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New Opportunities

Call Title:	RESPONSIVE FUND – SYRIA
Programme:	UK Humanitarian Innovation Hub (UKHIH)
Objective:	UKHIH is seeking proposals for innovative approaches that address urgent and evolving needs in Syria. UKHIH invites proposals for innovative projects that empower affected populations, enhance response efficiency and effectiveness, and generate transferable learning for the wider sector. This call for proposals marks the beginning of a new and specialised funding stream of their Responsive Fund. The Responsive Fund aims to swiftly address emerging crises through problem-led research initiatives identified by networked humanitarian actors. Projects supported by the Responsive Fund meaningfully contribute to addressing context-specific problems in emerging crises.
Eligible Activities:	<p>The Responsive Fund – Syria will support projects that respond to one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pilot or scale innovations addressing critical gaps in the humanitarian response • Actionable research into innovative solutions addressing critical gaps in the humanitarian response • Leverage technology, new partnerships, or novel delivery models. • Strengthen local capacity and resilience. • Demonstrate potential for measurable impact and learning. <p>Actions must take place in Syria.</p>
Eligible Applicants:	They are interested in receiving applications from humanitarian agencies, networks, and/or researchers.
Total Budget:	£100,000
Deadline:	20/06/2025
More information and official documents:	https://www.ukhih.org/news/call-for-proposals-now-open-responsive-fund-syria/

Call Title:	8TH CALL FOR PROPOSALS FOR PRODUCER ORGANIZATION-LED PROJECTS
Programme:	Global Agriculture and Food Security Program (GAFSP)
Objective:	GAFSP recognizes Producer Organizations (POs) as critical actors in linking smallholder farmers to input, capital, and product markets. By enhancing the capacity and reach of POs, GAFSP aims to increase agricultural productivity and incomes, particularly for smallholders, while improving food availability and access for consumers.
Eligible Activities:	The Eighth Call for Proposals continues GAFSP's targeted support to PO-led initiatives. Building on three previous calls, GAFSP has already allocated US\$80 million across 32 PO-led projects, helping POs improve their internal systems and service delivery to better meet the needs of their members. These investments aim to increase smallholder farmers' income, food and nutrition security, and resilience to shocks, including those driven by climate change, economic volatility, and fragility.

	Actions must take place in selected low-income countries in Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America.
Eligible Applicants:	<p>For GAFSP, the definition of a PO includes national and sub-national POs structured as either a producers' association, union, federation, cooperative, or apex organization (including umbrella organizations or federations of POs)7 with the following characteristics:</p> <p>a) It is a local organization formed by a group of smallholder producers to undertake agriculture-, food- and nutrition-related activities, including storage, processing, and marketing.</p> <p>b) Its members include farmers, pastoralists, artisanal fishers, forest-dwelling groups, landless people, and/or indigenous people.</p> <p>c) It is owned by its members: PO members participate in the governance of the PO.</p> <p>d) Its profits and other benefits are shared among its members; and</p> <p>e) It is a registered legal entity.</p>
Total Budget: \$38,000,000; upto \$4m per project	
Deadline: 24/06/2025	
More information and official documents:	https://www.gafspfund.org/8th-call-proposals-producer-organizations

Call Title:	KENNETH C. FRAZIER AWARD FOR MATERNAL HEALTH EQUITY
Programme:	MSD for Mothers
Objective:	In 2021, MSD for Mothers, MSD's \$650 million global initiative to help create a world where no woman has to die while giving life, launched the Kenneth C. Frazier Award for Maternal Health Equity.
Eligible Activities:	<p>This annual prize, awarded through the MSD for Mothers initiative, provides a grant to an organization in recognition of its commitment to and progress towards more equitable, more respectful, higher quality maternal health for all.</p> <p>This award is named after Kenneth C. Frazier as a testament to his unwavering commitment to social justice and leveraging the private sector for public good.</p> <p>Actions can take place worldwide.</p>
Eligible Applicants:	Nominated organizations may be located anywhere in the world, must have made a demonstrated and distinctive impact in advancing maternal health equity and must be led by a person of colour and/or representative of the marginalised group being served.
Total Budget: \$250,000	
Deadline: 30/06/2025	
More information and official documents:	https://www.msdformothers.com/frazier-award.html

Call Title:		BBVA FOUNDATION FRONTIERS OF KNOWLEDGE AWARDS
Programme:		BBVA Foundation
Objective:	<p>The BBVA Foundation Frontiers of Knowledge Awards recognize fundamental contributions in a broad array of areas of scientific knowledge, technology, humanities and artistic creation, as listed in these call conditions. Awards will be granted in eight prize categories, spanning three domains. First, scientific and technological research in the areas of Basic Sciences, Biomedicine, Ecology and Conservation Biology, Information and Communication Technologies, and Economics, Finance and Management. Second, the creation, direction or performance of works of contemporary classical music. Third, scientific research and/or projects that represent significant advances in two core concerns of the 21st century: climate change and development cooperation.</p>	
Eligible Activities:	<p>The disciplines and domains of the BBVA Foundation Frontiers of Knowledge Awards are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Basic Sciences (Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics) Biology and Biomedicine Information and Communication Technologies Ecology and Conservation Biology Climate Change Economics, Finance and Management Humanities and Social Sciences Music and Opera <p>The BBVA Foundation's focus is Spain and Latin America.</p>	
Eligible Applicants:	<p>Candidates shall be one or more natural persons of any nationality. The awards are also open to scientific or cultural organisations that can be collectively credited with exceptional contributions to scientific knowledge, cultural creation or the fight against climate change.</p>	
Total Budget:		€3,200,000
Deadline:		30/06/2025
More information and official documents:	https://www.frontiersofknowledgeawards-fbbva.es/conditions/	

Call Title:		CROSS BORDER UNIVERSITY PARTNERSHIP INITIATIVES
Programme:		U.S. Mission to Cote d'Ivoire
Objective:	<p>The Public Diplomacy Section (PDS) of the U.S. Embassy in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire announces an open competition for higher education institutions to submit applications that will create sustainable linkages between American and Ivorian universities.</p>	
Eligible Activities:	<p>These programs will support academic collaboration, research partnerships, and/or student exchanges, between universities in both countries.</p>	

	<p>All programs must include an American cultural element, or connection with American expert(s), organization(s), or institution(s) in a specific field that will promote increased understanding of U.S. policy and perspectives.</p> <p>Actions must take place in Cote d'Ivoire.</p>
Eligible Applicants:	The Public Affairs Section encourages applications from Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; Private institutions of higher education; Individuals.
Total Budget: \$100,000	
Deadline: 04/07/2025	
More information and official documents:	https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/359105

