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## SPECIAL EU PROGRAMMES BODY PEACE III LATES PROPOSALS

**The Special EU Programmes Body has released its ideas on what issues the Peace III Programme from 2007-2013 should concentrate on. This paper sets out some first options on the possible expenditure from money available and where this should be focused. Peace III will have a budget of €267 million including match funding. It will operate on a North/South basis with the SEUPB as managing authority.**

This document is underpinned by the necessity of a shared future, an enhanced focus on reconciliation, coherence with NSRF (National Strategic Reference Framework) and an anti poverty strategy. Four emerging priorities have been identified by SEUPB which should form the backbone of any priorities. The SEUPB has forecasted a weighting and indicative budget of where the expenditure should be most focused.

### **Positive relations are built at the local level**

**€100 million**

- Builds on experience of LSPs and Task Forces
- Addresses sectarianism and racism
- Supports conflict resolution, mediation and citizenship
- Incorporates women, rural communities and other target groups/areas.

### **The past is acknowledged**

**€25 million**

- Comprehensive approach of victims and survivors
- Provision of trauma counselling and befriending services
- Actions to assist individuals and institutions develop their understanding and acknowledging their role in the conflict
- International centre of conflict resolution.

### **Creating shared public spaces**

**€43 million**

- Regeneration of selected areas
- Creating significant new shared public spaces

### **Key institutional capacities are developed for a shared society**

**€20 million**

- Develop capacity of key public institutions at local/central level
- Focus on education, housing, ethnic minorities
- Research and identification of best practice
- Networking across Europe.

The key principles revolve around focus on reconciliation, a streamlining of structures and processes, outcome focus, a more strategic focus with reduced open calls, a strong cross-border focus across the programme and building on experience.

The SEUPB will be starting public consultations throughout Northern Ireland over the next few months and NICVA members will be made aware of the opportunity to participate and submit their views. The latest proposals are available at [www.nicva.org/index.cfm/section/News/key/seupb\\_peace\\_III\\_proposals\\_1006](http://www.nicva.org/index.cfm/section/News/key/seupb_peace_III_proposals_1006).

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## EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AWARENESS PROMOTION

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**To celebrate the 50th anniversary of the signing of the Treaty of Rome, the European Parliament will provide grants for schemes that raise the public's awareness of its activities.**

One of the key objectives of DG Information is to increase awareness of the European Parliament's role, how it operates and the positions it adopts, amongst two target audiences:

use in order to create the conditions for the emergence of quality trans-European content-based services.

- the media, namely the press, radio and television; national, regional and local media in the Member States;
- the general public and opinion-formers (associations, civil society, locally elected representatives, etc).

To this end financial assistance is offered for activities that involve contributing to these objectives and which fall within one of the four specific themes published.

The European Parliament has Information Offices in each Member State capital city as well as five satellite offices, these offices will be closely involved with the projects which are in receipt of a grant from DG Information, and will follow the development of the projects. Only projects being held in one or more of the Member States of the European Union may be considered under this funding programme.

The four themes for this year's grants are:

- Co-financing informative and awareness-raising television programmes with the central theme of the 50th anniversary of the signature of the Treaty of Rome, with special emphasis on the European Parliament.
- Co-financing informative and awareness-raising radio programmes with the central theme of the 59th anniversary of the signature of the Treaty of Rome, with special emphasis on the European Parliament.
- Support to public debates, conferences or seminars whose main theme will be the 50th anniversary of the signing of the Treaty of Rome.
- Support to large-scale events, including fairs and exhibitions with a European theme which celebrate and commemorate the 50th anniversary of the signing of the Treaty of Rome.

Applications are open to anyone from the 25 EU Member States. The overall budget available this

year is €5 million. Projects will receive up to 50% of their costs, ranging from a minimum grant of €50,000 and a maximum of €300,000.

