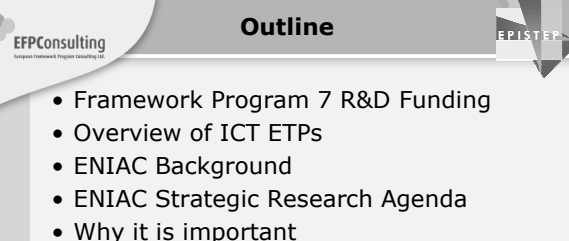


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**EPISTEP support for SMEs in ENIAC**

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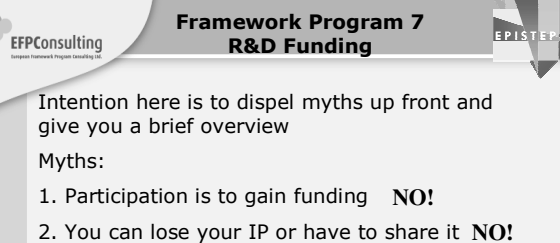
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**Outline**

- Framework Program 7 R&D Funding
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- ENIAC Background
- ENIAC Strategic Research Agenda
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- EPISTEP
- EPISTEP available support
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- Further information

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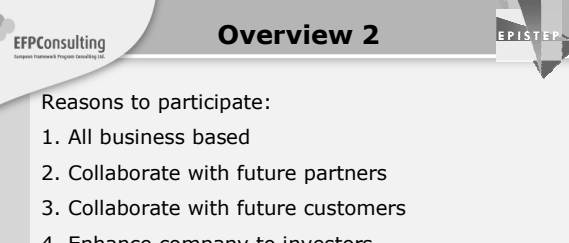
**Framework Program 7  
R&D Funding**

Intention here is to dispel myths up front and give you a brief overview

Myths:

1. Participation is to gain funding **NO!**
2. You can lose your IP or have to share it **NO!**
3. You have to provide matching funding **NO!**
4. Participation forbidden by Chief Scientist **NO!**
5. Everyone has to do research **NO!**

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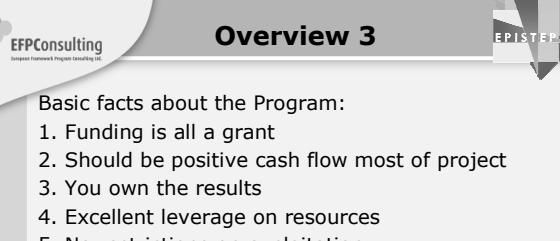
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**Overview 2**

Reasons to participate:

1. All business based
2. Collaborate with future partners
3. Collaborate with future customers
4. Enhance company to investors
5. Gain business/marketing intelligence
6. Influence standards/regulation
7. Increase market credibility/exposure

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**Overview 3**

Basic facts about the Program:

1. Funding is all a grant
2. Should be positive cash flow most of project
3. You own the results
4. Excellent leverage on resources
5. No restrictions on exploitation
6. Israeli participants have full rights
7. Largest civil R&D program in the world
8. ICT funding approx 1.5 Billion Euros per year

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**Overview of ICT ETPs 1**

What is an ICT European Technology Platform?

- Provide a framework for stakeholders, led by industry, to define research and development priorities
- Play a key role in ensuring an adequate focus of research funding on areas with a high degree of industrial relevance. As such, they are proving to be powerful actors in the development of European research policy, in particular in orienting the Seventh Research Framework Program to meet the needs of industry.
- Address technological challenges and new technological breakthroughs necessary to remain at the leading edge in high technology sectors and the restructuring of traditional industrial sectors.

