

Funding success in Europe – Life Sciences

The Technology Strategy Board, together with partners, is holding a national event to inform UK life sciences businesses of the opportunities to gain **investment**.

€53 billion is available from Europe through the Seventh Framework Programme for research and development in a range of sectors.

This event will focus on funding opportunities in the life sciences and is aimed primarily at **UK businesses, particularly small and medium sized enterprises**, new to European funding programmes and those wishing to be informed of forthcoming opportunities.

The event is also open to **academics seeking UK partner Companies** and those in university technology transfer roles.

The day-long event is on **Tuesday 20 April 2010** at the Regent's Park Conference Centre, starting 9.30am.

Conference programme

0930	Registration and coffee
1015	Chair's introduction: James Clipson, EU Business Engagement, Technology Strategy Board
	European Funding landscape
1030	Opportunities for Life Sciences Businesses: Stephane Hogan, Head of Health Unit, European Commission An overview of the funding opportunities available to life sciences companies in forthcoming Framework programmes
1100	UK Funding Success in Framework Programmes: Genevra Kirby, Framework Programme Management, Department for Business, Innovation and Skills A summary of how UK businesses and academics have succeeded in framework 7 programmes.
1115	Collaborative funding programmes: The Eurostars programme for research performing SMEs Graham Mobbs, Eurostars National Contact Point
1130	Ambient Assisted Living (AAL) Jackie Marshal-Cyrus - Assisted Living Innovation Platform, Technology Strategy Board ICT based solutions to elderly persons, which means innovative products, systems and services addressing identified needs of the end users
	Case Studies
1145	Keith Powell, PolyTherics Limited
1155	John Anson, Oxford Gene Technology
1205	Kush Wadhwa, Global Security Intelligence
1215	Andrew Mearns Spragg, Aquapharm
1230	Q&A
1300	Lunch
	How to succeed in Europe
1400	Role of National Contact Points: Graham Hughes, National Contact Point (NCP) An explanation of the role of the FP7UK team in helping businesses acquire European funding
1420	Role of the Enterprise Europe Network: Peter Reid, Enterprise Europe Network How to access all the information you need to develop your business and find the right business partners
1440	Support to Succeed: UKTI An explanation of the Passport to Export programme that puts together in one simple responsive process all the tools that exporting companies need to grow their businesses
1500	Q&A
1530	Tea
1630	Close

Discussion groups

Writing a Framework Proposal

Alan Baylis, Nuvslix

Alan will explain how to form or become part of a project and the writing process to be successful

Writing a Eurostars or AAL proposal

Eurostars National Contact Point, Technology Strategy Board

The team will talk you through what is required to produce a good proposal

Health Theme Priorities

NCP, Medical Research Council

The team will give an indication of opportunities in future EU Seventh Framework Calls

Food, Agriculture, Fisheries and Biotechnology Theme Priorities

NCP, BBSRC

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As well as the talks listed in the Programme a number of other resources will be available on the day to help with questions or international funding and co-operation opportunities. This will include a number of the Technology Strategy Board's Knowledge Transfer Networks as well as partner organisations.

The event is free but participants must register beforehand through the Technology Strategy Board's website at <http://www.innovateuk.org/newsevents/events.ashx> as space is limited.

Partner Organisations

Our role is to stimulate technology-enabled innovation in the areas which offer the greatest scope for boosting UK growth and productivity. We promote, support and invest in technology, research, development and commercialisation. We spread knowledge, bringing people together to solve problems or make new advances. www.innovateuk.org

The Department for Business Innovation and Skills (BIS) is building a dynamic and competitive economy by creating the conditions for business success; promoting innovation, enterprise and science; and giving everyone the skills and opportunities to succeed. We achieve this through policies that deliver growth, through fostering world-class universities and through promoting an open, global economy. We work with more than 70 partner organisations to deliver this agenda. www.bis.gov.uk

Enterprise Europe Network (EEN) provides tailored support to enable businesses to access European funding, to engage with the opportunities of the European Single Market and to promote knowledge transfer and innovation. EEN is made up of nearly 600 organisations in more than 40 countries, promoting competitiveness and innovation in Europe and beyond. www.enterprise-europe.net

The Medical Research Council is a publicly-funded organisation dedicated to improving human health. We support research across the entire spectrum of medical sciences, in universities and hospitals, in our own units and institutes in the UK, and in our units in Africa. Over the next five years the MRC aims to support medical research which increases the pace of the transition to better health. www.mrc.ac.uk

BBSRC is the main public funder of research and training in the non-clinical life sciences. BBSRC invests public funds in cutting-edge science in UK universities and its institutes. BBSRC research makes a significant contribution to quality of life for UK citizens and underpins important industrial sectors, including agriculture, food, pharmaceuticals, chemicals and healthcare. BBSRC research is helping the UK to meet major challenges: providing food security, developing sustainable bioenergy and ensuring health in older age. www.bbsrc.ac.uk

The HealthTech and Medicines KTN supports business innovation through partnerships, funding and knowledge transfer: Building a Healthy Nation for Business Innovation www.alip-healthtechktn.com

Biosciences Knowledge Transfer Network serves the agriculture, food and industrial biosciences sectors to connect and catalyse knowledge transfer, promote networking and stimulate innovation to help industry profit and grow from new technology enabled products and processes. www.biosciencektn.com

UK Trade & Investment is the Government organisation that supports companies in the UK doing business internationally and overseas enterprises seeking to set up or expand in the UK. For more information about the work of UK Trade & Investment please visit www.uktradeinvest.gov.uk

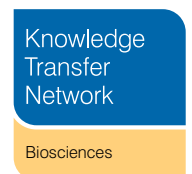
FP7UK exists to provide information and advice to help potential applicants achieve success in the latest European Framework Research and Development Programme. The Framework Programmes for research and technological development (RTD) are the EU's main source of support for organisations undertaking internationally collaborative RTD. www.fp7uk.co.uk

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Directions

Via London Underground

Exit Baker Street tube station, take the Marylebone Road exit and turn left. Walk past Madame Tussauds, before taking the next left onto York Gate, which continues onto York Bridge. Follow the road into Regent's Park and the main entrance to Regent's College will be on your left-hand side. Total walking time is approximately 5 minutes.

Via Bus

As an alternative to the London Underground, there are a number of bus routes to and from the Baker Street and Marylebone area.

Via Rail

London's major railway stations have immediate access to the Underground system. Simply take the underground to Baker Street and follow the instructions above.

Details www.tfl.gov.uk

For further information on the venue please visit www.regentsconferences.co.uk, or call 0207 487 7540



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