



WHO Call for Innovative Technologies

A call for innovative technologies is initiated by the Diagnostic Imaging and Medical Devices Unit in the WHO Department of Essential Health Technologies (EHT) as part of its programme for health technologies.

The overall goal of the programme is to help make available the benefits of core health technologies, particularly to communities in resource-limited settings, in order to effectively address important health problems.

The call to the business and scientific community aims to identify innovative medical devices that address global health concerns. In addition, the initiative will promote partnerships and collaboration in order to facilitate access to health technology innovation in resource-limited settings.

Applications are invited from manufacturers, institutions, universities, governments, non-profit organizations and individuals.

Applications will be screened by WHO and collaborating institutions and selected by a panel of experts. Selected innovative technologies will be highlighted on the WHO Essential Health Technologies' website and will be shared with governments, donors and other stakeholders, with a view to generally fostering the development, availability of, and access to, innovative health technologies, particularly in low- and middle-income countries.

For further information on the scope of the call and how to submit an application please visit www.who.int/medical_devices

The deadline for the receipt of applications is 31 January 2010.