

Technical Assistance for Turkey in Horizon 2020 Phase-II

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HE EIE: Strategies for joining consortia R&I strategy and research profile

European Innovation Ecosystems (FGT16)

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What we will cover here

The course and this module



Be part of a winning consortium in EIE

- Build your profile
- Show your strengths
- Approach potential partners and consortia
- Negotiate your part and your budget











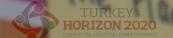
Your first time in EU Funding

A few facts:

- ✓ Most opportunities require collaboration
- ✓ You need experience in EU Funding to win EU Funding
- You cannot do it all alone
- You need to learn to walk before you learn to run







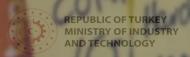


Coordinator or Participant?

The not so difficult dilemma

- Requires experience
- A lot more resources
- Ability to manage the project.
- A clear strategy in every aspect
- Excellent knowledge of Framework Programmes
- A strong network of partners

- Experience can be acquired
- Less resources
- Manage your organisation
- A strategy for you
- Knowledge of FPs useful not necessary
- Less commitment











A roadmap to participation

Create a Strategy













Commission Priorities for the next 4 years



- European Green Deal
 First Climate-neutral continent, resource efficient economy
- Europe fit for Digital Age
 Empower people with new generation of Technology

Economy that works for People

Attractive investment environment, quality jobs

Stronger Europe in the World

Champion multilateralism and rules-based order

- Promoting European way of Life
 Protection of rule of law, justice, core values
- New push for European Democracy
 Bigger say to European citizens, protect
 democracy

Recovery Plan for Europe: Next Gen EU











Step 1: EIE in particular

The scope of EIE

Complex & Systematic Challenges cannot be solved by individual actors

- Interconnected, Inclusive Innovation Ecosystems
- Reinforce Network Connectivity within and between innovation ecosystems
- Help Innovative SMEs increase their R&I capacity and produtivity

Create more connected, inclusive and efficient innovation ecosystems that support the scaling of companies and spur innovation to address important challenges in a responsible way.











Study EU Policies & understand the challenges



- Strategic Plan 2021-24
- Strategic Plan Analysis
- EIE Work Programme 2021-22
- Proposal Template
- Get familiar with Legal Documents (MGA, CA)



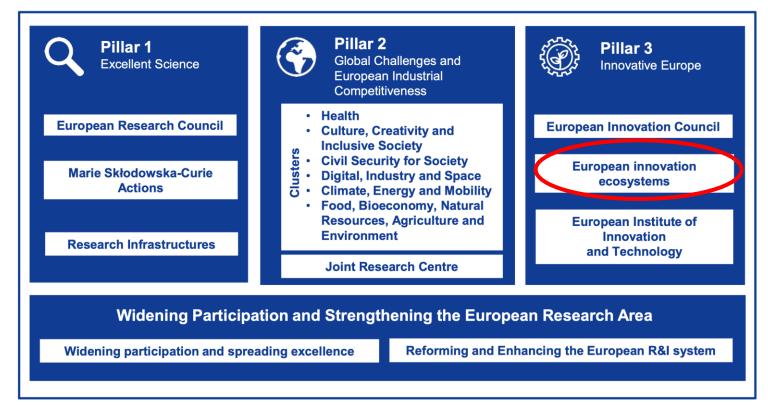








Structure of Horizon Europe





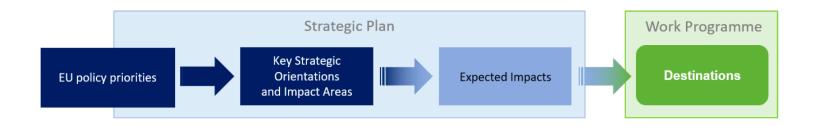








From EU priorities to Strategic Plan to Work Programme







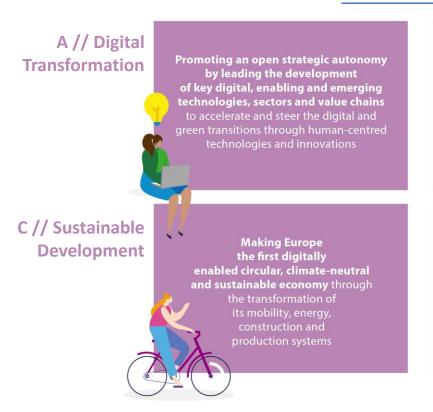








Horizon Europe Priorities















A sample: Orientation D - Resilient, Inclusive and Democratic European society

IMPACT AREAS

- A resilient EU prepared for emerging threats
- A secure, open and democratic EU society
- Good health and high-quality accessible healthcare
- Inclusive growth and new job opportunities



