

## Overview of the EC EHS research plans and perspective

**FP7 and future research needs**  
**Most recent calls for proposals and those anticipated**

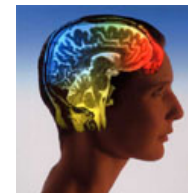
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# Basis of EU Research Programmes

- **Objective "Lisbon"**: to become the most dynamic and most competitive knowledge-based economy
- **Objective "Göteborg"**: sustainable development (environment, health, economy, employment)
- **European Research Area (ERA)**: Integrating, reinforcing, structuring and stimulating investment in Research & Development – 3% of GDP



# 7th Framework Programme 2007-2013

*Building the Europe of Knowledge*

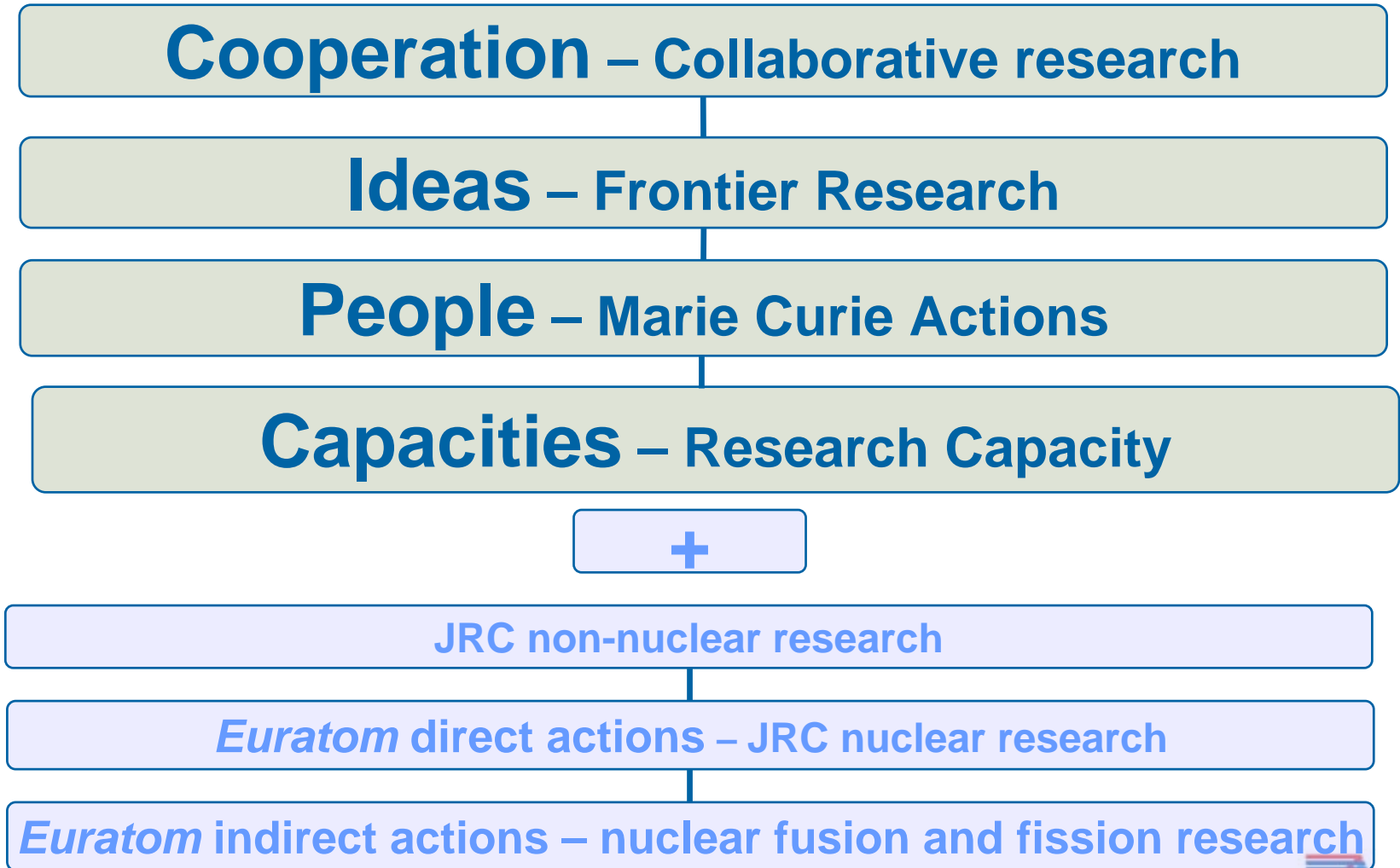
## Theme 4 :

