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## March 2013 External Funding Bulletin

Welcome to the March 2013 edition of the External Funding Bulletin.

As always we welcome any feedback or suggestions via the Contact the External Funding Service link. If there's anything you'd like to see, we'll accommodate it as soon as possible.

If you've any comments or queries regarding the bulletin, feel free to contact us via the website ([www.hants.gov.uk/funding](http://www.hants.gov.uk/funding)) and we'll try to incorporate your feedback into next month's edition.

Kind Regards,

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## Business and Regeneration ([Top of document](#))

Name	ERDF Competitiveness South East – Round 6 Open
Who can apply?	<p>The European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) is aimed at economic regeneration projects promoted primarily by the public sector. This involves:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• government departments</li><li>• local enterprise partnerships</li><li>• local authorities</li><li>• further and higher education establishments</li><li>• other public bodies</li><li>• volunteer sector organisations</li></ul>
Deadline	12 noon on Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> April.
Grant Range	Projects of a minimum total value of £400,000 (£200,000 ERDF) will be considered. There is no maximum total value (within reason). Applicants will be expected to provide match funding for their project at an intervention rate of 50%.
Extra Information	<p>Up to £8 million of ERDF funding will be made available to bid for in this round, with the aim of committing as much as possible of the remaining funds this year.</p> <p>This is an open bidding round. Bids are not required to meet any particular focus, which was the case in previous rounds. The only requirement is that proposed bids are eligible within the operational programme (see details in <a href="#">ERDF programmes and resources</a> and will deliver against the programme's outputs and results targets. Projects have to demonstrate value for money, but we are not expecting a pan-regional approach to delivery in this round.</p> <p>Projects must be 12 to 18 months in length. DCLG are hoping to arrange some assistance for a limited number of applicants in the development of outline applications on a first-come-first-served basis. More information on this will be available shortly. To request an appointment</p>
URL	<a href="https://www.gov.uk/applying-for-erdf-funding#applying-in-the-south-east">https://www.gov.uk/applying-for-erdf-funding#applying-in-the-south-east</a>

Name	Apprenticeship Grant for Employers Scheme Extended to March 2014 (England)
Who can apply?	Businesses with less than 1,000 employers.
Deadline	Applications for assistance may be made at any time.
Grant Range	£1,500
Extra Information	<p>Small and medium-sized employers looking to offer apprenticeships in England have been given a boost as the National Apprenticeship Service has announced an extension to its employment scheme.</p> <p>The Government has confirmed an extension of the Apprenticeship Grant for Employers of 16-24 year olds (AGE 16-24) to March 2014. The £1,500 grant is available to help businesses with fewer than 1,000 employees take on an apprentice.</p> <p>Initially only on offer during the 2012/13 financial year, the funding has been extended following a positive response from employers. It has also been increased so eligible employers can claim the grant for up to ten apprentices.</p>
URL	<a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/news/support-for-small-businesses-in-taking-on-apprenticeships">https://www.gov.uk/government/news/support-for-small-businesses-in-taking-on-apprenticeships</a>

Name	Government's StartUp Loan Scheme Extended by £30 Million
Who can apply?	Young people who want to secure a loan to start a business (age limit is 30 years old).
Deadline	Applications may be submitted at any time.
Grant Range	£110 million over the next three years.
Extra Information	<p>Mr Cameron also announced that due to demand from those who had previously missed out on the scheme, and experienced difficulty in securing loans to start a business, the age limit for applications has now been extended from 24 to 30 years old.</p> <p>More than 3,000 people have applied or registered an interest in a StartUp loan; as well as a low interest loan of around £2,500, budding entrepreneurs receive support and mentoring to develop their ideas. In the three months that the scheme launched more than £1.5 million of loans have been approved, helping nearly 500 new businesses get off the ground.</p> <p>Announcing the additional funding Mister Cameron said: "StartUp loans are an important part of my mission to back aspiration, and all those young people who want to work hard and get on in life, so this country competes and thrives in the global race.</p> <p>He added: "[The loans] are a great way to help this next generation of entrepreneurs get the financial help - and the confidence - to turn that spark of an idea, into a growing, thriving business."</p> <p>"It is by backing our entrepreneurs and championing small business that we can drive forward and grow the economy, and equip this country for the highly competitive era we are in."</p> <p>The extra £30 million will be delivered in two tranches; £10 million in 2013/14, and £20 million in 2014/15.</p>
URL	<a href="http://www.startupbritain.co/loans/">http://www.startupbritain.co/loans/</a>

Name	Employer Ownership of Skills Pilot (Round 2) - £240 Million Business Fund Now Open
Who can apply?	<p>The pilot is open to employers of all sizes and sectors in England. Bids are encouraged from groups of employers working together in their sector, supply chain or local area, but single employers can also apply, provided bids are above the bid threshold levels. BIS is particularly keen that SMEs participate, either as part of a supply chain proposal, or in a collective bid developed in conjunction with other partners, for example a National Skills Academy, a Sector Skills Council or through a Group Training Association.</p> <p>Whilst the organisation can be based anywhere, the benefits of the proposal must focus solely on England. All bids must be led by a named employer(s).</p>
Deadline	The deadline for Expressions of Interest is 11 March 2013. The deadline for full and outline bids will be 28 March 2013.
Grant Range	Up to £150 million is available under the programme's second round which is now open to proposals. The Government wants to see significant and scalable proposals for skills investment and therefore the minimum cash investment from Government will be £250,000 for collaborative proposals involving SMEs, and £1 million for individual or consortia bids involving large employers.
Extra Information	The Employer Ownership of Skills Pilot aims to find more effective ways to improve skills in the workforce and to use these improved skills to drive up productivity and growth. The competitive fund will route public investment directly to employers and will be backed by significant resources from existing skills budgets.
URL	<a href="http://skillsfundingagency.bis.gov.uk/">http://skillsfundingagency.bis.gov.uk/</a>

