



## Secretariat Announcements

### ERRIN Office Summer Closure

The ERRIN Office will be closed during the first two weeks of August that is to say from Friday 27<sup>th</sup> July 2009 to Monday 17<sup>th</sup> August 2009.

There will be no e-alert between Friday 27<sup>th</sup> July and Monday 24<sup>th</sup> August and no partner searches will be uploaded on ERRIN's website during this period.

### ERRIN Member Panel: 'Smart Office'

Following an initiative by Valencia, ERRIN members can now order ERRIN membership signs for their office. These will display to your guests and colleagues that you are a proud ERRIN member and, therefore, a "Smart Office". The signs are for indoor and outdoor use. They come with round or sharp corners (2 options). The prize is € 20 + TVA (sharp corner) or € 43,80 + TVA (round corner). For more information please contact the Secretariat at [communication@errin.eu](mailto:communication@errin.eu).

To see the ERRIN Member Panel 'Smart Office', [click here](#).

### MEP Awards 2009

The Parliament Magazine has launched its fifth annual [MEP Awards](#), and with a week left to go to nominate MEPs for 15 categories, the relatively low voting response for the Research and Innovation category was surprising. Therefore ERRIN members are invited to partake in voting in this category. The process doesn't take long, and nominators will be invited to the awards ceremony on 3rd November at The Stanhope Hotel, Brussels. Additionally, if the MEP you nominate wins, part of your reasoning for making the nomination may be read out at the ceremony. This would provide you with some high profile and free publicity. Nominations close on 31 July 2009.

## Autumn Events Preview

### The Geography of Talent: Regional Approaches to boost Creativity and Innovation, 8<sup>th</sup> October 2009

ERRIN has been invited to participate in a tent exhibition in front of the EC Berlaymont building during the Open Days 2009 organized by DG Regio. Following its successful application, ERRIN will present 4 to 5 interactive exhibits from its member regions at its stand.

The Secretariat has already collected some examples of projects to be potentially displayed at the stand. These include results of open innovation initiatives such as an interactive game for children, prototypes designed by students and interface tools to learn and interact.

ERRIN members wishing to participate can contact the ERRIN Secretariat before September 4<sup>th</sup> to submit a regional project demonstrating the variety and richness of approaches in boosting regional creativity and innovation.

Key requirements:

- The project must be Creativity and Innovation related
- Projects should be presented in an interactive way
- No use of traditional information materials (e.g. brochures and leaflets)

For more information, email [communication@errin.eu](mailto:communication@errin.eu)

### European Voice Innovation Summit 2009, 7 October 2009, Brussels

**European Voice is currently organizing its first Innovation Summit scheduled for 7 October 2009. The event will bring together national and EU policymakers, business executives, investors, researchers and academics to discuss what contribution innovation can make to bringing Europe out of its economic crisis.**

The ERRIN Secretariat is already in contact with European Voice and is now looking into facilitating an ERRIN stand at the Innovation Summit in Brussels. Following the same principle as for the ERRIN Joint Stand organized for Research Connection in Prague (May 2009), ERRIN members would cooperate to share the costs as well as benefits of such a joint stand:

**Benefits to all ERRIN exhibitors will be the following:**

- Exhibitors will be listed on the dedicated section of [www.europeanvoice.com](http://www.europeanvoice.com).
- Supporter's logo/name on conference page of [www.europeanvoice.com](http://www.europeanvoice.com) with links to company website
- Extensive advertising of event in European Voice and media partner titles
- Invitation to VIP Cocktail the night prior to the event
- Networking opportunities
- Exhibitors logo and location of stand to be included in the conference documentation
- Association with European Voice and The Economist Group brands

**Costs to share amongst participating members:**

- either 10 000 Euro to divide amongst participants sharing a Stand Prestige of 9m2
- or 5 000 Euro for a Regular Stand of 6m2

Should there be a critical mass within the network the costs could get relatively low for each interested member. Please, express your interest by contacting the ERRIN Secretariat at [communication@errin.eu](mailto:communication@errin.eu).



## PARTNER SEARCH

### FP7-Health-2010 - GHA Associates

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## FUNDING AREA

### 2009 FP7 Work Programme Funding Factsheets

Funding Factsheets on the Forthcoming FP7 calls are being compiled by the ERRIN Secretariat in order to facilitate project development. Factsheets are downloadable online and more information concerning draft work programmes can be obtained by contacting the ERRIN Secretariat at [farha.brahmi@errin.eu](mailto:farha.brahmi@errin.eu) or call +32 495 28 29 46

The Following factsheets can be downloaded from the ERRIN website (under funding area):

[Energy FP7 Draft Programme 2010 Call](#)

[Environment FP7 Draft Programme 2010 Call](#)

[Regions of Knowledge FP7 Draft Programme 2010 Call](#)

[Security FP7 Draft Programme 2010 Call](#)

[Space FP7 Draft Programme 2010 Call](#)

[Transport FP7 Draft Programme 2010 Call](#)

[KBBE FP7 Draft Programme 2010 Call](#)

[International Cooperation FP7 Draft Programme 2010 Call](#)

**Nota Bene:** New EC Call for proposals will be published on 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> July under the themes KBBE (Food, agriculture&fisheries and biotechnologies), environment, NMP, Health, ICT, Energy, Transport, Sécurité, Space, Regions of Knowledge, etc.

More information: [http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/home\\_fr.html](http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/home_fr.html)

Please see our Event Calendar for more forthcoming events.

If you wish to circulate any information about your events or partner searches in the next e-Alert, do not hesitate to contact the Secretariat.

For more news on Research and Innovation, please visit our Director's i-blog



## OTHER EVENTS

### **Annual Conference of the NEEBOR Network**

Date: 9-11 September 2009

Venue: Joensuu, Finland

[More information, agenda and registration](#)

### **Conference on Container Security**

Date: 10 September 2009

Time: 14.00-19.00

Venue: Town Hall of Bremen, Germany

[More information, agenda and registration](#)

### **Thinking across Disciplines**

Date: 6 October 2009

Time: 9.30-18.30

Venue: MCE Conference Centre, 110 rue de l'Aqueduc, 1050 Brussels

[More information, agenda and registration](#)