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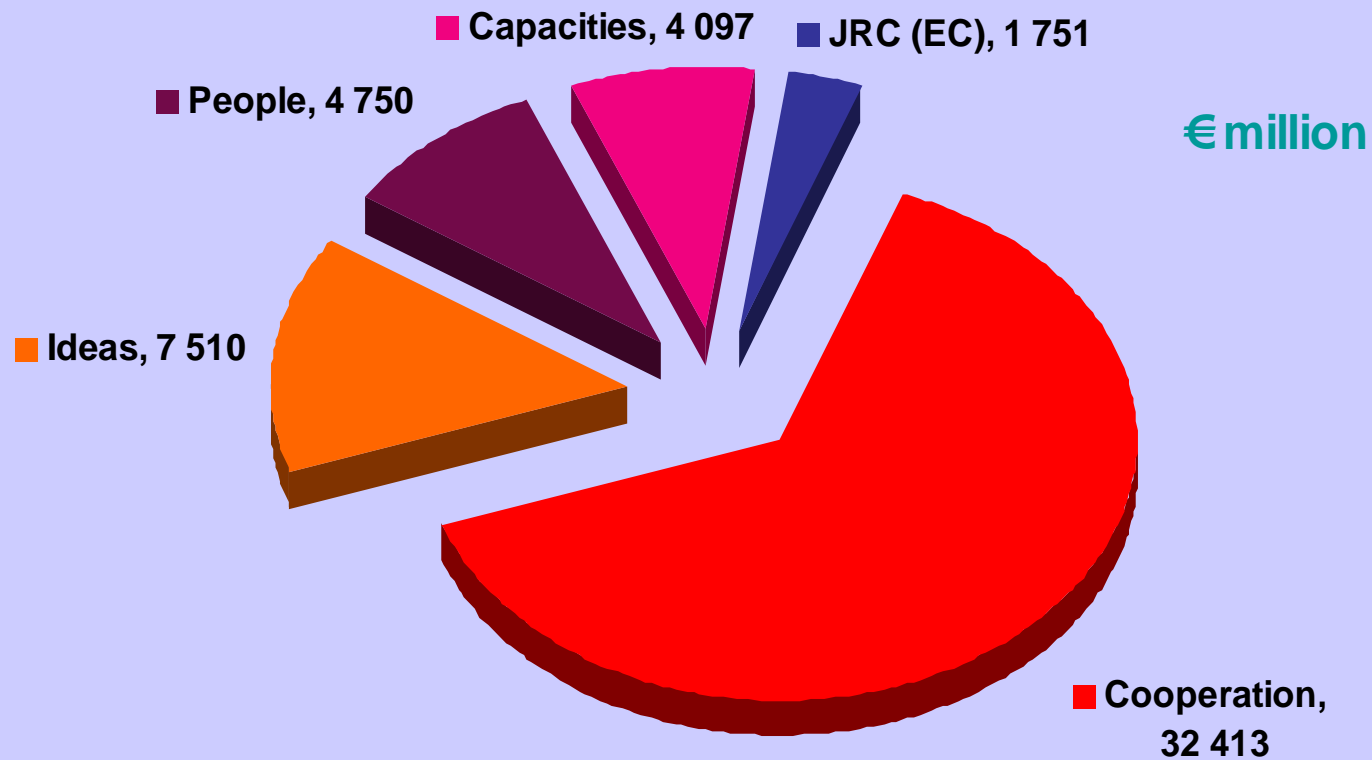
# International S&T Cooperation in FP7

