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FP7 - RESEARCH POTENTIAL
2007 Calls

SUBMISSION & SELECTION LESSONS LEARNED

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2007 Calls - Schedule

	REGPOT-1	REGPOT-2	REGPOT-3
Budget 2007	23.5 M€	1.0 M€	8.0 M€
Call deadline	24/04/2007	24/04/2007	24/04/2007
Evaluations	20-25/05/2007	2-6/07/2007	28/05/07 - 1/06/2007
Experts	60	10	29
Info Letters	End July	Mid July	End July
Contract Negot.	Oct/Nov	Oct/Nov	Oct/Nov

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2007 Calls – Key figures

	REGPOT-1	REGPOT-2	REGPOT-3
Submitted	255 + 3	9	107
Total Cost (M€)	271.17	1.02	123.52
EC-Request Contr. (%)	250.8 (92.5 %)	1.01 (99 %)	118.77 (96.1 %)
Sent to Evaluations (%)	254 (98.4%)	9 (100 %)	105 (98.1 %)
Ineligible Proposals (%)	4 + 15 = 19 (7.4 %)	0	2 + 13 = 15 (14 %)
Total Eligible Prop. (%)	239 (92.6 %)	9 (100 %)	92 (86 %)

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Ineligibility: Main Reasons

- **Applicants are not Research Entities (REGPOT-1)**
- **Research Proposals instead of Coordination and Support Actions - CSA (Support)**
- **Purely Networking activities**
- **Minimum Partnership not respected (REGPOT-3)**

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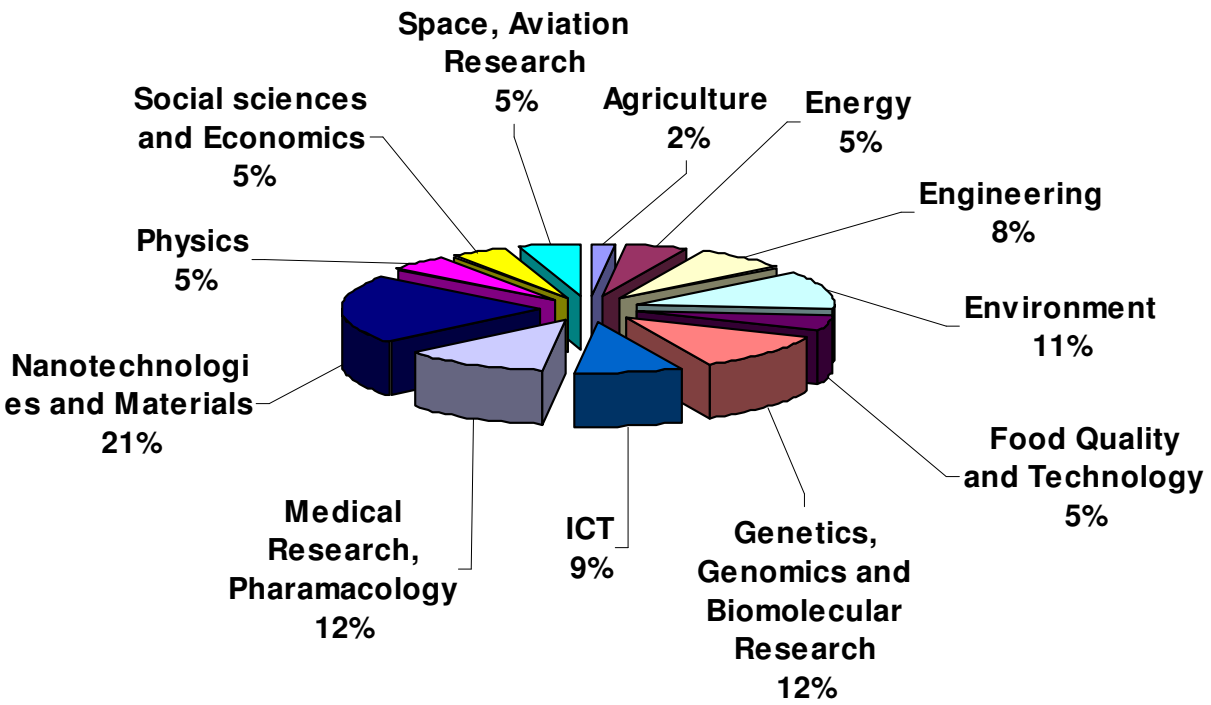
Thematic Domains as % of total Eligible Proposals



