



Science and Technology Center in Ukraine

*The EU Seventh Framework Program
and the STCU,
an Instrument for Scientific Cooperation &
Technology Development*

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Our Mission

Prevent the Spread of WMD Expertise from Former Soviet Military Scientists

- **Engagement:** Assist **Azeri, Georgian, Moldovan, Ukrainian** scientists and technicians (formerly involved in WMD and their means of delivery) in their integration into the international community via collaborative research activities.
- **Transition to Self-Sustainability:** Assist these former WMD scientists in **transitioning to peaceful, self-sustaining civilian research work** that contributes to the economic development of their countries, finds solutions to national/international S&T problems, and builds successful research groups.





STCU History

- 1991** – Ukraine Gains its Independence
- 1993** – STCU Established as an Inter-Governmental Organization By Ukraine, Canada, Sweden and the USA
- 1995** – STCU Begins Operations
- 1997** – Uzbekistan Accedes to STCU
- 1998** – European Union Replaces Sweden as an STCU Governing and Funding Party
- 1998** – Georgia Accedes to STCU
- 2003** – STCU Surpasses \$100 Million USD in Total Project Funding
- 2003** – Azerbaijan Accedes to STCU
- 2003** – Moldova Accedes to STCU





STCU Basic Data

STCU

Network (scientists):	38 000
Number of Projects:	1,430
Project Funding (Euro equiv, approx):	167 Mil
Support Activities (Euro equiv, approx):	8 Mil
EU Institutes:	1,000
Projects with EU:	529





The EU Framework Programs

Cooperation

People

Capacities

Ideas

ALL specific programmes work together to promote and encourage the creation of European poles of scientific excellence.

- Framework 5 – 1998-2002
- Framework 6 – 2003-2006 (17.5 Billion EUR)
- Framework 7 – 2007 – 2013 (50.5 Billion EUR)
- Horizon 2020 – estimated budget





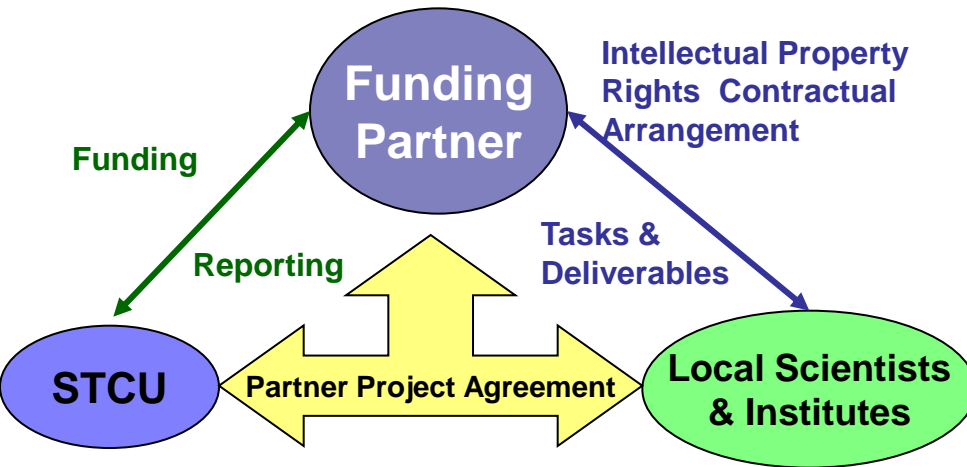
FP7 Participants

- European Union
- NIS Countries





The STCU, an Instrument for Scientific Cooperation between EU Entities and Scientific Teams from Azerbaijan, Georgia, Moldova, and Ukraine



=> *Management & Monitoring*

=> *Tax-free grants to researchers*

=> *Procurement of Equipment & Material*

- **Guaranteed business security, reliability and confidentiality**
- **Clear and transparent financial operations**
- **Full tax exemption on project-related Scientists' Fees**
- **VAT-free purchases of equipments**
- **Custom clearance assistance and exemption of all duties and taxes**
- **Project auditing and monitoring, timely delivery of scientific reports and results**
- **Host Government Concurrence certifying the non-proliferation and non dual nature of research carried.**





Partner Program Overview

- Through the STCU Partner Program, EU Institutions from may contract Research and Development Projects Involving Azerbaijan, Georgian, Moldovan, and Ukrainian Scientists.
- A fraction of not less than 30% of the work plan timesheets must involve Former Weapons Scientists
- STCU's Intergovernmental Organization status offers its Accredited Partners significant benefits including: (i) a professional support through Thematic Senior Specialists (ii) a Tax-exemption regime, and (iii) a smooth Implementation stage with the project entirely fire walled from external threats.





Main Steps

- **Including STCU as a Third Party of the Beneficiary**
- **Becoming STCU Partner by applying for Partner Status (*nomination is completed in 30 days*)**
- **Specifying the scope of work to be performed and development of the Project proposal**
- **Obtaining Host Governmental Concurrence**
- **Activity approval and Project Agreement preparation stage**
- **Signing the Agreement**

The whole process until signing takes 3-4 months





DMI



**Mercator
Ocean**

Ocean Forecasters

Ifremer

Some accredited STCU Partners for FP7 Projects

ECOOP coordinator

Centre for Ocean and Ice

Danish Meteorological Institute (DMI)

STCU Project: P290

SESAME coordinator

H.C.M.R. - Hellenic Center for Marine Research, Institute of Oceanography

STCU Project: P297; P298; P545

MY OCEAN coordinator

MERCATOR Ocean

STCU Project: P400 – P400A

SPICOSA coordinator

EADATANET - A Pan-European Infrastructure for Ocean and Marine Data Management

SeaDataNet II - IBSS

IFREMER

STCU Project: P329; P267 – P267a; P526





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