# **HORIZON 2020**

Opportunities for participation in Horizon 2020 calls



Horizon 2020 Introduction Presentation







# Before you start... key documents

- Work Programme: background, topics and budgets
- General annexes to the general Work
   Programme: list of countries, eligibility and
   admissibility conditions, evaluation criteria and
   procedure, scoring and thresholds, etc.
- Submission forms and templates: essential forms and guides to draw up and submit your proposal
- Guide to the submission and evaluation process



# Working with the right documents

#### "Good to have"- Documents

## <u>Annotated Model Grant Agreement</u>

- Eligible costs
- Management of IPR
- Open Access, Ethics
- Many examples and best practice solutions

## **Desca Model Consortium Agreement**

- Governance structure of the project
- Dissemination and access rights to results
- Version with "elucidation notes" and explanations available





#### H2020:

**EC GLOSSARY** 

http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/support/reference\_term

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IPR HELPDESK: <a href="https://www.iprhelpdesk.eu/glossary/a">https://www.iprhelpdesk.eu/glossary/a</a>

#### **GENERAL PM TERMINOLOGY:**

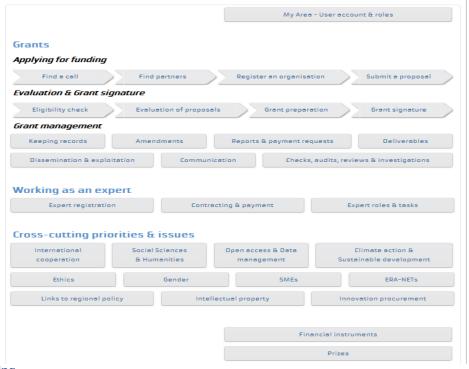
https://www.smartsheet.com/complete-glossary-project-management-terminology

## Information about administrative issues

#### Awareness about the legal, administrative and financial requirements

#### H2020 Funding Guide





http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/docs/h2020-funding-guide/index\_en.htm

# **Horizon 2020 Structure**

#### **EXCELLENT SCIENCE**

- European Research Council
- Future and Emerging Technologies (FET)
- Marie Skłodowska-Curie research grant scheme
- Research Infrastructures

# INDUSTRIAL LEADERSHIP

- ICT
- Key EnablingTechnologies (KETs):
  - Microelectronics
  - Photonics
  - Nanotechnologies
  - Advanced materials
  - Production systems
  - Biotechnologies
- Space
- Innovation in Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs)
- Access to Risk Finance

#### **SOCIETAL CHALLENGES**

- Health, wellbeing and aging
- Food security, bioeconomy, ...
- Safe, clean, efficient energy
- Intelligent, green, integrated transportation
- Climate, environment, raw materials
- Inclusive, innovative society, capable of reflection
- Security

Spreading of best practices and widening participation

Science with and for Society

**European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT)** 

Joint Research Centre (JRC)

#### Types of Actions/ Projects

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- Research and Innovation Action (RIA);
- Coordination and Support Action (CSA);
- Innovation Action (IA);
- Marie Sklodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA) Research and Innovation Staff Exchange
  (RISE), Research networks (ITN), Cofunding of regional, national and
  international programmes (COFUND)

# Individual projects

- European Research Council (ERC);
- Marie Sklodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA) -Individual Fellowship (IF).

#### **Modalities of the participation**

Formal participation with the Grant Agreement (GA)

- Coordinator;
- Partner
- Associated party;
- Third party.

#### Without Grant Agreement

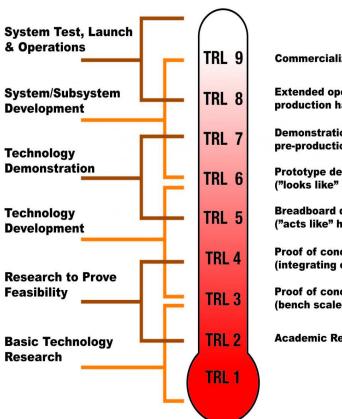
- Subcontracttor
- International partner: connected or dependent to a project partner, but which is not formally connected to the project and do not sign an agreement.

