners, management of institutional contacts, organization of international meetings, projects promoting and carrying out actions concerning the field of knowledge, education, innovation, employment, social inclusion and protection of excluded and social vulnerable groups, policy proposals making, designing and applying mainstreaming actions.

Key words: Minorities, Migration, Education, Social Policy, Multiculturalism, Culture, Discrimination, Citizenship, Vulnerable Groups, Social Exclusion, Economic Exclusion, Social Inclusion, Scientific Research, Social Research, Regional Development, Society

Expiry Date of collaboration offer: Collaboration offers should be sent until the middle of November 2007

Target Partner sought

Type: Research centre, University, SME, enterprise, local agency or authority, NGO

Country: any country

Contact Person

Name: ELIAS PEPPAS, OPERATIONS DIRECTOR

Title: PR.A.K.S.I.S. (PROJECTS OF DEVELOPMENT, SOCIAL SUPPORT AND MEDICAL COOPERATION)

Main department/ faculty/ institute/ laboratory:

Webpage: www.praksis.gr

E-mail address: e.peppas@praksis.gr

Telephone: 210 5205200

4) Collaboration offered

Theme: 8 Socio-economic Sciences and Humanities

Activity: 8.2. Combining economic, social and environmental objectives in a European perspective: Path towards sustainable development

Area: 8.2.2. Regional, territorial and social cohesion

Topic: SSH-2007-2.2.1 Regional development challenges in an evolving international context

Description of expertise related to the topic:

The Institute of Sociology as lead partner and partner has carried out several national and international projects on regional, urban and rural development in economic, social, environmental and political context. From the late 1960's we have carried out surveys in undeveloped regions of Hungary which were focussed on the elaboration of catching-up programs and possibilities of undeveloped areas. We have done several surveys along the border-zones of Hungary, in County Békés (neighboring Romania), in County Vas (neighboring Austria) and in County Baranya (neighboring Croatia) and also made some preliminary studies in smaller regions

neighboring Slovakia. Recently, on the basis of our research experiences we are thinking of the extension of these surveys to the border-zones of the neighboring countries (cross-border projects with one or two of the above mentioned EU and non-EU member countries). The goal of this comparative research is to further develop the economic, social and political and cultural relationships and cross-border co-operation.

Key words: cross-border co-operation, regional policy, undeveloped areas, labor migration, education, culture

Possible partners:

Research Institutes and Departments of Universities in and outside the European Union, especially of the neighboring countries. In economic matters (co-operation of enterprises, tourism, trade) we plan to co-operate with the Budapest Business School.

Contact Person:

Name: Zoltan Karpati

Title: Ph.D. senior social researcher, Head of Research Group

Main Institute: Institute of Sociology, Hungarian Academy of Sciences

E-mail address: h9584kar@ella.hu; karpati.z@chello.hu

Telephone: 36 1 3759011 ext. 424; 36 1 3258902; 36 30 5250686



Expression of Interest for

SSH-2007-4.3.2. Multilateralism and the new external relations of the EU

Type of organisation: private non-profit research centre, established in 1998; acknowledged think-tank of the [Organisation of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation \(BSEC\)](#)

General profile: The ICBSS aims to foster multilateral cooperation within the wider Black Sea area and beyond¹ through policy-oriented research and advocacy work. It carries out these activities in a mutually reinforcing dual way: as an independent research and training institute (focusing on knowledge creation and dissemination) and through its institutional role as related body of the BSEC (focusing on policy shaping).

The ICBSS is not limited thematically as long as the activities it pursues contribute to multilateral cooperation among all or some of the countries of the wider Black Sea area. However, it has set some thematic priorities where it has specific expertise namely:

- Black Sea - EU Interaction
- Regional Cooperation
- Security and Stability
- Good Governance and Institutional Renewal
- Energy
- Cooperation in the field of Science and Technology (S&T)

The ICBSS is experienced in the conceptualisation and management of transnational research projects and it regularly produces publications and organises events.

Specific Expertise: As a partner, the ICBSS can contribute to any consortium interested in working with the wider Black Sea region a profound knowledge of the area and its cooperation dynamics as well as a wide network of contacts including research institutes and experts and direct access to policy makers at regional and national level. In the framework of this call, the ICBSS could provide expertise on concepts such as ENP (East region), the Black Sea Synergy and on other aspects of multilateral and bilateral cooperation as well as the foreign policies of the countries in the region/EECA.

