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Case study

Research Funding: Gender Equality in science, engineering, technology, and the built environment

Organisation: UKRC

Location: Bradford

About: UK Resource Centre for Women

The UKRC is the Government's lead organisation for the provision of advice, services and policy consultation regarding the under-representation of women working in science, engineering, technology and the built environment.

Enquiry

The team from the UKRC approached Enterprise Europe Yorkshire for help in preparing a proposal for funding under the European Union Framework Programme7 to support research projects across the member states, as part of the Science in Society theme.

The INTEGER project will fund the development and implementation of effective and comprehensive organisational gender management strategies to improve the career progression of women scientific researchers.

Solution

Enterprise Europe Yorkshire advisors reviewed the proposal and made recommendations to improve the draft work programme outlined in the bid.

As a result, the INTEGER project is one of only two successful bids to be funded across Europe on 'Implementing Structural Change in Higher Educational Institutions and Research Institutions'.

The project will last four years, has a total project budget of over €3m and is a consortium of five prestigious partners from the UK, France, Ireland, Lithuania and Germany.

"The INTEGER project, for the first time across Europe, will test and establish a more practical framework for increasing the representation of women in science, engineering, technology, and the built environment. The support from Enterprise Europe Network in submitting this proposal has been invaluable."

(Claire Pickerden, Project Development Manager, The UKRC)

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