# Main types of Actions/ projects in Horizon 2020

Research and Innovation Actions (RIA)	=>What? Funding available for collaborative research projects tackling clearly defined challenges which can lead to the development of new knowledge or new technology.  =>Who? Consortia of partners from different countries, industry and academia. Min. 3 legal entities established in 3 Member States or Associated Countries.
Innovation Actions (IA)	<ul> <li>=&gt;What? Funding available for closer-to-the-market activities including prototyping, testing, demonstrating, piloting, scaling-up etc. for new or improved products, processes or services.</li> <li>=&gt;Who? Consortia of partners from different countries, industry and academia. Min. 3 legal entities established in 3 Member States or Associated Countries.</li> </ul>
Coordination and Support Action (CSA)	What? Funding available for actions consisting primarily of accompanying measures, such as the coordination and networking of research and innovation projects, programmes and policies (e.g. training, dissemination, exploitation, standardization, policy dialogues, etc.). Funding for research and innovation per se not covered.  Who? Single entities or consortia of partners from different countries, industry and academia. Min. 1 legal entity established in 1 Member State or Associated Country.

## **Technology Readiness Levels (TRLs)**

- ✓ The TRL is a new dimension in Horizon 2020.
- ✓ Many of the call topics have a defined TRL at which the implementation of the proposal is intended to start, as well as a target TRL.
- √ The use of Technology Readiness Levels (TRLs) as a measurement of the maturity level of particular technologies is a new development in Horizon 2020.
- √ This measurement system provides a common understanding of technology status and addresses the entire innovation chain.
- ✓ By evaluating a technology project against the parameters for each Technology Readiness Level one can assign a TRL rating to the project based on its stage of progress.
- √ There are nine technology readiness levels; TRL 1 being the lowest and TRL 9 the highest.



Commercialization

Extended operation of production hardware

Demonstration of pre-production hardware

Prototype demonstration ("looks like" hardware)

Breadboard demonstration ("acts like" hardware)

Proof of concept validation (integrating components)

Proof of concept research (bench scale)

**Academic Research** 

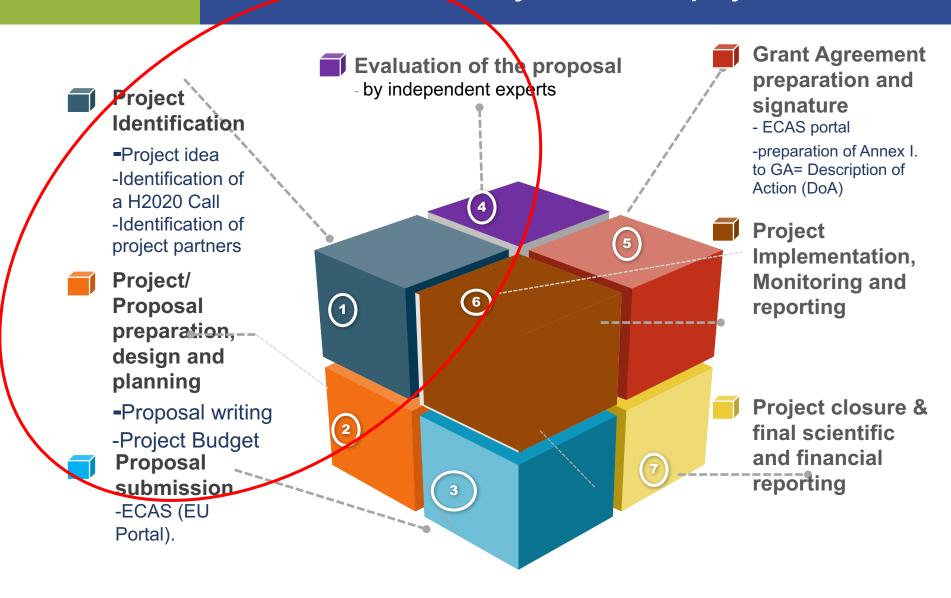
# **Cross-cutting issues**

- Cross-cutting issues are fully integrated in the work programme (WP):
  - Social Sciences and Humanities (SSH) are integrated across all Horizon 2020 activities to successfully address European challenges
  - Gender dimension in the content of R&I a question on the relevance of sex/gender analysis is included in proposal templates
  - The new strategic approach to international cooperation consists of a general opening of the WP and targeted activities across all relevant Horizon 2020 parts
  - Other cross-cutting issues such as science education, open access to scientific
    publications, ethics, standardisation, climate and sustainable development ... may also be
    included in the WP
  - You need also to take into account cross-cutting issues <u>if explicitly mentioned</u> under the scope or expected impact of the call or topic
  - A successful proposal is expected to include the above elements, or convincingly explain why not relevant in a particular case