Nanoscience & tech, Materials, Production

*Improve the competitiveness of European Industry*



## FP7 – 4 Specific Programmes



## FP7 'Cooperation' ten priority Themes

1. Health	6 100
2. Food, agriculture and fisheries, and biotechnology	1 935
3. Information and communication technologies	9 050
4. Nanotechnologies, materials and production	3 475
5. Energy	2 350
6. Environment	1 890
7. Transport (incl. aeronautics)	4 160
8. Socio-economic research	623
9. Space	1 430
10. Security	1 400
Total (million Euro)	32 413



# EU Strategy Europe 2020: 3 interlinked priorities



1.) **Smart growth**: developing an economy based on **knowledge and innovation**



2.) **Sustainable growth**: promoting a more efficient, greener and more competitive economy



3.) **Inclusive growth**: fostering a high-employment economy delivering social and territorial cohesion

# Innovation Union



A cornerstone of Europe 2020 strategy

- **Addresses three issues:**
  - Globalisation of **knowledge production and innovation capacities**
  - **Impact of the crisis on public and private finance, survival of innovative SMEs**
  - Major challenges **to address with reduced means**
- → *Innovation emergency!*



## Key measures of Innovation Union

- Getting good ideas to market
- Access to finance
- Single innovation market
- Openness and creative potential





# European Innovation Partnerships



- Key issues
  - **Major** societal challenges **require** joint responses **across policies and across EU**
  - **Numerous** sub-critical, uncoordinated initiatives:
    - between EU / Member States / Regions
    - R&D / Market-side actions (public procurement, standards, regulation)
- **European Innovation Partnerships are:**
  - Frameworks bringing together main actors and actions
    - At EU and national levels
    - From research to market
    - Around common objectives and targets

# Common Strategic Framework for future EU Research and Innovation Funding

- **Towards a coherent set of instruments along the whole innovation chain starting from basic research, including:**
  - ▶ Framework Programme for Research (FP),
  - ▶ Competitiveness and Innovation Framework Programme (CIP)
  - ▶ European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT)
- **Green paper published:**
- **Public consultation launched:**
- **[http://ec.europa.eu/research/csfri/index\\_en.cfm](http://ec.europa.eu/research/csfri/index_en.cfm)**



# EC Integrated Strategy and Action Plan for Nanotechnology, 2004-2009:

- 1 Research
- 1 Infrastructures
- 1 Human Resources
- 1 Industrial Innovation
- 1 Societal Issues
  - Outreach, Ethics, Code of Conduct
- 1 Safety & Regulation
- 1 International Cooperation
  - in Research, Safety, Governance etc

# The current state of Nano\*

- some priority issues for the future

- Significant investment in nano science topics during FP6 and first half of FP7;
  - Good science base and research capacity across member states;
  - Many research results in the labs resulting from the first wave of projects, but mainly long term, needing further support for development;
- Nanotechnology has to start to deliver on the promise of great societal and economic benefits – we need flagship industrial applications to lead the way;
- At the same time, Societal, Governance and Health, Safety and Environment issues are more important than ever;
- Supporting technologies (e.g. instrumentation, modelling & simulation, design) still represent a bottleneck.

