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# RTD INFO

News Roundup on EC Research and Technological Development Programmes

# Fourth Framework Programme: Up and running

A great year for RTD

or research and technological development (RTD) policy, 1994 ends on a very positive note. On 1 December, the Council approved the remaining ten specific programmes of the Fourth Framework Programme (1994-1998). This means that in seven months, all twenty specific programmes have been approved!

On 15 December, calls for proposals were published for the eight programmes adopted in July and September: Information Technologies, Telematics, Communications Technologies, Industrial and Materials Technologies, Standards, Measurements and Testing, Agriculture and Fisheries, and Non-nuclear Energy.

On the same day "Advance Notices" were published for the seven programmes approved on 1 December: Environment and Climate, Biotechnology, Biomedicine and Health, Nuclear Fission Safety, Transport, Targeted socio-economic research, Cooperation with Third countries and International Organisations, Dissemination and Optimization of research results, and Training and Mobility of researchers. The formal calls for these programmes are expected to be

published on 17 January 1995; the calls for Targeted Socio-economic Research and Cooperation with Third Countries and International Organisations are expected to be published on 1 and 15 February respectively.

(For more details on all these calls, see the following pages.)

# FROM COOPERATION TO COORDINATION

In order to encourage - beyond the frontiers of the European Union - the development of a real European RTD policy, the Commission has recently published a document entitled "Research and technological development: achieving coordination through cooperation". Following on from the White Paper "Growth, Competitiveness Employment", the conclusions of the European Summit at Corfu, and the discussions at the informal Council of Research Ministers at Schwerin in July, this latest document highlights a certain number of steps which will help improve the coordination of research activities and research policies in Europe.

European scientific cooperation activities, covering all organisations, today still only account for 13% of the total research budgets of the the Member States. To help RTD to have the impact on society and on the economy which we hope and expect, it is vital to improve the coherence of research activities and to emphasize the convergence of research strategies carried out at all levels in Europe. To do this, the Commission is proposing measures in three areas: defining policies, carrying out of activities, and international scientific cooperation.

# Important note to readers

*RTD Info*, published every two months, is the only DG XII publication which gives the latest information on the whole range of European Union RTD.

This is the last issue of *RTD Info* which will be inserted as a supplement into certain scientific magazines. If you wish to continue to receive *RTD Info* (free of charge), you can subscribe simply by sending your full name and address, and indicating which language version you want (English, French or German), to this address:

DG XII, Information and Communications Unit, Fax + 32 2 2958220.

### PROPOSALS CALLS FOR PROPOSALS

## ACTS

# **Advanced Communications** Technologies and Services

Call for proposals for the **Advanced Communications** Technologies and Services programme (ACTS) (OJ C 357 of 15.12.94). An advance notice was published on 15 September (OJ C258 of 15.9.94) - see "Calls Updates".

Areas covered by the call:

- · Interactive digital multimedia services
- Photonic technologies
- High-speed networking
- Mobility and personal communications networks
- Intelligence in networks and service engineering
- Quality, security and safety of communication services and systems
- · Horizontal actions.

Deadline: 15 March 1995.

For further information, contact: ACTS Central Office, Fax + 32 2 2950654 E-mail via Internet: ACO@postman.dg13.cec.be

# INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES

Call for proposals for the Information Technologies programme (OJ C 357 of 15.12.94). Domains covered by the call (closing dates for each area are in parentheses):

- Software technologies (15.3.95)
- Technologies for components and subsystems (15.3.95)
- Multimedia systems (15.3.95)
- Long-term research (15.2.95)\*
- Open Microprocessor System Initiative (OMI) (15.3.95)
- High-performance computing and networking (HPCN) (15.2.95)\*
- Technologies for business processes (15.3.95)
- Integration in manufacturing (15.3.95)
- \* For these two areas, proposals must be received by 15.2.95

before being invited to submit a full proposal two months later.

