

Coordination of National Complexity Science Research Activities

What is **Complexity-NET**?

Funded by the European Commission Framework 6 Programme, the **Complexity-NET** European Research Area Network (ERA-NET) is a group of European science and technology funding agencies, research councils and ministries all working together to create an environment that best enables the coordination of strategically planned national activities in complexity science and complex systems research.

ERA-NET funding is restricted to the costs for networking and coordination of research activities and programmes: the networks align national research policies and activities in terms of objectives, expertise and resources.

Complexity-NET activities to date

We have:

- Synthesised national and European complexity science research landscapes.
- Assessed the interest in and need for complex systems research in industry and business.
- Held a scoping workshop to bring together physical scientists and social scientists with an interest in complex systems (January 2009). Speaker presentations from this workshop are available on our website.
- Funded nine cross-disciplinary, transnational research projects through our first joint call, *Interdisciplinary Challenges for Complexity Science* (2009-10). Please see our website for further details.

Future Complexity-NET activities


We intend to:


- Continue engagement with other complexity-related activities across Europe.
- Scope future transnational activities beyond the end of the project to sustain and build upon the impact of **Complexity-NET** to date. In particular we will hold a scoping workshop in November 2010 to:
 - Develop future joint activities, in partnership with funding agencies outside our existing network where possible;
 - Showcase our funded projects.

Who to contact:


Complexity-NET Partners

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 **United Kingdom** - Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council


 **Belgium** - Fonds National de la Recherche Scientifique

 **Denmark** Danish Agency for Science, Technology and Innovation

 **Estonia** - Eesti Teaduste Akadeemia


 **Greece** - General Secretariat for Research and Technology


 **Hungary** - Nemzeti Kutatási és Technológiai Hivatal

 **Ireland** - Irish Research Council for Science, Engineering & Technology

 **Italy** - Istituto dei Sistemi Complessi - Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche

 **Netherlands** - Nederlandse Organisatie voor Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek

 **Portugal** - Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia

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