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National Contact Points in FP6 - Collaborations with Former Union Soviet Countries

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Are the NCPs useful?

- Preparing an European research project to be submitted within FP6 for funding means:
 - Being informed on the financial opportunities (open calls) and on the expectations
 - Preparing a consortium
 - Dealing with financial issues (EU financial rules)
 - Carrying out activities beyond research: dissemination, training, etc.

PROJECT MANAGEMENT

Research is important but it is not enough for excellence!

The assistance provided is free of charge!



WHAT

Information

- ❖ information days
- ❖ personalised
- ❖ publications

Assistance

- ❖ identifying the most suitable programme
- ❖ partner searches
- ❖ eligibility check and pre-proposal advice
- ❖ assistance in contract negotiation and administrative problems

Training

Technology Transfer

- ❖ member of CIRCE - IRC (Innovation Relay Centre) Network



TO

WHOM

SMEs

Large enterprises

Universities

Public and private research centres

Policy makers

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CHANNELS

APRE Database

E - mail

Phone Contacts

APRE newsletter

National / local events

Internet: APRE Web

The screenshot displays the APRE website interface. At the top, it reads "RICERCA E SVILUPPO TECNOLOGICO". The main content area features a large graphic of the European Union flag with a central square containing the following text: "Ricerca europea", "Ricerca nazionale", "Altre opportunità", "Trasferimento tecnologico", "Attività APRE", "APRE per le PMI", and "Eventi". To the right, there is a sidebar with the APRE logo and the text "AGENZIA PER LA PROMOZIONE DELLA RICERCA EUROPEA". Below the logo, there are several menu items: "Chi Siamo", "Ricerca Partner", "Link Utili", "Intranet Soci APRE", "NUOVO DB APRE", "Mappa del sito", "English Version", and "Ultime Notizie". The "Ultime Notizie" section includes a sub-heading "mobilità di ricercatori early stage" and a brief description of a conference. At the bottom of the page, there is a footer with the text "APRE NOTIZIE N. 42 GENNAIO 2004 3".

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European cooperation between NCPs

InJoy&Train





InJoy&Train

- Project title: East European Co-operation Network for International Joint Training in FP6/FP7 Food, Agriculture and Biotechnology for **EU-Kazakhstan-Russia-Ukraine-Armenia-Belarus** Countries
- SSA – Specific Support Action
- Proposal/Contract no.: 23157
- Start date of contract: 1st of January 2006
- Duration of contract: 24 months



InJoy&Train: Key Figures

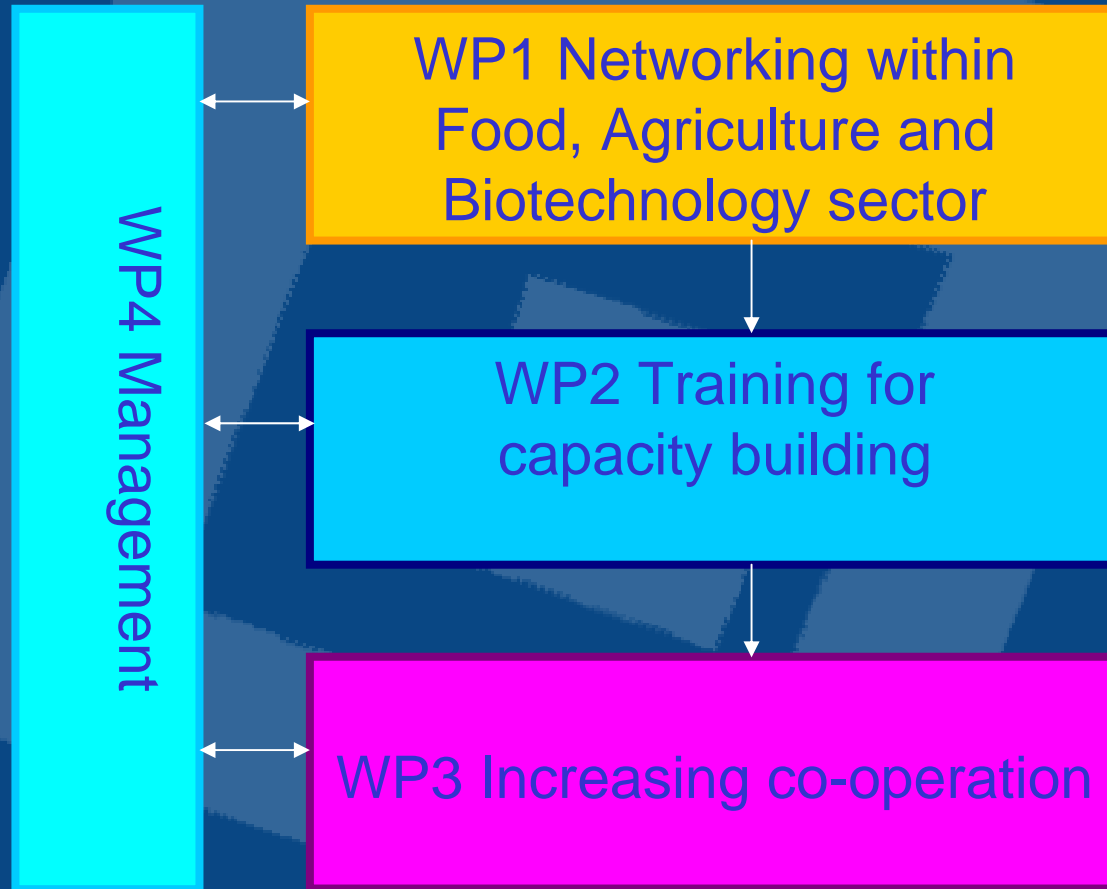
- 9 partners from 9 Countries:
 - 4 EU members: Italy (APRE - Coordinator), Greece, Hungary, the Netherlands
 - Russia, Ukraine, Belarus, Armenia, Kazakhstan (KRUAB)
- Budget after negotiation:
 - Total eligible costs: 343.914 euro
 - EC contribution: 100%

