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European Funding News: Horizon Europe / EU regional funds

Study Commission: 'Limit horizontal priorities in Horizon' (5 April 2023)

Source: Website Neth-ER <https://www.neth-er.eu/onderzoek/studie-commissie-beperk-horizontale-prioriteiten-in-horizon-2020> Horizon 2020 had too many horizontal policy priorities that also often overlapped. Moreover, implementation in practice proves difficult. Future programs should therefore be wary of such horizontal actions, including gender equality and innovation. However, the 'flagging' of work programs is a useful tool, conclude researchers for the Commission.



Many goals, few data

Horizon 2020 had fifteen horizontal policy goals, which was too many. Moreover, there was no plan for implementation, which makes it difficult to estimate the effectiveness nine years later. This is the conclusion of researchers in an evaluation of the horizontal actions in Horizon 2020 for the Commission <https://op.europa.eu/en/publication-detail/-/publication/b1dd0d10-d1d0-11ed-a05c-01aa75ed71a1/language-en>. The fifteen horizontal actions <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/NL/TXT/HTML/?uri=CELEX:32013R1291&from=EN#d1e1015-104-1> in Horizon 2020—also known as cross-cutting issues—include gender equality, innovation, social sciences and humanities (SSH), interdisciplinarity, cooperation with third countries and widening participation.

Unreliable data

A major stumbling point is the available data. According to the researchers, the data collection was not yet in order at the start of Horizon 2020, which is now complicating the analysis. For example, participants had to report on patents and publications, but it is unclear whether they were able to correctly assess the rules surrounding open access. For other goals, it was up to the Commission, but each official took his own approach, according to interviews. No methodology has even been devised for two goals: interdisciplinarity and the Innovation Union.

Read full article here: <https://www.neth-er.eu/onderzoek/studie-commissie-beperk-horizontale-prioriteiten-in-horizon-2020> (in Dutch)

UK 'not required' to pay full Horizon Europe association fee, Commission says (4 April 2023)

Source: Website Science|Business <https://sciencebusiness.net/news/Horizon-Europe/uk-not-required-pay-full-horizon-europe-association-fee-commission-says>

UK science and technology minister Michelle Donelan is in Brussels today to meet EU research commissioner Mariya Gabriel and set the scene for upcoming association talks



UK state secretary for science and Technology Michelle Donelan (Left) is in Brussels today to meet EU research and innovation commissioner Mariya Gabriel (Right)

The UK will not be required to pay into Horizon Europe for the two years it was not associated to the programme the European Commission has confirmed, as the researchers hang on for a deal on post-Brexit cooperation in the €95.5 billion research programme.

A spokesman for the Commission said the EU has already informed the UK government it “would not be required to contribute for the period it wasn’t associated to the programme, that is, 2021-2022.”

However, the UK government remains adamant it will pull out of talks if the terms of association are not in the UK’s interest.

With the EU research and innovation commissioner Mariya Gabriel welcoming UK state secretary for science and Technology Michelle Donelan in Brussels today, the UK government said Donelan is set to demand that further talks on Horizon Europe “reflect the lasting impact of two years of delays to the UK’s association.”

“I’m Brussels today to ensure there is understanding of that on both sides, while taking forward these discussions in a constructive and respectful way,” Donelan said.

However, it remains unclear what those terms are, given the Commission has agreed in principle that the UK’s financial contribution will be reduced.

Read full article here: <https://sciencebusiness.net/news/Horizon-Europe/uk-not-required-pay-full-horizon-europe-association-fee-commission-says>

Amendment to Horizon Europe ‘main’ Work Programme 2023-2024 adopted, calls available online (3 April 2023)

Source: Website EC Funder and tenders Portal <https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/support/news>

The European Commission adopted an amendment to the Horizon Europe ‘main’ Work Programme for 2023-2024 on 31 March 2023. The amended work programme documents are **now available online** <https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/how-to-participate/reference-documents;programCode=HORIZON> . Please read the related **News Alert** https://research-and-innovation.ec.europa.eu/news/all-research-and-innovation-news/commission-boosts-research-and-innovation-budget-civil-security-society-and-renewable-energy-2023-03-31_en.

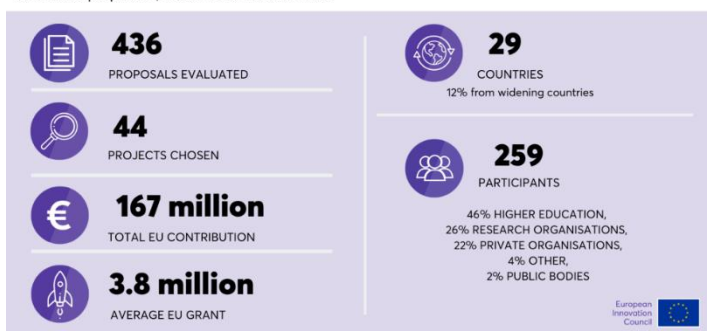
The amended Horizon Europe 2023-2024 calls for proposals were published on 3 April 2023. The full list of topics is available under the Search Funding & Tenders section [Search Funding & Tenders](#).

European Innovation Council selects cutting edge research projects for high impact portfolios in key technology areas (3 April 2023)

Source: Website EIC News https://eic.ec.europa.eu/news/european-innovation-council-selects-cutting-edge-research-projects-high-impact-portfolios-key-2023-04-03_en

European Innovation Council Pathfinder Challenges

Successful proposals | Deadline 19 October 2022



The Commission selected 44 new projects <https://eic.ec.europa.eu/system/files/2023-04/PATHFINDERCHALLENGES%202022%20mainlisted%20proposals.pdf> (4 coordinated by Dutch entities) under the 2022 EIC Pathfinder call for cutting edge research projects to achieve breakthroughs in six strategic areas. The successful projects were chosen among 436 submitted eligible proposals and will receive up to €167 million of EU funding (on average €3.8 million per project).

EIC Programme Managers were directly involved in setting the challenges and selecting portfolios of projects from among the best applications, and they will now pro-actively manage these portfolios to increase impact.

Most applicants come from universities and research organisations, 16% of participants are SMEs. The applicants could submit their proposals in six Challenges:

- [Carbon dioxide and nitrogen management and valorisation](#)
- [Mid to long term and systems integrated energy storage](#)
- [Cardiogenomics](#)
- [Towards the healthcare continuum: technologies to support a radical shift from episodic to continuous healthcare](#)
- [DNA-based digital data storage](#)
- [Alternative approaches to quantum Information processing, communication, and sensing](#)

2023 EIC Pathfinder Challenges call, with new challenges, will open for applications on 20 June with a deadline of 18 October 2023, 17.00 CET.

Read full article here: https://eic.ec.europa.eu/news/european-innovation-council-selects-cutting-edge-research-projects-high-impact-portfolios-key-2023-04-03_en

Other International funding

Eurostars call for projects deadline 14 September 2023 (4 April 2023)

Source: Website Eureka network <https://www.eurekanetwork.org/open-calls/eurostars-funding-programme-2023-call-5>
Eurostars is part of the European Partnership on Innovative SMEs. The partnership is co-funded by the European Union through Horizon Europe https://research-and-innovation.ec.europa.eu/funding/funding-opportunities/funding-programmes-and-open-calls/horizon-europe/european-partnerships-horizon-europe_en.

Eurostars is a funding instrument that supports innovative SMEs and project partners (large companies, universities, research organisations and other types of organisations) by funding international collaborative R&D and innovation projects. By participating, organisations can access public funding for international collaborative R&D projects in all fields.

