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Lifelong Learning Programme			An update on the 2009 call for proposals is provided on page 12		
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Competitiveness & Innovation Programme	A summary is provided on pages 4 & 5	Summaries of the 2009 workplans for the EIP and the ICT-PSP are provided on pages 10 & 11			
ESF					
Others					

Summary of the PROGRESS Programme

Background

PROGRESS is the EU's employment and social solidarity programme. It falls under the jurisdiction of the DG for Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities. It is designed to work alongside ESF and supports the EU's efforts to deliver growth and more jobs whilst fighting poverty and social exclusion. It is designed to support policy development and delivery in five areas:-

- Employment
- Social inclusion and protection
- Working conditions
- Non-discrimination
- Gender equality

Objectives

PROGRESS has six general objectives. These are:

- To improve the knowledge and understanding of Member States' situation through analysis, evaluation and close monitoring of policies
- To support the development of statistical tools, methods and common indicators in the areas covered by the programme
- To support and monitor the implementation of Community law and policy objectives in the member States to assess their effectiveness and impact
- To promote networking and mutual learning and identify and disseminate good practices and innovative approaches at EU level
- To enhance stakeholder and general public awareness about each policy area
- To boost the capacity of key EU networks to promote, support and further develop EU policies and objectives
- To promote gender mainstreaming into all sections and activities of PROGRESS

Activities

PROGRESS provides funding support for three types of activities:-

- Analytical activities – (data/statistics; common indicators; studies; impact assessments)
- Mutual learning, awareness and dissemination – (best practices and peer review; media campaigns and events)
- Support to main actors – (support to key EU networks; working groups; training seminars; experts' networks; EU level observatories; exchange of personnel; cooperation with international institutions)

Budget and Management

The budget available for PROGRESS is €743m for the seven year period 2007 to 2013, with €106m available for 2009.

The Commission issues an annual workplan for the PROGRESS Programme, which indicates when and how the different aspects of the programme will be implemented. Some elements of the workplan are designed to be delivered by government departments or specific agencies in each of the Member States but other elements are open to other organisations to participate. For these elements the Commission has two methods of selecting projects:-

- **Calls for tenders** – whereby it contracts with an organisation to deliver a project at a price negotiated
- **Calls for proposals** – whereby grants are awarded for projects up to a maximum of 80% of the total cost.

Opportunities for HEIs

Higher Education Institutions and Research Institutes are identified as eligible participants in the programme and indeed some of the activities identified in the workplan call specifically for HEI involvement

By far the most significant opportunities for HEIs will be research related activities, although there is some scope for HEIs to be involved in other activities such as training pilots, dissemination of best practice, promotion and networking. Opportunities will be very specific, aiming to target a particular issue or area of policy development.

The workplan for 2009 identifies 42 opportunities for HEIs to tender to undertake work on behalf of the Commission. With regard to calls for proposals, there are 6 calls for which HEIs are identified as potential applicants, the Commission aims to select up to 65 projects under these calls. A table showing details of all the calls perceived to be relevant to HEIs has been produced and is provided elsewhere in this Bulletin.

Further Information

General information about PROGRESS can be obtained from the following link:-

http://ec.europa.eu/employment_social/progress/index_en.htm

The Annual Workplan for 2009 is available from:-

http://ec.europa.eu/employment_social/progress/annwork_en.htm

Calls for Proposals and Tenders and information about previous calls can be viewed from the website of DG Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities:-

<http://ec.europa.eu/social/main.jsp?catId=623&langId=en>

Summary of the Competitiveness and Innovation Framework Programme (CIP)

Background

The Competitiveness and Innovation Programme (CIP) provides EU financing to enhance competitiveness and innovation capacity in the EU, to advance the knowledge society and to ensure secure, sustainable energy for Europe. It aims to contribute to the Lisbon Strategy for Growth and Jobs in the following ways:-

- By supporting the improvement of the business environment
- By enhancing competitiveness of European companies, particularly SMEs

Objectives

The CIP has 4 main objectives, summarised as follows:-

- Foster the competitiveness of enterprises, in particular of SMEs
- Promote all forms of innovation, including eco-innovation
- Accelerate the development of a sustainable, competitive, innovative and inclusive information society
- Promote energy efficiency and new renewable energy sources in all sectors.

