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- Deadline¹: Thursday 21 January 2010 at 17.00.00, Brussels local time.
- Indicative budget²: EUR 39.75 million³ from 2010 budget
- Topics called:

ACTIVITY/ AREA	TOPICS CALLED	Funding Schemes
ACTION LINE 1: A more dynamic governance of the science and society relationship		
Topic SiS-2010 1.0-1 Mobilisation and Mutual Learning actions (Indicative Budget: EUR 16.50 million)		CSA (Supporting)
ACTIVITY 5.1.1 Better understanding of the place of science and technology (S & T) in society (Indicative budget: EUR 3.00 million)		
Area 5.1.1.1 Relationships between science, democracy and law	Topic SiS-2010-1.1.1-1 The role of Ethics under EU policy and law: the EU as a global actor	Collaborative Projects (Small or medium-scale focused research project)
Area 5.1.1.1 Relationships between science, democracy and law	Topic SiS-2010- 1.1.1-2 The role of Ethics under EU policy and law: EU policy in the making	Collaborative Projects (Small or medium-scale focused research project)
ACTIVITY 5.1.3 Strengthening and improving the European Science system (Indicative budget: EUR 3.00 million)		
Area 5.1.3.3 Encouraging the debate on information dissemination, including access to scientific results and the future of scientific publications, taking also into account measures to improve access by the public.	Topic SIS-2010-1.3.3-1 Assessing how research outputs at individual researcher level are evaluated and measured	Collaborative Projects (Small or medium-scale focused research project)

¹ The Director-General responsible may delay this deadline by up to two months

² The budget for this call is indicative. The final budget awarded to actions implemented through calls for proposals may vary: the final budget of the call may vary by up to 10% of the total value of the indicated budget for each call; any repartition of the call budget may also vary by up to 10% of the total value of the call.

³ Under the condition that the preliminary draft budget for 2010 is adopted without modifications by the budgetary authority

ACTION LINE 2: Strengthening potential, broadening horizons		
ACTIVITY 5.2.1 Gender and Research		
Area 5.2.1.1. Strengthening the role of women in scientific research and scientific decision making	Topic SiS-2010-2.1.1-1 Implementing structural change in research organisations/universities (Indicative budget: EUR 4.50 million)	CSA (Supporting)
Area 5.2.1.3. Mainstreaming gender in Community research policy and programmes	Topic SiS-2010-2.1.3-1 Women in Science: Euro-Mediterranean Cooperation (Indicative budget: EUR 2.00 million)	SICA Collaborative Projects (small or medium-scale focused projects) CP-FP-SICA
ACTIVITY 5.2.2 Young people and science (indicative budget: EUR 8.25 million)		
Area 5.2.2.1 Supporting formal and informal science education in schools as well as through science centres and museums and other relevant means	Topic SiS-2010-2.2.1-1. Supporting and coordinating actions on innovative methods in science education: teacher training on inquiry based teaching methods on a large scale in Europe	CSA (Supporting)
Area 5.2.2.3 Research and coordination actions on new methods in science education	Topic SiS-2010-2.2.3-1 Science curricula and their objectives: balancing the needs between training for future scientists and broader societal needs	Collaborative Projects (Small or medium-scale focused research project)
ACTION LINE 3: Science and Society Communicate (Indicative budget: EUR 2.5 million)		
Area 5.3.0.3 – Encouraging a European Dimension at science events targeting the public	Topic SiS-2010-3.0.3-1 Science and the Arts: an experimental approach	CSA (Supporting)
TOTAL : EUR 39.75 million		

Eligibility conditions

The general eligibility criteria are set out in Annex 2 of this work programme and in the guide for applicants. Please note that the completeness criterion also includes that part B of the proposal shall be readable, accessible and printable.

A summary of the minimum participation requirements for the funding schemes used in this call is given in the following table. These participation criteria are also criteria for eligibility of the proposal.

