



## 2010 CALL

Launching: 30<sup>th</sup> April 2010

Deadline for pre-proposals submission: 25<sup>th</sup> June 2010

Deadline for full proposals submission: 15<sup>th</sup> October 2010

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### OBJECTIVES AND TOPICS

The strategic objective of the CROSSTEXNET Call 2010 is to enhance the competitiveness of the European textile industry by supporting the funding of projects in the textile domain, performed by enterprises and their strategic partnerships.

The funding objectives of the call are **trans-national, application oriented, R&D projects** related to **high added value textile materials**.

This CROSSTEXNET call for project proposals has a **wide scope**, including all topics on high added value textiles and other fiber-based advanced materials, structured in the following main areas:

1. New textile materials, including new functional products (bio-fibers, composite materials, bio-based chemicals and innovative active compounds for textile finishing, etc.)
2. New technologies for the production of high added value and multifunctional textiles (nanotechnology, biotechnology, nano-biotechnology, surface treatment technologies, electronics integrated in the textile structures, etc.)
3. Textile processing, production technologies and new textile machinery (spinning, weaving, dyeing and finishing, laminating, coating, etc.)

In addition to the above, **the respective regional/national thematic focus must be taken into account**.

### PARTICIPATING REGIONS AND COUNTRIES

CROSSTEXNET is funding transnational R&D projects by coordinated calls promoted by national and regional governments and agencies.

The first CROSSTEXNET call is open for entities belonging to the following countries and regions:

Countries:

1. France
2. Romania
3. Turkey

Regions (alphabetic order by country):

4. Flanders (Belgium)
5. Alsace (France)
6. Nord Pas De Calais (France)
7. Piedmont (Italy)
8. Tuscany (Italy)
9. East Netherlands (Netherlands)
10. Valencia (Spain):
11. Västra Götaland (Sweden)

## **ELIGIBLE PROJECTS**

All CROSSTEXNET projects submitted under this call should be designed on the following principles:

- **Project consortia consisting of at least 2 independent SMEs from 2 different participating countries or 2 regions in different countries (see list of regions and countries above).**
- Large companies, academic research groups, institutes, universities or other public organisations may also participate according to their regional/national financing regulations, as long as there are 2 independent SMEs from 2 different participating countries.
- The consortium must demonstrate a sufficient research capacity as well as industrial relevance in order to achieve the project objectives.
- The composition of the consortium should be efficient in size in order to accomplish the objectives proposed.

## **APPLICATION PROCEDURE**

The CROSSTEXNET application procedure will be in 2 steps.

In the first step (mandatory for all applicants), the coordinator of the project has to submit electronically a pre-proposal in English language on the CROSSTEXNET web site.

After deadline and evaluation of the pre-proposals, CROSSTEXNET gives advice to the project coordinator and approve or does not approve the submission of the full proposal.

In the second step (available only for projects selected in the first step and explicitly invited to proceed to the second step), the coordinator of the project has to submit electronically the full proposal in English language on the CROSSTEXNET web site. At the same time, each partner in the project must fulfill the specific local application rules/requirements of each regional or national funding programme.

The official templates to be used for the submission of proposals, as well as the “CROSSTEXNET Guide for Proposers” are available on the CROSSTEXNET website.

## EVALUATION PROCEDURE

After the deadline for submission of proposals (both pre- and full proposals), the CROSSTEXNET Team will assess the proposals to ensure that they meet the call's formal criteria (“eligibility check”).

Eligible proposals will be forwarded to the relevant national or regional funding agencies that will evaluate every proposal according to the common CROSSTEXNET evaluation criteria and to the specific criteria relevant to regional/ national funding programme.

After the evaluation, the CROSSTEXNET team prepares an agreed list of projects recommended for funding, according to the results of evaluations carried out at regional/national level by the funding bodies.

Projects in the CROSSTEXNET agreed list mentioned above will be funded by the respective national or regional funding organisation. Each country or region will fund its own project participants.

## FURTHER INFORMATION

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