Name	UKTI Overview (UK)
Who can apply?	UK SMEs
Deadline	Not applicable
Grant Range	The Government has recently provided £13 million in new funding to help UK Trade and Investment (UKTI) achieve its aim of doubling UK exports to £1 trillion by 2020.
Extra Information	<p>This injection of funds is expected to enable an additional 10,000 UK businesses to export to overseas markets. Approximately £9 million of the total investment is likely to be channelled into boosting trade opportunities for small and medium-sized businesses.</p> <p>A proportion of the new funds will be used to expand the Tradeshow Access Programme, making it easier for SMEs to attend trade shows overseas. The money will also support the Overseas Market Introduction Service (OMIS), which provides targeted market research to help businesses find those crucial first contacts and to encourage them to develop relationships in new, fast-growing markets.</p> <p>Additionally, £2.5 million will be invested in helping firms access and win some high-value opportunities that UKTI has identified globally. A further £1.5 million will be used to support UKTI's work attracting inward investment into the UK economy.</p> <p>UKTI is hosting Export Week from 12-16 November, comprising more than a hundred events taking place throughout the country, designed to encourage SMEs to consider the benefits of branching out into overseas trade.</p>
URL	<a href="http://www.ukti.gov.uk/home.html?guid=None">http://www.ukti.gov.uk/home.html?guid=None</a>

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Name	Clean Sky Joint Technology Initiative - Call 14 Now Open (EU)
Who can apply?	<p>Call 14 is now open to applications with a total of 54 topics under the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Clean Sky - Eco Design</li><li>• Clean Sky - Green Regional Aircraft</li><li>• Clean Sky - Green Rotorcraft</li><li>• Clean Sky - Sustainable and Green Engines</li><li>• Clean Sky - Smart Fixed Wing Aircraft</li><li>• Clean Sky - Systems for Green Operations</li></ul>
Deadline	18 April 2013 (17:00 Brussels local time)
Grant Range	A budget of €34.755 million is available for the Call.
Extra Information	The Clean Sky JTI is a Public Private Partnership between the European Commission and the Aeronautical Industry. It was set up to bring significant step changes regarding the environmental impact of aviation. Financial assistance is available to support the development within the EU of clean air technologies for air transport.
URL	<a href="http://www.cleansky.eu/">http://www.cleansky.eu/</a>

Name	European Energy Efficiency Fund
Who can apply?	The Fund is expected to focus on smaller scale investments by local authorities or energy service companies (ESCOs), thereby complementing the larger scale finance that the EIB already offers for energy efficiency investments throughout the European Union.
Deadline	Enquiries can be made at any time
Grant Range	Not applicable
Extra Information	<p>The European Commission, the European Investment Bank (EIB), the Cassa Depositi e Prestiti (CDP) and Deutsche Bank announced the launch of the European Energy Efficiency Fund (EEE-F) in Brussels on 1 July 2011.</p> <p>The EEE-F aims to provide market-based financing for commercially viable public energy efficiency and renewable energy projects within the European Union and will invest in energy saving, energy efficiency and renewable energy projects, particularly in urban settings, achieving at least 20% energy saving or [GHG/CO<sub>2</sub>] emission reduction.</p> <p>Sustainable energy investments promoted by local, regional and (where justified) national public authorities, could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• energy saving measures in public and private buildings;</li> <li>• investments in high efficient combined heat and power (CHP), including micro-cogeneration and district heating/cooling networks;</li> <li>• investment in decentralised renewable energy sources, including micro-generation;</li> <li>• clean urban transport;</li> <li>• the modernisation of infrastructure, such as street lighting and smart grids, as well as investment in sustainable energies with a potential for innovation and growth.</li> </ul> <p>The EEE-F offers a wide range of financial products such as senior and junior loans, guarantees or equity participation.</p> <p>In addition, about EURO 20 million of the EEPR funding will be made available as grants for project development services (technical assistance) related to the preparation of projects. Awareness-raising activities for national/regional authorities managing cohesion/structural funds in the field of sustainable energy are also envisaged (for about EURO 1 million).</p> <p>Projects and technical assistance requests are eligible as from 1 January 2011 and may thus be financed on a retroactive basis from that date. The technical assistance offered under the new facility targets investment projects which will be financed by the fund. The cost of these investment projects can be smaller than €50 million.</p> <p>(Note: The existing ELENA facility provides grants covering up to 90% of the technical assistance costs for local authorities preparing sustainable energy investment programmes greater than €50 million.)</p>
URL	<a href="http://www.eib.org/projects/pipeline/2010/20100508.htm">http://www.eib.org/projects/pipeline/2010/20100508.htm</a>