\* Nanosciences and Nanotechnologies: An action plan for Europe 2005-2009. Second Implementation Report 2007-2009-29.10.2009-COM(2009)607 final {SEC(2009)1468}

\* EAG position paper; Ad-hoc industrial advisory group



# Nano - The Challenges for the EU - To be addressed by a new Roadmap

## 1 “Smart, Sustainable Growth”

- Private investment and industrial uptake
- Must address current challenges in energy, environment and health

## 1 Ensure high levels of safety

- Research into effects on human health and environment, life-cycle assessment, test methods /equipment
- Further review & effective implementation of regulation

## 1 Consolidate Public Trust

- Information, dialogue

## Involvement of Technology Platform NANOFUTURES



# FP6 - NMP NanoSafety PROJECTS

- **ON SAFETY OF NANOPARTICLES:**

- **CELLNANOTOX:** Cellular Interaction and Toxicology with Engineered Nanoparticles
- **DIPNA:** Development of an Integrated Platform for Nanoparticle Analysis to verify their possible toxicity and eco-toxicity
- **NANOINTERACT:** Development of a platform and toolkit for understanding interactions between nanoparticles and the living world
- **NANOSH:** Inflammatory and genotoxic effects of engineered nanomaterials
- **NANOCAP:** Nanotechnology Capacity Building NGOs (FP6-SOCIETY)
- **IMPART:** Improving the understanding of the impact of nanoparticles on human health and the environment
- **PARTICLE-RISK:** Risk Assessment of Exposure to Particles (FP6-NEST)
- **NANOTOX:** Investigative support for the elucidation of the toxicological impact of nanoparticles on human health and the environment

- **SAFETY OF PROCESSES**

- **NANOSAFE2:** Safe production and use of nanomaterials
- **SAPHIR:** Controlled Production Of High Tech Multifunctional Products And Their Recycling

- **STANDARDISATION AND METROLOGY:**

- **NANO-STRAND:** Standardization related to Research and Development for Nanotechnologies
- **NANOTRANSPORT:** The Behaviour of Aerosols Released to Ambient Air from Nanoparticle Manufacturing - A Pre-normative Study



# Impact on Health and the Environment

## FP7-NMP, 1st year, 2007, Projects launched in 2008-2009

<p><b>NMP-2007-1.3-1</b> <b>Large RTD Projects</b></p>	<p><b>Specific, easy-to-use portable devices for measurement and analysis</b></p> <p><b>NANODEVICE:</b> Novel Concepts, Methods, and Technologies for the Production of Portable, Easy-to-Use Devices for the Measurement and Analysis of Airborne Engineered Nanoparticles in Workplace Air</p>
<p><b>NMP-2007-1.3-2</b> <b>Small RTD projects</b></p>	<p><b>Risk assessment of engineered nanoparticles on health and the environment</b></p> <p><b>NANOMMUNE:</b> Comprehensive assessment of hazardous effects of engineered nanomaterials on the immune system  <b>NANORETOX:</b> The Reactivity and Toxicity of Engineered Nanoparticles: Risks to the Environment and Human Health  <b>NEURONANO:</b> Do nanoparticles induce neurodegenerative diseases? Understanding the origin of reactive oxidative species and protein aggregation and mis-folding phenomena in the presence of nanoparticles</p>
<p><b>NMP-2007-1.3-3</b> <b>Coordination</b></p>	<p><b>Scientific review on the data and studies on the potential impact on health, safety and the environment of engineered nanoparticles</b></p> <p><b>ENRHES:</b> Engineered Nanoparticles: Review of Health and Environmental Safety</p>
<p><b>NMP-2007-1.3-4</b> <b>Coordination</b></p>	<p><b>Creation of a critical and commented database on the health, safety and environmental impact of nanoparticles</b></p> <p><b>NHECD</b></p>
<p><b>NMP-2007-1.3-5</b> <b>Coordination</b></p>	<p><b>Coordination in studying the environmental, safety and health impact of engineered nanoparticles and nanotechnology based materials and products</b></p> <p><b>NANOIMPACTNET:</b> The European Network on the Health and Environmental Impact of Nanomaterials</p>
<p><b>HEALTH-2007-1.3-4</b> <b>Small RTD projects</b></p>	<p><b>Alternative testing strategies for the assessment of the toxicological profile of nanoparticles used in medical diagnostics</b></p> <p><b>NANOTEST:</b> Development of methodology for alternative testing strategies for the assessment of the toxicological profile of nanoparticles used in medical diagnostics</p>