To help proposers find appropriate partners, CORDIS has extended its existing partner search service and established a new expressions of interest service for the Information Technologies (IT) programme. This will allow proposers to submit their entries electronically via the CORDIS World-Wide Web server and search for suitable partners in the expressions of interest database on ECHO.

For more information and a copy of the IT workprogramme, contact:

IT Information Desk Fax + 32 2 2968388 E-mail infodesk @dg13.cec.be

World-Wide web: http://www.ecrc.de/ and

http://www.cordis.lu/

# DISSEMINATION AND OPTIMIZATION OF RESULTS (VALUE)

Advance notice of the call for proposals for the implementation of a Network of Relay Centres (OJ No C 357 of 15.12.94). The call is to be published on 17 January 1995.

The work covers the promotion of innovation in local industry and Community RTD programmes and their results.

Deadline: 15 March 1995.

For further information, contact: Network of Relay Centres Fax + 352430134009

# **TELEMATICS**

Call for proposals (OJC 357 of 15. 12. 94) for the Telematics Application programme.

Outline work programme:

Area A: Telematics for services

Area B: Telematics for knowledge

Area C: Telematics for improving employment and quality of life

Area D: Horizontal RTD activities

Area E: Support actions Deadlines:

Outline proposals (optional): 15 January 1995. Formal proposals: 15 March 1995.

# INDUSTRIAL AND MATERIALS TECHNOLOGIES (BRITE-EURAM III)



First call for proposals (OJ C 357 of 15.12.94) for the specific programme for research and technological development, including demonstration, in the field of industrial and materials technologies (Brite-Euram III) (1994-1998) (Areas 1, 2 & 3).

Outline work programme:

- Area 1: Production Technologies
- Area 2: Materials and Technologies for **Product Innovation**
- Area 3: Technologies for Transport Means
- Area 3A: Aeronautics Technologies
- Area 3B: Technologies for surface transport means

Deadlines:

for industrial and basic research projects Areas I, II and III: 15.3.1995

for thematic networks: continuously open until 17.12.1997

for cooperative research (CRAFT): continuously open until the final dates specified hereafter:

- proposals for an exploratory award with a view to submit at stage 2 an industrial research project:12.6.1996
- proposals for an exploratory award with a view to submit at stage 2 a cooperative research project: 11.6.1997
- proposals for a cooperative research project (stage 2): 17.12.1997

For more information: RTD projects and Thematic Networks proposals CEC, DG XII - C Telex: COMEU B 2187 Fax + 32 2 2958046

CRAFT proposals (Exploratory awards and cooperative research projects) CEC. DG XII - C Telex: COMEU B 21877

Fax + 32 2 2994635

# STANDARDS MEASUREMENTS AND TESTING (SMT)



First call for proposals (OJ C 357 of 15.12.94) for the specific research and technological development programme in the field of standards, measurements and testing (SMT) (1994-1998).

The first call for proposals covers four types of shared cost RTD proposals, each of which is governed by separate eligibility/ selection criteria and closing date for receipt of proposals:

Outline work programme:

Theme I: Measurements for Quality European Products

Theme II: Research related to written standards and technical support to trade

Theme III: Measurements related to the needs of society

### Deadlines:

for industrial and basic research projects only in Theme I: 19.4.1995

for thematic networks in Themes I, II and III: continuously open until 17.12.1997

for cooperative research (CRAFT) only in Theme I: continuously open until the final dates specified hereafter:

- proposals for an exploratory award with a view to submit at stage 2 an industrial research project: 12.6.1996
- proposals for an exploratory award with a view to submit at stage 2 a cooperative research project: 11.6.1997
- proposals for a coopperative research project (stage 2): 17.12.1997

RTD proposals addressing objectives of Themes II and III will be covered by a separate call to be published at a later date.

