27 April 2016

Reference number: FoI - 288

REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

I am writing in response to the request you made to BBSRC under the Freedom of Information Act, which was received on Friday 1 April 2016.

Statement of information requested

I would like to know the following:

1. The amount of money Research Councils have been receiving from the European Union through “Horizon 2020”, “Cosme”, the Consumer Programme, the “3rd Health Programme”, the Research Fund for Coal and Steel, the Justice programme and the Promotion of agricultural products; since those programmes begun.
2. The amount of money the Research Councils have been providing to the European Union for “Horizon 2020”, “Cosme”, the Consumer Programme, the “3rd Health Programme”, the Research Fund for Coal and Steel, the Justice programme and the Promotion of agricultural products; since those programme’s beginning.
3. The list of projects funded by your institution with European fundings.
4. The amount of money UK enterprises have been receiving from the European Union through “Horizon 2020”, “Cosme”, the Consumer Programme, the “3rd Health Programme”, the Research Fund for Coal and Steel, the Justice programme and the Promotion of agricultural products; since those programme’s beginning.

Background

The Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council (BBSRC) is one of seven Research Councils that work together as Research Councils UK (RCUK). It is funded from the Government’s Department for Business, Innovation and Skills. BBSRC’s budget for 2014/15 was £509M and it supports around 1,600 scientists and 2,000 research students in universities and institutes in the UK. Information about BBSRC’s mission can be found on our website at http://www.bbsrc.ac.uk/organisation/mission.aspx.

UK Shared Business Services (UK SBS) provides a range of services, including IT, to BBSRC and other public sector organisations. UK SBS enters contracts on its clients behalf and provides services to them.

Duty to confirm or deny

BBSRC does hold the information requested for questions 1, 2, 3 but does not hold any information to respond to question 4.

Requested Information

For question 1, please see annex 1 (£537,500.00).
For question 2 the answer is zero.
For question 3, please see annex 1. The second tab has a list of projects co-funded with EU in the last 10 years.

If you have any further questions, please contact me quoting the reference number above.

Yours sincerely
BBSRC Freedom of Information Officer

Publication: please note that this response to your request may be published on a public website.

Complaints Process

If you are dissatisfied with how we have handled your request, you may register a formal complaint with the BBSRC Complaints Officer at complaints.officer@bbsrc.ac.uk, who will conduct an internal review.

If you are not happy with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner, Information Commissioner’s Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF, Tel: 01625 545 745, https://ico.org.uk/.