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### Overview of ICT ETPs 2

There are currently nine in ICT out of 31

1. **Mobile Communications (e-Mobility)**
2. **Embedded Systems (ARTEMIS)**
3. **Nano-electronics (ENIAC)**
4. *European Initiative on Networked & Electronic Media (NEM)*
5. *Networked European Software & Services Initiative (NESSI)*
6. *The European Robotics Platform (EUROP)*
7. *The Photonics Technology Platform (Photonics21)*
8. *Integral Satcom Initiative (ISI)*
9. *European Technology Platform on Smart Systems Integration (EPoSS)*

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### Overview of ICT ETPs 3

#### Interfaces between the ICT ETPs

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### Overview of ICT ETPs 4

In addition there are several other non-ICT platforms related to Nanotechnology

- NanoMedicine - Nanotechnologies for Medical Applications
- EuMaT - European Technology Platform for Advanced Engineering Materials and Technologies

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### ENIAC Background 1

ENIAC was set-up in 2003/2004 by the following major players in conjunction with the Commission:

Industry :

- Aixtron, AMD, ARM, ASML, Ericsson, IBM, Infineon, Motorola, Nokia, Philips, STMicroelectronics, Thales, Unaxis

Research organisations :

- CEA/LETI, CNRS, CSEM, Fraunhofer, IMEC, NMRC, VTT

Other :

- EIB, MEDEA+

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### ENIAC Background 2

The principle **mission** of ENIAC was to:

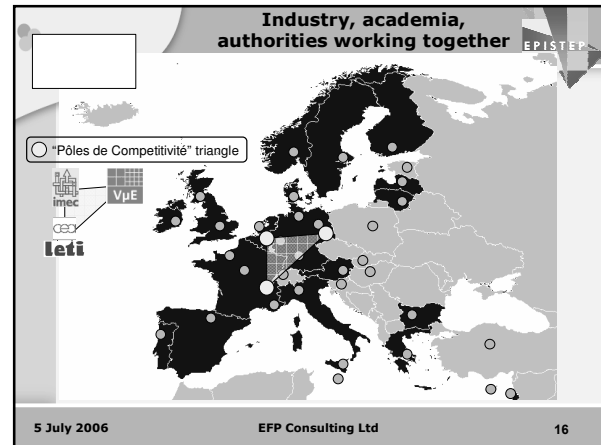
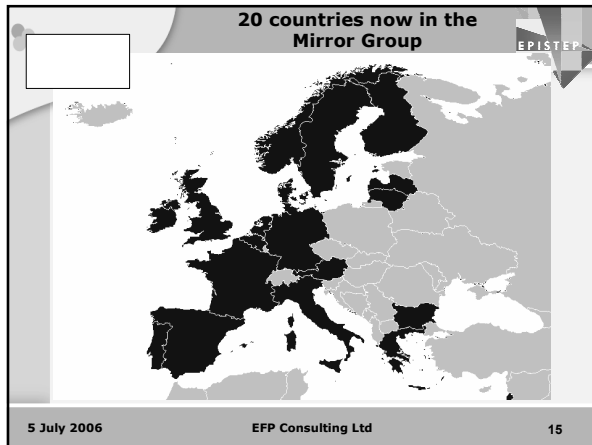
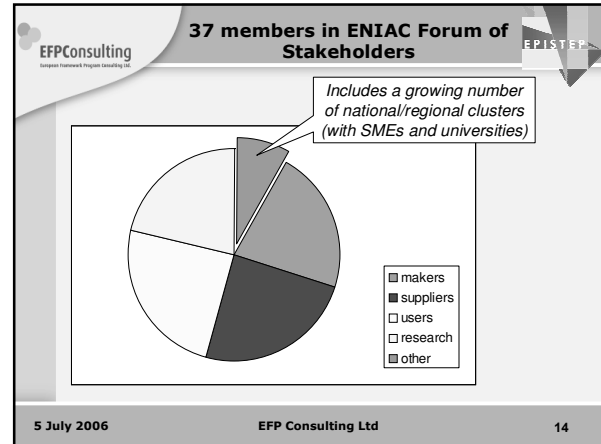
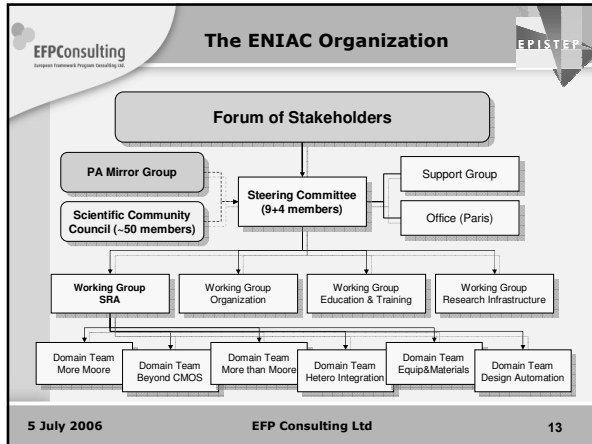
- Provide a **strategic research agenda** to achieve the 2020 vision
- Set out **strategies and roadmaps** to implement the SRA
- **Stimulate** increased and more effective public and private R&D **investment**
- Contribute to the **convergence** between public and private **R&D actions**
- Enhance **networking and clustering** of the R&D capacity in Europe
- Promote Europe as an **attractive location** for researchers
- Interact with **other policies** and actors that influence **competitiveness**

