

Call title: KBBE 2012

- **Call identifier:** FP7-KBBE-2012-6 – single stage
- **Date of publication:** 20 July 2011
- **Deadline¹:** 15 November 2011 at 17.00.00, Brussels local time
- **Indicative budget²:** EUR 304.57 million (EUR 299.57 million from Theme FAFB and EUR 5 million from Theme ENERGY)

The budget for this call is indicative. The final budget awarded to actions implemented through calls for proposals may vary:

- The final budget of the call may vary by up to 10% of the total value of the indicated budget for each call;
- Any repartition of the call budget may also vary by up to 10% of the total value of the indicated budget for the call;
- In case the budget of EUR 10 million for the topic KBBE.2012.1.2-01 can not be consumed (totally or partially) the corresponding budget will be returned half to the main part of Activity 2.1 of Theme FAFB, and half to activities of Theme ENERGY;
- In case the budget of EUR 23 million for the topic KBBE.2012.3.2-01 can not be consumed (totally or partially) the corresponding budget will be returned to the main part of Activity 2.3;
- In case the budget of EUR 22 million for the topic KBBE.2012.3.4-02 can not be consumed (totally or partially) the corresponding budget will be returned to the main part of Activity 2.3.

Activity		Indicative amount (EUR million)³
Activity 2.1: Sustainable production and management of biological resources from land, forest and aquatic environments	All topics excluding topic KBBE.2012.1.2-01	97
	Topic KBBE.2012.1.2-01	10 ⁴
Activity 2.2: Fork to farm: Food (including seafood), health and well being		82
Activity 2.3: Life sciences, biotechnology and biochemistry for sustainable non-food products and processes	All topics excluding topics KBBE.2012.3.2-01 and KBBE.2012.3.4-02	70
	Topic KBBE.2012.3.2-01	23
	Topic KBBE.2012.3.4-02	22

¹ The Director-General responsible may delay this deadline by up to two months.

² Under the condition that the draft budget for 2012 is adopted without modification by the budgetary authority.

³ The budget figures given in this table are rounded to the unit.

⁴ The budget of this topic is funded equally by Theme FAFB (EUR 5M) and Theme ENERGY (EUR 5M).

- Topics called:

Activity/ Area	Topics called	Funding Schemes and eligibility criteria ⁵
<u>Activity 2.1: Sustainable production and management of biological resources from land, forest and aquatic environment</u>		
Area 2.1.1 Enabling research	<i>KBBE.2012.1.1-01: Improving seeds for agriculture and conservation activities</i> <i>Up to 1 project may be funded</i>	- Collaborative Project (small or medium-scale focused research project) - The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 3 000 000 per proposal
	<i>KBBE.2012.1.1-02: Animal and farm-centric approach to precision livestock farming in Europe</i> <i>Up to 1 project may be funded</i>	- Collaborative Project (large-scale integrating project targeted to SMEs) - The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 6 000 000 per proposal - 25 % of EU contribution to SMEs
	<i>KBBE.2012.1.1-03: Precision technologies to improve irrigation management and increase water productivity in major water-demanding crops in Europe</i> <i>Up to 1 project may be funded</i>	- Collaborative Project (large-scale integrating project targeted to SMEs) - The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 6 000 000 per proposal - 25 % of EU contribution to SMEs
Area 2.1.2 Increased sustainability of all production systems (agriculture, forestry, fisheries and aquaculture); plant health and crop protection	<i>KBBE.2012.1.2-01: Development of new or improved logistics for lignocellulosic biomass harvest, storage and transport (Topic implemented jointly by Themes FAFB and ENERGY)</i> <i>Up to one project will be funded in each of the three raw material types (agricultural residues, forestry residues and energy crops).</i> <i>The total budget of the topic is limited to EUR 10 000 000.⁶</i>	- Collaborative Project (small or medium-scale focused research project targeted to SMEs) - The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 3 500 000 per proposal - 25 % of EU contribution to SMEs
	<i>KBBE.2012.1.2-02: Managing semi-natural habitats and on-farm biodiversity to optimise</i>	- Collaborative Project (small or medium-scale focused research project) - The requested European Union

