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## Research and innovation in Greece and Europe

on the Greek CORDIS web service: [cordis.europa.eu/greece](http://cordis.europa.eu/greece)

The Greek CORDIS web service is a specialised information gateway created to help you keep up to date with important developments taking place in the areas of research, development and innovation. It has been developed jointly by the European Commission's Community Research and Development Information Service (CORDIS) and the Greek National Documentation Centre (EKT).

The web service contains information on the Greek national R & D and innovation system, policies and programmes, science and technology indicators, activities for the promotion of scientific and technological culture in Greek society, etc. It is updated weekly with news, events, interviews, online publications and selected highlights, and is available in English and Greek.

## Comprehensive coverage keeps you up to date

The Greek CORDIS web service is an important information and support tool for the country's scientific, academic and business community. With a high and constantly increasing number of visitors, it is one of CORDIS's most successful national R & D information services.

### News and events

Important R & D-related news on research and innovation (case studies, success stories of innovative projects, policy initiatives, studies, etc.), forthcoming R & D events in Greece, interviews with distinguished scientists and policy-makers in Greece and the rest of Europe, innovative technologies in the spotlight of Greek research.

### R & D and innovation in Greece

Access to the national research and innovation system, policies, goals, national programmes, science and technology indicators, etc.

### 7<sup>th</sup> Framework Programme & Greece in European R & D and Innovation

Information on the seventh framework programme for research, track records of Greek participation in EU-funded projects, national representatives and national contact points.

Promotion of exploitable results and technological offers arising from Greek participation in the framework programmes, with further information and links related to other European programmes.

### Enterprise Europe Network — Hellas

The Greek node of the largest European network for competitiveness and innovation offers a wide range of integrated services specifically designed for small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) but which are also available to all businesses, research centres and universities. The network, operating as a one-stop shop for businesses, provides support and advice on EU legislation, business partners, funding opportunities, new technologies, etc.

### Useful links and contacts

Useful contacts in Greek R & D and innovation, information sources, key sites concerning the Greek public sector, higher education institutions and regional authorities, selected links in the sectors of business, the economy and the information society.

## Research and innovation in Greece

The national policy for the promotion of research, technology and innovation aims to accelerate the transition towards the economy of knowledge, as key for the essential improvement of competitiveness, development, employment and citizens' prosperity in general. The priorities of this policy modulation are the increase of investments

in knowledge and excellence (expenditure on R & D), which should reach 1.5 % of the GDP by 2015, 40 % of which should reflect private participation, and the promotion of innovation and new technologies and entrepreneurship diffusion, aiming to increase economic and social benefits.

### Greek innovation in the spotlight

#### 'Hydrogen is the fuel of the future'

Hydrosol, a technology for generating 'clean energy' that has been developed at the Centre for Research and Technology Hellas, has achieved considerable distinction in the European Descartes Prizes. The innovative aspect of the Hydrosol technology is that it demonstrates the feasibility of efficiently producing hydrogen exclusively from renewable energy sources, such as the sun and water, without generating greenhouse gas emissions.

#### CretAquarium Thalassocosmos: a window on the Mediterranean

The CretAquarium Thalassocosmos, the Hellenic Centre for Marine Research's technological and scientific marvel in Heraklion, operates as a tourist attraction and, simultaneously, as a marine research centre. This contemporary and innovative building houses approximately 2 500 marine organisms which visitors can view from special observation points.

### Interviews on the Greek CORDIS web service

'Member States will need to do more at national level to make Europe a more attractive destination for private sources of research funding'  
*Janez Potočnik, European Commissioner for Science and Research*

'We need a policy that will integrate science into education as a procedure and a way of life, not just as knowledge'  
*Fotis Kafatos, Chairman of the European Research Council*

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