## **Horizon 2020 funding rates**

- Basic funding rates/direct costs:
  - 100% for Research and Innovation
  - 70% for Innovation/close-to-market
  - => Actual costs, directly linked to the implementation of the project (examples: personnel costs, travel costs, other costs (services and goods), subcontracting...
  - Indirect costs: 25% flat-rate
- = Flat-rate for indirect costs/overhead costs

## PM Cycle in H2020 projects - Extended



## 01. Project Idea

Project idea concept with high innovation potential





Innovation in H2020 means successful exploitation of new ideas to produce tangible benefits

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Open to the world!

RELEVANT

Idea
Approach
Partners

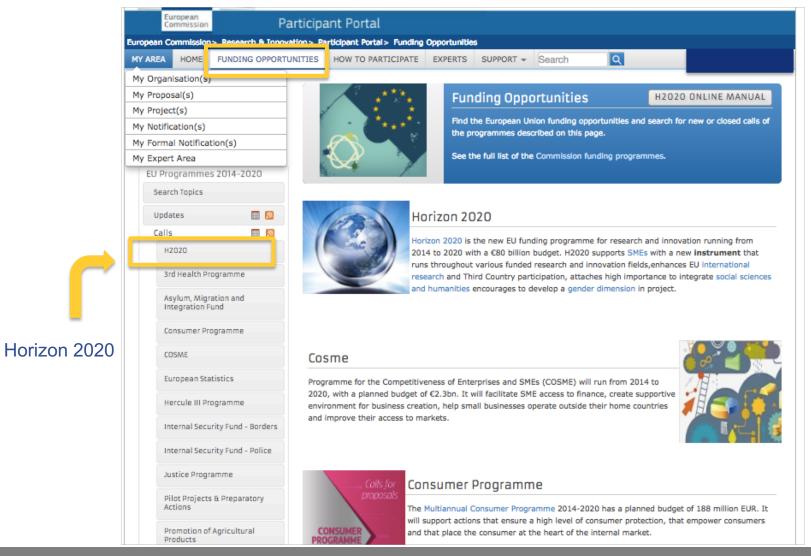


# Realisation of the call and work programme's objectives

- What kind of project will I implement? (scope, limits, objectives, expected impact)
- What will I do with the **results**? (exploitation, dissemination, knowledge tranfer)
- With whom will I implement this project? Who does what? (consortium, respective tasks, responsabilities)
- Why should my project be funded by the EC? (European added value)
- Flow will I successfully carry it to term? (resources, management, methodology)
- How much will it cost? What funding can I expect? (budget plan and EC contribution)
- Do I have my organization's support? (human and financial resources)

## How to find funding for your research idea?

#### Participant Portal – search for the funding opportunities



## Partners search tools

Online Partner search databases

Bilateral contacts

Bilateral projects

Young researchers

Brokerage events

International conferences/ workshops



Existing projects

Other bilateral projects

Other grants, call for papers

## Roles of project participants

- -Each of the project partners can have different roles.
- -Roles are defined in the project workplan description
- -Roles:
- -Work package leader
- -Task leader
- -Activity leader
- -Task participant...

## Boundary conditions for the partner search

- Consider which competences / partners (type of institutions, expertise, origin) you need to fulfill all the objectives / carry out all activities
- Consider how many partners you can "afford" with the available budget
- Consider to present a project with balanced participation from different regions
- Consider that each partner should have a dedicated position in the consortium but at the same time that you might want to have more than one partner covering a "key" expertise (risk mitigation in case one partner has problems to deliver)

## A balanced consortium

- Depends on the instrument (CSA, RIA, etc.)
- Excellent research
  - Science and technology partners (multidisciplinarity, complementarity)
- Sound implementation
  - Dedicated partners with expertise to develop, test, validate; users of technology; pilot sites, demonstration, excellent management
- High impact
  - Partners with experience and expertise to exploit the knowledge generated, disseminate results, etc. (multipliers)

#### Profile of your institution/organisation/company

#### **2 PAGES ONLY!**

#### Provide targeted information about your institution:



- ✓ CVs of the persons, including their gender, who will be primarily responsible for carrying out the
  proposed research and/or innovation activities; (6 lines maximum)
- ✓ a list of up to 5 relevant publications, and/or products, services or other achievements relevant to
  the call content;
- ✓ a list of up to 5 relevant previous projects or activities, connected to the subject of this proposal;
- ✓ a description of any significant infrastructure and/or any major items of technical equipment, relevant to the proposed work;
- ✓ Include your logo
- ✓ Contact details of your institutions (Name in English/national language, Acronym/ PIC number, full address, contact details (including email, phone...)



