

**DECISION BY THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE EUROPEAN INSTITUTE OF
INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY (EIT)**

of 16th December 2009

On the selection and designation of 2 or 3 KICs

THE GOVERNING BOARD
OF THE EUROPEAN INSTITUTE OF INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY,

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 294/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11th March 2008 establishing the European Institute of Innovation and Technology¹ (hereinafter "the Regulation"; "EIT"),

Whereas:

- (1) Article 5 (1c) of the Regulation states that "In order to achieve its objective, the EIT shall select and designate KICs in the priority fields in accordance with Article 7 and define their rights and obligations by agreement; provide them with appropriate support; apply appropriate quality control measures; continuously monitor and periodically evaluate their activities; and ensure an appropriate level of coordination between them";
- (2) Article 7 (1) of the Regulation states that: "A partnership shall be selected and designated by the EIT to become a KIC on the basis of a competitive, open and transparent procedure. Detailed criteria for the selection of the KICs, based on the principles of excellence and innovation relevance, shall be adopted and published by the EIT; external and independent experts shall be involved in the selection process";
- (3) Article 18 (2) states that "Within a period of 18 months from the date of creation of the Governing Board, the EIT shall select and designate two or three KICs in accordance with the criteria and procedures set out in Article 7";
- (4) The Criteria for the Selection of Knowledge and Innovation Communities (KICs) and IPR Guidelines were published in February 2009;
- (5) A call for proposals; EIT-KICS-2009 – Knowledge and Innovation Communities, was launched on 02. April 2009;
- (6) A call addressed to individuals for the establishment of a database of prospective independent experts to assist the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT) with tasks in connection with the evaluation and implementation of Knowledge and Innovation Communities (KICs) was launched on 14 May 2009;

¹ OJ L 97/1 of 9.4.2008

- (7) The EIT Governing Board mandated independent external experts from the EIT database to evaluate KIC proposals and briefed them prior to the start of their work;
- (8) The EIT received 20 proposals by the call deadline of 27 August 2009;
- (9) Two proposals failed to meet the eligibility criteria;
- (10) The independent external experts evaluated all eligible proposals with respect to the criteria set out in the Call for proposals EIT-KICS-2009 – Knowledge and Innovation Communities;
- (11) All eligible proposals were evaluated in evaluation Step 1 and those which passed the threshold in Step 1 were evaluated in Step 2;
- (12) A final panel validated the consistency of scorings between the three priority area panels, endorsed the evaluation steps 1 and 2; and submitted a final report to the EIT Governing Board on 26 November 2009;
- (13) The 2 highest ranked proposals from the respective priority areas were invited to hearings by the EIT Governing Board;

HAS DECIDED

TO SELECT AND DESIGNATE THE FOLLOWING KICS:

255659	<i>KIC InnoEnergy</i>
255704	<i>Climate KIC</i>
255705	<i>EITictlabs</i>

TO DECLARE THE FOLLOWING ELIGIBLE PROPOSALS NOT SELECTED:

Proposal Number	Acronym
252082	<i>eCANDO</i>
255673	<i>KIC Luctor et Emergo</i>
255687	<i>SEEIT</i>
255690	<i>I'Cities</i>
255691	<i>E4</i>
255692	<i>KICWT</i>
255695	<i>Fiestot</i>
255696	<i>LSF</i>
255697	<i>ZCO2RT</i>
255707	<i>Kris Energy</i>
255708	<i>iMIC</i>
255710	<i>TransFICS</i>
255713	<i>Energy Hills</i>
255716	<i>F3i</i>
255719	<i>GreenKICS</i>

TO THE DECLARE THE FOLLOWING PROPOSALS INELIGIBLE:

Proposal Number	Acronym:
250641	<i>X-Technology</i>
255679	<i>Enlvida</i>

Done in Budapest, 16th December 2009,

For the EIT.

EIT Chairman