RTD in support of Community Policy: 15.3.1995

For more information: RTD projects and Thematic Networks proposals SMT programme

Telex: COMEU B 21877 Fax + 32 2 2958072

Technology Stimulation: Exploratory awards and cooperative research projects SMT programme

Telex: COMEU B 21877 Fax + 32 2 2994635

# INDUSTRIAL AND MATERIALS TECHNOLOGIES (BRITE-EURAM III) & STANDARDS, MEASUREMENTS AND TESTING

Expression of interest phase

To help identify potential partners as early as possible and to put together the best partnership for an RTD project, an "Expression of Interest" phase has been set up. The submission of an Expression of Interest is not a prerequisite for submitting a proposal but it is a service provided and recommended for those consortia needing to complete their partnership. The best and fastest way to submit an Expression of Interest to Brite-Euram III and Standards Measurement and Testing will be use the telematic system ARCADE.

# Contacts:

- ARCADE: Fax + 32 2 2960626
- Helplines: Brite-Euram : Fax + 32 2 2958046 SMT: Fax + 32 2 2958072

# MAST-III Marine Science and Technology Programme



First call for proposals (OJ C 357 of 15.12.94) for the specific programme for research and technological development, including demonstration, in the field of marine science and technology (1994-1998) (MAST-III) (Areas A, B, C).

Outline work programme for the call:

Research Area A:

• Marine Science

Research Area B:

• Strategic Marine Research

Research Area C:

· Marine Technology

Other: Dissemination and exploitation of results of MAST-I and MAST-II projects, including demonstration projects.

Deadline for proposals (one original and 5 copies): 15 March 1995, 12.00 hrs for the sub-areas A.1, A.2, B.1.1, B.1.2.

B.1.3, B.2, C.1, C.2 15 June 1995, 12h00 hrs for the sub-areas A.3 and B.1.2 as well as for dissemination and exploi-

tation of results. Proposals received by fax will not be admissible.

For further information: RTD projects and concerted actions:

"MAST - RTD Proposals"
Telex: COMEU B 21877
Fax: 32 2 296 30 24
For exploratory awards and
cooperative research projects:
"MAST-III - CR"

Telex: COMEU B 21877 Fax + 32 2 2963024

# (MAST-III): AREA D.1

Call for Proposals to organise advanced study courses Deadline for proposals by qualified institutions for courses in 1996: 12.00 hrs, 3 April 1995.

Call for applications for individual fellowships

There will be 2 selection rounds per year (Spring and Autumn). Deadline for applications from qualified researchers: 12.00 hrs, 13 February 1995 (Spring round) and 12.00 hrs, 17 July 1995 (Autumn round).

For more information on courses and fellowships.

Contact: MAST Programme Fax + 32 2 2963024

# AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES

First call for proposals (OJ C 357 of 15.12.94) for the specific programme for research and technological development, including demonstration, in the field of Agriculture and Fisheries (including agro-industry, food technologies, forestry, aquaculture and rural development) (1994 1998) Areas 1, 3.1, 3.2, 4, 5, 6, ELSA and Demonstration for Areas 4 and 5).

Outline work programme:

- Area 1: Integrated production and processing chains
- Area 3: Generic science and advanced technologies for nutritious foods
- Area 4: Agriculture, forestry and rural development
- Area 5: Fisheries and aquaculture
- Area 6: Objectives addressed by concertation

Demonstration (Areas 4 & 5)

Ethical, legal and social aspects - ELSA

Specific measures in support of SMEs (exploratory awards and cooperative research)

Research training and mobility grants

The first call has a closing date of 15 March 1995. All areas and modalities of the programme are open except Area 2, Area 3.3 and 3.4 with Demonstration activities only applying to Areas 4 and 5.

For further details: L. Breslin Fax + 32 2 2964322

# NON NUCLEAR ENERGY (JOULE-THERMIE)

Call for proposals (OJ C 357 of 15.12.94) for the specific programme for research and technological development and demonstration in the field of Non-Nuclear Energy (JOULE-THERMIE) with a deadline of 24 March 1995, for submission of shared cost R&D (DG XII) and Demonstration project proposals (DG XVII).

