



Trend Chart on Innovation in Europe

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General presentation of the measure/scheme/action/regulation

Country

Germany

Geographical coverage, national or regional (state region)

(National)

Title of the measure

Private Information Agencies

Information Source/Reference

www.dgd.dewww.midas-net.de/midaspartner

Overview (nature, main goals)

These privat agencies (addresses available on above mentioned web pages) allow SME who can not afford to have, or choose not to develop, their own databases to call on professional information brokers to do their information inquiries. Private information agencies get paid market prices. The Federal Ministry acts as an initiator for setting up a network and disseminating information on the network.

Action Plan objective addressed by measure

I.4. Innovation & Management
III.2. Strengthening Company Research
III.5. Absorption of Technologies by SMEs

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Description of Scheme

General Information

Reference to legal basis (e.g. act, public document, ...)

Directive on the Programme 'Informationsvermittlungsstellen', issued by the BMBF

Does the measure receive central funding or regional funding?

Central

Start date

1990

Expected date of completion

indefinite

Previous measure (name, date, links with the current measure)

no

Reasons for launching/modifying the new measure

Establishing a network of independent information brokers in order to reduce information asymmetries among firms looking for professional information services, and increase reputation and trust in the information service providers.

Have any of the main features of the measure/scheme/action/regulation changed during its implementation

no

What is the predominant role of the government?

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Target Group

Who are the target groups of the measure?

Large Companies/Large Industrial Companies

SMEs/Industrial SMEs

Organisation and Implementation

Organisation and Structure

Professional information brokers have a lot of experience in working with databases, they know retrieval language codes, they have access to the relevant hosts and they bring in other specialised knowledge on the subjects. The information brokers offer various kind of support:- Share general and specified information,- Procure original versions of literature as well as translations,- Edit information in a comprehensible way,- Analyse certain data and information.

What are the criteria for eligibility?

Quality of information broker

What is the mode of delivery of the measure?

organisation of a network

Financing : Overall budget allocated to the measure

no budget needed (non-financial measure)

Financing : expenditure per year

no budget needed (non-financial measure)

Financing : other budgetary sources (additional financing)

no

Results

Result Measurement

What are the main indicators for the measurement of the results ?

not applicable

Where an evaluation has taken place, what were the main results achieved?

no evaluation

If no official evaluation has been undertaken, have there been any indicators of success?

not available yet

Observations

Which mechanisms seem to function well in the measure?

not available yet

Which mechanisms seem to be less successful in the measure?

not available yet

Are there any other measures planned or in operation as a follow up to this measure? Direction of the planned measures? Objectives? Target groups?

no

