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EIC OPPORTUNITIES FOR DEEP TECH INNOVATORS IN 2024

EIC Work Program 2024

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December 26, 2023 - SME Webinar 15

Presentation Outline

Introduction to EIC (European Innovation Council)

EIC Work Program 2024

- Main novelties
- Funding Schemes
- Key Concepts and Priorities
- Business Acceleration Services
- EIC Prizes

European Innovation Council

Scaling up innovations

10 EIC-backed unicorns | 112 EIC-backed centaurs | 665 research projects

Europe's biggest deep-tech investor

€1 billion approved investments by the EIC Fund in 159 companies since 2022

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Council



Leveraging private co-investment

Co-investment leverage of 3 | €43.05 billion combined portfolio valuation

Backing visionary entrepreneurs

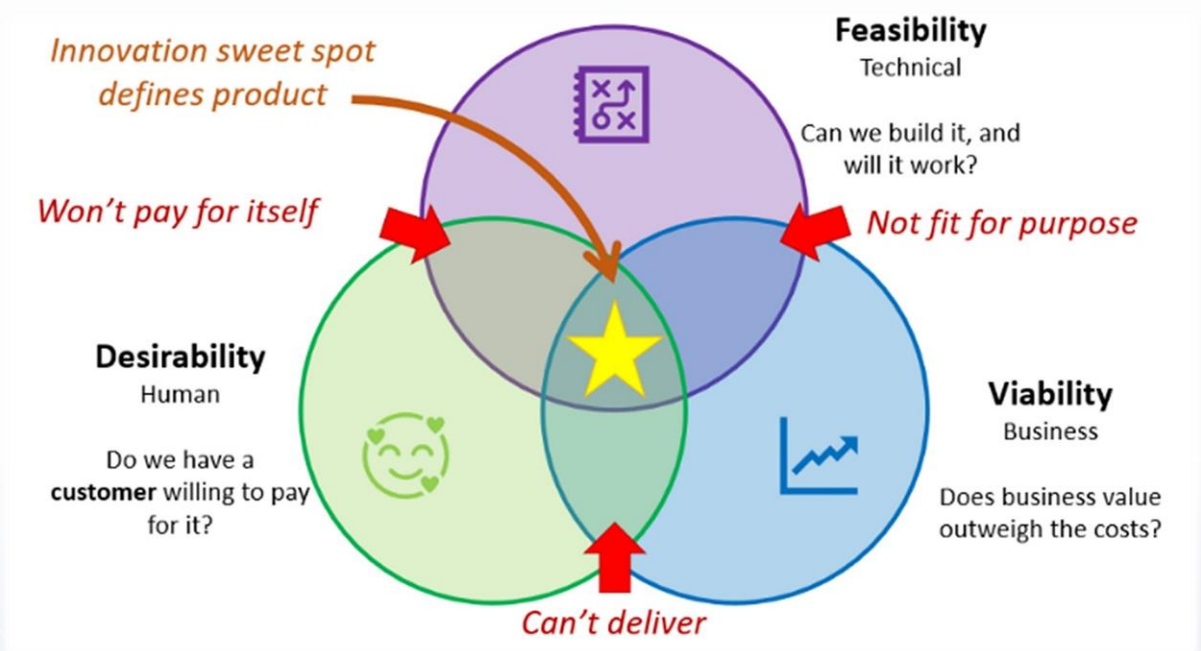
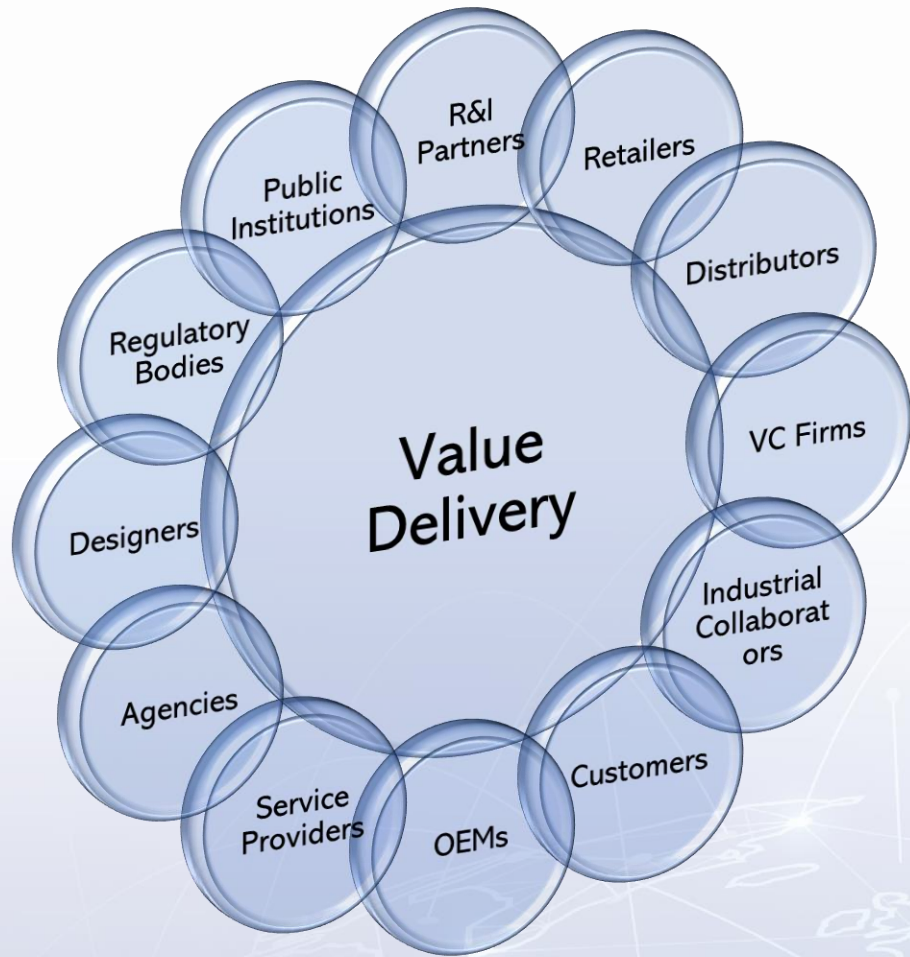
The EIC is Europe's flagship programme to identify, develop and scale up breakthrough technologies and game changing innovations