Name	Woodland Creation Grant
Who can apply?	Owners, leaseholders or tenants
Deadline	Although there is no fixed deadline for applications this year, interested parties are advised to submit their applications at their earliest convenience. The Forestry Commission recommends submitting applications by the end of October at the latest.
Grant Range	Grant rates start from £700 per hectare
Extra Information	<p>The Forestry Commission is encouraging those who are interested in creating new woodland this autumn/winter to submit their grant application as soon as possible to guarantee support.</p> <p>Funding remains available for the Claim Year 2011/12 (for planting that is completed and claimed before 31 March 2012). Funding is also available for the following claim year and beyond. Applications are being accepted for woodland creation planned between now and March 2014.</p> <p>The rules for Woodland Creation Grant were changed this year, based on feedback and the Forestry Commission's desire to attract an increased amount of woodland creation. Key changes were as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wider availability of Additional Contributions up to £2,000/hectare where new woodlands meet national and regional priorities.</li> <li>• Simpler scoring system so applicants know before applying whether they are likely to receive grant support.</li> <li>• Greater species flexibility to meet owner objectives and create more resilient woodlands that can adapt to climate change.</li> <li>• Proposals can be scheduled at any time over the coming three years, and applications are accepted from prospective land owners.</li> </ul>
URL	<a href="http://www.forestry.gov.uk/ewgs-wcg">http://www.forestry.gov.uk/ewgs-wcg</a>

Name	Intelligent Energy Europe (IEE) Programme
Who can apply?	Depends on each funding strand
Deadline	The Build Up Skills Initiative, Pillar II: 30 April 2013.
Grant Range	Depends on each strand

Extra Information

The objective of the IEE Programme is to contribute to secure, sustainable and competitively priced energy for Europe. This Call covers actions in the following fields:

SAVE - Energy efficiency and rational use of energy resources - 2012 indicative budget €15 million

SAVE will cover the three following Key Actions in 2012:

- Industrial excellence in energy: for actions to increase the competitiveness of European small and medium size enterprises (SMEs) by empowering them to save energy.
- Consumer behaviour: for actions to help transform the market towards more energy-efficient products and systems, and change the behaviour of consumers.
- Energy Services: for actions to increase market transparency and confidence for all market actors, to develop the energy services market for small consumers and to empower households to ensure the effectiveness of smart meters.

ALTENER - New and renewable energy resources - 2012 indicative budget €11.5 million

ALTENER projects may include one or more of the following Key Actions:

- Electricity from renewable energy sources (RES-e): for actions to increase the share of renewable electricity in Europe's final energy consumption.
- Bioenergy: for actions promoting increased production and use of biomass, bio-liquids and biogas in energy markets.

STEER - Energy in transport (STEER) - 2012 indicative budget €12.5 million

In 2012 STEER will cover the two following Key Actions:

- Energy-efficient transport: for actions to reduce the demand for travel by car and transport by road freight, and to shift travel and transport to more efficient transport modes.
- Clean and energy-efficient vehicles: for actions to help transform the market towards more energy-efficient vehicles, supporting and complementing the recent legislation in this area.

Integrated Initiatives - 2012 indicative budget of €27 million

For the work programme 2012 the following five integrated initiatives are proposed:

1. Energy-efficient public spending initiative: new initiative, responding to the emphasis set by the Energy Efficiency Plan on the spending of public bodies (integrated initiative relevant to both SAVE and STEER).
2. Local energy leadership: targeted capacity building of multipliers in relation to sustainable energy action plans, continuation from previous years (SAVE, ALTENER, STEER).
3. Mobilising local energy investment: technical assistance for public bodies to prepare bankable sustainable energy projects (SAVE, ALTENER, STEER).
4. Energy efficiency and renewable energy in buildings: energy performance certificates, nearly zero energy renovations and compliances are the keywords of this year's priorities (SAVE and ALTENER).
5. Build Up Skills: last opportunity for setting up national qualification platforms and roadmaps (Pillar I) and first opportunities to submit proposals for concrete qualification schemes (Pillar II).

URL	<a href="http://ec.europa.eu/energy/intelligent/">http://ec.europa.eu/energy/intelligent/</a>
Name	Green Deal Initiative for Businesses (UK)
Who can apply?	Both householders and businesses are able to register to have their properties assessed for the Green Deal. The first loans are expected to become available in January 2013.
Deadline	Not specified
Grant Range	Not specified
Extra Information	<p>Businesses will be able to apply for funding to help improve the energy efficiency of their current building. After an assessment has been carried out outlining which technologies will be the most effective a business owner can apply for funding to have the installation made.</p> <p>The scheme will offer finance or loan support for business owners to improve the property that they own through energy efficiency measures. This finance is in effect a "free loan" for the installation of energy saving improvements which will be charged back through the property energy metering.</p> <p>There will be a range of options available through the scheme. Examples of the types of improvements that may be funded include the following: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Green Deal Insulation</li> <li>• Cavity Wall Insulation</li> <li>• Flat Roof Insulation</li> <li>• Insulated Doors</li> <li>• Loft Insulation</li> <li>• Solid Wall Insulation</li> <li>• Windows</li> <li>• Green Lighting</li> <li>• Micro Power Generation</li> <li>• Air Source Heat Pumps</li> <li>• Micro CHP</li> <li>• Solar Photovoltaics</li> <li>• Thermal Solar Power</li> </ul>
URL	<a href="http://www.decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/tackling/green_deal/green_deal.aspx">http://www.decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/tackling/green_deal/green_deal.aspx</a>

