

First Call Horizontal Research Activities involving SMEs – Complete overview

Specific Programme I: Focussing and Integrating Community Research

Special Programme 2: Horizontal Research SMEs

Sub-priority: Cooperative Research Projects (CRAFT), **Call Identifier:** FP6-2002-SME-1

(http://fp6.cordis.lu/fp6/call_details.cfm?CALL_ID=20)

Call period: 17 December 2002 – 29 April 2003 (first stage) and 27 November 2003

And

Sub-priority: Collective Research Projects, **Call Identifier:** FP6-2002-SME-2

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Call period: 17 December 2002 – 6 March 2003 (first stage)

Budget first Call 2003:

Instrument	E (millions)
Specific research project for SME CRAFT 26 March	155
Specific research project for SME CRAFT 27 November	95
Specific research project for SME Collective	40
Total	290

Areas of the first Call for Proposals (17 December 2002) related to SMEs (CRAFT and Collective)

SME	Area	Topic category	Topic 2003 (first call)	Instruments
CRAFT	Any subject across the whole field of science and technology covered by Article 163 of the EC treaty	- Research and innovation-related activities - Consortium management	Any topic of this call	Specific research project for SME
Collective	Any subject across the whole field of science and technology covered by Article 163 of the EC treaty	- Research and innovation-related activities - Consortium management - Training activities	Any topic of this call	Specific research project for SME

Minimum number of participants

SME	Minimum number of participants	Restrictions to participation
CRAFT	5 independent legal entities from 3 different member states (MS) or Associated States (AS), with at least 2 MS or Associated Candidate Countries (ACC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- 3 participants must be independent SMEs established in at least 2 MS or AS, with at least 1 MS or ACC. Research centres, research institutes, contract research organisations and consultancy firms are excluded- 2 participants, known as RTD performers (having the capacity to carry our research at the request of the SMEs), independent from any other participant, must be established in 2 MS or AS, with at least 1 MS or ACC
Collective	5 independent legal entities from 3 different member states (MS) or Associated States (AS), with at least 2 MS or Associated Candidate Countries (ACC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- 1 participant must be a European Industrial Association/Grouping established in a MS or AS. It must be made up of a min. of 2 independent legal entities established in 2 MS or AS, with at least 1 MS or ACC. Instead of this European Industrial Association/Grouping, there may be 2 independent IA established in 2 MS or AS, with at least 1 MS or ACC.- 2 Participants, known as RTD performers, independent from the IA, must be established in 2 MS or AS with at least 1 MS or ACC.- 2 Participants must be SMEs established in 2 MS or AS, with at least 1 MS or ACC. Research centres, research institutes, contract research organisation and consultancy firms are excluded.

Estimated time table CRAFT:

- Single-stage evaluation, results within 3 months after closure date
- first contract signature: within 8 months after closure date

Estimated time table Collective research:

- Two-stage evaluation, results within 3 months after closure date
- First contract signature: within 12 (Work Programme) OR 2 (Call) months after closure date?