

## Coordination of National Complexity Science Research Activities

Funded by the European Commission Framework 6 Programme, **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 enables the coordination of 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
- Launched a pilot call (May 09) for transnational, interdisciplinary research projects. Over 120 Expression of Interest were received, which are currently being assessed. Full Proposals will be invited in autumn 2009

### Future Complexity-NET activities

We intend to:


- Continue engagement with other complexity-related activities across Europe, including ASSYST
- Extend the project until August 2010, with European Commission approval; to build links with industry and launch an International Complexity Science Innovation Network
- Scope future transnational activities beyond the end of the project to sustain and build upon the impact of **Complexity-NET**. Priorities include the engagement of funding agencies in other countries and scoping of follow-up funding activities

If you want to be kept updated with information about **Complexity-NET** please contact the Project Office who will be pleased to provide you with details of upcoming activities and events, or look at the **Complexity-NET** website.


## Who to contact:


### Complexity-NET European Partners:

#### Coordinator:


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

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 **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** - Instituto dei Sistemi Complessi - Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche

 **Netherlands** - Nederlandse Organisatie voor Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek

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