1/ Health	2/ Culture	3/ Security	4/ Digital	5/ Climate	6/ Food
Health	Culture, Creativity and Inclusive Society	Civil security for society	Digital, Industry and Space	Climate, Energy and Mobility	Food, Bioeconomy, Natural Resources, Agriculture and Environment
Comminicable & non- communicable diseases. Fair access to high quality health care. Early threat detection, public emergencies.	Social, economic, gender, cultural inequalities. Inclusion, non- discrimination social protection, empowerment. Migrants, cultural heritage protection.	Free movement, integrity of Schengen Area. Civil Security. Border management, Disaster Risk, Maritime Security, Migration-Asylum.	Access to technologies and skills. Copernicus, Galileo/EGNOS emergency, security.	New way to involve & engage citizens in low-carbon transition. Sustainable economy.	Innovative governance models. Sustainability and resilience Enhanced, shared view of knoeledge.







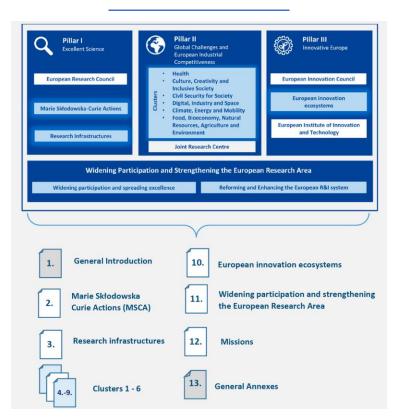




How Horizon Europe Work Programmes are structured

Work Programme 2021-22

- General Intro
- MSCA
- RI
- 6 Clusters
- EIC
- WIDENING
- EIE



Documents:

- Strategic Plan 2021-24
- Work Programme 21-22
- Proposal Template
- Model Grant Agreement (MGA)











CHECKLIST



- ☐ Did you understand the challenges?
- Do you have any idea, service, product that could contribute to a solution?



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Identify your strengths

- What do you do well?
- What separates you from competition?
- What are your strong assets?
- What can you offer that others cannot?







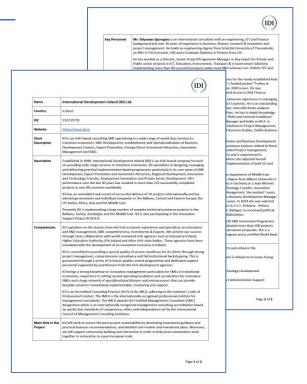






Prepare a profile

- 1. Name
- 2. Country
- 3. PIC
- Website
- 5. Short Description
- 6. Description (Activities)
- 7. Competencies
- 8. Main Role in the Project
- 9. Key Personnel (Golden Paragraphs)
- 10. Publications, Products, Services













What is a "Golden Paragraph"?

Your personal "elevator pitch":

Mris the <u>R&D Director</u> of <u>ACME</u> . He is a <u>Certified Project Manager (PMP ©)</u> and an <u>ISO</u>
Quality Auditor (ISO) with more than years of knowledge and experience in ICT integration
projects and SW development. He holds a <u>Diploma in</u> fromfrom
(UK) and a M.Sc. in from years
as a senior researcher in the field of dealing with technology enhanced The
last 8 years he is specializing in <u>project management of large ICT and R&D projects in multinational</u>
environments (FP7, INTERREG & MED Community Initiative, structural funds and other) having
successfully coordinated more than R&D 25 projects.











Present your Solution/Tech Stack

The set of tech solutions, tools, platform, infrastructure you use to offer your services.

Use it prove that you have a strong and reliable infrastructure and you know what you do.









CHECKLIST

- ☐ Do you have a PIC?
- ☐ Do you have a R&I profile?
- ☐ Do you need a technology stack? Do you have one?
- ☐ Are you familiar with the tools?









Step 3: Assemble your team

Make sure you have the mandate



Compliance with the R&I agenda of your organization



Approval of hierarchy (official procedure might be needed)



Support from other colleagues and internal supporting structures (if any)

Make sure ON TIME you will have support from your organisation, BEFORE starting to look for opportunities and consortia. Protect your credibility in the network!











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Create a core team to support you

You need people who:



Have comprehensive technical understanding



Are fluent and accurate in English



Have ability to **think** through detail and spot problems



Have great imagination and ability to see opportunities

Team can be inter-organisational.

Join forces with complementary partners in your country and abroad.









