



PROGRAMMES DEPARTMENT

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In March 2019 the European Parliament and the Council reached a partial agreement on the next framework programme for financing R&D and Innovation, Horizon Europe. This has allowed the European Commission to continue preparing the implementation of the programme.

The agreed texts are as follows:

- Proposal for a **regulation** of the European parliament and of the council establishing Horizon Europe - the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation, laying down its rules for participation and dissemination - Common understanding (27/03/2019)
<https://www.consilium.europa.eu/media/38902/st07942-en19.pdf>
- Proposal for a decision of the Council on establishing the **specific programme** implementing Horizon Europe - the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation - Partial General Approach (15/04/2019)
<http://data.consilium.europa.eu/doc/document/ST-7911-2019-REV-1/en/pdf>

FUNDING ENTITY

European Commission

Contact in Spain

- [CDTI \(in Spanish\)](#)
- [Oficina Europea \(in Spanish\)](#)

STRUCTURE

Pillar I 'Excellent Science' with the following components:

- (a) the European Research Council (ERC);
- (b) Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA);
- (c) research infrastructures.

Pillar II 'Global Challenges and European Industrial Competitiveness' with the following components, taking into account that social sciences and humanities (SSH) shall play an important role across all clusters:

- (a) cluster 'Health';
- (b) cluster 'Culture, creativity and inclusive society';
- (c) cluster 'Civil Security for Society';
- (d) cluster 'Digital, Industry and Space';
- (e) cluster 'Climate, Energy and Mobility';

- (f) cluster 'Food, Bioeconomy Natural Resources, Agriculture and Environment';
- (g) non-nuclear direct actions of the Joint Research Centre (JRC).

Pillar III 'Innovative Europe' with the following components:

- (a) the European Innovation Council (EIC);
- (b) European innovation ecosystems;
- (c) the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT) established by Regulation (EC)

Part 'Widening participation and strengthening the European Research Area', with the following components:

- (a) widening participation and spreading excellence;
- (b) reforming and enhancing the European R&I System.

Likewise, the following areas are established for the development of Missions:

- 1: Adaptation to Climate Change, including Societal Transformation Mission
- 2: Cancer
- 3: Healthy Oceans, Seas, Coastal and Inland Waters
- 4: Climate-Neutral and Smart Cities
- 5: Soil Health and Food Each

TYPE OF PROJECTS

Not available yet.

OTHER GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS

Eligible funding projects

- R&D
- Innovation
- Coordination and support actions

In general, an Horizon Europe project should:

- Provide added value at European level, responding to an existing need in the European Union.
- Be exclusively civil (non-military) application.
- To be developed, generally in a transnational consortium, with the participation of at least 3 independent entities from 3 Member States or associated countries, although there are certain types of projects in which you can participate individually.
- In practice, consortia tend to have a higher number of partners, which varies according to the type of project and its scope.
- Comply with the specific lines of research and innovation detailed in the work programmes and the corresponding calls, which usually also include budget recommendations, which can vary between 0.5 and several million Euros, and of duration (generally between 1 and 5 years).
- Respect ethical principles and applicable national, European Union and international legislation.

In general, they are not considered as eligible projects that:

- Do not respond to research, technological development, demonstration and innovation activities or other activities that can be financed within Horizon Europe and the respective Work Programmes.
- Have a local, regional or national character, where the European dimension is not justified.
- Do not present a real advance on the already existing knowledge at European level (research projects), or a real innovation for the European market (innovation projects).

Evaluation criteria

The proposals are evaluated by independent experts, according to the criteria established for each call.

Generally:

- **Excellence**, as well as the level of innovation, in relation to the objectives of the specific Programme and the line/s of research specified in the call.
- **Impact**, through the dissemination and use of project results.
- The quality and efficiency of project **implementation**, quality of the consortium: competencies and complementarity; adequacy and necessity of the resources used; quality of knowledge and results management.

Beneficiary Entities

Any legal entity established in any country of the European Union, state associated with Horizon Europe or third countries, such as universities, companies, associations or groupings of companies, research centers, technology centers, Public Administrations or users in general, etc., as long as you commit to:

- Invest the time and resources necessary for the correct development of the project.
- Assume and share with the project partners the risks derived from the execution of the activities.
- Work as a team, sharing knowledge in a European consortium (except for certain projects in which you can participate individually).
- Respect the participation rules established by the European Commission.
- Work in English.

Financing

100% of the project costs subsidy, except for profit-making entities in innovation projects, and the Co-fund actions, which is 70%.

Eligible expenses

They include direct costs and a flat rate of 25% for indirect costs.

Application procedure

- Through the Funding & tender opportunities web portal.
- Through electronic processing.

Calls for proposals, with fixed launch and closing dates between which there is usually a period of 3 and 4 months, may refer to one or more of the HE priorities and / or areas of action. In certain cases, the call for proposals may be permanently open during the term of the programme, and cut-off dates will be established, after which all proposals submitted up to that moment will be evaluated.

In the work programmes corresponding to each area of action, the specific lines of action of their calls are collected and described, to which the projects to be submitted must be adjusted.

MORE INFORMATION

More information about the programme:

https://ec.europa.eu/info/horizon-europe-next-research-and-innovation-framework-programme_en

More information about the **calls**:

Not yet available.