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## Welcome

We wish all our readers best wishes for the festive season and for the New Year. 2010 has been a very busy year for us as interest in EU funding opportunities and transnational collaboration, in particular, seems to be growing.

During the year we have visited almost 20 HEIs to present information about EU programmes or to discuss specific project proposals. In 2010 we have worked directly with 5 Institutions to submit applications in response to calls for proposals. In preparation for the 2011 call for proposals under the Lifelong Learning programme we are currently working with 8 Institutions to develop proposals for the application deadline in February 2011.

Our themed events focussing on opportunities for subjects related to arts and culture and the humanities and social sciences proved to be very popular, attended by 60 colleagues from a wide range of Institutions. Similarly, our events designed to provide an introduction to the Lifelong Learning Programme have attracted more than 50 delegates. In total, through these events we have had face-to-face contact with representatives of more than 60 Institutions. Our monthly Bulletin is now emailed to more than 620 people in Institutions and we would like to thank our contacts for circulating it to colleagues in their Institutions.

## Selection Results

It would appear that our support is bearing fruit. In recent editions we have reported on UK HEI successes under the Lifelong Learning and the ATLANTIS Programmes. It is clear from these results that the number of UK HEIs participating as lead partners has grown significantly since we began this work in 2009.

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#### Switzerland and Croatia Join LLP

Organisations from these two countries are eligible to participate in the LLP as full partners from January 2011.  
[http://ec.europa.eu/education/news/news2700\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/education/news/news2700_en.htm)



## Summary of Recently Announced Results

### Youth in Action; Erasmus Mundus; DAPHNE III; Tempus IV; External Cooperation with Industrialised Countries and MEDIA

#### Youth In Action – Action 4.5 – Support for information activities for young people and those active in youth work and youth organisations

A call for proposals was announced in our June Bulletin. The deadline for applications was 10 September 2010. This particular action had a budget of €1m in 2010, intended to support information and communication activities with a European dimension aimed at young people and youth leaders, with an emphasis on encouraging participation in public life and promoting European citizenship.

In total, 17 projects were selected, taking up a total grant budget of €1.5m. There is only one project from the UK amongst those selected, as follows:-

Project Title	Applicant organisation	Project Summary	Grant Awarded
Olympics Wiki World	University of East London	The project aims to increase the participation of young people with intellectual disabilities in media, information and communication activities by engaging beneficiaries in a participatory and accessible 'easy build' Wiki and portal system. The project partners are UEL and Special Olympics Europe/Eurasia	€89,000

The University is to be congratulated on this success as not only is it the only project with a UK based lead partner; it is also the only HEI led project on the list

#### Erasmus Mundus – Action 2 – Partnerships

Details of the call for proposals for Erasmus Mundus Partnerships with countries of the Southern Mediterranean, Central Asian and Western Balkan regions were provided in our Bulletin in July 2010. The deadline for proposals was 15 October 2010.

This call was a special call for proposals to fill gaps in coverage from a previous call that had a deadline in April 2010. In all 6 projects were selected, 2 of them being led by UK HEIs, as follows:-

Institution	Partner Region	Grant Awarded
University of Wales Institute, Cardiff	Mediterranean (Egypt)	€2.9m
City University	Western Balkans	€3.9m

These are substantial projects aimed at fostering cooperation between HEIs of the participating countries; they can last up to 4 years and will involve considerable staff/student mobility and interaction.

## DAPHNE III

The DAPHNE III Programme is part of the Fundamental Rights and Citizenship Programme; it aims to contribute to the protection of children, young people and women against all forms of violence. Of interest to HEIs is the Programme's emphasis on the contribution to policy development, and consequently its support for evidence based studies and research; exchange of best practice; training; study visits; design and testing of awareness raising and educational materials etc.

Priorities for 2010 included issues related to:-

- Street and peer violence
- Media violence
- Corporal punishment
- Capacity building to deal with intimate partner violence
- Field work at grass roots level

Projects are required to involve at least 2 partners from 2 different EU Member States.

