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Promoting Excellence in EU-China Cooperation

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» Start Date: 1/10/2012, End Date: 30/9/2015

» Duration: 36 months

» Budget: 1,5 million Euros

» Partners: 11 (from 6 countries including China)

» Funding Programme: FP7-INCO

» Website: www.dragon-star.eu

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I. Project Background and Consortium

Dragon-STAR supports the Sino-European collaboration at 4 levels:

- » Enhancing the **quality** of the Chinese participation in the **Framework Programmes** and especially reinforcing participation from less economically developed areas.
- » Supporting the **reciprocity** originating from the signed EU-China Scientific Cooperation Agreement.
- » Supporting the **bilateral cooperation** in the broader field of **innovation** and especially the technological cooperation between industrial players.
- » Supporting the ongoing **bilateral Scientific Cooperation dialogue** with studies and reports includes **supporting the research cooperation and dialogue** on key priority areas (Strategic Forum for International S&T Cooperation - SFIC).

I. Project Background and Consortium

	Organisation	Country
1	Foundation for Research and Technology Hellas (PRAXI/FORTH) - COORDINATOR	Greece
2	China Science and Technology Exchange Centre (CSTEC/CECO) (/Ministry of Science and Technology	China
3	Agenzia per la Promozione del la Ricerca Europea (APRE)	Italy
4	International Institute for Software Technology- United Nations University (UNU-IIST)	Macau/China
5	Sociedade Portuguesa de Inovação (SPI)	Portugal
6	EMETRIS SA (EMETRIS)	Greece
7	China-EU Center for Information & Communication Technologies in Agriculture (CICTA), China Agricultural University	China
8	Steinbeis-Europa-Zentrum (SEZ)	Germany
9	Eurelations (EUREL)	Switzerland
10	Federation of Industries of Northern Greece (FING)	Greece
11	The University of Nottingham Ningbo China (UNNC)	China

I. Project Background and Consortium

SPI is a consulting firm, created in 1997, with an excellent understanding of public and private sectors and of how clients can position themselves to foster innovation, be competitive and create prosperity. With more than 65 full-time consultants representing a wide range of nationalities and backgrounds, the **SPI Group** maintains an entrepreneurial minded team, which ensures an effective and flexible response to every challenge.

SPI has a physical presence in China since 1999.



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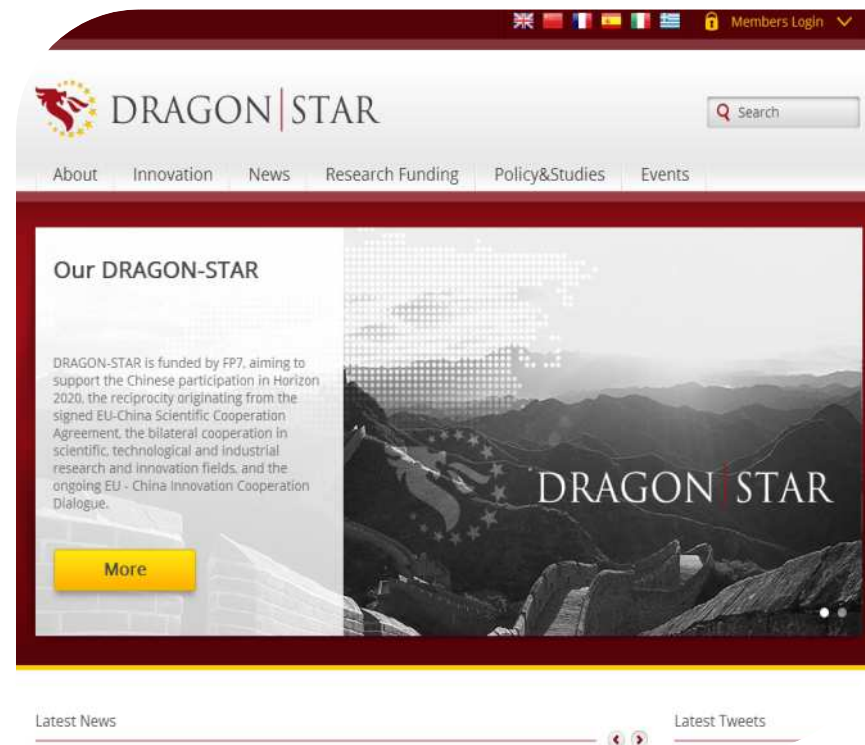


II. Main Outputs/Results



II. Main Outputs/Results – WP1

- » Project Website (www.dragon-star.eu) developed during the M6 of the project.
- » Different sections, including a Research Funding programmes database.
- » The website is continuously updated to include a Technology Offer and Requests database and an interactive map showcasing the bilateral agreements with China.



II. Main Outputs/Results – WP2

» Supporting the Chinese Participation in Horizon 2020

- Establishment and training of Regional Contact Points (RCPs)
(e.g. RCPs training, 15 November 2013 – Dongguan)
- Info days in China
(e.g. Info day/Training, 29 October 2014, in cooperation with the EU delegation – Beijing)
- CECO NCP website re-launched (26 August 2013):
<http://www.cstec.org.cn/ceco>
- ICT National Contact Point (NCP) established in CICTA/CAU



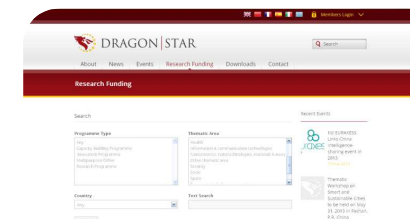
Chinese Health Thematic Contact Point (TCP) was established in Hunan TCM University, 17 May 2013



Training Session 8th May 2013, Ningbo University of Nottingham

(<http://www.dragon-star.eu/research-funding/>)

» **Monthly Alerts (M2 – M31)** - to inform European researchers of the latest developments of S&T opportunities in China and upcoming events related with S&T.



II. Main Outputs/Results – WP3

- » **Handbook for European Researchers** - provides the latest developments of Research and Innovation in China and practical recommendations to European researchers based on an analysis of the critical issues of accessing opportunities in Chinese funding programmes.
- » **Case Study - Monitor the participation of EU researchers/innovation actors in Chinese programmes** - to monitor the participation of EU researchers/innovation actors in Chinese funding programmes and share the experiences with other researchers



II. Main Outputs/Results – WP4

Travel Grant Scheme

» The **Travel Grant Scheme** provided funding for European organizations (businesses, research agencies, incubators etc.) to investigate the Chinese market and identify suitable partners for technological and/or research collaboration, with the aim of achieving business, technology or research collaborations with relevant Chinese companies and research institutions.

- » 1. Chengdu, Sichuan Province (21-23 October 2014)
- » 2. Zhongshan, Guangdong Province (24-25 October 2014)
- » 3. Beijing, Beijing Province (27-28 October 2014)



II. Main Outputs/Results – Next step

DragonStar Plus



- » **Start Date:** 1/2/2015, **End Date:** 31/1/2018
- » Based upon the outputs and the established mechanism of the previous DRAGON-STAR project
- » The DRAGON-STARPLUS is supported by European Commission (H2020), to provide services on three levels:
 - To support the European and Chinese research communities to establish collaborations under Horizon 2020 and beyond.
 - To provide a cooperation platform and tools to policy makers, aiming ultimately to support and enhance the bilateral cooperation, through the concept of mutual benefit
 - To provide a cooperation platform to funding agencies for exchanging best practices and for planning joint activities.

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