



ERRIN Secretariat Announcements

ERRIN Open Days Meeting

An Exploratory meeting to discuss a possible ERRIN consortium at the Open Days 2009 will take place on **16 February 2009 from 15.30 to 17.30**. If you wish to know more or participate, email to farha.brahmi@errin.eu

ERRIN Science in Society and Human Resources Working Group Meeting

Please note: the location of the meeting on 9 February 2009 has changed. It will take place at West Midlands in Europe, 22-28 Av Auderghem, 1040 Brussels.

Please also note that this new Working Group has now [a section on the ERRIN website](#).

ERRIN Secretariat is looking for new office space

The ERRIN Secretariat will have to find a new location by September 2009, at the latest. The Secretariat is therefore looking for a new office space following the criteria listed below:

1. Centrally located close to European Institutions (i.e. around RP Schuman or Sq. Luxemburg)
2. Two to three separate offices to welcome 3 to 5 staff members (approx. 40 m2)
3. Rent max. 20.000 Euros incl. VAT
4. This should, ideally, include all of the followings:
 - office furniture
 - broadband internet access
 - telephone installation and lines (calling costs to be charged separately)
 - access to and use of fully equipped meeting rooms (for ERRIN meetings and small events)
 - access to and use of kitchen facilities (coffee machine, microwave, fridge, dishwasher)
 - building insurance
 - electricity
 - heating/air conditioning
 - local and regional taxes
 - cleaning
 - IT support
5. If possible, shared use of receptionist services
6. Access to fully serviced copy machine and fax
7. Possibility to rent at least one parking space
8. Synergies with office community (e.g. relevant other network, regional office)

If you hear of any offer corresponding to these criteria, please contact the ERRIN Secretariat at communication@errin.eu

PARTNER SEARCHES

Ambient Assisted Living Joint Programme – Tampere University of Technology

AmCoSoP - Ambient Communication for Sense of Presence

[Downloadable Partner Search](#)

Entrepreneurial culture of young people and entrepreneurship education – University of Nicosia

Teaching Material on Entrepreneurship

[Downloadable Partner Search](#)

Youth in Action – Fundación Comunidad Valenciana – Región Europea

A sailing Erasmus to address the challenge of climate change

[Downloadable Partner Search](#)

Lifelong Learning Programme – Fundación Comunidad Valenciana – Región Europea

COMPSME – Development of an integrating tool for the detection and acquisition of personal competencies in SMEs

[Downloadable Partner Search](#)

If you wish to post your partner searches on the ERRIN website, please fill in the [online template](#) and email it to farha.brahmi@errin.eu



ERRIN EVENT

This week

ERRIN Science in Society and Human Resources Working Group Meeting

Date: 9 February 2009
Time: 10.00-12.00

Venue: West Midlands in Europe, 22-28 Av Auderghem, 1040 Brussels

[Information, agenda and registration](#)

ERRIN Energy Working Group-Practitioners Event

Date: 12 February 2009
Time: TBC

Venue: Tuscany EU Office, Rond Point Schuman 14 (8th Floor), 1040 Brussels

[Information, agenda and registration](#)

ERRIN ICT Working Group and Lisbon Regions Network

Date: 13 February 2009
Time: 9.30-14.00

Venue: West Midlands in Europe, 22-28 Av. d'Auderghem, 1040 Brussels

[Information, agenda and registration](#)

Other forthcoming ERRIN events

ERRIN Open Days Exploratory Meeting

Date: 16 February 2009

Time: 15.30-17.30

Venue: TBC

[Information, agenda and registration](#)

ERRIN Management Board Meeting

Date: 19 February 2009

Time: 14.00-17.00

Time: 15.00-17.00

Venue: This is a meeting for Management Board members only

For more information please email communication@errin.eu

ERRIN Energy Working Group Meeting: Renewable Energy Directive - 20/20/20/10 in 2020 what does it imply? With Head of Unit Mr Hans van Steen, DG TREN