## *ERA-WIDE Call*

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## Over €53 Billion





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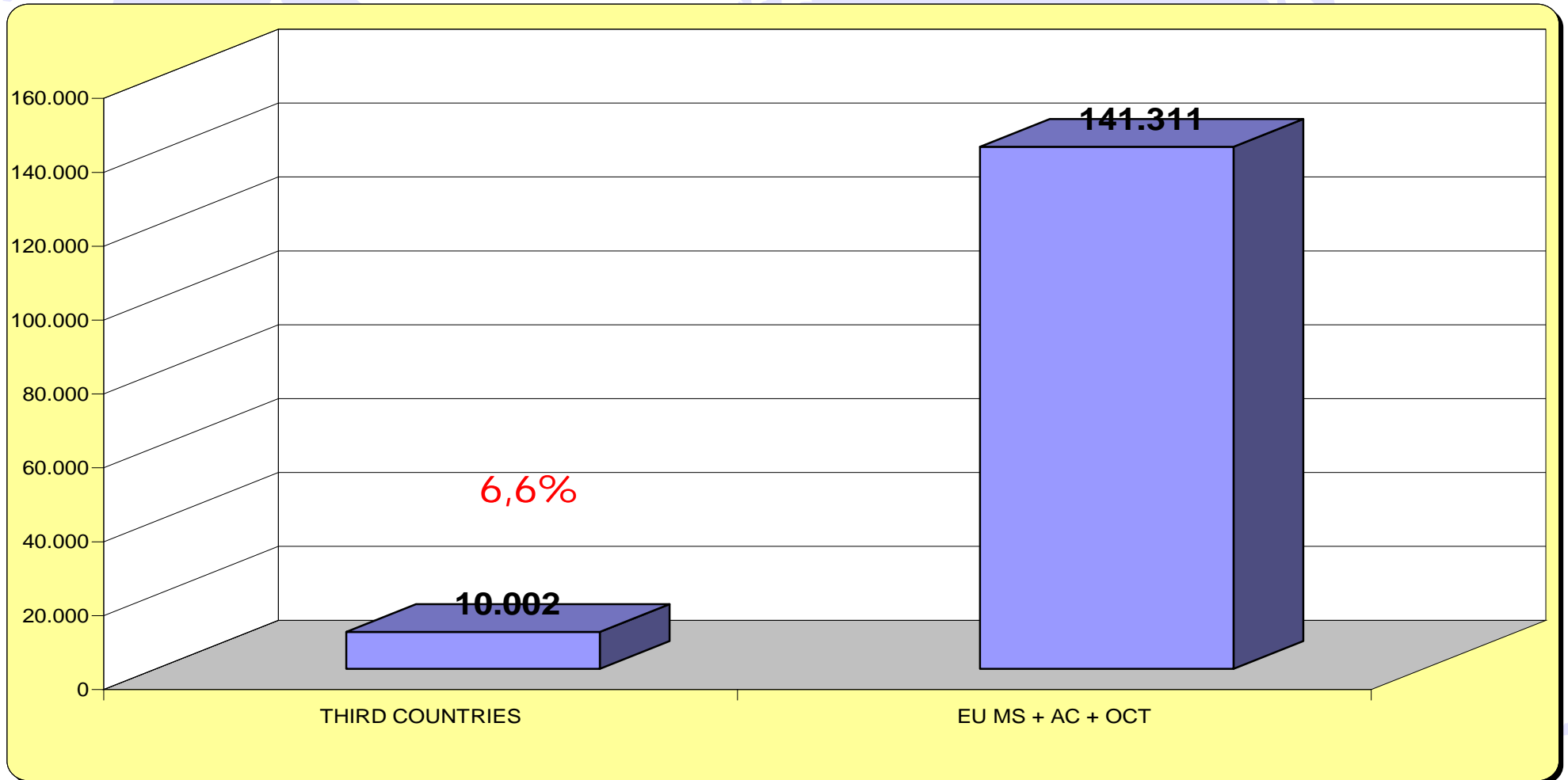
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# FP7 Cooperation SP *Applications*