Shared-cost actions, including energy technology dissemination, concerted action and concertation networks, and preparatory accompanying and supporting activities, will be subject of a continuously open call for proposals from the date of the call up to 17 December 1997. Technology stimulation actions in respect of SMEs, relevant to the research and demonstration themes of the Non-Nuclear Energy (JOULE-THERMIE) programme, will also be supported under a continuously open call subject to different closing dates depending on the type of action. Full details are in the Information Package which is available on request.

Contacts: DG XII I. Tenten, Fax + 32 2 2950656 DG XVII R. Folkertsma, Fax + 32 2 2950577

# NUCLEAR FISSION SAFETY

Advance notice (OJ C 357 of 15. 12. 94) for a call for proposals for the specific programme "Nuclear Fission Safety" of the European Atomic Energy Community Framework Programme 1994-1998, (to be published 17 January 1995). First deadline for submissions is 20 March 1995.

# Work areas:

- Exploring Innovative Approaches
- · Reactor Safety
- Radioactive Waste Management and Disposal and Decommissioning

Contact: W. Balz Fax + 32 2 2954991 and

- Radiological Impact on Man and the Environment
- Mastering Events of the Past.

Contact: J. Sinnaeve Fax + 32 2 2966256

# TRAINING AND MOBILITY OF RESEARCHERS (TMR)

Advance notice (OJ C 357 of 15.12.94) for a call for proposals (to be published 17 January 1995) for the specific programme for research and technological development, including demonstration, in the field of the training and mobility of researchers (1994-1998).

### Activity 1: Research networks

To encourage research teams from a number of countries to work together on high quality joint research projects and to promote the training and mobility of researchers, particularly young post-doctoral researchers. Deadline for project proposals for research networks: 15 June 1995, 12.00 hrs.

## Activity 2: Access to largescale facilities

To provide researchers with access to large-scale facilities in Europe that are important for high quality research.

Deadline for project proposals for access to large-scale facilities: 18 April 1995, 12.00 hrs.

Activity 3: Training through research

Training of European researchers, mainly at the post-doctoral level, through research and through the stimulation of mobility.

Three types of grant: A/ grants for training; B/ return grants; C/ grants to established researchers.

Deadline for project proposals for training through research: 15 May 1995, 12.00 hrs.

## Activity 4: Accompanying measures (euroconferences, summer schools and practical training courses)

Deadline for project proposals for accompanying measures: 18 April 1995, 12.00 hrs.

Detailed information about procedures for the submission of proposals (Information package) and the contract that will be established with successful proposers will be available on request from the Commission's services after 17 January 1995. For an Information Package, contact:

TMR Information Package Fax + 32 2 2962136 / 2962133 / 2956995 / 2963270

### **TSER**

# Targeted Socio-Economic Research

In preparation for a Call for Proposals, the Commission is launching a call for expression of interest of potential applicants for the RTD Programme in the area of Targeted Socio-Economic Research (TSER) (1994-1998).

Work is in the following areas:

- Area I Evaluation of Science and Technology Policy options
- Area II Research on Education and Training
- Area III Research into social exclusion and social integration in Europe

For more details of the contents of each Area, contact:

TSER Central Office Fax + 32 2 296 21 37 E-mail: d.corpakis@mhsg.cec.be

# ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE



Advance notice (OJ C 357 of 15.12.94) for a call for proposals (to be published 17 January 1995) for the specific programme in the field of environment and climate (Themes 1, 2 and 4 (Theme 3 only for concerted actions in topics 3.1.1.

Outline work programme:

- Theme 1: Research into the natural environment, environmental quality and global change 226 MECU
- Theme 2: Environmental technologies 120 MECU
- Theme 3: Space techniques applied to environmental monitoring and research 99 MECU
- Theme 4: Human dimensions of environmental change 36 MECU.

