

Launching:
April 1st, 2015

Deadline:
October 2nd, 2015, 17:00 (CET)

Budget

11 national/regional funding organisations in 10 countries are providing national/regional (n/r) research funds totalling about 10 Million € for coordinated funding of RTI projects.

Participating countries/regions

Austria, Basque Country, Belarus, Catalonia, Flanders, The Netherlands, Nord Pas de Calais, Norway, Poland, Sweden, and Turkey.

ENT-Platform available for Applicants

The web-based ENT-platform will increase and ease up cooperation by providing comprehensive and accurate information on calls and funding schemes. In addition it gives researchers and industrial partners the opportunity to gain in-depth information about the constituting national/regional program architectures of cooperation actions like the Flagship Calls and provides a toolkit to compare and analyse them as a whole.

You can find the platform on <http://www.ent-platform.eu>

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Era-net Transport?

Era-net Transport (ENT) has evolved since 2004 into a service platform for Programme Owners and Managers, providing the required framework for initiating and implementing transnational research and innovation funding collaborations. Nowadays, the ENT network consist of 24 partners from 19 countries and regions, represented by Europe's most relevant national transport research and innovation programmes.

Background

The European landscape in the area of logistics and supply chain innovation is fragmented. R&D programming in logistics is now spread across programmes of different themes (e.g. in Transport, Information and Communication Technologies, Food (KBBE) or Security themes). Out of these programmes more than 60 R&D projects addressing relevant aspects of logistics and supply chain innovation have been funded between 2008 and 2011. Although quite a number of projects are carried out both at national and European levels, they are focusing too often on isolated aspects. As a result of this fragmentation, there has been a lack of paramount vision on the work done and important overarching logistics topics are not treated at all.

Based on the learnings of previous ENT stages Era-net Transport is geared to establish large-scale cooperation actions (flagship initiatives) in order to bring research cooperation to the next level. Joint transnational collaborations in the frame of this Flagship Call are intended to connect research related to the formation of a freight network of Pan-European dimensions that will answer the needs of shippers, logistics service providers and carriers, in the light of the objectives of an internationally competitive and an environmental-ly sustainable transport sector.

Eligible Call Domains

- Cross-border freight transport corridors
- Hub development
- Urban / last mile logistics
- Organisational innovations and new business models in logistics
- Information infrastructure and services for logistics



Eligibility & Application process

Who can apply?

The call will be open for transnational consortia composed of at least three independent eligible applicants from at least three different call participating countries/regions (see list of regions/countries). The added value resulting from transnational cooperation must be addressed in the proposal.

Project consortia may consist of partners from universities, research organisations, institutes, stakeholder associations, city councils, SMEs and industry. Consortia have to include stakeholders or implementation partners and may consist of partners active across several positions within the research and development system (i.e. innovation, applied research, strategic research,) and across disciplines.

What kinds of projects are expected?

The project duration should be appropriate to the subject of the research, but not more than 24 months in total. No single country/region may represent more than 70% of the total eligible costs in the project. Eligible type of research and funding rates can vary depending on the respective funding organisation and will be determined by the rules of the participating national/regional funding programmes and agencies.

How to apply?

The application process is a single-step procedure. Proposals must be prepared and submitted electronically by using the Electronic Proposal Submission System (EPSS). The EPSS will be available via the "Sustainable Logistics and Supply Chains" call webpage <https://epss-SustainableLogisticsandSupplyChains.eu>.

Dates and deadlines

April 1st, 2015	Official Call Launch
May 13th, 2015	Information & Brokerage Event (Brussels)
October 2nd, 2015	Proposal Submission Deadline (17:00 CET)
February 2016	Project selection and funding agreement

Negotiation and contracting: Each national/regional funding organisation will negotiate their own contracts with the respective research project partners in compliance with its national / regional rules.

Consult your national/regional funding agency to obtain detailed programme information.

Visit www.transport-era.net to download relevant documents.

Find your partner

ENT has created a partnering site to facilitate the matchmaking of partners to set up a consortium. If you are looking for a partner for your ENT project or if you are looking for a project proposal to join, visit the ENT partnering web-page <https://www.b2match.eu/ENTflagship2015call> and fill in your project description and contact details. This option will help you build a consortium.



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