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Financial instrument	Total budget	Distribution (time intervals)	Distribution (sector)	Type (grant, loan, equity, other)	Geography	Remarks
FP7 (all)	€52bn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • annual and quarterly calls • open submission on specific sectors • open from 2007 till 2013 	All sciences and technology sectors with the exception of defence and financial services (directly)	Grant Typically 75% for SMEs plus a 20% flat rate overheads, 50% for large organisations plus up to 60% overheads	EU-27 plus EEA countries Specific calls targeting third countries including BRIC, North America and some emerging economies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EU's main financial instrument supporting R&D • highly organised and structured • complex procedures & eligibility criteria • emphasis on basic & applied research and not on development • concept development and not market-ready objectives
FP7 Cooperation	€32.413bn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • annual and quarterly calls • open submission on specific sectors • open from 2007 till 2013 	All sciences and technology sectors with the exception of defence and financial services (directly)	Grant Typically 75% for SMEs plus a 20% flat rate overheads, 50% for large organisations plus up to 60% overheads	EU-27 plus EEA countries Specific calls targeting third countries including BRIC, Japan, North America and some emerging economies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • most popular sub-FP7 programme • UK's main participation programme • highly complex, mid- large projects typically in range of €3m-€6m • minimum three businesses & two universities from at least three different member states • success rate on average stands at 14%
FP7 Ideas	€7.5bn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • annual calls • open from 2007 till 2013 	All sciences and technology sectors	Each project can receive up to €2m (for starting grants) or up to €3.5m (for advanced grants), for up to 5 years Grant contribution is 100% of financial requirement plus 20% as overheads for the host institution	EU-27 plus EEA countries Specific calls targeting third countries including BRIC, Japan, North America and some emerging economies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • aimed at academics only, but host institution could include in specific cases private companies • limited potential for SMEs • potential for research-intensive SMEs • minimal UK SME participation • 45% success rate
FP7 People	€4.7bn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • annual calls • open from 2007 till 2013 	All sciences and technology sectors	Grant contribution of 100% of financial requirement plus up to 60% overheads	EU-27 plus EEA countries Specific calls targeting third countries including BRIC, Japan, North America and some emerging economies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • aimed at mobilising researchers across Europe • emphasis on academics • good potential for SME (R&D intensive) participation • 35% success rate

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FP7 Capacities	€4.097bn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • annual calls • open from 2007 till 2013 	All sciences and technology sectors	Grant contribution of 100% of financial requirement plus up to 10% overheads	<p>EU-27 plus EEA countries</p> <p>Specific calls targeting third countries including BRIC, Japan, North America and some emerging economies</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SMEs only • contractual arrangement between SME and research organisation(s) • €0.5m-€1.5m projects
Joint technology initiatives	Variable (FP7 contribution at €2bn) (Industry contributions estimated at €1bn annually, total for the 2007-2013 period estimated at €10bn)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • annual calls • open from 2007 till 2013 	Six sectors (specified herein)	Grant with variable contribution rates with up to 75% funding	<p>EU-27 plus EEA countries</p> <p>Specific calls targeting third countries including BRIC, Japan, North America and some emerging economies</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • led by large industry • heavily market-ready / market-oriented principles • good potential for SMEs • projects from €2m-€30m • issues with IP Distribution as large industry is involved and leads R&D requirements
Innovative Medicines Initiative (IMI)	Variable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • annual calls • open from 2007 till 2013 	Health with emphasis on life sciences	Grant with variable contribution rates with up to 75% funding	<p>EU-27 plus EEA countries</p> <p>Specific calls targeting third countries including BRIC, Japan, North America and some emerging economies</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • led mainly by EFPIA (large pharma) • most projects are in the €15m+ range • background-foreground IP arrangement with joint IP ownership among businesses • strong UK participation, mainly from universities with SMEs appearing from 2009
Embedded Computing Systems (ARTEMIS)	Variable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • annual calls • open from 2007 till 2013 	Health with emphasis on life sciences	Grant with variable contribution rates with up to 75% funding	<p>EU-27 plus EEA countries</p> <p>Specific calls targeting third countries including BRIC, Japan, North America and some emerging economies</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • led by large industry • projects in the €5m+ range • attracted national, EC-FP7 and industry funding • low UK participation • clear commercial agreements and IP allocation