Deadline for receipt of proposals: 27 April 1995.
Technology stimulation in favour of SMEs: continuously open call from 17 January 1995 to 27 March 1997.

For further details, a copy of the work programme or an Information Package, contact: Fax + 32 2 2963024 + 32 2 2960588

# CALLS FOR PROPOSALS CALLS FOR PROPOSALS

# BIOMEDICINE AND HEALTH

Advance notice (OJ C 357 of 15.12.94) for a first call for proposals (to be published 17 January 1995) for the specific programme of RTD, including demonstration, in the field of Biomedicine and Health (1994-1998).

Outline work programme:

- 1/ Pharmaceuticals research
- 2/ Research on biomedical technology and engineering
- 3/ Brain research
- 4/ Research on diseases with major social economic impact - from basic research into clinical practice
- 5/ Human genome research
- Public health research, including Health Services Research
- 7/ Biomedical ethics
- 8/ Horizontal activities.

Deadline for research proposals: 31 March 1995, 12.00 hrs. Deadline for research fellowships: 31 March 1996 for Areas 1, 2, 3 and 5; 31 December 1996 for Areas 4, 6, 7 and 8; 31 December 1997 for all areas.

For more information Contact: Biomedical and Health Research

Fax + 32 2 2955365

# BIOTECHNOLOGY

Transport programme Fax + 32 2 2954349

Area 5:

Area 6:

Area 7:

12.00 hrs.

Advance notice (OJ C 357 of 15.12.94) for the first call for proposals (to be published 17 January 1995) for the specific programme for RTD and demonstration in the field of Biotechnology (1994-1998). Outline work programme:

Urban transport

Road transport.

For further information, contact:

Deadline: 15 March 1995.

Waterborne transport

- Area 1: Cell factories
- Area 2: Genome analysis
- Area 3: Plant and animal biotechnology
- Area 4: Cell communication in neurosciences
- Area 5: Immunology and transdisease vaccinology
- Area 6: Structural biology
- Area 7: Pre-normative research, biodiversity and social acceptance
- Area 8: Infrastructures

Horizontal activities

- Demonstration activities related to the above-mentioned subjects
- Public perception.

Deadline for RTD projects, concerted actions or preparatory awards: 24 March 1995, 12.00 hrs. All areas of the programme are open for submission of proposals but certain areas and subjects will only allow for the submission of preparatory award proposals (for demonstration projects or to help SMEs prepare full research proposals). For further details, and a copy of the Information package, contact: Biotechnology programme Fax + 32 2 2955365

INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

Advance notice (OJ C357 of 15.12.94) for a first call for proposals (expected to be published 15 February 1995) for the specific programme of RTD and demonstration in the field of cooperation with third countries and international organizations (1994-1998).

Areas covered by the call: Area B: Cooperation with non-European industrialized countries Fellowships and grants for stays in Japan in scientific fields or in the area of manufacturing technologies and scientific fellowships in Korea.

Area C: Scientific and technological cooperation with the developing countries.

For further information, contact: Area B: Fax + 32 2 2969824 Area C: Fax + 32 2 2966252

# Specific measures for SMEs

A new, single Information Package is now available for the "technological stimulation" measures for SMEs (small and medium-sized enterprises) to be implemented by the specific programmes of the new 4th Framework Programme.

The SME Infopack covers the two components (exploratory awards and cooperative research) common to all programmes in Activity 1 (except Information Technologies, Advanced Communications Technologies, Targeted Socio-Economic Research and the Joint Research Centre).

For more information, contact: I. Saragossi Fax + 32 2 2957110

# CALLS UPDATES

# TRANSPORT

Advance notice (OJ C 357 of 15.12.94) for a first call for proposals (to be published 17 January 1995) for the specific programme of RTD and demonstration in the field of transport.