Find the calls that are relevant to you



Identify your call(s)

- Scan Work Programmes for relevant to your interests calls
- Study the call text
- Study new Proposal Template
- Study General Annexes of WP











What do you need to consider



Eligibility

- Is the call for you?
- Are you eligible?
- Is it worth it?
- Do you need partners?



Relevance

- Do you have a solution?
- Do you address any challenges of the call?



Capacity

- Can you write?
- Can you co-fund?
- Can you implement?

If answer to ALL above questions is YES ->











Map what you can do

CALL TOPIC	CAPABILITY
HORIZON-EIE-2022-CONNECT-01-01: Towards more inclusive networks and initiatives in European innovation ecosystems	We are a professional association with long experience in inclusiveness in business. We have implemented XXX. See XXX
HORIZON-EIE-2022-CONNECT-01-02: Integration of social innovation actors in innovation ecosystems	We are an SME working in the area of Social Innovation with We have already successfully implemented XXX.
HORIZON-EIE-2021-SCALEUP-01-01: Expanding Acceleration Ecosystems	We are an incubator and have successfully implemented an acceleration programme for startups in health. See XXX.











Check the budget of each call

HORIZON-EIE-2021-SCALEUP-01-01: Expanding Acceleration Ecosystems

Expected EU contribution per project	The Commission estimates that an EU contribution of around EUR 1.00 million would allow these outcomes to be addressed appropriately. Nonetheless, this does not preclude submission and selection of a proposal requesting different amounts.
Indicative Budget	The total indicative budget for the topic is EUR 5.00 million.
No of proposals to be funded	5 proposals









Step 5: Introduce your Organisation

(To whom?) Identify your potential partners



What kind of partners/consortia are you looking for?

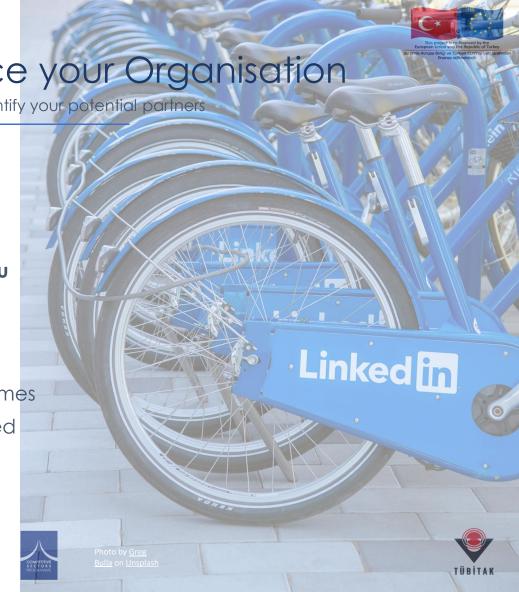
Successful, complementary organisations

Experienced in Framework Programmes

Working in an area of interest, related to a call you have identified

Extrovert and willing to collaborate







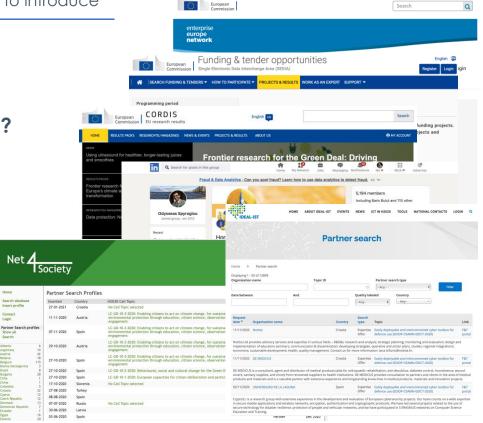


Step 5: Introduce your Organisation

Where to introduce

Where should you look for such partners?

- Cluster Collaboration Platform
- Horizon Results Platforms
- Cordis
- Linkedin Groups
- EEN: European Enterprise Network
- Net4Society
- Ideal-IST















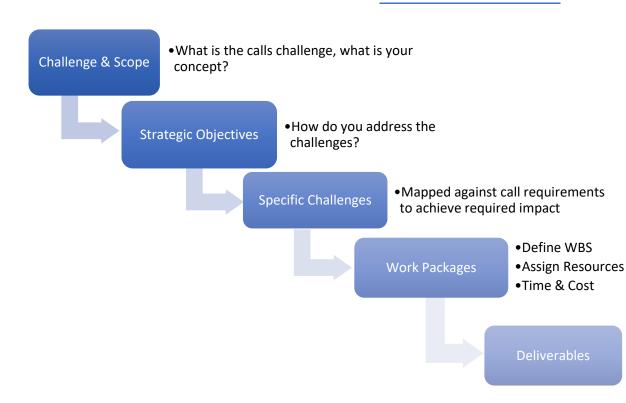






Step 6: Prepare your Concept

How to prepare a concept note





- Describe your solution (to the call's challenge)
 - What do you have?
 - What do you need?
- Where can you find it?

