Supporting international cooperation in science and technology

Ministry of Science and Higher Education (MSHE)
Department for European and International Cooperation
1. Reform of research funding in Poland

2. Current funding mechanisms

3. Future funding mechanisms
AREAS COVERED BY THE REFORM (SEPARATE ACTS):

- Research funding – general rules
- National Centre for Research and Development (to be reformed)
- National Centre for Science (to be established)
- Polish Academy of Sciences
- Research Institutes
Reform of research funding in Poland (2/5)

MAIN ELEMENTS OF THE REFORM:

• Independent funding agencies
• More competitive and quality based financing
• More funding for industrial R&D
• Closer collaboration of researchers with the industry
• Better support for young scientists and PhD students
• Mechanisms to improve mobility of scientists
NATIONAL CENTRE FOR RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT:

- Governmental agency
- Implementing R&D and innovation policy (top-down approach)
- Managing strategic R&D programmes
- Facilitating technology transfer to the economy
- Enhancing scientists’ career development
- Implementing international programmes
NATIONAL CENTRE FOR SCIENCE:

• Governmental agency
• Managing and financing of fundamental research
• Organising calls for proposals and projects’ selection (bottom-up approach) - also with relation to international research programmes
• No less than 20% of budget to be allocated to support researchers starting their careers
TIMEFRAME:

• Reform of research funding - main provisions of respective acts of Parliament are entering into force on 1 October 2010

• Reform of higher education system (prepared concurrently) – is expected to be implemented no later than with the beginning of the academic year 2011/2012
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MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND HIGHER EDUCATION:

• **International projects (projekty międzynarodowe)**
  - Supplementary support for Polish participants of research projects funded from international programmes (e.g. FP7)
    - *submission of applications to the Department of Science Policy Instruments at the Ministry is open continuously*
  - Support for Polish participants of research projects conducted within international programmes/initiatives (e.g. cooperation with DFG) or with use of large international research facilities
    - *applications may be submitted till 30 June 2010 to the Department of Science Policy Instruments at the Ministry*

• **Support for Polish coordinators in EU research programmes (granty na granty)**
 -covering costs of preparation of new applications
  - *applications may be submitted till 30 September 2010 to the Department of Science Policy Instruments at the Ministry*
MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND HIGHER EDUCATION:

• **Exchange visits (wymiana osobowa)**
  Mobility programme (conducted e.g. with DAAD)
  - applications for the programme with DAAD may be submitted till 31 July 2010 to the Department for European and International Cooperation at the Ministry

• **Support for international mobility of scientists (wsparcie międzynarodowej mobilności naukowców)**
  Mobility programme covering young scientists’ costs of travel and living abroad
  - no call for proposals open at the moment

• **Other mechanisms (including European Union funds)**
NATIONAL CENTRE FOR RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

- offers support for Polish participants of research projects conducted within numerous international programmes/initiatives including: EUREKA Initiative, EUROSTARS programme, ERA-NET projects, Eniac Joint Technology Initiative
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MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND HIGHER EDUCATION:

• **Projects (projekty)**
  Supplementary support for Polish participants of research projects funded from international programmes (e.g. FP7) – *in addition to covering costs of research this support will also cover costs related to popularisation of science*

• Support for Polish coordinators in EU research programmes *(granty na granty)* – *still to be decided*

• Exchange visits *(wymiana osobowa)* – *no changes envisaged*

• Support for international mobility of scientists *(wsparcie międzynarodowej mobilności naukowców)* – *still to be decided*

• Other mechanisms (including European Union funds)
NATIONAL CENTRE FOR RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT:

- support for Polish participants of research projects conducted within numerous international programmes/initiatives including: EUREKA Initiative, EUROSTARS programme, ERA-NET projects, Eniac Joint Technology Initiative — no changes envisaged
- new tasks (e.g. funding defense and security related research)
**NATIONAL CENTRE FOR SCIENCE:**

- Support for Polish participants of research projects (fundamental research) conducted within international programmes/initiatives (e.g. cooperation with DFG) or with use of large international research facilities
Thank you for your attention!

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