Budget and Management

The Programme has a budget of €3.6 billion for the period 2007 – 2013. It operates through three specific programmes as follows:-

- Entrepreneurship and Innovation Programme (EIP)
- ICT Policy Support Programme (ICT-PSP)
- Intelligent Energy Europe (IEE)

In summary the three Programmes cover the following:-

Entrepreneurship and Innovation Programme (EIP)

- Better access to finance for SMEs through venture capital investment and loan guarantee instruments
- Business and innovation support services delivered through a network of regional support centres
- Promotion of entrepreneurship and innovation
- Support for eco-innovation
- Support for policy making that encourages entrepreneurship and innovation

ICT Policy Support programme (ICT-PSP)

- Developing a single European Information space
- Strengthening the European internal market for ICT/ based products and services
- Encouraging innovation through the wider adoption of and investment in ICT
- Developing an inclusive information society and more efficient and effective services in areas of public interest

Intelligent Energy Europe (IEE)

- Fostering energy efficiency and the rational use of energy sources
- Promoting new and renewable energy sources and energy diversification
- Promoting energy efficiency and new energy sources in transport

Delivery and types of support

Each of the three Programmes are managed in slightly different ways, with elements provided for through commissions and contracts as well as through open calls for tenders and proposals. However, an annual workplan is published for each, which sets out the objectives for each year and provides details of the calls that will be made during the year.

Overall, through the three Programmes, the CIP provides financial support for the following activities:-

- Direct financial support for SMEs in the form of the European Investment Fund
- Business and innovation support services through the Enterprise Europe Network
- Pilot and market replication projects for which **grants are awarded following a call for proposals**
- Policy development, including for example networking, benchmarking, surveys and analysis, **for which calls for tender and proposals are made.**

Opportunities for HEIs

Higher Education Institutions are identified as eligible participants in the CIP and its sub-programmes. Clearly, the overall Programme is quite complex and wide-ranging. Only certain elements are relevant and open to HEI involvement. There are however, significant opportunities for HEIs to submit proposals for support for pilot and market replication projects, and various activities aimed at supporting policy development. There are also opportunities for some education and training projects to be supported under Intelligent Energy Europe.

HEIs should be aware, however, that activities funded under the CIP must have a 'European added value'. Thus it is necessary to clearly demonstrate the benefits of the project at the European level and to explain why the project should receive CIP funding rather than being funded by local, regional or national resources.

The workplans for the Entrepreneurship and Innovation Programme (EIP) and the ICT Policy Support Programme (ICT-PSP) for 2009 have been published. The workplans cover all of the activities the programmes will support and all of the calls that will be made during the year. Clearly not all aspects of the workplans are of interest to HEIs, so we have attempted to highlight for each of the programmes those elements of most interest.

Under the EIP calls will be made throughout the year, the timings are indicated on the extract of the workplan. For the ICT-PSP the main call for proposals will be published in February 2009, it will have a closure date of in June 2009. Further calls for ICT-PSP support measures will be made later in the year.

Further Information

Information about the sources of funding available from DG Enterprise and Industry is available from:-

<http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/funding/index.htm>

General information about the **Competitiveness and Innovation Programme** can be accessed from the following link:-

http://ec.europa.eu/cip/index_en.htm

The workplan for the **Entrepreneurship and Innovation Programme** can be obtained from the following link:-

<http://ec.europa.eu/cip/cipwp.htm>

The workplan for the **ICT Policy Support Programme** can be obtained from the following link:-

