

press release



ICT National Contact Point (NCP) network and Innovation and Business Support network join forces

Ideal-ist the European ICT NCP network and the Enterprise Europe Network (EEN) aim to improve European Competitiveness. While Ideal-ist supports participation in FP7, Enterprise Europe Network aims at providing innovation and business support to small businesses across the European Union

Ideal-ist is an international ICT partner search network, with more than 65.000 contacts in line with the international cooperation strategy of the European Commission. Today the Ideal-ist network consists of 70 ICT national partners from EU and Non-EU Countries, such as Associated States, Eastern European Partner Countries (EEPC) and Mediterranean Partner Countries (MPC) and emerging countries like China, Brazil, India, and South Africa in line with the international cooperation strategy of the European Commission.

The Enterprise Europe Network aims at providing innovation and business support to small businesses across the European Union. EEN helps small businesses to improve their performance on the European market place, consisting of 650 partners in 45 countries.

To start with, the EEN services can be found at the Ideal-ist service map and joint brokerage events and partner search activities are yet to come.

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About Ideal-ist

Ideal-ist is the first and unique quality labelled international ICT partner search network with 13 years experience. The network of Ideal-ist consists of 63 national contact points (NCP) in the area of Information and Communications Technologies. The Consortium members are from EU and Non-EU Countries, including Associated States, Eastern European Partner Countries (EEPC) and Mediterranean Partner Countries (MPC) and Emerging countries like China, Brazil, India and South Africa. Ideal-ist is part funded by the European Commission and supports research organisations and companies worldwide to find partners for their project ideas. It helps them to join projects and to find services leading them to success in the 7th Framework programme. Furthermore, the main goal is the enhancement of cooperation between the national NCPs within FP7 and an overall improvement of quality across Europe in the dynamically growing area of ICT. This is in line with the international cooperation strategy of the European Commission.

Find more information on the Ideal-ist web portal www.ideal-ist.net