



## How can NET4SOCIETY support you

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# What is NET4SOCIETY?



# The International network of National Contact Points for the Societal Challenge 6 "Europe in a changing world: inclusive, innovative and reflective societies" & Socio-economic Sciences and Humanities (SSH) in Horizon 2020

- Established in February 2008  
EU funding until November 2014
- NET4SOCIETY<sup>3</sup>: Coordination and support action  
of the 7<sup>th</sup> EU Framework Programme (G.A. 320325)
- Over 60 members (Jan. 2014) from Europe & beyond



## NET4SOCIETY's Mission

- Growing transnational network of SC6 NCPs
- Successful, well-informed & connected SSH research communities
- Quality improvement SC6 NCP services across Europe & beyond
- Strong & vibrant SSH aspects in Horizon 2020
- Increase SSH visibility & raise awareness for SSH impact
- Increased participation from ICPCs: International Cooperation Partner Countries
- Close cooperation with key stakeholders & European Commission



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# NET4SOCIETY offers

- **International Networking Events**

Athens 26-27.2.2014,  
Dublin 2012, Vienna 2011

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- Increasing SSH visibility
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## Pulling it Together

### On Interdisciplinary Research Design

*This policy brief provides practice-based analysis of opportunities and obstacles relating to interdisciplinary research. It is based largely on the proceedings of the NET4SOCIETY conference "Learning by doing-making Interdisciplinarity work" (Brussels, 15 January 2013), but is also informed by current literature. Reflecting a Social Sciences and Humanities perspective, its principal focus is society-driven, problem-oriented research. The issues addressed in this policy brief, however, are relevant for all interdisciplinary research. It offers recommendations on successful programme design and project-development for policy makers, programme owners and researchers.*

### What do we need interdisciplinarity for?

Societal challenges are at the heart of the EU's Horizon 2020 Framework Programme for Research and Innovation. These challenges – which range from demographic change to resource efficiency to security – are so complex and sweeping in scope that they can only be addressed by bundling research capacities. Notwithstanding the fact that disciplinary research remains a solid contributor to knowledge generation, a more integrative strategy is needed to address grand societal challenges. We must actively seek to combine knowledge from heterogeneous sources and nurture cross-fertilization between different approaches, methodologies and disciplines. This requires a conscious effort to move beyond research silos that isolate diverse sources of knowledge. It requires a collective effort that can pave the way for critical insights and approaches and foster innovation.

### What kind of interdisciplinarity do we need?

Interdisciplinarity is almost as hard to practice as it is to pronounce. And, like most buzz words, it often lacks clear definition and usage. Traditionally, different scientific disciplines employ specific and explicit rules on doing research. Yet they themselves are social constructs and should be versatile.

New modes of knowledge production have been gaining ground in recent years. Notably, problem-oriented research

**No discipline knows more than all disciplines.**

– François Taddei

Director of the Centre for Research and Interdisciplinarity at Paris Descartes University

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Topics of SSH relevance in all of the 2014/15 Calls of Horizon 2020

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### Opportunities for Researchers from the Socio-economic Sciences and Humanities (SSH)

#### Analysis of SSH-relevant Topics

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## Success Stories: Impact of Socio-economic Sciences and Humanities

Research from Socio-economic Sciences and Humanities (SSH) supports the achievement of policy targets and contributes to the benefit of society and economy in manifold ways.

SSH provides essential knowledge for understanding the world we live in in terms of politics, economy and culture. It helps to shape identities, to understand human diversity and to hold communities together. In many cases, SSH research results shape policy and legislation actions. However, the impact of SSH is often difficult to measure and not as visible as e.g. a technological innovation developed in a research project.

To increase the visibility of this impact, NET4SOCIETY has produced success stories on SSH projects funded under FP7 and FP6 that had a considerable impact – not only on research but also on policy, society or economy – these are:

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ENRI-EAST - Understanding identity formation of ethnic minorities	page 8
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The Success Stories are online at: [www.net4society.eu/public/382.php](http://www.net4society.eu/public/382.php)

The projects are selected on the basis of the visibility of their impact. Another criterion is the active involvement of policy makers and other stakeholders. For identifying the projects, NET4SOCIETY makes use of its SSH NCP network members' experience and knowledge of FP7 projects and of the EU Commission.

