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Pre-Announcement of 2nd FACCE SURPLUS Call for proposals

FACCE-JPI and FACCE SURPLUS pre-announce the upcoming call for joint research projects. The indicative total available budget amounts to $7M \in$. The call is expected to open on 05.01.2017 with a closing date for pre-proposals on 07.03.2017.

The Joint Programming Initiative on Agriculture, Food Security and Climate Change (FACCE-JPI) brings together 22 countries that are committed to building an integrated European Research Area addressing the interconnected challenges of sustainable agriculture, food security and impacts of climate change.

In the frame of the ERA-NET Cofund FACCE SURPLUS (Sustainable and Resilient agriculture for food and non-food systems), the partner organisations listed in the table hereunder will launch a call for proposals.

Aim and scope of the call

The present call for proposals aims to improve collaboration and cooperation across the European Research Area in the area of sustainable intensification of **food and non-food biomass production and decentralised transformation systems**, in particular small scale multi-input, multi-product biorefinery concepts. It aims as well at supporting local innovation and value creation from biomass and biorefineries in synergy with the environmentally sustainable intensification of biomass production taking into account the required economic, environmental and social conditions and resilience to climate change. Strong synergies between agricultural production and the food and processing/chemical industry are required for any biorefinery concept, therefore the inclusion of both production and transformation sectors is essential.

Eligibility

The call invites proposals for collaborative research and development of transnational consortia of research organisations and companies from at least 2 countries participating in the call. The duration of proposed projects may be up to 36 months. National eligibility rules, including the potential eligibility of the private sector, e.g. SMEs, must be followed and will be published together with the call text on www.faccesurplus.org.

Non-eligible partners may join at their own expense.

Application procedures & Evaluation criteria

The submission of the proposal occurs online at

<u>www.submission-faccejpi.com</u>. A partnering tool will be available. In a two-stage submission process, at first the planned work is presented as a pre-proposal which will be checked for eligibility. Successful consortia at pre-proposal stage will be invited to submit a full proposal which will be evaluated by independent experts.

Anticipated time schedule		
G(1	Call opening	05.01.2017
Step 1 (Pre-proposal)	Deadline for submission of pre-proposals	07.03.2017
Step 2	Outcome from step 1 & Opening of step 2	23.05.2017
(Full proposal)	Deadline for submission of full proposals	17.07.2017
Evaluation & funding	Funding recommendation & Start of national procedures	30.11.2017
	Expected start of research projects	01.02.2018 to 01.04.2018

<u>Provisional</u> list of organisations participating in the call

Vlaamse overheid	Flanders Innovation & Entrepreneurship (VLAIO)	
Vlaamse overheid	Research Foundation - Flanders (FWO)	
	Ministry of Rural Affairs (MEM)	
Ŧ	Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry (MMM)	
	Agence Nationale de la Recherche (ANR)	
	Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF)	
	The Research Council of Norway (RCN)	
	The National Centre for Research and Development (NCBR)	
	Executive Agency for Higher Education, Research, Development and Innovation Funding (UEFISCDI)	
*	Instituto Nacional de Investigación y Tecnología Agra- ria y Alimentaria (INIA)	
	Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO)	



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