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### The great Challenge

Nanoelectronics:  
nanoscale structures + Gigabit complexity

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### From a Vision to the Strategic Research Agenda

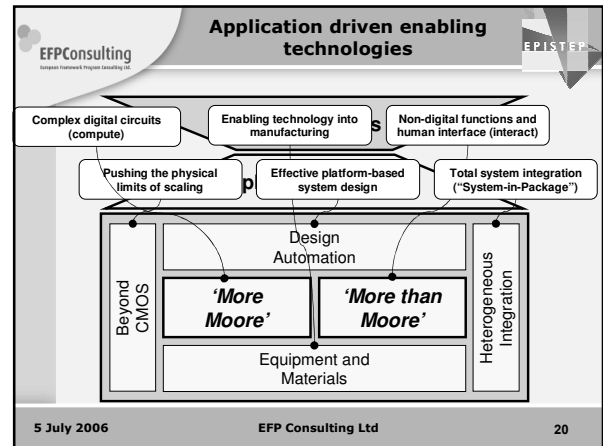
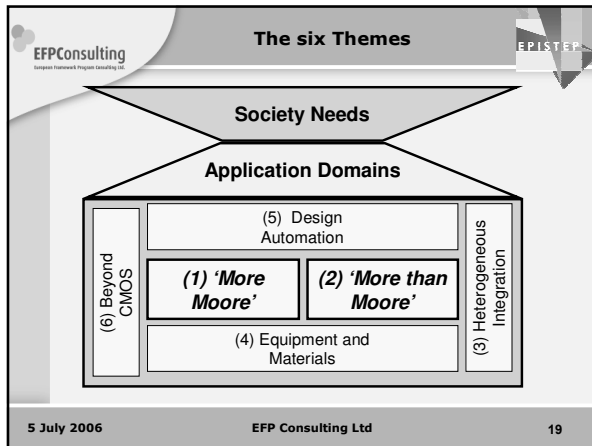
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### What is the Strategic Research Agenda?