**The closing date for applications is 27 October.**

For more information please visit the DG information website: [www.europarl.europa.eu/tenders/grants.htm](http://www.europarl.europa.eu/tenders/grants.htm). Contact persons for this Call for Proposals: D Hoar-Devesse: [hoar@europarl.europa.eu](mailto:hoar@europarl.europa.eu); S Palmeri: [salvatore.palmeri@europarl.europa.eu](mailto:salvatore.palmeri@europarl.europa.eu).

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## WORLD BANK DEVELOPMENT MARKEPLACE

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Development Marketplace is a competitive grant program of the World Bank that funds creative, small-scale development projects that deliver results and have the potential to be expanded or replicated.

**The 2007 Global Development Marketplace (DM2007) will be held in collaboration with the Health, Nutrition and Population team of the World Bank. The objective of DM2007 is to recognise and support innovative approaches for achieving better health outcomes for poor people.**

Proposals are welcome from all development innovators — civil society groups, social entrepreneurs, private foundations, government agencies, academia, the private sector, as well as staff from the World Bank and other donor organisations.

The theme of this year's Global Development Marketplace, "*Improving results in health, nutrition, and population for the poor*" will recognise and support efforts to improve health, nutrition and population outcomes for poor people in developing countries. The World Bank is seeking initiatives that use innovative mechanisms to reach vulnerable groups, public-private partnerships to improve delivery of health goods and services, and inter-sectoral linkages for illness/disease/injury prevention. They are also keen to identify cost-effective approaches and technologies that build local capacity to gather and use information on health, nutrition and population in developing countries.

DM2007 is open to individuals or organisations of any type, subject to the following criteria. Proposals will be screened to ensure that they conform to these requirements. Those that fail to meet the eligibility requirements will not be considered.

**Sub-themes:** proposals must reflect the theme *Improving Results in Health, Nutrition and Population for the Poor* in any of the following areas:

- innovative mechanisms to reach vulnerable groups;
- public-private partnerships to improve delivery of health goods and services;
- innovative inter-sectoral linkages, such as improving water supply, sanitation services, indoor air pollution, roads, etc, for illness/disease/injury prevention;
- cost-effective approaches/methods/technologies to improve local capacity to gather, analyse and apply health, nutrition and population data.

**Organisation type:** NGOs, civil society organisation, foundations or development agencies that are based in the country of implementation may apply without additional partners. All other groups must apply in partnership with at least one organisation, subject to the conditions below:

- at least one of the parties involved in the proposal must be based in the country of implementation
- both parties cannot be private businesses or individuals
- both parties cannot be academic institutions
- both parties cannot be local or regional government institutions.

The overall Development Marketplace budget for 2007 is US\$4 million and grants will range from US\$200,000. Awards to winners will vary according to the needs outlined in their proposals. Requests should not be greater than US\$200,000 or less than US\$50,000. In past years, awards have typically ranged from US\$50,000 to US\$150,000.

### How to apply

Proposals must be submitted through the Development Marketplace website. For detailed application instructions please visit the website at: [www.developmentmarketplace.org](http://www.developmentmarketplace.org).

If you are unable to access the website, please send an email to [DMinfo@worldbank.org](mailto:DMinfo@worldbank.org).

**The closing date for applications is 17 November.**

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## EUROPEAN ICT PRIZE

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Applications for the 2007 European Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) prize are now open. Excellence is sought in converting innovative ideas and R&D results into marketable products.

The European ICT Prize is organised by the European Council of Applied Sciences, Technologies and Engineering (Euro-CASE), with the sponsorship and support of the European Commission.

Awards will be given to outstanding contributions under the theme "Novel products or services with a high information and communication technology content and evident market potential". Products/services should be at least at demonstrable prototype stage and if already marketed should not have been introduced in the market more than 18 months prior to the launch of the yearly competition.

The selection criteria include technical excellence, innovative content, strategic business planning, potential for improving competitiveness, potential market value, capacity to generate employment by opening new markets or starting up new enterprises, contribution towards extending the acceptance and understanding of information technology by society, and anticipated societal benefits.