# Impact on Health and the Environment

## FP7-NMP: Topics addressed in 2008

### Projects launched in 2009

<p><b>NMP-2008-1.3-1</b>  <b>Large RTD Projects</b></p>	<p><b>Validation, adaptation and/or development of risk assessment methodology for engineered nano-particles</b></p> <p>No proposals selected</p>
<p><b>NMP-2008-1.3-2</b>  <b>Small RTD projects</b></p>	<p><b>Impact of engineered nanoparticles on health and the environment</b></p> <p><b>ENNSATOX:</b> Engineered Nanoparticle Impact on Aquatic Environments: Structure, Activity and Toxicology</p> <p><b>ENPRA:</b> Risk Assessment Of Engineered Nanoparticles</p> <p><b>HINAMOX:</b> Health Impact of Engineered Metal and Metal Oxide Nanoparticles: Response, Bioimaging and Distribution at Cellular and Body Level</p> <p><b>INLIVETOX:</b> Intestinal, Liver and Endothelial Nanoparticle Toxicity Development and evaluation of a novel tool for high-throughput data generation</p> <p><b>NEPHH:</b> Nanomaterials Related Environmental Pollution And Health Hazards Throughout Their Life Cycle</p>



# Impact on Health and the Environment

## FP7-NMP: Topics addressed in 2009

### Projects launched in 2010

<p>NMP-2009-1.3-1 ENV.2009.3.1.3.2 Small RTD projects</p>	<p>Activities towards the development of appropriate solutions for the use, recycling and/or final treatment of nanotechnology-based products (Joint call with Theme 6: 'Environment - Climate Change')</p> <p><b>NANOPOLYTOX:</b> Toxicological impact of nanomaterials derived from processing, weathering and recycling of polymer nanocomposites used in various industrial applications</p> <p><b>NANOHOUSE:</b> Life Cycle of Nanoparticle-based Products used in House Coating</p> <p><b>NanoFATE:</b> Nanoparticle Fate Assessment and Toxicity in the Environment</p> <p><b>NanoSustain:</b> Development of sustainable solutions for nanotechnology-based products based on hazard characterization and LCA</p>
<p>NMP-2009-1.3-2 Coordination</p>	<p>Exposure scenaria to nanoparticles</p> <p><b>NANEX:</b> Development of Exposure Scenarios, for Manufactured Nanomaterials</p>
<p>KBBE-2009-2-4-1 Small RTD projects</p>	<p>Analytical tools for characterisation of nano-particles in the food Matrix</p> <p><b>NanoLyse:</b> Nanoparticles in food: analytical methods for detection and characterisation</p>

# Impact on Health and the Environment

## FP7-NMP: Topics addressed in 2010

### Projects to be launched in 2011

<p><b>NMP-2010-1.3-1</b> Large RTD projects</p>	<p><b>Reference methods for managing the risk of engineered nanoparticles</b></p> <p><b>MARINA:</b> Managing Risks of Nanoparticles  <b>NANOVALID:</b> Development of reference methods for hazard identification, risk assessment and LCA of engineered nanomaterials</p>
<p><b>NMP-2010-1.3-2</b> Small RTD projects Coordinated call with USA</p>	<p><b>Modelling toxicity behaviour of engineered nanoparticles</b></p> <p><b>ModNanoTox:</b> Modelling nanoparticle toxicity: principles, methods, novel approaches  <b>NanoTransKinetics:</b> Modelling the basis and kinetics of nanoparticle cellular interaction and transport</p>
<p><b>NMP.2010.4-0-7</b> Coordination</p>	<p><b>ERA-NET on nanotechnologies, including nanotoxicology</b></p> <p><b>SIINN:</b> Safe Implementation of Innovative Nanoscience and Nanotechnology</p>
<p><b>INFRA-2010-1.1.31</b> Infrastructures</p>	<p><b>Research Infrastructures for processing, analysis and characterisation (physico-chemical properties, health and environmental impact) of engineered nanomaterials, nanoparticles and nanostructures</b></p> <p><b>QNano:</b> A pan-European infrastructure for quality in nanomaterials safety testing</p>

