Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) in the Seventh Framework Programme

Large-scale integrating projects (IPs) in FET Proactive

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What is an Integrated project?

IPs are designed to generate the knowledge required to respond to the Challenges of ICT in FP7

- by integrating the critical mass of activities and resources needed to achieve ambitious, clearly defined scientific and technological objectives of a European dimension

Each IP should

- integrate the types of activities needed to obtain the goals
- integrate the critical mass of resources needed to obtain the goals
- integrate elements of the development chain to attain high-impact goals
- support industry-academia collaboration including SMEs
What does an Integrated project do?

Activities in an Integrated project must cover a broad range e.g.

- research and technology development activities
- demonstration activities
- technology transfer or take-up activities
- training activities
- dissemination activities
- knowledge management and exploitation
- consortium management activities
- cooperation with other programmes (e.g. Eureka)
- project management
1. Scientific and technical quality

- Clarity of targeted breakthrough and its relevance towards a long term vision
- Novelty and foundational character
- Specific contribution to progress in science and technology
- Quality and effectiveness of the S/T methodology

Weight 50% - Threshold 4/5
2. Implementation

- Quality of workplan and management
- Quality and relevant experience of the individual participants
- Quality of the consortium as a whole (including complementarity, balance)
- Appropriateness of the allocation and justification of the resources to be committed (person-months, equipment, budget)

Weight 20% - Threshold 3/5
3. Impact

• Transformational impact of the results on science, technology and/or society
• Impact towards the targeted objective in the workprogramme
• Appropriateness of measures for the dissemination and/or use of project results

Weight 30% - Threshold 4/5
Purpose: Ambitious objective driven research with a real ‘programme’ approach

Target audience: research institutions, universities, industry (incl. SMEs) – and in some cases potential end-users

Funding: An IP in FET Proactive typically has 7-10 partners and Commission funding between 4-6M€

Possibility for competitive calls for enlargement of consortium later
Goals are ambitious. The proposers include key partners bringing in the necessary multidisciplinary expertises. A full range of activities is envisaged. Broad impact is foreseen. Effective project management plans are in place.

Scale of ambition is limited, reflected in limited activities, duration and size of consortium more typical of a STREP.