



European and UK Collaborative Funding for Photonics Congress Centre, London WC1B 3LS, 6 July 2011

Photonics is now being accepted as a mature technology capable of delivering significant benefits to a vast range of applications from lighting and displays to communications and healthcare. Rarely can the maximum potential of this technology be realised by a lone organisation. Key to making the most of these opportunities is collaborative development bringing users, technology, product and application developers together.

With research and development spending under continued pressure it is vital to leverage the funding that is available from both Europe and the UK. Budgets for supporting photonics, especially from the EU, are growing significantly. However, rarely is such funding targeted at pure technology development and obtaining such funding is highly competitive. To maximise your chances of success it is vital to keep on top of competition requirements and align your application with the latest funding developments.

This event will outline the forthcoming calls and competitions for collaborative R&D from Europe and the Technology Strategy Board. A major €92million call from the EU will open this July for core and disruptive photonic technologies. There will also be a targeted calls for lasers and laser systems for manufacturing and materials processing (€20m) and organic and large area electronics under the factories of the futures programme.

There will also be talks from proposal assessors to give insights into what referees are looking for and a first hand account of the experiences of taking part in collaborative projects. Successes rates for applications vary significantly and the advice given here could prove invaluable.

The floor will be opened for pitches on proposal concepts looking for feedback and partners, and there will be an opportunity to discuss your concept with

Agenda

10.15	Registration & Coffee
10.30	Impact of Photonics in Europe—A study for the EU commission, <i>John Lincoln</i>.
11.00	European Commission Competitions <i>Ronan Burgess, Photonics Unit EU Commission</i>
11.30	Tea/Coffee
12.00	Technology Strategy Board Challenges and funding opportunities. <i>Greg May Technology Strategy Board</i>
12.30	5 minute pitches on proposal ideas – seeking partners & feedback
13.00	Lunch
14.00	Anticipated Photonics content in upcoming EU calls. <i>Peter Walters, FP7UK</i>
14:20	Experiences of collaborative programs, <i>Mike Wale, Oclaro</i>
14.40	An SME's Experience of Framework 7 <i>Andrew Kearsley, Oxford Lasers Ltd</i>
15.00	What a referee looks for in an EU proposal, <i>Alistair Poustie, CIP Technologies</i>
15.20	5 minute pitches on proposal ideas – seeking partners & feedback
15.50	Closing Remarks

speakers and experts present. Please indicate when you register at www.regonline.co.uk/collab11 if you want to make a 5 minute proposal pitch. The meeting will be held at the TUC Congress Centre, 28 Great Russell St, London WC1B 3LS, www.bit.ly/venue6

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Registration

Please complete the registration form at www.regonline.co.uk/collab11. A charge of £39+VAT is being made to cover the venue and catering costs for this meeting.

