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Socio-Economic Sciences and Humanities Programme, and Ethics -Science in Society

*Some security related aspects
in the first call for Proposals*

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Socio-Economic Sciences and Humanities in FP 7

- **Addressing *major challenges* facing the EU and the World :**
 - growth, employment, competitiveness, knowledge society.
 - combining economic, social and environmental objectives: energy, agriculture, rural and urban issues.
 - major trends in Society: demography, quality of life, cultural interactions.
 - global interactions and interdependence; conflicts and peace.
 - participation, democracy, governance; European diversities and commonalities.



Socio-Economic Sciences and Humanities in FP 7 *“Practicalities”*

Funding schemes

- **Collaborative projects:**
 - Small / medium scale: 0.5 – 1.5 M
 - Large-scale: 1.5 – 4 M
- **Research for the benefit of specific groups (CSOs) up to 1 M**
- **Coordination and Support Actions:**
 - CSA-coordinating
 - CSA-supporting
- **Each topic uses specific scheme(s)!**



Socio-Economic Sciences and Humanities in FP 7 *“Practicalities”*

Call deadlines / proposal submission & evaluations

- **Deadline 1: 10 May 2007**
 - First contracts to be launched towards the end of 2007
- **Deadline 2: 29 November 2007**
 - First contracts to be launched in Autumn 2008
- One stage proposal submission only
- Remote evaluation will be used



Activity 4: Europe in the World

Research involves two related tracks:

- Flows of trade, finance, migration; uneven development, poverty; economic and political relations; global governance; cultural interactions
- Conflicts, causes and resolution; security and destabilising factors; terrorism, causes and consequences; security-related policies, insecurity, civil-military relations.

And horizontal aspects:

- Europe's role in the world, multilateralism and international law, the promotion of democracy and fundamental rights, Europe as seen from outside will be addressed



Activity 4: Europe in the World

Area 4.1: Interactions and interdependences between world regions and their implications

1. Europe's role in global economic governance (1st d., l-s p. ic)

Understanding interactions between regions of the world, the causes and impacts of their changes, how the rules are developed, the role of and impacts on Europe.

2. Development paths in an historical and comparative perspective and their impact on Europe (2nd d., sm-s p., csa, ic)

Influence of economic, technological, political, and cultural relations on development; paths towards sustainable development.



Activity 4: Europe in the World

Area 4.2: Conflicts, peace and human rights

1. Conflicts and peace (1st d., sm-s p., cso)

Factors leading to violence; early warning; third party mediation; distributive issues; civilians as targets of war; peace keeping/making; disarmament processes; civil/military relations.

2. Rule of law and human rights (1st d., sm-s p., cso)

Developments in criminal justice, humanitarian law, Geneva Conventions; war crimes; International courts; appeal systems and right of victims; restorative justice; role of women and other civil society actors in human rights protection.



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Activity 4: Europe in the World

Area 4.3: Europe's changing role in the World

1. Europe seen from outside (2nd d.,sm-s p.)

How Europe/EU are seen from people, elites, media, literature outside; influence of historical and other ties/divides; views of immigrants; notions of borders; how views are reported in Europe/considered in policy.

2. Multilateralism and new ext.relations (2nd d.,sm-s p.)

Notion/practice of multilateralism & relations with other concepts (hegemony, unilateralism..), and bi-lateral relations (eg.transatlantic relations, neighbourhood policy); accountability issues, citizens' perceptions of EU role.



Ethics in SiS

Engagement to clarify political, societal, ethical issues:

- **Conditions for informed debate on ethics and science:**

European Ethics Documentation Centre

Forum of National Ethics Councils

Ethics and security research

Int.dialogue/capacity building with dev.countries

Ethics in SiS

Ethics and security research:

Aim

- Promote pan-european debate on ethical aspects of dual use and security related research

Activities

- Studies, networks and expert panel, international dialogue

Instrument

- Co-ordination and support actions –

Deadline 23 May 2007



Further information

1. http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/cooperation/socio-economic_en.html
2. http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/capacities/science-society_en.html