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Name	Sport England - Community Sport Activation Fund
Who can apply?	Community amateur sports clubs, local authorities, schools, colleges and universities are among those eligible to apply
Deadline	<p>Round 1 is now open with a deadline of 4 February 2013.</p> <p>Round 2 will open on 7 May 2013 with a deadline of 1 July 2013.</p> <p>There will be further opportunities to apply with deadlines in January 2014, June 2014 and June 2015.</p>
Grant Range	Between £50,000 and £250,000 for projects that increase participation in sport.
Extra Information	<p>Building on the success of the Olympic and Paralympic Games in 2012, Sport England wants to work with local partners to capitalise on this inspiration and get even more people doing sport at a local level.</p> <p>Sport England will not prescribe how projects will deliver but will invest in what works best in different areas, based on local evidence.</p> <p>The fund aims to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase once a week participation in sport by those aged 14 and above.</li> <li>• Encourage and support local partners to work together to develop new approaches to delivery.</li> <li>• Invest in projects that will deliver sustainable participation increases.</li> <li>• Support communities across England to help ensure sport becomes a regular part of the majority of people's lives.</li> </ul> <p>Projects must be focused on a particular local geographical area within England. To be eligible projects must identify a specific community, neighbourhood or local area within which the project will deliver and justify the choice of the area and the impact the project will have there.</p> <p>Examples of the kind of projects Sport England expects to fund are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Activities that encompass Sport England's wide definition of sport.</li> <li>• Informal, "come and try it" opportunities which will build regular sustained, once a week, participation.</li> <li>• Multi-sport activities that provide people with a range of choices and opportunities.</li> <li>• Family orientated opportunities, where funding is focused on those aged 14 and above.</li> <li>• Local activator roles that focus on directly organising and delivering new local sports opportunities for participation.</li> </ul> <p>There will be five funding rounds in total.</p>
URL	<a href="http://www.sportengland.org/funding/csaf.aspx">http://www.sportengland.org/funding/csaf.aspx</a>

Name	British Film Institute Opens £4 Million Distribution Fund (UK)
Who can apply?	Applications are invited from companies with direct experience of film distribution in the UK.
Deadline	The deadline for submissions depends on the specific strand to which an applicant is applying. Big Audience and Breakout applications must be submitted at least 14 weeks prior to the planned release date. New Models applications must be submitted at least 16 weeks prior to the planned release date. Sleeper strand application can only be made by invitation from the BFI.
Grant Range	Grants of up to £300,000 will be awarded through four individual strands; each specifically designed to address different types of films, release strategies and the associated challenges and opportunities in the marketplace.
Extra Information	<p>The British Film Institute (BFI) has announced the launch of its new Distribution Fund, with an annual funding pot of £4 million available for allocation. The Fund will invest in projects that increase access to high quality British independent and specialised films with the aim of boosting audience choice and enriching film culture across the country.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strand 1: Big Audience awards - significant awards to support ambitious releases of new British films with the potential to reach a wide UK audience.</li> <li>• Strand 2: Breakout awards - supporting increased audience reach for exemplary independent British and specialised cinema.</li> <li>• Strand 3: New Models awards - to support experimental and ambitious release models, and creative marketing strategies that seek to exploit new opportunities outside traditional theatrical and marketing routes.</li> <li>• Strand 4: Sleeper awards - targeted at 'in-release' films that have achieved exceptional weekend box office results, exceeding market expectations.</li> </ul>
URL	<a href="http://www.bfi.org.uk/news-opinion/bfi-news/bfi-launches-4m-fund-support-uk-film-festivals">http://www.bfi.org.uk/news-opinion/bfi-news/bfi-launches-4m-fund-support-uk-film-festivals</a>

Name	Ideas Fund Innovators - New Round Open to Applications
Who can apply?	The Fund will consider applications from groups or individuals within the UK for inspiring, original, realistic and innovative arts and creative projects, providing one person takes the lead and has the main responsibility for managing the application and any money awarded.
Deadline	4 April 2013
Grant Range	Each application round (there are four per year) offers ten awards of £1,000 to young people within the UK between the ages of 16 and 25, who have a creative project in any artistic discipline that they want to get off the ground. In the past, dance and film projects, music videos and photography collectives have been supported.
Extra Information	Applications must demonstrate that the Fund will enhance the quality and ambition of their ideas and projects in ways that would not be possible without the support of the Fund. Applicants must also be able to show that the project has not been done before. Applicants must be aged between 16 and 25 on the closing date and be resident in the UK.
URL	<a href="http://www.ideastap.com/Opportunities/Brief/c546ebb1-0fa8-4029-bb33-9da70121d072">http://www.ideastap.com/Opportunities/Brief/c546ebb1-0fa8-4029-bb33-9da70121d072</a>