REFERENCE DATE: Calls 07+08+09 - 28 May 09

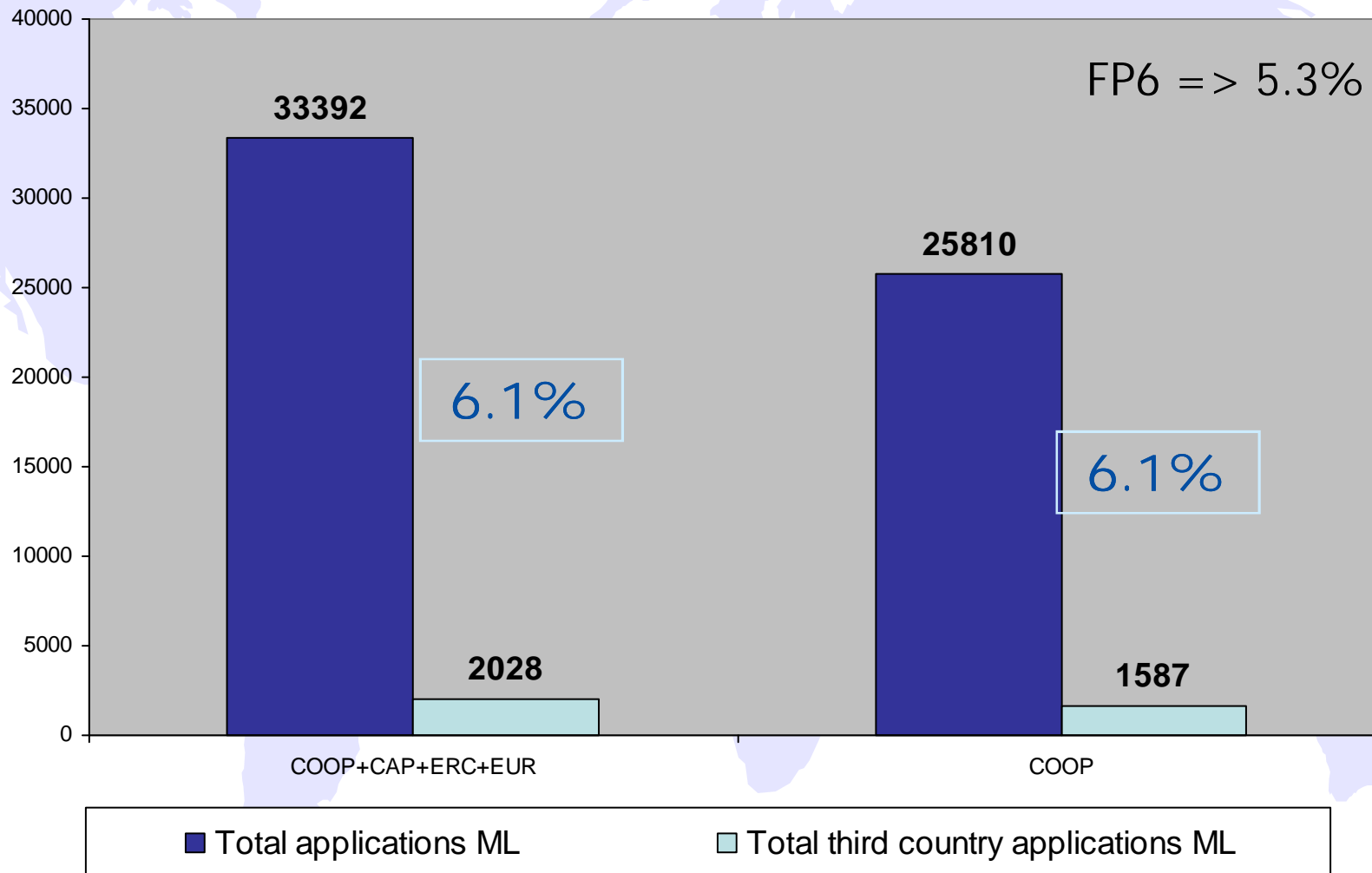
**COOPERATION / all thematic areas**  
**151313 APPLICATIONS (in proposals submitted)**





# International Cooperation *Current Level*

Data after 2 years of FP7



Cut off date 28 May 2009



# What are the tools for supporting /enhancing International S&T Cooperation?

## ➤ **Opening of the FP**

- Participation of all third countries
- Funding of ICPC countries

## ➤ **Two-pronged approach**

- "Mainstream": Instruments for targeted cooperation
- "Specific": INCO leveraging/supporting instruments

