



Enhancing Scientific Cooperation between the European Union and Central America

The ENLACE project aims at supporting the bi-regional dialogue between the EU and Central America (CA) on science, technology and innovation issues, identifying common interests in research areas, setting up S&T priorities, supporting capacity building activities and enhancing the dialogue within the region.

ENLACE SERVICES

- Support to the "JOINT INITIATIVE FOR RESEARCH AND INNOVATION" as part of developing a EU-LAC Knowledge Area
- Organization of THEMATIC WORKSHOPS bringing together EU and CA experts.
- TRAINING activities to increase the knowledge of FP7 and Innovation & Technology Transfer.
- Setting up of NATIONAL CONTACT POINTS networks in the Region
- Dissemination and information EVENTS to promote ENLACE services and FP7 opportunities

TRAVEL GRANT SCHEME

The travel grant scheme supports Central American and European researchers' mobility to enhance joint participation in the 7th Framework Programme. Researchers are encouraged to participate in international conferences and brokerage events taking place in Europe. Their stay will also include visits to research centers, in order to provide the opportunity to meet potential partners and facilitate consortium building for future projects.

If you are interested look for the call for applicants on the ENLACE website!

Contact us
www.enlace-project.eu

7th Framework Programme for Research, Technological Development and Demonstration Activities



The 7th Framework Programme for Research, Technological Development and Demonstration Activities (FP7) is the main instrument at EU level aimed specifically at supporting research and development.

It lasts from 2007 until 2013 and provides grants to research actors of the European Union and partners from outside Europe co-financing research, technological development and demonstration projects.

According to the European strategy of international scientific cooperation (INCO) – developed over the last 25 years – FP7 promoted two initiatives of collaboration between Europe and some countries located in Central America and the Caribbean: ENLACE and EUCARINET.

Contact Points for obtaining information on the FP7 and the EU – Central America & The Caribbean cooperation activities are listed in this leaflet.

For a list of European National Contact Points:
http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/ncp_en.html

ACRONYM	FP7 AREAS COVERED
COORDINATOR	General coordination of NCPs activities in the country
HEALTH	Cooperation - Health
BIO	Cooperation - Food, Agriculture and Fisheries, Biotechnology
ICT	Cooperation - Information & communication technologies
ENERGY	Cooperation - Energy
ENVIRONMENT	Cooperation - Environment (including Climate Change)
MOBILITY	Mobility of researchers intra and extra Europe
SME	Capacities – Research for the benefit of SMEs
INCO	Capacities - Activities supporting international cooperation with and Third countries participation

RESEARCH OFFICER	Research Officers appointed through EUCARINET
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EU Research & Innovation Contact Points in Central America and the Caribbean

National Contact Points (NCPs) for the 7 Framework Programme for Research and Technological Development



People linking researchers across the world



Fostering EU – Caribbean Research and Innovation Networks

The EUCARINET project main goal is to strengthen bi-regional sustainable policy dialogue on S&T between EU Member States (MS), Associated States (AS) and in the Caribbean Region, the Caribbean ACP States, the overseas Departments and Collectivities, the Overseas Countries and Territories (OCTs). EUCARINET tailor-made services to each type of stakeholders.

FOR CARIBBEAN POLICY MAKERS:

- Actively contribute to the mapping and to the project research
- Receive reports and brief papers on both state of art and on proposals to improve cooperation
- Participate in high level meetings (effect on EU-Car. and on interregional Car. Cooperation)
- Support in selecting key national Research Officers

FOR CARIBBEAN RESEARCHERS

- Detailed information on FP7 (rules, calls, etc) through website
- Specific thematic information (through the selected Officers)
- Possibility to promote themselves through EUCARINET Database
- Possibility to propose issues for discussion (through events participation and online means)

GRANT SCHEME

The travel grant scheme supports Caribbean researchers' mobility to enhance joint participation in the 7th Framework Programme. Researchers are encouraged to participate in international conferences and brokerage events taking place in Europe. Their stay will also include visits to research centers, in order to provide the opportunity to meet potential partners and facilitate consortium building for future projects.

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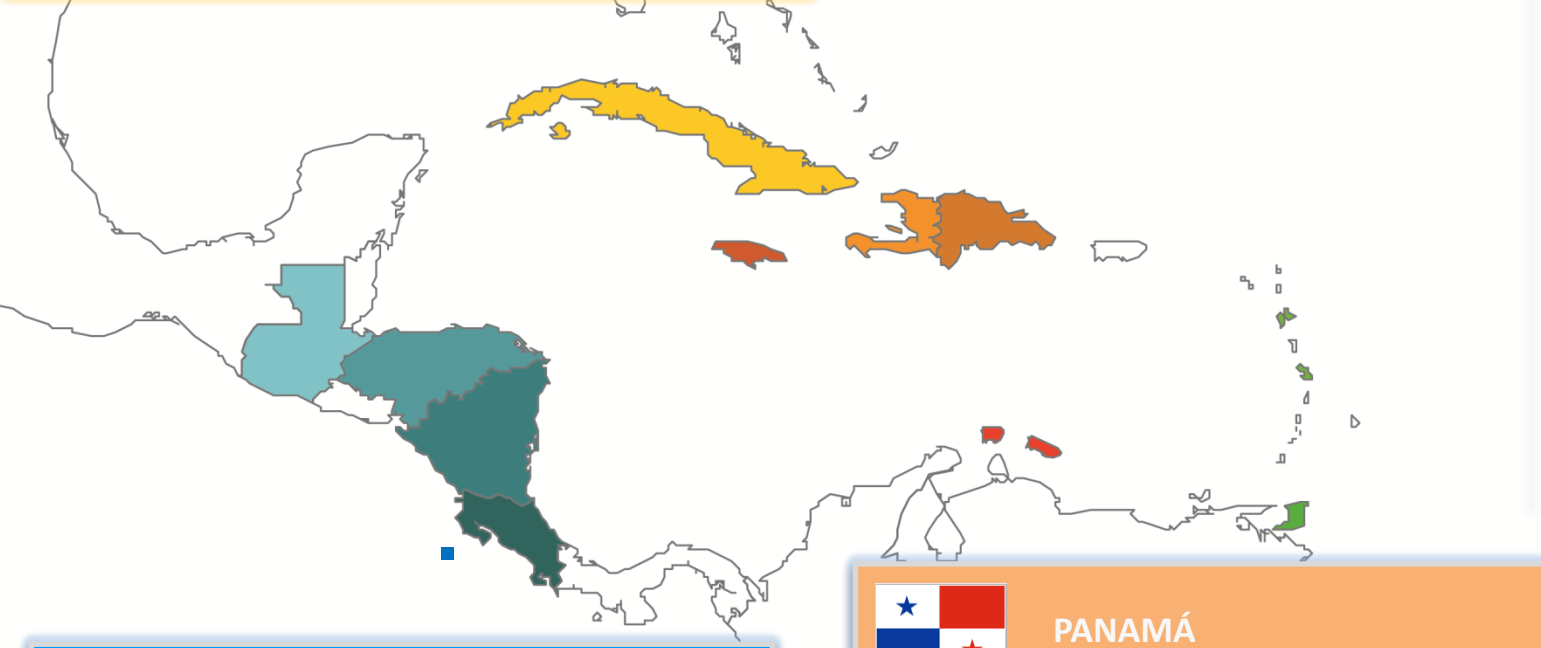
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