Funding scheme	Minimum conditions
Collaborative projects (small or medium-scale focused research projects)	At least 3 independent legal entities, each of which is established in a MS or AC, and no 2 of which are established in the same MS or AC.
Collaborative Project for Specific Cooperation Actions (SICA) dedicated to international cooperation partner countries.	At least 4 independent legal entities. Of these, 2 must be established in different MS or AC. The other 2 must be established in different International Cooperation Partner Countries (ICPC),

Co-ordination and Support Actions (supporting action)	At least 1 independent legal entity which is established in a Member State or Associated Country (see additional criterion, below)
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The following additional eligibility criteria apply in this call:

Additional Eligibility Criteria	
SiS-2010 1.0-1 Mobilisation and Mutual Learning actions - CSA (Supporting)	The consortium must consist of at least 10 independent legal entities established in at least 10 different Member States or Associated Countries
Topic SiS-2010-1.1.1-1 The role of Ethics under EU policy and law: the EU as a global actor - Collaborative Projects (Small or medium-scale focused research project)	The maximum requested EC contribution shall not exceed EUR 1 500 000.
Topic SiS-2010- 1.1.1-2 The role of Ethics under EU policy and law: EU policy in the making - Collaborative Projects (Small or medium-scale focused research project)	The maximum requested EC contribution shall not exceed EUR 1 500 000.
Topic SiS-2010-1.3.3-1 Assessing how research outputs at individual researcher level are evaluated and measured - Collaborative projects (Small or medium-scale focused research project)	The maximum requested EC contribution shall not exceed EUR 1 500 000.
Topic SiS-2010-2.1.1-1 Implementing structural change in research organisations/universities - CSA (Supporting)	The minimum number of participants is 3 independent legal entities from 3 different Member States or Associated Countries. Project duration must be between 3 and 5 years
Topic SiS-2010-2.1.3-1 Women in Science: Euro-Mediterranean Cooperation - SICA Collaborative Project	At least four legal entities must participate. At least two of the legal entities must be established in Member States or Associated Countries, but not established in the same Member State or Associated Country; and at least two of the legal entities must be established in ICPC Mediterranean Partner Countries, but not established in the same ICPC country. The maximum requested EC contribution shall not exceed EUR 2 000 000.
Topic SiS-2010-2.2.1-1. Supporting and coordinating actions on innovative methods in science education: teacher training on inquiry based teaching methods on a large scale in Europe - CSA (Supporting)	The consortium must consist of at least 10 independent legal entities, established in at least 10 different Member States or Associated Countries. Each proposal must have a minimum total EC requested budget of EUR 2 000 000 and the project must have a minimum duration of 3 years.
Topic SiS-2010-2.2.3-1 Science curricula and their objectives: balancing the needs between training for future scientists and broader societal needs - Collaborative Projects (Small or medium-scale focused research project)	The maximum requested EC contribution shall not exceed EUR 1 500 000.
Topic SiS-2010-3.0.3-1 Science and the Arts: an experimental approach - CSA (Supporting)	Eligibility criterion: the minimum number of participants is 3 independent legal entities from 3 different Member States or Associated Countries.

Only information provided in part A of the proposal will be used to determine whether the proposal is eligible with respect to budget thresholds and/or minimum number of eligible participants.

Evaluation procedure:

- The evaluation criteria and scoring scheme are set out in Annex 2 of the work programme. For Collaborative Projects (Small or Medium Scale focused research projects) under topics SiS-2010-1.1.1-2 (The role of Ethics under EU policy and law: EU policy in the making); SiS-2010-1.3.3-1 (Assessing how research outputs at individual researcher level are evaluated and measured) and SiS-2010-2.2.3-1 (Science curricula and their objectives), the scientific and/or technological excellence evaluation criterion will include the following additional sub-criterion: "appropriate comparative perspective in relation to the proposed research".

- Proposal page limits: Applicants must ensure that proposals conform to the page limits and layout given in the Guide for Applicants, and in the proposal part B template available through the EPSS.

- The Commission will instruct the experts to disregard any pages exceeding these limits.

- The minimum font size is 11. All margins (top, bottom, left, right) should be at least 15 mm (not including any footers or headers).

- Experts will carry out the individual evaluation of proposals remotely.

- The procedure for prioritising proposals with equal scores is described below.

