Spreading Excellence and Widening Participation

The Union sees significant internal disparities in terms of research and innovation performance. The pathway to economic growth and competitiveness is largely connected to the scaling up of investment in these areas. To maximize such investment, there is the need to tap into Europe’s yet unexploited potential through a stronger commitment by the low-performing Member States and regions.

Teaming and Twinning will create new Centres of Excellence and expertise and encourage pan-European networking among researchers with a strong focus on excellence and innovation. ERA Chairs will bring outstanding researchers to universities and research institutions.

Calls for proposals for 2014–2015:

- WIDESPREAD 1-2014: Teaming
- WIDESPREAD 2-2014: ERA Chairs
- H2020-TWINN-2015: Twinning

Call for proposals opens: WIDESPREAD 11 Dec 2013, TWINNING 1 July 2014
Call for proposals ends: Individual dead-lines, check from the Work Programme
The budget for the call is: WIDESPREAD 37,91 M€ from the 2014 budget, TWINNING 64,12 M€ from the 2015 budget (to be confirmed)

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