You can submit your R&D and innovation project application between **14 July 2023 to 14 September 2023 at 14:00 (Brussels time)** using our **project platform** https://myeurekaproject.org/oauth2/sign_in?rd=%2F. Your project consortium must have an innovative SME in the leading role, but it can also include other types of organisations like large companies, universities, research organisations and more.

For more information: <https://www.eurekanetwork.org/open-calls/eurostars-funding-programme-2023-call-5>

Join our online COST Info Day on 24 May 2023 (31 March 2023)

Source: Website <https://www.cost.eu/news/>

Calling all researchers and innovators. All career stages and fields of research welcome! Join us for our online COST Info Day on 24 May to learn how to join a COST Action or submit a COST Action proposal.



Register here: [Register now](#)

National funding

The German-Dutch research programme 'Understanding complex pressures on the Wadden Sea and options for action' has opened (6 April 2023)

Source: Website NWO News <https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/german-dutch-research-programme-understanding-complex-pressures-wadden-sea-and-options-action-has-opened>

The German-Dutch research programme 'Understanding complex pressures on the Wadden Sea and options for action' has opened. The deadline for full proposals is 6 July 2023. NWO will hold a webinar on 25 April from 13:00 to 16:00.

Phase I of this call for proposals aims to fund interdisciplinary, international research projects that strengthen our knowledge on the impact of human-induced pressures on the Wadden Sea ecosystem and subsequent consequences for sustaining the Outstanding Universal Value of the World Heritage site, as well as socio-economic aspects of local communities.

Wadden Sea under pressure

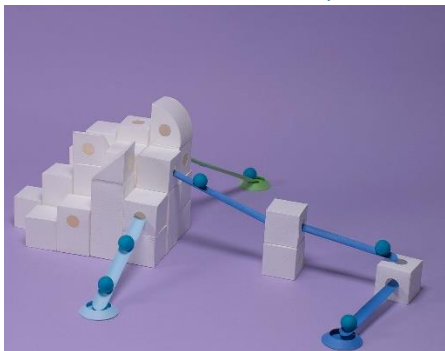
The Wadden Sea is listed on the UNESCO World Heritage List as an area of 'Outstanding Universal Value'. To maintain and enhance the Outstanding Universal Value of the Wadden Sea World Heritage site and its integrity, the Wadden Sea countries need better scientific understanding of present and future human-induced pressures on the Wadden Sea ecosystem (including cumulative effects), on management options for reducing undesired impacts, and on socio-economic consequences of such measures.

View the Call for proposals: <https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/understanding-complex-pressures-wadden-sea-and-options-action>

For more information: <https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/german-dutch-research-programme-understanding-complex-pressures-wadden-sea-and-options-action-has-opened>

'Funding system must match today's challenges' (6 April 2023)

Source: Website NWO News <https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/funding-system-must-match-todays-challenges>



A total turnaround in our thinking and actions. In the view of professor of socio-technical innovation and climate change Heleen de Coninck, this is what we need to face the major societal challenges of our time. What are the consequences of such a turnaround for scientific research and its funding?

That question is the focus of the new edition of NWO's magazine *Onderzoek*, which appears next week. A week later, on 17 April, the NWO-debate 'Science Works' will also focus on the funding system. De Coninck, who argues in *Onderzoek* for a system that steers more towards collaboration than competition, will then be one of the panelists. 'We don't necessarily need excellent solo researchers at the moment - if in fact they actually came to the fore under the old system,' she argues in the magazine.

As one of the driving forces behind the Dutch Climate Research Initiative (KIN), she is looking for efficient, transparent and honest ways to distribute the initial budget. 'We know that greenhouse gas emissions are causing climate change,

so we need to curb those emissions as soon as possible. Now scientists need to help land that knowledge with municipalities, provinces, environmental organisations, farmers and others who need to make this transition happen.'

Read the article on pooling budgets versus dividing funding in competition: <https://www.nwo.nl/en/one-all-or-all-one>

Read full issue here: <https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/funding-system-must-match-todays-challenges>

Open for proposals: Long-Term Programmes (KIC) - strategy-driven consortia with impact (round 2023) (4 April 2023)

Source: Website NWO News <https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/open-proposals-long-term-programmes-kic-strategy-driven-consortia-impact-round-2023>



NWO invites the submission of initiatives for strategic Long-Term Programmes (LTPs). A Long-Term Programme (LTP) provides a powerful stimulus to the development of a scientific field, focused on a societal theme or key enabling technology. Through this call, NWO offers ten years of funding for strategic research by public-private consortia. NWO is making 50 million euros available for this call. An information meeting is organized on 10 May.

In this call for proposals, which is part of the knowledge and innovation covenant (KIC), strong public-private consortia can apply for funding for Long-Term Programmes (LTPs) with a total budget of at least 30 million euros over the ten years of the duration of the programme. NWO will fund between 9 million and, at most, 25 million euros. NWO is making 50 million euro available for this call.

View the call for proposals: <https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/kic-long-term-programmes-strategy-driven-consortia-impact>

For information about call and about the information meeting: <https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/open-proposals-long-term-programmes-kic-strategy-driven-consortia-impact-round-2023>

Embassy Science Fellowship (ESF-NL): cross-pollination between science and diplomacy (4 April 2023)

Source: Website NWO News <https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/embassy-science-fellowship-esf-nl-cross-pollination-between-science-and-diplomacy>



Would you like to apply for an Embassy Science Fellowship (ESF-NL) 2023? Or get access to academic knowledge and networks about topical issues that embassies and consulates are dealing with? A few fellows and embassy/consulate employees tell you what the ESF-NL 2022 has meant to them, what kind of work they have done and why this collaboration is of crucial importance. 'This programme builds a bridge between the academic world and

embassies', says Professor Dirk-Jan Koch (Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs). There is a new round of ESF-NL opening up in the spring of 2023.

View ESF video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?t=5&v=ef1joy5RrX0&feature=youtu.be>

New round of ESF-NL (2023)

There will be a new call for Embassy Science Fellowships in the spring of 2023, announcing the themes and embassies/consulates involved. The provisional deadline for submitting applications is June 2023.

Read full article here: <https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/embassy-science-fellowship-esf-nl-cross-pollination-between-science-and-diplomacy>

The Topsector call for PPP projects has been opened (3 April 2023)

Source: Website KIA Landbouw water voedsel <https://kia-landbouwwatervoedsel.nl/regelingen/>

On April 3, the top sectors Agri & Food, Horticulture & Propagation Materials and Water & Maritime opened their joint call https://kia-landbouwwatervoedsel.nl/wp-content/uploads/PPSoproepLWV2023_DEF-2.pdf for PPP projects that give substance to the Knowledge and Innovation Agenda Agriculture, Water, Food. The new projects will start in 2024. The available budget is approximately €14.5 million per year.

The call is intended for research projects in which companies, sector organisations, NGOs and public organizations collaborate with research organisations. The projects are carried out as a public-private partnership (PPP). The three top sectors are working together in this call to achieve the joint knowledge and innovation agenda Agriculture, Water, Food. There is also a call for cross-over collaboration with Top Sectors Life Sciences & Health and Logistics.

Budget

Approximately € 14.5 million (excl. VAT) per year is available. € 5 million of this is used as a PPS allowance, half of which can be used freely at all knowledge institutions. The rest of the resources concern WR capacity (€8.3 million) and TO2 capacity (€1.2 million) at Deltares, Marin, NLR, TNO and Wageningen Research.