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**EU and International Cooperation Participating Countries (ICPCs) Benefit from Collaboration in FP7**

**€3 million granted to a project focusing on the social situation in ICPCs.**

**Belarusian partner in the project, Dr. David ROTMAN, shares his success**

European scholars and researchers from ICPCs might be hesitant or even skeptical with regards to the EU-FP7 as a program relevant to them, as a program they can benefit from. Dr. David Rotman the Belarusian partner in an FP7 project will prove them wrong.

Belarus, an International Cooperation Participating Country, is currently involved in several social sciences related projects funded by the European Commission.

One of these projects titled "Health in Times of Transition: Trends in Population Health and Health Policies in CIS Countries" - HITT-CIS ([www.hitt-cis.net](http://www.hitt-cis.net)) is funded through an FP7 - HEALTH (SICA) Grant. no. 223344.

The project's approach to the topic was not to rely solely on medical statistical documents when carrying out research on health issues, but rather include national surveys, using sociological methods of collecting and analyzing the data provided by respondents. This allowed the project to create a broader view of public health situation in the CIS countries and provide informed advice to policy makers of all the countries involved.

This five years project (2009-2013) was granted € 3 million. The Project is coordinated by the Vienna Institute For Advanced Studies, and its Scientific Coordinator is the University of Aberdeen, UK.

Three features make this FP7 project especially interesting for ICPCs as well as for demonstrating the long-term benefits the cooperation enables and the flexibility within FP7 themes:

- 10 out of total 13 partners are organizations from Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS): Russia, Ukraine, Belarus, Armenia, Georgia, Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, and Moldova.
- It is a follow-up project that continues the research done earlier by the same partners, and thus enables to make empirical comparisons of important indicators for a longer period of time.
- The Project is financed through a Health grant (SpecificTheme - Epidemiological investigations into long-term trends of population health) but the majority of the project's partners are sociological organizations, and the project's main results refer to the social sphere.

Dr. David ROTMAN from Belarusian State University - the Belarusian partner in the HITT-CIS Project was interviewed by Dr. Larissa TITARENKO the Belarusian SSH NCP and N4S member, and shared the story of this success:

## INTERVIEW

**Net4Society: Dr. Rotman, coming from a non-EU country to what do you attribute your successful participation in several EU funded projects, where you consistently play an important role?**

According to my personal view, it is not necessary to be educated in the EU countries to become a good scholar. I graduated from Belarusian State University in the soviet time and then gained my practical sociological experience through active participation in the so called "all-union projects" in the 1980s. All former soviet Republics took part in these projects, and those scholars who are still in this field, continued their cooperation after the break-up of the Soviet Union. This is how I gained my expertise in organizing national surveys. Also, before I took part in FP projects I participated in several INTAS projects that had provided a very good basis for further cooperation and successful participation in FP7. In this specific HITT-CIS project I am responsible for several tasks, but in particular I consult other CIS partners on practical issues related to research organization.

**What is the goal of the HITT-CIS Project?**

In this project, we are trying to obtain a better understanding of the circumstances in which people of the post-soviet countries live. More specifically we are studying how good or bad is the quality of health services they receive, and to what extent they can access healthcare facilities. Furthermore, our aim is to access both healthy and unhealthy people's lifestyles, patterns of nutrition, quality and type of food they usually buy and consume, as well as their habits of alcohol and tobacco consumption.

**We all know that the competition between the project-proposals is very high. In your opinion, why did your project receive funding from the EU?**

First I am proud to say that this project has been selected due to its excellence. Our consortium is working to do the best research possible.



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► Partner Search Support

Are you interested in participation in EU Research Projects within the Societal Challenge "Europe in a changing world - inclusive, innovative and reflective Societies"?

To make use of our network to spread your partner search, you will shortly be able to profit of our online partner search service. The National Contact Point (NCP) in your country will automatically receive your filled in form and the partner search will be published within a short time here on the NET4SOCIETY project website.

The NET4SOCIETY database will offer both profiles of research institutes interested in becoming involved in Horizon 2020 research projects as well as partner searches of research consortia looking for partners. Benefit of this partnering tool specifically related to the social sciences and humanities research community.

→ Show all past partner and project searches

In this link, you can display all partner and project searches related to the last call in FP7, Theme 8 SSH, that closed on 31 January 2013. You can sort them by the topics of the call.

## NET4SOCIETY Quality Check

As a special service for the research community, each country's NCP will carry out a quality check of partner searches before they are displayed online.

