

**Actions arising from the meeting of the FP6 Task Force on
Instruments
5 July 2002**

Chair: P. Kind (RTD-B)

Present: P.Baader (INFSO), J.Fuchs (FISH), L. Karapiperis (RTD-B2), J.D.Malo, (RTD-A3), M.Moller (INFSO), P. Mülhmann (TREN), N. Pantalos (ENTR), C. Profilis (RTD-B2), C.Renier (RTD-B2), M. Richards (RTD-G4), E. Rille (RTD-L4), K. Rouhana (INFSO), N. Sabatier (RTD-A3), G. Stroud (RTD-A2), W. Schwarzenbrunner (INFSO), L. Vandenbrande (RTD-A2)R. Zimmermann (INFSO)

Evaluation issues

Criteria for NoEs

It was agreed that **LVDB** (consulting **PK**) would review the text to take account of the discussion (and possibly of further discussion in the evaluation group) and circulate it to the TF. On the advice of A3, it was agreed that "issues" could in future be referred to as "criteria".

Criteria for STREPs

The TF recommended a small number of changes. **LVDB** will circulate a revised text after discussion with the evaluation group. It was agreed that the criteria for STREPs would be kept separate from those for specific targeted innovation projects.

Two-stage evaluation process

LVDB will circulate the next version of the document. **MM** stressed the danger of being too mechanical in applying thresholds and hence failing to be sufficiently selective.

Financial regime for Integrated Projects

PK has modified his paper on the financial regime for IPs to take account of the discussion. The modified version is attached.

(Note: This latest version of the IP financial regime was discussed by the FP6 Steering Group on 5 July. The result of that will be circulated separately. The Steering Group will meet again on 18 July, when it hopes to receive from the Task Force an agreed version of the NoE financial regime).

Next meetings

Friday 12 July (9.00, SDME 1F)

- From 09.00 to 11.00: **Financial regime for networks of excellence** (on basis of PK's note already circulated). *Note: Please send any comments you may have to PK in advance of the meeting.*
- From 11.00 to 11.30: Outstanding issues concerning the **financial regime for integrated projects**
- From 11.30 to 12.30: **Audit certificates** (on the basis of the model prepared by **ER**, as well as the documents regarding the cost of audit certificates and the current pilot scheme provided by **DG INFSO**, already circulated)

Friday 19 July, (15.00, room to be confirmed)

- Final discussion on the **financial regime for networks of excellence**
- Discussion of the updated IP/NoE/STRP working documents with a view to publication on the web before end July
- **SME measures** to stimulate the participation of SMEs in the new instruments.
- **Content of proposals** (on basis of a draft of the infopack from the infopack group (+ **Juergen Rosenbaum**)).

Friday 26 July (09.00, SDME 1F)

- First discussion of working documents for co-ordination actions and specific support actions (on basis of drafts by **MM**).
- Discussion of the role of the project officer, particularly in negotiation and contract follow-up.

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