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Aeronautics and Air Transport (Clean Sky)	Variable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • annual calls • open from 2007 till 2013 	Avionics, with emphasis on fuselage and engines; particular interest in noise and fuel / emissions	Grant with variable contribution rates with up to 75% funding	EU-27 plus EEA countries Specific calls target north American and Russian participation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • led by large industry (mainly French and German with minimal UK participation through RR and BAE) • projects €5m+ • linked with SESAR though does not fund ATM/ATC research • small UK (especially London) input
Nanoelectronics Technologies 2020 (ENIAC)	Variable (on average €50m annually)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • annual calls • open from 2007 till 2013 	Generic electronics / microelectronics (excluding processors) and configuration / architecture / applications	Grant with variable contribution rates with up to 75% funding	EU-27 plus EEA countries Specific calls targeting third countries including BRIC, Japan, North America and some emerging economies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • minimal UK Participation • London participation focused on configuration and applications • €2m-€5m projects
Hydrogen and Fuel Cells Initiative (FCH)	Variable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • annual calls • open from 2007 till 2013 	Fuel Cells and Hydrogen production and storage (no bio fuel applications or technology)	Grant with variable contribution rates with up to 75% funding	EU-27 plus EEA countries Specific calls targeting third countries including BRIC, Japan, North America and some emerging economies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • good UK participation • London mainly participating through university spin-off companies • €2m-€5m projects
Global Monitoring for Environment and Security (GMES)	Variable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • annual calls • open from 2007 till 2013 	<p>Main areas: marine, land, atmosphere, emergency, security and climate change</p> <p>Newly added fields include social parameters</p> <p>Linked with the GALILEO satellite project</p>	Grant with variable contribution rates with up to 75% funding	EU-27 plus EEA countries Specific calls targeting third countries including BRIC, Japan, North America and some emerging economies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • medium UK participation • London participating mainly within the IT field • €2m-€5m projects

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EC Directorate General	DG Transport	Variable (on average €50m annually)	Annual calls	Covering all areas of transport (land, water, air) Air transport is mainly handled through SESAR / Eurocontrol / EASA	Grant funding not on R&D but on studies, infrastructure and capacity building Funding ranges between 50% for infrastructure through to 90% for studies	EU-27 plus EEA countries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • average UK participation • minimal London participation • minimal London presence in the DG
	DG Energy	Variable (on average €20m annually)	Annual calls	Covering mainly grid optimisation infrastructure projects alongside feasibility studies	Grant funding not on R&D but on studies, infrastructure and capacity building Funding ranges between 50% for infrastructure through to 90% for studies	EU-27 plus EEA and CIS countries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • zero UK participation
	DG Environment	Variable (on average €50m annually)	Annual calls	Covering mainly scientific studies and in specific cases analysis of environmental parameters (i.e. measurements)	Grant funding not on R&D but on studies, infrastructure and capacity building Funding ranges between 50% for infrastructure through to 90% for studies	EU-27 plus EEA and CIS countries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • average UK participation • participation mainly through UK academia • London participation below UK average
	DG Education & Culture	Variable (on average €100m annually)	Annual calls	Covering mainly mobility matters (i.e. student and scientists exchange between EU-27 and EEA countries; exceptionally it includes professionals from 3rd countries)	Grant funding mainly on mobility (110% subsidy rate); approximately 5% of budget allocated for infrastructure (i.e. new incubation facilities and capital equipment) and studies	EU-27 plus EEA countries Specific calls targeting third countries including BRIC, Japan, North America and some emerging economies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • strong UK participation • strong London participation, mainly through Marie Curie • London also participates through large company participation