Show non-call related profiles

If you are looking for networking opportunities with other SSH research beyond proposal preparations, have a look at our [NET4SOCIETY Research Directory](#) - an online database of key SSH players.

**Find other Partner Searches**

Another online tool for Partner Search can be found on the CORDIS website. The CORDIS Partner Search Service publishes research profiles which do not need to be related to a specific call, and can help you find research partners for your project:  
<http://cordis.europa.eu/partners>

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## Research Directory

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**Welcome to the NET4SOCIETY Research Directory**

NET4SOCIETY is the network of National Contact Points for Socio-economic Sciences and Humanities (SSH) in the 7th EU-Framework Programme.

The NET4SOCIETY Research Directory is an English language online directory of actively involved RESEARCHERS and KEY PLAYERS in the Socio-economic Sciences and Humanities (SSH).

Why you should register?

The NET4SOCIETY Research Directory is designed to facilitate research cooperation in the context of the EU Research Programme.

Add your profile in the Research Directory and you will be able to find and to be found!

[Insert profile](#)

If you are a researcher who is actively involved in SSH research and interested in international cooperation, register yourself and help building a map of SSH research all over the world.

Researchers from all types of institutions are welcome - large and small, universities and private companies.

[Search database](#)

Identify researchers who work in the area of Socio-economic Sciences and Humanities, either within the context of EU funded research or broader collaborative research and find international partners with the complementary expertise, profile or technology that you are looking for.

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Estonia	16
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Finland	5
France	24
Germany	40
Greece	39
Hungary	10
Iceland	22
Ireland	36
Israel	8
Italy	45
Latvia	5
Lithuania	2
Luxembourg	2
Malta	8
Mexico	21
Moldova	2
Montenegro	1
Netherlands	9
Norway	8
Poland	16
Portugal	33
Romania	4
Russia	12
Serbia	2
Slovenia	8
Slovak Republic	14
South Africa	11
Spain	43
Sweden	3
Switzerland	21
Taiwan	18
Turkey	42
United Kingdom	94
Other	18
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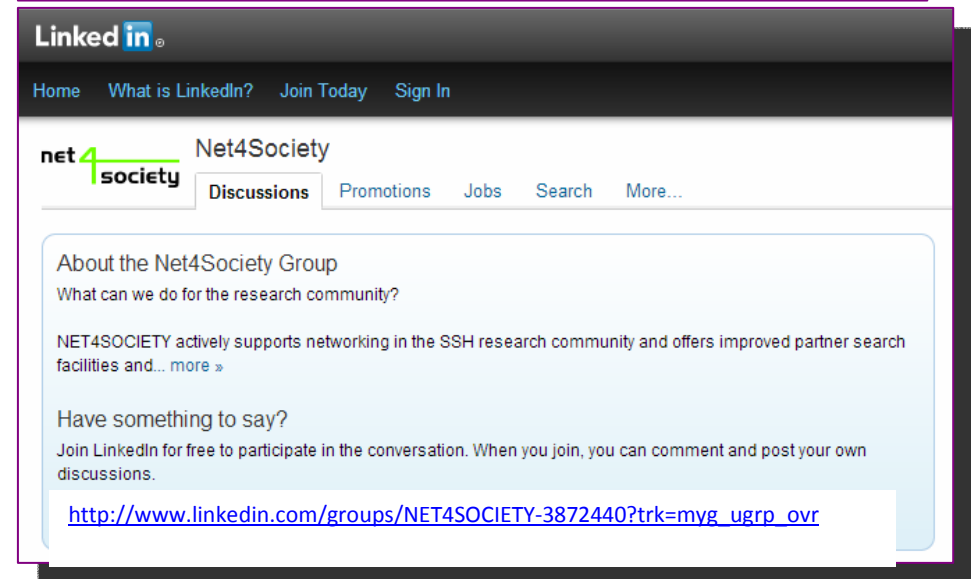
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- Newsletters:
  - \* ISSUES
  - \* e-newsletter

- Website:

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## Upcoming NET4SOCIETY Event:

Transnational conference & brokerage

**“Achieving Impact – SSH in H2020”**

26./27. February 2014 in Athens:

[www.achievingimpact2014.eu](http://www.achievingimpact2014.eu)



# See you in Athens!!!



## ACHIEVING IMPACT

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