http://ec.europa.eu/information_society/activities/ict_psp/index_en.htm

Information about **Intelligent Energy Europe** can be found at:-

http://ec.europa.eu/energy/intelligent/call_for_proposals/index_en.htm

PROGRESS Programme - Opportunities for HEIs identified from the 2009 Annual Workplan						
PROGRESS Outcome	Activity		Description	Timeframe	Type of call	Number of projects anticipated
Information Sharing - Learning	Exchange of good practice	Mutual learning programme	The main objective is to encourage mutual learning at all levels and enhance transferability about the most effective policies on key areas of the European Employment Strategy (EES). A further aim is to encourage stakeholders to promote the wider and more effective dissemination of information about the EES and its implementation. The call will especially seek proposals in the field of Flexicurity, undeclared work, Corporate Social Responsibility and Local Employment Development	1st quarter 2009	Call for proposals	5
		New skills for new jobs/job anticipation	Support MSs to put in place more effective anticipation and matching of labour market needs that will contribute to the promotion of labour utilisation and labour productivity and therefore growth and jobs. Expected results include the presentation of initiatives aiming at equipping people with better and more relevant skills and presenting best practice examples in anticipating and matching of labour market needs	1st quarter 2009	Call for proposals	5
		Green Jobs - to anticipate requirements of a low carbon economy	The purpose is to raise awareness of the employment dimension of energy and climate change and to exchange information to identify policy approaches which can facilitate the transition towards labour markets in a low carbon economy. Proposals could develop further the socio-economic importance of addressing the labour market implications of global warming and other environmental challenges	1st quarter 2009	Call for proposals	5
	New Skills for New Jobs Initiative	Study on skills mismatches	The study should review the approaches used in MSs and in international comparisons to identify short term labour skills mismatches and labour market shifts, identify best practice of private and public actors, and establish their relevance for labour market policy; the project should deliver methods to improve labour market and skills monitoring, forecasting and governance at European level.	1st quarter 2009	Call for Tender	1 study
	Support Social Corporate Responsibility/High level group		Service contract to support the Commission preparing meetings of the CSR High level Group, monitor and analyse national public policies on CSR to provide background papers on selected issues that will serve as an input for the exchange of information on national CSR policies	1st quarter 2009	Call for Tender	1 service contract
	New Skills for New Jobs Initiative	Establishment of an EU network of academics and practitioners to support the Commission to further develop the new skills and new jobs policy	To establish a network of academics and practitioners to work together with the Commission to systematically assess skills and jobs needs at EU level, analyse national initiatives and instruments already existent at EU level and support the preparation of the European skills/jobs network as from 2010	1st quarter 2009	Call for Tender	1 network
	Mobility	Establishment of an EU network of academics and practitioners on workers' professional and geographical mobilities to analyse new patterns of mobility and corresponding national policy developments in the context of the EES and post 2010.	Mobilities' Partnership: Creation of a European network of experts, including academics in the field of mobility. The network should in particular provide information, support, analysis and expertise in the fields identified in the Joint Mobility Action Plan	1st quarter 2009	Call for Tender	1 network

PROGRESS Outcome	Activity		Description	Timeframe	Type of call	Number of projects anticipated
Evidence-based Policy	Flexicurity	Study on potential of EU SILC	Study to explore the potential of monitoring and assessing labour market conditions/outcomes for Flexicurity policies, on the basis of the recent EU-SILC survey	1st quarter 2009	Call for Tender	1 study
		Study on Flexicurity - measuring the impact of flexicurity policies on the EU labour market	Flexicurity promotes a combination of flexible labour markets and a high levels of employment and income security and it is thus seen to answer the EU's dilemma of how to maintain and improve competitiveness whilst preserving the European social model. The study will assess the progress achieved at the EU level and in the MS with the implementation of flexicurity policies. The study will also present innovative methodologies to assess the interaction between the four flexicurity components and in terms of the labour market impact.	1st quarter 2009	Call for Tender	1 study
	Study on tax burden on labour		The study should analyse, on the basis of new OECD data, the labour taxation trends and policy options in MSs; it should build new rationale for policy making (flexicurity, new job creation, situation of the low skilled) and explore the potential to shift labour taxation to alternative sources of finance	1st quarter 2009	Call for Tender	1 study
	New Skills for New Jobs Initiative	Collection of administrative data on vacancies which are notified to, and delivered by European Employment Services	The purpose of this initiative is to generate and analyse comparative information on job vacancies run by EES so as to be in a position to observe trends in the stocks and flows of notified vacancies. The objective is to contribute to overcome labour market mismatches through anticipation of recruitment needs. As a result, operational outcomes could take the form of quarterly skills and vacancy reports, tracing and diagnosing short term changes in labour market demand with identification of common trends at EU level.	1st quarter 2009	Call for Tender	1 Study + 1 development database
Sustainability issues, Green Jobs, Trade and Labour	Study on environmental challenges for employment and the impact of climate change policies on employment policies within the EU and at international level		The study will review the issues of climate change policy and the transition towards a low carbon economy, and their impact on employment policy against the background of demographic change, technological innovation and globalisation. It will consist of two sections: Section 1 will consist of a stocktaking of relevant initiatives and/or shortcomings of EU labour market actors, and re-state the relevance of current EU employment policy priorities (such as flexicurity and new skills). Section 2 will analyse, from an international and comparative perspective, the impact of environmental challenges and international environmental policies on employment; it will then focus on the policy response to these environmentally induced employment effects, both at multilateral level and bilateral level. In this context, the study aims at enhancing the complementarities between international and EU internal policies on 'green jobs' issues.	1st quarter 2009	Call for Tender	1 Study
	Study on 'Trade and Labour' - Making effective use of trade sustainability impact assessments and monitoring mechanisms		On the basis of the Trade Impact Assessments carried out in preparation of the Free Trade Area (FTA) negotiations, the project will investigate how its results could be effectively used, particularly in the context of the envisaged FTA monitoring mechanisms, with a view of enhancing decent work and sustainable development in line with renewed Social Agenda, including by testing scenarios in the context of impact assessments and of the monitoring mechanisms; for FTAs which already have entered into force, the study will, as appropriate, support and test the implementation of the sustainable monitoring mechanism.	1st quarter 2009	Call for Tender	1 Study