- 50-70 "Nominees for European ICT Prize" are proposed to the EC by Euro-CASE from amongst all applicants. Nominees then proceed to the next stage of the evaluation process.
- 20 "European ICT Prize Winners" are proposed to the EC by Euro-CASE from amongst the Nominees for the European ICT Prize. The EICTP Winners also become Nominees for the Grand Prize and proceed to the final evaluation stage.
- The European ICT Prize Executive Jury, consisting of executives from 19 European countries, nominated by Euro-CASE and agreed by the EC, will evaluate the "20 Grand Prize Nominees" and propose the 3 top-ranked as "European ICT Grand Prize Winners" to the European Commission.

The European Commission will select up to 20 winners and up to 3 grand prize winners, based on the technical evaluations and rankings established by the independent experts.

The application form, with enclosures, should arrive in three copies by surface mail to Euro-CASE by 4 December 2006 at the latest. Each winner will receive in addition a prize of €5,000, the European ICT prize winner certificate and the quality label and logo "European ICT Prize Winner".

Each grand prize winner will receive in addition a prize of €200,000, the European ICT prize trophy and the quality label and logo "European ICT Prize Grand Prize Winner".

### How to apply

Application for the 2007 European ICT prize is only acceptable via the application form from the European ICT prize website which provides all information on the prize scheme: [www.ict-prize.org](http://www.ict-prize.org).

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## CONFERENCE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION OF SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT

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The Northern Ireland Union of Supported Employment (NIUSE) is pleased to announce that the 8th EUSE Conference website is now open for Call for Papers, Registration and further conference information: [www.euseconference2007.org](http://www.euseconference2007.org). The conference will be held on 13-15 June 2007 in the Waterfront Hall, Belfast.

### Call for Papers

As in previous EUSE conferences, delegates are invited to share their knowledge, skills and expertise on a range of topics intended to promote the model and good practice in Supported Employment. NIUSE would like to invite prospective speakers/presenters to submit an abstract (Call for Papers Form) under the following themes:

- Good Practice
- Leadership
- Managing Change
- Mainstreaming

For further information and details regarding submissions, please visit the conference website: [www.euseconference2007.org/selection-guidelines.html](http://www.euseconference2007.org/selection-guidelines.html).

**Closing date for submissions: 30 November 2006.**

### Registration

Registration for the conference is now open and participants who register before 28 February 2007 can take advantage of the early delegate rate. Please visit our website for more information and to register online: [www.euseconference2007.org/how-to-register-2.html](http://www.euseconference2007.org/how-to-register-2.html).

Please forward to your work colleagues or any relevant contacts.

EUSE Conference Secretariat, NIUSE, 58 Strand Road, L/Derry, BT48 7AJ. Tel: (028) 7137 7709, Fax: (028) 7136 0125, Textphone: (028)7137 2077. Email: [info@euseconference2007.org](mailto:info@euseconference2007.org).

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## EUROPE DIRECT:

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NICVA is pleased to announce that it has been selected as one of the four Europe Direct information relays in Northern Ireland.

NICVA invites you to join its staff and representatives from the European Commission to the launch of

**europe direct@nicva**  
**Monday 30 October**  
**12.20 - 2.00pm**  
**Lunch will be provided**

The Europe Direct information point will provide NICVA members with a unique access point to information and resources on all aspects of European policy and funding.

RSVP Cathy Breslin on 028 9087 7777 or [cathy.breslin@nicva.org](mailto:cathy.breslin@nicva.org).



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## ONLINE INFORMATION:

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For all the events affecting the voluntary and community sector within Northern Ireland visit: [www.nicva.org](http://www.nicva.org) and [www.communityni.org](http://www.communityni.org)



Grant Tracker has been designed by NICVA as a one-stop funding resource for voluntary and community groups in Northern Ireland. It functions as a searchable website and is supported by the staff from NICVA's Funding Advice Service. Visit: [www.grant-tracker.org](http://www.grant-tracker.org)



### **European Information Network**

This site provides a definitive list of EU information providers in Northern Ireland, as well as giving links to a whole host of related European, regional and national websites. Visit: <http://www.europe.org.uk>

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