



Creating a User-Friendly
Information Society





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International Aspects of the IST Programme



## Directorate General INFSO activities

- ✓ Communications services : Policy & Regulatory Framework
- IST: Information Society Technologies Programme

## **R&D** and the European Commission



- Supported through successive four year periods called Framework Programmes (FP)
- Major strategic reorientations and financial scope decided at the beginning of each FP
- FP5 covers 1998 to 2002 (1st call: 15/03/1999)

## The fifth framework programme 1998-2002



Key actions

Quality of life and living resources

**2.413 BEURO** 

Key actions

Creating a User friendly Information Society

3.6 BEURO

Key actions

Promoting competitive & sustainable growth

2.705 **BEURO** 

International Cooperation
Innovation and SMEs
Human Potential

**Key actions** 

Energy,
environment &
sustainable
development

**1.083 BEURO** 

0.475 BEURO

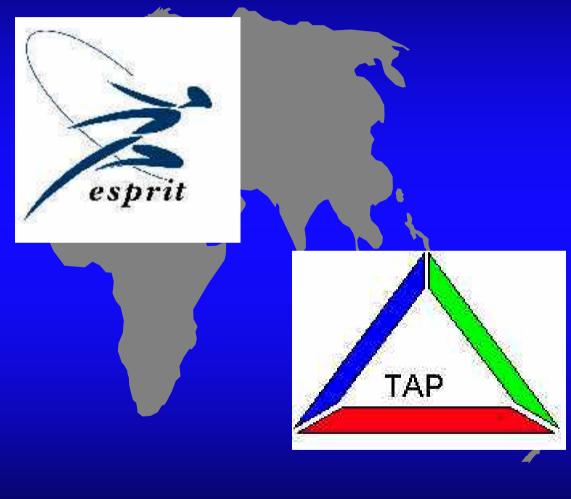
0.363 **BEURO** 

**1.28 BEURO** 

Total: 16.3 BEURO

# Fourth Framework Programme (1994 - 1998)

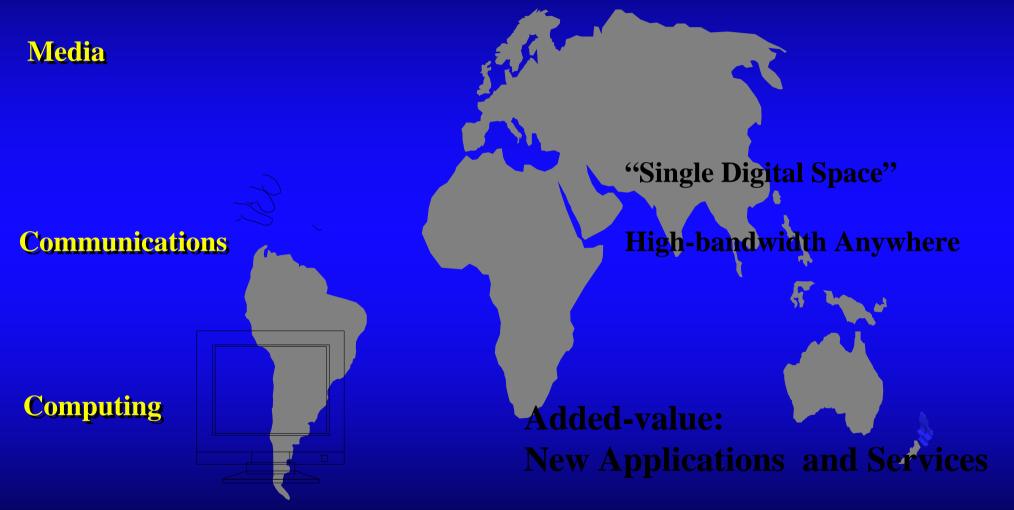






## Convergence and the Global Networked Society





## THE IST Programme



The strategic objective of the Information Society

Technologies (IST) Programme is to realise the

benefits of the information society for Europe both

by accelerating its emergence and by ensuring that

the needs of individuals and enterprises are met.

## The Programme strategy



- Maintain and strengthen Europe's:
  - research potential
  - knowledge-based excellence
  - high-quality technology
- Support economic and social objectives of EU

Put S&T progress at the service of the EU and its policies

## The IST Programme 3.6 BEURO



KA1: Systems and services for the citizen

KA2: New methods of work and electronic commerce

KA33. Multimedia content and tools

KA4: Essential technologies and infrastructures

Future and emerging technologies

Research networking

0.646 BEURO

0.547 BEURO

0.564 BEURO

1.363 **BEURO** 

0.319 **BEURO** 

0.161 BEURO

### Key Action I

Systems & services for the citizen



Foster the creation of the next generation of user-friendly, dependable, cost-effective and interoperable general-interest services, meeting user demands for flexible access, for everybody, from anywhere, at any time.

- Health
- Elderly and disabled
- Administrations
- Environment
- Transport & tourism





### **Key Action II**

New methods of work and electronic commerce



Support innovation in work and business in Europe through the development and use of advanced information society technologies and improve the quality of the individual's working life.