InJoy&Train: Objectives

- **Creation of a pro-active network** of researchers, multipliers and SMEs in KRUAB countries
- **Capacity building** of the researchers, multipliers, SMEs and KRUAB partners
- **Raising awareness in Europe** of skilled and potential partners from KRUAB countries

in the „Food Quality and Safety“ (FP6) and „Food, Agriculture and Biotechnology“ (FP7)

InJoy&Train: Workplan



Networking within Food, Agriculture and Biotechnology sector

■ Objectives:

- Catalogue of Researchers, Multipliers and SMEs from KRUAB countries
- Creation of the network
- Dissemination of the *InJoy&Train* forum (website)
- Stimulation of the subscription at the *InJoy&Train* website
- Monitoring of the participation and interaction inside the forum



WP2

Training for capacity building

■ Objective:

- Organisation of **4 training workshops** in KUAB countries

2 researchers from the Country organising the training workshop will be granted for participating – up to 80 euro for each researcher



WP2

Training for capacity building

- ***InJoy&Train 1st workshop training***
 - Kazakhstan – end of June 2006
- ***InJoy&Train 2nd workshop training***
 - Ukraine – November 2006
- ***InJoy&Train 3rd workshop training***
 - Armenia – April 2007
- ***InJoy&Train 4th workshop training***
 - Belarus – October 2007
- ***InJoy&Train National training workshop***
 - KRUAB – October/November 2007



WP3

Increasing co-operation

■ Objective:

- EU-Russia Joint Symposium on Biotechnology – 6-8.6.2006 St. Petersburg

Selection of 2 researchers to be grant – up to 350 euro for each researcher from KUAB Countries


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European cooperation between NCPs

Food-N-Co

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- Project title: Cooperation Network of National Contact Points with a special focus on Third Countries in the areas of Food Quality and Safety and Food, Agriculture and Biotechnology
- SSA – Specific Support Action
- Start date of contract: 1st of February 2006
- Duration of contract: 36 months