Call Title:	EIT Food Impact Funding Framework
Programme:	European Institute of Innovation and Technology
Objective:	Applications are now open for Impact Funding Framework to promote ambitious, long-term collaboration that will lead to food systems change to benefit them all.
Eligible Activities:	<p>Types of Grant</p> <p>Collaborative Missions Programmes:</p> <p>EIT Food already runs a significant portfolio of funding activity, regional community engagement and “Infrastructure Programmes”. These programmes help to focus effort and support positive impact in areas such as knowledge exchange, skills and capability building; entrepreneur development; new business growth and investment; public engagement; and innovation management.</p> <p>They welcome proposals to form new collaborative programmes that build upon, link and amplify these capabilities, and give them new routes and approaches to achieve even more impact in these areas in line with their Mission Targets. They are always interested in programmes which identify and solve barriers where long-term structural issues affect progress towards Mission Targets.</p> <p>Programmes should connect key companies, research organisations, social enterprises, associations, regions and other stakeholders across relevant economic, industry and social value chains. Engaging beneficiaries or challenge owners with well-defined impact needs should be central to your programme objectives.</p> <p>You should also outline how you wish to engage with EIT Food leadership and network to ensure maximum alignment, synergies or explicit complementarities with existing capabilities and activities with minimum duplication. They wish to actively work with your consortium leadership to steer, direct and connect new platforms to multiply their impact, KPI achievement and influence.</p> <p>Single Project Co-funding Opportunity:</p> <p>You will often see them talking about the impact of their work. By this, they mean the identifiable benefits that people, businesses, organisations or society in general will experience through the work they fund.</p>

	<p>This funding call is aimed at creating greater, combined impact from their portfolio of investments by targeting improvements in certain points of the food system. Your proposal should address one or more of the following challenges:</p> <p>Regenerative Agriculture:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> De-risk transition to Regenerative Agriculture for farmers, incl. carbon farming and carbon pricing Enable & incentivise reductions in Scope 3 emissions Reduce food loss Reduce occurrence and risks in water scarcity/management Reduce cost of Regenerative Agriculture transition to business and consumers Demonstrate improvement in Soil Health & Biodiversity <p>Protein Diversification:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collaborative reformulation, involving primary producers, processors, retailers & “out-of-home” business. Increased availability of affordable, nutritious, sustainable food products targeting NCD risks in key markets & demographics Improved production and manufacturing processes to reduce environmental impacts Adoption of new business models enabled through Protein Diversification Education and awareness programmes on the benefits of a diverse protein diet <p>Labeling, Packaging & Transparency:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Digitally enabled, communication of food product integrity & supply chain to consumers Digital tools along value chains to reduce cost & complexity in producing standardised score-based food labels Increased uptake of affordable, nutritious, sustainable food products targeting NCD risks in key markets & demographics Improved manufacturing processes to supply more food products building economic value from food waste and side streams Inform and increase consumer demand for circular economy benefits from food choices
Eligible Applicants:	<p>Eligibility Criteria</p> <p>Collaborative Missions Programmes:</p> <p>Funding for this Request for Implementing Participants is available to all organisation from Member States of the European Union (EU) and from Horizon Europe Associate Countries</p> <p>Organisation Eligibility</p> <p>Each participating organisation must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be a legally incorporated entity in one of the EU or Horizon Europe eligible countries for a minimum of one year. One-person legal entities are not eligible to participate in this call. Have at least one year published accounts showing business Activity. Provide a PIC Number
Total Budget: €1,000,000 per year for up to 2 years towards a maximum of 70% of the total costs of your programme	
Deadline: 10/07/2025	
More information and official documents:	https://www.eitfood.eu/open-calls/impact-funding-framework

Call Title:	CALL FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR THE SELECTION OF PARTNERS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF UNHCR LIBYA'S 2026-2030 MULTI-YEAR STRATEGY
Programme:	UNHCR
Objective:	Libya is not a signatory to the 1951 Convention on the Status of Refugees, and refugee related matters fall under the national legal framework regulating illegal migration. UNHCR activities in Libya are falling under the UNSDCF framework and are implemented with knowledge of the State of Libya.
Eligible Activities:	<p>Expected results are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides life-saving assistance to refugees and asylum-seekers in detention centers, disembarkation points & urban settings. • Pursues durable solutions outsideand asylum-seekers in detention centers, disembarkation points & urban settings. • Pursues durable solutions outside Libya for most vulnerable & at-risk asylum-seekers and refugees. • Provides support to host communities. <p>The Outputs are: Protection monitoring; Detention; Legal assistance; Protection case management Community participation; Feedback mechanism; Social Cohesion Projects (SCPs); Humanitarian assistance; Warehouse management; Health and Mental Health & Psychosocial Support (MHPSS).</p> <p>Actions must take place in Libya.</p>
Eligible Applicants:	In order to be considered as an implementing partners, applicants must meet the following criteria: must be non-governmental organisations and must have sector and region experience.
Total Budget:	\$1,000,000
Deadline:	12/07/2025
More information and official documents:	https://www.unpartnerportal.org/api/public/export/projects/17614/

Call Title:	HUMAN RIGHTS, DEMOCRACY AND CIVIL SOCIETY PROGRAMME FOR SERBIA 2024-2025
Programme:	European Commission (EC) - International Partnerships
Objective:	The global objective of this call for proposals is to promote and protect: (i) human rights and fundamental freedoms; (ii) the rule of law and justice; and (iii) good governance and democracies and the EU integration and approximation process in Serbia, through an enhanced contribution by civil society.
Eligible Activities:	<p>The specific objectives of this call for proposals are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To protect and empower individuals to contribute to the full enjoyment by everyone of all human rights, be they civil, political, economic, social or cultural rights.