Outline work programme:

- Area 1: Strategic research
- Area 2: Rail transport
- Area 3: Integrated transport chains
- Area 4: Air transport

### **ACTS**

Advanced Communications Technologies and Services

More than 3,500 potential research partners interested in ACTS

An advance notice for calls for proposals for the ACTS programme (Advanced Communications Technologies and Services) was published in September (OJ C 258 of 15. 9. 94).

By 1 October 1994, the ACTS Central Office had received more than 3,500 expressions of interest from persons keen to receive the call documentation. The closing date of the call for proposals for ACTS is 15 March 1995.

For further information, contact: ACTS Central Office, Fax +32-2-2950654 E-mail aco@postman.dg13.cec.be Compuserve 100302, 2607

# TELEMATICS: LRE

Linguistic Research and Engineering

A call for proposals in the area of language engineering was published on 15 March 1994 (OJ C 78 of 15.3.1994).

A total of 95 project proposals were submitted, of which 15 were finally retained for funding (total EC contribution: ECU 4.5 million).

Thirteen projects were due to start in November 1994, with an average duration of 11 months. A public workshop will be held in October 1995.

For further information, contact:

Mr. Cencioni

Fax +352 4301 34999

Symposium on Sensitivity Analysis of Model Output (SAMO '95).

Organised by the Environment Institute of the Joint Research Centre (JRC) together with DG XII/F, RTD Action Energy. Belgirate, Lago Maggiore (I), 25-27 September 1995

Contact: A. Saltelli, JRC Fax + 39 332 785466

# DISSEMINATION AND OPTIMIZATION OF RESULTS (VALUE)

The role of technology transfer projects in the innovation process

Luxembourg, 21-23 February 1995.

Contact: Conference Associates and Services LTD, Congress House, 55 New Cavendish Street, GB-W1M 7RE London, UK.

# STANDARDS, MEASUREMENTS AND TESTING

Workshops Brussels (B), 10 January 1995 (Contact: S. Vandendriessche, Tel + 32 2 2959312) Stockholm (S), 17 January 1995 (Contact: D. Gould, Tel + 32 2 2959313 or S. Vandendriessche, Tel + 32 2 2959312) Berlin (D), 19 January 1995 -Stuttgart, 20 January 1995 (Contact: C. Helmrath, Tel + 32 2 2962720 or *U. Faure, Tel* + 32 2 2963334) Luxembourg (L), 24 January 1995 (Contact E.A. Maier,

Tel + 32 2 2956138 or

(Contact: P. Kruppa,

Tel + 32 2 2965820)

Oslo (NO), January 1995

P. Salieri, Tel + 32 2 2962951)

Milan (I), 21-24 February 1995 - Bari, June 1995 (Contact P. Salieri, Tel + 32 2 2962951 or E.A. Maier, Tel: 32 2 2956138) Greece (locations not yet fixed), February 1995 (Contact: C. Profilis, Tel + 32 2 2959735) Dublin (IRL), February 1995 (Contact: I. de Froidmont-Görtz, Tel + 32 2 2950887 or T. Fairley, Tel + 32 2 2965197) Lisbon and Porto (P), February 1995

(Contact: Ph. Quevauviller, Tel + 32 2 296 33 51)
Spain (Madrid, Barcelona, Sevilla, Bilbao, Valencia), February 1995
(Contact: E. Calvet, Tel + 32 2 2955977 or R. Compañó, Tel + 32 2 2959580)
Vienna (A), 22-25 May 1995
(Contact: A. Boenke, Tel + 32 2 2960756).

# BIOTECHNOLOGY



7th European Congress on Biotechnology Nice (F), 19-23 February 1995. Contact: B. Zechendorf Fax + 32 2 2955365.

# **JOULE II** Non-Nuclear Energy



European Seminar on Energy Efficiency in Industry The aim of the seminar is to present the achievements of the Community's RUE Industry area of the JOULE II programme. It will also be a forum to present and to discuss future strategy in the field of RUE in industry.

