

What kind of projects are expected?

- funding will be available for projects in industrial research and pre-competitive research
- the project duration will be limited to a maximum of 2 years
- the maximum grant for the project will depend on the rules of the national programmes involved, but typically grants for projects will range from 200.000 to 500.000.

Deadline

The call is planned to be launched in February 2007 and will be open for 3 months.

Funding

Funding for project partners of transnational project consortia will be provided by their respective regional/national programmes and will be based on the evaluation by an international jury and the funding decision taken by all funding organisations.



Further information

Further information can be found at www.susprise.net.

It is highly recommended to consult with your national funding organisations.

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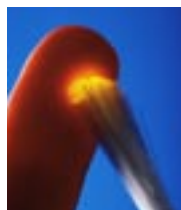
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SUSPRISE
TRANSNATIONAL CALL
PLANNED FOR 2007**



About SUSPRISE and the transnational call 2007

SUSPRISE seeks to expand cooperation and coordination among national sustainability research activities across Europe by promoting networking between government programmes in this sphere. The initiative will create new forms of collaboration between such programmes. SUSPRISE will make national programmes accessible for transnational consortia and offer transnational calls for proposals in the field of sustainable industrial technologies.

The first pilot call for transnational projects is planned to be launched in February 2007. It will be designed for industrial research and pre-competitive research projects in the field of water technologies and efficient use of raw materials.



Possible topics of the call

This first pilot call will potentially be dedicated to the thematic fields of water technologies and efficient use of raw materials in production processes.

Water technologies:

- Water fit for use (including water quality monitoring and control)
- Closing water-cycles
- Sludge concentrates and deposits
- Bio-fouling, scaling and corrosion

Efficient use of raw materials:

- technologies for the efficient use of raw materials
- new raw and auxiliary materials which reduce material and energy input
- optimization of value chain
- substitution of raw materials through renewable raw materials

Specifications and amendments to the topics are possible. The composition of transnational consortia will depend on the specific emphasis of the participating national/regional programmes.



Application procedure

Who can apply?

Project consortia consisting of at least two companies from at least two different participating countries/regions can apply for funding. Research organisations can only participate together with a company from the same country. SME's are especially encouraged to apply for a project. There is no limitation to the number of partners. Applicants from countries not participating in the call will have to find their own means of funding.