	<p>Moreover, the Call aims to improve the conducive environment for civil society, to increase capacities and effectiveness of the Serbian Civil Society Organisations (CSOs) to monitor and participate in reform processes and the overall capacities of grassroots movements through flexible financial support to third parties mechanisms in all fields relevant to Serbia's accession to the EU.</p> <p>Actions must take place in Serbia.</p>
Eligible Applicants:	In order to be eligible for a grant, the lead applicant must: (1) be a legal person and (2) be non-profit-making and (3) be a specific type of organisation such as civil society organisation.
Total Budget: €7,550,000	
Deadline: 15/07/2025	
More information and official documents:	https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/online-services/#/

Call Title:	Lloyd's of London Foundation Grant Programme
Programme:	Lloyd's of London Foundation
Objective:	If you're working on innovative research in risk management or climate adaptation, you can now apply for funding through the Lloyd's of London Foundation's new grant programme.
Eligible Activities:	<p>Focus Areas</p> <p>They aim to support research in:</p> <p>Risk understanding and management for specific communities, and the greater good of society both in the UK and globally, which are aligned to UN Sustainable Development Goals</p> <p>Climate adaptation and mitigation, an issue that has real synergy with risk-related research</p> <p>Areas of research could include current and future climate and related humanitarian risks arising from a variety of trends, such as fire, flood, drought, changes to weather patterns and other natural disasters, both the UK and globally.</p> <p>Funding Information</p> <p>Annual Grant: Up to £100,000 for a one-year project or £50,000 per year for a two-year project, covering salaries and core costs (including indirect cost recovery up to 18%).</p>
Eligible Applicants:	<p>Eligibility Criteria</p> <p>The Grant is open to both individuals and organisations, including (but not limited to):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> independent academic researchers university academics research institutions public sector organisations third sector organisations and Think Tanks (registered charities only) (re)insurance industry participants (where results are free and available publicly to all). <p>Ineligibility Criteria</p> <p>Projects will not be considered if they have:</p>

	<p>An immediate commercial outcome</p> <p>No clear research methodology</p> <p>Lack of academic excellence</p> <p>No engagement with non-academic stakeholders</p>
Total Budget: £500,000	
Deadline: 25/07/2025	
More information and official documents:	https://www.lloyds.com/about-lloyds/responsible-business/community/lloyds-foundation/grant-programme

Call Title:	Eureka Network Call for Circular Value Creation Research and Development Projects
Programme: National Research Council Canada	
Objective:	<p>Submissions are now open for National Research Council of Canada Industrial Research Assistance Program (NRC IRAP) to foster and support collaborative industrial research and development (R&D) projects with a high potential for commercialization.</p> <p>This competitive call for proposals is open to Canadian small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) and organizations from Eureka member countries who wish to form consortia to perform collaborative projects focused on developing innovative products, processes, or technology-based services with a civilian purpose in any technological and market area.</p>
Eligible Activities:	<p>Funding Information</p> <p>Eligible Canadian SMEs may receive up to 50% reimbursement of eligible project costs up to a maximum total funding amount of \$500,000 CAD over 12 to 36 months.</p> <p>Sector of Focus</p> <p>This call invites proposals related to all technology sectors, with a call focus on circular value creation goes beyond recycling and waste management by involving innovative product design, cross-sector partnerships, and new materials and technologies. It emphasizes business models focused on longevity, reuse, and recycling, fostering flexible and resilient value creation systems that enhance sustainable economic growth, competitiveness, and job creation.</p> <p>Eligible Projects</p> <p>The project must focus on co-development, adaptation and validation of an innovative product, process, or technology-based service that has:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> substantial commercial potential and outcomes that can be realized within 2 to 3 years of completion of the project; and a civilian (non-military) purpose <p>The project must demonstrate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a complementary technological contribution from each partner an obvious advantage and added value resulting from the cooperation between the participants a balanced contribution between project partners and countries (i.e., no more than 70% of the effort contributed by any one partner or country) benefits to Canada commensurate with the funding requested

Eligible Applicants:	<p>Eligibility Criteria</p> <p>The Canadian applicant must meet all the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> be an incorporated, profit-oriented SME in Canada (defined as having 500 or fewer full-time equivalent employees) have been in operation for a minimum of 12 months prior to the project proposal deadline specified above have a minimum of 5 full-time equivalent employees located in Canada (on your company payroll and issued a T4), excluding any founders and contract employees pursue growth and profit by developing and commercializing innovative, technology-driven new or improved products, services or processes in Canada have a differentiated and protectable technology with commercial potential in global markets have the financial capacity (working capital, sales revenue, investment, etc.) and the operational capacity (personnel, expertise, resources, etc.) to undertake an international multi-year R&D collaboration while maintaining regular operations, and to subsequently commercialize the results be committed to significant growth through international market expansion <p>Preference may be given to SME applicants that meet the criteria below. If one or more criteria are unmet, a strong rationale must be provided in the Expression of Interest (EOI) form for possible consideration:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> have a minimum of 15 full-time equivalent employees located in Canada (on your company payroll and issued a T4), excluding contract employees have commercialized one or more products internationally have more than \$500,000 CAD in annual sales revenue. <p>The project consortium must include at least:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 eligible Canadian SME, and 1 eligible organization from a Eureka member country <p>The parties listed above must be unrelated parties (i.e., no direct, indirect, beneficial or constructive ownership interest between these parties)</p> <p>The project partners that form the consortium must agree on a plan addressing intellectual property rights and intent to commercialize.</p>
Total Budget:	\$500,000
Deadline:	01/08/2025
More information and official documents:	http://nrc.canada.ca/en/irap/about/international/?action=view&id=240

Call Title:	Leveraging Artificial Intelligence for Pandemic Preparedness and Response
Programme:	Horizon Europe
Objective:	<p>The European Commission is accepting applications for Leveraging artificial intelligence for pandemic preparedness and response.</p> <p>This topic aims at supporting activities that are enabling or contributing to one or several expected impacts of destination “Tackling diseases and reducing disease burden”.</p> <p>Scopes</p>

