

Ecsite Call for Third Parties

About the project

This proposal is coordinated by the Nanotechnology Industries Association and Ecsite is a project partner. It will be submitted in response to the European Commission's Horizon 2020 call for proposals, under the topic NMP31 – Topic: Novel visualization tools for enhanced nanotechnology awareness.

The project will develop new tools to visualise nanotechnologies, which can be used in science centres and museums, and elsewhere. Technological partners on the project include Tomato and Playgen from the UK, who will develop the tools themselves.

Role of Third Parties

Five science centres and museums will be selected as third parties to the project, managed by Ecsite. Please note that Ecsite Full Members will be prioritised in the selection. The role of these science centres and museums will be:

- To attend the kick-off meeting to plan the project work
- To take part in an online user needs consultation, in order to give your expertise as input for the tools' initial development
- To attend a training course on how to use the tool and run piloting events
- To pilot the tools in your science centre/museum, through a quantitative method as well as a qualitative workshop, with both public and selected stakeholders, and report on feedback
- To organise a launch event for the final tools in your science centre/museum, alongside your own activities engaging the public in nanotechnology, attracting public and stakeholders
- To disseminate the project and its launch through your usual channels
- To provide detailed reports on all activities as required by Ecsite

Indicative budget

€9500 total. This includes travel and accommodation at the kick-off meeting and training workshop, personnel costs plus all expenses related to the implementation of the piloting and launch event. Third Parties will have to record their time by filling in timesheets.

Criteria for selection: obligatory

- Ecsite member status (Full Members prioritised)
- Existing activities and expertise on the topic of nanotechnology
- The institution must have a physical venue for public engagement in science
- The institution must carry out its activities in one of the [countries eligible for H2020 funding](#) excluding Germany, UK and Belgium which are already represented in the project consortium
- An English-speaking project manager

Criteria for selection: desirable

- Existing hardware for visualisation (exact types to be confirmed upon discussion)
- Relationships with nanotechnology research
- Events and activities on nanotechnology run regularly
- Experience in piloting technology tools
- Geographical diversity in the selection

How to apply

Please fill in the [online form](#) by Wednesday 30th April 2014. All applicants will be notified of the outcome in due course.

For any further questions, please contact Maria Zolotonosa, Ecsite Project Manager, at mzolotonosa@ecsite.eu.