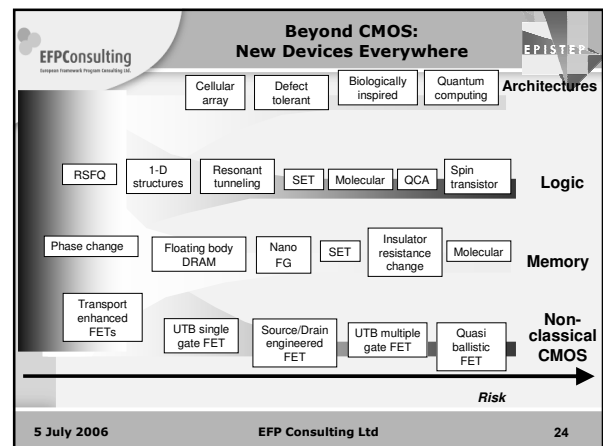
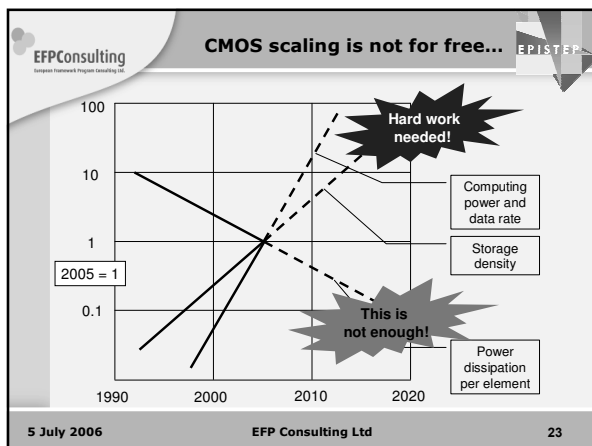
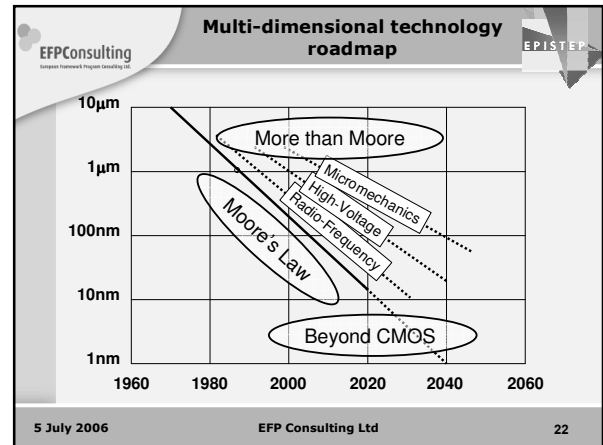
A comprehensive projection of future technology needs for the advancement of Nanoelectronics in Europe, to:

- Serve the European Semiconductor value chain
  - Include suppliers, producers and users
- Connect European high-quality competencies
  - Enabling critical knowledge, including SMEs
- Identify disruptive technologies to solve blocking points
  - Guided by SRA Domain Teams
- Focus on research leading to industrial innovation
- Enhance cooperation between industry and academia
  - Strong R&D ecosystems in each sub domain

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- ### Why "another" roadmap?
- ITRS roadmap is a well accepted standard and a useful tool for driving research activities.
  - SRA research agenda will build on it (several contributors to ITRS are in SRA teams), but;
    - More focus on critical technologies for Europe;
    - Stronger link with final applications, and added value for European society;
    - Extended to fields minimally covered by ITRS (e.g. power, heterogeneous systems, sensors,..);
    - Indicating priorities for research investments;
    - Not limited to research, but covering also infrastructures, education, etc.
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### More than Moore examples

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### Lithography roadmap

Half pitch (nm)	Year	90	65	45	32	22	16	11	8
Year	2003	2005	2007	2009	2011	2013	2016	2019	
$\lambda$ (nm)	193	193	193	193	193	193	193	193	193
NA	0.85	0.85	0.85	0.85	0.85	0.85	0.85	0.85	0.85
		0.40	0.31	0.22	0.22	0.22	0.22	0.22	0.22
			0.40	0.28	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25
				0.31	0.22	0.22	0.22	0.22	0.22
					0.59	0.41	0.30	0.29	0.29
						0.41	0.30	0.29	0.29
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									0.29

low k1 challenge, infrastructure challenge, Fluid/material challenge, pitch relaxation or double patterning

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### Substrate Level Integration Technology

