

Malta Enterprise is participating in PROMPT, an FP6 ETI project, part-funded by the European Commission under the Innovation Programme.



■ Sixth Framework Programme

PROMPT: Promotion of SMEs from Peripheral Regions of Europe

The PROMPT network provides SMEs active in fisheries, tourism, multimedia and information technologies, renewable energies, water treatment and environmental technologies from peripheral regions with the means - in terms of partners, project ideas and human resources - to join state of the art FP7 consortia or develop their own FP7 Research projects.

To facilitate transnational research cooperation and create the conditions for successful participation in FP7 activities, PROMPT will focus on a number of activities which will create visibility and opportunities for local SMEs.

PROMPT will, together with other well-established European networks, develop a network of support services to SMEs, including: awareness and information events; partner searches; advisory services; online information; training sessions; database with project ideas and other activities or services which are considered of benefit to the target SMEs.

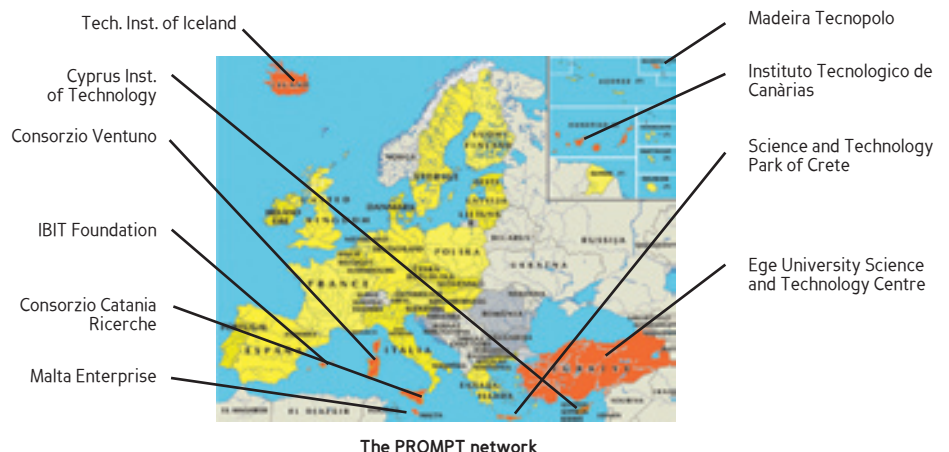
PROMPT Consortium

The network is made up of ten organisations from peripheral regions, coordinated by the Instituto Tecnológico de Canárias (ITC) from Tenerife, Spain. The other partner organisations are: Malta Enterprise- Malta; Foundation



for Research and Technology / Science and Technology Park of Crete (FORTH/STEP-C) - Crete, Greece; Madeira Tecnopolo (Mad Tec) - Madeira, Portugal; Ege University Science and Technology Centre (EBILTEM)- Izmir,

Turkey; Consorzio Catania Ricerche (CCR) - Sicily, Italy; IBIT Foundation (IBIT) - Balearic Islands, Spain; Consorzio Ventuno- Sardinia, Italy; Technological Institute of Iceland- Iceland; and the Cyprus Institute of Technology - Cyprus.



■ The PROMPT network

Why should I participate in PROMPT?

PROMPT will offer participating Maltese SMEs:

1. Partner matching based on your research profile with partners from other EU countries.
2. Different SMEs will be approached to champion FP7 project ideas proposed by the consortium's "FP7 project think tank" - You may also participate in the think tank if you are willing to share and discuss possible project ideas.
3. Maltese participants with most potential for success in FP7 Integrated Projects and Networks of Excellence will be included in a regional portfolio for presentation on a road show to European top research institutes, e.g. ANVAR (FR), Fraunhofer Institutes (DE), Karolinska Institute (SE) etc.
4. Possibility of a staff-exchange through FP7 Marie-Curie outgoing and incoming fellowship schemes.
5. One-to-one advice, information and help on your priority area of FP6/7 participation
6. FP7 Training courses will be focussed specifically on your areas of concern,

with the type of interaction you prefer.

7. Our Maltese regional website will focus specifically on the Research and Innovation needs of the Maltese registered SMEs, including partner search, latest news, calls for proposals, online guides, etc.

