



CALL FOR PROPOSALS

FOR CEI UNIVERSITY NETWORK JOINT PROGRAMMES

A.Y. 2011/2012

Deadline: 1 March 2011

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

a. THE CENTRAL EUROPEAN INITIATIVE

The Central European Initiative (CEI) is composed of 18 Member States: Albania, Austria, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Italy, Macedonia, Moldova, Montenegro, Poland, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia and Ukraine, embracing a territory of 2.4 million square kilometres and a population of nearly 260 million.

From the very beginning, the main aim of the Initiative was to support the countries in Central and Eastern Europe in their transition process and their efforts at approaching the EU. Although the CEI is not a major donor organisation, it disposes of several funds which are used to promote projects in diverse sectors of activity.

The accession of five CEI Member States to the EU in May 2004 and 2006 has shifted the CEI focus towards those Member States which remain outside of the EU. By developing and implementing various projects and programmes, the CEI supports its Member States in a demand-driven manner.

b. THE CEI UNIVERSITY NETWORK

The CEI UNIVERSITY NETWORK (CEI UniNet), established in 2004, is CEI's main activity in the field of Higher Education.

The idea was launched on the occasion of the Summit Meeting of the Heads of Government of the Central European Initiative held in Trieste on November 21-24, 2001.

The Founding Charter of the CEI UniNet was endorsed by the Heads of Government on the occasion of the CEI annual Summit held in Warsaw in November 2003.

The CEI University Network is based in Trieste (Italy) at the CEI-ES headquarters and is headed by the Rector of the University of Trieste in his capacity as Chairman of the Executive Board (meets once a year) and of the General Assembly (meets every three years).

The CEI UniNet is a network of universities in the 18 CEI Member States and is based on the principle of mobility of students and teachers at academic level for specific Joint Programmes through teaching grants and scholarship awards. The selected Proposals will receive a contribution in order to facilitate the above-mentioned mobility.

2. SELECTION CRITERIA

a) Co-operation within the CEI University Network takes the form of Joint Programmes (JPs) of academic character, such as PhDs and Master's courses. Summer schools, seminars and workshops may also be eligible provided they envisage a teaching element, a minimum duration of one week, and an award certificate.

b) A JP can be submitted either by nationally recognised universities or other institutions of higher learning provided that the latter has an adequate academic profile.

c) A JP presupposes the co-operation of at least two universities/institutions of higher learning belonging to the CEI Member States. Priority is given to JPs involving Participating Universities from CEI non-EU Member States (Albania, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Macedonia, Moldova, Montenegro, Serbia, Ukraine) and involving a larger number of

Universities.

d) There are six (6) main areas of cooperation of the CEI University Network:

- Advanced Biotechnology
- Economics
- Environment and Sustainable Development
- ICT
- Infrastructure and Logistics
- Regional Development, Public Administration (including Governance Models)

Other areas of co-operation are not excluded if the merit of a Joint Programme proposed justifies its adoption.

e) The language of instruction of a JP is to be English.

f) A JP is based on the principle of mobility of both students and teaching staff. CEI visibility must be guaranteed by the use of the CEI University Network logo on all documentation and specific teaching material used in a Joint Programme.

g) Any degree or certificate awarded in the context of a CEI JP shall be identified as such and bear the CEI University Network logo.

h) While it is possible that a JP is implemented in one location only, efforts should be made to involve at least another Participating University in its implementation. In practical terms, this means that in case of a one-year course, one semester each could be offered by two of the Participating Universities ("Split Joint Programmes").

i) The utilisation of advanced technology such as e-learning as well as video recording according to a given standard will be considered as a strong asset.

3. SELECTION PROCEDURE

Upon recommendation of the Chairperson of the CEI University Network the Executive Board composed of the Coordinating Universities of the CEI UniNet will evaluate the applications (see ***list of contacts attached herewith***).

The list of the proposals selected will be published on the CEI website (www.ceinet.org) once this process is concluded.

4. FINANCIAL SUPPORT

a) CEI financial support to a JP consists of scholarships to visiting students and grants to visiting teachers from abroad. This means that a student or teacher will not be financially supported while attending or teaching courses at his/her home University. If, however, part of a Joint Programme takes place at another Participating University abroad, he/she will be eligible for funding from the CEI.

b) The compensation (currency used: Euro) depends on the duration of a Joint Programme and the cost of living of the country/ies where it is implemented. It will, therefore, be determined on a case by case basis as follows:

It usually covers accommodation, travel, applicable health and accident insurance premiums as well as a compensation on a daily/weekly/monthly basis for teachers and on a monthly basis for students.

c) Financial support could also be provided for video- recording according to a given standard.

d) the financial support available this year is of around 100.000 EUR for 5 projects on competitive basis, on the following levels:

Teachers:

Duration Costs of stay (payoff + accommodation + living exp.

in €)

1 day: 150

1 week: 900

2 weeks: 1 300
3 weeks: 1 800
4 weeks: 2 200
Further weeks: 500

Students (monthly amount):

- In Austria and Italy: € 600
- In other EU Member States of the CEI (Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia):
€ 500
- in non-EU Member States of the CEI (Albania, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Macedonia, Moldova, Montenegro, Serbia, Ukraine): € 400
- Upon request by the JP Co-ordinator and in exceptional cases, when the Applicant University belongs to a CEI non EU Member State, a lump sum contribution of 1000 EUR may be granted to cover pre-organisational costs for setting up the Joint Programme as well as for visa expenses.

5. HOW TO APPLY

a) the Applicant University is to send its Joint Programme Proposal (by e-mail and post mail) both to **the Coordinating University** of its country as well as **to the CEI Executive Secretariat** by **1 March 2011** (*see list of contacts attached herewith*) .

The Application Form is available on the CEI Website: www.ceinet.org

b) The Legal Representative (i.e. Rector) of the Applicant University must sign the Application Form.

c) The JP Co-ordinator, in charge of the preparation and administration of a Joint Programme, is to hold an academic position within the Applicant University.

Important:

Filling in the Application Form properly in all its parts is a pre-requisite for the participation in the Call for

Proposals.

All necessary information is also available at: www.ceinet.org

For any additional information please refer to: pibernik@cei-es.org

Annex 1 – List of Contacts

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