eic.ec.europa.eu

Fostering woman entrepreneurship

20% funded companies led by women



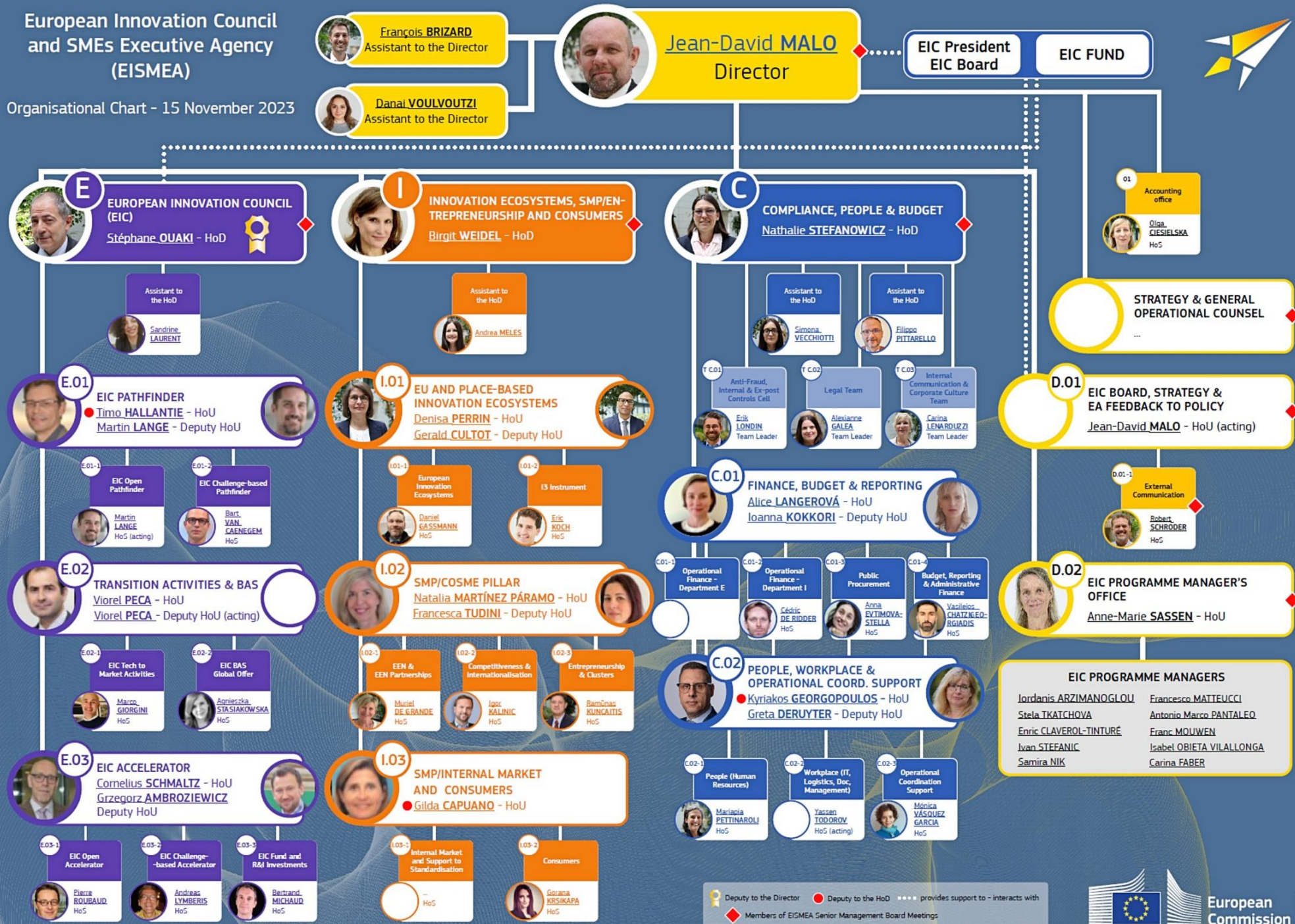


- Co-[creation] & Open [innovation]
- Cross-industry/multidisciplinary value networks
- Your value co-creators and their distinctive resources
- The leverage their commitment provides
- Win-win mindset



New EIC Board - 2024

European Innovation Council  **EIC Board**



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European Innovation Council (EIC) Work Programme 2024

European Innovation Council 

European Innovation Council (EIC) established by the European Commission, under the Horizon Europe programme (2021-27)
C(2023) 8849 - 12.12.2023

European Innovation Council (EIC) FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

VERSION 1.0 for EIC WP 2024
December 2023

These FAQs include questions from previous versions, as well as revised questions and new questions reflecting the novelties in the EIC WP 2024. Obsolete questions have been deleted.

EIC TECH REPORT 2023

BACKING VISIONARY ENTREPRENEURS
eic.ec.europa.eu
@EICec

European Innovation Council 

EVERYBODY IS LOOKING INTO THE FUTURE!