Contact person: Ms. Almuth Wardemann, Development Officer, awardemann@icbss.org

Contact details: International Centre for Black Sea Studies (ICBSS)

4 Xenophontos Str.

10557 Athens

Greece

Tel: +30 210 324 2321 Fax: +30 210 324 2244

Email: icbss@icbss.org Web: www.icbss.org

¹ The member states of the BSEC are: Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bulgaria, Georgia, Greece, Moldova, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Turkey and Ukraine. Its observers include another seven EU member states and the European Commission.

PARTNER PROFILE FORM

Contact Details			
Contact Person	Ph.D Fernando Neves		
Organization Name	Instituto Politécnico da Guarda (IPG)		
School	Escola Superior de Tecnologia e Gestão		
Department	UDI/IPG - Investigation Unit of IPG (Unidade de Investigação para o desenvolvimento do Interior - IPG)		
Address	Av. Dr. Francisco Sá Carneiro, 50 Guarda		
Post Code	6300-559	Country	Portugal
Tel.	+351271220111	Fax	+351271222690
Email	fneves@ipg.pt		
Department Web Address	www.ipg.pt http://www.estg.ipg.pt/ http://www.estg.ipg.pt/departamento.asp?dep=1		
Short Profile of Department:			
Investigation Group in Management and Economy: PhD Baía (Principal Investigator)			
Department of Management and Economy is responsible for <i>Accounting, Management, Human Resources Management, and Marketing</i> undergraduate courses. This department is organized in different investigation groups coordinated by one main researcher, so the connections may be established and duplications may be avoided. The teachers of this department have several academic and investigations projects with enterprises and institutions in Social Sciences area. There are thirty teachers and they have at least a Master degree, which permits a broader interdisciplinary, solid and coherent education activities within the department, specially when complement with the extracurricular activities such as workshops and conferences.			
Expertise Offered			
Keywords specifying the expertise	Multi-disciplinary approach, methodologies, quality, logistic, econometric models, operations management, finance, accounting, economics, innovation, social and cultural traits, consumer behavior, and green attitude		
Main researchers (academic degree, name, surname)	PhD Amândio Baía; PhD Ascensão Braga; PhD Constantino Rei; PhD Fátima David; PhD Fernando Santos; PhD Manuela Natário; PhD Teresa Paiva		
Experience in cooperation and partnership	Entrepreneurship development projects in national and transnacional basis, projects of studies in regional cooperation (Interreg) to promote development, entrepreneurship and evaluation of politics defined.		
Projects (Title of project, source of funds, duration)	Participation in several projects: (examples) <i>Study of products and productivity in Cova da Beira - Portugal to sustain investments on agricultural corporations</i> , 1988 (PIDR/CB); <i>Economic Regional Accounting, Modelling and statistical information of Cova da Beira - Portugal</i> , 1998-1999, (CEDR/UBI; PIDR/CB, JNICT; Fundação Luso Americana); <i>Consumer Behavior and Recycling Attitudes</i> , 2000 (Sociedade Ponto Verde); <i>BInnova(EQUAL)</i> promoting entrepreneurship among		

	students in Portugal; <i>Proenterprise</i> (EQUAL) Transnational Cooperation development; Beira Interior Norte. Provincia de Salamanca valorizing the History and conquer the future (Interreg); <i>Youth, Consuming and globalization</i> - International Comparative study UNIDE-ISCTE - 2000 a 2005; <i>Rede Pandora</i> – promoting the equality rights and creating employemnt among interregional areas (Interreg);
--	---

Expectations	
Call Identifier	
Deadline	29 th November 2007
Area	8.1.1.1 Interactions between knowledge, economic growth and social weel-being 8.1.1.3 Impact of Internationalisation on Europe's research and innovation systems 8.3.3.1 Cultural interactions and multiculturalism in European socities 8.4.2.1 Conflicts and peace 8.5.2.1 Histories and identities - articulating national and European identities

Instruments:	
	Collaborative Research Projects (CP)
	Large scale integrating projects
	Small or medium scale focused projects
	Network of Excellence (NoE)
	Coordination and Support Action (CSA)
	Specific Project for SMEs