Date: 20 February 2009

Time: 11.00-12.30

Venue: Espace Interrégional Européen Bretagne / Pays de la Loire / Poitou-Charentes, 14 Rond-point Schuman, 4th floor, 1040 Brussels

[Information, agenda and registration](#)

OTHER EVENTS

A Cluster Regulation Law: The Veneto Case Study

Date: 9 February 2009
Time: 12.30-13.45

Venue: Unioncamere Veneto – Brussels EU Liaison Office, 67 Avenue de Turvuren, 1040 Brussels

[Information, agenda and registration](#)

Climate Tech - the approach of city regions

Date: 10 February 2009
Time: 09.00-14.15

Venue: EU Commission - Van Maerlant Building, room 1, 2 Rue van Maerlant, 1040 Brussels

[Information, agenda and registration](#)

Agora Talentia - First World Forum on Talent

Date: 11-12 February 2009
Venue: Pamplona, Spain

[Information, agenda and registration](#)

ICT for Energy Efficiency Info Day

Date: 12 February 2009

Venue: European Commission - Charlemagne Building, Alcide de Gasperi (S3) - 2nd floor, 170 Rue de la Loi, 1049 Brussels

[Information, agenda and registration](#)

Intelligent Energy Info Day 2009

Date: 12 February 2009
Time: 8.30-14.15

Venue: Charlemagne Building of the European Commission, Rue de la Loi 170, Brussels

[Information, agenda and registration](#)

Ambient Assisted Living Joint Programme

Date: 13 February 2009
Time: 10.00-15.00

Venue: Representation of the Free State of Bavaria to the European Union, rue Wiertzstraat 77, 1000 Brussels

[Information, agenda and registration](#)



FUNDING NEWS

ERRIN Energy Working Group-Practitioners Event

The Participants list and projects descriptions to be presented at the Energy Working Group meeting on 12 February 2009 are [now available online](#). The Programme has been updated and is also [available online](#).

INNO Learning Platform: Call for experts

The INNO Learning Platform has launched a call for experts able to assist in:

- (1) peer review
- (2) good practice exchange
- (3) streamlining EU innovation support instruments
- (4) international learning between innovation agencies

The complete call can be downloaded [here](#).

ERRIN NEWS

Secretariat launches call for new themes, 6 February 2009, Brussels

ERRIN has currently 8 Working Groups (Innovation Funding, Transport, Space, Health, Energy, Biotech, ICT, Science in Society). These working groups are key to providing thematic leadership, structuring the information, knowledge exchange and boosting project development within ERRIN.

Since ERRIN is keen to absorb and capitalize on additional interest and ambitions of its members, the Secretariat has launched a call for expression of interest on new issues and themes, which could be either addressed by the existing Working Groups or lead to the establishment of new ones.

Every member is kindly invited to [submit](#) to the Secretariat:

- Themes or issues of interest not sufficiently covered by the existing ERRIN Working Groups
- Other potential areas where cooperation through ERRIN could add value

As a follow-up to this consultation, the Secretariat will facilitate a meeting between members interested in a specific theme/issue and/or organize specific seminars.

ERRIN/Pinnacle PR Internet Writing One-Day Training, 27 January 2009, Brussels

ERRIN organised a one-day training course with Pinnacle Public Relations in January to offer its members the opportunity to improve their website related communication skills.

People consume information differently online: readers' attention span, scanning habits and navigation behaviour all confound the assumptions of writers who are used to traditional documents and paper. This course explained and then implemented in practice the ideas and skills required to translate good writing into effective writing for the Web by focusing on two skill-sets:

1. Basic journalism skills for generating original news: fundamentals of news journalism; using sources and interviews to generate and develop news ideas; practical copywriting; story structure and specifics of writing for Web readers.
2. Editing and rewriting skills for working with wire copy: compiling stories; selecting information; editing; rewriting; cutting and combining wire pieces.

[Presentations are available.](#)

A follow-up training will be organised depending on interest of ERRIN members.