



Framework Programme 7

Instruments



1. Collaborative projects – CP

Support to research projects carried out by consortia with participants from different countries, aiming at developing new knowledge, new technology, products, demonstration activities or common resources for research. The Funding Scheme allows for two types of projects to be financed:

- a) “*small or medium-scale focused research actions*” (**STREP**),
- b) “*large-scale integrating projects*” (**IP**).

Collaborative projects:

- **STREPs** target a specific research objective in a sharply focused approach
- **IPs**: large scale integrating projects have a comprehensive 'programme' approach and include a coherent and integrated set of activities dealing with multiple issues.

Around 90% of the total budget available for the objectives will be allocated to Collaborative Projects.

2. Networks of Excellence – NoE

Support to Joint Programme of Activities implemented by a number of research organisations integrating their activities in a given field, carried out by research teams in the framework of longer term cooperation.

Type of Projects -non Research

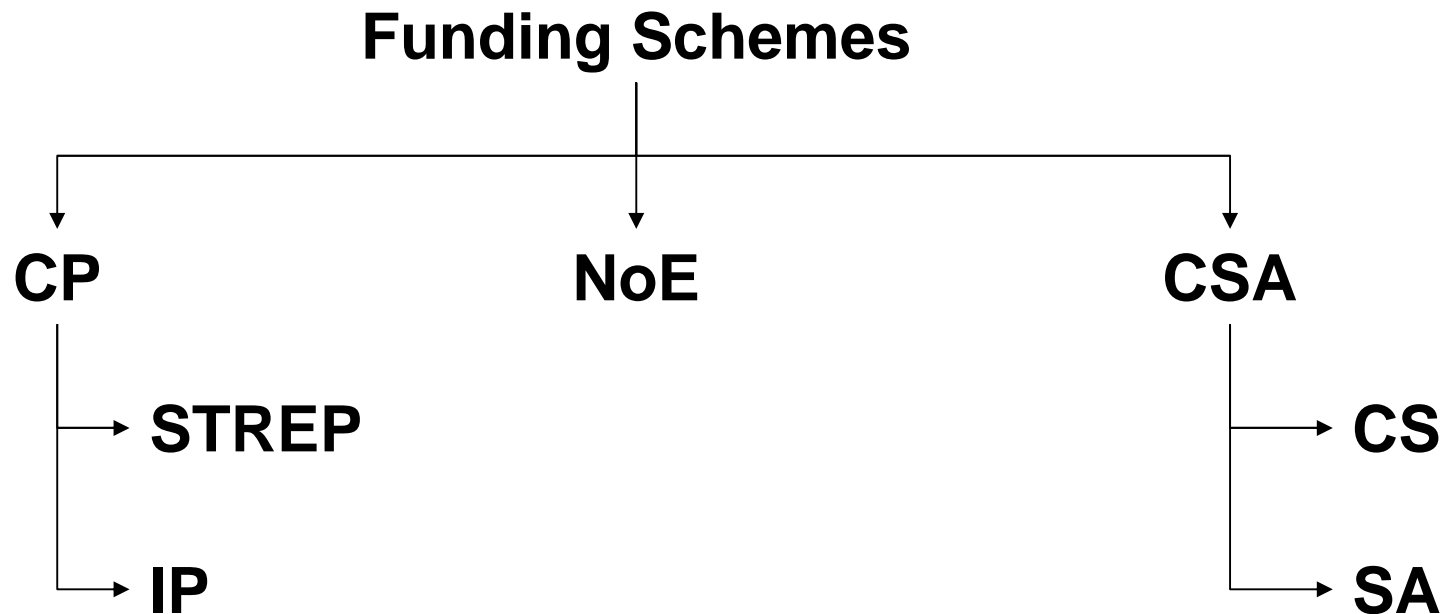
3. Coordination and support actions – **CSA**

Support to activities aimed at coordinating or supporting research activities and policies (networking, exchanges, coordination of funded projects, trans-national access to research infrastructures, studies, conferences, etc). These actions may also be implemented by means other than calls for proposals. The Funding Scheme allows for two types of projects to be financed:

- a) “Coordination Actions” (**CA**),
- b) “Specific Support Actions” (**SA**).

Summary

The work programmes specify for each of the research objectives, the type(s) of funding scheme(s) to be used for the topic on which proposals are invited.





Reimbursement

Maximum reimbursement rates of eligible costs

- **Research and technological development = 50% or 75%***
- **Demonstration activities = 50%**
- **Management activities = 100%**
- **Other activities = 100%**

(*) For participants that are non profit public bodies, secondary and higher education establishments, research organisations and SMEs.

Indirect costs

- **Real indirect costs**
- **Flat rate of 20%** of its total direct eligible costs
- Nonprofit public bodies, secondary and higher education establishments, and research organisations and SMEs, which are unable to identify with certainty their real indirect costs for the project, when participating in funding schemes which include research and technological development and demonstration activities may opt for a **flat rate of 60%** of the total direct eligible costs
- All Coordination and Support Actions: **7% only**

The participant shall apply the method chosen in all grant agreements under the Seventh Framework Programme.



Questions ?