Details of the 2010 call for proposals were announced in our Bulletin in March, the deadline for applications was 30 April 2010. 82 projects have been selected for support, out of a total of 220 applications. Of the 82 selected projects UK HEIs are lead partners in the following projects:-

Institution	Project Title	Grant Awarded
University of Wolverhampton	Women Rough Sleepers and Domestic Abuse	€590,000
University of Hertfordshire	Empowering Women & Providers	€326,000
Keele University	READAPT	€307,000
Coventry University	Changing Attitudes to Violence	€435,000
Newman University College	Streetwise – European Street Violence	€498,000
University of Central Lancashire	Alcopop TV Culture	€192,000
University of Central Lancashire	When Law and Hate Collide	€457,000

These Institutions are to be congratulated, the grant awarded (totalling in excess of €2.8m) represents a significant increase when compared to the amount (€0.58m) awarded to the 3 UK HEIs that led projects selected under the previous application round.

## Tempus IV

The third call for proposals was announced in our Bulletin in December 2009. The deadline for applications was 9 March 2010. The call aimed to support cooperation between HEIs in the EU and TEMPUS partner countries in the Western Balkans, Eastern Europe, Central Asia, North Africa and the Middle East. Two types of projects were sought:- joint projects (partnerships involving knowledge exchange between HEIs and between HEIs) and structural measures to support HE reform in the partner countries.

The budget for the call was around €54m. In total 64 projects were selected for support, 50 joint projects and 14 structural measures. 6 of the 64 selected projects are to be led by UK HEIs, as follows:-

<b>Institution</b>	<b>Project Title</b>	<b>Grant Awarded</b>
London South Bank University	Innovation and Knowledge Management – towards eStudent Information Systems	€570,000
Cranfield University	Enhancement of Biotechnology (Pharmaceutical Engineering) curriculum at Masters Level in Russian Universities	€700,000
University of Cumbria	Masters Programme in Public Health and Social Services	€690,000
Staffordshire University	Achieving Sustainable Programmes in Regeneration and Entrepreneurship: Jordan, Lebanon, and Occupied Palestinian Territories	€1,200,000
University of Greenwich	Modernisation of Post-Graduate Studies in Chemistry and Chemistry Related Programmes	€730,000
Salford University	Establishment of a Centre of Excellence for Research and Training in Construction and Environment at Damascus University	€600,000

All 6 projects are joint projects involving the UK HEI working with partners in other EU Member States and to support HEIs in the Tempus countries.

## External Cooperation with Industrialised Countries

The call for proposals for cooperation with Australia and the Republic of Korea was announced in our Bulletin in June 2010. The deadline for applications was 6 September 2010. The call concerned the development and delivery of Joint Mobility and Joint Degree Projects between HEIs in the EU and the partner countries. Only 8 projects were selected for support, 5 involving partnerships with Australia and 3 with the Republic of Korea. One of the partnerships with Australia will be led by a UK HEI as follows:-

<b>Institution</b>	<b>Project Title</b>	<b>Grant Awarded</b>
University of Dundee	Global Environmental Sustainability Project	€262,000

## MEDIA

Congratulations are also due to 2 UK HEIs that have achieved success in applying for support under the 'Initial training' element of the MEDIA Programme, as follows:-

<b>Institution</b>	<b>Project Title</b>	<b>Grant Awarded</b>
Edinburgh Napier University	Engage IV	€150,000
University of Wales, Newport	TransMedia Lab	€70,000

The 'Initial Training' element of the MEDIA Programme is a small part of the Programme; the budget for 2010 was around €2m. Only 12 projects were selected for support. Edinburgh Napier University has been involved in the Programme since it began in 2007, it has represented the UK alongside the London International Film School and the National Film and Television School. It is encouraging, therefore, to see another UK HEI breaking through to success this year, so congratulations to the University of Wales, Newport.

## Future Calls for Proposals

Keep reading the HEEFS Bulletins for information on future calls for proposals under these and other EU Programmes which offer support for transnational collaboration involving HEIs.