A literature review of reports on emerging technologies and disruptive innovation

EU Policy Lab

JRC SCIENCE FOR POLICY REPORT
EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES
DISRUPTIVE INNOVATION
STRATEGIC FORESIGHT

Joint Research Centre  EUR 31662 EN

EUROPEAN INNOVATION COUNCIL BOARD

Code of Conduct for consultants offering services to applicants to European Innovation Council calls

NOVEMBER 2023


European Innovation Council 

EIC PATHFINDER PORTFOLIO

AWARENESS INSIDE

Strategic Plan
BRUSSELS, NOVEMBER 2023

Acting Programme Manager: Roumen Borisov
Project Officers: Carlos Casoran & Cyril Krykivinski




EIC PATHFINDER PORTFOLIO

NOVEL ROUTES TO GREEN HYDROGEN PRODUCTION

Strategic Plan
BRUSSELS, NOVEMBER 2023

Programme Managers: Francesco Matteucci & Antonio Marco Pantaleo
Project Officers: Darina Bobova & Antonios Fysikidis




EIC PATHFINDER PORTFOLIO

ENGINEERED LIVING MATERIALS

Strategic Plan
BRUSSELS, NOVEMBER 2023

Programme Manager: Iordanis Arzimanoglou
Project Officer: Barbara Gerratana

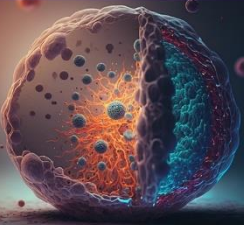


EIC PATHFINDER PORTFOLIO

CELL AND GENE THERAPY PORTFOLIO

Strategic Plan
BRUSSELS, NOVEMBER 2023

Programme Manager: Iordanis Arzimanoglou
Project Officer: Ioannis Amariantou



EIC PATHFINDER PORTFOLIO

TOOLS TO MEASURE AND STIMULATE ACTIVITY IN BRAIN TISSUE

Strategic Plan
BRUSSELS, NOVEMBER 2023

Programme Manager: Enric Claverol-Tintué
Project Officers: Lucia Farina & Isabella Tamagnini



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Code of Conduct

A set of minimum standards and **principles** for individual and corporate **consultants** offering services to **applicants** to European Innovation Council calls.

Voluntary but **encouraged**.

- Know-how, experience, and competencies
- Ethics
- Transparency
- Confidentiality
- Quality
- Fees





EIC Work Program 2024

Main Novelties and Funding Schemes

Main novelties in EIC Work Program 2024

- **Simplified proposal forms and reframed evaluation criteria**, for all funding schemes
- **Reduced budget** for all funding schemes, from €1,6B to €1.2B in total
- **Fewer Challenge Calls**, No Transition Challenge
- **Fewer cut-offs**, 1 Transition and 2 Accelerator cut-offs gone
- **Lump sum funding** model in all EIC calls except Pathfinder Open
- **Harder to pass Accelerator Short Application stage**, 3/4 GOs required, 2 GOs not enough
- **No rebuttal**, removed from Accelerator and Pathfinder evaluations
- **Eligible projects for Transition extended**, longer coverage and more programs
- **Video Pitch** added to mandatory uploads in Accelerator Full Proposals
- **Accelerator Short Proposal submission (.pdf) via F&T portal**, MyEIC platform terminated
- **New resubmission rules in Accelerator**, 3 submissions in total at any stage during Horizon Europe

EIC Funding Schemes - 2024

PATHFINDER		TRANSITION	ACCELERATOR	
TRL 1-4		TRL 3-6	TRL 5-9	
<p>Open Call</p> <p>€136M ~50 projects</p> <p>March 7</p> <p>~3-4 years</p> <p>Grant < €3M 100% financing</p> <p>•Consortiums of ≥3 (Universities, research organizations, SMEs, industrial partners, or individuals.)</p>	<p>5 Challenge Calls</p> <p>€120M ~32 projects</p> <p>October 16</p> <p>~3-5 years</p> <p>Grant < €4M 100% financing</p> <p>•Single universities, SMEs, or research organizations, or •Consortiums of ≥2 (SMEs, research organizations, large companies, customer organizations or potential end users (i.e., hospitals, utilities, industry, regulatory and standardization bodies))</p>	<p>Open Call</p> <p>€94M ~42 projects</p> <p>September 18</p> <p>1-3 years</p> <p>Grant < €2.5M %100 financing</p> <p>•Single SMEs, universities, research/technology organizations, teams, individual Principal Investigators, or inventors to establish a spin-off (single large companies ineligible), or •Consortiums of 2-5</p>	<p>Open Call</p> <p>€375M ~70 projects</p> <p>6 Challenge Calls</p> <p>€300M ~55 projects</p> <p>Full Proposals March 13, October 3 Short Proposals any time</p> <p>2 years</p> <p>Grant < €2.5M 70% financing for TRL 5-8 Investment < €15M</p> <p>•Single SMEs, individuals to establish an SME, or small midcaps in exceptional cases</p>	

Rule: If consortium of 2, each from a different Member State or [Associated Country](#). If consortium of ≥3, at least from 3 different countries with 1 from a MS.

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EIC Work Program 2024 Key Concepts and Priorities

Deep Tech

The telescope was an **invention**, but looking through it at Jupiter, knowing that it had moons, was a **discovery** ... we know exactly what happens with a (Boeing) 787. It's an **engineered object**. We designed it, we know how it behaves. We don't want any surprises. Large language models are much more like discoveries. We're constantly getting surprised by their capabilities. They're not really engineered objects.

Source: [Jeff Bezos: Amazon and Blue Origin | Lex Fridman Podcast #405](#)

Technology that is based on **cutting-edge scientific advances** and **discoveries**, and is characterized by **the need to stay at the technological forefront** by constant interaction with new ideas and results from the lab.

Improved Synergies

[Strategic Technologies for Europe Platform \('STEP'\) & STEP](#)

[United Nations Sustainable Development Goals](#)

[The New European Innovation Agenda](#)

[Net Zero Industry Act](#)

[Chips Act](#)

[REPowerEU Plan](#)

[Mission Soil Platform](#)

[Fit for 55 package](#)

[European Green Deal](#)

[Farm to Fork Strategy](#)

