



COSMOS

Your Gateway to Space in FP7

InfoDay FP7 open calls for proposals: SPACE, SECURITY, AERONAUTICS and GALILEO
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Initial Situation

National Contact Points (NCPs)

- offer advice on particular topics of FP7
- are an official instrument of the EC
- are established in and by the MS or FP7 AC (independent of EC)



Different services due to:

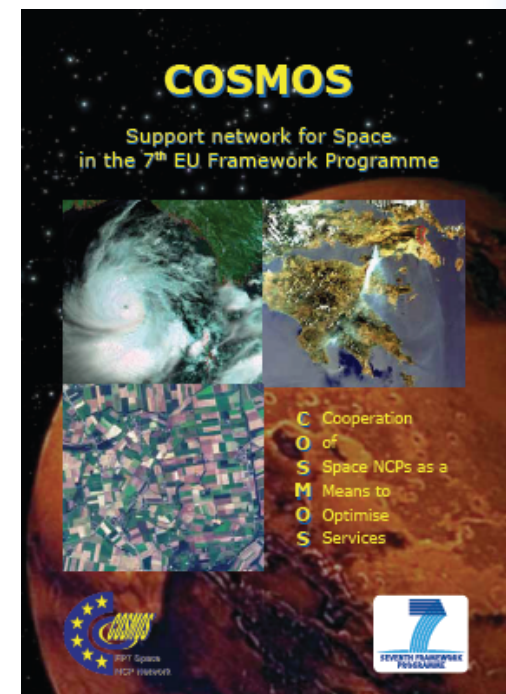
- different backgrounds (rather topic or FP7 related)
- different person months (depending on national importance)
- different cultures (national funding system, scientific landscape)

Facts about COSMOS

COSMOS is an EU funded project with the aim of **reinforcing the network of National Contact Points (NCPs) for Space in the 7th Framework Programme (FP7)** via co-operation. This will ensure better quality of the service provided and added value to the work of each Space NCP.



- 34 Space NCPs from 32 countries
- Consortium leader: DLR (DE)
- Start: 1st June 2008
- End: 31st May 2011 (3 years)
- www.fp7-space.eu



COSMOS Objectives

Networking of Space NCPs for:



- improved information flow (in and out)
- improved project partner search
- supporting smaller and new EU member states / FP7 associated countries
- a more balanced and overall improved NCP service

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What is an NCP?

NCPs (National Contact Points) provide advice and individual assistance in matters related to FP7. They are the official consulting instrument accredited by the European Commission.

Space NCPs provide support for the FP7 Space programme

As NCPs are nationally nominated in all EU Member States and FP7 Associated Countries, the type and level of services offered differs between countries.

In general, NCPs provide the following basic services:

- Guidance on choosing thematic priorities and instruments
- Advice on administrative procedures and contractual issues
- Training and assistance on proposal writing
- Distribution of documentation (forms, guidelines, etc.)
- Assistance in partner search
- Organisation of information days on recent open calls

NCPs are appointed for each area of FP7.



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Additional NCP services through COSMOS

COSMOS, as the network of Space NCPs, provides additional service. The **website** www.fp7-space.eu is the central accession point for:

- A joint newsletter provides the latest news on Space and FP7 including Space relevant calls and events
- A central **help desk on Space in FP7** offers support across Europe, regardless of the client's home country
- Support for consortia building through **partner search** events and common **information days** with details on open FP7 Space calls as well as publishing of relevant Cordis partner searches
- **Special features** provide information about other Space programmes, Space actors and about support measures for SMEs



COSMOS provides quality support service across Europe, regardless of the client's home country

COSMOS Activities

- Find out a good practice for Space NCP work (via questionnaire and workshops)
- Training measures for Space NCPs
- Optimise internal communication (intranet, meetings)
- Sustainable networking of COSMOS partners to Space key players (ensuring information flow)
- Creating a scheme of Space key players and programmes
- Survey among clients (+ special needs of SMEs)
- Creating a website, a brochure and a newsletter service
- Creating a concept for and organising matchmaking events – examples: Praga 2009, Padua 2010
- Improving partners' search – using Cordis Data Base



COSMOS Activities

- WP 0 Management
- WP 1 Good Practice
 - NCP Survey, Handbook, Training Measures
- WP 2 Crosslinking
 - Identification of relevant Space Key Players and Programmes
 - Using contacts for information flow
- WP 3 Client Needs
 - Survey among clients with special focus on SMEs
 - Contact data management
- WP 4 Dissemination
 - Website, Newsletter, Brochure, Representation
 - Final event presenting Space Key Players
- WP 5 Partner search and Awareness Raising
 - Matchmaking events
 - Developing Awareness Raising Concepts for FP7 Space themes





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ROSA Core Projects

Who we are

Coordinating Partners:

	German Aerospace Center (DLR)	Germany
	Austrian Research Promotion Agency (FFG)	Austria
	Service d'information scientifique et technique / Dienst voor Wetenschappelijke en Technische Informatie (STIS BELSPO)	Belgium
	Bulgarian Academy of Sciences - Solar -Terrestrial Influences Laboratory (STIL-BAS) Remote Sensing Application Center (RaSAC)	Bulgaria
	Croatian Institute of Technology (KIT)	Croatia
	The Research Promotion Foundation (RPF)	Cyprus
	The Technology Centre of the Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic (TC AV CR)	Czech Republic
	Archimedes Foundation Research Cooperation Centre (Archimedes)	Estonia
	Centre National d'Etudes Spatiales (CNES)	France
	Finish Funding Agency for Innovation and Technology (Tekes)	Finland
	Foundation for Research & Technology - Hellas (FOORTH)	Greece
	The Icelandic Centre for Research (RANNIS)	Iceland
	Enterprise Ireland (EI)	Ireland
	Israel Europe R&D Directorate for FP7 (ISERD)	Israel
	Agency for the Promotion of European Research (APRE)	Italy
	Riga Technical University (RTU-IMS) - Institute of Materials and Structures	Latvia

	Agency for Science, Innovation and Technology (ARIT)	Lithuania
	National Agency for Innovation and Research (LuxInnovation)	Luxembourg
	Malta Council for Science and Technology (MCST)	Malta
	NL Agency	The Netherlands
	Instytut Podstawowych Problemow Techniki Polskiej Akademii Nauk (IPPT PAN)	Poland
	Agência de Inovação, Inovação Empresarial e Transferência de Tecnologia, S.A. (AdI)	Portugal
	Romanian Space Agency (ROSA)	Romania
	Slovak Research and Development Agency (APVV)	Slovakia
	Jožef Stefan Institute (JIS)	Slovenia
	Centre for the Industrial and Technological Development (CDTI)	Spain
	Swedish Governmental Agency for Innovation Systems (VINNOVA) Swedish National Space Board (SRSB)	Sweden
	Euresearch (EURESEARCH)	Switzerland
	The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TÜBİTAK)	Turkey
	GR Aero Ltd (GR Aero)	United Kingdom

Thank you for your attention!