Brussels (B), 10-12 January 1995

Contact: P.A. Pilavachi Fax + 32 2 2994991

EC, IEA and OECD joint workshop on the external costs of energy.

The purpose of this joint workshop is to discuss the state of the art in calculating the environmental externalities/impacts of fuel cycles and to what extent the current figures are mature enough to be taken into account in policy and decision making.

Brussels (B), 26-27 January 1995 Contact: P. Valette Fax + 32 2 2994991

The technological progress for Competitiveness and Employment

The case Energy - Environment

This seminar will adopt a "technical" approach to the Energy-Environment-Employment problem, and concentrate on three main questions: relationship between energy, environment and employment; impacts of different energy-related policies and instruments; role of energy technologies on job creation.

Chambre de Commerce et d'Industrie de Paris (F), 9-10 February 1995

Contact: E Donni Fax + 32 2 2994991



# **TMR**



# Training and Mobility of Researchers

Training and Mobility of Researchers (TMR) Information Seminars

In preparation for the launching of the new programme "Training and Mobility of Researchers" the Commission Services (DG XII/G), in close cooperation with national authorities, have

drawn up a plan for the organisation of a series of information seminars in Member States and in associated countries. These seminars aim to inform individual researchers, research

individual researchers, research teams and potential information multipliers about the programme's scope and conditions for participation. The initiative fits into the EU's overall campaign for greater transparency and effective information dissemination.

The list of seminars, to be organised in Member States, including dates and names of the organisers can be obtained from:

I. Brach Fax +32 2 2963270 "Scientific and technological cooperation with Eastern Europe"



This booklet outlines the RTD cooperation activities between the European Union and the countries of Central and Eastern Europe and the New Independent States of the former Soviet Union. It also describes future actions to be taken, and presents the EU scientific and technological cooperation strategy, which should help to integrate researchers from the East into the European scientific and technological community.

Available in English, French and German (EUR 15716 EN, EUR 15716 FR, EUR 15716 DE).

Further details from: M. Claessens, Fax 32 2 2958220

Available from: OPOCE L-2985 Luxembourg.

# Dissemination and Optimization of Results (Value)

"Who's Who" guide
This guide profiles and provides
contact details of each of the 32
VALUE Relay Centres (VRCS).

contact details of each of the 32 VALUE Relay Centres (VRCS). The VRC network of proactive advisory centres, with the mission of bringing Community RTD closer to its clients, has expanded to include five new members from EEA. The network, originally composed of 27 centres in the 12 Member States, now includes Austria, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden.

Further details from: VALUE programme Fax +352 4301 34009

# **CORDIS**

New CORDIS focus RTD-Results supplements

Issues 3 and 4 of the CORDIS focus RTD-Results supplements have now been published. The third issue includes a variety of national and regional results from RTD-Results database for which some form of exploitation is sought. More than 2,000 results have been added to this data base since the last supplement was published in June 94. The fourth supplement was prepared specifically for the Brite-Euram programme, and contains over 100 examples of technology offers.

To place your own technology offers in the database, to receive information about obtaining access to the RTD-Results database or for copies of the CORDIS focus RTD Results supplements:

Contact: A. Menzies Fax +32 2 2801749

# TELEMATICS: DELTA

"Delta in perspective"
Produced by the Tribune
Consortium, this publication presents the key results of 30 Delta
R&D projects over the period
1992-1994.

For a copy of the publication (FF 150), contact: OTE, Paris

Fax +33 1 40569252

"Delta catalogue on telematics for flexible and distance learning"

This catalogue aims to help readers gain an understanding of the content and range of subject areas covered by the DELTA programme. There are short descriptions of 30 programme projects, along with the relevant contact points.

The catalogue is available, free of charge, from:

DG XIII/D-2, RTD-Help Desk Fax +352 4301 32084

# INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGIES

Industrial Technologies Project Synopses

Synopses of ECSC contracts on iron and steel research (1986-1993), EUR 15912 EN.



