

EU-India and EU-South East Asia (SEA) Research & Innovation Collaboration

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History of the scientific cooperation EU-India

- » Bilateral cooperation between the EU MS and India has long roots
- » 2001 Formal India-EU S&T cooperation started
 - » European Community-India S&T Cooperation Agreement
 - » EU-India Joint Steering Committee on Science and Technology
- » 2007 Cooperation accelerated since the renewal of the agreement
 - » The Strategic Forum for International S&T Cooperation (SFIC) Indian Pilot Initiative in 2009
- » 2010 EU-India Summit Leaders recognised a need for more coordinated EU-India cooperation
 - » Coordinated calls withing the 7th Framework Programme
- » 2012 The India-European Union Joint Declaration on Research and Innovation cooperation
- » 2012 The India EU and Member States Strategic Roadmap for Research and Innovation defined key thematic areas for cooperation





Current State of EU-India Cooperation: FP7 Funding Programme

- » Co-Coordinated Calls for Proposals
 - » 5 Coordinated Calls for Proposals totalling 60 M Euro
 - » Roughly equal participation and funding from EU and Indian side
 - » More than 50% of funded projects in Environment and Nanosciences
- » SSH
 - » 2014-2017 Equip: EU-India Platform for the Social Sciences and Humanities
- » INCO Bilateral Projects
 - » 2008-2011 EUINEC: European Union and India Enhanced Cooperation Framework for Improved Bilateral Dialogue in the Fields of Science and Technology
 - » 2013-2016 INDIGO POLICY
- » INCO ERA-Nets
 - » 2009-2013 New Indigo
 - » 2013-2016 INNO INDIGO





INNO INDIGO

- » Follow up of New Indigo ERA-Net, which successfully launched 4 EU-Indian joint calls for proposals and funded 35 collaborative research projects
- » Within the lifetime of INNO INDIGO the implementation of <u>3 calls for</u> proposals is foreseen
 - » The calls have developed from simple networking and mobility funding towards the funding of research projects open for Small and Middle size enterprises (SME) involvement
 - » By date two calls for proposals have been launched in fields of "Clean Water and Health" and "Diagnostics and interventions in chronic non-communicable diseases"
 - » Third call will be launched in late 2015





What have we achieved so far?

- » Created new networks (around 50% of project partners did not know each other before)
- » 503 Days of Mobility
- » Around 50 publications in peer-reviewed journals





Why to cooperate with India?

"It was very precious to see that we can deliver to the patient and be instrumental in opening up a new area of research and care in India." *Olivier Blin, AlzBioIndigo*

"One country or one institute cannot be good in everything. These transnational collaborations bring a lot of advantage, different expertise" *Cenk Aktas, HearSen*

- » Sharing experiences capitalising the different expertise, mutual learning
- » Expertise and excellence
- » Young scientists
- » Take time to discuss not only pure science but the feasibility of the project.
- » Important issues: full commitment beforehand, involve young scientist, involve well connected scientists (governments, regulators, different organisations)
- » Be equal partners.
- » Acknowledge challanges
- » Be ready for an adventure!





"The science is important but there is also the nice cultural exchange, for example when we were in India the fact that all of a sudden you are walking at the university campus and there is a snake in front of you." (Nushin Aghajari, Plasfalysn)





Current State of EU-India Cooperation: INNO INDIGO

- INNO INDIGO facilitates networking of funding organizations in Europe and India
- The Aim? To establish a sustainable funding platform beyond the lifetime of Inno Indigo
- » Inclusion in ERA-NETs
- » Working on priority areas
 - » Water
 - » Energy
 - » Biotechnology
 - » ICT
 - » Health







EU-India STI Cooperation Days



- » Supporting and coordinating the annual EU-INDIA STI Cooperation DAYS
- » The 6th edition of the "EU-India Science, Technology and Innovation (STI) Cooperation Days", focusing on Water for Health, will take place on the 15th and 16th of October 2015 in Rome.
- » Registration open at

https://www.b2match.eu/euindiacoopdays2 015

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Young Scientist Competition

- » Gives young researchers from India and Europe a suitable podium to promote their research projects and ideas for cooperation
- » Young Scientist compete for opportunity to showcase their ideas at EU-India STI Days and a fully paid trip to a conference of their choice in India or EU
- » Submission of videos open for all disciplines in "Water and Health" by the 7th of August
- » Check IndigoProjects Facebook for more info