	<p>The COVID-19 pandemic underscored the need of finding innovative approaches to pandemic preparedness and response, including digital solutions leveraging AI technologies. AI is a fast-developing field, holding an enormous potential in using the multitude of data from an equally vast range of sources, which should be used for improving preparedness and response to epidemics or pandemics in the EU and Associated Countries.</p> <p>Examples from the COVID-19 pandemic response illustrate how advanced AI tools can enable efficient data use to support areas like forecasting, infectious disease surveillance and monitoring, development of medical interventions, timely diagnosis of infection, disease prognosis, or real-time monitoring of adherence to public health recommendations. New technologies with potentially high impact like air or wastewater real-time monitoring systems have also emerged.</p> <p>These experiences and advances hold great potential for the future, but additional development and expansion of novel AI-based tools and technologies (including generative AI) is needed, while also further improving and testing existing ones. The use of AI on diverse datasets, as well as on their combinations within and across disciplines, can greatly increase the accuracy of assessments and predictions of medical (pharmaceutical or non-pharmaceutical) interventions in preparedness for, and response to epidemics and pandemics.</p>
Eligible Activities:	<p>Expected Outcomes</p> <p>To that end, proposals under this topic should aim to deliver results that are directed, tailored towards and contributing to all the following expected outcomes:</p> <p>The potential of Artificial Intelligence (AI) is used in all aspects that determine optimal pandemic preparedness and response, and fast learning systems are supported, to the benefit of scientists, public health responders and policymakers. This includes using the full potential of available quality data for research and innovation to transform the development of medical, social or logistical countermeasures, as well as the detection, management and monitoring of emergencies at population levels, and the diagnosis, treatment, and prevention at the level of individuals.</p> <p>European pandemic preparedness and response benefits from readily available, trustworthy and ethical AI-based tools and technologies that enable it to act fast and in a targeted manner, to timely detect and understand emerging infectious threats, to respond adequately and proportionally to identified threats, and to control such threats effectively and efficiently.</p> <p>Different data types from multiple sources and disciplines across the EU and globally can be accessed, integrated and analysed by scientists, public health responders and policymakers, using trustworthy and ethical AI-based tools and technologies that support pandemic preparedness and response.</p> <p>Eligible Activities</p> <p>Research actions under this topic should include several of the following activities:</p> <p>Develop new, or improve existing AI-based tools, methods and technologies, geared towards greater safety, efficiency and impact of medical, societal or logistical countermeasures aiming at the prevention, containment or control of infectious disease epidemics or improved response management of health systems.</p> <p>Scout, assemble and prepare appropriate FAIR[1] datasets generated across the EU and Associated Countries (e.g. COVID-19, Influenza, etc.), for the development, training and testing of targeted AI-supported generative assessment and prediction tools, in support of evidence-based policy and decision making for pandemic preparedness and response; in areas like surveillance and monitoring of infectious disease and disease</p>

	<p>dynamics, facilitating differential diagnosis, triage and risk group predictions, predicting drug response and disease progression, etc.</p> <p>Leverage the capacities of the existing and emerging data research infrastructures and the future European Health Data Space (EHDS)[2] and the European Open Science Cloud (EOSC)[3] architectures and research environments, while comprehensively addressing cybersecurity, data privacy, trustworthiness, equity and data quality, interoperability and access modalities.</p> <p>Identify and address the current technical, operational, and social limitations related to the (cross-border) access to quality data and to the smooth implementation of AI-driven solutions in the societal and legal context of the EU and Associated Countries.</p> <p>Engage with end-users, policymakers, regulatory bodies and authorities, and other stakeholders in the development, improvement, testing and validation of trustworthy and ethical AI-based tools and technologies, to propose options for the validation and uptake of the novel AI tools in real-world settings taking into consideration aspects like training needs, responsible use, users' trust, energy consumption, etc.</p>
Eligible Applicants:	<p>Eligibility Criteria</p> <p>Any legal entity, regardless of its place of establishment, including legal entities from no associated third countries or international organisations (including international European research organisations) is eligible to participate (whether it is eligible for funding or not), provided that the conditions laid down in the Horizon Europe Regulation have been met, along with any other conditions laid down in the specific call/topic.</p> <p>A 'legal entity' means any natural or legal person created and recognised as such under national law, EU law or international law, which has legal personality and which may, acting in its own name, exercise rights and be subject to obligations, or an entity without legal personality.</p> <p>Entities eligible for funding:</p> <p>To be eligible for funding, applicants must be established in one of the following countries:</p> <p>the Member States of the European Union, including their outermost regions: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden.</p> <p>the Overseas Countries and Territories (OCTs) linked to the Member States: Aruba (NL), Bonaire (NL), Curaçao (NL), French Polynesia (FR), French Southern and Antarctic Territories (FR), Greenland (DK), New Caledonia (FR), Saba (NL), Saint Barthélemy (FR), Sint Eustatius (NL), Sint Maarten (NL), St. Pierre and Miquelon (FR), Wallis and Futuna Islands (FR).</p> <p>Countries associated to Horizon Europe;</p> <p>Albania, Armenia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Faroe Islands, Georgia, Iceland, Israel, Kosovo, Moldova, Montenegro, New Zealand, North Macedonia, Norway, Serbia, Tunisia, Türkiye, Ukraine, United Kingdom.</p>
Total Budget: €35,000,000	
Deadline: 16/09/2025	
More information and official documents:	https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/HORIZON-HLTH-2025-01-DISEASE-04

Call Title:	Call for Proposals to promote Civil Society Organisations Awareness
Programme:	CERV Programme
Objective:	<p>The European Commission (EC) has launched the call for proposals to promote Civil Society Organisations' Awareness of, capacity building and implementation of the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights.</p> <p>Objectives</p> <p>Protecting, promoting and raising awareness of fundamental rights by providing financial support to civil society organisations active at local, regional, national and transnational level in promoting and cultivating those rights, thereby also strengthening the protection and promotion of Union values and respect for the rule of law and contributing to the construction of a more democratic Union, democratic dialogue, transparency and good governance.</p> <p>This call for proposals will support several EU policy initiatives, including: the Strategy to strengthen the application of the Charter of Fundamental Rights in the EU, the European democracy action plan, the EU citizenship Package.</p> <p>Themes and Priorities (Scope)</p> <p>This call for proposals will promote the founding rights and values of the Union by building primarily civil society organisations' awareness on and capacity to apply the Charter and to carry out activities to ensure that the fundamental rights enshrined in the Charter are upheld. Projects can be national or transnational. Transnational projects are particularly encouraged.</p> <p>Each project application under this call must address only one of the following priorities. Applicants wishing to apply for more than one priority must submit a separate proposal under each priority.</p> <p>Capacity building and awareness raising on the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights</p> <p>Promoting rights and values by empowering the civic space</p> <p>Strategic litigation</p> <p>Strategic litigation involving the rights enshrined in the Charter contributes to a more coherent implementation and application of EU law and to the enforcement of individuals' fundamental rights.</p> <p>Protecting EU values and rights by combating hate speech and hate crime</p> <p>Supporting an enabling environment for the protection of whistleblowers</p>
Eligible Activities:	<p>Expected Impact</p> <p>Capacity building and awareness raising on the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights</p> <p>Increased awareness on the Charter and the fundamental rights it enshrines by CSOs, NHRIs, equality bodies, Ombuds institutions, other human rights defenders, and other relevant partners, including authorities at national, regional and local levels;</p> <p>Increased capacity of the above actors to apply the Charter and the fundamental rights that the Charter enshrines in their daily work, including for instance through fundamental rights impact assessments and participatory mechanisms to strengthen the application of fundamental rights;</p> <p>Improved cooperation between CSOs, NHRIs, equality bodies, Ombuds institutions, other human rights defenders and authorities at national, regional and local levels on fundamental rights issues;</p> <p>Increased prevention of fundamental rights breaches and improved knowledge of available redress mechanisms, including - where relevant - the preliminary ruling mechanism under national and EU law, and how they can be used for the benefit of</p>

