



## **CORNET Partnering Event**

Creating collective research proposals –  
exchanging experiences

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## Goals of the CORNET Partnering Day:

- ▶ Understand how to set up a project & proposal
- ▶ Find matching partners, create a consortium
- ▶ Prepare proposal for CORNET 9th call
- ➔ Exchange of knowledge and experience  
(national and transnational)



# **CORNET - CO**llective **RE**search **NET**working

## CORNET ERA-NET (I & II):

- ▶ **Subject:** Co-operation of collective research programmes
- ▶ **Partners:** 20 ministries and funding agencies in 16 European countries and regions
- ▶ **Duration:** March 1, 2008 – December 31, 2010
- ▶ **Calls:** two calls per year, currently **9th Call**



CORNET is a network of 20 ministries and agencies from the following 16 European countries and regions:

Austria	Hungary
Belgium-Flanders	Italy
Belgium-Wallonia	Poland
Cyprus	Slovenia
Czech Republic	Spain - Madrid
France	Spain-Valencia
Germany	The Netherlands
Greece	Turkey



More countries and regions are expected to join the CORNET network in the future.

## Countries participating in the 9th joint CORNET call:

[Austria](#)

[Belgium - Flanders](#)

[Belgium - Wallonia](#)

[Czech Republic](#)

[Germany](#)

[Hungary](#)

[Slovenia](#)

[Spain - Valencia](#)

[The Netherlands](#)

## ▶ **Key facts about Collective Research**

- R&D performed for the **benefit of a broad target group of companies** in a specific industrial or service sector;
- In general **pre-competitive**, but triggered by market needs;
- Particularly beneficial for those **SMEs having only little or no own research capacity**;
- **R&D results are disseminated throughout the sector** and are available for exploitation by the respective companies

## **Added Value of Collective Research**

- ▶ *Sharing of resources.*
- ▶ *R&D efforts are highly optimised and relevant.*
- ▶ *Each participant receives more benefits than their actual investment.*
- ▶ *The output of one R&D project benefits many companies in a sector*
- ▶ *Avoids reinventing the wheel again and again in each country.*