## EU RTD investment in nanosafety research

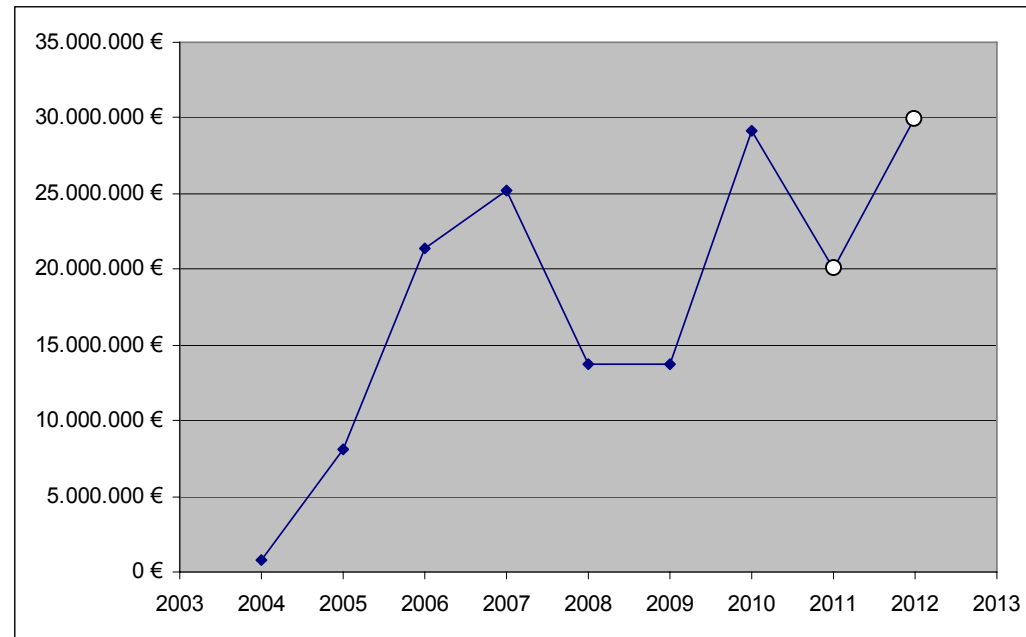
### FP 6:

- About 30 M (12 projects completed)

### FP 7:

- FP7, 2007: € 25 M
- FP7, 2008: € 14 M
- FP7, 2009: € 14 M
- FP7, 2010: € 29 M
- FP7, 2011: € 20M (estimated)

FP 7 Total: € 102 M EU funding



## The NMP Nanosafety Cluster

- An initiative to maximise the synergies between projects addressing all aspects of nanosafety including toxicology, ecotoxicology, exposure assessment, mechanisms of interaction, risk assessment, LCA and standardisation.
- A projects and scientists forum
- About 30 EU and national projects
- Open to voluntary participation
- A projects compendium published; 2011 version available
- Integrating in the Technology Platform NanoFutures

## NMP Call 5 , Work Programme 2011 – Call is Closed

### NANOTECHNOLOGIES HUMAN SAFETY & ENVIRONMENT

#### Projects for SMEs

- **New methods for measuring, detection and identification of nanoparticles in products and/or the environment**

#### Projects up to € 4M EU funding

- **Worker protection and exposure risk management strategies for nanomaterial production, use and disposal**

#### Support action

- **Intelligent testing strategies for nanomaterials impact and exposure – towards regulation and clustering of materials**

NMP CALL 6 (2012) WILL BE PUBLISHED on CORDIS END of JULY 2011

## Materials and hazards

- Develop material characterisation methods
- Develop and validate methods to evaluate toxicity/ecotoxicity

## Exposure and Monitoring

- Instruments for assessing exposure to nanomaterials in air and water (number, surface area, mass)
- Monitoring accidental hazards

## Risk understanding / risk evaluation

- Acceptable/unacceptable risks, Costs/Benefits Analysis
- Exposure limits, control measures
- Impact evaluation over entire Life Cycle

## Risk Communication

- Dialog and transparency
- Risk perception

## Risk mitigation

- Proactive risk management
- Safe processes and safe handling

- Exploit synergies of strategic programmes that enable risk-focussed research
- Enhance safety management infrastructure and capacities
- Methods and data management for Materials, Toxicity testing, and Exposure measurements