Name	Arts Libraries Fund
Who can apply?	The lead applicant for this fund must be a: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public library.</li> <li>• Public library authority.</li> <li>• Network of public library authorities.</li> <li>• An organisation managing a public library authority as defined under the Public Libraries &amp; Museums Act 1964.</li> </ul>
Deadline	The fund is a rolling programme. Applications can be made at any time
Grant Range	Grants of between £1,000 and £100,000 are available to cover activities of up to three years.
Extra Information	The Grants for the Arts Libraries Fund has been established to help support public library-led projects that stimulate partnerships between libraries and artists and arts organisations, and which encourage communities to participate actively in artistic and cultural activities. <p>A wide range of arts activities will be considered for funding as long as they support, enhance and enrich public libraries' core work, and develop libraries' role as a cultural provider in their communities. Examples of eligible activities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Festivals.</li> <li>• Exhibitions.</li> <li>• Workshop programmes.</li> <li>• Residencies.</li> <li>• Digital projects.</li> <li>• Performances</li> </ul>
URL	<a href="http://www.artscouncil.org.uk/funding/apply-for-funding/grants-arts-libraries-fund/">http://www.artscouncil.org.uk/funding/apply-for-funding/grants-arts-libraries-fund/</a>

Name	Culture Programme 2007-2013
Who can apply?	Depends on strand
Deadline	Depends on strand
Grant Range	Strand 1.2.2 Foreseen budget €3,899,263 - Deadline 6 February 2013 Strand 1.3.5 Foreseen budget €2.65 million - Deadline 3 May 2013 Strand 1.3.6 Foreseen budget €2.7 million - Deadline 5 December 2012
Extra Information	The 2013 for Proposals for the Culture Programme has now been published. The Call Covers the following strands of the programme:  Strand 1.2.2 Literary translation projects  Strand 1.3.5 Cooperation projects with third countries (Canada and Australia)  Strand 1.3.6 Support for European cultural festivals.  Strand 2 Support for organisations active at European level in the field of culture (operating grants)  Strand 3.2 Cooperation projects between organisations involved in the impact assessment of cultural policies.
URL	<a href="http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/culture/programme/about_culture_en.php">http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/culture/programme/about_culture_en.php</a>

## Community & Health [\(Top of document\)](#)

Name	£50 Million Venture Capital Fund for Life Sciences in the UK
Who can apply?	Early-stage, high-growth companies in the life science industry, including biotechnology, medical devices, healthcare and pharmaceuticals, from across the UK, may apply. The Fund will also consider investments in areas such as personalised medicine and diagnostics, as well as healthcare IT and services.
Deadline	Currently there are no set deadlines for applications to be received. Those interested in applying for support are advised to liaise directly with the sponsor with regards to submitting a proposal.
Grant Range	In total, the programme is expected to pool a total investment pot of £50 million. The Fund will make investments of between £2 million and £5 million in early-stage companies specialising in medical devices and biotechnology.
Extra Information	<p>The Rock Spring Ventures Fund aims to provide venture capital support to life science technologies, including those being spun-out from leading universities across the UK.</p> <p>Based in Edinburgh, the Fund will invest in young companies developing novel approaches in the study and treatment of major diseases and technologies designed to advance better healthcare delivery. The main focus will be on companies developing treatments for cancer and central nervous system, cardiovascular, auto-immune and metabolic diseases.</p>
URL	

Name	Social Outcomes Fund
Who can apply?	Expressions of Interest may be submitted by any interested party such as a commissioner, service provider, intermediary or investor. Once at Full Application (FA) stage however bids need to be submitted by the commissioner(s) who will ultimately hold the PbR or SIB contract and provide the majority of the outcome payments.
Deadline	Full Applications (FAs) will be considered in rounds. The first window for FAs has been set for spring 2013.
Grant Range	£20 million Fund
Extra Information	<p>The Cabinet Office has launched the Social Outcomes Fund to help promote the development of Social Impact Bonds (SIBs) on complex social problems.</p> <p>The £20 million Fund represents benefits of SIBS that accrue to the public sector outside of the lead commissioning body (eg government departments, local authorities and other commissioning bodies such as Police and Crime Commissioners).</p> <p>Organisations can bid to the Fund for a 'top up' for proposals where the majority of the outcomes funding will be provided by one of these commissioning bodies, but some additional funding is required to represent benefits accruing elsewhere.</p> <p>The Fund is designed to catalyse innovative and/or preventative service provision that will deliver positive social outcomes and generate evidence on what works. Proposals must commission on an outcomes basis using mechanisms such as Payment by Results (PbR) which includes the Social Impact Bond (SIB) model.</p> <p>Examples of what could be funded by this initiative include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A bid from a local authority for top up payments in a SIB providing up front finance to a charity to improve outcomes for troubled families.</li> <li>• A bid from a central government department for top up payments in a PbR scheme to address problem drug users.</li> <li>• A bid from a Clinical Commissioning Group for top up payments to pay back initial social investment into reducing hospitalisation of the elderly.</li> <li>• A bid from a Police and Crime Commissioner for top up payments in a SIB aiming to reduce gang membership.</li> </ul> <p>It is expected that the Fund will contribute 20% of the total outcomes payments.</p> <p>Expressions of interest will be accepted on a rolling basis.</p>
URL	<a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/social-outcomes-fund-how-to-apply">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/social-outcomes-fund-how-to-apply</a>