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Evidence-based Policy	Post Lisbon 2010 Initiative	Lisbon assessment	Technical assistance to assess the current set of indicators available to monitor the revised Lisbon Strategy and the Employment Guidelines, to identify alternative indicators as well as to develop graphical presentations using the various indicators for presenting progress in the related policy fields	1st quarter 2009	Call for Tender	1 Study
		Employment policy priorities including development of a methodological capacity to strengthen employment dimension of Lisbon	Study to assess the employment dimension of the 4 Lisbon priorities: fostering international co-operation on innovation and research, promoting stronger regulatory convergence and European standards, raising the profile of labour issues in our trade relations, and pushing other countries to embrace ambitious climate change goals. The study will also include further development and refinement of Lisbon assessment framework to cover the whole spectrum of employment and social issues with special focus on qualitative aspects of Lisbon. The methodological framework should allow to monitor performance (in qualitative and quantitative terms) and policy response from MS and the EU	1st quarter 2009	Call for Tender	1 Study
	Small scale studies in support of 'Employment in Europe' report and in support of the EES		The aim is to cover short term needs in relation to analytical work for the Employment in Europe report and in support of the EES policy assessment in the context of the Lisbon cycle by ad hoc literature review, analysis and fact finding	1st quarter 2009	Call for Tender	2 Studies
	Studies, analysis		Study on national strategies in primary care	2009-2010	Call for Tender	1 study report
	Studies, analysis		Study on supplementary pension practices and the changes in the structure of occupation pension schemes	2009-2010	Call for Tender	1 study report
	Studies, analysis		Study on the functioning and developments of certain social services of general interest	2009-2010	Call for Tender	1 study report
	Studies, analysis		Concepts, methods and indicators to assess the effectiveness of Social Open Methods of Coordination (OMC)	2009-2010	Call for Tender	1 study report
	Studies, analysis		Recent evolution of anti-poverty policies in MSs	2009-2010	Call for Tender	1 study report
	Studies, analysis		Assessing extreme poverty: overview of practices and approaches	2009-2010	Call for Tender	1 study report
	Studies, analysis		Review of practices in setting quantified targets to combat poverty	2009-2010	Call for Tender	1 study report
Information Sharing - Learning	Pensions modelling		Development of pension modelling or the collection of administrative data	2009-2010	Call for Tender	2-3 databases, 2-3 models, 5 reports
	Social experimentation		Transnational projects on social experimentation in the field of active inclusion (to test innovative approaches before engaging in large scale programmes)		Call for proposals	5 reports, 5 websites, 5 seminars, 5 toolkits