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	<p><i>ecological services</i></p> <p><i>Up to 2 projects may be funded</i></p>	<p><i>contribution shall not exceed EUR 3 000 000 per proposal</i></p>
	<p><i>KBBE.2012.1.2-03: Plant growth-promoting bio-effectors (microorganisms and active natural compounds) for alternative plant nutrition strategies in non-leguminous crops.</i></p> <p><i>Up to 1 project may be funded</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Collaborative Project (large-scale integrating project targeted to SMEs)</i> - <i>The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 6 000 000 per proposal</i> - <i>15 % of EU contribution to SMEs</i>
	<p><i>KBBE.2012.1.2-04: Vineyard agronomic management and optimised production systems for improved grape quality to reinforce competitiveness of the winegrowing sector</i></p> <p><i>Up to 1 project may be funded</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Collaborative Project (large-scale integrating project targeted to SMEs)</i> - <i>The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 6 000 000 per proposal</i> - <i>35 % of EU contribution to SMEs</i>
	<p><i>KBBE.2012.1.2-05: Development of seed testing methods for pests and pathogens of plant health concern</i></p> <p><i>Up to 1 project may be funded</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Collaborative Project (small or medium-scale focused research project)</i> - <i>The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 3 000 000 per proposal</i>
	<p><i>KBBE.2012.1.2-06: Multipurpose trees and non-wood forest products for an innovative forestry in rural areas</i></p> <p><i>Up to 1 project may be funded</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Collaborative Project (large-scale integrating project targeted to SMEs)</i> - <i>The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 6 000 000 per proposal</i> - <i>25 % of EU contribution to SMEs</i>
	<p><i>KBBE.2012.1.2-07: Development of management strategies for planted and managed forests to increase mitigation capacity</i></p> <p><i>Up to 1 project may be funded</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Collaborative project (small or medium-scale focused research project)</i> - <i>The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 3 000 000 per proposal</i>
	<p><i>KBBE.2012.1.2-09: Integrating the role of marine benthic ecosystems in fisheries management (The Ocean of Tomorrow)</i></p> <p><i>Up to 1 project may be funded</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Collaborative Project (large-scale integrating project targeted to SMEs)</i> - <i>The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 6 000 000 per proposal</i> - <i>15 % of EU contribution to SMEs</i> - <i>The duration of the proposals submitted under this topic shall be at least 4 years</i>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - With respect to the regional approach, the Baltic Sea, the North Sea, the Western Waters also called Western Approaches, the Mediterranean and Black Seas will have to be covered by specific case studies, each one addressing all the objectives of the topic. Proposals not fulfilling this criterion will not be funded.
	<p><i>KBBE.2012.1.2-10: Prevention of important diseases of farmed fish species</i></p> <p><i>Up to 1 project may be funded</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Collaborative Project (large-scale integrating project targeted to SMEs) - The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 6 000 000 per proposal - 15 % of EU contribution to SMEs - The duration of the proposals submitted under this topic shall be at least 4 years
	<p><i>KBBE.2012.1.2-11: Bridging the gap between science and producers to support the European marine mollusc production sector</i></p> <p><i>Up to 1 project may be funded</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Coordination and Support Action (coordinating action) - The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 650 000 per proposal - 25 % of EU contribution to SMEs - The duration of the proposals submitted under this topic shall be up to 1 year
	<p><i>KBBE.2012.1.2-12: Providing molecular tools for assessing and monitoring the potential genetic impact of aquaculture on native populations (The Ocean of Tomorrow)</i></p> <p><i>Up to 1 project may be funded</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Collaborative Project (small or medium-scale focused research project targeted to SMEs) - The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 3 000 000 per proposal - 15 % of EU contribution to SMEs
Area 2.1.3 Optimised animal health, production and welfare across agriculture, fisheries and aquaculture	<p><i>KBBE.2012.1.3-01: Development and evaluation of scientific methodologies for cost-effective risk-based animal health surveillance.</i></p> <p><i>Up to 1 project may be funded</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Collaborative Project (small or medium-scale focused research project targeted to SMEs) - The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 3 000 000 per proposal - 15 % of EU contribution to SMEs
	<p><i>KBBE.2012.1.3-02: Targeted research effort on African swine fever</i></p> <p><i>Up to 1 project may be funded</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Collaborative Project (large-scale integrating project targeted to SMEs) - The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 5 000 000 per proposal