Name	Community Right to Build
Who can apply?	Constituted Community Group/parish councils.
Deadline	End of March 2015.
Grant Range	Total funding £17.5m
Extra Information	To help local communities deliver local development, including new homes, shops, businesses or facilities. Community Groups in England (outside Greater London) are invited to apply for funding to enable them to formally establish, build up their development proposals and submit a Community Right to Build Order. Groups are encouraged to first discuss their proposals with the Community Right to Build Support Hub Locality.  <a href="http://mycommunityrights.org.uk">http://mycommunityrights.org.uk</a>

URL <http://www.homesandcommunities.co.uk/community-right-to-build>

Name	Community Right to Challenge Grant Programme – Pre Feasibility Grants and Feasibility Grants
Who can apply?	Voluntary and community bodies, charitable organisations, parish councils, two or more employees of a relevant authority.
Deadline	Rolling basis.
Grant Range	Pre-Feasibility grants between £5k and £10k are on offer to help organisations build internal capacity. Organisations that can demonstrate a strong potential to compete for public service delivery contracts can apply for feasibility grants of up to £100k to help prepare an Expression of Interest or compete in a procurement process. Between 70% and 50% match funding is required for the feasibility grants.
Extra Information	Groups can apply for funding to help them use the new Community Right to Challenge in the Localism Act. The Right came into force on 27 June and will empower local community organisations to take over a local service that they can run more effectively.
URL	<a href="http://www.sibgroup.org.uk/communityrights/">http://www.sibgroup.org.uk/communityrights/</a>

Name	Community Ownership and Management of Assets Grant Programme
Who can apply?	Local Community groups, Parish Councils and Charities.
Deadline	Applications can be made on a rolling basis.
Grant Range	Total fund £16.7m. Pre-feasibility grants of between £5k- £10k. Organisations that can show evidence of plans to take over land or buildings can apply for grants of between £10k and £100k to help undertake feasibility studies to take on asset ownership and management.
Extra Information	Grants that will help community groups buy and manage land and buildings in community use. The Community Ownership and Management of Assets including Right to Bid Grant Programme is part of the wider Community Rights Support Programme which includes an advice service run by Locality due to come into force in the autumn. Throughout the process of identifying and acquiring community assets. Before applying, organisations will need to speak to the Community Rights Advice Service 0845 345 4564 first to assess their suitability for the grants.
URL	<a href="http://www.sibgroup.org.uk/communityrights/">http://www.sibgroup.org.uk/communityrights/</a>

Name	Office for Disability Issues - Strengthening Disabled People's User-Led Organisations (DPULOs) Programme - The Facilitation Fund
Who can apply?	Disabled Peoples' User Leader Organisations.
Deadline	Applications can be made at any time.
Grant Range	This will be a £3million investment over four years.
Extra Information	An additional £3million between 2011/12 and 2014/15 for DPULOs. The aim of the Strengthening DPULOs Programme is to provide a range of practical and financial support to DPULOs to create strong and sustainable DPULOs.
URL	<a href="http://odi.dwp.gov.uk/odi-projects/user-led-organisations.php">http://odi.dwp.gov.uk/odi-projects/user-led-organisations.php</a>

Name	Care and Support Specialised Housing Fund
Who can apply?	<p>Funding is available to all organisations who are, or intend to become, qualified as HCA Investment Partners. This includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Housing associations.</li> <li>• Local authorities.</li> <li>• Private sector developers.</li> <li>• Community groups.</li> </ul> <p>Organisations that are not already qualified as Investment Partners with the HCA will need to submit an application for qualification.</p>
Deadline	<p>The deadline for applications to phase one of the fund must be submitted by Friday 18 January 2013 (noon). Expressions of interest for phase two must be submitted by 14 March 2013 (5pm).</p>
Grant Range	<p>Over five years from 2013/14, £160 million capital funding will be made available. This funding may be supplemented by up to a further £80 million capital funding in the first two years of the programme.</p>
Extra Information	<p>A new fund which will make available £160 million for specialist housing providers has now been launched. Administered by the Homes and Communities Agency (HCA), the Care and Support Specialised Housing Fund will help support and accelerate the development of the specialised housing market by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improving the appeal of specialised housing options available to individuals by increasing the variety, quality and number of housing units available, particularly for sale or shared ownership.</li> <li>• Supporting the supply of well-designed, affordable schemes including a specialist element.</li> <li>• Supporting new and innovative types of supported housing schemes that are designed to help deliver appropriate levels of care for local communities.</li> <li>• Supporting supply of specialist housing across the wider market.</li> <li>• Private market housing.</li> <li>• Improving joined-up working at a local level between local authorities, housing developers (private and affordable), health professionals, social services and local planners. This will result in a legacy of good practice and local analysis and assessment of need that can inform and sustain the development of specialised housing.</li> </ul> <p>The Fund will be split into two phases:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Phase One - focussing on affordable housing.</li> <li>• Phase Two - focussing on the private market.</li> </ul>
URL	<p><a href="http://www.homesandcommunities.co.uk/ourwork/care-support-specialised-housing-fund">http://www.homesandcommunities.co.uk/ourwork/care-support-specialised-housing-fund</a></p>

