



# **Socio-Economic Sciences and Humanities**

**Research in the field of crime within the 6th and 7th Framework programme for research and technological development**

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# EU Research Policy: Overall objectives and means

- to strengthen the scientific and technological bases of the Community industry, supporting competitiveness, citizen welfare and
- To support other EU policies
  - By the implementation of Research and Technological Development Programmes
  - By the promotion of co-operation and co-ordination in the field of Community and Member States research including with third countries and international organisations
  - By the dissemination of the results of Community Research
  - By stimulating the training and mobility of researchers in the EU



SEVENTH FRAMEWORK  
PROGRAMME



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# EU Research Policy: Implementation

- FP7 is organised in 4 specific programmes:
  - **Co-operation** (10 thematic areas including health, industrial technologies, social science, security, information & communication technologies...)
  - Ideas (frontier research)
  - People (training and mobility)
  - Capacities (infrastructures)





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# The Cooperation specific programme— Collaborative Research

## Ten themes

1. Health
2. Food, agriculture and fisheries, and biotechnology
3. Information and communication technologies
4. Nanosciences, nanotechnologies, materials and new production technologies
5. Energy
6. Environment (including climate change)
7. Transport (including aeronautics)
- 8. Socio-economic sciences and the humanities**
9. Space
10. Security  
Euratom: Fusion energy research, nuclear fission and radiation protection



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# The SSH programme second period 2010 – 2013

New evolution for the second period 2010-2013:

- « **Road Map** » 2001-2013 with indicative **Societal Challenges** and **Topics** for the future Work Programmes
- « **New Approach** » focussing a mix of societal challenges and topics to be addressed in the SSH activities
- Strengthening « **Forward Looking** » activities
- Promoting « **stock taking** » and **exploitation** of results  
« **evidence based policy making** »





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# A new approach building on Societal Challenges for the EU

- Identification of important “**Societal Challenges**” for the EU where each of the Challenges is addressed by a specific large scale set of research actions
  - *funding scheme: a large scale integrating research project*
  - *minimum requested EC contribution: 6.5 million euros*
- Still a continued presence of “**conventional topics**” corresponding to focused to specific aspects of Social Sciences and Humanities
  - *minimum requested EC contribution: 2.7 million euros*



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Funded projects in the  
area of crime,  
security, human  
rights, migration...





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# 'Precursors': Research on Crime and migration in FP6

- **Research Area 6 – Issues connected with the resolution of conflicts and restoration of peace and justice**
  - Crime as a cultural problem. The relevance of perceptions of corruption to crime prevention
  - Assessing Deviance, Crime and Prevention in Europe
  - Promoting comparative quantitative research in the field of migration



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# 'Precursors': Research on Crime and migration in FP6

- **Priority 8 – Scientific support to policies**
  - Assessing Organized Crime
  - Crime repression costs in context
  - Improving Knowledge on Organized crime
  - Developing mechanisms for assessing the risk of crime due to legislation and products in order to proof them against crime at an EU level
  - Mainstreaming methodology for estimating the costs of crime
  - Irregular migration. Data and Trends across Europe
  - Undocumented worker transitions



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## 'Precursors': Research on conflicts, security, human rights in FP5 and FP6

- **FP5:** 5 'pioneer' projects. EU and Border Conflicts; Borders as areas of exclusions or cooperation; Foreign Policy Governance; Integrating the Balkans in the EU; European liberty and security.
- **FP6:** Changing Landscape of Liberty and Security'; Transnational terrorism and rule of law; Human security in the Western Balkans;
- Polarisation and Conflict, Peace Processes in Community Conflicts; Micro-level Analysis of violent conflicts;
- Coordination Action on Human Rights Violations; Human and Minority Rights in the cycle of ethnic conflicts; Human Rights in conflicts: The role of civil society



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# FP7: Research on conflicts, human rights and migration

- Conflicts and peace: *Multi-stakeholder partnerships; Just and Durable Peace; Diasporas and conflicts*
- Rule of law and human rights in case of conflicts: *Privatisation of War, Mass Atrocity Cases, Law and reconciliation*
- Migration between Africa and Europe and young adult migrants
- Transnationalisation, Migration and transformation: Multi-level analysis of Transnationalism



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# FP7: research on justice and corruption

- Developing better indicators for policy: *Scientific indicators of confidence in justice: tools for policy assessment (EURO-JUSTIS)*
- *Fight against corruption: Promotion of Participation and Citizenship in Europe through the "Advocacy and Legal Advice Centres (ALACs)" of Transparency International (ALACs)*



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# Next steps...





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# SSH Workprogramme 2010

## Call 3.2.1

- Challenge on « *Addictions and lifestyles in contemporary European societies* » (indicative budget: 8 millions EUR)
- Challenge= Large scale integrated research project
  - minimum EC requested contribution **6.5 Millions EUR**
  - At least 7 partners from a minimum of 7 countries.
  - Need for interdisciplinary approach, tackling the issue from different angles (i.e. sociology, economy, psychology, **criminology**, cognitive sciences, etc)
- deadline for submission of proposals: 2<sup>nd</sup> of February 2010
- Evaluation in progress...



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## A new approach: Indicative Strategic Research Roadmap in SSH (2011-2013)

- List and rationale for challenges and topics envisaged for 2011 as well as an outlook for the upcoming years.
- Better planning and coordination within the research community.
- **Legally non-binding for the European Commission. Only serves information purposes.**
- [http://ec.europa.eu/research/social-sciences/pdf/roadmap-2011-2013-final\\_en.pdf](http://ec.europa.eu/research/social-sciences/pdf/roadmap-2011-2013-final_en.pdf)





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# Indicative Strategic Research Roadmap: challenges and topics

- 2011:
  - Criminal behaviour and policy responses in the European Union (*Topic*)
  - Justice in a multilevel governance system (*Challenge*)
  - Cultures of corruption and resistance to corruption: maintaining trust and integrity in the private and public sphere (*Challenge*)
  - Surveillance and the challenges for democracy and an open Society (Topic)
  - The evolving concept of borders (*Challenge*)





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# Indicative Strategic Research Roadmap: challenges and topics

- Beyond 2011:
  - New forms of offenses in a globalised world: the case of environmental crime (*topic*)
  - Criminal and justice indicators (*topic*)
  - Taking human rights seriously (*challenge*)
  - Peace building in a war-torn international system (*challenge*)
  - Criminal and justice indicators (*topic*)



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# Criminal behaviour

## Potential subjects

- New offenses and factors generating them, latest trends of criminalization in Europe  
Perception of crime and social justice
- Elaboration and evaluation of policy responses to crime
- New EU framework after Lisbon and enhanced cooperation between Member States
- Analysis of combination of preventive and repressive tools



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## Additional info at:

[http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/ssh/home\\_en.html](http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/ssh/home_en.html)

[http://ec.europa.eu/research/social-sciences/index\\_en.html](http://ec.europa.eu/research/social-sciences/index_en.html)

- ***To be published soon:*** "European Research on Crime and Deviance *in the 6<sup>th</sup> Framework Programme and the first period of the 7<sup>th</sup> Framework Programme* - "Socio-economic Sciences and Humanities" Programme





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