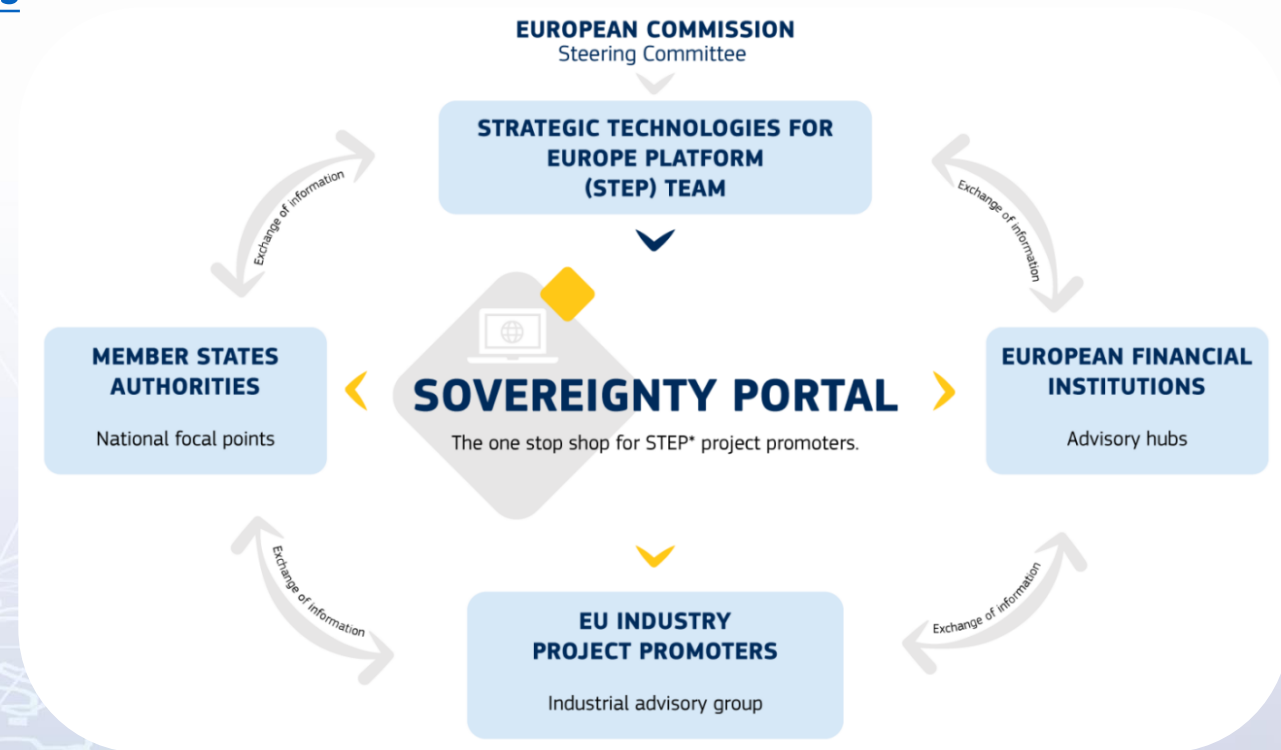
[Critical Raw Materials Act](#)

[Digital Decade Policy Program 2030](#)

[Health Emergency Preparedness and Response Authority \(HERA\)](#)

[Building an economy that works for people: an action plan for the social economy](#)

[An EU initiative on Web 4.0 and virtual worlds: a head start in the next technological transition](#)



Strategic Autonomy and European Economic Security

Provisions to protect Europe from **economic security risks** and to maintain **strategic autonomy**:

- **Exclusion** of potential **Accelerator grant beneficiaries** (in)directly **controlled** by (a legal entity established in) **a non-associated third country** from Challenge Calls relating to **Artificial Intelligence** and **quantum**, if necessary. Ownership and Control Assessment for Open Call beneficiaries within the scope of the above-mentioned Challenge Calls.
- **Inclusion** of economic security **safeguards** in Investment Agreements for **Accelerator equity beneficiaries** in 4 priority technology areas: **Advanced semiconductors, Artificial Intelligence, quantum**, and **biotech**, if necessary.
- **Requirement** for **all EIC beneficiaries** to inform EISMEA if **IP generated by EIC projects** is proposed to be **licensed/transferred** to an entity in **a non-associated third country**.

Provisions for **EU-classified information** and **security sensitive information** will be included in the grant agreement, when necessary.

Lump sum grant

Lump sums are **fixed amounts** defined in the Grant Agreement.

Detailed Budget Table with cost estimations; one lump sum share per Work Package and Beneficiary.

No reporting of actual costs/resources; same Proposal Form, pre-financing, and technical reporting.

Paid upon completion of the **Work Packages**, not based on the **outcomes**.

ESTIMATED BREAKDOWN OF THE LUMP SUM PER WORK PACKAGE AND PER BENEFICIARY									
BENEFICIARIES \ WORK PACKAGES	WP1 Analysis	WP2 Technical part	WP3 Experiment 1	WP4 Experiment 2	WP5 Communication & dissemination	WP6 Project management 1	WP7 Project management 2	Totals	Pct %
BE1: UNIVERSITY 1	91,500.00	49,750.00	51,250.00	114,250.00	17,500.00	8,000.00	7,500.00	339,750.00	21.2%
BE1-AE1: Laboratory 1	44,500.00	76,250.00	0.00	46,875.00	0.00	8,000.00	7,500.00	183,125.00	11.5%
BE2: SME 1	125,125.00	9,205.00	48,125.00	46,375.00	6,343.75	5,687.50	5,250.00	246,111.25	15.4%
BE3: Research Org 1	16,312.50	8,625.00	34,375.00	50,000.00	9,375.00	3,750.00	3,750.00	126,187.50	7.9%
BE4: UNIVERSITY 2	12,500.00	3,750.00	22,000.00	29,300.00	10,500.00	4,500.00	4,500.00	87,050.00	5.4%
BE5: SME 2	33,375.00	20,353.05	48,125.00	46,250.00	250.00	3,875.00	3,875.00	156,103.05	9.8%
BE5-AE1: Company A	3,237.50	9,450.00	19,250.00	18,550.00	1,750.00	1,268.75	1,268.75	54,775.00	3.4%
BE6: Museum B	59,500.00	58,750.00	49,125.00	71,687.50	19,375.00	6,875.00	6,875.00	272,187.50	17.0%
BE7: University 3	6,375.00	10,312.50	38,375.00	39,750.00	30,000.00	4,500.00	4,500.00	133,812.50	8.4%
Totals:	392,425.00	246,445.55	310,625.00	463,037.50	95,093.75	46,456.25	45,018.75	1,599,101.80	100.0%
Pct:	24.5%	15.4%	19.4%	29.0%	5.9%	2.9%	2.8%	100.0%	

Cost estimations must still be **reasonable** and **eligible**, particularly for purchases and subcontracting. **Ineligible** costs may lead to **reduction of the grants** even during or after the project duration.