Brite-Euram Finished Projects, Volume 3: projects completed during 1992, EUR 15301 EN.

Brite-EuRam II, Synopses of Current Projects, Supplement 1994 (projects selected under the 1992 Call for proposals), EUR 15975 EN.

CRAFT and Feasibility Awards, Synopses of Current Projects, EUR 15963 EN.



Measurements and Testing, Synopses of Current Projects 1994, EUR 15979 EN.

Evaluation of research programmes

An evaluation of ECSC steel RTD was carried out for the period 1981-1990. The results of this analysis have been summarized in the report EUR 15828 (EN, DE, ES, FR, IT) entitled: "Assessment and evaluation of financial returns in ECSC-Steel research programmes (1981-1990)", June 1994.

Fax contacts: ECSC + 32 2 2965987; Brite-Euram + 32 2 2958046; CRAFT + 32 2 2994635; Measurements and Testing + 32 2 2958072

# AIR

## Agro-Industrial Research

Catalogue of contracts
In early 1995 a catalogue of contracts will be published from the AIR programme for all food and non-food related projects (bio-energy, green chemicals, forestry and forest products). This catalogue will include administrative details (funding, dates), partner information and a project description.

# Studies

- · Socio-structural impact of
- the Eclair Research Programme
- Bioconversion Assessment Study



- Mycotoxins
- A study on the possibilities to lower the content of methyl-alcohol in eaux-devie de fruits
- Eclair mid-term progress report

Further information: J.Cornelese Fax + 32 2 2964322

### Proceedings

"Colloquium on Research, Training and Agriculture in Europe: The New Challenges", held on 3-4 November 1993.

Versions in English and French.

Further details: P. Mangé Fax + 32 2 2964322



Science and Technology for Development



STD2 Research projects 1987-1991 – tropical and subtropical agriculture: summaries of the final reports.

Produced by The Technical Centre for Agricultural and Rural Cooperation (CTA) Available from: DG XII B-4,

# JOULE II Non-Nuclear Energy

Fax +32 2 2966252



Joule II, Projects Synopses, EUR 15893 EN For each of the projects supported under the Non-Nuclear Energy Programme (1990-1994), there is a brief description of the objectives and contents of the technical work, administrative data on funding, duration, coordinating and other participating organisations, and the address of the project leaders.

Contact: I. Tenten Fax + 32 2 2950656 Commission funded 17 largescale scientific and technical installations located across the European Union. As a result, more than 1600 European researchers have had free access to these facilities and have been able to carry out research at the cutting edge of science and technology.

The publication contains illustrated synopses of the 17 projects funded, and gives key facts such

as the number and nationalities  $\vec{b}_n$  of participating researchers.

Contact: M. Malacarne or D. Pasini Fax +32 2 2956995

# **HCM**

# Human Capital and Mobility

HCM Annual Report 1993
The Human Capital and
Mobility (HCM) programme has
4 main activities: research fellowships, support for research
networks, grants to facilitate
access for researchers to
Europe's large-scale research
facilities; assistance to
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# RTD SUCCESS STORIES

RTD Info will publish shortly some "RTD Success Stories". To do this, we are asking partners in Community RTD projects to send us a short description of their project (either in progress or finished). The aim is to present the results of RTD projects and the experience gained by partners doing the projects.

From the next issue of *RTD Info*, we will include a "success story" for publication in each issue; the projects will be chosen on their exemplary nature and on the quality of the text. Your summaries should include expected or achieved results (industrial and other impacts, development of the partnership, socioeconomic results, etc.), and show the benefits of the trans-nationality of the project and the importance of carrying out certain research on a European-wide basis.

The texts can be written in any of the 9 official EU languages, and should not exceed 2 pages in length. Where possible, please include photos, graphics and/or slides to illustrate the text.

We have prepared a more detailed information sheet for interested partners which can be obtained from the address below.

Deadline for reception of texts: 28 February 1995.

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