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Evidence-based Policy	Study	Study on the common/different aspects of substitution of chemicals with a view to developing a common EU approach	2009	Call for Tender	1 study
	Study on possible links between the different sectoral analyses	On the basis of results of the sectoral analyses realised on available competences (2007 programme), realisation of a multisector analysis	2009	Call for Tender	1 study
	Studies, analysis	To support the preparation or the follow-up of different forums on restructuring	2009	Call for Tender	10 reports
	Sectoral council on jobs and qualification	To assess the collection, the synthesis and diffusion of information available concerning the evolution of jobs and skills at sectoral level	2009-2010	Call for Tender	5 reports
	Database	Database on studies and reports on job and skill anticipation, foresight and forecasts realised at different levels	2009	Call for Tender	1 database
	Restructuring, well-being and financial participation	Support the research and networking with the view to exchange information and best practices, raising awareness and improving knowledge in relation to the 3 issues	2007-2010	Call for proposals	10 projects
	Mapping study on antidiscrimination laws and policies in the candidate and Balkan countries	Further to efforts made towards new member states the Commission would like to anticipate further enlargement and/or reinforced cooperation by having a clearer view of the existing legislation and policies on antidiscrimination in these countries	2009	Call for Tenders	1 study report
	Study on the role and functioning of equality bodies	To contribute to a better understanding of the functioning of Equality Bodies, and to contribute to the effectiveness of the Commission's support for the work of the Equality Bodies	2009	Call for Tenders	1 study report
	Study on the use of age, disability and gender in the insurance and banking sector	To contribute to the dialogue with the European Insurance and banking industry on the use of age, disability and gender when assessing risk.	2009	Call for Tenders	1 study report + 1 conference
	Study on supported employment for persons with disabilities	To contribute to a better knowledge about supported employment practices in the EU with a view to promoting supported employment as a means to increase labour market participation by people with disabilities	2009	Call for Tenders	1 study report + 1 conference
Study on socio economic impact of European disability policy	To obtain an assessment of the impact of a new joint EU approach to disability policy, making use of common activities and best practices to implement the UN Convention	2009	Call for Tenders	1 study report	
Information Sharing - Learning	Training of stakeholders on consultation on standardisation	Preparation and carrying out of practical training for participation of people with disabilities in standardisation processes in particular related to accessibility related standards	2009	Call for Tenders	1 training material+1 training session at EU level + various national seminars
Evidence-based Policy	Study on Gender equality body	Provide accurate data on the works delivered by these institutions, their functioning and the way their actions and impact on promoting gender equality could be improved	2009	Call for Tenders	1 study report + 1 conference
	Study on the use of age, disability and gender in the insurance and banking sector	Assess the barriers and lack of effective discrimination in these sectors	2009	Call for Tenders	1 study report + 1 conference

Entrepreneurship and Innovation Programme - Opportunities for HEIs identified from the 2009 Annual Workplan

Type of Activity	Objective	Description	Type of Call	Timing of Calls	No of projects anticipated	Project size
Studies	To carry out analysis of the structural and micro-economic factors affecting the competitiveness of individual sectors and cross-sectoral competitiveness issues in general. With the aim of enhancing knowledge and of the drivers of the competitiveness of European industry and the factors hindering it.	Sub-sectoral studies and reports will cover major European industries and their sub-sectors. The studies should lead to an enhanced understanding of the drivers of innovative competitive European industrial sectors. Overall, the various studies should enable the EU to identify in a comprehensive manner the main trends at play in European industrial sectors, therefore providing a sound basis for the development of an effective industrial policy. Furthermore, studies on competitiveness and cross-sectoral issues in general, will be conducted. Studies will combine analytical work of high academic standard with policy outlook for the medium term. They will provide the analytical basis for the debate around economic reforms and the micro-economic Lisbon agenda. Other studies will analyse cross-sectoral issues and policy areas affecting the competitiveness of European industry.	Calls for tender	Calls will be published in each quarter of 2009	15	€100,000 to €300,000
Impact Assessments and Evaluations	To prepare impact assessments and evaluations of Community measures of particular relevance for the competitiveness of enterprises and their publication with a view to identifying areas of existing legislation requiring simplification or the need for new legislative measures to make innovation more attractive in the Community		Calls for tender	Calls will be published in the 1st and 2nd quarters of 2009	3	Up to €320,000 each

ICT Policy Support Programme - Opportunities for HEIs identified from the 2009 Annual Workplan

The programme has 8 themes and 2 support measures as follows:-

Theme 1	ICT for health ageing and inclusion
Theme 2	Digital Libraries
Theme 3	ICT for government and governance
Theme 4	ICT for energy efficiency, environment and smart mobility
Theme 5	Multilingual web
Theme 6	Public Sector information
Theme 7	Internet evolution and security (including RFID)
Theme 8	Open innovation, user experience and living labs
Support Measures	Benchmarking the information society
	Studies, portal and/or common repositories, conferences and events

There are potential opportunities for HEI involvement under almost all the themes. Overall it is envisaged that there will be some 24 calls for proposals for thematic and best practice networks and pilot projects under the 8 themes during 2009. In addition, there will be calls for tenders and grants under the support measures. Set out in the table below is some additional information on those areas considered to be of most interest to HEIs.