TRL – Technology Readiness Level

TRL1 - basic **principles** observed

TRL2 - technology **concept** formulated

TRL3 - **experimental** proof of concept

TRL4 - **technology** validated in **lab**

TRL5 - technology validated in **relevant environment** (*protocols for phase 1 clinical testing*)

TRL6 - technology **demonstrated** in relevant environment (*exploratory phase 1 trials*)

TRL7 - **system prototype** demonstration in operational environment (*phase 2 clinical trial*)

TRL8 - system **complete** and qualified (*phase 3 clinical trials and regulatory approval*)

TRL9 - actual system **proven** in operational environment

- ❖ Utilization of TRLs **do not** preclude support for **non-technological** innovations.
- ❖ **Market/Business readiness** should also be considered, as necessary.
- ❖ There may be important **differences** between technological **fields**.

Gender Balance and Gender Equality Plan

All EIC Beneficiaries must promote **equal opportunities** between men and women and aim to achieve a **gender balance** in the project team to the extent possible.

Public bodies, research organizations, and higher education institutions **must** have a [Gender Equality Plan \(GEP\)](#). **Self-declaration** sufficient at **proposal stage**. Existence of GEP will be confirmed **before grant signature**. ([Tackling gender equality in Research and Innovation](#))

Private for-profit organizations, SMEs, Non-Governmental, or civil society organizations are **exempted from** GEP requirement.

Mandatory requirements of a Gender Equality Plan:

- ✓ Publication of a **formal document** on the organization's website.
- ✓ Commitment of **resources** to implement the plan.
- ✓ **Data** collection, monitoring, and **reporting** on sex/gender disaggregated data on personnel and students.
- ✓ **Awareness raising/trainings** on gender equality and biases within organization.
- ✓ Identification of **concrete measures** and **targets** on areas such as work-life balance, organizational culture, gender balance in leadership, gender equality in recruitment and career progression, measures against gender-based violence.

Intellectual Property (IP) Provisions For EIC Pathfinder and Transition Projects

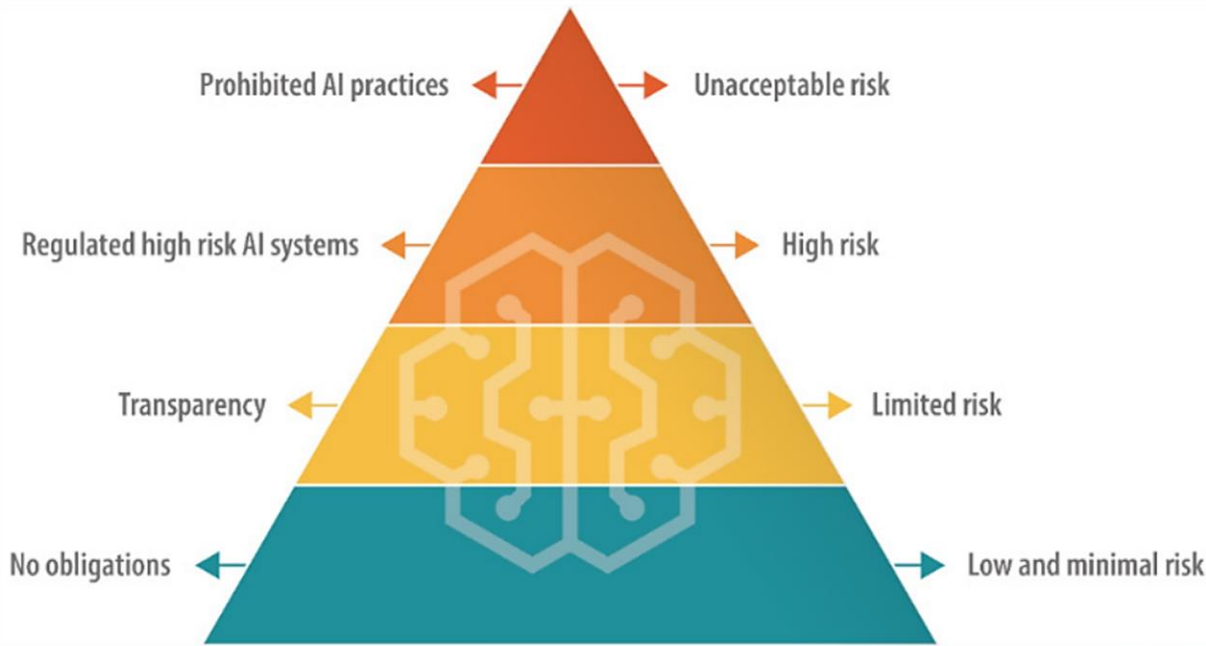
Ownership of the results obtained with **EIC funding** follows the institutional practice of the **EIC Awardee/Beneficiary** (i.e., university). In most cases, the ownership rests with the EIC Awardee.

Researchers/Inventors are encouraged **to disclose** their results to **EIC Awardees**, i.e., their employer university or TTO. EIC Awardee has **6 months** to decide whether it will **adequately support** the protection and commercialization of the invention (i.e., at least providing expertise and partial IPR protection/patent costs in major jurisdictions).

- a. If it supports, royalties may be **shared** between **EIC Inventor** and **EIC Awardee** on **mutually beneficial** terms and proportional to the support provided to the EIC Inventor. This agreement **does not** prevent EIC Inventor from commercializing the invention.
- b. If it **does not**, **EIC Inventor** has certain **rights** to protect and commercialize the invention.

None of the parties can act against the **Grant Agreement**.