Seventh Framework Programme

(FP7)

SSH Work Programme

Expression of Interest

Submitted by

*Centre for Criminal Justice
School of Law
University of Limerick
Limerick
Ireland*

CALL IDENTIFIER

Call Identifier: **FP7-SSH-2007-1**

Activity 8.4.2: *Conflicts, Peace and Human Rights*

RESEARCH EXPERTISE

The School of Law at the University of Limerick established the Centre for Criminal Justice in 1997 as a centre of excellence for research in criminal law and criminal justice. The ethos of the Centre is to foster the development of a rich and diverse body of independent and collaborative research on crime and criminal justice that will be of benefit to policy-makers, practitioners, academics, and the general public.

The Centre boasts a wide-range of research expertise including:

- Legal and policy issues in the development of cross-border cooperation between police, prosecutors and judicial authorities in Europe.
- Legal and policy issues associated with the approximation of criminal laws in Europe.
- Legal and policy issues in police governance, ethics and accountability.
- European criminal law.
- Promoting human rights values in policing, the criminal trial and sentencing.
- Legal and policy issues in the development of the general principles of criminal law in response to political, social, environmental and technological change in common law and civil law jurisdictions.
- Legal and policy issues in the use of the confiscation of criminal assets and other civil processes as tools to combat organised crime and terrorism.
- Legal and policy issues in striking and maintaining a balance between human rights/rule of law in the use of emergency powers and anti-terrorist measures.
- Legal and policy issues associated with juvenile justice

While the Irish criminal justice system provides much of the research focus, particular attention is devoted to how Ireland contributes to and is affected by European and international cooperation in criminal justice matters. The issues that arise in the Irish criminal justice system are not necessarily unique to this jurisdiction and it is essential to assess how European jurisdictions deal with these issues. Collaboration with partner EU institutions is envisaged to address European security issues where criminal justice expertise would provide an integral part of possible solutions.

The Centre boasts two professors, four full-time lecturers, a research officer and five Ph.D. students, three of whom have been awarded prestigious Government of Ireland scholarships funded by the Irish Research Council for the Humanities and Social Sciences.

CONTACT DETAILS

Professor Paul McCutcheon

Head, School of Law
University of Limerick
Limerick
Ireland

Tel: +353 61 202147
Fax: +353 61 202417
Email: paul.mccutcheon@ul.ie

Professor Dermot Walsh

Director, Centre for Criminal Justice
University of Limerick
Limerick
Ireland

Tel: +353 61 202533
Fax: +353 61 202417
Email: dermot.walsh@ul.ie

Dr Gerard Coffey

Research Officer
Centre for Criminal Justice
School of Law
University of Limerick
Limerick
Ireland

Tel: +353 61 202574
Fax: +353 61 202417
Email: ger.coffey@ul.ie

Website Address: School of Law, University of Limerick: <http://www.law.ul.ie/>

Partner Search for 7FP

:: Partner Search

Please specify:

I offer my expertise to **participate as a PARTNER** in a project

Reference:

...

:: Contact Person

Name: Sarantos Psycharis **Title:** Dr.

Main department/ faculty/ institute/ laboratory: Lecturer –Department of Education-University of the Aegean

Webpage: <http://www.rhodes.aegean.gr/ptde/personel/psycharis.asp> **E-mail address:** sarpsy@otenet.gr

Telephone: +306977681075

:: Collaboration offered

Theme: 8, Socio-economic Sciences and Humanities

Activity: 8.2 Combining economic, social and environmental objectives in a European perspective: paths towards sustainable development

Sub-activity:

Area 8.2.1: Socioeconomic development trajectories

Topic: SSH-2007-2.1.1. Analysing, comparing and evaluating the various societal models in a medium to long-term perspective

Description of expertise related to the topic:

Much knowledge and research on research on Physics connected to Information and Communication Technologies(ICT) and teachers training.

