

SMES GO LIFESCIENCES

ACTIVITIES SUPPORTING SME PARTICIPATION IN THE INSTRUMENTS PARTICULARLY INTEGRATED PROJECTS AND NETWORKS OF EXCELLENCE IN THE AREAS OF LIFE SCIENCES IN THE 6TH FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME.

6TH EU FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME FOR RESEARCH, TECHNOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT AND DEMONSTRATION (2002-2006)

LIFE SCIENCES, GENOMICS AND BIOTECHNOLOGY FOR HEALTH ETI – STEPPING UP ECONOMIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL INTELLIGENCE

- You represent a Small and Medium sized Enterprise (SME) operative in Life Sciences?
- You want to acquire or develop new technologies for business/product innovation?
- You think that a European research cooperation could be advantageous for you?
- You represent a research organisation active in Life Sciences?
- You envisage to coordinate an FP6 research project and look for industrial or academic partners?
- You are interested in excellent science and plan to participate in an EU research project?

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Get consulted and take the chance to involve your company in an EU research project!

Get informed and find your suitable EU research project/project partner!

WHICH ACTIVITIES ARE OFFERED BY THE INITIATIVE SMES GO LIFESCIENCES?

“SMEs go LifeSciences” is an initiative designed to support SME participation in the areas of Life Sciences in the 6th EU Framework Programme (FP6), especially in the new instruments, Integrated Projects (IP) and Networks of Excellence (NoE). In order to encourage SMEs to participate in such a complex programme like FP6 the goal of this project is to provide coherent networking and access to information.

The project offers for SMEs as well as research organisations a broad range of services and events! It is based on training on all FP6 issues and matchmaking of SMEs and research organisations preparing EU project proposals. “SMEs go LifeSciences” offers you:

- Training of Small and Medium sized Enterprises (SMEs) and research institutions regarding preparation of EU projects, in particular with SME involvement
- Information on EU project related financial, legal and managerial topics within FP6
- Partner search database, providing data on planned and running EU research projects
- Support in consortium building and matchmaking between SMEs and researchers
- Involvement of Incubators and Biovalleys as important hosts of Life Sciences SMEs
- “Call information Network” for integrating SMEs and SME groupings into already existing Life Sciences related projects under FP6
- Regular newsletter, after registration on the home page www.smesgolifesciences.org, informing about current national and international events, training sessions, brokerages etc.

“SMEs go LifeSciences” is a joint initiative of 28 partners from 26 countries and is co-funded by the European Commission.

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PROJECT PARTNERS

The "SMEs go LifeSciences" consortium comprises 28 partners from 26 countries:

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- Belgium** Euro Top
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- Bulgaria** Agency for Small and Medium-sized Enterprises
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- Cyprus** Research Promotion Foundation
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- Denmark** EuroCenter - Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation
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- France** Agence Nationale de Valorisation de la Recherche
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- Germany** NCP - Life Sciences Germany
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- Malta** Malta Council for Science and Technology
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PROJECT COSTS

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FURTHER INFORMATION

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