Trustworthy Use of Artificial Intelligence



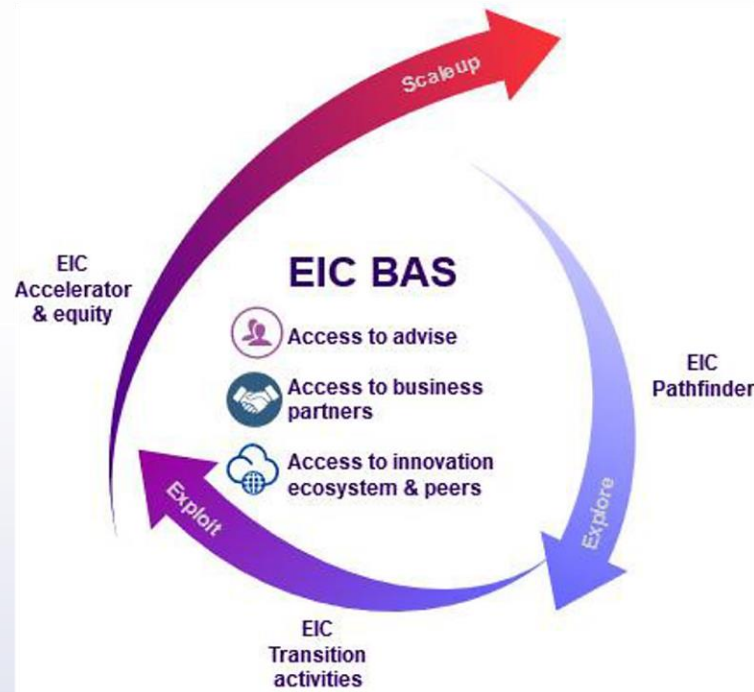
AI System: ...software that is developed with [specific] techniques and approaches (machine learning, logic and knowledge-based systems, and statistical) and can, for a given set of human-defined objectives, generate outputs such as content, predictions, recommendations, or decisions influencing the environments they interact with.

All proposals involving the development, use, or deployment of **AI** must ensure that all AI-based systems or techniques need to be developed in a **safe, secure, and responsible** manner, with a clear identification of and preventative approach to **risks** and in accordance with [the AI Act](#).

- ✓ socially robust, in that they duly consider the context and environment in which they operate
- ✓ reliable and function as intended, minimizing unintentional and unexpected harm
- ✓ safeguarding the physical and mental integrity of humans
- ✓ explain their decision-making process whenever a significant impact on people's lives is the case.

EIC Business Acceleration Services

Business Acceleration Services (BAS)



- ❑ Free, co-financed, and paid
- ❑ Off-the-shelf and tailor-made
- ❑ Available to all EIC Beneficiaries, HE Seal of Excellence holders, Accelerator Full Proposal Applicants, [Women TechEU](#) founders, and [EIC Scaling Club](#) companies

Coaches, Mentors, Expertise, and Training

[Coaching Program](#)

[Women Leadership Program](#)

[Tech to Market Program](#)

Global Partners

[Corporate Partnership Program](#)

[Innovation Procurement Program](#)

[International Trade Fairs and Soft Landing Program 3.0](#)

[Co-investment Support Program](#)

[EIC Scaling Club](#)

Innovation Ecosystem and Peers

[Ecosystem Partnership Program](#)

Services Offered by EIC Partners

The screenshot shows the 'EIC Service Catalogue' website. At the top, it features the European Innovation Council logo and the text 'EIC Service Catalogue'. A navigation bar includes 'Service catalogue', 'Partners', 'FAQ', and 'Contact us', along with a search bar. The main heading is 'Discovering the EIC Service Catalogue'. Below this, a section titled 'I am' contains four yellow buttons: 'EIC PATHFINDER', 'EIC TRANSITION', 'EIC ACCELERATOR', and 'SEAL OF EXCELLENCE HOLDER'. The 'Service Categories' section displays a grid of service icons and descriptions: Acceleration, Incubation & Venture building; Support Fundraising; Matchmaking; Business Planning; Coaching & Mentoring; Access to Infrastructure & R&D Support; Intellectual Property & Legal; Internationalisation; Due Diligence; Prototyping & PoC; and Human Resources & Talent.

[EIC Service Catalogue](#): A service market for EIC Beneficiaries. Up to **50% financial support** will be available.

The screenshot shows the 'EIC Community' website. At the top, it features the European Innovation Council logo and the text 'EIC Community'. A navigation bar includes 'Home', 'Stories', 'Topics', 'Events', 'Challenges', 'Network', 'Services', and 'About', along with a search bar. The main heading is 'Your community to find partners and share knowledge.' Below this, a text block describes the platform: 'The EIC Community platform is the place where we welcome all EIC-funded organisations, and other innovation stakeholders, to boost your business and network. Here, you will find different services to address your needs and support your scale-up journey, such as exclusive matchmaking events with corporates and investors, trainings, bootcamps and workshops, and access to the most relevant stakeholders in the European innovation ecosystem.' Below the text are 'Register' and 'Login' buttons. A large image of two people shaking hands is visible in the background. At the bottom, a text block reads: 'As an EIC beneficiary, access a one-stop-shop of Business Acceleration Services. The EIC Community platform helps EIC innovators to get established on the European and global markets, by finding peers and business partnerships.'

[EIC Community](#): A platform for **EIC Beneficiaries** and **Seal of Excellence holders** to collaborate among each other and to connect with other **ecosystem actors**, i.e., corporates, investors, mentors, innovation procurers, business associations, clusters, accelerators, and TTOs.



Open call:

SPIN4EIC Assistance Action

Apply now

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Open call

InnoBuyer
FAST TRACK TO INNOVATION PROCUREMENT

Open Call for Solvers is open:

- > For innovative **SMEs**, to co-create pilots with public organisations
- > Grants up to **€58.5k** (equity-free)
- > Apply by **24 January 2024**, 17:00 CET



SPIN4EIC (Strategic Innovation Procurement Program)

Free hands-on **assistance** to EIC beneficiaries to take part as **bidders** in Public, including procurement of R&D services, and Private sector Innovation procurement tender processes, **in and outside Europe**.

[The Call](#) will remain open and updated until **August 2026**

InnoBuyer [Call for Solvers](#) aims to select and fund 15 innovative companies (**Solvers**), to co-create pilots addressing the specific innovation needs/challenges of public organizations (**Challengers**).



