

11. **Consortium agreement:** Participants in RTD actions resulting from this call are not required to conclude a consortium agreement.

12. **Evaluation procedure:**

- the evaluation shall follow a single stage procedure,
- proposals will not be evaluated anonymously.

13. **Evaluation criteria:**

The following evaluation criteria will apply:

1. Excellence and quality of the proposal (threshold score 4 out of 5; weighting = 3):

- quality and novelty of the results achieved,
- contribution to addressing key scientific and technological issues.

2. European added value (threshold score 4 out of 5; weighting = 1)

The extent to which:

- the results of the research can only be achieved if carried out at European level and beyond,
- the proposal addresses key issues of the European Research Area (ERA).

Overall threshold score after application of the weightings: 17 out of 20.

14. **Indicative evaluation and selection delays:**

- evaluation results: Estimated to be within some four months after the closure date,
- conclusion of contracts: It is estimated that the prize will be awarded before the end of 2003.'

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The following amendment has been decided by the Commission on 31 March 2003 ⁽¹⁾:

Under points 6 of pages 20 and 32:

for: '19 September 2003',

read: '23 September 2003'.

⁽¹⁾ Commission Decision C(2003) 955, unpublished.