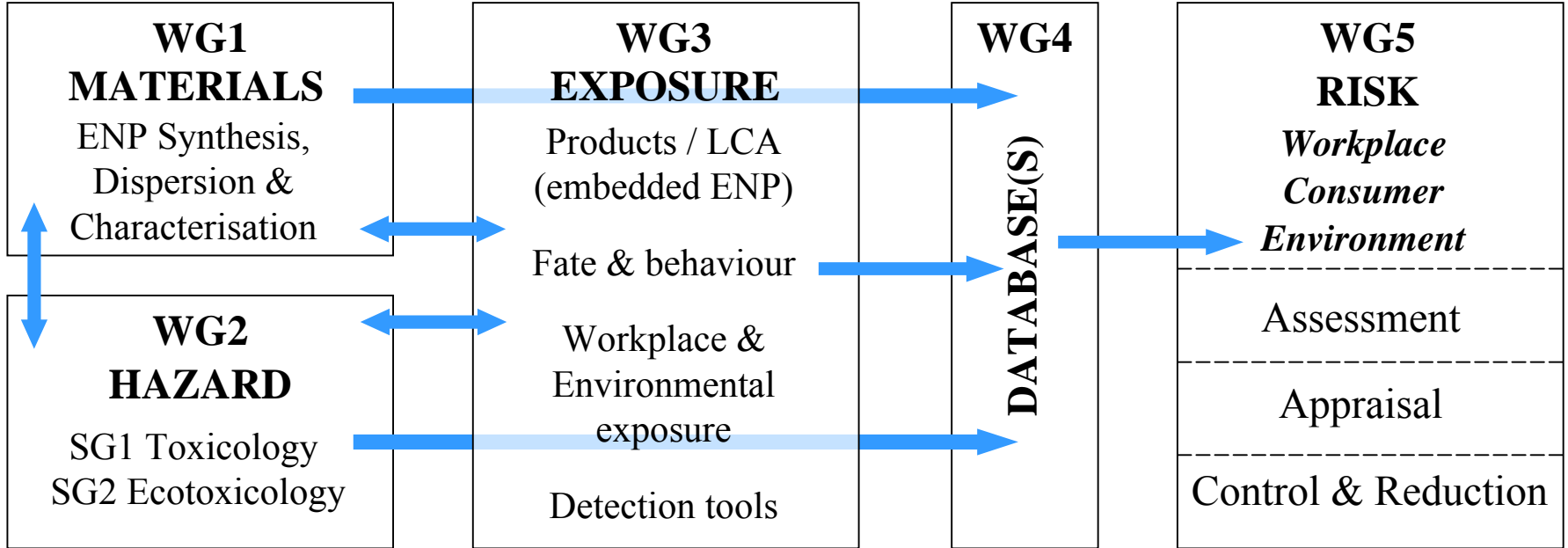


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# EU research NANOSAFETY




## WG6 MODELLING

## WG7 DISSEMINATION

**SG1**  
Standardisation / Regul.  
Bodies / Intern. coop

**SG2**  
Industry/NGOs/  
NanoFutures

**SG3**  
Workshops &  
Conferences / Website





# Mechanisms of cooperation

## SCOPE

- **Information: Two networks, communicating**
  - ▶ Materials
  - ▶ Hazard/exposure
  - ▶ Risk management
- **Exchange of researchers/visits**
- **Scientific strategy & planning**
- **Cooperation extension towards:**
  - ▶ Data management
  - ▶ Standardisation
  - ▶ Testing
  - ▶ Exposure

## STAKEHOLDERS

- EU and USA provide the platform based on their Science and Technology cooperation agreement
- Projects on voluntary basis

## MEANS

- Meetings: One per year?
- Organisation of working groups on specific issues?
- Facilitation of joint actions?
- Databases?



# *Information on Nanotechnology in EC*

## **Commission Nanotechnologies homepage**

<http://cordis.europa.eu/nanotechnology/>

[http://ec.europa.eu/nanotechnology/index\\_en.html](http://ec.europa.eu/nanotechnology/index_en.html)