What does the Entrepreneurship Programme offer?

Entrepreneurial courses for innovative researchers

Innovation Discovery Training

- Two half-days of online collective sessions
- Group pitch coaching for deep-tech scientists on the basics of entrepreneurship and advice on how to pitch your project

6/year

Bootcamp for innovative researchers

- Four days of online collective workshops to explore in depth all major components to be mastered by a deep tech founder (value proposition, team, roadmap, pitch)

2/year

Pioneer Programme for innovative researchers

- 4-month programme of collective sessions
- Individual coaching to explore in depth deep tech topics, from IP protection, industrialisation, regulatory framework, team management to finance

2/year

Business Model Development and Validation through Design Thinking

Business Idea Validation Bootcamp

- Collective workshops, team coaching and interviews over 3 weeks to design the Business Model based on your initial idea and test it outside the lab

2/year


Business Validation Programme

- 8 weeks of intensive online courses, masterclasses, coaching and interviews to focus on your value proposition, your product-market fit and pitching deck

2/year

6 months

Co-investors

 <p>985 Co-Investors¹ World-Wide</p>	 <p>From Angel Investors to Investment Funds (ticket agnostic)</p>	 <p>From Institutional Investors to Industry Leaders</p>	 <p>Co-Investors from 40+ countries</p>			
						
						
						

Corporates Partners

EIC innovation leaders showcased remarkable technological solutions at GITEX 2023

EIC Overseas Trade Fairs Programme 2.0

On 16-20 October 2023, 19 of the most innovative EIC-funded pioneers showcased their game-changing solutions at [GITEX 2023](#) in Dubai, United Arab Emirates, in the context of the [EIC Overseas Trade Fairs \(OTF\) Programme 2.0](#). The leading event brought together more than 6 000+ exhibiting companies, 1 400+ speakers and over 100 000 visitors from 170+ countries, offering an integrated, world-class business environment.



Programs and International Travel Calendar - 2024

T2M Bootcamp for Innovative Researchers - [Online](#), Jan-Feb

International Trade Fairs – CES International, Las Vegas, Jan

ePitching on Cardiovascular or Respiratory Diseases - [Online](#), Feb

US Soft Landing Week - CleanTech, [Silicon Valley](#), Q1

International Trade Fairs - Mobile World Congress, [Barcelona](#), Feb

T2M Pioneer Program for Innovative Researchers - [Online](#), Mar-Jul

T2M Business Validation Program - [Online](#), Mar-May

BIO International Biotech & Pharma, [San Diego](#), Jun

US Soft Landing Week – TechCrunch Medical-BioTech, [Silicon Valley](#), Q3

GITEX Global New Technologies, [Dubai](#), Oct

MEDICA Health & Medical Care, [Dusseldorf](#), Nov

European Night at CES 2024: Top innovation from Europe in the spotlight

The [European Innovation Council of the European Commission](#), along with the member states national delegations, is pleased to host the European Night Reception, in the framework of Consumer Electronics Show (CES) 2024 in Las Vegas.

European Night Reception

Networking event | Europe's excellence | European top innovators

Tuesday, 9 January 2024

#EUatCES2024

European Innovation Council



CES

Consumer Technology Association

The [European Innovation Council of the European Commission](#), in collaboration with the national delegations of Belgium, Estonia, Italy, The Netherlands and Poland, among others, will host the **European Night Reception**, at the [CES 2024](#), the world's most influential tech exhibition taking place in Las Vegas, USA, on **9 January 2024**.

The reception will bring together a selection of some of the most successful European innovators and influential leaders from 18 different countries: Austria, Belgium, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, France, Germany, Italy, Luxembourg, The Netherlands, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, **Turkey**, Ukraine. More than 200 participants are expected to connect with international leaders and foster business partnerships. Pitching sessions for companies and a panel discussion with top leaders will take place along with a networking session.

The event will be moderated by Constantijn van Oranje, Special Envoy at Techleap.nl and Jean-David Malo, Director of the European Innovation Council and SMEs Executive Agency, at the presence of high-level guests as HE. Mr. Jean-Arthur Régibeau, Belgian Ambassador to the United States; Mrs. Maria Belovas, Consul General of Estonia in San Francisco; Mrs. Raffaella Valentini, Consul General of Italy in Los Angeles; Mr. Gary Shapiro, President and CEO, Consumer Technology Association.

AMBEENT

Smart-WiFi

Grant agreement ID: 947559

Funding Scheme

[SME-2b - SME Instrument \(grant only and blended finance\)](#)

Closed project

EC signature date

3 March 2020

Start date

1 April 2020

End date

31 March 2022

Total cost

€ 1 636 250,00


EU contribution

€ 1 000 000,00



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 Türkiye



**EIC Prizes
for Women Innovators,
Innovative Cities,
Innovation Procurers, and
Social Innovators**

EIC Prizes (1/4): The 2025 European Prize for Women Innovators

To the woman **(co-)founders** of a **company/organization**

Organized jointly by **EISMEA** and **EIT**

- ❑ Company/organization must be incorporated **at least 2 years ago** (before January 1, 2022)
- ❑ Applicants of the Rising Innovators category must be **aged under 35** (born after January 1, 1989)
- ❑ Applicants can **only** apply to **one** prize category.

Applications via forms and short video messages

Evaluations through interviews with the shortlisted candidates

Call opening Q1–Q2 2024

Submission deadline Q3–Q4 2024

Awarding Q1–Q2 2025

	Women Innovators	Rising Innovators
1 st	€100K	€50K
2 nd	€70K	€30K
3 rd	€50K	€20K

AWARD CRITERIA

Breakthrough innovation: Pioneering a breakthrough innovation focusing, among others, deep-tech and STEM fields.

Impact: Addressing a real need or challenge, with significant benefits for people or the planet.

Inspiration: Playing a pivotal role in the success of the company/organization and being a role model empowering other women in realizing their full potential.

