



**Biocircle**

# Quick Info

<b>Theme</b>	<b>FAFB</b>
<b>Call</b>	<b>FP7-KBBE-2008-2B</b>
<b>Type</b>	<b>CSA – Coordination Action</b>
<b>Start date</b>	<b>1st of October 2008</b>
<b>Duration</b>	<b>24 Months (end: 30th of September 2010)</b>
<b>Budget</b>	<b>1.412.680,00 €</b>
<b>EU funding</b>	<b>100%</b>
<b>Partners</b>	<b>24 partners</b>
<b>Coordinator</b>	<b>APRE – Agenzia per la Promozione della Ricerca Europea</b>
<b>EC Officer</b>	<b>Ms Elisabetta BALZI</b>



# Specific Objective

- Extend the BIO NCP network to National Information Points (NIP) from major Third Country partners

# Expected Results

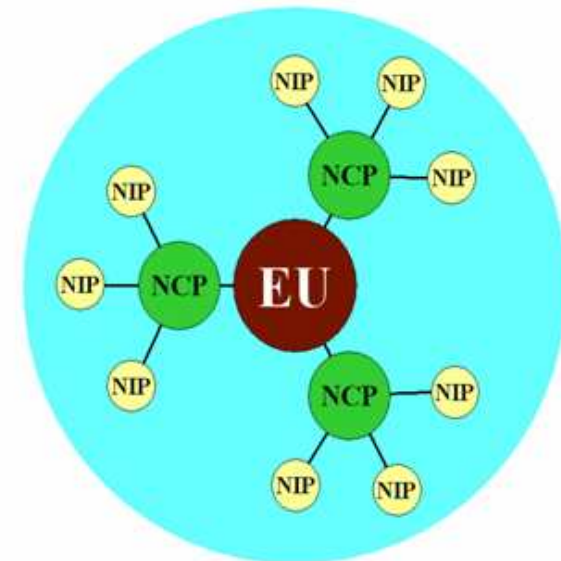
1. Capacities built for Third Country BIO NIPs
2. Strengthened consortium building in FAEB international cooperation projects
3. Capacities built for Third Country **Researchers** to participate in FP7
4. Strengthened identification, development and sharing of Good Practices to enhance cooperation between the NCP and NIP networks



# Overview of Work Packages, expected results and specific objective

Work packages      Expected results      Specific objective

1.	Improved <b>NIP</b> capacity in FP7
2.	Improved consortium building with <b>Third Country Researchers</b>
3.	Improved capacity <b>Third Country Researchers</b> in FP7
4.	Improved cooperation <b>NCP - NIP</b>



**Extended network of NCPs and NIPs  
in FP7 - FAFB theme**

# Collaborations

- Food-N-Co (SENTERNOVEM)
- MedaGoToEurope (ACTIA)
- EU-BALKAN-FABNET (ETAT)
- Injoy&Train (APRE)
- BIONET (SENTERNOVEM)
- and..
- INCONET and BILAT projects



# Additional organisations involved

- Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences (**CAAS**) and China-EU S&T Cooperation Promotion Office (**CECO**) in China
- Department of Biotechnology of the Ministry of Science and Technology (**DBT**) in India
- Other organisations will also be invited following the suggestions of the European Commission

# Overall Strategy

1. Capacities built for Third Country BIO NIPs (mainly through training of NIPs and twinning)
2. Strengthened consortium building in FAFB international cooperation projects
3. Capacities built for Third Country Researchers (TCRs) to participate in FP7
4. Strengthened identification, development and sharing of Good Practices to enhance cooperation between the NCP and NIP networks





# Expected Impact

- *Foster international co-operation with major partner Third Countries*
- *Contribute to the implementation of S&T bilateral agreements between the EU and Third Countries*
- *Provide support for an improved NCP service across Europe and in the World*
- *Helping simplify access to FP7 calls*
- *Lowering the entry barriers for newcomers*
- *Raising the average quality of submitted proposals*



# WP Overview

<b>WP 1</b>	<b>BIO NIP Capacity Building</b>	SenterNovem
<b>WP 2</b>	<b>Mapping and Networking</b>	ACTIA
<b>WP 3</b>	<b>Third Country Researchers Capacity Building</b>	ETAT
<b>WP 4</b>	<b>Selection of topics of mutual interest &amp; Good Practices</b>	TETALP
<b>WP5</b>	<b>Dissemination and Communication</b>	APRE
<b>WP6</b>	<b>Management</b>	APRE



Thank you!

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