Submit

The submission process consists of one phase: **full project proposals can be submitted until 1 September at the latest.** To this end, a registration button will appear on the website in mid-June.

For more information and all the forms: <https://kia-landbouwwatervoedsel.nl/regelingen/> (in Dutch)

The Topsector call for ' Kennis op maat' Projects will open on 11 April 2023 (3 April 2023)

Source: Website <https://kia-landbouwwatervoedsel.nl/regelingen/>

The Top Sectors Agri & Food and Horticulture & Propagation Materials are calling on parties to submit projects within the Customized Knowledge program (KoM) from 11 April. Each year, KoM makes €2.5 million in WR capacity and €0.2 million in capacity at other knowledge institutions available for this program for the translation of existing knowledge from research and practice into action perspectives for (future) SMEs. **Project proposals can be submitted no later than 8 May 2023.** It is emphatically not an investigation.

Projects can be submitted by companies, trade associations and educational institutions. The budget of the program consists of the capacity of WR and other knowledge institutions. Partners must contribute at least 1/3 of the project budget. There is also room for projects in which companies, green educational institutions (HBO and MBO) and WR work together. In this case, the co-financing can also come from the educational institutions. The aim is for the awarded projects to start on 1 January 2023.

The online magazine <https://indd.adobe.com/view/3243a41e-bfe1-48a8-aaee-d19dbae4f9ef> gives you an idea of what can be achieved in a KoM project.

On April 11, the full call text and the formats to submit a proposal will be published here.

For more information: <https://indd.adobe.com/view/3243a41e-bfe1-48a8-aaee-d19dbae4f9ef> (in Dutch)

Four research projects on integrating health approaches and WEF nexus awarded with South Africa (31 March 2023)

Source: Website NWO News <https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/four-research-projects-integrating-health-approaches-and-wef-nexus-awarded-south-africa>



The South African National Research Foundation (NRF) and NWO have funded four projects in the South Africa-Netherlands collaboration research programme. The collaboration is characterised by an impact plan approach focusing on broad societal challenges, is interdisciplinary and involves civil society partners throughout the process.

The four funded projects within the third NRF-NWO call for proposals focus on exploring the interlinkages between water, energy, food, the wider socio-ecological environment and human health, with a view to improving responses to pandemics, health risks and crises.

Read full article here: <https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/four-research-projects-integrating-health-approaches-and-wef-nexus-awarded-south-africa>

Regional funding

EFRO 'Kansen voor West' Openings April 17 (31 March 2023)

Source: Website Kansen voor West <https://nieuwsbrief.kansenvoorwest.nl/nieuwsbrief/?id=10&idc=3407#name3407>
on April 17, 2023, Kansen voor West will put new openings online. Information round on-line
<https://lnkd.in/drUAd5QJ> on April 5 between 1 and 2 pm!

On April 17, almost 30 million will be opened for Opportunities for West III in a total of eleven openings. More than half is for the Amsterdam region. They are now opening up all their resources to the entire opportunity for west III period. So make sure you're there. More than ten million will be made available for innovation. More than seven million for the broad digital sustainable transition agenda and three million for innovations in the field of food. South Holland is making an opening of three million for the further development of campuses. Utrecht is opening up no fewer than six million euros to its innovation ecosystems and projects that strengthen them. We see circular openings in North Holland and Amsterdam (focused on circular textiles, among other things) and Rotterdam. Finally, Hydrogen is also a theme of opening up to the Amsterdam region and citizens' initiatives are requested in Amsterdam-Noord. In addition, a number of budgets opened earlier in 2022 will be increased.

Be there on time, because they are all "first come first serve". See further in the newsletter the call and link for the **information meeting on April 5 at 13:00!** Be there, don't miss the boat.

The regions of Amsterdam, North Holland, Utrecht city and province, South Holland and Rotterdam will publish new openings. The openings will be visible on the website (**click here**
<https://kvw3.kansenvoorwest.nl/openstellingen/beschikbare-budgetten/>)

In addition, existing openings will be adjusted and increased.

Click here <https://lnkd.in/drUAd5QJ> to participate in the online information meeting on April 5, 2023 between 1 and 2 p.m. in Microsoft Teams.

Read full article here: <https://nieuwsbrief.kansenvoorwest.nl/nieuwsbrief/?id=10&idc=3407#name3407>

Internal Wageningen University and Research calls

Latest developments within R&I Policies

European Policy

Academic freedom under pressure in all EU member states according to Parliament report (6 April 2023)

Source: Website Neth-ER <https://www.neth-er.eu/onderzoek/academische-vrijheid-onder-druk-in-alle-eu-lidstaten-volgens-rapport-parlement>

Academic freedom is under pressure in all EU member states. This is the conclusion of the study '**State of play of academic freedom in the EU Member States - Overview of de facto trends and developments**' [https://www.europarl.europa.eu/RegData/etudes/STUD/2023/740231/EPRS_STU\(2023\)740231_EN.pdf](https://www.europarl.europa.eu/RegData/etudes/STUD/2023/740231/EPRS_STU(2023)740231_EN.pdf) by the Panel for the Future of Science and Technology (STOA) within Parliament. The study examined the state of affairs regarding the freedom to research, the freedom to teach and enjoy, academic freedom of expression, institutional autonomy, self-government and (financial) working conditions of researchers. A global picture is emerging of threats to academic freedom at different levels and from different angles. For example, the study observes that political interventions sometimes determine which research domains are scientific and which are not, that government interference negatively influences institutional autonomy and that centralized institutional leadership undermines self-government.



Incidental Violations

Furthermore, the social use of social media towards researchers is problematic and interference from the business community threatens academic freedom. In all Member States, excluding Hungary, there are no violations of a structural nature, but of an incidental nature. In conclusion, the study finds the trends identified sufficiently worrying to speak of a 'slow erosion of academic freedom'.

Situation in the Netherlands

The Netherlands is no exception to the problems identified. The report notes that there are concerns about the weak legal anchoring of academic freedom in Dutch law. In addition, also in the Netherlands, the centralized leadership of institutions is problematic for bottom-up self-government capacity, according to the report. Government influence on funding flows, poor working conditions for young researchers and a restriction of the freedom to determine one's own research agendas are also mentioned as threats to academic freedom in the Netherlands.

Read full article here: <https://www.neth-er.eu/onderzoek/academische-vrijheid-onder-druk-in-alle-eu-lidstaten-volgens-rapport-parlement> (in Dutch)

ECIU advocates simpler and more effective partnership initiatives in Erasmus+ (6 April 2023)

Source: AWTI e-mail alert, 6 April 2023

The European Consortium of Innovative Universities (ECIU) wants Erasmus+ to pay more attention to partnerships between educational institutions and companies, skills development and greater flexibility of mobility within the programme. This can be read in a position paper from the consortium in the run-up to the forthcoming evaluation of the programme. ECIU believes that it is too complicated for partnerships to navigate between the various funds from European and national programmes, which is at the expense of ambitions. Neth-ER has written an article about the paper.

