IMI’s simplified procedures

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What this presentation will cover

• Background

• Application and reporting procedures

• SOFIA: Submission OF Information Application

• IMI Grant Agreement
Background

- **Objective**: To ensure that IMI is a truly competitive partnership

- **Task Force** set up (industry, European Commission, IMI JU)

- **Review** of all processes and procedures with 4 objectives:
  - allow conducting in IMI framework projects from company’s mainstream research
  - shorten time from idea generation to publication
  - reducing bureaucracy which discourages applications
  - reducing bureaucracy for project teams

- **Work carried out**: 2nd half of 2011 completed beginning 2012
Application and reporting procedures

- Streamlined process from idea generation to review of project proposals to achieve several calls launch per year

- Peer review process streamlined without compromising on quality in order to reduce the timelines

- Ethical screening at Stage 1 to help the preparation of the FPP
Application and reporting procedures

• Negotiation of the Project Agreement carried out in parallel to the Full Project Proposal (FPP).

• All financial and administrative details necessary to complete the Grant Agreement to be defined and completed starting from the preparation of the FPP.

Full implementation within Call 5
Application and reporting procedures

- Project application: Administrative and Scientific sections reviewed.
  Examples: Redundant information removed.
  Information structured.

New Guidance and Template for the submission of the Expressions of Interest and Full Project Proposals.
Application and reporting procedures

• Reporting forms shortened/simplified without compromising on the quality of information
  
  Periodic Report template & Introduction and Q/A document

  Interim review report template & Introduction and Q/A document

http://www.imi.europa.eu/content/documents#project_documents
Application and reporting procedures

In summary...

An electronic “live” file for all projects to accompany the project from application, through contracts to reporting and closure to avoid reentering administrative and general information and help generating automatically parts of reports necessary for scientific and financial reporting

SOFIA ...
Submission OF Information Application

http://sofia.imi.europa.eu
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Dear John Tester,

Thank you for your interest to the IMI activities. You have been registered as EoI submitter. With the following login information you’ll have access to the IMI Submission OF Information Application.

Login: John@Tester.com
Password: 

Please use the following link to access the IMI SOFIAplication and start submitting an Expression of Interest (EoI):
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Should you have any questions, please e-mail our helpdesk at: sofia@imi.europa.eu

Kind regards,
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Add new Expression of Interest

Call Identifier
Select Call Topic

Expression of Interest Acronym

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SOFIA: EoI Submission
Simplified data entry

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With the applicant invitation button, the applicant will have access to its A2 forms only and will be able to enter its organisation data into the fields.

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If registered for FP7, enter your Participant Identity Code (PIC)

If your organisation has participated to at least one FP7 indirect action (project), you have received a Participant Identity Code (PIC).

| Participant Identity Code (PIC) | 999903840 |

Estimated costs & contribution

"Estimated costs" must be greater than "Estimated requested IMI contribution"

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Information on the applicant organisation

Legal name: The University of Manchester
Organisation short name: UniMen
Legal Address: Oxford Road

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## SOFIA: EoI Submission Finalisation

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### EOI Submission Overview of John Tester

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Following the EoI Evaluation, the administrative information, inserted at the time of the EoI Submission, is copied over to the FPP for the successful application.
What’s new for beneficiaries

• Direct costs may be also reported based on:
  – Actual or average personnel costs personnel costs
  – Flat rate for SME owners

• Possibility to charge actual indirect costs

• No impact on IMI financial contribution for beneficiaries loosing their status in the course of an IMI project

• Clarifications to the procedures performed by auditors when certifying financial statements, especially for actual or average personnel costs
What’s new for EFPIA companies

• Certified methodology on in-kind contribution based on normal accounting and budgeting principles

• EFPIA direct financial contribution to all participants are reported as EFPIA in-kind contribution / receipt for beneficiaries

• Acceptance of non-EU EFPIA in-kind contribution as matching contributions under pre-defined conditions
Simplified accounting/reporting

• Clarifications to financial forms

• No certificate for yearly periodic financial reports when:
  – cost calculations based on a certified accounting methodologies within FP7
  – total participant’s amount <€375.000

• Yearly periodic reports either on July or December
Thank you!

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