		- 15 % of EU contribution to SMEs
	<p><i>KBBE.2012.1.3-03: Monogastrics Feed Efficiency - Efficiency of terrestrial livestock digestive systems and reduction of the ecological footprint through a combination of systems biology, 'omics' and nutrition</i></p> <p><i>Up to 1 project may be funded</i></p>	<p>- Collaborative Project (large-scale integrating project targeted to SMEs)</p> <p>- The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 6 000 000 per proposal</p> <p>- 15 % of EU contribution to SMEs</p>
	<p><i>KBBE.2012.1.3-04: Optimised terrestrial farm animal reproduction systems and/or technologies</i></p> <p><i>Up to 2 projects may be funded</i></p>	<p>- Collaborative Project (small or medium-scale focused research project targeted to SMEs)</p> <p>- The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 3 000 000 per proposal</p> <p>- 15 % of EU contribution to SMEs</p>
Area 2.1.4 Socio-economic research and support to policies	<p><i>KBBE.2012.1.4-01: Design of a systems analysis tools framework for the EU bio-based economy strategy</i></p> <p><i>Up to 1 project may be funded</i></p>	<p>- Coordination and Support Action (supporting action)</p> <p>- The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 500 000 per proposal</p>
	<p><i>KBBE.2012.1.4-02: Boosting the translation of FP projects' results into innovative applications in the field of agriculture, forestry, fisheries and aquaculture.</i></p> <p><i>Up to 3 projects may be funded</i></p>	<p>- Collaborative Project (small or medium-scale focused research project targeted to SMEs)</p> <p>- The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 1 000 000 per proposal</p> <p>- 75 % of EU contribution to SMEs</p> <p>- The duration of the proposals submitted under this topic shall be up to 2 years</p>
	<p><i>KBBE.2012.1.4-03: Advocacy and informational material for different media targeting decision makers at different levels and end-users in Africa in the fight against neglected zoonotic diseases</i></p> <p><i>Up to 1 project may be funded</i></p>	<p>- Coordination and Support Action (supporting action)</p> <p>- The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 500 000 per proposal</p> <p>- 25 % of EU contribution to SMEs</p>
	<p><i>KBBE.2012.1.4-04: Improved management practices and alternative treatments to improve animal health in</i></p>	<p>- Collaborative Project (small or medium-scale focused research project)</p> <p>- The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR</p>

	<i>organic farming systems</i> <i>Up to 1 project may be funded</i>	<i>3 000 000 per proposal</i>
	<i>KBBE.2012.1.4-05: Volatility of agricultural commodity markets</i> <i>Up to 1 project may be funded</i>	- Collaborative project (small or medium-scale focused research project) - The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 1 500 000 per proposal
	<i>KBBE.2012.1.4-06: Short chain delivery of food for urban-peri-urban areas</i> <i>Up to 2 projects may be funded</i>	- Collaborative Project (small or medium-scale focused research project targeted to SMEs) - The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 1 500 000 per proposal - 15 % of EU contribution to SMEs
	<i>KBBE.2012.1.4-07: Agricultural Knowledge and Innovation Systems for an inclusive Europe</i> <i>Up to 1 project may be funded</i>	- Coordination and Support Action (supporting action) - The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 1 500 000 per proposal
	<i>KBBE.2012.1.4-08: Development and application of methodologies and tools, including indicators, for the assessment of environmental impacts of rural development programmes in the EU</i> <i>Up to 1 project may be funded</i>	- Collaborative project (small or medium-scale focused research project) - The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 2 000 000 per proposal
	<i>KBBE.2012.1.4-09: International comparisons of product supply chains in the agro-food sectors: determinants of their competitiveness and performance on EU and international markets</i> <i>Up to 1 project may be funded</i>	- Collaborative project (small or medium-scale focused research project) - The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 2 500 000 per proposal
<u>Activity 2.2 Fork to farm: Food (including seafood), health and well being</u>		
Area 2.2.1 Consumers	<i>KBBE.2012.2.1-01: Role of health-related symbols and claims in consumer behaviour</i> <i>Up to 1 project may be funded</i>	- Collaborative project (small or medium-scale focused research project) - The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 3 000 000 per proposal