## EU- Canada Cooperation Programme in HE, Training and Youth

## Call for Proposals

### Transatlantic Exchange Partnerships and Transatlantic Degree Partnerships

**Deadline: 31 March 2011**

**EACEA/37/10**

#### Background

The general objectives of the programme are to promote mutual understanding between people of the EU and Canada, including broader knowledge of their languages, cultures and institutions and to improve the quality of human resources in the EU and Canada.

The Higher Education elements of the Programme allow for the development of curricula, joint study programmes, international internships, exchanges and study abroad with provision for mutual credit recognition and language and cultural preparation. The main focus of activities must be on transatlantic rather than intra-European or intra- Canadian interactions.

#### Types of Activities

There are 2 types of activities covered by this call, as follows:-

##### Transatlantic Exchange Partnerships (TEP)

Support is provided to enable EU-Canada consortia of HEIs to carry out joint study and training programmes and to implement student and staff mobility. Support includes a contribution to the cost of administration, grants to students and members of academic and administrative staff.

##### Transatlantic Degree Partnerships (TDP)

Support is provided to develop and implement dual/double or joint degree programmes. Support includes a contribution towards the development work and administration, grants for students and members of academic and administrative staff.

#### Technical Issues

##### Duration

For TEPs the maximum duration is 36 months

For TDPs the maximum duration is 48 months.

##### Consortia

Projects must have a lead EU Institution and a lead Canadian Institution, each is responsible for submitting the common proposal and for managing the project.

The consortium must involve at least 4 HEIs in total – 2 from the EU; 2 from Canada (2 different EU Member States and 2 different Canadian territories/provinces)

## Funding available

The European Commission will provide funding for the direct use of the EU partners and the Department of Human Resources and Skills Development Canada (HRSDC) will provide funding for the direct use of Canadian partners. The total funding amounts available for individual partnerships are expected to be as follows:-

For TEPs - a maximum of €138,000 for the EU partners

For TDPs - a maximum of €428,000 for the EU partners

It is expected that the funding available for 2011 (around €1.5m) will be allocated to support 5 TEPs and 2 TDPs.

## Application procedure

Applicants from the EU and Canada must include in their application forms a 'common proposal narrative' that must be submitted to both the EU agency (EACEA) and the HRSDC in Canada.

## Further Information

In the EU the call for proposals was published on the following:-

[http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/bilateral\\_cooperation/eu\\_canada/funding/call\\_2011\\_en.php](http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/bilateral_cooperation/eu_canada/funding/call_2011_en.php)

In Canada, the call was published at:-

<http://www.hrsdc.gc.ca/eng/learning/exchanges/iam/announcements.shtml#2>

## Fundamental Rights & Justice Programme Work Programmes 2011

### Background

Set out below is a summary of the work planned to take place in 2011 under a series of EU funding Programmes managed by DG Justice under the overall banner of 'Fundamental Rights and Justice'. The summary highlights the main areas of interest for UK HEIs and provides information about planned timetables for calls for proposals.

### Fundamental Rights & Citizenship Programme

#### Objectives

The Programme objectives are:-

- To promote the development of European society based on respect for fundamental rights
- To strengthen civil society and to encourage an open, transparent and regular dialogue with it in respect of fundamental rights
- To fight against racism, xenophobia and anti-semitism and promote better interfaith and intercultural understanding and improved tolerance in the EU
- To improve contacts, exchange of information and networking between legal, judicial and administrative authorities and the legal professions, for a better mutual understanding

#### Activities

In 2011 there will be a budget of €8.4m to support action grants to around 25 transnational projects (involving 2 or more Member States ) to address issues related to the following thematic priorities:-

- Combating racism, xenophobia and anti-Semitism
- Fight against homophobia: enhanced/improved understanding and tolerance
- Training and networking between legal professions and legal practitioners
- Promotion of children's rights as enshrined in the Charter and the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child
- Active participation in the democratic life of the Union
- Address the gender imbalance in participation in the European Parliament elections
- Raise awareness and improve knowledge about EU rules on free movement, in particular Directive 2004/38/EC
- Facilitate sharing of knowledge and exchange of best practices in acquisition and loss of Union citizenship

