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Subject: Innovative Medicines Initiative – Third Call for Proposals and Open Info Day

The Medicines Authority would like to bring to your attention that the Innovative Medicines Initiative (IMI) is going to issue the **third call for proposals**. The Innovative Medicines Initiative is a unique Public-Private Partnership (PPP) between the pharmaceutical industry represented by the European Federation of Pharmaceutical Industries and Associations (EFPIA) and the European Communities represented by the European Commission. The total IMI budget for the period 2008-2017 is €2 billion, including €1 billion provided by the European Union and €1 billion to be provided in kind from the industry.

The Innovative Medicines Initiative will host an **Open Info Day** on **22 October 2010 in Brussels**. The main purpose of the Open Info Day is to provide practical information regarding the new Call for proposals and to give potential applicants the opportunity to interact directly with scientists from the European Federation of Pharmaceutical Industries and Associations (EFPIA) member companies in charge of the Call topics.

The main target groups for the meeting are:

- Researchers from academia and other research organisations, hospitals,
- Representatives from small and medium-sized companies,
- Representatives from patient organisations,
- Innovation centres, research coordinators, research information providers and research contact points,
- Regulatory authorities.

Registration for the event is possible only through the [electronic registration tool](#).

The [updated agenda](#) and a [more detailed description of the 3rd Call topics](#) are posted on the IMI website as well (www.imi.europa.eu).