<p>Area 2.2.2 Nutrition</p>	<p><i>KBBE.2012.2.2-01: Beneficial effects of bioactive compounds in humans</i></p> <p><i>Up to 2 projects may be funded</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Collaborative Project (large-scale integrating project targeted to SMEs) - The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 6 000 000 per proposal - 25 % of EU contribution to SMEs
	<p><i>KBBE.2012.2.2-02: Study on the need for food and health research infrastructures</i></p> <p><i>Up to 1 project may be funded</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Coordination and Support Action (supporting action) - The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 2 000 000 per proposal
	<p><i>KBBE.2012.2.2-03: Impact of lifestyle on well-being and diet-related disease</i></p> <p><i>Up to 1 project may be funded</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Collaborative Project (large-scale integrating project) - The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 9 000 000 per proposal
<p>Area 2.2.3 Food processing</p>	<p><i>KBBE.2012.2.3-01: Feed production from food waste</i></p> <p><i>Up to 1 project may be funded</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Collaborative Project (small or medium-scale focused research project targeted to SMEs) - The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 3 000 000 per proposal - 35 % of EU contribution to SMEs
	<p><i>KBBE.2012.2.3-02: Exploitation of Framework Programme project results in food processing by small and medium-sized enterprises</i></p> <p><i>Up to 5 projects may be funded</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Collaborative Project (small or medium-scale focused research project targeted to SMEs) - The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 1 000 000 per proposal - 75 % of EU contribution to SMEs - The duration of the proposals submitted under this topic shall be up to 2 years
	<p><i>KBBE.2012.2.3-03: Automation in food packaging systems</i></p> <p><i>Up to 1 project may be funded</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Collaborative Project (large-scale integrating project) - The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 9 000 000 per proposal
	<p><i>KBBE.2012.2.3-04: Personalised approaches to food production and distribution</i></p> <p><i>Up to 2 projects may be funded</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Collaborative Project (small or medium-scale focused research project targeted to SMEs) - The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR

		<p>3 000 000 per proposal</p> <p>- 35 % of EU contribution to SMEs</p>
	<p><i>KBBE.2012.2.3-05: Insects as novel sources of proteins — SICA</i></p> <p><i>Up to 1 project may be funded</i></p>	<p>- Collaborative Project (small or medium-scale focused research project) for Specific Cooperation Actions dedicated to International Cooperation partner countries</p> <p>- The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 3 000 000 per proposal</p> <p>- Minimum number of participants: 3 from different Member States or Associated countries and 3 from different ICPC</p>
<p>Area 2.2.4 Food quality and safety</p>	<p><i>KBBE.2012.2.4-01: Contaminants in seafood and their impact on public health (The Ocean of Tomorrow)</i></p> <p><i>Up to 1 project may be funded</i></p>	<p>- Collaborative Project (small or medium-scale focused research project targeted to SMEs)</p> <p>- The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 4 000 000 per proposal</p> <p>- 10 % of EU contribution to SMEs</p>
	<p><i>KBBE.2012.2.4-02: Food safety and quality issues related to parasites in seafood</i></p> <p><i>Up to 1 project may be funded</i></p>	<p>- Collaborative Project (small or medium-scale focused research project targeted to SMEs)</p> <p>- The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 4 000 000 per proposal</p> <p>- 30 % of EU contribution to SMEs</p>
	<p><i>KBBE.2012.2.4-03: Strengthening cooperation for global food safety research</i></p> <p><i>Up to 1 project may be funded</i></p>	<p>- Coordination and Support Action (coordinating action)</p> <p>- The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 1 000 000 per proposal</p>
	<p><i>KBBE.2012.2.4-04: Towards evidence-based risk management of food allergies</i></p> <p><i>Up to 1 project may be funded</i></p>	<p>- Collaborative Project (large-scale integrating project targeted to SMEs)</p> <p>- The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 9 000 000 per proposal</p> <p>- 15 % of EU contribution to SMEs</p>
	<p><i>KBBE.2012.2.4-05: Post-market monitoring of GMOs based on epidemiological studies</i></p>	<p>- Coordination and Support Action (coordinating action)</p> <p>- The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR</p>

	<i>Up to 1 project may be funded</i>	<i>1 000 000 per proposal</i>
Area 2.2.5 Environmental impacts and total food chain	<i>KBBE.2012.2.5-01: Microbially safe water for human consumption Up to 1 project may be funded</i>	- Collaborative Project (large-scale integrating project targeted to SMEs) - The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 9 000 000 per proposal - 25 % of EU contribution to SMEs
	<i>KBBE.2012.2.5-02: Optimising food use for social innovation Up to 1 project may be funded</i>	- Coordination and Support Action (supporting action) - The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 4 000 000 per proposal
	<i>KBBE.2012.2.5-03: A comparative analysis of global versus local food supply systems Up to 1 project may be funded</i>	- Collaborative project (small or medium-scale focused research project) - The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 3 000 000 per proposal
<u>Activity 2.3 Life sciences, biotechnology and biochemistry for sustainable non-food products and processes</u>		
Area 2.3.1 Novel sources of biomass and bioproducts	<i>KBBE.2012.3.1-01: Improved water stress tolerance of crop plants Up to 1 project may be funded</i>	- Collaborative Project (large-scale integrating project targeted to SMEs) - The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 9 000 000 per proposal - 25 % of EU contribution to SMEs
	<i>KBBE.2012.3.1-02: Multipurpose crops for industrial bioproducts and biomass Up to 2 projects may be funded</i>	- Collaborative Project (large-scale integrating project targeted to SMEs) - The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 6 000 000 per proposal - 25 % of EU contribution to SMEs
	<i>KBBE.2012.3.1-03: EU – China Partnering Initiative on fibre crops – Mandatory China Up to 1 project may be funded</i>	- Coordination and Support Action (coordinating action) - The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 1 000 000 per proposal - Minimum number of participants: 3 from different Member States or Associated Countries and 1 from China.
Area 2.3.2 Marine and fresh-	<i>KBBE.2012.3.2-01: Innovative marine biodiscovery pipelines</i>	- Collaborative Project (large-scale