- Work organisation
- Business and market organisation
- Business and market processes
- Trust and confidence



### Key Action III

#### Multimedia content & tools

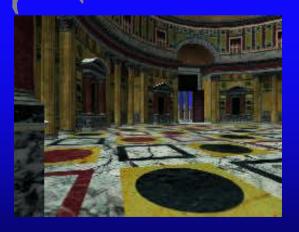


The aim of this work is to improve the functionality, usability and acceptability of future information products and services to enable linguistic and cultural diversity and contribute to the valorisation and exploitation of Europe's cultural patrimony, to stimulate creativity, and to enhance education and training systems for lifelong learning.

- Electronic publishing
- Cultural heritage
- Education and training
- Language technologies
- Information access & handling







### **Key Action IV**

#### **Essential Technologies and Infrastructure**



The aim of this work is to promote excellence in the technologies which are crucial to the Information Society, to accelerate their take-up and broaden their field of application.

- Information processing, communications & networking
- Software, systems & services
- Simulation & visualisation
- Mobile & personal communications & systems
- Interfaces
- Peripherals, subsystems & microsystems
- Microelectronics



### Future and Emerging Technologies



High risk or longer term research



Potential for breakthroughs and social or industrial impact





### Research Networking

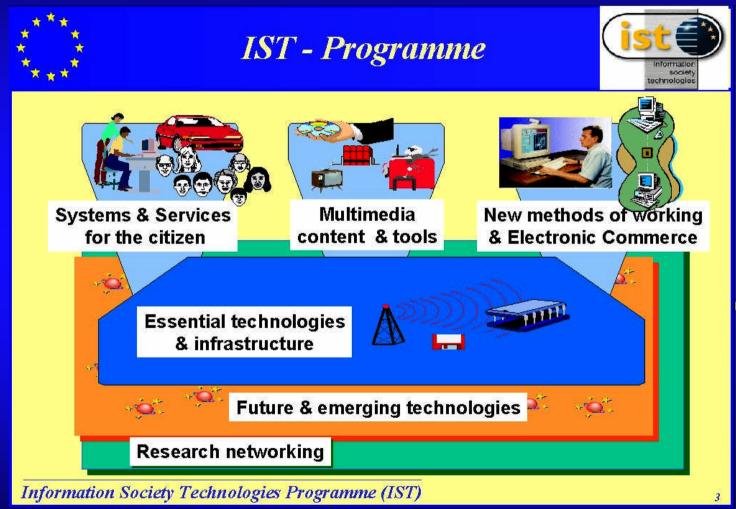


- Broadband interconnection of national research, education and training networks, and testbeds
- Testbeds for advanced networking and application experiments



## Structure of the IST Programme







### Cross-programme Themes

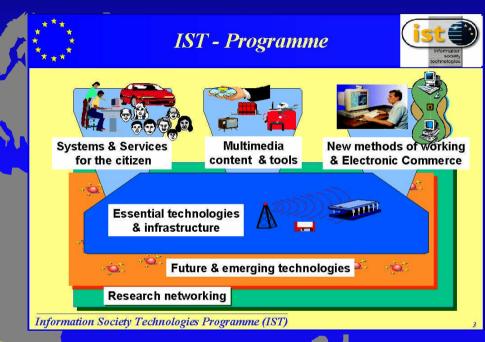


#### Objective:

- Integration & coordination
- Multidisciplinary RTD

#### **Strategy**

- Programme level actions
- Clustering and Concertation <u>Examples</u>:
- Dependability in services & technologies
- Privacy & personalisation
- Mobile citizens & services
- Interfaces
- Space technologies & applications



## Forms of participation



- Research & development projects
- Pilot projects
- Awareness and take-up actions
- Education & training initiatives
- Networks of excellence
- User groups & focused clusters
- Other accompanying measures



## What is an IST project?



• An industrial or scientific issue that needs to be solved

• A consortium of companies, research institutes or universities with at least 2 partners from 2 different member or associated states

• Funding: 50% or 100% of the cost is covered by the EC

### **Planning and Operations**



**PLANNING** CYCLE

> IMPLEMENTATION CYCLE

- Framework programme
- Specific programmes
- Work prog<mark>ramme</mark>
- Call for proposals
- Project Selection
- Launch
- **Project operations** 
  - specificationdevelopment

  - prototype evaluation
- Project reviews
  - management
  - technology
  - costs

#### Results of the first call



- Budget for the first call: 800 MEUROS
- Opened: 19 March 1999
- <u>Input</u>: 2341 proposals
- Evaluation done by 600 experts
- 418 retained for negociation



### Preparing for the third Call



• 10th May 3rd Call - Deadline

• 29 May 3rd Call - Evaluation

Indicative budget:

