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**Recommendations for EIC applicants** 

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### How to attract private investments

## VC's typical Series-A investment criteria

Market Risks

**Execution Risks** 

Technological Risks

Low

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None

Right timing
Large market
Scalable business model
Customer validation
Strong traction

Strong leadership
Ability to attract new talent
Legal and Financial management

Innovative product Product-market fit Defensible IP









# EIC accelerator help VCs to invest in technological breakthroughs **by...**

Supporting the development



**Enabling Market Launch** 





Reducing technological risks











### **EIC Criteria**

<u>Excellence</u>	<u>Impact</u>	<u>Risk</u>
Novelty	Scale-up	Team capability
Timing	Broader impact	Workplan, milestones
TRL 5/6	Competition	Risk Level of Investment
IPR	Commercial strategy	Risk mitigation
	Key partners	







- EIC is seeking ambitious and committed innovators.
- Be effective in the proposal and at the pitching.

#### Criteria 1.

- Novelty over existing. Significantly disrupt the existing or create new markets.
- Breakthrough innovation is a priority. Incremental innovations can get funded if they have a high impact.
- Relevance to the specific objectives of the challenge (for Challenges calls)
- Europe's technological authonomy (sovereignity)
- Timing is related to the market, Social and Tech trends. Examples are needed.
- Prove that you achieved TRL5 or TRL6.
- There should be a convincing IPR plan and FTO.







#### Criteria 2.

- Scaleup potential and commercial plan: Traction, customer interest.
- Market size: Can you estimate your economic impact with some numbers?
- Quantify your performance and estimate your quantifiable broader impact.
- Explain your contributions to the expected outcomes and impact set out in the Challenge.
- Did you identify all of your competitors and explain your strenght properly?
- Development partners and commercialization partners: provide real names, support letters!







#### Criteria 3.

- Team: Technical + Commercial co-founders? Any missing talent?
- Work Plan should be realistic. Don't under-estimate or over-estimate your critical tasks.
- Risk level of investment: Market Actors unwilling to invest alone.
- Risk mitigation should be comprehensive and not too generic.







# Thank you.

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