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EC Directorate General	DG Health	Variable (on average €100m annually)	Annual calls	Covering European Health and 3rd World countries epidemics	Grants Focus on studies and supporting co-ordination of scientific activities; typically grant are covering 100% plus up to 40% overheads of activities	EU-27 plus EEA countries Specific calls targeting third countries including BRIC, Japan, North America and some emerging economies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • medium UK participation with London participating mainly through academia • funding is often filtered from London academia to spin-off companies
	DG Enterprise & Industry	Variable (on average €80m annually)	Annual calls	Covering European enterprise affairs	Grants Focus on studies and supporting co-ordination of scientific activities; typically grant are covering 100% plus up to 40% overheads of activities	EU-27 plus EEA countries Specific calls targeting third countries including BRIC, Japan, North America and some emerging economies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • below EU-27 average for UK participation • strong interest in the VC related activities that the DG engaged with since 2008
	DG Economy and Finance	Variable (on average €40m annually)	Annual calls	Covering European economic affairs	Grants Focus on studies and supporting co-ordination of scientific (social) activities; typically grant are covering 100% plus up to 40% overheads of activities	EU-27 plus EEA countries Specific calls targeting third countries including BRIC, Japan, North America and some emerging economies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • average UK participation • good London participation through London academia
	DG Relex	Variable (on average €200m annually)	Annual calls	Covering EU-27 / EC external affairs; in charge of all European Aid programmes (tenders and grants) to third countries	Grants and tenders Grants tend to invite EU-27 companies for studies and third country organisations for EuropeAid programmes	EU-27 and EEA countries only In grant funding and tenders outside EU-27 local companies of the beneficiary country are allowed and encouraged to apply	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • average UK participation • very strong London participation through services and consulting organisations

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EC Directorate General	IEE	Variable (total budget for 2008-2013 €740m)	Annual calls	No R&D or infrastructure; the focus is on activities aimed at changing socio-economic, market, regulatory, policy and institutional affairs. Activities include mainly promotion and exceptionally demonstration of new technology activities linked to a wider promotion framework	Grants of up to 75% of projects expenses	EU-27 only (plus Norway, Croatia, Iceland and Lichtenstein)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • projects of €0.5m-€1.5m • minimal UK participation, mainly through charities and public sector bodies • not particularly attractive to an SME • SME participation ideal through sub-contracts in a project
	Eco-Innovation	Variable (total budget for 2008-2013 €200m)	Annual calls	Supporting implementation and sue of new products and services that deliver substantial results in energy saving and waste	Grants of up to 75% of projects expenses	EU-27 only (plus Norway, Croatia, Iceland and Lichtenstein)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • total project value up to £700,000, of which match funding is set at 50 • minimal UK participation • potential for SMEs to market new products and services in the sector • contact rachael.m@gle.co.uk / 020 7940 1517 for more information
	Media Programme	Variable (total budget for 2007-2013 €755m)	Annual calls	Funding available for a range of support to the audiovisual sector. Of interest to SMEs is support to help companies access new markets, support the training of media professionals and the pre-production costs involved in the making of a feature film, documentary or tv series.	Grants of up to 75% of projects expenses	EU-27 only (plus Norway, Croatia, Iceland and Lichtenstein)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • project size varies from €50,000-€1m • contact rachael.m@gle.co.uk / 020 7940 1517 for more information
	European Defence Agency	Variable (annual budget in excess of €150m)	Annual calls	Funding for new technology implementation, R&D, demonstration and testing, pure focus on defence related projects	Grants of up to 100% of projects expenses	26 member states only (Denmark not participating as of 2010)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • no typical project value as these vary on the nature of the technology • zero UK participation on funding activities as the UK only participated in 2009)
	LIFE+	Variable; approximately €250m pa. and total budget for 2008-2013 at €2.1bn	Annual calls	Funding for the environment, biodiversity mainly through demonstration projects that can influence policy	Grants typically at 50%; exceptionally 75% subsidies can be allocated	EU-27 only (plus Norway, Croatia, Iceland and Lichtenstein)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • projects in the range of €0.5-€3m • strong UK participation with c. 200 projects funded since 1996