**PROJECT TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**PROJECT ACRONYM:**

**Invitation to a**

**Joint Call for proposals**

**12th Joint Call for Research and Development Proposals
of the ERA-NET Bioenergy**

**and**

 **2nd additional Joint Call for Research and Development Proposals**

**of the ERA-NET COFUND Bioenergy Sustaining the Future (BESTF3)**

**Topic: “Biomass as an important pillar within energy systems and the circular economy”**

**Deadline for submission of pre-proposals:**

**Tuesday 16th January 2018, 13:00CET**

The Call invites proposals for European transnational collaborative R&D projects from consortia involving industry, SME, stakeholder associations, universities and/or research organisations.

**PLEASE NOTE:**

1. **The selection process is a two-stage process**. Invitation to the full proposal phase (step 2) is subject to a positive evaluation of the pre-proposal.
2. Pre-proposals must be submitted using the following template, **in English** and centrally, via e-mail, to the **Call Secretariat** (Mr. René Wismeijer, rene.wismeijer@rvo.nl).
3. There is a **limit of 5 pages** (font type: Arial; font size: 10) for the **project description**, and **the file size** should not exceed **4 MB**.
4. **National funding regulations will apply to this joint call.** For applicants/partners from Switzerland and The Netherlands it’s **compulsory** that the national funding regulations are checked with the contact persons at respectively SFOE and RVO. For applicants/partners from other countries it is **strongly recommended** that the national funding regulations are checked with the contact person at the respective funding agencies (see *National contact points* in the Call Text) before submitting a pre-proposal. *Annex I* to the Call Text lists any specific national rules to be adhered to.
5. **For detailed information on call topics, rules for participation etc., please see the Call Text** at [**www.eranetbioenergy.net**](http://www.eranetbioenergy.net) & [**www.eranetbestf.net**](http://www.eranetbestf.net)

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| **1. OVERVIEW**  |

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| **Project title** |  |
| **Acronym** |  |
| **Number of partners** **in the consortium** | Small- and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs)[[1]](#footnote-1): |  |
| Large companies: |  |
| Research organisations: |  |
| Universities: |  |
| Others, please specify: |  |
| **Countries represented** **in the consortium** | [ ]  Austria [ ]  Germany [ ]  Netherlands [ ]  Poland [ ]  Switzerland [ ]  Others, please specify\*\* Participants from countries other than those listed in the Call Text are required to check the possibility and availability of national funding. |
| **Duration of the project**(max 36 months)**Total project costs:** | Months in total: | **Expected start** (from 01/2019) |  |
|  | **Requested public funding:** |  |

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| **1.1 1.1 ABSTRACT** (maximum 10 lines) |

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| **1.1 CONSORTIUM** |

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| **PARTNER 1 = COORDINATOR OF THE CONSORTIUM** |
| Name of organisation |  |
| Type | [ ]  SME [ ]  Large company [ ]  University [ ]  Research Organisation [ ]  Other, please specify:  |
| Country |  | Postal code |  | City |  |
| Street address |  | Website |  |
| Project Coordinator  | Mr [ ]  Ms [ ]  | First name |  | Family name |   |
| Email: |  | Phone: |  |
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| **PARTNER 2** |
| Name of organisation |  |
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| **PARTNER 3** |
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| **PARTNER 4** |
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| Street address |  | Website |  |
| Project Leader | Mr [ ]  Ms [ ]  | First name |  | Family name |   |
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| **PARTNER 5** |
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| Street address |  | Website |  |
| Project Leader | Mr [ ]  Ms [ ]  | First name |  | Family name |   |
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| **PARTNER 6** |
| Name of organisation |  |
| Type | [ ]  SME [ ]  Large company [ ]  University [ ]  Research Organisation [ ]  Other, please specify: |
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| **2. PROJECT DESCRIPTION (max. 5 pages total)** |

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| **3.1 2.1 OBJECTIVES AND STATE OF THE ART** **(recommended length 2 pages)**Project objectives; scientific and technological objectives; progress beyond state-of-the art (including existing or pending patents or similar); innovation |

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| **2.2 WORK PLAN (recommended length 1 page)**Brief overview of the work proposed, broken down into main tasks or work packages, should describe the work completed by each partner (brief description of each partner’s contribution and role in the project) |

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| **2.3 DESCRIPTION OF TRANSNATIONAL COOPERATION (recommended length 1 page)**National vs. transnational aspects, added value of the project and its impacts which result from transnational cooperation. Description of each partners competences, the complementarity of the partners and extent to which the consortium as whole brings together the necessary expertise |

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| **2.4 EXPECTED RESULTS AND IMPACT (recommended length 1 page)**Describe the industrial/societal/environmental relevance of the project; with a view to exploitation/ dissemination and elaborate on the economic viability. |

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| **3. FINANCIAL DETAILS**  |

**Please note! Countries outside the Eurozone should indicate costs both in their national currency and in Euros.**

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| **Partner** | **Country** | **Estimated costs of implementing the project** | **Requested public funding** |
| **Costs Year 1** | **Costs Year 2** | **Costs Year 3** | **Total Costs** |
| in EUR (€) | in EUR (€) | in EUR (€) | in EUR (€) | % of total project budget**\*** | in EUR (€) | % of partners costs |
| P1 - Coordinator |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| **TOTAL** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

**Estimated amount of co-funding from other sources (in EUR):**

**\*)** Please note that a balanced budget distribution between countries is desirable.

**\*\*)** Please add rows if needed

1. EU definition of an SME: headcount < 250, turnover ≤ € 50 million or balance sheet total ≤ € 43 million; Recommendation 2003/361/EC regarding the SME definition, see <http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/enterprise_policy/sme_definition/index_en.htm>

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