

Structure of FP7

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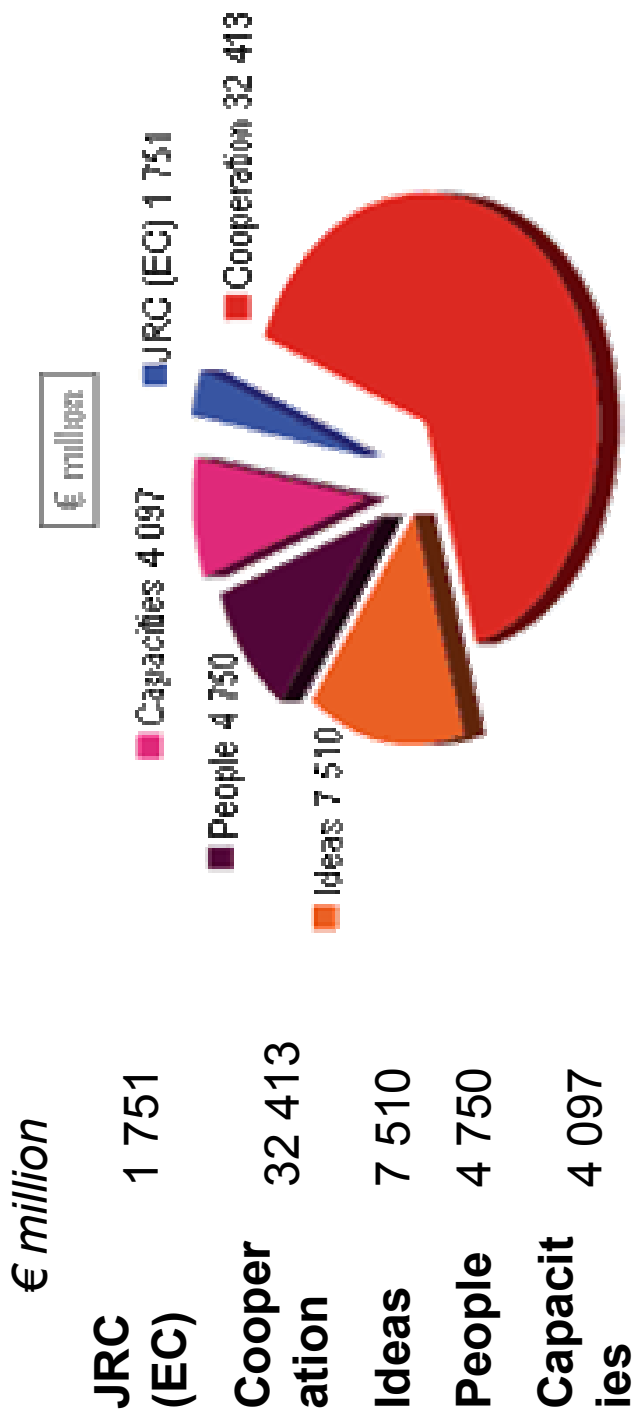
What type of user are you?

The Seventh Framework Programme (FP7) is designed to support a wide range of participants... [read more](#)

- Private company
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FP7 budget (€ 50 521 million, prices 2006)



Note: Euratom FP: € 2.7 billion over 5 years - not included above

Cooperation

>>(for collaborative projects between Academia and SMEs)