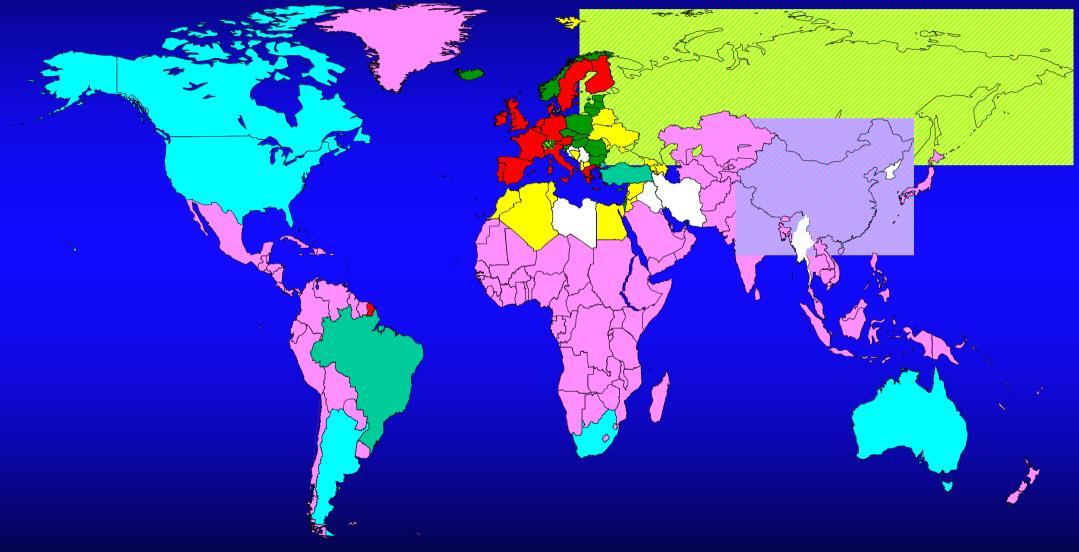
300 MEUROS



## INTERNATIONAL RTD COOPERATION IN FP5 (1998-2002)

Participation possibilities of third countries in thematic programmes

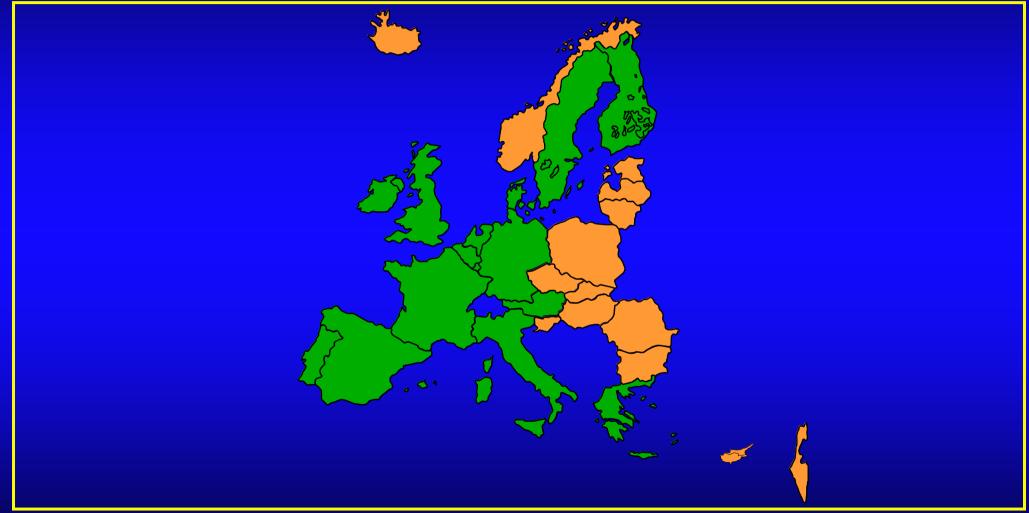






## Fifth Framework Programme association





## International Co-operation in the IST Programme



Banks

EU - LATIN AMERICA TEAMWORK

National Funds

EU Programmes



## EU-Latin America cooperation in IST



#### Rules for participation

- ✓ On a project by project basis
- ✓ In conformity with interests of the Community
- ✓ Of substantial added value for implementing Sciences Policy
- ✓ Together with the minimum number of legal entities from the Community and Associated States.
- ✓ Without Community funding.

If duly justified as being essential for achieving the objectives of the project the Community can exceptionally fund this participation

## EU-Latin America cooperation in IST



**Argentina:** 

S&T agreement. 3M\$ per year to cover Argentinian participation in FP5

**Brazil:** 

IST - CNPq arrangement 2.7M\$ for 3 years to cover Brazilian participation in the IST programme

#### Results of the first call



#### Mexican participation to the first call

- <u>PROCURATOR</u>: (Agent-mediated Electronic Institutions for Public Procurement)
   Laboratoria Nacional e Informatica Avanzada (Xalapa, Veracruz)
- IBERNET: (Microtechnologies Industrial Training Network in Ibero-America)

  Centro de Investigación de Estudios Avanzadios del IPN (Mexico DF)
- IFELAC: (Insurance for the Excluded in Latin America and the Caribbean)

  Centro Interamericano de Estudios de seguridad social (Mexico City)

## EU-Latin America cooperation in IST



#### THE EUROLATIS PROJECT:

### Objective:

Boost Euro-Latin American collaboration in areas of application of Information Society Technologies.

More specifically to boost the number of concrete actions undertaken by consortia of European and Latin American companies, researchers and intermediaries, in areas of importance for social and economic development in the Latin American region.

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