Publication ECIU: [https://assets-global.website-](https://assets-global.website-files.com/551e54eb6a58b73c12c54a18/641c86b1e01420227a20e42e_ECIU%20Erasmus%20paper_rz%20.pdf)

[files.com/551e54eb6a58b73c12c54a18/641c86b1e01420227a20e42e_ECIU%20Erasmus%20paper_rz%20.pdf](https://assets-global.website-files.com/551e54eb6a58b73c12c54a18/641c86b1e01420227a20e42e_ECIU%20Erasmus%20paper_rz%20.pdf)

Article Neth-ER: <https://www.neth-er.eu/onderwijs/eciu-vraagt-aandacht-voor-partnerschappen-vaardigheden-en-mobiliteit-in-erasmus-> (in Dutch)

Report: science policy in the green and digital transition (6 April 2023)

Source: AWTI e-mail alert, 6 April 2023

Science Europe has published a report on science-based policy making and activities for the green and digital transitions. The report is based on a survey of Science Europe member organizations and includes case studies of science projects that have contributed to these transitions. The study should contribute to the debate on a framework for interfaces between science and policy and how research organizations can support this.

Publication Science Europe: <https://www.scienceeurope.org/our-resources/science-policy-in-action-insights-for-the-green-and-digital-transition/>

Research European Commission: Joint European Degree offers solution to various challenges (6 April 2023)

Source: AWTI e-mail alert, 6 April 2023

A recent study by the European Commission is very positive about the possibilities of a Joint European Degree. According to the Commission's Directorate General for Education and Culture (DG EAC), a Joint European Degree could solve several challenges, such as quality assurance, accreditation and the awarding and implementation of joint degrees. The report does warn that the political will of the member states is an important criterion for successful implementation. Neth-ER has written an article about the main conclusions of the study.

Publication European Union: <https://op.europa.eu/en/publication-detail/-/publication/2844365b-649f-11ed-92ed-01aa75ed71a1/language-en/format-PDF/source-282948469>

Article Neth-ER: <https://www.neth-er.eu/onderwijs/commissie-eeen-joint-european-degree-is-de-oplossing-> (in Dutch)

Spain is experimenting with flexible funding arrangements for researchers (6 April 2023)

Source: AWTI e-mail alert, 6 April 2023

Spain is working on a new science funding programme, where researchers will receive stable funding for four years to explore new ideas and build capacity without being tied to specific projects. Science Business writes this in an article about the Fortalece programme. The pilot program will start with a budget of 30 million euros, but if the results are good it can rise to 700 million euros per year. "In this way, we anticipate funding for the needs of the researchers themselves and allow creativity so that they can adapt their lines of research to new ideas within the evolution of the state of science," said Diana Morant, the Spanish Minister of Science.

Article Science Business: <https://sciencebusiness.net/news/International-news/spain-pilot-flexible-open-ended-funding-researchers>

Research community gears up for talks on next EU research programme (4 April 2023)

Source: Science|Business <https://sciencebusiness.net/news/Horizon-Europe/research-community-gears-talks-next-eu-research-programme>

It's not starting until 2028, but stakeholders are ready to negotiate for more long-term vision, better balance and a bigger budget in the EU's tenth research framework programme



Horizon Europe has just entered the third of seven years for which it runs, but Brussels is already eyeing the next seven-year research programme. In February, the European Commission closed a consultation on EU programmes, which will feed into the tenth EU framework programme (FP10), and now **research proponents in Brussels are already thinking strategy.**

The negotiations won't be easy: there's a multitude of demands for research and innovation at EU level, from creating new tech to help tackle the climate crisis, to making Europe a leader in the semiconductor industry. All this requires investment, and EU governments then need to be persuaded to foot the bill.

Then there are the lessons emerging <https://sciencebusiness.net/news/Horizon-Europe/let-games-begin-research-community-sets-out-demands-next-eu-research-framework> from the EU's current €95.5 billion research programme. For some, much of research is becoming too policy-driven, international collaboration is facing too many hurdles, and research translation continues to be a complicated feat. All these issues will have to be addressed as the EU draws up the next research framework, to be proposed by the incoming Commission ahead of 2028.

The big question, as always, is money. Last time around the stakeholders called for a doubling of the EU's research budget. They couldn't get there, with policymakers settling for €95.5 billion. This time around, says Mattias Björmalm, secretary general of the university association CESAER, research stakeholders need a new strategy to secure more political backing for research.

At the same time, the EU has confronted a series of unfolding emergencies, from a global pandemic to Russia's war in Ukraine and resulting energy crisis. Public money is being funnelled to defence and energy, away from less time-sensitive priorities such as research.

But stakeholders are sure R&D has a key role to play here – the energy transition will happen without innovation for one. Now, it's about making this clear to policymakers. There are fears resources may be diverted away from research but *"these crises show a need in itself to invest in R&I to at least partly provide the solutions,"* says Just van den Hoek, policy officer at the Netherlands house for Education and Research (Neth-ER). "I hope the member states will recognise this instrumental role of the programme."

It's early days, but some are already putting a number to the demands for the next framework programme. **Neth-ER, among other associations, wants to see €200 billion the table.** The reasoning is the same as last time around: Horizon Europe should have been double the size of Horizon 2020, according to a then-famous report. This wasn't achieved, but the same problems persist. *"We know that the EU has a lot of strategic objectives, be it in terms of the green deal or digitalisation, and we know that our competitors are heavily investing in R&D, notably the US and China. So, for all of these goals to be obtained and to avoid further lagging behind at the global level, Horizon needs serious funding,"* says van den Hoek.

Read full article here: <https://sciencebusiness.net/news/Horizon-Europe/research-community-gears-talks-next-eu-research-programme>

Von der Leyen strict about China: 'Keep risks to a minimum' (3 April 2023)

Source: Website Neth-ER <https://www.neth-er.eu/onderzoek/von-der-leyen-streng-over-china-beperk-risico-s-tot-minimum->

Europe cannot ignore China, but it must absolutely not be naive in its dealings with the country. According to von der Leyen, Europe must keep the risks in relations to an absolute minimum. This risk minimization must go hand in hand with further cooperation, provided that the risks are under control. The President of the Commission calls this red line 'de-risking' https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/speech_23_2063 in a speech ahead of her first visit to Chinese President Xi Jinping in Beijing.



Beginning of a new era

China is at the dawn of a new era, von der Leyen analyses. The communist party wants a new world order with China at its head. After a period of reform and opening, a phase of security and control is now starting. The country wants to become technologically and militarily independent. China exerts pressure on smaller countries with economic dependency policies. Von der Leyen also recalls Japan, which was abruptly cut off from Chinese rare earths in 2010.

'Economic de-risking' in four steps

Von der Leyen therefore advocates limiting economic risks along four routes. **First of all**, Europe must become more competitive – especially in the health, digitization and clean tech sectors – and be able to keep its own pants in the field of critical raw materials in order to avoid a situation such as with Japan. In addition, Von der Leyen wants to look more closely at Chinese investments in European technology. She is thinking not only of dual-use purposes, but also of key technologies such as robotics, quantum, microelectronics, artificial intelligence and biotech. In the autumn, the Commission will present an Economic Security Strategy for this purpose. Von der Leyen also wants to deploy trade instruments such as export controls more quickly. Finally, Europe will promote free trade with like-minded countries in order to form a single economic bloc with equal standards and values.

Closer collaboration between scientists

However, not all ties need to be cut. In fact, Von der Leyen calls a complete decoupling undesirable, explicitly referring to scientific, social, economic and political ties. **Europe must cooperate more often with China.** On the world stage, diplomats can pull together, for example when it comes to reducing nuclear weapons, tackling pandemics and the climate.