Involved in European issues on teacher training as member –Coordinator of the ENTEP Network and member of the group for the objective 1.1

Key words: European issues for ICT, indicators, teacher training, ICT, Physics, life long learning

Expiry Date of collaboration offer: 29 November 2007

Partners already acquired: -

:: Target Partner sought

Type:

Country: any country

Expertise: ICT-DIDACTICS-RESEARCH IN ICT AND SCIENCE –PEDAGOGY, life-long learning ,Physics

:: Interested Organisation's Details

Name:

Region:

Address:

Contact address:

Type:

Partner Search for 7FP

:: Partner Search

Please specify:

- I am **looking for PARTNERS** for a project I am planning to coordinate
 I offer my expertise to **participate as a PARTNER** in a project

Reference:

:: Contact Person

Name: Dr. George Alexias

Title: Assistant Professor

Main department/ faculty/ institute/ laboratory: Panteion University of Social & Political Sciences (Dpt of Psychology) – Centre for the Psycho-Sociological Research on the Governance of Virtual Communities

Webpage: www.omega-point.gr

E-mail address: galexias@panteion.gr

Telephone: 0030 210 95 99 830

:: Collaboration offered

Theme: 8. *Socio-economic Sciences and Humanities*

Activity: 8.5 *The Citizen and the European Union*

Sub-activity:

Area: 8.5.1. *Participation and citizenship in Europe*

Topic: SSH-2007-5.1.2. *Reassessing citizenship in the European Union*

Description of expertise related to the topic:

Long-term knowledge and research on virtual political culture and virtual political communities. Recent original research on the issue of constructing and managing virtual political communities in Greece: empirical study of Greek virtual politics (parliamentary and extra-parliamentary), Greek virtual public sphere and implementation of new technologies (web site features and characteristics), political-social-psychological study, analysis and interpretation of digital connectivity of Greek political web sites with political & public sphere in EU as well as world-wide, through use of visualisation applications.

Brief abstract of proposal idea: The proposed programme aims at the comparative study and re-assessment of the virtual political and public sphere on a European level, with specific reference to the ways political parties and members of parliament web sites are constructed and managed. The main research question is whether political websites really lead to the formation and operation of political virtual communities enhancing unmediated exchange of ideas and promoting citizens' participation in agenda-setting and decision-making procedures. The research is developed on 3 distinct levels: a) European political / public sphere, b) European members' states political / public sphere (countries parliamentary political actors) both on national and local level, c) extra-parliamentary political actors and tactics.

Key words: internet, virtual political communication, virtual politics, virtual culture, virtual campaigns, discursive construction and assessment of digital citizenship, virtual political and public sphere, online political and civil campaigning and lobbying, digital civil society, e-democracy, e-governance, e-government

Expiry Date of collaboration offer: May 10, 2007

Partners already acquired: -

:: Target Partner sought

Type: *Research centre, University, SME, enterprise, local agency or authority or any other*

Country: *Members of European Union will be preferred – partners from other countries will also be considered*

Expertise: *Any kind of expertise related to the proposal idea and the key words*

:: Interested Organisation's Details

Name:

Region:

Address:

Contact address:

Type:

Partner Search for 7FP

:: Partner Search

Please specify:

- I am **looking for PARTNERS** for a project I am planning to coordinate
 I offer my expertise to **participate as a PARTNER** in a project

Reference:

:: Contact Person

Name: Dr. George Alexias

Title: Assistant Professor

Main department/ faculty/ institute/ laboratory: Panteion University of Social & Political Sciences (Dpt of Psychology) – Centre for the Psycho-Sociological Research on the Governance of Virtual Communities

Webpage: www.omega-point.gr

E-mail address: galexias@panteion.gr

Telephone: 0030 210 95 99 830

:: Collaboration offered

Theme: 8. *Socio-economic Sciences and Humanities*

Activity: 8.5 *The Citizen and the European Union*

Sub-activity:

Area: 8.5.1. *Participation and citizenship in Europe*

Topic: SSH-2007-5.1.2. *Reassessing citizenship in the European Union*

Description of expertise related to the topic:

Long-term knowledge and research on virtual political culture and virtual political communities. Recent original research on the issue of constructing and managing virtual political communities in Greece: empirical study of Greek virtual politics (parliamentary and extra-parliamentary), Greek virtual public sphere and implementation of new technologies (web site features and characteristics), political-social-psychological study, analysis and interpretation of digital connectivity of Greek political web sites with political & public sphere in EU as well as world-wide, through use of visualisation applications.