**2006+: Embedded devices** (MEMS, passives, antennas, IC's)

**2008+: New Materials** High k and low k dielectrics, High Tg polymers

**Integrated heat sinks** Power dissipation, mechanical-electromagnetic shavings...

**2008: Substrate and Interposer** Low cost finer line & smaller via (25  $\mu$ m)

**2015: Printable electronics**

**2012: New Substrate Technologies** Flexible substrates (reel to reel) Integrated optical interconnects

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### Heterogeneous Integration - micro meets nano

- 'NanoVelcro' Room-temperature solder-free interconnect
- Using carbon nanotubes enables extreme low resistance

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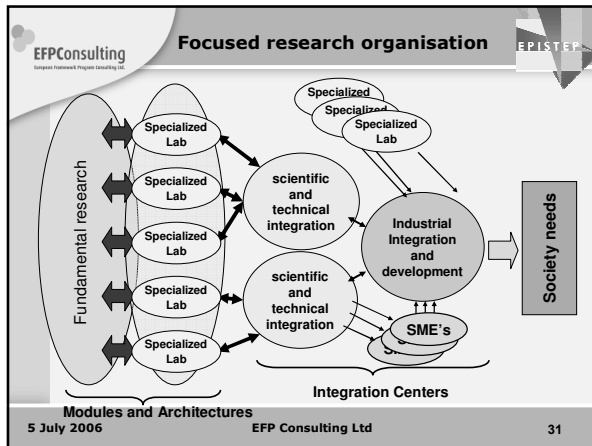
### Design Automation integrated with ARTEMIS

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### Strong Public-Private partnerships

- Industrial Research Centres managed jointly by competing companies.
- Pôles de Compétitivité associating large and small industry and Research Centres in key areas.
- A network of open innovation institutes, connected with Universities.
- National ENIAC initiatives, joining SMEs, Universities and Research Centres.
- Coordinated cooperation inside national, EUREKA and Framework Programs.

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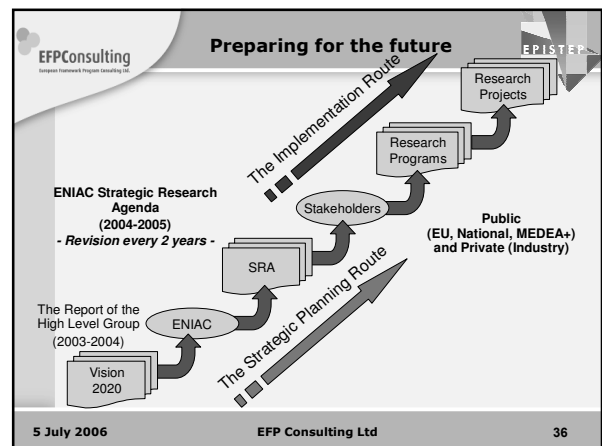
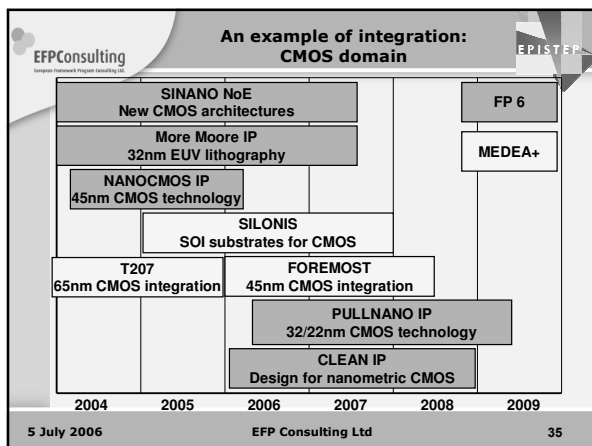
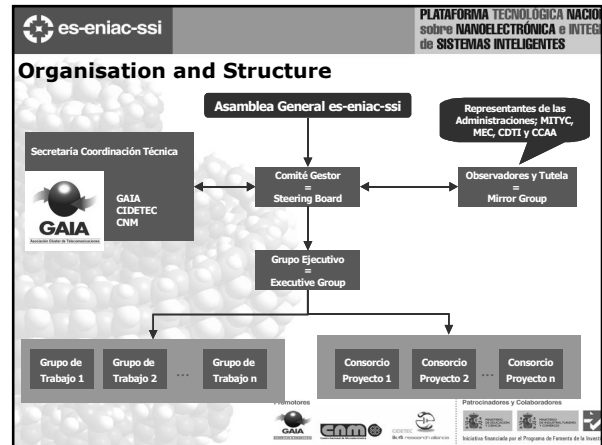
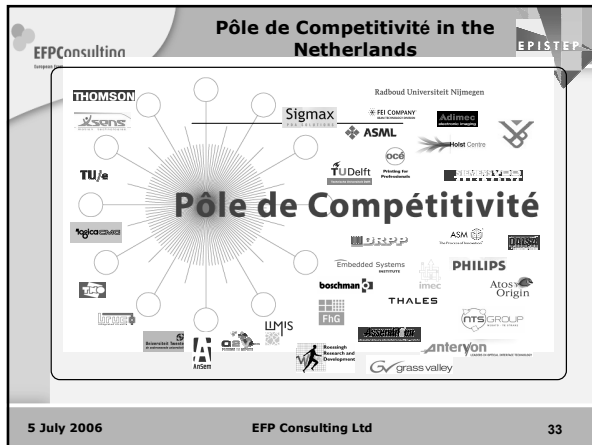