Theme and Objective	Type of Activity	Description	No of projects anticipated	Amount of EU funding	Timing of call
Theme 2					
2.3 European Digital Library - Digitising Content for Europeana	Pilots	To support digitisation actions to complement collections already accessible through Europeana	several	€2 - 2.5m	Call Open Feb 2009 Close June 2009
2.4 Open access to scientific information	Pilots	To support the spreading of European research results. To carry out experiments with open access to digital libraries of scientific/scholarly content	several	€2 - 2.5m	Call Open Feb 2009 Close June 2009
2.5 Use of cultural heritage material for education	Pilots	To improve the availability and relevance of cultural content for education and LLL use in a multilingual and multicultural context.	several	€2 - 2.5m	Call Open Feb 2009 Close June 2009
Theme 5					
5.3 Multilingual web content management: methods, tools and processes	Pilots	To define and validate innovative and effective methods, processes and workflows for multilingual web content development and management, e.g. authoring, versioning and maintenance, portals or repositories	several	€2 - 2.5m	Call Open Feb 2009 Close June 2009
Theme 6					
6.2 Geographic Information	Pilots	To foster wider use of spatial data by public and private sector organisations	several	€2 - 2.5m	Call Open Feb 2009 Close June 2009
Theme 7					
7.2 Strengthening SME competitive advantage through RFID implementation	Pilots	To showcase and accelerate the take-up of RFID technologies among European SMEs. Pilots will demonstrate to SMEs what is needed in terms of technology, business processes, skills and management.	several	€2 - 2.5m	Call Open Feb 2009 Close June 2009
Theme 8					
8.1 Sharing the best practice across European Living Labs involving SMEs as key user- and provider-participants	Pilots	The pilot project aims at proving the concept of cross-border domain specific networks of 'Living Labs'. Experiments within the pilot will focus on the effective involvement of potential high-growth SMEs.	1	€4m	Call Open Feb 2009 Close June 2009
Support Measures					
Studies	Studies	Studies addressing the economic and social analysis of different i2010 topics will be launched	several	NK	Call for tenders Sept 2009

Lifelong Learning Programme (LLP) – 2009 Call for Proposals

Background

A call for proposals for the ‘Centralised Actions’ of the LLP was announced in November 2008. A summary of the Programme and information about the call and the type of activities can be found on our website <http://www.heesf.ac.uk/news/admin/upload/253.doc>

Applications Forms

The electronic application forms are now available to download from the Executive Agency’s website <http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/index.htm>.

Support from Higher Education European Funding Services

With regard to these Programmes, HEEFS will offer support to UK HEIs in the following ways:-

- Information
- Support for applicant HEIs
- Support for projects

Information

- i. Analysis of the annual workplan to identify relevant calls
- ii. Regular monitoring of the Commission's website so that when the relevant calls are announced during the year, they can be identified
- iii. When calls are made they will be highlighted in the 'HEEFS Bulletin' which will be circulated to our mailing list and placed on our website.

Support for applicant HEIs

HEEFS will offer support and advice to any HEI interested in submitting a proposal or a tender against any of the calls made by the Commission. Support may take the form, for example, of:-

- Interpretation and explanation of the call documentation
- Assistance with the preparation of a project proposal or a tender
- Advice on costing for a project

Support for projects

HEEFS will offer support to any HEI that is successful in the application process. Support may take the form, for example, of:-

- Assisting the HEI to ensure that it is able to comply with contract requirements
- Assistance with completion and submission of interim and final claims/reports
- Where appropriate, management of elements of a project, (eg managing a network)
- Assistance with dissemination of project outcomes via HEEFS contacts network

The **Information** element of HEEFS support will be provided free of charge to all interested HEIs. HEEFS will however, seek to recover its costs in relation to **Support for applicant HEIs** and **Support for projects** through a levy charged on the funds awarded or by building its own costs into the overall project costs. Details will be negotiated with individual HEIs on a case by case basis.

Interested?

If, having read the workplan you or any of your colleagues are interested in submitting tenders or proposals, then please look out for our future 'Bulletins' as they will include further details of the individual calls as they are announced by the Commission over the course of the year.

In the meantime, however, if you require any further information or would like to discuss potential involvement in any of the Programmes, then please feel free to contact us, our details are as follows:-

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