water biotechnology (blue biotechnology)	<p><i>for novel industrial products</i></p> <p><i>Several projects may be funded, within the EUR 23 000 000 budget of this topic</i></p>	<p><i>integrating project targeted to SMEs)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 25 % of EU contribution to SMEs
	<p><i>KBBE.2012.3.2-02: Improved cultivation efficiency of marine microorganisms</i></p> <p><i>Up to 1 project may be funded</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Collaborative Project (large-scale integrating project targeted to SMEs)</i> - <i>The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 9 000 000 per proposal</i> - 25 % of EU contribution to SMEs
Area 2.3.3 Industrial biotechnology: novel high added-value bio-products and bio-processes	<p><i>KBBE.2012.3.3-01: Overcoming hurdles for innovation in industrial biotechnology in Europe</i></p> <p><i>Up to 1 project may be funded</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Coordination and Support Action (coordinating action)</i> - <i>The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 2 000 000 per proposal</i> - <i>Minimum number of participants: 3 from different Member States or Associated countries.</i>
	<p><i>KBBE.2012.3.3-02: Support to standardisation for bio-based products</i></p> <p><i>Up to 1 project may be funded</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Collaborative project (small or medium-scale focused research project)</i> - <i>The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 3 000 000 per proposal</i> - <i>The duration of the proposals submitted under this topic shall be up to 3 years</i>
	<p><i>KBBE.2012.3.3-03: Mastering integration and intensification of bioprocesses</i></p> <p><i>Up to 2 projects may be funded</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Collaborative Project (large-scale integrating project targeted to SMEs)</i> - <i>The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 6 000 000 per proposal</i> - 25 % of EU contribution to SMEs
Area 2.3.4 Biorefinery	<p><i>KBBE.2012.3.4-01: Conversion of bio-waste in developing countries – SICA (African ACP, Mediterranean Partner Countries)</i></p> <p><i>Up to 1 project may be funded</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Collaborative project (small or medium-scale focused research project) for Specific Cooperation Actions dedicated to International Cooperation partner countries</i> - <i>The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 3 000 000 per proposal</i> - <i>Minimum number of participants: 3 from different Member States or Associated</i>

		<i>countries and 3 from different ICPC from African ACP and Mediterranean Partner Countries</i>
	<i>KBBE.2012.3.4-02: Biotechnology for novel biopolymers Several projects may be funded, within the EUR 22 000 000 budget of this topic</i>	- Collaborative Project (large-scale integrating project targeted to SMEs) - 25 % of EU contribution to SMEs
Area 2.3.5 Environmental biotechnology	<i>KBBE.2012.3.5-01: Innovative biotechnologies for tackling oil spill disasters (The Ocean of Tomorrow") Up to 1 project may be funded</i>	- Collaborative Project (large-scale integrating project targeted to SMEs) - The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 9 000 000 per proposal - 25 % of EU contribution to SMEs
	<i>KBBE.2012.3.5-02: Biotechnological solutions for the degradation of synthetic polymeric materials (The Ocean of Tomorrow") Up to 1 project may be funded</i>	- Collaborative Project (small or medium-scale focused research project targeted to SMEs) - The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 3 000 000 per proposal - 25 % of EU contribution to SMEs
	<i>KBBE.2012.3.5-03: Biotechnological waste water treatments and reuse in agronomical systems Up to 1 project may be funded</i>	- Collaborative Project (large-scale integrating project targeted to SMEs) - The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 6 000 000 per proposal - 25 % of EU contribution to SMEs - Minimum number of participants: 3 from different Member States or Associated Countries
	<i>KBBE.2012.3.5-04: Verification of GMO risk assessment elements and review and communication of evidence collected on the biosafety of GMO Up to 1 project may be funded</i>	- Collaborative Project (large-scale integrating project targeted to SMEs) - The requested European Union contribution shall not exceed EUR 6 000 000 per proposal