## Finding the partners

- Use existing contacts with experience of EU funding programs
- Use Partner Search facility on the Horizon 2020 Participant Portal website: <a href="http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/docs/h2020-funding-guide/grants/applying-forfunding/find-partners\_en.htm">http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/docs/h2020-funding-guide/grants/applying-forfunding/find-partners\_en.htm</a>
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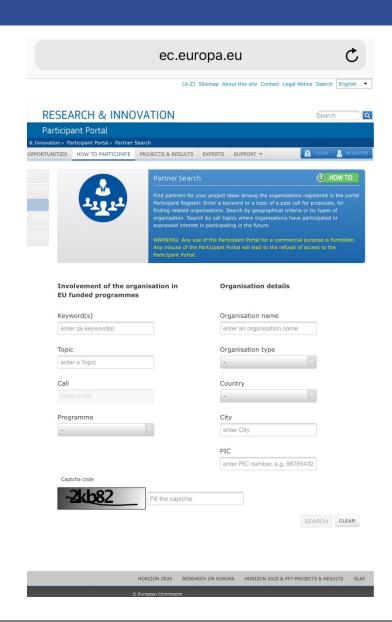
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https://cordis.europa.eu/partners/web/guest





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#### **EUROPEAN NCPs NETWORKS and Partner search TOOLS**

#### **Marie Sklodowska-Curie Actions**

Net4Mobility: <a href="http://www.net4mobility.eu/">http://www.net4mobility.eu/</a>

#### **Research Infrastructures**

RICH: http://www.rich2020.eu

#### **Information and Communication Technologies**

IDEALIST: http://www.ideal-ist.eu/

Nanotechnologies, advanced materials, advanced manufacturing and processing, biotechnology

NMP TeAm 3 <a href="http://www.nmpteam.com/">http://www.nmpteam.com/</a>

#### Innovation in SMEs, Access to Risk Finance

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#### Societal Challenge 1: Health, Demographic Change and Wellbeing

Health NCP Net 2.0 (HNN 2.0) <a href="http://www.healthncp.net/health-ncp-net-hnn-20">http://www.healthncp.net/health-ncp-net-hnn-20</a>

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# Societal Challenge 2: Food Security, Sustainable Agriculture and Forestry, Marine,

Maritime and Inland Water Research and the Bioeconomy

BioHorizon: a network of BIO NCPs. http://www.ncp-biohorizon.net/

#### Societal Challenge 3: Secure, clean and efficient energy

C-ENERGY 2020 : http://www.c-energy2020.eu/

#### Societal Challenge 4: Smart, Green and Integrated Transport

ETNA Plus: <a href="http://www.transport-ncps.net/">http://www.transport-ncps.net/</a>

Societal Challenge 5: Climate action, environment, resource efficiency and raw materials

NCP CaRe: http://www.ncps-care.eu/

Societal Challenge 6: Europe in a changing world: inclusive, innovative and reflective societies

Net4Society: <a href="http://www.net4society.eu/">http://www.net4society.eu/</a>

Societal Challenge 7: Secure societies - protecting freedom and security of Europe and its citizens

SEREN3: <a href="http://www.seren-project.eu/">http://www.seren-project.eu/</a>

**Science with and for Society** 

SiS Net: http://www.sisnetwork.eu/

# **Contacting the partners**

- Initial contact -> indication of interest
- Identify specific contact person
- Provide summary of the project
- Request description of their activities and background related to the proposal topic, information about experiences / track-record, unit costs for budget planning, administrative information (PIC, etc.)

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# **DECONSTRUCTING THE CALL**

## Deconstructing a call text

- Specific Challenge: introduces the problem/question at stake
- Scope: presents what exactly is expected to be done
- Expected impacts: lists what is supposed to be achieved

- Objectives => Specific challenge
- Relation to the work programme => Scope
- Concept and approach => TRL, (inter)national activities linked to the project,...
- Ambition=> beyond the state-of-the-art and innovation potential