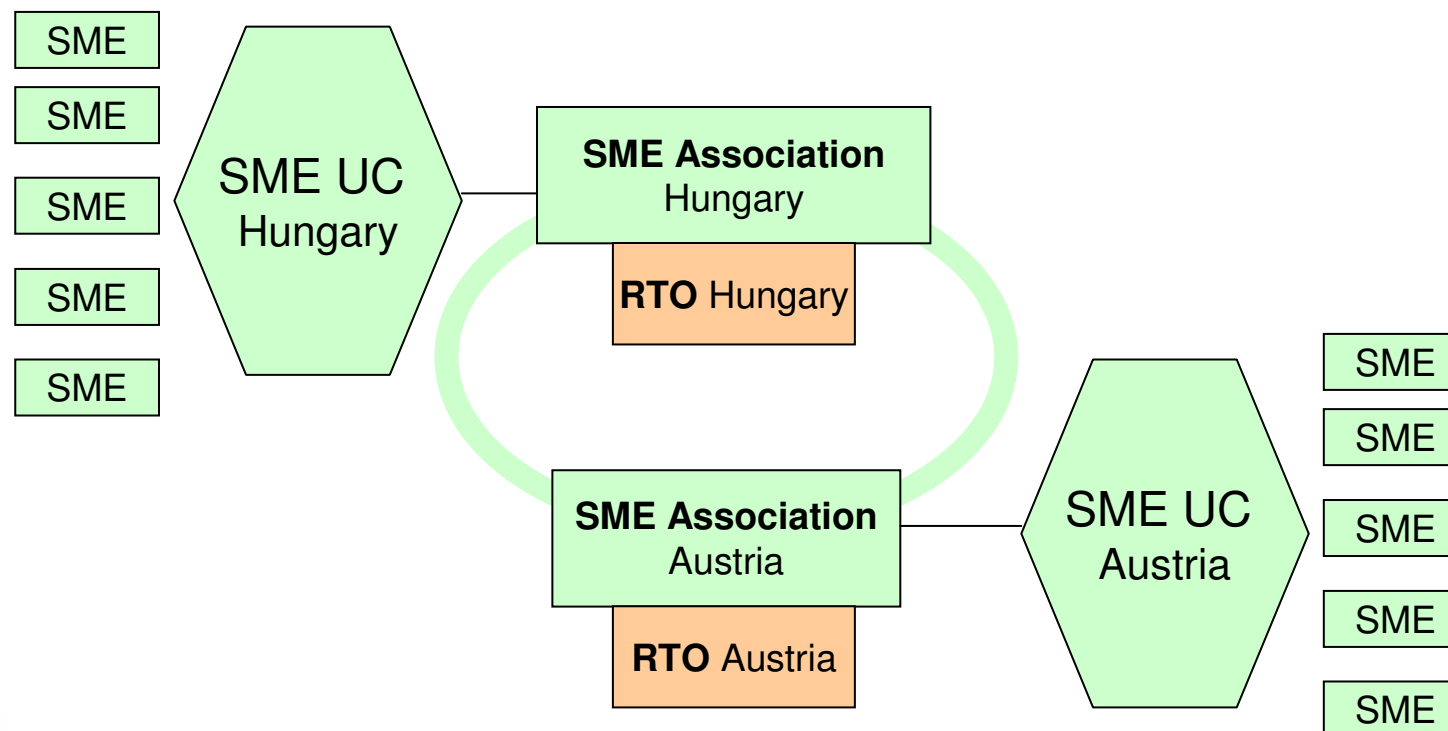


## Joint CORNET Calls - Rules for participation

- ▶ **Eligible partners:** associations, federations, trade associations, groups of enterprises with common objectives
- ▶ **Consortium:** partners from at least 2 participating CORNET countries/regions.
- ▶ **Project duration:** max. 2 years
- ▶ **SME Users Committee** is obligatory
- ▶ Transnational **collaboration agreement** is required
- ▶ **Dissemination** should be European in scale

## Project Setup

- ▶ At least **2 associations** from 2 countries/regions have to work together for one proposal/project
- ▶ RTOs perform the research as **subcontractors**



Example

## CORNET vs. national/regional CR

Significant leverage of funding:



- Each partner gets results with a value of € 200.000 for an own contribution of € 50.000 !
- Grant: equivalent to **75%** funding (150 k€ of 200 k€)



## How to proceed

- ▶ Identify subject for CORNET proposal - find RTOs and partners in other countries/regions
- ▶ Coordinator collects data to set up CORNET proposal via electronic submission tool at [www.cornet-submission.net](http://www.cornet-submission.net)
- ▶ Each partner of the project also follows national/regional submission rules that vary from country to country (e.g. in Hungary: submit national proposal to NKTH/MAG Zrt.)
- ▶ **March 31, 2010 (12 am): Deadline for CORNET and national proposal submission!**
- ▶ Thereafter international evaluation and decision



## ▶ **National rules - AUSTRIA**

- ▶ Austrian partner applies at FFG with FFG-BP application form <http://www.ffg.at/content.php?cid=501>
- ▶ Project description can be used from the CORNET proposal
- ▶ Important: detailed workplan with WPs and project costs - specific for Austrian part in the project
- ▶ Eligible: associations, private and trade associations of the chamber of commerce, clusters
- ▶ Percentage of funding: max. 60 %, in-kind contribution possible (material costs, no personnel costs). No funding of dissemination and training.

- ▶ **National rules - CZECH REPUBLIC**
- ▶ Czech partner applies to programme COOPERATION – Clusters and allocates project resources (up to 500.000 EUR minus any used de minimis aid) for Cornet participation
- ▶ Clusters implementing projects from Call I can apply to Call II for an additional project (date of publication – 11 Jan 2010)
- ▶ Eligible: clusters
- ▶ Percentage of funding: max. 60%, also 50 % for external experts (e.g. RTOs)



## ▶ **National rules - GERMANY**

- ▶ German partner applies at AiF with ANDAT application form <http://www.aif.de/igf/andat.php>
- ▶ Project description can be used from the CORNET proposal
- ▶ Important:
  - detailed workplan with WPs and project costs (specific for German part in the project)
  - detailed plan for dissemination
- ▶ - funding for the purchase of technical equipment has to be motivated in the CORNET proposal
- ▶ Eligible: AiF member associations
- ▶ Percentage of funding: 100 % of fundable expenses, in-kind contribution obligatory. No funding for training in SME.



## National rules - SLOVENIA

- ▶ Apply also at national Slovenian call. The call will be published in Slovenian Official Gazette and on MHEST website. The procedure and the documentation will be similar to 7th call that can be found at [www.mvzt.gov.si](http://www.mvzt.gov.si)
- ▶ The call will be published shortly.
- ▶ Available funds: 500.000 EUR for 2010-2011
- ➔ Eligible: Industrial Associations and other type of Associations, Technology Centres, Groups of enterprises
- ➔ Percentage of funding: up to 65%

## National rules - HUNGARY

- ▶ Hungarian partners apply at NKTH according to the rules of the Hungarian CORNET call (CORNET\_8\_09)  
<http://www.nkth.gov.hu/era-net-cornet/>
- ▶ Short description of the international project, more detailed plan of the role of the HU partner
- ▶ Workplan with WPs and project costs are required from the HU partner
- ➔ Eligibility: Associations (>50% of the members are SMEs)
- ➔ Funding: 20mHUF – 50 mHUF (75 - 180 kEUR)
- ➔ Percentage of funding: max. 100 %, 90% of funding has to be used for the remuneration of the R&D provider



**We look forward  
to your proposals!**

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