- Eligibility conditions:

- The general eligibility criteria are set out in Annex 2 to this work programme, and in the guide for applicants. Please note that the completeness criterion also includes that part B of the proposal shall be readable, accessible and printable.
- The budget limits indicated in each topic in the work programme and in the above table are eligibility criteria.
- Table of standard minimum number of participating legal entities for all funding schemes used in the call, in line with the Rules for Participation and in the below format apply to all topics, unless indicate otherwise in the table above:

Funding scheme	Minimum conditions
Collaborative Projects	At least 3 independent legal entities, each of which is established in a MS or AC, and no 2 of which are established in the same MS or AC
Collaborative Project for specific cooperation actions (SICA) dedicated to international cooperation partner countries	At least 4 independent legal entities. Of these, 2 must be established in different MS or AC. The other 2 must be established in different international cooperation partner countries (ICPC)
Coordination and Support Actions (coordinating action)	At least 3 independent legal entities, each of which is established in a MS or AC, and no 2 of which are established in the same MS or AC
Coordination and Support Actions (supporting action)	At least 1 independent legal entity

- Only information provided in part A of the proposal will be used to determine whether the proposal is eligible with respect to budget thresholds and/or minimum number of eligible participants.

Evaluation procedure:

- The evaluation criteria and scoring scheme are set out in Annex 2 to the work programme.
- Proposal page limits: Applicants must ensure that proposals conform to the page limits and layout given in the Guide for Applicants, and in the proposal part B template available through the EPSS.

The Commission will instruct the experts to disregard any pages exceeding these limits.

The minimum font size allowed is 11 points. The page size is A4, and all margins (top, bottom, left, right) should be at least 15 mm (not including any footers or headers).

- Experts will carry out the individual evaluation of proposals remotely.

- During the consensus stage of **evaluation**, if a proposal fails to achieve the threshold score for the first criterion (Scientific and/or Technological excellence) or the second criterion (Quality and efficiency of the implementation and the management), the evaluation of this proposal will be stopped.
 - The procedure for prioritising proposals with equal scores is described in Annex 2 to the work programme.
 - There may be competition between proposals submitted on different topics and proposals submitted on the same topic. This may result in some topics not being supported. A reserve list may be produced of projects that pass the evaluation but fall below the available budget in case additional budget becomes available.
- **Indicative timetable:** Evaluation results: three months after the relevant deadline mentioned above. Grant agreement signature: it is estimated that the first grant agreements related to this call will come into force at the end of 2012.
 - **Consortia agreements:** Participants in Collaborative Projects (large-scale integrating projects) are required to conclude a consortium agreement. For other projects consortia agreements are recommended.
 - **The forms of grant and maximum reimbursement rates** which will be offered are specified in Annex 3 to the Cooperation work programme.
 - **Flat rates to cover subsistence costs:** In accordance with Annex 3 to this work programme, this call provides for the possibility to use flat rates to cover subsistence costs incurred by beneficiaries during travel carried out within grants for indirect actions. For further information, see the relevant Guides for Applicants for this call. The applicable flat rates are available at the following website: http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/find-doc_en.html under 'Guidance documents/Flat rates for daily allowances'.
 - **Additional information concerning twinning of projects under Theme 2 and related programmes in third countries:** with a view to promoting international cooperation with third countries that have signed bilateral S&T agreements with the European Union, initiatives for collaboration between projects under Theme 2 of FP7 and related research programmes in these third countries will be encouraged on the basis of mutual benefit and reciprocity. The Commission reserves the right to ask the coordinators of FP7 projects, during the grant agreement negotiations, to include collaboration activities with projects financed by these third countries. The costs of these activities are expected to be approximately 1% of the total European Union contribution to these projects. Parallel funding is expected from the related research programmes in the third countries for counterpart projects.
 - For the topics which have a percentage of EU contribution going to SMEs as an eligibility criterion, the following aspects will be considered under the 'Implementation' criterion:
 - Proposals are expected to have a substantial involvement of SMEs;
 - The proposals will be selected for funding only if a percentage of EU contribution going to SMEs, as indicated in each topic and in the call fiche, is met. This will be checked definitively at the end of any negotiation.