ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

COMMISSION

CALL FOR PROPOSALS — DG EAC/14/08
ICI Education Cooperation Programme — Cooperation in higher education and training between the European Union and Australia, Japan, New Zealand and the Republic of Korea (1)

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1. OBJECTIVES AND DESCRIPTION

The general objective of the call for proposals is to promote better understanding and interaction between the peoples of the EU Member States and of the partner countries Australia, Japan, New Zealand and the Republic of Korea, including a broader knowledge of their languages, cultures and institutions, and to improve the quality of higher education and vocational education and training in the EU and in the partner countries. The call for proposals will support the following action:

ICI Joint Mobility Projects

This Action provides funding for international curriculum development projects that involve short term mobility between the EU and the partner ICI country not directly or necessarily related to award of a joint or dual/double degree.

Consortia applying for such a project are formed by higher education or vocational training and education institutions from the EU and from the relevant partner country. Selected consortia will set up a framework for student mobility whereby EU students will typically spend one semester in the partner country institution and vice versa with full recognition of the study period abroad by the home institution. Support includes mobility grants for students and members of the academic and administrative staff (‘faculty’).

2. ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

Submission of grant requests under this call is open to higher education institutions and to vocational education and training institutions. Eligible applicants must be established in one of the 27 Member States of the European Union.

3. BUDGET AND PROJECT DURATION

The budget available for the co-financing of projects is estimated at EUR 2.5 million. It is anticipated that funding will be provided for 4-5 EU-Australia projects, 2-3 EU-Japan projects, 1 EU-New Zealand project, and 1-2 EU-Korea projects.

The maximum amount of funding on the EU side will be EUR 425 000 for a 3-year Joint Mobility project involving 4 or more EU partner institutions. The duration for Joint Mobility Projects is 3 years.

(1) In alphabetical order.
4. DEADLINE
Applications must be sent to the Commission no later than 6 June 2008.

5. FURTHER INFORMATION
The full text of the call for proposals and the application forms are available on the following website:
http://ec.europa.eu/education/programmes/calls/callg_en.html
For more information, you may write to: eac-3C-cooperation@ec.europa.eu