- The number of proposals that can be funded per topic is limited as follows:

Topic SiS-2010 1.0-1 Mobilisation and Mutual Learning Actions	It is envisaged that a maximum of 4 proposals will be funded
Topic SiS-2010-1.1.1-1 The role of Ethics under EU policy and law: the EU as a global actor	It is envisaged that a maximum of 1 proposal will be funded
Topic SiS-2010- 1.1.1-2 The role of Ethics under EU policy and law: EU policy in the making	It is envisaged that a maximum of 1 proposal will be funded
Topic SIS-2010-1.3.3-1 Assessing how research outputs at individual researcher level are evaluated and measured	It is envisaged that a maximum of 3 proposals will be funded
Topic SiS-2010-2.1.1-1 Implementing structural change in research organisations/universities	It is envisaged that a maximum of 2 proposals will be funded.
Topic SiS-2010-2.1.3-1 Women in Science: Euro-Mediterranean Cooperation	It is envisaged that a maximum of 1 proposal will be funded
Topic SiS-2010-2.2.1-1. Supporting and coordinating actions on innovative methods in science education: teacher training on inquiry based teaching methods on a large scale in Europe	It is envisaged that a maximum of 3 proposals will be funded.
Topic SiS-2010-2.2.3-1 Science curricula and their objectives: balancing the needs between training for future scientists and broader societal needs	It is envisaged that a maximum of 1 proposal will be funded
Topic SiS-2010-3.0.3-1 Science and the Arts: an experimental approach	It is envisaged that a maximum of 2 proposals will be funded.

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Consortia agreements

Participants are required to conclude a consortium agreement prior to grant agreement.

Indicative timetable

Evaluations are expected to be completed in the month of April 2010. It is expected that the grant agreement negotiations for the shortlisted proposals will be open in July 2010.

Selection of proposals

1. A separate ranking list, based on evaluation scores, will be established for each of the indicative budgets as indicated in the table above. Proposals will be selected within each ranking list according to their ranked order, and provided that the proposal has a score above threshold, until the available budget is committed. Please note that under Activity 5.2.1, since one of the two topics uses the SICA Collaborative Projects funding scheme, a separate ranking list will be established for each of the two topics: SiS-2010-2.1.1-1 Implementing structural change in research organisations/universities and SiS-2010-2.1.3-1 Women in Science: Euro-Mediterranean Cooperation.

2. Activity 5.1.1, *Better understanding of the place of science and technology (S & T) in society*, contains two topics. A single ranking list will be produced for these two topics. The first two places on this list shall be given to the proposal with the highest score from each of the two topics within Activity 5.2.2, (provided that the proposal in question has scored above the threshold). Only one proposal will be financed under each topic.

3. Activity 5.2.2, *Young People and Science*, contains two topics. A single ranking list will be produced for these two topics. The first two places on this list shall be given to the proposal with the highest score from each of the topics within Activity 5.2.2, (provided that the proposal in question has scored above the threshold). Only one proposal will be financed under Topic SiS-2010-2.2.3-1 (*Science curricula and their objectives: balancing the needs between training for future scientists and broader societal needs*).

4. In cases of equal score, the procedure described in Annex 2 will be followed. In cases of completely identical evaluation scores in all criteria, priority will be given to the proposal from the topic with the higher number of proposals submitted and evaluated above threshold.

5. A reserve list will also be established for each Activity ranking list: proposals with evaluation scores above threshold and for which budget is not immediately available (those ranked below the selection list) will be put in this reserve list. Within each reserve list proposals will also be ranked in strict order of score (according to the procedure mentioned in point 4).

6. If money is left over after the selection of proposals for financing from each ranking list, further proposals will be selected across the different reserve lists on the basis of evaluation score obtained. In cases of equal score priority will be given to any topic which obtained the highest score for that topic but which has not been funded because enough money did not remain under that topic. Following this, the procedure described in Annex 2

will be followed. In cases of completely identical evaluation scores in all criteria, priority will be given to the proposal from the topic with the higher number of proposals submitted and evaluated above threshold.

Forms of grants

The forms of grant and maximum reimbursement rates which will be offered are specified in Annex 3 to this work programme, with the following exception: SiS-2010-2.1.1-1 *Implementing structural change in research organisations/ universities*: the EC contribution will not exceed 70% of total eligible costs.

Use of flat rates for subsistence costs:

In accordance with Annex 3 of this work programme, this call provides for the possibility to use flat rates to cover subsistence costs incurred by beneficiaries during travel carried out within grants for indirect actions. For further information, see the relevant Guides for Applicants for this call. The applicable flat rates are available at the following website: http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/find-doc_en.html under 'Guidance documents/Flat rates for daily allowances'.