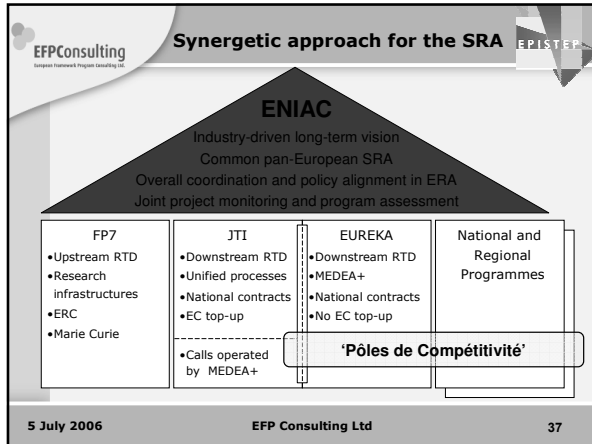
### New business partnerships: 300-mm advanced CMOS

**Crolles2 alliance**

- STMicroelectronics
- Philips Semiconductors
- Freescale
- And JDP with TSMC

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### Eureka MEDEA+

**Israeli organisations can also participate in MEDEA+ Eureka cluster**

In the industry-driven MEDEA+ Programme, 384 partners as of July 2006 from 22 European countries are working on the most advanced research challenges in microelectronics applications and their enabling technologies.

MEDEA+ runs from 2001 – 2008 with budget of 4 BEuro

In MEDEA+ partners:

- 40% are small companies,
- 34% are large companies,
- 26% are research institutes and universities

Currently there are 3 Israeli participants:

- Jordan Valley Semiconductors
- Nova
- Runcom

### Conclusions

- The European Technology Platform for Nanoelectronics is a serious attempt to promote public-private partnership in research in Europe.
- It builds on existing cooperation inside EUREKA and Framework Programs.
- The Strategic Research Agenda will be the main tool for driving research activities in Europe.
- It is still in its building phase: the main challenge will to combine effectiveness with the broadest possible participation.