Brief abstract of proposal idea: The proposed programme aims at the comparative study and re-assessment of the virtual political and public sphere on a European level, with specific reference to the ways political parties and members of parliament web sites are constructed and managed. The main research question is whether political websites really lead to the formation and operation of political virtual communities enhancing unmediated exchange of ideas and promoting citizens' participation in agenda-setting and decision-making procedures. The research is developed on 3 distinct levels: a) European political / public sphere, b) European members' states political / public sphere (countries parliamentary political actors) both on national and local level, c) extra-parliamentary political actors and tactics.

Key words: internet, virtual political communication, virtual politics, virtual culture, virtual campaigns, discursive construction and assessment of digital citizenship, virtual political and public sphere, online political and civil campaigning and lobbying, digital civil society, e-democracy, e-governance, e-government

Expiry Date of collaboration offer: May 10, 2007

Partners already acquired: -

:: Target Partner sought

Type: *Research centre, University, SME, enterprise, local agency or authority or any other*

Country: *Members of European Union will be preferred – partners from other countries will also be considered*

Expertise: *Any kind of expertise related to the proposal idea and the key words*

:: Interested Organisation's Details

Name:

Region:

Address:

Contact address:

Type:

Partner Search for 7FP

:: Partner Search

Please specify:

I offer my expertise to **participate as a PARTNER** in a project

Reference:

...

:: Contact Person

Name: Evi-Makri, Botsari **Title:** Dr.

Main department/ faculty/ institute/ laboratory: Professor of Educational Psychology
School of Pedagogical and Technological Education

Webpage: <http://www.aspete.gr> **E-mail address:** botaris@otenet.gr

Telephone: +306932568057

:: Collaboration offered

Theme: 8, Socio-economic Sciences and Humanities

Activity: 8.2 Combining economic, social and environmental objectives in a European perspective:
paths towards sustainable development

Sub-activity:

Area 8.2.1: Socioeconomic development trajectories

Topic: SSH-2007-2.1.1. Analysing, comparing and evaluating the various societal models in a medium to long-term perspective

Description of expertise related to the topic:

Much knowledge and research on research on Psychology connected to Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) and teachers training.

Involved in European issues on teacher training as member of the standing group for indicators and the group for the objective 1.1

Key words: European issues for ICT, indicators, teacher training, ICT, Psychology, life long learning

Expiry Date of collaboration offer: 29 November 2007

Partners already acquired: -

:: Target Partner sought

Type:

Country: any country

Expertise: ICT-DIDACTICS-RESEARCH IN ICT AND SCIENCE -PEDAGOGY, life-long learning

:: Interested Organisation's Details

Name:

Region:

Address:

Contact address:

Type:



RUBSI is located in Cyprus and is a civil society organisation (non-governmental / non-profitable organisation) registered officially on the 1st of June 2006

Mission

The Unit's mission is to improve understanding of the processes and mechanisms, which influence the health and well being of the Cypriot population. In doing so, it aims to contribute to the body of knowledge that informs the development of health policy, education and practice in health interventions. The role of the RUBSI Unit is in line with the social aspects of the Thematic Priority

“Socioeconomic Sciences and the Humanities” as seen below.

Research interests

- Health inequalities
- Sexual behaviour
- Racism and migration
- Ageing
- Diabetes
- HIV/AIDS
- Organ donation and transplantation
- Cancer
- Abortion
- Blood donation
- Thalassemia
- Other health related issues

RUBSI is particularly interested in participating in social and health related priorities of FP7.

Contact details

- Dr. Constantinos N. Phellas, Director:
phellas.c@cytanet.com.cy
tel. 00357-22-841638
- Costas Constantinou, Secretary
constanc@cytanet.com.cy tel. 00357-22-841557

INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

Belgrade

Kraljice Natalije 45

The Institute of Social Sciences was founded by the Federal Executive Council (former president Josip Broz signed the Foundation Decree) on July 10th 1957, and in 1976 the Republic of Serbia took over the founder status.

The activities and development of the Institute are based on the tasks proclaimed during its foundation. They include research of basic social phenomena, promotion of scientific ideas and development of scientific methodology in the field of social sciences, reporting and publishing results of scientific and research works, advance training of scientific personnel and developing cooperation with corresponding institutions, organizations and individuals which deal with analyzing society.