	<p>various rights holders and rights holder groups, including people and groups in vulnerable situations.</p> <p>Promoting rights and values by empowering the civic space</p> <p>Increased awareness about the situation of civic space in the EU Member States based on sound evidence and comparable indicators;</p> <p>Strengthened relations and creation of networks among the actors protecting the civic space at local, national and European level, and between them and the national and European authorities;</p> <p>Increased dialogue about the civic space, and increased public attention to the topic, and developed positive narratives towards CSOs and rights defenders protecting and promoting fundamental rights, rule of law and democracy;</p> <p>More protected CSOs, their members and rights defenders working in a safe environment, including an increase in recourse to existing support services;</p> <p>Increased reporting of attacks faced by the targeted actors and more prompt and targeted response.</p> <p>Strategic litigation</p> <p>Increased awareness and knowledge by legal professionals and practitioners in CSOs, NHRIs, Equality bodies, Ombuds institutions and other human rights defenders about EU law, including the Charter and its principles and articles and existing remedies and redress mechanisms to enforce them at national and European level;</p> <p>Increased awareness and knowledge by the general public of their rights under EU law, including the Charter, existing remedies and redress mechanisms to enforce them at national and European level as well as awareness and knowledge of available support by legal professionals and practitioners;</p> <p>Increased ability of CSOs, NHRIs, equality bodies and Ombuds institutions and other rights defenders to develop a litigation strategy and communicate and advocate around it and to bring strategic litigation cases before national courts and the European Court of Justice.</p> <p>Protecting EU values and rights by combating hate speech and hate crime</p> <p>Increased awareness about the societal effects of hate speech and hate crime, including more effective outreach to individuals and groups at risk of hate victimisation, thereby raising awareness of their rights, including through schools and educational activities;</p> <p>Increased knowledge of EU and national hate crime and hate speech legislation;</p> <p>Strengthened national or local actions to enhance the capacity of authorities, in particular law enforcement agencies, to detect bias indicators and to effectively investigate and prosecute offences, including through multistakeholder cooperation;</p> <p>Enhanced hate crime recording and data collection methodologies.</p> <p>Supporting an enabling environment for the protection of whistleblowers</p> <p>Increased awareness and understanding by the general public and by potential whistleblowers of the existing reporting channels and procedures, as well as of the rights provided under the Directive on whistleblower protection, thus fostering an increased and effective implementation of the national laws transposing the Directive;</p> <p>Increased capacity and knowledge of civil society and, where relevant, of other representatives, such as compliance officers, national authorities or practitioners active in the field of whistleblowing protection, to correctly apply the Directive's rules addressed to private organisations and public entities;</p> <p>Improved effectiveness and coherence of the Directive's application, including through improved cooperation between national, regional or local authorities and civil society;</p>
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	Enhanced data collection on whistleblower reports and cases of retaliation and enhanced capacity of the national systems to record whistleblower reports and cases and to assess the effectiveness of the national laws transposing the Directive.
Eligible Applicants:	<p>Eligibility Criteria</p> <p>In order to be eligible, the applicants (lead applicants 'Coordinator', co-applicants and affiliated entities) must:</p> <p>For lead applicants (i.e. the 'Coordinator'): be non-profit legal entities (private bodies);</p> <p>For co-applicants: be non-profit or for-profit legal entities (public or private bodies).</p> <p>Organisations which are for profit may apply only in partnership with private non-profit organisations;</p> <p>Be formally established in one of the eligible countries, i.e.: EU Member States (including overseas countries and territories (OCTs))</p>
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Call Title:	Copernicus Climate Change Service Evolution: New and Innovative Processing and Methods for Future Sentinels and Other Satellites for Reanalyses
Programme:	Horizon Europe
Objective:	<p>Entries are now open for Copernicus Climate Change Service (C3S) evolution: New and Innovative Processing and Methods for Future Sentinels and Other Satellites for Reanalyses topic.</p> <p>Scope</p> <p>The areas of R&I to address the expected outcomes include:</p> <p>Improve the ability of Copernicus' and other models to assimilate new and other satellite observations (e.g. the Copernicus Sentinel Expansion and Next Generation missions, contributing missions, meteorological satellites, research satellites) that are sensitive to surface parameters and fluxes. It is also necessary to undertake research on information content of early satellite data and unlock their exploitation in reanalyses at global and regional scales;</p> <p>Exploit innovative methods (including AI/ML) for data rescue for in situ and remote sensing observations, in particular regarding past and changing observing methods and environmental factors, and on error analysis, quality control and bias adjustment of the historical observation record. The aim is to make best possible use of early observations from various records of in situ and remote sensing observations to improve physically consistent analyses of the atmosphere, the ocean, the land and the cryosphere towards centennial timescales;</p> <p>Improve the use of Sentinel and other data in all Copernicus reanalyses and their use across different services. Beyond processing and reprocessing activities, specific coordinated developments in terms of observation operators and observational error characterization will be required;</p>

	Explore innovative methods (e.g. AI/ML) to accelerate the production and updates of reanalyses, to capture reanalyses uncertainties efficiently, and to reduce overall computing energy/carbon footprint.
Eligible Activities:	<p>Expected Outcomes</p> <p>Project results are expected to contribute to all of the following expected outcomes: Innovative methods to prepare and pre-process observational input for Earth-system reanalysis datasets, including the Copernicus Sentinel missions, which will lead to an increase in the use of observations for Earth-system reanalysis;</p> <p>Enhanced sparse data assimilation and initialisation methods of climate sub-component (e.g., atmosphere, ocean, land, hydrology) in Copernicus products;</p> <p>Comprehensive and better information about the climate records to be extracted from the available observations improving their overall monitoring of the climate and climate change;</p> <p>Expanded range of reanalyses products towards centennial reanalyses, and enhanced climate counterfactuals data sets to support data-driven predictions and the ongoing operationalisation of extreme event attribution.</p>
Eligible Applicants:	<p>Eligibility Criteria</p> <p>Entities eligible to participate:</p> <p>Any legal entity, regardless of its place of establishment, including legal entities from non associated third countries or international organisations (including international European research organisations) is eligible to participate (whether it is eligible for funding or not), provided that the conditions laid down in the Horizon Europe Regulation have been met, along with any other conditions laid down in the specific call/topic.</p> <p>A 'legal entity' means any natural or legal person created and recognised as such under national law, EU law or international law, which has legal personality and which may, acting in its own name, exercise rights and be subject to obligations, or an entity without legal personality.</p> <p>To become a beneficiary, legal entities must be eligible for funding.</p> <p>To be eligible for funding, applicants must be established in one of the following countries:</p> <p>the Member States of the European Union, including their outermost regions: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden.</p> <p>the Overseas Countries and Territories (OCTs) linked to the Member States: Aruba (NL), Bonaire (NL), Curaçao (NL), French Polynesia (FR), French Southern and Antarctic Territories (FR), Greenland (DK), New Caledonia (FR), Saba (NL), Saint Barthélemy (FR), Sint Eustatius (NL), Sint Maarten (NL), St. Pierre and Miquelon (FR), Wallis and Futuna Islands (FR).</p> <p>countries associated to Horizon Europe;</p> <p>Albania, Armenia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Canada, Faroe Islands, Georgia, Iceland, Israel, Kosovo, Moldova, Montenegro, New Zealand, North Macedonia, Norway, Serbia, Tunisia, Türkiye, Ukraine, United Kingdom.</p>