#### Proposed Timetable

Call for proposals	First quarter 2011
Deadline for submission	Second quarter 2011
Selection Results	Third quarter 2011

#### Further Information

A summary of the Programme can be obtained from our website:-

<http://www.heefs.ac.uk/programmedocs/Fundamental%20Rights%20&%20Citizenship%20Bulletin%2011.pdf>

A copy of the Work Programme can be obtained from:-

[http://ec.europa.eu/justice/funding/rights/awp\\_rights\\_2011\\_en.pdf](http://ec.europa.eu/justice/funding/rights/awp_rights_2011_en.pdf)

## Civil Justice Programme

### Objectives

The Programme objectives are:-

- To promote judicial cooperation with the aim of contributing to the creation of a genuine European area of justice in civil matters based on mutual recognition and mutual confidence
- To promote the elimination of obstacles to the good functioning of cross-border civil proceedings in the Member States
- To improve the daily life of individuals and businesses by enabling them to assert their rights throughout the European Union, notably by fostering access to justice
- To improve the contacts, exchange of information and networking between legal, judicial and administrative authorities and the legal professions, including by way of support to judicial training, with the aim of better mutual understanding among such authorities and professionals

### Activities

In 2011, there will be a budget of almost €4m for action grants for specific transnational projects (involving 2 or more EU Member States) of Community interest. Projects will be sought in the following areas:-

- Promoting judicial cooperation in civil matters, with the aim of contributing to the creation of a genuine European area of justice in civil matters based on mutual recognition and mutual confidence
- Promoting the elimination of obstacles to the good functioning of cross-border civil proceedings in the Member States
- Improving the daily life of individuals and businesses by enabling them to assert their rights throughout the EU, notably fostering access to justice
- Improving the contacts, exchange of information and networking between legal, judicial and administrative authorities and the legal professions, including by way of support for judicial training, with the aim of ensuring better mutual understanding among such authorities and professionals

Eligible activities include:- judicial training; dissemination; studies and research; conferences, meetings and seminars.

### Proposed Timetable

Call for proposals	First quarter 2011
Deadline for submission	Second quarter 2011
Selection Results	Third quarter 2011

### Further Information

A summary of the Programme can be obtained from our website:-

<http://www.heefs.ac.uk/programdocs/Civil%20Justice%20Programme.pdf>

A copy of the Work Programme can be obtained from:-

[http://ec.europa.eu/justice/funding/civil/awp\\_2011\\_en.pdf](http://ec.europa.eu/justice/funding/civil/awp_2011_en.pdf)

## Criminal Justice Programme

### Objectives

The Programme objectives are:-

- To promote judicial cooperation with the aim of contributing to the creation of a genuine European area of justice in criminal matters based on mutual recognition and mutual confidence
- To promote the compatibility in rules applicable in the Member States as may be necessary to improve judicial cooperation. To promote a reduction in existing legal obstacles to the good functioning of cooperation with a view to strengthening the coordination of investigations and to increase compatibility of the existing judicial systems in the Member States to the EU with a view to providing adequate follow-up to investigations of law enforcement authorities of the Member States
- To improve the contacts and exchange of information and best practice between legal, judicial and administrative authorities and the legal professions; lawyers and other professionals involved in the work of the judiciary and to foster training of the members of the judiciary, with a view to enhancing mutual trust
- To further improve mutual trust with a view to ensuring protection of rights of victims and of the accused

### Activities

In 2011, there will be a budget of €8m to support national and transnational projects to address the following priorities:-

- Supporting victims of crime
- Procedural and defence rights
- Judicial training of European legal practitioners
- Legal interpretation and translation
- Interconnection of criminal record registers
- Networking and exchanging best practice among practitioners, including implementation of existing cooperation instruments, procedural rights, victims' rights, restorative justice, mediation and detention
- Improving detention conditions

Eligible activities include:- training; networking; studies and research; dissemination and exchange of best practice.

