



The 4th call in the FP6 Sub-priority 1.1.6.3 Global Change and Ecosystems is open now with the closing date of 3 November 2005

Initiative for facilitating integration of research potential from the New Member States (NMS) and Associated Candidate Countries and the Old Member States in the Area of Water Cycle including Soil-related Issues of the FP6 sub-priority 1.6.3 and a relevant priority of FP7

### Project Consortium

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## Integration4Water invites you to cooperate

### To whom do we address our invitation?

To all research teams and organizations from **the New Member States (NMS) and Associated Candidate Countries (ACC)** who perform research in the area of water and soil related issues and are interested in:

- participating in the project consortia in this area under the European Community 6. Framework Programme for Research and Technological Development (FP6),
- and contributing to the development and implementation of the 7. Framework Programme for Research and Technological Development (FP7) in the area of water research.

The targeted group of NMS/ACC countries comprises the present New Member States: Poland, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Hungary, Slovenia, Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia, Cyprus, Malta, and Associate Candidate Countries: Turkey, Romania and Bulgaria.

### What is Integration 4 Water?

Integration4Water is a specific support action carried out under the FP6.

**Our goal is to stimulate participation of research teams from the New Member States and Accession Candidate Countries in the projects of the present and future RTD Framework Programmes of the European Commission through active contribution to the implementation of the ongoing FP6 workprogramme as well as to the development and implementation of the upcoming FP7 specific programme in the research area of "Water cycle including soil-related aspects"**

Previous calls in Sub-Priority Global Change and Ecosystems showed that the representation of NMS/ACC research teams in project consortia has not been sufficient because:

- the new and candidate EU countries require a better promotion and information dissemination on their research capacities among the EU15 scientific community
- research leaders and organizations from the Old Member States interested in co-operating with project partners from NMS/ACC countries have problems to identify the right partners with the specific expertise

Integration4Water has been designed to meet these challenges in a short time frame: with respect to the mentioned FP6 4th call and in a long-time perspective i.e. throughout FP7.

You can read more about the project on our web page <http://www.integration4water.org>

### Are you interested in...

- **getting support to join project consortia in the 4<sup>th</sup> call of the Sub-priority 1.1.6.3 Global Change and Ecosystems in Area II: Water cycle including soil related aspects ?**
- **promotion of your research potential on European level?**
- **opportunity to present and disseminate information on the water-research related activities carried out by your organization on the European level?**
- **training in building integrated approaches to FP research topics focused on water research?**
- **early- stage involvement in FP7 development and formulation of project consortia?**
- **collaborating with European researchers interested in doing research in water area?**

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## Integration4Water invites you to benefit from:

- **database of NMS/ACC organisations and research teams** including SMEs active in water research, structured for the FP project proposal development needs, especially to the Area II *Water cycle and soil related issues* of the 4<sup>th</sup> call in Sub-priority Global Change and Ecosystems and combined with a dedicated partner search engine accessible through the service web page;
- **multifunctional, internet-based information service** aimed as a “one- stop- shop” for dissemination and exchange of information on water related research conducted by research organisations and teams from the New Member States, Accession Candidate Countries and the Old Member States
- **Workshops event for NMS/ACC researchers** aimed at training the NMS/ACC researchers in building integrated approaches to the research topics and joint identification and formulation of the potential FP7 water research themes based on the contributions proposed by the database users. Potential participants of this event are the database users who will provide and describe the potential FP7 topics. There are two key outcomes from the workshops planned:
  - **Topical Expert Groups** – international research teams, potential FP7 consortia, and
  - **Report on the FP7 contributions** containing descriptions of specific topics proposed for inclusion in the FP7 specific programme together with instruments proposed for their realization.

The workshops will be free of charge. Participants will be provided with full board and accommodation. Grants to reimburse the travel costs will be provided.

## How to get involved?

Simply by filling in our on-line database form as quickly as possible. To do so, please visit our web page and register to the Integration4Water web service. Registration is free of charge. Upon registration, instructions on how to fill the database will be available.

## Where can you get more information

For more information visit our web page <http://www.integration4water.org> or contact Project Coordinator.

## We look forward to your co-operation.

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