

## FP6 Sources of information

**UKRO (the Research Councils' Research Office in Brussels)** web-pages offer a rapid route to information on FP6, and are available to scientists based at UKRO subscribing academic institutions, and those at NERC Research and Collaborative Centres.

UKRO webpages at [www.ukro.ac.uk](http://www.ukro.ac.uk) - new FP6 pages giving the latest information and access to all relevant Commission documents, plus a FP6 online Tutorial.

UKRO supports **European Liaison Officers** at subscribing academic institutions. These should be the first port of call for your enquiries; for those in NERC Collaborative Centres Amanda Crowfoot is UKRO's NERC Liaison officer and an additional contact point for queries (e-mail [amanda.crowfoot@bbsrc.ac.uk](mailto:amanda.crowfoot@bbsrc.ac.uk)).

**CORDIS** is the Community Research and Development Information Service and its gateway to FP6 information is at [http://europa.eu.int/comm/research/fp6/index\\_en.html](http://europa.eu.int/comm/research/fp6/index_en.html)

The Commission has published a 88pp guide to Participation in European Research specifically FP6) at [http://europa.eu.int/comm/research/fp6/pdf/how-to-participate\\_en.pdf](http://europa.eu.int/comm/research/fp6/pdf/how-to-participate_en.pdf) This contains many web references to consult for further information, with Chapter 6 having the most comprehensive listing.

NERC's introduction to FP6 web-page is at <http://www.nerc.ac.uk/international/frameworksix.shtml>

### European Commission Policy Documents

Research activities that do not contribute in some demonstrable way to the European Union's policy goals cannot be funded from the Framework Programme. This is true regardless of the scientific and technological excellence of the proposed research, and applies equally to all Priority themes as well as to the EURATOM programme in FP6.

The Commission will also be looking to fund specific activities related to policy-making in Priority 8.

For Commission Policy documents relating to Air <http://europa.eu.int/comm/environment/air/index.htm> is a useful starting point.

For details of **Commission help-desks**, which individual researchers are encouraged to use especially with respect to "science scoping" enquiries, please see accompanying list.

The European Commission is currently supporting the establishment of a new network of National Contact Points (NCPs) for the Sixth Framework Programme (FP6). NCPs, as under FP5, will provide practical information, assistance and training on new FP6 structure and instruments to potential participants and contractors. Information is not yet available, check <http://www.cordis.lu/fp5/src/ncps.htm> for updates.