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Call Title:	Supporting the AI/ML Digital Transition of Copernicus Services
Programme:	Horizon Europe
Objective:	<p>The European Commission is seeking applications for Supporting the AI/ML digital transition of Copernicus Services topic.</p> <p>Scope</p> <p>The areas of R&I to address the expected outcomes include:</p> <p>AI-supported retrieval algorithms on both passive and active sensing for existing and upcoming Copernicus missions;</p> <p>Fast, reliable, consistent, and as much as possible sensor agnostic identification of clouds and shadows in optical sensing;</p> <p>Multi-source multi-target AI models for automatic segmentation;</p> <p>Physics parameterization and parameter optimization to emulate poorly understood processes and increase the fidelity of numerical models;</p> <p>Fault and outlier detection in production and delivery workflows to ensure more robust services;</p> <p>Support to automated pre-processing and QA/QC of observations and data to reduce the risk of man-made errors and product deficiencies;</p> <p>Data fusion techniques towards added-value products;</p> <p>Data compression and mining methods to navigate big data efficiently, as the amount of data is becoming a limiting factor;</p> <p>Hybrid observation operator, ensemble data assimilation techniques, error calibration and uncertainty quantification towards improved (re-)analysis and forecast skill;</p> <p>Analysis-driven Earth system deep learning models to boost prediction skill and timeliness, including with Digital Twin Earth models. These methods have shown great promises when applied to reanalyses for example;</p> <p>Experimenting observation(-only)-driven forecasting to support time-critical service elements, circumventing analysis steps. These approaches could be particularly suited for observation-dense areas from which processes can be inferred from observations alone;</p> <p>Exploring the potential of large pre-trained foundation models and transfer learning at scale for Earth system modelling, including with publicly available training datasets from Copernicus;</p> <p>Downscaling and super resolution applications building on Copernicus data to refine products in space and time;</p> <p>Adaptive workflow optimizations;</p> <p>Enhanced interactive interfaces enabling on-demand product and service generation;</p> <p>Chatbots that can guide the user across a wide range of information sources within and across Copernicus services for enhanced user support and experience.</p> <p>Proposals are expected to address as many of the above areas as possible.</p>
Eligible Activities:	<p>Expected Outcomes</p> <p>Project results are expected to contribute to all of the following expected outcomes:</p>

	<p>Integrated AI/ML strategy across Copernicus Services, value chains and workflows; Improved quality, timeliness, reliability and resilience of Copernicus data, products and applications; Improved time-to-solution and energy-to-solution of Copernicus operational workflows; Transformed user experience through enhanced interactivity and on-demand capabilities for Copernicus services; Exchange of knowledge, benchmarking and best practices on using AI/ML in the context of Copernicus; Enhanced AI-readiness of Copernicus data, in particular open and free high-value labelled Copernicus data sets.</p>
Eligible Applicants:	<p>Eligibility Criteria Entities eligible to participate: Any legal entity, regardless of its place of establishment, including legal entities from nonassociated third countries or international organisations (including international European research organisations) is eligible to participate (whether it is eligible for funding or not), provided that the conditions laid down in the Horizon Europe Regulation have been met, along with any other conditions laid down in the specific call/topic. A 'legal entity' means any natural or legal person created and recognised as such under national law, EU law or international law, which has legal personality and which may, acting in its own name, exercise rights and be subject to obligations, or an entity without legal personality. To become a beneficiary, legal entities must be eligible for funding. To be eligible for funding, applicants must be established in one of the following countries: the Member States of the European Union, including their outermost regions: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden. the Overseas Countries and Territories (OCTs) linked to the Member States: Aruba (NL), Bonaire (NL), Curaçao (NL), French Polynesia (FR), French Southern and Antarctic Territories (FR), Greenland (DK), New Caledonia (FR), Saba (NL), Saint Barthélemy (FR), Sint Eustatius (NL), Sint Maarten (NL), St. Pierre and Miquelon (FR), Wallis and Futuna Islands (FR). countries associated to Horizon Europe; Albania, Armenia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Canada, Faroe Islands, Georgia, Iceland, Israel, Kosovo, Moldova, Montenegro, New Zealand, North Macedonia, Norway, Serbia, Tunisia, Türkiye, Ukraine, United Kingdom.</p>
Total Budget: €12,000,000	
Deadline: 25/09/2025	
More information and official documents:	https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/HORIZON-CL4-2025-02-SPACE-45