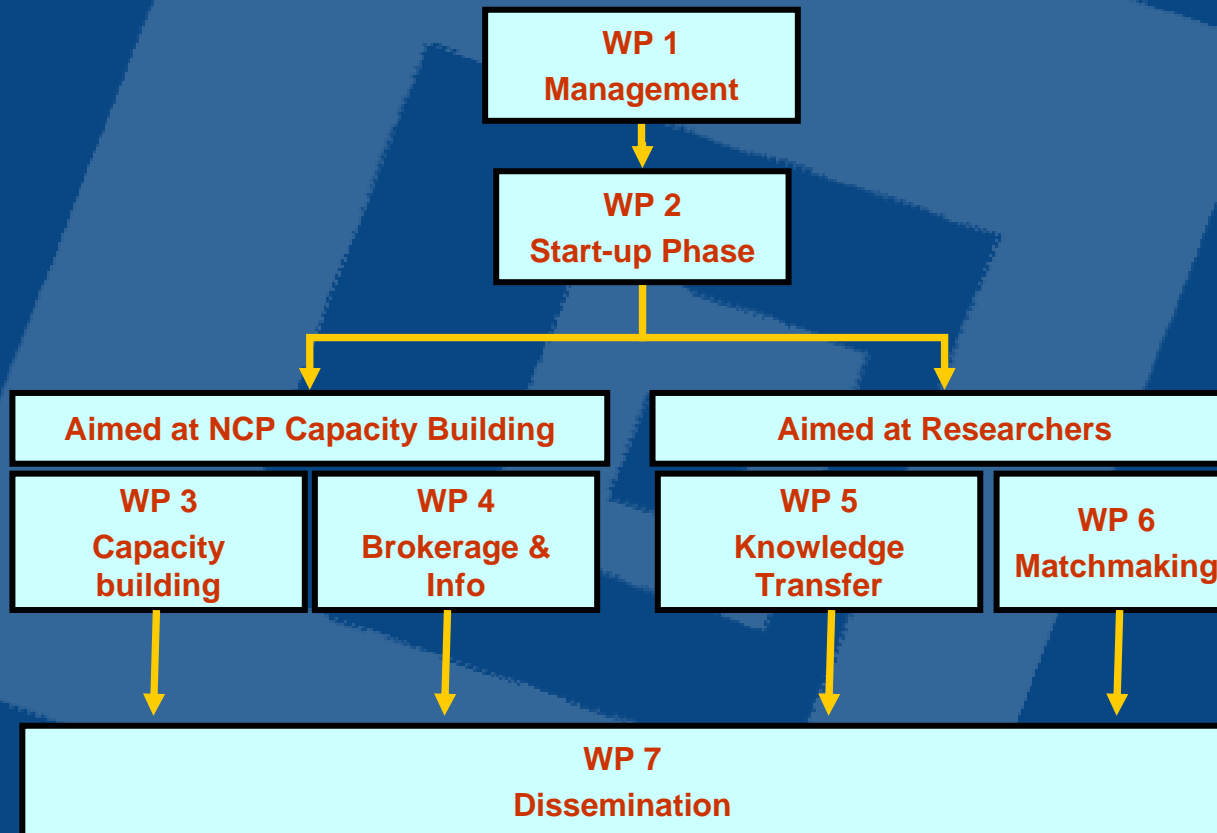
Food-N-Co: Key Figures

- 20 partners from 20 Countries:
 - 7 EU members: The Netherlands (Coordinator), Hungary, Austria, Belgium, Poland, Italy, Check Republic
 - 13 INCO members: Argentina, South Africa, Kenya, Tunisia, Morocco, Serbia, Ethiopia, Brazil, Egypt, Jordan, Croatia, Mexico, China
 - Budget after negotiation: over 600.000 euro
 - EC contribution: 100%

Food-N-Co: Objectives

- **Improving** the quantity and quality of participation of International Cooperation Targeted Countries (INCO) in Food, Agriculture and Biotechnology related research in the 6° and 7° EU Framework Programmes by building a strong network of National Contact Points.
- **Building** a strong network of National Contact Points in both European and INCO-countries,
- **Intensifying** the relationships between European and INCO-countries and
- **Supporting** the research communities in INCO-countries with tailor-made information and services.

Food-N-Co: Workplan





Food-N-Co: Activities

Aimed at NCP Capacity Building

WP 3
Capacity building

WP 4
Brokerage & Info

4 training sessions for INCO NCPs

4 information days with INCO and EU NCPs

At least 2 training sessions at national level for each INCO partner

1 Brokerage event for matching academia & industry from INCO with EU

Aimed at Researchers

WP 5
Knowledge Transfer

WP 6
Matchmaking

Twinning system and Staff exchanges

Mapping INCO researchers

Partner search protocol

Database with INCO profiles and partner searches

Travel grants for 1 researchers for each INCO partner

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Thank you for the attention!

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