INDIGO POLICY: Support for Policy Dialogue

- INDIAN CO-PUBLICATION OUTPUT INDIAN PUBLICATION OUTPUT 2003-2012 INDIAN INTERNATIONAL CO-PUBLICATION OUTPUT 2003-2012 ALL INDIANS PUBLICATIONS CN Japan Canada EU+AC India Australia South Korea Brazil Russian WORLD Federation INTERNATIONAL CO-PUBLICATIONS EU + AC CO-PUBLICATIONS India has low publication output compared to many developed economies but compares favourably to BRIC countries. For India, international collaboration is less frequent than for many established economies and international co-publications render only a small share of the total publication output. In which thematic areas does India collaborate internationally? Agricultural and Biological Sciences, Chemistry, Material Sciences, Pharmacology, Toxicology and Pharmaceutics WORLD AVERAG
- Coordination and Support Action Project
- » supporting the Group of Senior Officials (GSO) through GSO thematic groups and meetings by providing analytical support and mediation



EU-South East Asia STI Cooperation KG2



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KG2 Needs to be complemented by ALex Kaisa Granqvist; 25.06.2015



History of the scientific cooperation EU-SEA

- » 1977 start of a formal ASEAN-EU dialogue
- » 2004 the EC published a Communication on the importance of its relationship with the Southeast Asian region
- » 2007 Scientific cooperation with Southeast Asia became a higher priority as an outcome of the 16th ASEAN-EU Ministerial Meeting in Nuremberg, Germany.
- » 2008 The ASEAN Committee of S&T (COST) and the European Commission launched an S&T policy dialogue with regular senior officials meetings
- » 2010 dialogue was formalised, becoming the annual EU-ASEAN S&T Dialogue
- » 2012 EU-ASEAN Year of Science, Technology and Innovation





Bi-regional initiatives

» Bi-regional funding

- » Background: ASEAN COST administers the ASEAN Science Fund (soon: ASEAN STI Fund); however, resources are limited
- » At EC-level, there were a few dedicated Calls for Proposals focusing on Southeast Asia in FP7 (in infectious diseases, etc.); new ones are planned in H2020 (in areas like aquaculture); no coordinated calls or ERA-Nets so far
- » Some EU Member States have a history of strong bilateral programmes (especially the UK, Germany, France, Netherlands)
- » A lot of activity at grassroot level: ASEA Uninet, etc.
- » Europe is Southeast Asia's major research cooperation partner (using publication output as an indicator)!





Bi-regional initiatives

» Support projects:

- » SEA-EU-NET: supporting policy dialogue and cooperation now SEA-EU-NET2 (2012-2016)
- » SUSTAIN EU-ASEAN: supporting cooperation in environment research
- » CONNECT2SEA: supporting cooperation in ICT
- » READI (Regional EU-ASEAN Dialogue Instrument) also has an S&T component





Policy, funding, research

- » Focus areas: jointly tackling societal challenges in the fields of Health, Food Security and Safety, Water Management as well as Metrology
- » Recent initiative: setting up the first multilateral SEA-Europe funding scheme!
- » Negotiations on pilot joint mobility call for proposals close to finished; launch of the Call in the next months
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Analyses

- » Completing detailed analytical work on: innovation framework conditions, innovation policies and the current state of EU-SEA S&T relations
- » Bibliometrics
- » Patent analyses

Spotlight on: Science and Technology Cooperation Between Southeast Asia and Europe

Analyses and Recommendations from the SEA-EU-NET Project

Alexander Degelsegger, Florian Gruber, Svend Otto Remøe, Rudie Trienes (Eds.)

Spotlight on: Stimulating innovation in Southeast Asia

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Svend Otto Remze, Sara Medina, Kai Zhang (Eds.) Framework conditions for innovation in Southeast Asia

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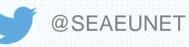
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Other activities in INCO / INT projects

