

# EuroMed Research Business Institute & PRAXIS/HELP-FORWARD Network

INVITE YOU TO PARTICIPATE IN A WORKSHOP & SYMPOSIUM ON

## **Research Proposals: Funding Opportunities, Submission and Implementation Challenges**

DURING THE 4<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE EUROMED ACADEMY OF BUSINESS  
THAT WILL BE HELD IN ELOUNDA, CRETE ON THE 20<sup>th</sup> AND 21<sup>st</sup> OF OCTOBER 2011

The objective of the proposed workshop/symposium is twofold: First to discuss the challenges and practical realities of discovering opportunities and attracting funds for research proposals. While many of us have feasible research ideas and plans, the process of transforming them into specific research proposals capable of attracting substantial funding is challenging especially as regards the research grants' reservoir of the European Union. Second, to identify regulations, requirements and procedures related to project implementation. While there is plenty of funding, available for research, within the various EU Programmes and Frameworks, the requirements of project implementation can be very demanding.

On the above grounds, the workshop will cover the following areas of interest:

- Identifying proposal submission opportunities
- Designing a successful research grant proposal: from the idea to the project
- Legal and financial issues: from Grant Agreement to Certification and Audit
- Project reporting procedures, financial regulations and cost allocation guidelines of EC projects
- Practical issues: Proposal Drafting, Administrative and Contractual Aspects of FP7
- Participants' Various Topics of Interest or Project Ideas

Please submit your Topics of Interest and/or Project Ideas for discussion by completing and e-mailing the attached form to Maya Finger at [mayafinger1@gmail.com](mailto:mayafinger1@gmail.com) copying myself at [tsoukat@staff.teicrete.gr](mailto:tsoukat@staff.teicrete.gr) by August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2011.

Looking forward to sharing with you ideas and experiences related to research projects.

Kind regards

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