

e-Power

Powering eEurope's Regional Economy

Project Summary

e-Power will create a large European network of Regional Technology Centres (RTC) serving SME communities in the Engineering and Manufacturing sector. The Network will focus on supporting RTCs in their objective of facilitating the take up of e-business and e-work technologies by SMEs. The results will be documented by means of a Regional Profile for each Regional Centre in the Network.

This work will be co-ordinated by Special Interest Groups (SIGs) meeting regularly at national and European level during the project to identify the SME ICT priorities for the future.

Two conferences will be organised to consolidate the work of the SIGs; disseminate the results of the regional analyses; promote the technology centres and actively encourage partnerships between RTCs.

e-Power will be supported by a network website and information portal which will provide the communications infrastructure and a knowledge base of the implementation of e-technologies in engineering and manufacturing. The portal will contain the Regional profiles plus, case studies, white papers, relevant projects at European, national and regional level.

The dissemination and exploitation of e-Power will focus on promoting the network, Regional Centres, knowledge base and the RTD activities of the Initiative throughout Europe by utilising the contacts and relationships of the Regional Centres and the Partners.

The project seeks to support the EU directorates, the research community, national governments, regional authorities but, above all, the regional communities of SMEs in the engineering and manufacturing sector.



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