### Proposed Timetable

Call for proposals	First quarter 2011
Deadline for submission	Second quarter 2011
Selection Results	Third quarter 2011

### Further Information

A summary of the Programme can be obtained from our website:-

<http://www.heefs.ac.uk/programmedocs/Criminal%20Justice%20Programme.pdf>

A copy of the Work Programme can be obtained from:-

[http://ec.europa.eu/justice/funding/jpen/awp\\_jpen\\_2011\\_en.pdf](http://ec.europa.eu/justice/funding/jpen/awp_jpen_2011_en.pdf)

## DAPHNE III Programme

### Objectives

The DAPHNE Programme aims to contribute to the protection of children, young people and women against all forms of violence and to attain a high level of health protection, well being and social cohesion. It aims to contribute to the development of EU policy related to public health, human rights and gender equality and to support actions concerned with the protection of children's rights and the fight against human trafficking and sexual exploitation

### Activities

In 2011 there will be a budget of €12m to support transnational projects (involving 2 or more Member States). The priorities identified for 2011 are as follows:-

- Rights of victims of violence
- Violence linked to harmful practices
- Children as victims and perpetrators of violence
- Media violence, particularly violence linked to new technology and social networking tools

Eligible activities include:- education and training programmes; identification and sharing of best practices. All projects are expected to have a focus on field work at grass roots level.

### Proposed Timetable

Call for proposals	First quarter 2011
Deadline for submission	Second quarter 2011
Selection Results	Third quarter 2011

### Further Information

A summary of the Programme can be obtained from our website:-

<http://www.heefs.ac.uk/programmedocs/DAPHNE%20III%20Bulletin%2011.pdf>

A copy of the Work Programme can be obtained from:-

[http://ec.europa.eu/justice/funding/daphne3/awp\\_daphne3\\_2011\\_en.pdf](http://ec.europa.eu/justice/funding/daphne3/awp_daphne3_2011_en.pdf)

### Calls for Proposals

Please consult HEEFS Bulletins for information about the announcement of specific calls for proposals under these Programmes.

## Higher Education European Funding Services (HEEFS)

### Who we are

- A Non-profit making Registered Charitable Company, Limited by Guarantee
- Wholly owned and managed by the HE Sector. HEEFS is owned by Universities UK and GuildHE and has strong links with the HE Europe and International Units
- Hosted by Liverpool John Moores University
- Established in 1991 as the Higher Education European Social Fund Unit (HEESF) to manage the HE Sector's participation in national European Social Fund (ESF) Programmes
- As HEESF, the Company enabled 133 HEIs to mount 1750 projects with £207m support from the ESF
- Re-launched in 2009 as HEEFS, with a broader remit, to support UK HEIs to progress their internationalisation strategies through participation in a wide range of EU Programmes

### What we do

#### **Represent and act as a central resource for UK HEI participation in EU Programmes by:**

- acting as an observatory, monitoring and reporting on UK HEI participation
- representing UK HEIs at EU and national level, responding to consultations and informing policy

#### **Identify and promote EU funding opportunities and developments to HEIs by:**

- analysing EU Programmes, identifying opportunities and interpreting them in an HE context
- providing an e-bulletin summarising funding opportunities
- visiting HEIs to promote and explain opportunities
- organising events for HEIs to come together to consider opportunities in specific fields of interest

#### **HEEFS collaborates with HEIs to develop, deliver and manage effective EU funded projects by:**

- working with HEIs to map opportunities against Institutional objectives
- helping HEIs to fully prepare for an application round, interpreting call documentation and drawing up a work plan to meet deadlines
- providing professional and technical support throughout the application stage, tailored to the needs of individual HEIs
- working with successful HEIs, ensuring an effective management plan is in place, carrying out project evaluation and completing reports and claims
- providing its expertise to support HEIs delivering transnational collaborative partnerships

For further information about HEEFS, our role and services and the EU Programmes we support please visit our website. Our services range from assisting individual academics to develop proposals and submit applications, to supporting the development of Institutional strategies. We do not operate as a consultancy and have a range of options for recovering our costs, to suit the Institution concerned and the specific EU Programme regulations.

**Please feel free to contact us for an informal discussion about how we might be able to assist your Institution.**