What are you going to deliver?











Step 6: Prepare your Concept

A concept note template EIE

CALL	HORIZON-EIE-2022-SCALEUP-01-01 - Expanding Entrepreneurial Ecosystems	
CALL DATA	Publication date: Jan 2022 / Deadline Date: 10 May 2022 17:00:00 (Brussels) / Total Call Budget: €5,000,000	
EXPECTED OUTCOME	 Improved flows of innovation resources between innovation ecosystems at various levels of developments Improved quality of entrepreneurial education and local talents equipped with skills to support business acceleration and digitalisation; Enhanced entrepreneurial activity in developing innovation ecosystems and its scale up across Europe or internationally; Increased youth (self) employability; Raised awareness of diverse business cultures and opportunities across sectors and / or geographies. 	
SCOPE	The transforming economy and rapid development of technology have changed employment conditions and the set of skills needed to grow one's own business. More than ever should educational institutions work hand in hand with the business sector to prepare students for a rapidly changing working environment by nurturing their entrepreneurial competences. Compared to dense areas around economic centres, the entrepreneurial skills and activity gap is bigger in peripheral areas with lower economic activity, confirming the importance of closely interlinked ecosystems for sustaining entrepreneurial activity and employment rates.	
EXPECTED ACTIONS	 engagement of business experts into the implementation of educational programmes; engagement of students and graduates from various disciplines and departments into the respective companies' structures, and engagement of educational staff in companies' business processes, both with a target of gender-balanced participation; organisation of co-ideation challenges, where students can propose innovative solutions in the field of partners' expertise and are provided with resources and support to develop the product and its business development strategy. 	
BUDGET	Contribution of 1m per proposal / CSA / Funding rate: 100%	











Step 6: Prepare your Concept

A concept note template for Horizon Europe (II)

TITLE / ACRONYM	XHUB	
WHY ? (BACKGROUND)	 What problem you trying to address. Why bother? Is it a European priority? Could it be solved at National level? Is the solution already available? Why now? What would happen if we did not do this now? Why you? Are you the best people to do this work? 	
SOLUTION?	What is the proposed solution ?	
HOW?	 How is it going to be achieved? What will be the outcomes? How are you going to validate them? Expected results - what will come out of the project? Who will use the results? Why do they want to use the results? How are you planning the transfer of results? Any exploitation/commercial plans? Will it make an impact? What will be changed? Post project situation 	
CONSORTIUM	COORDINATOR / PARTNERS (Name / Web Site / Role in the Project / Contacts)	
PROPOSED BUDGET	Per Partner / Per WP / Per Task	









Step 7: Pitch your concept

How to present your offer

R&D Collaboration Opportunity under Horizon Europe:

- Dear,
- I took the liberty of contacting you because we are working on some ideas/solutions/ products related to the following calls under Cluster 2: http://ec.europa.eu/research/.....
- Our idea/solution/product is tested and could be...
- In addition to our organisation we could also bring a very strong end user from the XXX domain. Our institution (www.xxx.com) could support extensively in the proposal preparation. You can see a short presentation of our activities here (website, profile).
- Of course, if you are interested I'll be happy to elaborate.
- I hope we will have the chance to work together and prepare a successful proposal.
- Looking forward to your feedback. You can reply directly to my email: xxxx @ xxx. xx











Step 8: Join a consortium

Negotiate your participation



Sell your organisation

Competences, Capabilities, Knowledge, Solutions, Knowhow. Convince coordinator and partners that you will **add technical value**.



Bring your network

Bring a valuable partner to the consortium. A client, a partner, an end user, a public organisation necessary to the call.



Value chain and geographical coverage

Sell your position in the value chain and in Europe. You should complete the value chain and expand the geographical coverage.