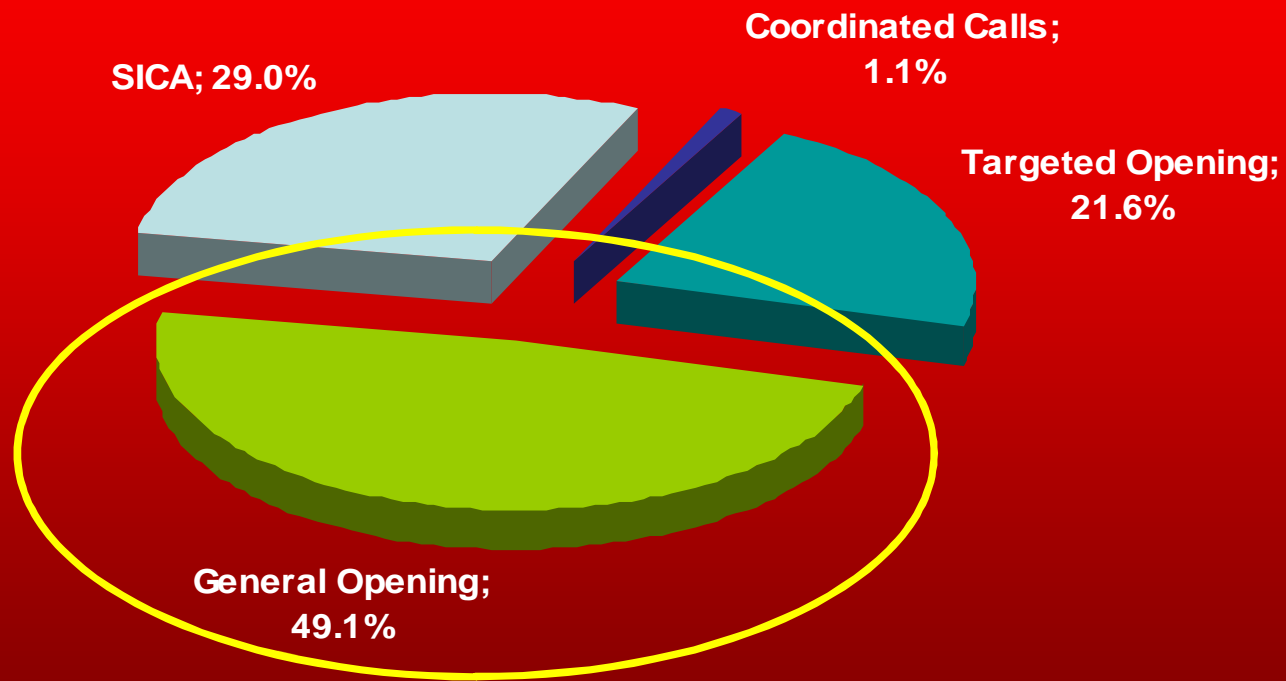
## ➤ **International agreements**

- Association to the FP
- S&T cooperation agreements



# International Cooperation in FP7

## *main listed applications*





# CAPACITIES - International Cooperation ERA-WIDE – Objectives

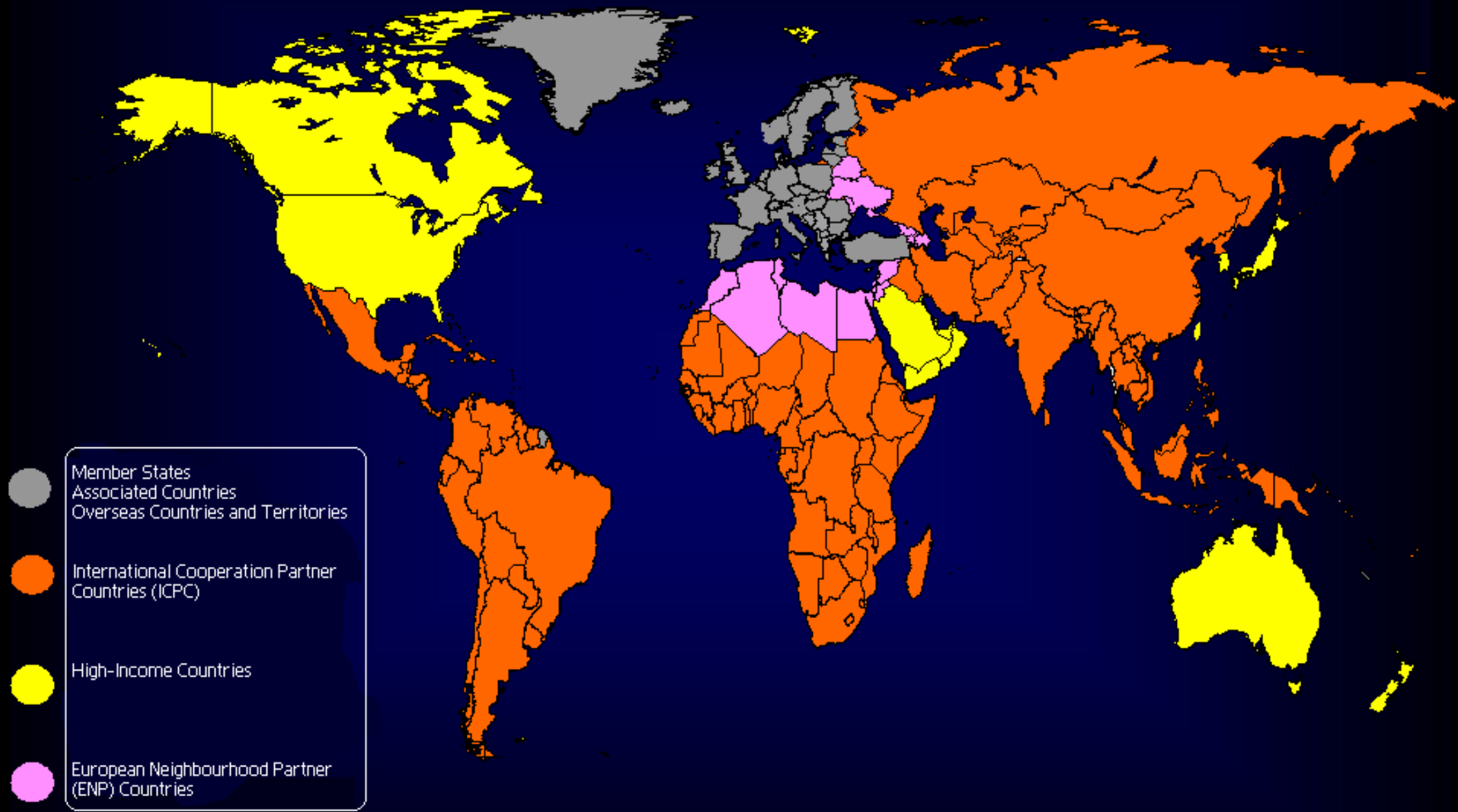
## Integrating Europe's neighbours into the ERA (ERA-WIDE):

Objective:

To reinforce the **cooperation capacities** of research centres located in the **ENP countries, which are not associated to FP7**, in the areas of the thematic priorities of FP7.

# FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME

## Participation by legal entities from third countries





## CAPACITIES - International Cooperation ERA-WIDE – Country coverage

ERA-WIDE proposals should target only one of the following countries:

### Mediterranean Partner Countries:

**Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia, Libya, Egypt, Jordan, Occupied Palestinian Territory, Lebanon, Syria**

### Eastern Europe and South Caucasus:

**Moldova, Georgia, Ukraine, Belarus, Armenia, Azerbaijan**



## CAPACITIES - International Cooperation ERA-WIDE – Participants profile

- The call is addressed to **research centres** of proven high level S&T capacities, which are located in an ENP country **not associated to FP7**;
- The proposal should target only one such centre;
- The consortium should however include additional participants, in particular from the MS and/or AC so as to fulfil the objectives of the activity;
- The research centre targeted by the proposal should be the coordinator of the proposal.



# CAPACITIES - International Cooperation ERA-WIDE – Participants profile

- ***Research centre:*** existing working unit, either working independent or functioning within locally established research organisation
- The centre should not be a subsidiary or branch of an organisation established in another country



# CAPACITIES - International Cooperation ERA-WIDE - Activities

## ERA-WIDE actions:

- **Networking** with research centres in MS or AC in view of disseminating scientific information, identifying partners and setting up joint experiments;
- Developing **training modules** to build competency and facilitate the participation of these centres in FP7;
- **Developing research centres' strategy** in order to increase their scope (regional coverage, activities) and to improve their responses to the socio-economic needs of their countries and of the region.