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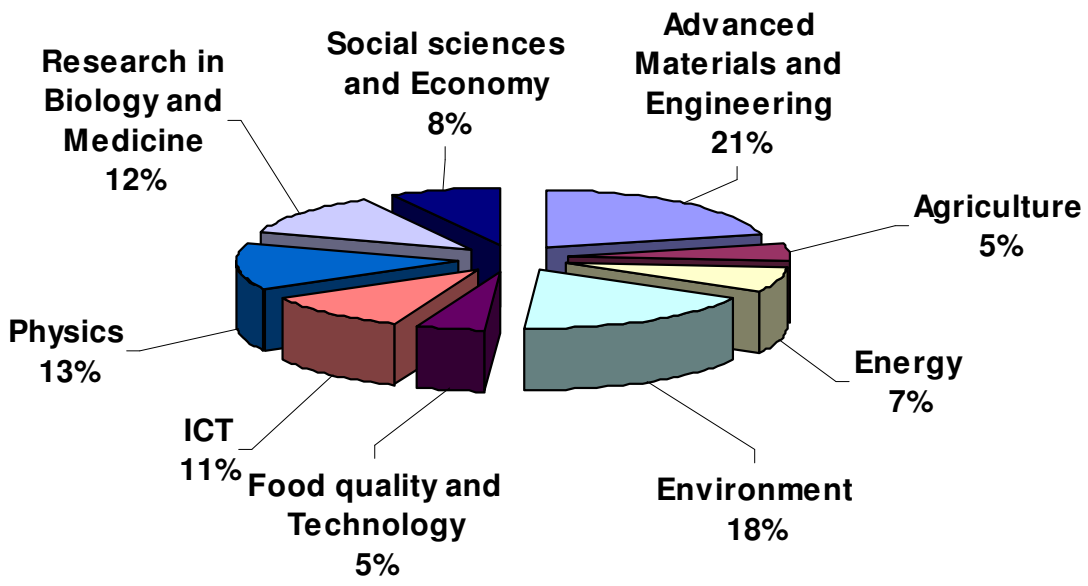
Thematic Domains as % of Eligible Proposals



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2007-Calls: Evaluation & Selection

	REGPOT-1	REGPOT-2	REGPOT-3
Evaluated Proposals	239	9	92
Average Cost per Proposal (M€)	1.08	0.11	1.1
Above Thresholds (%)	83 (34.7 %)	6 (67 %)	35 (38 %)
Selected Proposals (%)	23 (9.6 %)	6 (67 %)	11 (12 %)
Reserve List	11	0	8