The Institute was a postgraduate school for a long time, in which eminent local scientific authorities of that time lectured, among others Milan Bartoš, Rudi Supek, Jovan Djordjević, Radomir Lukić, Jože Goričar and Vuko Pavičević, and the students were future university professors and researchers from all former republics of SFR Yugoslavia.

Originally the activities of the Institute were carried out within a few departments (for legal, economic, historical, sociological sciences). At the beginning of the sixties, two scientific research centers were founded: for demographic research and for research of public opinion as the first of this type in Eastern Europe, as well as a Philosophy department. Contrary to this, the Department for Historical Sciences separated from this organization at the beginning of the seventies by joining the newly founded Institute of Contemporary History, and at the beginning of the nineties the Center for Philosophy and Social Theory became an independent institution.

Today seventy doctors of science, nine masters of science and four researchers work in the Institute in five working units: Demographic Research Center, Center for Political Studies and Public Opinion Research, Center for Economic Research, Center for Legal Researches and Center for Sociological Research. Although the Institute is oriented toward theoretical multidisciplinary research of society in transition (the first two stated centers are themselves multidisciplinary), an important part of the works represent empirical, quantitative research of social phenomenon in Serbia, countries of former SFRY and Eastern Europe.

Within each scientific discipline, contemporary research methods are used, such as interviews, observations, content analysis, focus groups, comparative methods, and secondary techniques. Certain centers emphasize predictions of social trends based on various sources (statistics, in-depth research results, analysis trends and others), especially in the domain of population changes, election results, and economic indicators.

The Institute has managed to realize significant researches, among others within the World Studies Values, in the field of political culture, monitoring elections, public opinion, media, political propaganda, democracy and parliamentary practice, medical rights, demography (population reproduction, migration flows, projections, population policies), economic aspects of privatization, corruption, sociological aspects of transition, poverty, political systems, political activism, social structure changes and study of ethnic relations.

The results of the associates of the Institute represent hundreds of books and thousands of articles and other research papers in Serbian, as well as in all leading foreign languages, above all in English. The Institute issues two esteemed scientific journals – “Population” - (“*Stanovništvo*”) (Demographic Research Center) since 1963 and “Sociological Review” – (“*Sociološki pregled*”) (Center for Sociological Research) since 1961.

Two facts suitably illustrate the work of the Institute researchers. In the 1990s the Institute of Social Sciences ranked fourth place among the publishers, following prominent publishing houses such as "The Institute for School Books", "Prosveta" and "Nolit".

According to the latest accessible analysis from the end of the nineties, the authors from the Institute were cited the most in local journals in the field of social sciences. They take up the first six places among the 10 most cited and 11 out of 25 places of most cited, out of about 1500 active authors from social sciences and economics.

The institute has continually had international cooperation in the last fifty years, especially through organized symposiums, participation of researchers in world and European scientific conferences, exchanges of research results. The associates of the Institute also carried out various projects for international foundations.

The Institute possesses a rich collection of books, which counts over 135,500.

In the following period, a continuation of research of transition is planned from various aspects: demographic, political science, sociological, economic and legal. Without neglecting theoretical researches, the accent will be placed on multidisciplinary and interdisciplinary empirical, quantitative and comparative researches, as well as on the implementation of results into practice: in political sphere, legislature, education, medical systems, social care, health care and culture.

2006 – 2010. – Ministry of Science, Serbia

149070, dr Zorica Mršević

Democratic models of developing social cohesion, tolerance, human rights and economic growth in political and institutional processes of EU integration in Serbia

149020, dr Slobodan Vuković

Development of Serbian Society in Contemporary Global Integrative Processes: Perspectives, Alternatives and Implications

149035, dr Mirjana Rašević

Demographic Premises and Perspectives of Population Development in Serbia in Conditions of Contemporary Socio-Economic Processes

149025, dr Hajrija Mujović-Zornić

Patient Rights in a System of Health Care - Serbia and European Perspective

149038, dr Snežana Grk

Serbia and Europe – Economic Analyses and Prognoses

Center for Economic Research

<http://www.cei.idn.org.yu>

The program of the Center for Economic Research from its foundation up to now has included the fundamental theory researches mainly referring to the economic system and its transition, as well as the empiric research of the reality of the economy in Serbia and Yugoslavia.