# CAPACITIES - International Cooperation ERA-WIDE – Expected Impact

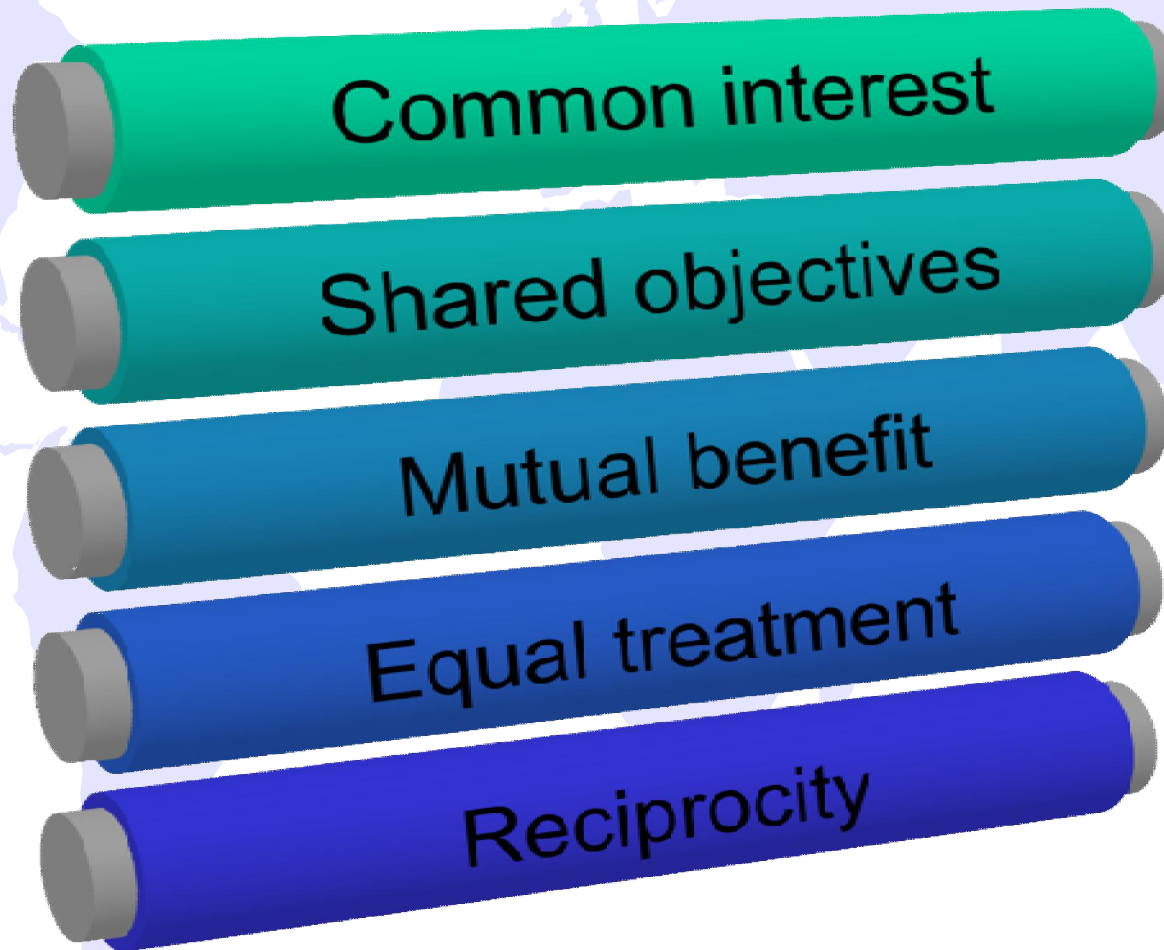
## **ERA-WIDE impact:**

- Contribution to RTD capacity building in the target country,
- Enhanced participation of the country in FP7,
- Increased scope (regional coverage, subjects, activities) of the centres with increased linkage with economic and social environment,
- Networking with research centres in MS and AC (mobilising human and material resources, disseminating scientific information, facilitating communication...),
- Increased job opportunities in the country for young scientists.



# International cooperation in FP7

## *Guiding principles*







# CAPACITIES - International Cooperation ERA-WIDE – Call fiche

- Call identifier: FP7-INCO-2010-6
- Call publication date: 30/07/09
- **Call closure date: 19/01/10**
- Indicative budget: 7.5 M€ (3 M€ for Eastern countries & 4.5 M€ for MPC)
- Funding scheme: CSA-SA, typ 0.5 M€/project for 3 years
- Eligibility criteria: min 1 participants (SA), the consortium must include the research centre that is targeted in the proposal.
- Evaluation criteria: threshold of 3 on criteria and 10 on total,
  - Preference given to proposals involving research organisations, universities and/or industrial organisations from MS/AC.
  - The participation of organisations from the target country is considered essential.