### Why is ENIAC important 1

- R&D Projects will be funded along the lines suggested by ENIAC
- Main major projects likely to be via Joint Technology Initiatives (JTIs) – however this may take into 2008
- Starting earlier and continuing in parallel will be more traditionally funded FP7 R&D projects from 2007
- Both supplemented via Eureka MEDEA+ work
- It is clear that all three types of projects will be dominated by ENIAC actors

### Why it is important 2

By being close to ENIAC you increase your chances of involvement in those projects

For Startups, this will:

- Enable you to work with major customers
- Allow you to focus your R&D
- Attract interest of major players
- Be closer to what others are doing
- Be more aware of opportunities
- Make it easier to raise capital
- Increase your R&D spending
- FP7 funding will be much more attractive for SMEs (e.g.75% grants instead of 50%)

### Why it is important 3

- Israel could set up a National parallel initiative like Spain, Holland, France etc.
- Increasing importance of Eureka (MEDEA+) to partnering and JTIs

**COMBIMEXX from FP5 in which Jordan Valley was the key player and beneficiary**

Start Date: 1 Mar 2001 Duration: 18 months Project Funding: 2.92 MEuro  
 Coordinator CEA LETI France  
 Participants  
 JORDAN VALLEY ISRAEL  
 STMICROELECTRONICS SA FRANCE  
 PHILIPS FRANCE S.A.S. FRANCE  
 SEMATECH, INC. UNITED STATES  
 INFINEON TECHNOLOGIES AG AUSTRIA

The objective of the SEA project COMBIMEXX is to assess and to improve a revolutionary semiconductor metrology tool for in-line monitoring of the thickness, roughness and elemental composition of thin and thick layers up to production mode for front end processes and back end processes.

ORAMIR were in a similar type of project in FP4

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**EPISTEP**

Enhanced Participation of SMEs in IST European Technology Platforms

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**EPISTEP Project**

- The EPISTEP Project is a Specific Support Action financed by the European Commission Innovation Programme in FP6
- Project start date: 15 September 2005
- Project duration: 28 months
- Participants: 25 members from 15 different countries

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**EPISTEP Abstract**

Enable SMEs participation in the Sixth and Seventh Framework Program with the goal to enhance their presence in IST European Technology Platforms (ETP).

ETPs addressed in the EPISTEP project are:

- Mobile Communications (e-Mobility)
- Embedded Systems (ARTEMIS)
- Nano-electronics (ENIAC)

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**EPISTEP Participants**

UK: Targeting Innovation Ltd (co-ordinator); National Microelectronics Institute; SOA Services Ltd; Innovation Centres (Scotland) Ltd  
 IT: European Business Associates; APRE; CoC Torino  
 FR: ALMA  
 IE: Enterprise-Ireland; Investnet  
 DE: Steinbeis-Europa Zentrum; Zenit GmbH  
 FI: Turku School of Economics and Business Administration; ICT Turku Oy; Turku University  
 EE: Archimedes Foundation  
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 LI: Lietuvos Inovacijų Centras  
 SL: STUBA Ltd  
 BE: Brussels Enterprise Agency  
 SE: The Swedish EU/R&D-council

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**EPISTEP free support for SMEs**

1. Commercially neutral proxy – as needed – for ENIAC interface
2. Organisation of Information and Brokerage events
3. On going awareness of ENIAC plans
4. Ability to comment/contribute to SRA
5. Training workshops, as required
6. Capabilities fed to ENIAC actors
7. Identification of suitable opportunities
8. Assistance in joining suitable consortia
9. Assistance in contract negotiation
10. Training in project management as required

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**What to do now**

- Download the current ENIAC SRA
- Apply to join ENIAC as appropriate
- Provide input to the update of the SRA
- Register your organisations interest in the EPISTEP data base
- Fill in our EPISTEP interest study

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**EPISTEP ENIAC SRA study**

1. More Moore	22 research topics
2. More than Moore	39 research topics
3. Heterogeneous Integration	48 research topics
4. Equipment & Materials	19 research topics
5. Design Automation	12 research topics
6. Beyond CMOS	49 research topics
Altogether	179 research topics

**Please fill in the survey!**

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**Further information**

- <http://cordis.europa.eu/technology-platforms/>
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