Creating international research and education networks

EU Cooperation with Third Countries

Europe has a long tradition of top-quality research. Its forward-looking research and innovation policies are increasingly gaining a more international focus. This includes scientific collaborations with partner countries outside Europe. The European Union’s Seventh Framework Programme for Research and Technological Development (FP7) contains a number of instruments and measures to promote the internationalization of the European Research Area.

On behalf of the Federal Ministry of Education and Research we are involved in the following measures in connection with various European projects for the coordination of research policy:

- Coordinating national and regional policies and activities
- Developing analysis platforms on subjects related to scientific and technological cooperation
- Identifying potential areas of cooperation that are of mutual benefit and interest
- Formulating recommendations for the selection of priority areas of cooperation
- Disseminating information in EU Member States and Associated Countries and in the target regions
- Monitoring ongoing collaborations

We support the Federal Ministry of Education and Research in

- Planning and implementing international cooperation policy
- Promoting networking and cooperation between German universities, research institutions and innovative companies across the world

What we can do for you

- Provide information and advice on cooperation opportunities
- Help you to make contacts and initiate collaborations

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