Call Title:	Preparing Demonstration Missions for Collaborative Earth Observation and Satellite Telecommunication for Space Solutions
Programme:	Horizon Europe
Objective:	<p>The European Commission is inviting applications for its initiative titled "Preparing Demonstration Missions for Collaborative Earth Observation and Satellite Telecommunication for Space Solutions".</p> <p>The topic encompasses actions within the scope of the co-programmed European Partnership on Globally Competitive Space Systems in the areas of satellite communication (SatCom), Earth Observation (EO) and New Commercial Space Transportation Solutions and is part of cohesive activities in the domain of digital developments under the grand heading of “digitalisation for commercial space solutions”.</p> <p>Developments should aim at on-ground relevant environment or in-orbit demonstration focusing on software and digital tools (e.g. algorithms, functions), supporting open-HW alternatives (e.g. processors, electronics) such as RISC-V or similar from design to pre-operation phases.</p> <p>Scope</p> <p>The areas of R&I, which needs to be addressed to tackle the above-mentioned expected outcomes are:</p> <p>R&I on End-to-End SatCom Mission capabilities (e.g., satellite network interconnectivity, seamless integration into the terrestrial networks, taking into account and contributing to ongoing standardisation efforts, increased reactivity), strengthening efficient connectivity using various technologies (e.g. optical communication, Inter Satellite Links, reconfigurable payloads) and ensure compatibility and interoperability with 5G & 6G networks, and satellites as network nodes in a distributed system (e.g., ubiquitous use of orbital resources, distributed computing, embracing both ground and space), flexible and modular testbed for complex satcom typologies to assess performances, compatibility of the different elements and operations concepts, data fusion;</p> <p>R&I on on-board processing to optimize EO missions’ performance or timeliness (e.g., standardized software framework to host embedded edge-computing applications AI, Machine Learning, in combination with onboard image processing for multiple spectrum and frequency bands capabilities-, data/signal image processing, enhanced downlink and uplink capabilities), EO ground segment interfaces and data flow standardisation and adoption (e.g., development of use cases demonstrating the associated digital building-blocks, at least in ground relevant environment), smart multi-source EO intelligence information fusion (e.g., innovative intelligence information extraction and fusion), EO-related equipment and instruments digitalisation (e.g., miniaturization of equipment, enhancement of the European optical digital detectors supply);</p> <p>R&I on synergetic technologies, building blocks and processes with applicability across both EO and SatCom systems and missions, such as maturation of technologies and products improving system security and threats identification, resources usage optimization, tools to support the measure of key environmentally driven criteria through increased resource sharing, and maturation of high-performance processing payload H/W and payload data flexible downlink to support space network capabilities together with software functions to demonstrate mission flexibility.</p>

Eligible Activities:	<p>Expected Outcomes</p> <p>Project results are expected to contribute to one or several of the following expected outcomes:</p> <p>Enable the European Space Industry to maintain a significant share of the global connectivity market by increasing the performance of space satellite networks, new type of control, space and ground segments being fully integrated into the terrestrial networks;</p> <p>New commercial services and applications enabled by an increased digitalisation of space solutions.</p>
Eligible Applicants:	<p>Eligible Countries</p> <p>To be eligible for funding, applicants must be established in one of the following countries:</p> <p>the Member States of the European Union, including their outermost regions: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden.</p> <p>the Overseas Countries and Territories (OCTs) linked to the Member States: Aruba (NL), Bonaire (NL), Curaçao (NL), French Polynesia (FR), French Southern and Antarctic Territories (FR), Greenland (DK), New Caledonia (FR), Saba (NL), Saint Barthélemy (FR), Sint Eustatius (NL), Sint Maarten (NL), St. Pierre and Miquelon (FR), Wallis and Futuna Islands (FR).</p> <p>countries associated to Horizon Europe: Albania, Armenia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Canada, Faroe Islands, Georgia, Iceland, Israel, Kosovo, Moldova, Montenegro, New Zealand, North Macedonia, Norway, Serbia, Tunisia, Türkiye, Ukraine, United Kingdom.</p>
Total Budget: €11,000,000	
Deadline: 25/09/2025	
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Call Title:	Climate Change, Biodiversity, Ecosystem Services and Forest Products Program
Programme:	VELUX STIFTUNG
Objective:	<p>The Velux Stiftung is requesting applications for the Climate Change, Biodiversity, Ecosystem Services and Forest Products Program.</p> <p>Goals</p> <p>The program shall contribute to a change of perspective in sustainable forest management and in the use and value of forests.</p> <p>The envisaged change of perspective shall be solution-oriented and based on an interaction between scientists and practitioners.</p> <p>The program shall contribute to the integration of evidence based science into forestry practice.</p> <p>Financial innovation and improved framework conditions should provide leverage for the implementation of sustainable forest management, resulting in forests that can conserve biodiversity, act as a carbon sink and supply forest products.</p>

	The program contributes towards “maintaining and fostering the stability of ecosystems” worldwide, as the statutes of Velux Stiftung claim.
Eligible Activities:	<p>Thematic Areas Innovative and integrative sustainable forest management to develop and provide solutions for adapting to or mitigating climate change, promoting biodiversity, providing resilient ecosystems services and supplying sustainable forest products. Incentives or tools for action and behavioural change towards sustainable forest management by transforming theoretical and abstract values of forest products and services.</p> <p>Knowledge transfer (workshop organisation, communication to stakeholders, conference participation, etc.)</p> <p>Stakeholder engagement (coordination of stakeholder engagement, stakeholder engagement activities, remuneration of stakeholders where applicable and justified)</p> <p>Eligible Projects Research projects: Innovative, novel, outside-of-the-box research which can show a high potential for change in forestry practice. Projects need to be participatory (= including stakeholders) and can have an interdisciplinary approach to define the research questions or to conduct the research. 10% of the budget needs to spend for knowledge transfer and the proposed approach should be of general interest. Local scale projects have a lower priority.</p> <p>Science-practice projects: Science-practice projects aim to facilitate collaboration between researchers and practitioners to improve accessibility and comprehensibility of specified forest management findings relevant to stakeholders. Dialogue, knowledge exchange and co-production should lead to deliverables such as tools and resources or communication products. Applications must demonstrate the commitment of the collaborating parties and the continuity of the approach.</p> <p>Ineligible Projects Projects Excluded from the Call: Research projects with a main focus on implementation or community development without a clear science component are excluded from the call. Further, small case studies with limited generality and projects addressing urban forestry will not be considered.</p>
Eligible Applicants:	<p>Eligibility Criteria General eligibility: The general eligibility and exclusion criteria for funding by Velux Stiftung apply. Research projects with a main focus on implementation or community development without a clear science component are excluded from the call. Further, small case studies with limited generality and projects addressing urban forestry will not be considered.</p> <p>An organisation or institution (e.g., a university) can only submit a maximum of two applications per call (in the role as institution of the PI or co-PI), otherwise all applications will be excluded. PIs should contact their institution’s Grants Office well in advance of submission so that the Grants Office can coordinate submissions from the same institution.</p> <p>The Principal Investigator (PI) is responsible for ensuring compliance with any internal approval processes required by their institution for submitting research funding proposals. This includes confirming that the institution agrees to the general funding terms of the foundation.</p>

