

COORP and SMEs Call for Expression of Interest

ENHANCING RESEARCH AND BUSINESS COOPERATION

SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING

1. A cover letter explaining the motivation for answering this call, briefly stating what are the needs assessed from the SME for the resource they are looking for;
2. A profile of the Company and previous projects;
3. NUIS - certificate of registration of the Company
4. The CV of the appointed staff that will communicate with COORP Team for this intervention

**Deadline 25 March 2018
time 17:00**

apply by sending and email to: info@coop.al
feel free to contact for any additional information before application...

Background information

The overall objective of COORP is to assist in the integration of the Albanian social sciences research community into the European Research Area through facilitation of networking opportunities and capacity development in research projects.

COORP is supported by PERFORM - a project of Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation.

“Concrete actions for applied research in support of SMEs” was the main take away from COORP and SMEs Gathering on 17 January 2018, kindly hosted by Professional College of Tirana (KPT). COORP brought together researchers in the social sciences, business and innovation and representatives of SMEs who brainstormed, shared ideas and experiences on the research and business dialogue and cooperation.

COORP is looking for SMEs with interest in running a Research and Development (R&D) projects, financing a researcher, preferably with social science research field background, for a limited period of time, ensuring outputs and deliverables within their intervention.

Eligibility Criteria

The SME should be a registered entity in Albania, with more than 5 years of experience. The Company must have products and/or services for the Albanian market, is considered an advantage if products and service could be offered for the international markets. The company must have a interest in research and development projects, previous experience in application or implementation of such projects is considered an advantage.

Selection criteria

Qualification and expertise as demonstrated in the documents provided in reaction to this call, as outlined above. Ability to use obtained knowledge/competencies in the future in concrete research projects and/or research grant applications. Commitment to engage, when possible and relevant, to the community of social sciences researchers in Albania set up by COORP and supported by PERFORM.

If you have question, please write to info@coop.al from 1 March 2018 till 24 March 2018.

Application and Contracting

This process will be distributed in the following steps:

- You will be contacted from COORP Team to have a meeting and discuss specifically terms and conditions of the intervention
- COORP in collaboration with the SME and the potential researcher met and work on a research agenda, and deliverables
- COORP sign the contract with the researcher and SME

All information and documents have to be submitted in English.

The submission should be done not later than 25 March 2018 17:00 via electronic means at the following address: info@coop.al

Use of data from this call

The list resulting from this call will be used exclusively for the selection of interested companies and invitations to participate the above-mentioned activity. All data will remain confidential.


COORP might use the list of SMEs to invite them for future related activities and to circulate information.

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