How can I participate in Prompt?

All you have to do is fill in the research profile on the opposite page and send it by mail to: PROMPT, Euro Info Centre, Enterprise Centre, Industrial Estate San Gwann SGN 09 or fax:25423409. Alternatively you may download the online form at <http://www.eic.maltaenterprise.com/> from the News and Events section and send it by e-mail to: nadine.cauchi@maltaenterprise.com. Should you need any assistance please call us on tel: **2542 3448**

What is FP7?

The Framework Programme (FP) is the European Union's main instrument for funding research and development, with a projected budget of approximately 72 Billion Euro. FP7

will follow the current FP6, and will run for seven years from 2007 - 2013. The proposed Seventh Framework Programme will be organised in four programmes corresponding to four basic components of European research:

- a) **Cooperation**, which will include all industry-led transnational research activities. This programme will be split into nine themes, which are: Health; Food, agriculture and biotechnology; Information and communication technologies; Nanosciences, Nanotechnologies, Materials and new Production Technologies; Energy; Environment and Climate Change; Transport and Aeronautics; Socio-economic sciences and the humanities, and Space and Security Research
- b) **Ideas**, focusing on basic research overseen by a European Research Council
- c) **People**, which will include the Marie Curie Mobility actions
- d) **Capacities**, which will support research infrastructures, research for the benefit of SMEs and the research potential of European regions.

PROMPT Information Day 18th May at 9.00 am, Malta Enterprise



COMPANY DETAILS

Company :			
Main activity:			
Contact Person:		Position:	
Address:			
Postcode:	City:	Country:	
Tel:		URL:	
Fax:		E-mail:	
Company type: (please tick only one box)			Company size (please tick one box)
<input type="checkbox"/> Research developer	<input type="checkbox"/> Industry		Number of employees:
<input type="checkbox"/> Technology-based company	<input type="checkbox"/> Service sector		<input type="checkbox"/> <10 <input type="checkbox"/> 11- 50
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify)			<input type="checkbox"/> 51 – 249
Main expertise / products / services of the company:			
Main technological challenges the company is facing:			
R&D DETAILS			
Have you recently introduced new products, technologies, methodologies, services etc. derived from any of the following?			
<input type="checkbox"/> Internal R&D <input type="checkbox"/> External R&D <input type="checkbox"/> National or EU projects <input type="checkbox"/> Licensing <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Acquisition			
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify):			
What are your interests in a R&D project:			
<input type="checkbox"/> Develop new product/service	<input type="checkbox"/> Networking	<input type="checkbox"/> Increase awareness	<input type="checkbox"/> Find partners
<input type="checkbox"/> Technology transfer	<input type="checkbox"/> Open new markets	<input type="checkbox"/> Exchange experience	<input type="checkbox"/> Act as partner
<input type="checkbox"/> Cover part of your R&D investments	<input type="checkbox"/> Organisational innovation	<input type="checkbox"/> Act as coordinator	Other (please specify):
Which R&D cooperation project may interest your organisation:			
<input type="checkbox"/> Health	<input type="checkbox"/> Socio-economic Sciences & Humanities	<input type="checkbox"/> ICT	
<input type="checkbox"/> Nano, Materials & New Production Techs	<input type="checkbox"/> Food, Agro, Biotech	<input type="checkbox"/> Environment	
<input type="checkbox"/> Transport	<input type="checkbox"/> Energy	<input type="checkbox"/> Security & Space	
What could be your company's role in a prospective R&D project?			
<input type="checkbox"/> Leader		<input type="checkbox"/> Partner	<input type="checkbox"/> R&D Performer
Target partner organisation type:			
<input type="checkbox"/> Education Institutions (Higher/Technological)		<input type="checkbox"/> Public sector or Public enterprise	
<input type="checkbox"/> Industrial/Commercial enterprise/SME		<input type="checkbox"/> Private research centre	
<input type="checkbox"/> Research centre / Laboratory		<input type="checkbox"/> Technical centre / Technology Transfer centre	
<input type="checkbox"/> Consultancy		<input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify):	