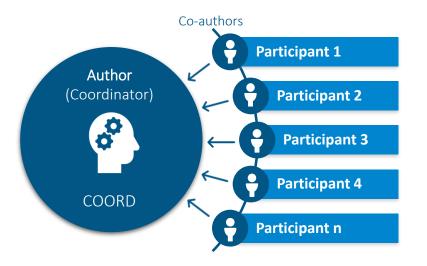






Step 9: Contribute Actively

Be a valuable participant



- 1. Be a valuable member of the team
- 2. Contribute as much as you can
- 3. Know what you can do/want to do
- 4. Take responsibility for tasks
- 5. Assign resources (person months)
- 6. Estimate Other Costs









Step 10: Negotiate Budget

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Budget depends on contribution

- 1. Know the call budget
- 2. Have a rough idea of what you want to do
- 3. Ask what's the initial estimation.
- 4. Final budget after detailed resources allocation.



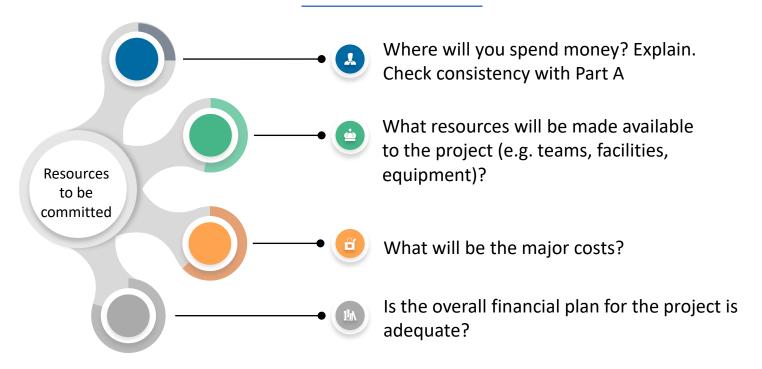






Step 10: Negotiate Budget

Identify Costs, Estimate resources













Step 11: Finalise and submit

Agile Proposal Writing



To get feedback faster and more efficient from as many people as possible To secure consensus on key aspects of the proposal

To spot inconsistencies, overlaps or conflicts and tackle them on time

To demonstrate progress to the team, acknowledge contributions and maintain/increase engagement







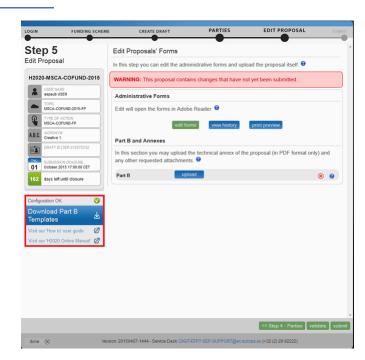




Step 11: Finalise and submit

Submit the proposal

- Coordinator's job
- Full online process
- Send your contributions in time
- Check Part A
- Check Budget











Step 11: Finalise and submit



Submit the proposal



DOs

- Ask different people to check the whole text
- Make sure formatting is according to specs
- Make sure .pdf looks like word document
- Look at all questions in the platform upfront so that you have answers

DOWNLOAD AND CHECK AFTER YOU SUBMIT!



DON'Ts

Keep the proposal in separate files

Use different computers/ versions of software

Forget to fill in all tables and Sections

Submit the last moment of the deadline

MAKE IMPORTANT CHANGES IN THE LAST MOMENT

TIP: DON'T WAIT THE LAST DAY. Start making trial submissions a couple of days before the deadline to test the system, BUT make sure that at the end you have the correct version uploaded!





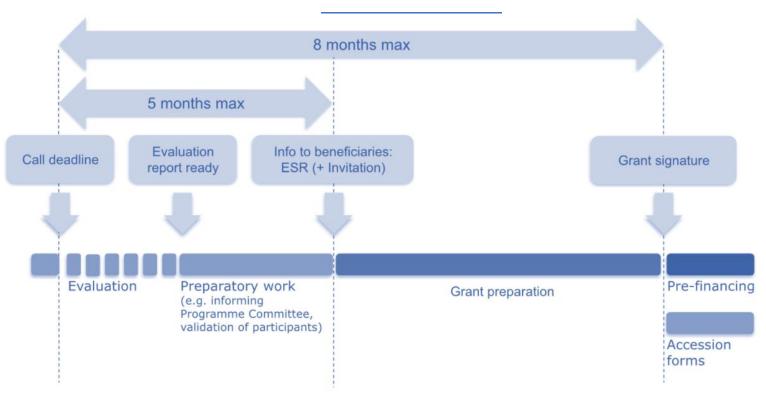






Step 12: Follow up

How evaluations work













Wrap up the session!

Understanding EU Funding

Coordinator or Participant

- The roadmap to participation in a Horizon Europe proposal
- Horizon Europe StrategicPlans and WorkProgrammes
- Understanding how proposal writing works and how to join a consortium











Q&A

Time to ask your questions!