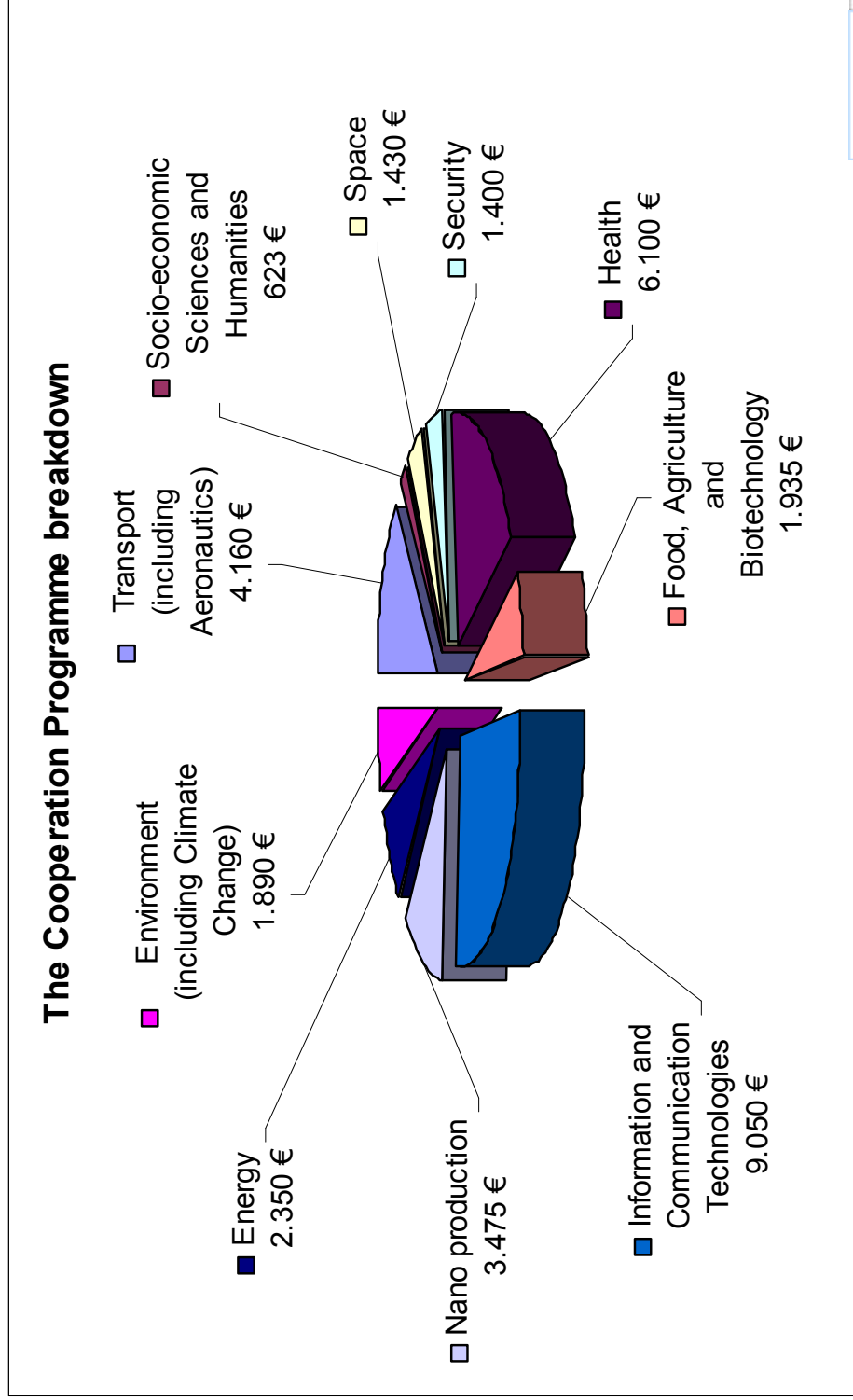
The core of FP7, representing two thirds of the overall budget, is the Cooperation programme. It fosters **collaborative research** across Europe and other partner countries through projects by **transnational consortia of industry and academia**.

Research will be carried out in 10 key thematic areas:

- Health
- Food, agriculture and fisheries, and biotechnology
- Information and communication technologies
- Nanosciences, nanotechnologies, materials and new production technologies
- Energy
- Environment (including climate change)
- Transport (including aeronautics)
- Socio-economic sciences and the humanities
- Space
- Security
- **Note: your Life Science project could fit in calls under more than one area: see further guidance under “Write a proposal and select a call”**



Distribution of funds in the Cooperation Program, per theme: 32 413 M€



Ideas

- » (generally only for basic research in Academia)
- The Ideas programme will support "frontier research" solely on the basis of scientific excellence. Research may be carried out in any area of science or technology, including engineering, socio-economic sciences and the humanities.
- In contrast with the Cooperation programme, there is no obligation for cross-border partnerships. Projects are implemented by "individual teams" around a "principal investigator". The programme is implemented via the new European Research Council (ERC).
- For more information, see erc.europa.eu



People

>>(could be useful for exchange of staff between Academia and/ or with industry)

The People programme provides support for researcher mobility and career development, both for researchers inside the European Union and internationally.

It is implemented via a set of Marie Curie actions, providing fellowships and other measures to help researchers build their skills and competences throughout their careers:

- Initial training of researchers - Marie Curie Networks
- Industry-academia partnerships
- Co-funding of regional, national and international mobility programmes
- Intra-European fellowships
- International dimension - outgoing and incoming fellowships,
- international cooperation scheme, reintegration grants
- Marie Curie Awards

- More information: see



Capacities

>>(includes research for SMEs and other specific programs)

The Capacities programme strengthens the research capacities that Europe needs if it is to become a thriving knowledge-based economy.

- It covers the following activities:
- Research infrastructures
- Research for the benefit of SMEs
- Regions of Knowledge
- Research Potential
- Science in Society
- Specific activities of international cooperation