Read full article here: [https://www.neth-er.eu/onderzoek/von-der-leyen-streng-over-china-beperk-risico-s-tot-minimum-\(in Dutch\)](https://www.neth-er.eu/onderzoek/von-der-leyen-streng-over-china-beperk-risico-s-tot-minimum-(in-Dutch))

Global policy

Concerns about closing Chinese scientific data sources (6 April 2023)

Source: AWTI e-mail alert, 6 April 2023

The scientific world has reacted with concern to the decision to 'temporarily' close various scientific data sources in China. University World News writes about this. Reportedly, the desirability of sharing such and possibly sensitive data abroad would be re-examined. It is unclear how long the restrictions will last, but the article cites several scientists who are concerned about the consequences. Georgetown University's James Millward speaks of "a huge, disastrous development." "Scientists from the PRC [People's Republic of China] will be even more cut off from the world, as their work will not be available outside of China." Some see closing the databases as another step in the technology war between the US and China.

Article University World News: <https://www.universityworldnews.com/post.php?story=20230329194656185>

Plea for Intergovernmental Panel on Digital Change (IPDC) (6 April 2023)

Source: AWTI e-mail alert, 6 April 2023

The rapid development of digital technologies requires that an international scientific forum be set up to steer these developments in the right direction. Think tank CIGI argues for this. This could include an Intergovernmental Panel on Digital Change (IPDC), based on the model of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC). In such a panel of scientists, fundamental facts and effects of digital technologies must be established before policymakers can make decisions about them. According to CIGI, this is necessary because developments are moving faster than policymakers can regulate them.

Analysis CIGI: <https://www.cigionline.org/articles/the-world-needs-an-intergovernmental-panel-on-digital-change/>

National policy

National Regulating Body Open Science NL must accelerate the transition to open science (6 April 2023)

Source: AWTI e-mail alert, 6 April 2023

Together with fifteen knowledge institutions, Minister Dijkgraaf has signed a covenant on a faster transition to open science. The recently established Open Science NL Steering Body is going to work with the agreements made to finance and boost the transition to open science. "Too often knowledge is still behind a paywall or scientific data is not made available. Research results should be freely available to everyone! Only then can we show what science does, but we can also tackle the challenges of our time together," says Dijkgraaf. Open Science NL will be placed with NWO and will receive a total budget of 184 million euros with a term up to and including 2031.

Press release Central government: <https://www.rijksoverheid.nl/actueel/nieuws/2023/03/29/wetenschap-voor-iedereen-beschikbaar-en-toegankelijk> (in Dutch)

News item U-Today/HOP: <https://www.utoday.nl/news/72702/iedereen-werkt-mee-aan-open-science> (in Dutch)

KNAW news item: <https://www.knaw.nl/nieuws/regieorgaan-open-science-officieel-van-start-onder-de-naam-open-science-nl> (in Dutch)

News item UNL: https://www.universiteitenvannederland.nl/nl_NL/nieuws-detail/nieuwsbericht/899-p-belangrijke-impuls-voor-open-science-met-nieuw-regieorgaan-p.html (in Dutch)

News item VH: <https://www.vereniginghogescholen.nl/actueel/actualiteiten/hogescholen-sluiten-aan-bij-regieorgaan-open-science-nl> (in Dutch)

Dijkgraaf positive about Recognition & Appreciation progress (6 April 2023)

Source: AWTI e-mail alert, 6 April 2023

Although there are concerns about the impact of developments in the field of Recognition & Appreciation on the international position of Dutch science, Minister Dijkgraaf has experienced during foreign visits that better recognition and appreciation is an international development. "The ambitions and objectives of the national Recognition & Appreciation program fit in well with the international cultural change that is underway," said Dijkgraaf in response to discussions with foreign ministers and top universities. This can be read in a letter to parliament on the progress of Recognition & Appreciation, which reflects on the 2022 annual report and the AWTI advice 'Indicating the qualities of science'. The minister writes that she is confident that the Netherlands will maintain its strong position in global science.

Letter to parliament on the progress of the Recognition & Appreciation programme:

<https://www.rijksoverheid.nl/documenten/kamerstukken/2023/03/30/kamerbrief-inzake-voortgang-programma-erkennen-waarderen> (in Dutch)

Letter AWTI about Interpreting the qualities of science:

<https://www.rijksoverheid.nl/documenten/kamerstukken/2023/03/30/kamerbrief-inzake-voortgang-programma-erkennen-waarderen> (in Dutch)

Call deadlines

HORIZON Europe calls

Overview of the foreseen HORIZON Europe deadline 6 April 2023

Call identifier	Deadline
Pillar I Excellent Science	
ERC	
ERC-2023-AdG	23 May 2023 at 17.00 Brussels (<i>HORIZON-ERC-AdG-Horizon Advanced Grant</i>)
ERC-2023-PoC Call for proposals for ERC Proof of Concept Grant (ERC-2023-POC)	24 January 2023 17:00:00 Brussels time (CLOSED), 20 April 2023 17:00:00 Brussels time, 21 September 2023 17:00:00 Brussels time (<i>Horizon-ERC-2023-PoC</i>)
Marie Skłodowska Curie Actions	
Research Infrastructures	
Cluster 1 HEALTH	
Destination 1 – Staying healthy in a rapidly changing society	
HORIZON-HLTH-2023-STAYHLTH-01	13 April 2023 at 17.00 Brussels time
HORIZON-HLTH-2024-STAYHLTH-01- two-stage	19 September 2023 at 17.00 Brussels time (First Stage) and 11 April 2024 (Second Stage) at 17.00 Brussels time
Destination 2. Living and working in a health-promoting environment	
HORIZON-HLTH-2023- ENVHLTH-02	13 April 2023 at 17.00 Brussels time
HORIZON-HLTH-2024- ENVHLTH-02-two-stage	19 September 2023 at 17.00 Brussels time (First Stage) and 11 April 2024 (Second Stage) at 17.00 Brussels time
Destination 3. Tackling diseases and reducing disease burden	
HORIZON-HLTH-2023-DISEASE-03	13 April 2023 at 17.00 Brussels time
HORIZON-HLTH-2023-DISEASE-07	19 September 2023 at 17.00 Brussels time
HORIZON-HLTH-2024-DISEASE-08	Foreseen opening 26 October 2023 Foreseen deadline 11 April 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time
HORIZON-HLTH-2024-DISEASE-09	Foreseen opening 26 October 2023 Foreseen deadline 11 April 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time