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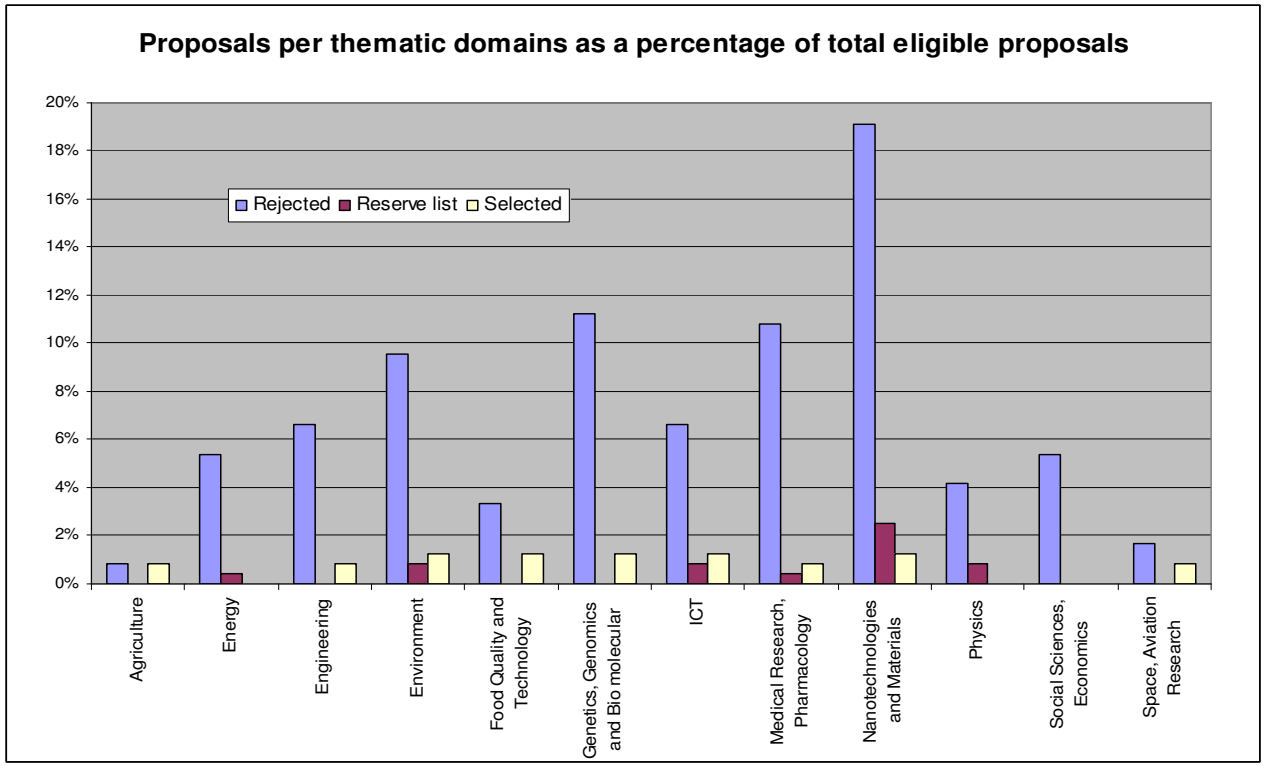
Thematic Domains of Selected & Reserve List Proposals