Name	Lloyds Banking Group Social Entrepreneurs Programme - 2013 Round Open
Who can apply?	Individuals who are leading or planning to set up a project or social enterprise organisation which will create social change in the UK may apply.
Deadline	3pm on 2 April 2013.
Grant Range	<p>The support available breaks down as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 'Start Up' grants of £4,000 awarded and a place on a Start Up SSE learning programme.</li> <li>• 'Scale Up' grants of £15,000 awarded and a place on a Scale Up SSE learning programme.</li> </ul>
Extra Information	<p>The Lloyds Banking Group has launched a new round of its Social Entrepreneurs Programme which aims to support community-focused businesspeople across the UK to start or scale-up their projects.</p> <p>The programme comprises the following support strands:</p> <p>Start Up - For those who are in the early stage development of a project or organisation. This programme will support personal development and business skills development to help turn projects or project ideas into a reality.</p> <p>Scale Up - For established organisations that are looking to take their operations to the next level. This programme will equip applicants with the tools to develop their enterprise further and maximise its social impact.</p>
URL	<a href="http://www.the-sse.org/schools/26/lloyds-banking-group-social-entrepreneurs-programme">http://www.the-sse.org/schools/26/lloyds-banking-group-social-entrepreneurs-programme</a>

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Name	BIG Lottery International Communities Programme
Who can apply?	Third sector groups in the UK
Deadline	31 <sup>st</sup> March 2014
Grant Range	£50k-500k
Extra Information	<p>The International Communities Programme is intended to help disadvantaged communities overseas. It will support third sector groups in the UK that are undertaking work with non-governmental organisations (NGOs) on projects that tackle the causes of poverty and deprivation and bring about long-term differences to the lives of some of the most under-privileged people in the world.</p> <p>The scheme will fund projects in all parts of the developing world which will improve:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• education;</li> <li>• health;</li> <li>• allocation of natural resources;</li> <li>• human rights; and/or</li> <li>• livelihoods.</li> </ul> <p>The scheme is yet to open to applications.</p>
URL	<a href="http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/prog_international_communities">http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/prog_international_communities</a>

Name	Creative England Development Fund
Who can apply?	Individual writers, writer/directors and/or producers based in the English regions (outside Greater London) may apply. Applications are also invited from writer/director/producer teams.
Deadline	Applications may be submitted at any time and will be assessed on a rolling basis.
Grant Range	A total of £250,000 is available for distribution. Individual awards will range from £2,500 to £25,000; however, it is anticipated that the majority of awards will not exceed £10,000.
Extra Information	<p>Creative England is the first agency to provide dedicated support to film, television, games and digital and creative services in the English regions, outside London. The agency has recently opened the Development Fund with Lottery funding, delegated from the British Film Institute (BFI).</p> <p>The Fund will enable the development of filmmaking talent in the English regions (excluding London). It is intended to support all types of feature films, including animation and documentary.</p> <p>Funding is available for the costs of developing a screenplay (or the equivalent for documentaries) such as research costs, writer's fees, script editor/developer support and script readings. Funding is also available for screenplays that are ready to be presented to potential financiers, to help with budgeting, scheduling, casting, producing teaser trailers/pilots, and other expenses associated with raising finance and generating sales and distribution interest.</p>
URL	<a href="http://www.creativeengland.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2012/02/Development-Fund-Guidelines-2011-12.pdf">http://www.creativeengland.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2012/02/Development-Fund-Guidelines-2011-12.pdf</a>

Name	Interreg IVA Channel programme for co-operation between England and France
Who can apply?	Coastal areas on either side of the Channel and in UK from Cornwall to Norfolk
Deadline	Pre-submission 4.3.13 with deadline 3.6.13
Grant Range	Up to 50% of eligible costs.
Extra Information	<p>Supports cross-border cooperation projects between the coastal regions on either side of the Channel. Funds projects on issues of common interest, especially economic development, citizenship and environment. Specific focus is to be given to maritime projects during the next Call across all priorities:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Reinforce the sense of belonging to a common space</li> <li>2. Build partnerships between those involved in cross-border economic development and centres of excellence</li> <li>3. Build an attractive common space to live in and visit</li> <li>4. Ensure a sustainable environmental development of the common space</li> </ol>
URL	<p><a href="http://interreg4a-manche.eu/">http://interreg4a-manche.eu/</a></p> <p><a href="mailto:julien.tognetti@cr-haute-normandie.fr">julien.tognetti@cr-haute-normandie.fr</a></p>