HORIZON-HLTH-2024-DISEASE-03-two-stage	Foreseen opening 30 March 2023 Foreseen deadline 19 September 2023 at 17.00 Brussels time (First Stage) and 11 April 2024 (Second Stage) at 17.00 Brussels time
<u>Cluster 2 Culture Creativity and Inclusive Society</u>	
<u>Cluster 4 Digital - Industry - Space</u>	
Destination 1: CLIMATE NEUTRAL, CIRCULAR AND DIGITISED PRODUCTION	
HORIZON-CL4-2023-TWIN-TRANSITION-01-TWO-STAGE	7 March 2023 at 17.00 Brussels time (First Stage) (CLOSED) and 05 October 2023 (Second Stage) at 17.00 Brussels time
HORIZON-CL4-2024-TWIN-TRANSITION-01	7 February 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time
HORIZON-CL4-2024-TWIN-TRANSITION-01-TWO-STAGE	7 February 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time (First Stage) and 24 September 2024 (Second Stage) at 17.00 Brussels time
Destination 2: INCREASED AUTONOMY IN KEY STRATEGIC VALUE CHAINS FOR RESILIENT INDUSTRY	
HORIZON-CL4-2023-RESILIENCE-01	20 April 2023 at 17.00 Brussels time
HORIZON-CL4-2023-RESILIENCE-01-TWO-STAGE	7 March 2023 at 17.00 Brussels time (First Stage) (CLOSED) and 05 October 2023 (Second Stage) at 17.00 Brussels time
HORIZON-CL4-2024-RESILIENCE-01-TWO-STAGE	7 February 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time (First Stage) and 24 September 2024 (Second Stage) at 17.00 Brussels time
DESTINATION 3 - WORLD LEADING DATA AND COMPUTING TECHNOLOGIES	
HORIZON-CL4-2024-DATA-01	19 March 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time
DESTINATION 4 – DIGITAL AND EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES FOR COMPETITIVENESS AND FIT FOR THE GREEN DEAL	
HORIZON-CL4-2024-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01	Foreseen deadline 19 March 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time
HORIZON-CL4-2024-DIGITAL-EMERGING-01-CNECT	Foreseen deadline 19 March 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time
DESTINATION 5 – DESTINATION – OPEN STRATEGIC AUTONOMY IN DEVELOPING, DEPLOYING AND USING GLOBAL SPACE-BASED INFRASTRUCTURES, SERVICES, APPLICATIONS AND DATA	
HORIZON-CL4-2024-SPACE-01	Foreseen deadline 20 February 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time

DESTINATION 6 – A HUMAN-CENTRED AND ETHICAL DEVELOPMENT OF DIGITAL AND INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGIES	
HORIZON-CL4-2024-HUMAN-01	Foreseen deadline 19 March 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time
CLUSTER 5 - Cluster 5: Climate - Energy - Mobility	
Destination - Climate sciences and responses	
HORIZON-CL5-2023-D1-01	18 April 2023 at 17.00 Brussels (<i>HORIZON-CL5-2023-D1-01</i>)
HORIZON-CL5-2023-D1-02	18 April 2023 at 17.00 Brussels (<i>HORIZON-ERC-AdG-Horizon Advanced Grant</i>)
HORIZON-CL5-2024-D1-01	Foreseen opening 12 September 2023 Foreseen deadline 6 February 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time
Destination - Cross-sectoral solutions for the climate transition	
HORIZON-CL5-2023-D2-01	20 April 2023 at 17.00 Brussels time
HORIZON-CL5-2023-D2-02	Foreseen opening 4 May 2023 Foreseen deadline 5 September 2023 at 17.00 Brussels time
HORIZON-CL5-2024-D2-01	Foreseen opening 7 December 2023 Foreseen deadline 18 April 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time
HORIZON-CL5-2024-D2-02	Foreseen opening 7 May 2023 Foreseen deadline 5 September 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time
Destination: Sustainable, secure and competitive energy supply	
HORIZON-CL5-2023-D3-01	30 March 2023 at 17.00 Brussels time
HORIZON-CL5-2023-D3-02	Foreseen opening 4 May 2023 Foreseen deadline 5 September 2023 at 17.00 Brussels time
HORIZON-CL5-2023-D3-03	Foreseen opening 4 May 2023 Foreseen deadline 10 October 2023 at 17.00 Brussels time
HORIZON-CL5-2024-D3-01	Foreseen opening 12 September 2023 Foreseen deadline 30 January 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time
HORIZON-CL5-2024-D3-02	Foreseen opening 7 May 2023 Foreseen deadline 5 September 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time
Destination: Efficient, sustainable and inclusive energy use	

HORIZON-CL5-2023-D4-01	20 April 2023 at 17.00 Brussels time
HORIZON-CL5-2023-D4-02	5 September 2023 at 17.00 Brussels time
HORIZON-CL5-2024-D4-01	Foreseen deadline 18 April 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time
HORIZON-CL5-2024-D4-02	Foreseen opening 7 May 2023 Foreseen deadline 5 September 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time
Destination: Clean and competitive solutions for all transport modes	
Destination: Safe, Resilient Transport and Smart Mobility services for passengers and goods	
Cluster 6	
Destination 1: Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services	
HORIZON-CL6-2024-BIODIV-01 1 stage	22 February 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time
HORIZON-CL6-2024- BIODIV-02 2 stage	22 February 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time (STAGE 1) 17 September 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time (STAGE 2)
Destination 2: Fair, healthy and environmentally-friendly food systems from primary production to consumption	
HORIZON-CL6-2023- ARM2FORK-01	12 April 2023 at 17.00 Brussels time
HORIZON-CL6-2024-FARM2FORK-01 1 stage	22 February 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time
HORIZON-CL6-2024-FARM2FORK-02 2 stage	22 February 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time (STAGE 1) 17 September 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time (STAGE 2)
Destination 3: Circular economy and bioeconomy sectors	
HORIZON-CL6-2023- CIRCBIO-02 2 stage	28 March 2023 at 17.00 Brussels time (STAGE 1) (CLOSED) 26 September 2023 at 17.00 Brussels time (STAGE 2)
HORIZON-CL6-2024- CIRCBIO-01 1 stage	22 February 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time
HORIZON-CL6-2024- CIRCBIO-02 2 stage	Foreseen deadline stage 1 22 February 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time (STAGE 1) 17 September 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time (STAGE 2)

Destination 4 – Clean environment and zero pollution	
HORIZON-CL6-2023-ZEROPOLLUTION-02 2 stage	28 March 2023 at 17.00 Brussels time (STAGE 1) (CLOSED) 26 September 2023 at 17.00 Brussels time (STAGE 2)
HORIZON-CL6-2024-ZEROPOLLUTION-01 1 stage	Foreseen deadline 22 February 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time
HORIZON-CL6-2024-ZEROPOLLUTION-02 2 stage	22 February 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time (STAGE 1) 17 September 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time (STAGE 2)
Destination 5 – Land, oceans and water for climate action	
HORIZON-CL6-2023-CLIMATE-01	12 April 2023 at 17.00 Brussels time
HORIZON-CL6-2024-CLIMATE-01	Foreseen deadline 22 February 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time
Destination 6 – Resilient, inclusive, healthy and green rural, coastal and urban communities	
HORIZON-CL6-2023-COMMUNITIES-01	12 April 2023 at 17.00 Brussels time
HORIZON-CL6-2024-COMMUNITIES-01 1 stage	Foreseen deadline 22 February 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time
HORIZON-CL6-2024-COMMUNITIES-02 2 stage	Foreseen deadline stage 1 22 February 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time (STAGE 1) 17 September 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time (STAGE 2)
Destination 7 – Innovative governance, environmental observations and digital solutions in support of the Green Deal	
HORIZON-CL6-2024-GOVERNANCE-01	Foreseen deadline 28 February 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time
Pillar III Innovative Europe	
Horizon-EIC-PATHFINDER Challenges-2023	2023 EIC Pathfinder Challenges call, with new challenges, will open for applications on 20 June with a deadline of 18 October 2023, 17.00 CET.
Mission calls 2023	

Other related EC calls (European Partnerships, ERA-Net COFUNDS etc.)