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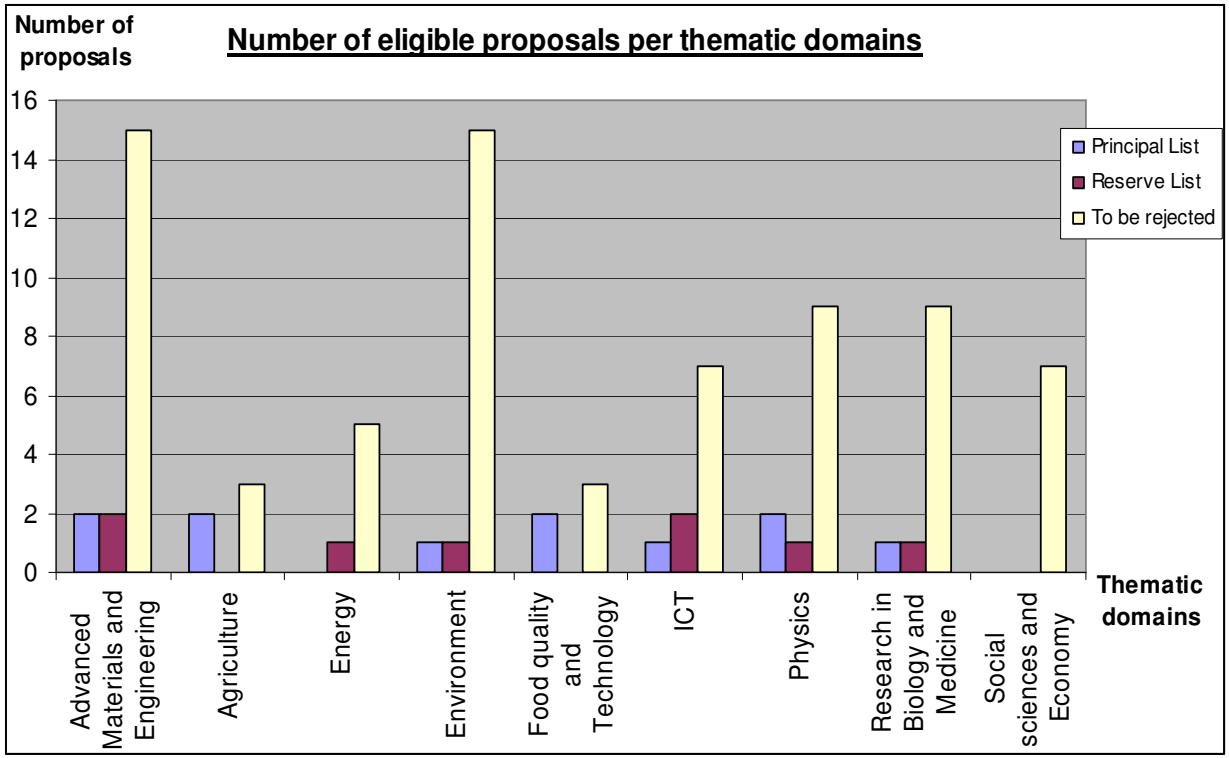
Evaluated & Selected proposals per Thematic Domains



FP7-REGPOT-2007-1
Lessons learned (1)

- Well understood call with High Response
- All FP7 Thematic Domains represented
- Selected proposals cover a wide variety of Thematic Domains
- Participation of 17 Members States and 3 Associated Countries
- Excellent collaboration with World Class Institutions from Europe as well as SMEs and stakeholders
- Demonstrated synergy with Regional Policy (in proposals above thresholds)
- Significant improvement of Regional and European RTD Capacity (selected proposals)

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REGPOT-2007-1
Lessons learned (2)

BUT:

- **Oversubscription**

65 % of proposals below threshold

FAQ in CORDIS & improved Guide for Applicants

- **Missing partners for potential increase**
- **Weak management and missing budget justification**

Further mobilisation of NCPs

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REGPOT-2007-2
Lessons learned (1)

- Call principles well understood
- Target group well accommodated
- Key technologies addressed (e.g. ICT, electronics, nano technology)
- High potential benefit for selected centres

BUT:

- Low response to call
- Coherence of SWOT analysis, independent evaluation
  and action plan not always realised
- Shortcoming in budget and management section

FP7-REGPOT-2007-2
Lessons learned (2)

Conclusions

- Targeted communication on evaluation facilities required
- « Political » benefits of EU funded evaluation for selected centres to be highlighted
- Improved mobilisation of NCPs needed
- Specific FAQ site to be placed on CORDIS
- Tailor made annex on evaluation criteria in Guide for Applicants

FP7-REGPOT-2007-3

Lessons learned (1)

- Well understood call with high response
- Important WBC Regional representation in proposals
- All FP7 Thematic Domains represented
- Selected proposals cover a wide variety of Thematic Domains
- 18 countries (at coordinator level) including 5 WBC
- Excellent collaboration with World Class Institutions from Europe as well as SMEs and stakeholders
- Significant impact on Regional economic and social development (selected proposals)

REGPOT-2007-3
Lessons learned (2)

BUT:

- **Oversubscription**
  No new call in 2008
- **Pure research or pure Coordination activities**
- **Weak management & budget justification**
- **Capacity building funding for Member State Institutions not eligible**