	<p>Note that applications which do not meet all the requirements can be rejected without further explanation.</p> <p>Partnerships: An application requires at least two project partners (PI and co-PI) who need to be from different institutions. One partner needs to be from an academic research institution. Other partners or collaborators can be non-academic stakeholders, e.g., forest owners or practitioner associations, (non-)governmental organizations, or consulting agencies. While they support research worldwide, they welcome transboundary partnership applications with one partner from an OECD country.</p> <p>Roles in Project Management: The Principal Investigator (PI) is responsible for directing the project. The PI needs to be a permanent employee and act in a legally binding way on behalf of his/her/their organisational unit, which has to be a legal accountable entity. The PI's institution must agree to manage the grant and needs to be tax-exempted as well as eligible to receive funding from a Swiss foundation. At least the PI or one co-PI has to be an established (R3) or leading (R4) researcher in a field relevant to the project goals (according to the European research profiles descriptors). The co-PI(s) is/are key personnel who is/are essential to the project and will be involved in project management. The number of co-PIs is limited to three persons. Co-PIs and their organisations can request part of the budget. However, the approved amount will only be paid out to the PI's organisation. Collaborators are persons you are consulting with, who deliver input or who are significantly involved in the planned knowledge transfer or exchange activities. The number of collaborators is not limited.</p>
Total Budget:	€500,000
Deadline:	25/09/2025
More information and official documents:	https://veluxstiftung.ch/funding-areas/forestry/

Call Title:	MSCA Doctoral Networks Program 2025
Programme:	Horizon Europe
Objective:	<p>The European Commission (EC) has launched the MSCA Doctoral Networks Program. Scope</p> <p>MSCA Doctoral Networks will implement doctoral programmes, by partnerships of universities, research institutions and research infrastructures, businesses including SMEs, and other socio-economic actors from different countries across Europe and beyond. MSCA Doctoral Networks are indeed open to the participation of organisations from third countries, in view of fostering strategic international partnerships for the training and exchange of researchers.</p> <p>These doctoral programmes will respond to well-identified needs in various R&I areas, expose the researchers to the academic and non-academic sectors, and offer training in research-related, as well as transferable skills and competences relevant for innovation and long-term employability (e.g. entrepreneurship, commercialisation of results, Intellectual Property Rights, communication). Proposals for doctoral networks can</p>

	<p>reflect existing or planned research partnerships among the participating organisations.</p> <p>The selection procedure for doctoral candidates must be open, transparent and merit-based, in line with the Code of Conduct for the Recruitment of Researchers.</p>
Eligible Activities:	<p>Eligible Activities</p> <p>The following activities are generally eligible for grants under Horizon Europe:</p> <p>Research and innovation actions (RIA): Activities that aim primarily to establish new knowledge or to explore the feasibility of a new or improved technology, product, process, service or solution. This may include basic and applied research, technology development and integration, testing, demonstration and validation of a small-scale prototype in a laboratory or simulated environment.</p> <p>Innovation actions (IA): Activities that aim directly to produce plans and arrangements or designs for new, altered or improved products, processes or services. These activities may include prototyping, testing, demonstrating, piloting, large-scale product validation and market replication.</p> <p>Coordination and support actions (CSA): Activities that contribute to the objectives of Horizon Europe. This excludes research and innovation (R&I) activities, except those carried out under the 'Widening participation and spreading excellence' component of the programme (part of 'Widening participation and strengthening the European Research Area').</p> <p>Programme co-fund actions (CoFund): A programme of activities established or implemented by legal entities managing or funding R&I programmes, other than EU funding bodies.</p> <p>Expected Outcomes</p> <p>Project results are expected to contribute to the following outcomes:</p> <p>For supported doctoral candidates</p> <p>New research and transferable skills and competences, leading to improved employability and career prospects within and outside academia;</p> <p>New knowledge allowing the conversion of ideas into products and services, where relevant;</p> <p>Enhanced networking and communication capacities with scientific peers, as well as with the general public that will increase and broaden the research and innovation impact.</p> <p>For participating organisations</p> <p>Improved quality, relevance and sustainability of doctoral training programmes and supervision arrangements;</p> <p>Enhanced cooperation and transfer of knowledge between sectors and disciplines;</p> <p>Increased integration of training and research activities between participating organisations;</p> <p>Boosted R&I capacity;</p> <p>Increased internationalisation and attractiveness;</p> <p>Regular feedback of research results into teaching and education at participating organisations.</p>
Eligible Applicants:	<p>Eligibility Criteria</p> <p>Any legal entity, regardless of its place of establishment, including legal entities from non-associated third countries or international organisations (including international European research organisations) is eligible to participate (whether it is eligible for funding or not), provided that the conditions laid down in the Horizon Europe</p>

	<p>Regulation have been met, along with any other conditions laid down in the specific call/topic.</p> <p>A 'legal entity' means any natural or legal person created and recognised as such under national law, EU law or international law, which has legal personality and which may, acting in its own name, exercise rights and be subject to obligations, or an entity without legal personality.</p> <p>Specific cases:</p> <p>Affiliated entities: Affiliated entities (i.e. entities with a legal or capital link to a beneficiary which participate in the action with similar rights and obligations to the beneficiaries, but which do not sign the grant agreement and therefore do not become beneficiaries themselves) are allowed, if they are eligible for participation and funding.</p> <p>Associated partners: Associated partners (i.e. entities which participate in the action without signing the grant agreement, and without the right to charge costs or claim contributions) are allowed, subject to any specific call/topic conditions. Entities without legal personality</p> <p>Entities which do not have legal personality under their national law may exceptionally participate, provided that their representatives have the capacity to undertake legal obligations on their behalf, and offer guarantees to protect the EU's financial interests equivalent to those offered by legal persons.</p> <p>EU bodies: Legal entities created under EU law including decentralised agencies may be part of the consortium, unless provided for otherwise in their basic act.</p> <p>To be eligible for funding, applicants must be established in one of the following countries:</p> <p>the Member States of the European Union, including their outermost regions: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden.</p> <p>the Overseas Countries and Territories (OCTs) linked to the Member States: Aruba (NL), Bonaire (NL), Curaçao (NL), French Polynesia (FR), French Southern and Antarctic Territories (FR), Greenland (DK), New Caledonia (FR), Saba (NL), Saint Barthélemy (FR), Sint Eustatius (NL), Sint Maarten (NL), St. Pierre and Miquelon (FR), Wallis and Futuna Islands (FR).</p> <p>countries associated to Horizon Europe: Albania, Armenia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Canada, Faroe Islands, Georgia, Iceland, Israel, Kosovo, Moldova, Montenegro, New Zealand, North Macedonia, Norway, Serbia, Tunisia, Türkiye, Ukraine, United Kingdom.</p>
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