# 10 tips for participating in FP 7



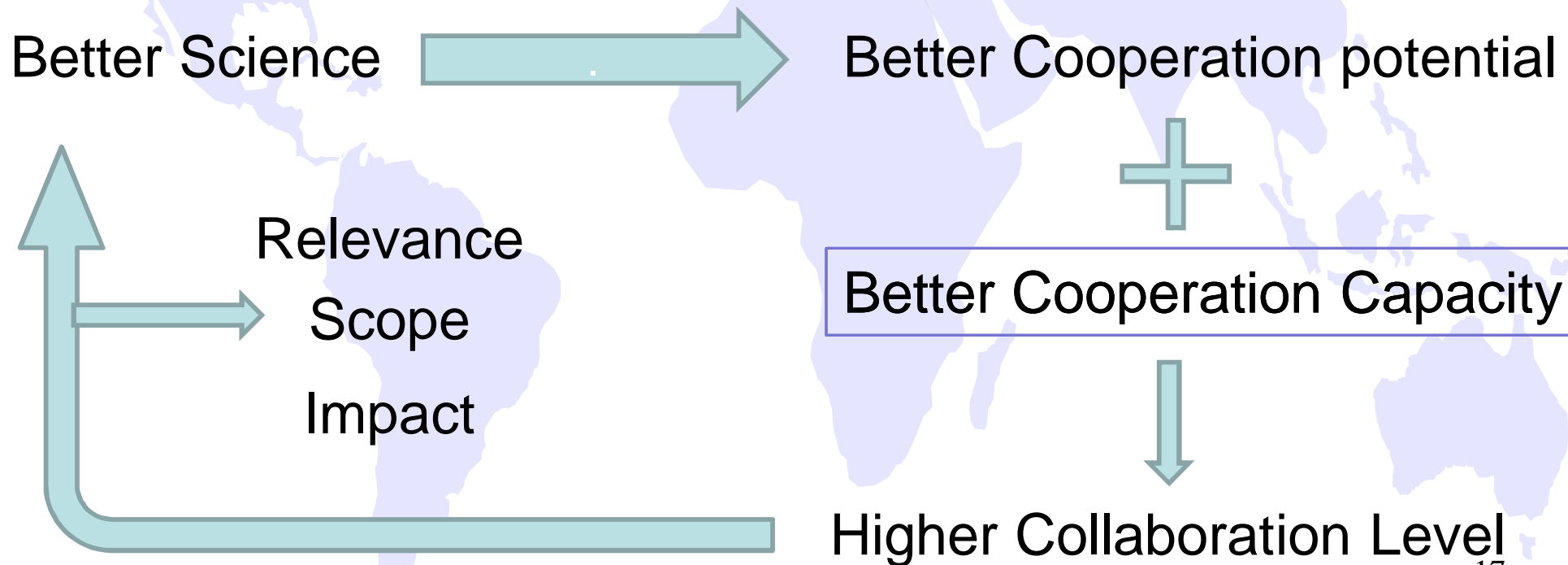
1. Regard the Framework Program as a means of expanding your organization's R&D rather than as a source of money.
2. Consider whether there is coherence between the strategy and goals of your organisation and the objectives of the work the EC wants to fund.
3. Be prepared to accept losses (average success rate 19%).
4. Proposal preparation and consortium development should begin before calls open.
5. Build the project consortium from existing networks and relationships. This helps to create trust.
6. Ensure that the consortium has a first-rate coordinator, with a strong scientific reputation, proven organization and project management skills.
7. Read the work program for the call you are interested in carefully.
8. Address all the evaluation criteria and tailor your proposal to what those people assessing your proposals will be looking for.
9. Aim to deliver value for money with a realistic requested budget.
10. Seek advice from your national contact point.





# Conclusions

Remember that the European Framework Programme is based on **competition, excellence, and collaboration**





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