Overview of deadlines of most important public-public and public-private EC calls related to Horizon Europe based on information per 6 April 2023 for more details; go to EC Funding and Tenders opportunity Portal <https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/home>

Call identifier	Deadline

European Partnerships / ERANET-COFUND	
European Partnership Driving Urban Transitions (DUT) https://dutpartnership.eu/	<p>The deadline for pre-proposals is 21 November 2022, 13:00 CET (CLOSED).</p> <p>The deadline for full proposals is 3 May 2023, 13:00 CEST. The application process is run through the online application system of partner organisation UEFISCDI (Romania): https://uefiscdi-direct.ro</p> <p>More information: https://dutpartnership.eu/ and https://www.nwo.nl/sites/nwo/files/media-files/DUT%20Call%202022%201.04_0.pdf</p> <p>Dutch Research Funder NWO so NWO conditions and tariffs are in place for Dutch participants and MINBZK were All requirements for the DEI+ subsidy scheme also apply to participants wishing to join the DUT programme</p>
European 'Sustainable Blue Economy Partnership (SBEP)' https://bluepartnership.eu/#call	<p>The first transnational call of the European 'Sustainable Blue Economy Partnership (SBEP)' is published https://bluepartnership.eu/sites/bluepartnership.eu/files/Final%20version%20SBEP%20CALL%20TEXT%20for%20launch_vf-LGP.pdf</p> <p>Pre-proposal submission deadline: 14/04/2023, 15:00 CET (Brussels Time) Full proposal submission deadline: 13/09/2023, 15:00 CET (Brussels Time) https://bluepartnership.eu/#call</p> <p>Dutch Research Funder NOW: so NWO conditions and tariffs are in place for Dutch participants. <u>Eligible organizations</u>: Universities located in the Kingdom of the Netherlands; University medical centres; Institutes affiliated to the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences (KNAW) or NWO; The Netherlands Cancer Institute; The Max Planck Institute for Psycholinguistics in Nijmegen; Naturalis Biodiversity Center; Advanced Research Centre for NanoLithography (ARCNL); • Princess Máxima Center: Universities of applied sciences. <u>So WR not eligible</u></p>
Joint Technology Initiatives	
Joint Programming Initiatives	
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European Innovation Partnerships	

Other international calls

This list is a SELECTION of other international calls. The list was compiled on **6 April 2023**. Calls marked with **NEW** are newly included in the list

Deadline	Call
13-04-2023	Deadline EIT Food open Innovation call 2023 . Second Submission Deadline: 13 April 2023, 12:00 CET https://www.eitfood.eu/projects/call-for-proposals-2023 and https://www.eitfood.eu/files/Open_Innovation_Call_2023_Guidelines_Complete.pdf
14-04-2023	Deadline submitting documents co-applicants in the Netherlands (if needed) new call 'Resilient healthcare systems for pathogen outbreak preparedness' joint call of The Indonesian Ministry of Education, Culture, Research and Technology (KemendikbudRistek) and NWO (Merian Fund). They will launch their in February 2023
09-05- 2023	Foreseen Deadline for Full proposals new call 'Resilient healthcare systems for pathogen outbreak preparedness' joint call of The Indonesian Ministry of Education, Culture, Research and Technology (KemendikbudRistek) and NWO (Merian Fund). They will launch their in February 2023
06-07-2023	NEW: Deadline for submission full proposals The German-Dutch research programme 'Understanding complex pressures on the Wadden Sea and options for action' The deadline for full proposals is 6 July 2023 . NWO will hold a webinar on 25 April from 13:00 to 16:00. https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/german-dutch-research-programme-understanding-complex-pressures-wadden-sea-and-options-action-has-opened and https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/understanding-complex-pressures-wadden-sea-and-options-action
From 14-07-2023 until 14-09-2023	NEW: Deadline for submission Eurostars R&D and innovation project application call 5 . You can submit your R&D and innovation project application between 14 July 2023 to 14 September 2023 at 14:00 (Brussels time) using our project platform https://myeurekaproject.org/oauth2/sign_in?rd=%2F . https://www.eurekanetwork.org/open-calls/eurostars-funding-programme-2023-call-5

National calls

This list is a selection of open national calls. The list was compiled on **6 April 2023**. Calls marked with **NEW** are newly included in the list:

11-04-2023	Deadline for submission of pre-proposals KIC Demand-Driven Partnerships for Consortia Round 2023 . Closing date for pre-registration 11 April 2023 14:00 hrs . https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/kic-demand-driven-partnerships-consortia-round-2023 and https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/consortia-can-conduct-research-self-selected-knowledge-question
20-04-2023	Deadline for submission proposal round 4 SSH Open Competition XS pilot . Closing date round 4: 20 April 2023, at 14:00:00 CEST, decision anticipated by 3 July 2023 . https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/ssh-open-competition-xs-pilot and https://www.nwo.nl/sites/nwo/files/media-files/Call%20for%20Proposals%20SSH%20Open%20Competition%20XS%20pilot%20%281%29.pdf
20-04-2023	Deadline submissions full proposals NWA Climate and Nature call . The deadline for submitting full proposals is April 20, 2023, at 14:00:00 hours CEST . https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/nwo-launches-nwa-climate-and-nature-call and https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/dutch-research-agenda-theme-climate-and-nature and https://www.nwo.nl/en/researchprogrammes/dutch-research-agenda-nwa/thematic-programming-nwa/climate-and-nature-nwa
08-05-2023	NEW: Foreseen deadline for 'Kennis op maat' proposals Top Sectors Agri & Food and Horticulture & Propagation . Project proposals can be submitted no later than 8 May 2023 . https://kia-landbouwwatervoedsel.nl/regelingen/
09-05-2023	Deadline for submission Second package new call NWO Open Competition Domain Science - XS 2023 . Deadline for Package 1: 14.00.00 CEST on 9 May 2023 . https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/pre-announcement-new-call-nwo-open-competition-domain-science-xs-2023