Name	Lifelong Learning Partnership – Comenius (School education)
Who can apply?	Public and private bodies involved in further or higher education, such as universities, higher education establishments, research centres, companies (particularly SMEs), trade organisations (including Chambers of Commerce), social partner organisations, and local and regional bodies. EU Member States, candidate countries, Cyprus, Turkey and Malta.
Deadline	In-service training: 30 April and 17 September 2013 Assistantships: 31 January 2013 Multilateral projects, networks and accompanying measures: 31 January 2013 Partnerships and Region partnerships: 21 February 2013
Grant Range	The proposed indicative financial budget for the overall LLP is set at €6.97 billion for the seven years. Not less than 80% of the budget available for the Comenius programme will be devoted to support for mobility. The total budget for the 2012 General Call is estimated at €1 140 million
Extra Information	The Comenius programme addresses the teaching and learning needs of all those in pre-school and school education up to the level of the end of upper secondary education, and the institutions and organisations providing such education.
URL	Details of strategic priorities, the Programme Guide and all other documentation for this Call can be found at: <a href="http://ec.europa.eu/education/llp/official-documents-on-the-llp_en.htm">http://ec.europa.eu/education/llp/official-documents-on-the-llp_en.htm</a> LLP - COMENIUS European Commission Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency Rue Colonel Bourg 139 Brussels B-1140 Tel: (32-2) 233 01 11 Fax: (32-2) 233 01 50 E-mail: <a href="mailto:EACEA-LLPCOMENIUS@ec.europa.eu">EACEA-LLPCOMENIUS@ec.europa.eu</a> Website: <a href="http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/llp/comenius/comenius_en.php">http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/llp/comenius/comenius_en.php</a>

Name	Lifelong Learning Partnership - Transversal Programme
Who can apply?	Will depend on action but could include public and private bodies involved in further or higher education, such as universities, higher education establishments, research centres, companies (particularly SMEs), trade organisations (including Chambers of Commerce), social partner organisations, and local and regional bodies. EU Member States, candidate countries, Cyprus, Turkey and Malta.
Deadline	2013 deadlines: Study visits (Key Activity 1) - 28 March 2013 and 15 October 2013. All other activities - 28 February 2013.
Grant Range	See website.
Extra Information	The transversal programme supports the Lifelong Learning Programme through four key activities: policy cooperation (innovating and sharing good policy practices), languages (breaking language barriers), information and communication technologies (innovative learning) and dissemination and exploitation of project results.
URL	UK National Agency European Commission Ecorys Vincent House Quay Place 92-93 Edward Street Birmingham B1 2RA Tel: (44) 845 199 2929 Fax: (44) 121 212 8899 E-mail: <a href="mailto:llp@uk.ecorys.com">llp@uk.ecorys.com</a> Website: <a href="http://www.transversal.org.uk/">http://www.transversal.org.uk/</a>

Name	New Call for Proposals Launched for Grants in the Field of Maritime Transport (EU)
Who can apply?	European maritime institutions and bodies.
Deadline	27 April 2013
Grant Range	A total budget of €400,000 is available and it is expected that one or two projects will be funded. Grants will be for up to 80% of total eligible costs.
Extra Information	<p>The DG Mobility and Transport has launched a new Call for Proposals with the aim of promoting learning mobility to improve the quality of education and training and the enhancement of training capacity of the European maritime institutions and bodies.</p> <p>The specific objectives of the Call are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Investing in quality teaching, having lecturers, teachers and instructors of good calibre and at the same time giving them the possibility of upgrading their skills and qualifications.</li> <li>• Enhancing collaboration among the Maritime Education and Training (MET) institutions, facilitating the organisation of common programmes and exchange of academic staff through possible learning agreements, validation of experience and quality certificates.</li> <li>• Tackling the lack of uniformity in training and the lack of attractiveness of certain maritime careers by the dissemination of good practices for the benefits of students, professionals, teachers, instructors.</li> </ul> <p>Any proposed action must cover one or several of the following activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strengthening training in maritime activities, including familiarisation with new technologies.</li> <li>• Fostering closer inter-university, inter-school and institute links and links with and between businesses and other organisations involved in maritime activities.</li> <li>• Exchanging information among universities and training centres so as to develop more uniform training, possibly a base curriculum in the different fields of maritime knowledge in order to reach a mutual acceptance of the degrees and skills obtainable in each institution - in this way the mobility of students, professionals, cadets will be much easier.</li> <li>• Encouraging industrial partners on active participation in the initiative through supporting research, training and young workers' mobility programmes.</li> <li>• Strengthening links and networks between young people from European maritime regions and the development of a maritime culture among European citizens.</li> <li>• Promoting, in the long term, job mobility in maritime activities through the possible following actions (non-exhaustive): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Exchanges of students</li> <li>○ Exchanges of apprentices and trainees</li> <li>○ Exchanges of teachers, trainers, instructors</li> <li>○ Joint training programmes</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
URL	<a href="http://ec.europa.eu/transport/facts-fundings/grants/2013_04_27_en.htm">http://ec.europa.eu/transport/facts-fundings/grants/2013_04_27_en.htm</a>

Top Funds and Useful Links ([Top of document](#))

Our website:

<http://www3.hants.gov.uk/externalfunding/>

List of top 20 funders (courtesy of David Harris from Havant Borough Council)

[http://www3.hants.gov.uk/top\\_20\\_funders\\_2010.doc](http://www3.hants.gov.uk/top_20_funders_2010.doc)

List of funding options for community projects

[http://www.breckland.gov.uk/funding\\_sources\\_for\\_community\\_projects](http://www.breckland.gov.uk/funding_sources_for_community_projects)

NCVO funding database

<http://www.fundingcentral.org.uk/Default.aspx>

Funding database maintained by Kent

<http://www.open4community.info/kent/Default.aspx>

Green Grants Machine (grants to help become more environmentally friendly):

<http://www.greengrantsmachine.co.uk/Default.aspx>