Practical Guide to EU funding for research, development and innovation

The "Practical Guide to EU funding for research, development and innovation" has been developed by the services of the European Commission and was presented by Commissioner Potočnik in March 2008. This draft version is now available for comments and suggestions (deadline: end of April 2008).

EU support for RTDI is provided mainly through the Seventh Research Framework Programme, the Competitiveness and Innovation Programme and the Structural Funds.

When operating individually, these three funding sources already act as effective tools in support of RTDI. However, their value can be further enhanced by combining them. How can this be done?
The answer to this question is provided by the "Practical Guide to EU funding for research, development and innovation" that has been developed by the services of the European Commission. In addition to practical information on combining the different funding sources, the guide includes a description of each fund, advice for policy makers and an innovative Checklist and Scorecard. These allow potential beneficiaries to quickly identify exactly how they can access European funding at every stage of the development and implementation of a project.

The English text of the Practical Guide was presented in draft form by Commissioner Potočnik in conjunction with the recent conference on Research Infrastructures organised by the Commission and the Slovenian Presidency (Brdo, Slovenia, 5-6 March 2008). At the conference, the Commissioner announced that potential users of the Practical Guide would have until the end of April to provide comments and suggestions as to how the text could be made even more practical and user-friendly, after which it will be finalised and translated.

Comments and suggestions should be sent by **end April 2008** to the e-mail address: **RTD-PRACTICAL-GUIDE@EC.EUROPA.EU**

Attachments

- Practical Guide (652.92K)
- Checklist (749.84K)
- Scorecard (83.79K)