09-05-2023	Deadline for submission proposals Use of space infrastructure for Earth observation and planetary research (Through the programme Use of space infrastructure for Earth observation and planetary research (GO), NWO and the Netherlands Space Office (NSO)) The deadline for submitting applications is 9 May 2023 at 14:00:00 hours CEST. https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/use-space-infrastructure-earth-observation-and-planetary-research-0 and https://www.nwo.nl/sites/nwo/files/media-files/GO_Call_for_Proposals_2022-2_ENG_v2_DEF.pdf
09-05-2023	Deadline for submission Package 1 Second round of Open Science Fund. Deadline for Package 1: 14.00.00 CEST on 9 May 2023. https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/second-round-open-science-fund-encourages-and-rewards-pioneers-open-science and https://www.nwo.nl/onderzoeksprogrammas/open-science/open-science-fund
16-05-2023	Deadline for submission full proposals KIC call 'Emerging Key Technologies' . The deadline for submitting full proposals is May 16th 2023, at 14:00:00 hours CEST. https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/emerging-key-technologies-kic-room-pioneering-research and https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/emerging-key-enabling-technologies
25-05-2023	Deadline for submission Pre-proposals NWO-call Collaboration between Humans and (semi-) Autonomous systems. The deadline for submitting pre-proposals is May 25, 2023, at 14:00:00 hours CEST. https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/call-launched-research-growing-importance-human-machine-teaming-semiautonomous-systems and https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/collaboration-between-humans-and-semi-autonomous-systems
08-06-2023	Deadline for Pre-proposals Call launched: Realisation, acceleration and upscaling of mission-driven innovation (KIC) Deadline pre-proposals: 8th of June, before 14:00:00 CEST. https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/call-launched-realisation-acceleration-and-upscaling-mission-driven-innovation-kic and https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/realisation-acceleration-and-scaling-mission-driven-innovation
15-06-2023	Deadline for submission full proposals KIC Safe and healthy food and food systems. The deadline for submitting full applications is 15 June 2023. https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/kic-call-launched-safe-and-healthy-food-and-food-systems and https://www.nwo.nl/en/meetings/matchmaking-kic-call-safe-and-healthy-food-and-food-systems
15-06-2023	Deadline for submission NWO prizes: The Athena Award https://www.nwo.nl/en/athena-award is for outstanding female researchers who are thereby a role model for others. The Communication Initiative Award https://www.nwo.nl/en/communication-award rewards researchers for effective science communication to a wider audience. The Diversity & Inclusion Initiative Award https://www.nwo.nl/en/diversity-inclusion-initiative-award is for (small-scale) initiatives that increase workplace diversity within the field. The Stairway to impact Award https://www.nwo.nl/en/stairway-impact-award rewards researchers for taking steps towards impact on society. The Team Science Award https://www.nwo.nl/en/team-science-award rewards the most inspiring and successful team of researchers from different disciplines who have taken up a scientific challenge together, where their individual strengths and expertise demonstrably reinforce each other.
15-06-2023	NEW: Deadline for submission letter of intent KIC Long-Term Programmes Strategy-driven consortia with impact. The deadline for submitting letters of intent is June 15, 2023, for 14:00:00 CEST https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/kic-long-term-programmes-strategy-driven-consortia-impact and https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/open-proposals-long-term-programmes-kic-strategy-driven-consortia-impact-round-2023
20-06-2023	Deadline for submission Pre-proposals NWO Summit Grant. The deadline for submitting pre-proposals is June 20, 2023, before 14:00:00 hours CEST. https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/summit-grant and https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/pre-announcement-ten-years-research-funding-world-class-research Note PJ: only applications selected by WUR Management Board
20-06-2023	Deadline for submission full proposal ZonMw call Lifestyle in healthcare; effectiveness and mechanisms of action. Grant applications can only be submitted by the main applicant via the online submission system of ZonMw (My ZonMw). Closing date for submission of the full report grant application is June 20, 2023, at 2 p.m. https://www.zonmw.nl/fileadmin/zonmw/documenten/Corporate/Subsidies/PDF_s/230314_subsidieoproep_leefstijlgeneskunde_ZonMw_DEFINITIEF_2.pdf and https://www.zonmw.nl/nl/actueel/nieuws/detail/item/subsidieoproep-voor-onderzoek-naar-leefstijl-in-de-zorg/
06-07-2023	Deadline for submission full proposals KIC call for research into biodiversity and biotic stress in food production and ornamental horticulture. The deadline for submission of

	completed applications is 6 July 2023. https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/new-kic-call-research-biodiversity-and-biotic-stress-food-production-and-ornamental-horticulture and https://www.nwo.nl/en/researchprogrammes/knowledge-and-innovation-covenant/mission-driven-calls-kic-2020-2023/biodiversity-and-biotic-stress-primary-production-systems-0
11-07-2023	Deadline submission full proposals for Call for proposals second round Mosaic 2.0 . The deadline for submitting full proposals is 11 July 2023, at 14:00:00 hours CEST. https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/call-proposals-second-round-mosaic-20 and https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/mosaic-20-2022
01-09-2023	NEW: Deadline Submission full PPS proposals Top Sectors Agri & Food and Horticulture & Propagation . The submission process consists of one phase: full project proposals can be submitted until 1 September at the latest. https://kia-landbouwwatervoedsel.nl/wp-content/uploads/PPSoproepLWV2023_DEF-2.pdf and https://kia-landbouwwatervoedsel.nl/regelingen/
05-09-2023	Deadline for submission of pre-proposals for the 2023 Talent Scheme Veni . https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/talent-scheme-newsflash-2023-schedule-confirmed
12-09-2023	Deadline for submission Full proposals for the 2023 Talent Scheme Vici . https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/talent-scheme-newsflash-2023-schedule-confirmed
19-09-2023	Deadline for submitting an application for PHASE 2 NWA-call for research on vulnerability and resilience in an online society . Phase 2: deadline for submitting an application is on 19 September 2023, 14:00 CEST. https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/publication-call-research-vulnerability-and-resilience-online-society and https://www.nwo.nl/en/researchprogrammes/dutch-research-agenda-nwa/thematic-programming/synergy-theme-vulnerability-and-resilience-online-society
26-09-2023	Deadline for submission Package 2 Second round of Open Science Fund . Deadline for Package 2: 14.00.00 CEST on 26 September 2023. https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/second-round-open-science-fund-encourages-and-rewards-pioneers-open-science and https://www.nwo.nl/onderzoeksprogrammas/open-science/open-science-fund
03-10-2023	Deadline for submission of full proposals KIC Demand-Driven Partnerships for Consortia Round 2023 . Closing date full application 3 October 2023 14:00 hrs. https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/kic-demand-driven-partnerships-consortia-round-2023 and https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/consortia-can-conduct-research-self-selected-knowledge-question
02-11-2023	Deadline for submission of pre-proposals for the 2023 Talent Scheme Vidi . https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/talent-scheme-newsflash-2023-schedule-confirmed
12-12-2013	Deadline for Full proposals Call launched: Realisation, acceleration and upscaling of mission-driven innovation (KIC) Deadline pre-proposals: 8th of June, before 14:00:00 CEST. https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/call-launched-realisation-acceleration-and-upscaling-mission-driven-innovation-kic and https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/realisation-acceleration-and-scaling-mission-driven-innovation
18-01-2024	NEW: Deadline for submission of Full proposals KIC Long-Term Programmes Strategy-driven consortia with impact . The deadline for submitting applications is 18 January 2024, before 14:00:00 CET. https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/kic-long-term-programmes-strategy-driven-consortia-impact and https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/open-proposals-long-term-programmes-kic-strategy-driven-consortia-impact-round-2023
23-01-2024	Deadline for submission Full Proposals NWO Summit Grant . The deadline for submitting full proposals is January 23, 2024, before 14:00:00 hours CET. https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/summit-grant and https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/pre-announcement-ten-years-research-funding-world-class-research Note PJ: only applications selected by WUR Management Board Board of Directors
Jan/febr 2024	Foreseen deadline for submission of full proposals for the 2023 Talent Scheme Veni . https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/talent-scheme-newsflash-2023-schedule-confirmed
March 2024	Deadline for submission of full proposals for the 2023 Talent Scheme Vidi . https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/talent-scheme-newsflash-2023-schedule-confirmed
18-09-2025	Deadline for submitting an application for PHASE 3 NWA-call for research on vulnerability and resilience in an online society . Phase 3: deadline for submitting an application is on September 18 2025, 14:00 CEST. https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/publication-call-research-vulnerability-and-resilience-online-society and https://www.nwo.nl/en/researchprogrammes/dutch-research-agenda-nwa/thematic-programming/synergy-theme-vulnerability-and-resilience-online-society

Regional calls

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Rooted in the former EuropaDesk that focused mainly on EU funding mechanisms, the services were broadened to include other international funding schemes as well as national and regional subsidies. Our approach is demand-driven. We look for tailor-made solutions, liaise with regional and institutional account managers, National Contact Points and EU officers and can support project coordinators for example with contract negotiations and audits.

The EU office is committed to provide advice in the whole process from proposal development to project execution and beyond. Whether you are looking for consultancy with regard to fund raising and proposal writing, are seeking dedicated support in developing (inter)national strategic initiatives, or are looking for advice on legal, financial or other project management related subjects.

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