



Research, Innovation and Higher Education Cooperation Opportunities between India and the European Union

Awareness-raising and information seminar | Tezpur - 29th April 2015

WHAT IS IT ABOUT?

The European Union and its Member States, in collaboration with the Tezpur University, are organizing an information seminar in Tezpur on 29 April 2015. The seminar will raise awareness amongst the northeastern Indian Research and Innovation (R&I) community about EU-India co-operation opportunities in R&I and higher education, including mobility schemes open to Indian students and support services such as partner search tools.

OBJECTIVES

A key objective of the information seminar is to promote Indian participation in EU research programmes, and in particular in the large **HORIZON 2020** framework programme (2014-2020). We also encourage new stakeholders – e.g. research institutes/universities less accustomed to EU programs, and industry – to take part, and to engage into international cooperation in areas of mutual interest (e.g. health, water and energy).

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

The EU opportunities that will be presented are relevant for many categories of Indian students and researchers from both the public and private sectors, including Master's and PhD students, post-doc researchers, scientists and faculty from university/institute who wish to study in Europe or collaborate with European teams, as well as SMEs and other private companies that are looking for R&I collaborations with European research organisations and/or businesses.

WHAT WILL THE INFORMATION SEMINAR OFFER?

In addition to detailed information about HORIZON 2020 and higher education (e.g. ERASMUS+), the seminar will provide a welcoming environment for people to speak directly to organizers of European R&I funding programmes and support services. It will enable participants to:

- Learn how EU-India collaborations can be initiated, evaluated, and implemented
- Get in touch with the Research and Innovation Counsellors from EU Member States' embassies in India
- Learn how to improve your organisation's fund-raising capacity
- Learn how to identify relevant funding schemes, calls for proposals and programming documents
- Find out about R&I funding, mobility fellowships and Higher Education opportunities (Master/PhD/Post-Doc) included in bilateral and multilateral co-operation programmes between India and Europe
- Find out about support services available to facilitate EU-India R&I cooperation
- Hear about experiences from Indian researchers involved in past collaborations with Europe.

WHEN & WHERE?

- Wednesday, 29th April 2015, 10.00 AM -1.30 PM – Tezpur University
- Entrance: participation in the seminar is free of charge.

AGENDA

Venue: Council Hall, Tezpur University

Date: Wednesday, 29th April 2015

	Timing	Agenda Items	Speakers
	9.30-10.00	Registration and dissemination of promotional material	
1	10.00-10.10	Welcome address	Prof. Mihir Kanti CHAUDHURI , Vice-Chancellor, Tezpur University
2	10.10-10.40	European Union: Horizon 2020 Framework Programme	Mr. Denis DAMBOIS , Head of Research & Innovation, EU Delegation to India
	10.40-10.50	Q&A	
3	10.50-11.20	Norway: Indo-Norwegian collaboration in Research, Innovation and higher education	Mr. Arild OKSNEVAD , Counsellor, Head of Cooperation, Dr. Marianne Jensen , Science and Technology Counsellor, both with the Royal Norwegian Embassy
	11.20-11.30	Q&A	
4	11.30-12.00	EBTC: European Business Technology Centre	Mr. Som Sekhar GANGULY , Business Development Executive EBTC, Kolkata
	12.00-12.10	Q&A	
5	12.10-12.40	European Union: Funding possibilities for young Indian researchers interested (Erasmus +, Marie Curie Actions and European Research Council)	Dr. Vivek DHAM , Adviser - R&I, EU Delegation to India
	12.40- 13.15	Further Q&A and general discussion	

13h30-14h30 Lunch		
14h30-15h30	World IP Day 2015 talk	Visit to Molecular Biology and Biotechnology
15h40-16h15	By	Visit to Department of Energy
16h30-17h15	Mr. Denis Dambois First Counsellor and Head of Research & Innovation, EU Delegation to India	Visit to Centre for Innovation, Incubation and Entrepreneurship (CIIE)