 European Institute of Innovation & Technology
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 European Innovation Council 

EUROPEAN PRIZE FOR WOMEN INNOVATORS 2023-2024

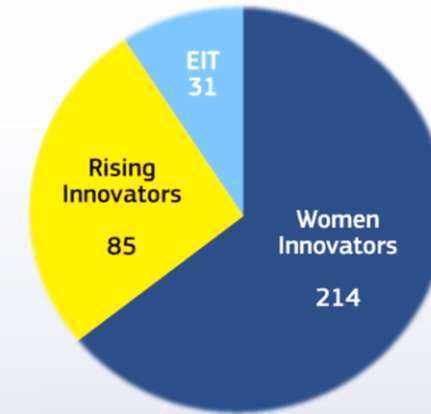
#WiPrizeEU



Evaluation in progress!

EU Prize for Women Innovators (EIC&EIT) Applications

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Türkiye	4	3	13	12	
Total	155	197	264	277	330




ÖZGE AKBULUT

CO-FOUNDER OF SURGITATE

Models of organs for surgeons to practice on

EU PRIZE for
WOMEN INNOVATORS
 2019
THE FINALISTS




WOMEN INNOVATORS EU PRIZE 21

Special Mention Women Innovators

Asude Altıntaş
 Co-founder and CEO
 Twin Science & Robotics



EIC Prizes (2/4): The European Capital of Innovation Awards (iCapital)

To the **cities** with a minimum population of **250K** ¹

To the **cities/towns** with a population of **50-250K** ²

AWARD CRITERIA

Experimenting: Proving the city's commitment to act as a test-bed for innovative practices.

Escalating: Promoting the acceleration of different actors of the local innovation ecosystem including innovative SMEs.

Ecosystem building: Unlocking cities potential as local innovation ecosystem facilitators by fostering synergies.

Expanding: Acting as a role model for other cities by supporting the dissemination and replication of tested solutions.

City innovative vision: Supporting the development of a resilient innovation ecosystem ensuring green and digital transition.

Citizens' rights: Use of innovation to strengthen democracy, to protect citizens' rights, and to foster social cohesion.

	European Capital of Innovation ¹	European Rising Innovative City ²
1 st	€1M	€500K
2 nd	€0,1M	€50K
3 rd	€0,1M	€50K

- Winners** of former Awards editions and **runners-up** in **2023** are **not eligible**.
- Applicants can **only** apply to **one** prize category.

Evaluations through interviews with the shortlisted candidates.

Call opening Q1–Q2 2024

Submission deadline Q2–Q3 2024

Awarding Q4 2024

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European Capital of Innovation

- Başakşehir (Türkiye)
- Istanbul (Türkiye)
- Kyiv (Ukraine)
- Lisboa (Portugal) 
- Lviv (Ukraine) 2nd runner up
- Warszawa (Poland) 1st runner up

European Rising Innovative city

- Brugge (Belgium)
- Cork (Ireland) 2nd runner up
- Leiden (The Netherlands)
- Linköping (Sweden) 
- Linz (Austria)
- Padova (Italy) 1st runner up

EIC Prizes (3/4): The European Innovation Procurement Awards 2025

To any **public/private** procurer or **individuals/entities**

- for actions, plans, and strategies triggering **innovation procurements**, for procurements of R&D services, or procurements to buy and deploy **innovative solutions**.¹

- for ... innovative solutions contributing to the goals set out in the **Net Zero Industry Act**.²

- The awarded actions must relate to completed or ongoing initiatives started after January 1, 2019.
- Winners** of former Awards editions and **runners-up** in **2024** are **not eligible**.
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Evaluations through interviews with the shortlisted candidates.

Call opening Q1–Q2 2024,
Submission deadline Q3–Q4 2024
Awarding Q4 2024 - Q1 2025

	Innovation procurement initiative ¹	Facing societal challenges ²
1 st	€75K	€75K
2 nd	€50K	€50K
3 rd	€25K	€25K

AWARD CRITERIA

Transformation: Stimulating innovation procurement to ensure a sustainable and inclusive growth.

Uptake: Replicability/scalability of innovative procurement practice/action.

Collaboration: Demonstrated co-operation and synergies linked to the innovation procurement practice.

Innovative SMEs/start-ups access to procurement markets: Facilitation of the access to procurement markets.

Societal impact: Positive impact on society, with special emphasis to the green deal and digital transformation.

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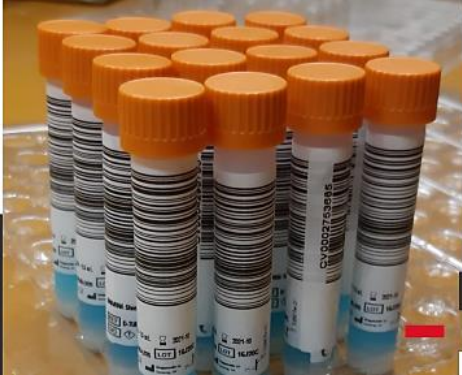
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EIC Prizes (4/4): The European Social Innovation Competition 2024

To an **individual** or **entity**, including non-profit or for-profit organizations, social enterprises, NGOs, educational institutions, and universities.

- for new **entrepreneurial solutions** in **Digital Democracy**

- ❑ The proposed solutions must relate to **ongoing** activities or **completed** initiatives.
- ❑ **Winners** of previous Awards editions are **not eligible**.

Call opening Q1–Q2 2024

Submission deadline Q2–Q3 2024

Awarding Q3–Q1 2025

Solution	
1 st	€75K
2 nd	€50K
3 rd	€25K

AWARD CRITERIA

Degree of Innovation: new within its given challenge, socio-economic, and geographical context.

Usability and inclusiveness: ease of use and affordability for the largest part of EU citizens

Positive social Impact: the potential to tackle the challenge, fostering collaboration and partnerships.

Viability and sustainability: Financial and environmental sustainability of the proposal.

Scalability and replicability: Potential across sectors, governance levels, or at geographical level.

Decentralization and governance: improvements in transparency and accountability.

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FIGHTING ENERGY POVERTY



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No Turkish organization among the 15 finalists in 2023.

2022 FINALIST



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