As a result of its work the Center has published a large number of scientific studies, which are available not only to the scientific and specialized circles of people, but to the public as well.

We are pointing out **the basic references of the Centre** which present its basic work.

Project: *"Economic System of SFRJ"*, the Center worked in consortium of the Economic Institute in former Yugoslavia, as a result the following two books were published:

- *"Economic System of SFRJ"*, Informatika, Zagreb, 1978,

- "System of Merchandise Economy, Market and Prices", 1981.

For the following of the economic status, the Centre for Economic Research has created its own methodology.

From 1976 until 1991 the Center has followed the changes of the economic position of fields, branches and economic classifying for Serbian Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

As a result of these continual researches came a series of studies of wider social importance for systematic following of the changes in economic position of fields, branches and classifying of Serbian and Yugoslav economy.

Project *"Restructuring of Hard Metallurgy of SFRJ"* was carried out in 1990 by the British Steel, 1990, London. The Centre was the only institution in Yugoslavia that was engaged on this project.

At the beginning of 90s despite of social and economic crisis, the Center has directed its theoretic and empiric researches to the questions of economic transition, the theoretic as well as practical researches which refer to the questions of privatization of certain economic enterprises.

From the domain of theoretic researches the scientific meetings have been organized which results were published in the following books:

- "Economic Reform and economic redefining of socialism" (1989)
- "Social Economic Obstacles to the Reform" (1990)
- "Transformation of the Ownership relationships – theoretic and empiric aspects" (1991)
- "Institutional infrastructure in transition towards market economy" (1992)
- "Bank investments and protection of bank capital under the conditions of sanctions and hyperinflation" (1994)
- "Slowdown in Yugoslav Transition" (1995)
- "Ownership and Freedom" (1996)
- "Economics and Democracy" (1997)
- "Economics and Law" (1998)
- "System and Corruption" (2000)
- "Globalization and Transition" (2001)
- "Institution and Transition" (2002)
- "Politics and Freedom" (2003)
- "Culture and Development" (2004)
- "Individual and State" (2005)
- "Business and State" (2006)
- "Economy and Sociology" (2007)

Among the applied researches we are pointing out the projects of privatization and estimation of values of the capital some of the most prominent enterprises in Serbia:

- "Sintelon", factory of floor panels, Backa Palanka
- "Energoprojekt", construction enterprise, Belgrade
- "Tehnogas", factory of technical fuels, Belgrade
- "Brewery of Apatin", brewery, Apatin
- "Factory of cement in Beocin", Beocin
- "Merima", chemical industry, Krusevac
- "South-west Backa", sugar factory, Bac
- "Istra", factory of fittings, Kula
- "Water Vrnjci", factory of mineral water, Vrnjacka Banja

In 2001, Center was engaged on carrying out a project "Developing Strategy for Privatization in Serbia", supported by the UK Department for International Development, London for the needs of the Government of the Republic of Serbia.

In 2002, Center participated on the project "Pool 8 – Privatization of six socially owned Textile companies" supported by the World Bank Private Sector Development. Project included financial due diligence and valuation of the social capital for the each of the six companies: "Slavija" – Bac, "Novitet" – Novi Sad, "Industrija tepiha Ivanjica" – Ivanjica, "Javor" – Ivanjica, "Nitex" – Nis and "Ljubisa Miodragovic" – Prijepolje. All projects were done for Privatisation Agency of the Republic of Serbia.

Project 'The Role of Economic and Social Bodies in Promoting Integrated Rural Development in Yugoslavia. The Agro Turism Pilot Program', Supported by PASSEGES, Solun, Greece, was finished in May – December 2002.

Project "Comparative Business Analysis of Serbia's and Belgrade's Economy was done in June 2004 – December 2004 for Belgrade Chamber of Economy.

Assistants to the Centre are the consultants from many enterprises.

The Centre possesses a large database about financial dealing of all enterprises in Serbia and it is able to make the adequate financial analysis for any enterprise or economic branch or activity.

Ph D Danilo Sukovic
Manager at the Centre for Economic Research