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Latest Funding News

European Funding News: Horizon Europe and FP10

LERU: European research universities share recommendations for FP10 (16 May 2024)

Source: Website LERU <https://www.leru.org/files/Publications/LERU-paper-blueprint-EU-FrameworkProgramma-FP10.pdf>

On Wednesday, the League of European Research Universities (LERU) published a blueprint for the next EU framework programme, due to start in 2028.

Among the recommendations to strengthen the programme, LERU emphasises the need for the European Commission to lead by setting a €200 billion budget for FP10 and ensuring this budget is ring-fenced to maintain financial stability. “The EU needs to rethink the multi-annual financial framework. Now it protects those budgets that are directly distributed to member states, while the programmes managed by the European Commission, like the framework programme, are the victim of the constant effort of member states to reduce the EU budget, and of all EU policy makers to shift funding to new priorities,” said Kurt Dekelelaere, LERU’s secretary-general. “This must stop.”

Read LERU’s blueprint for FP10 here: <https://www.leru.org/files/Publications/LERU-paper-blueprint-EU-FrameworkProgramma-FP10.pdf>

The Guild: research-intensive university network releases position on FP10 (16 May 2024)

Source: Website The Guild https://www.the-guild.eu/publications/position-papers/the-guild-s-position-paper-for-fp10_may24.pdf

On Wednesday, the Guild of European Research-Intensive Universities shared its perspective on the upcoming EU Research Framework Programme (FP10).

The organisation advocates for a forward-thinking approach to FP10, emphasising that it should bolster Europe’s competitiveness and resilience through scientific leadership.

According to the group, FP10 should prioritise research and innovation activities, making knowledge creation a central goal across all its programmes. It should also synergise with other EU initiatives, such as the European Regional Development Fund, Erasmus+, and EU4Health, to enhance research capacities at national, regional and institutional levels and to expedite the introduction of new innovations.

The Guild’s recommendations are grounded in seven key principles: ensuring a substantial and stable budget of at least €200 billion; building on proven instruments that enhance Europe’s scientific excellence; harnessing researchers’ creativity in projects focused on specific challenges; integrating innovation within scientific excellence; protecting research excellence through academic freedom and openness; facilitating further international cooperation; and enhancing research excellence across Europe and reduce disparities in R&I.

Read the Guild’s full paper here: https://www.the-guild.eu/publications/position-papers/the-guild-s-position-paper-for-fp10_may24.pdf

Calls to scrap EIT mount as Fraunhofer slams the EU technology institute (16 May 2024)

Source: Website Science|Business <https://sciencebusiness.net/news/european-institute-innovation-and-technology/calls-scrap-eit-mount-fraunhofer-slams-eu>



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One of the world's leading applied research organisations says the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT) is “overly complex, costly and non-transparent” and should be “discontinued”.

In a scathing paper, Germany's Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft argues that EIT “fails to provide added value to Europe's innovation ecosystems and its industrial competitiveness” and points to the high administrative burden of participating in EIT activities, a lack of involvement of universities and research institutes and concerns over EIT's financial sustainability.

Fraunhofer's conclusion adds to the pressure on EIT after both Denmark and Latvia issued calls for it to be discontinued in the next Framework research programme, FP10.

The latest criticisms have added weight, given Fraunhofer's long heritage in carrying out the applied research needed to translate fundamental science to market, and the fact that its member institutions have direct experience as active participants in EIT programmes. The call to discontinue the EIT comes after wide consultation among these members. Fraunhofer's core justification is that other EU funding schemes, such as the large collaborative projects funded under Horizon Europe pillar 2, or the European Innovation Council, are more adept at doing what EIT does.

In addition, with pressure mounting on the EU's overall budget, Fraunhofer believes close scrutiny of how the research and innovation budget is spent is vital. Like many other research organisations, **Fraunhofer is calling for FP10** <https://sciencebusiness.net/news/european-institute-innovation-and-technology/calls-scrap-eit-mount-fraunhofer-slams-eu> to have a €200 billion budget, more than twice that of Horizon Europe, but the German organisation still does not think the EIT would offer a positive return on investment within that budget.

The paper says resources currently directed to the EIT should be put back into FP10, in particular to support the European Innovation Council (EIC), the EU's main start-up fund.

Not surprisingly, EIT has a different perspective. “EIT is needed now more than ever,” a spokesperson told Science|Business in response to the calls for it to be discontinued. “Innovation happens when you put different actors around the same table, and this is exactly what the EIT does, bringing together research, business and education.” EIT says it welcomes constructive and factual feedback from its stakeholders, including those that call for more simplification, and it has already made moves to address this, for example by introducing multi-annual grants to maximise flexibility.

“We recognise that some feedback is rooted in misunderstandings, to which we will respond directly and aim for a dialogue on an individual basis,” the spokesperson said. “It is important to recall that the EIT model is unique as it aims at impact on societal challenges, and not to maximise the award of grants to individual partners. We build on the model of open collaboration and open partnerships to attract the best ideas, and when creating innovation ecosystems, the EIT's funding must leverage private funding.”

Read full article here: <https://sciencebusiness.net/news/european-institute-innovation-and-technology/calls-scrap-eit-mount-fraunhofer-slams-eu>

Swiss Horizon Europe talks aim for agreement in summer (14 May 2024)

Source: Website Science|Business <https://sciencebusiness.net/news/swiss-horizon-europe-talks-aim-agreement-summer>

If concluded, Swiss researchers could participate in 2025 calls, which open this July. But Bern has said joining Copernicus will be too expensive



Swiss and EU negotiators are aiming to reach agreement on Horizon Europe association in the summer, which should allow full access to the programme for calls in 2025, **but will not join the Copernicus earth monitoring project** <https://www.admin.ch/gov/de/start/dokumentation/medienmitteilungen.msg-id-100889.html> due to high costs.

Switzerland has been a longstanding member of the EU's research and innovation framework programmes, but has been stuck outside since Bern walked away from wider talks about its relationship with the EU in 2021.

However, negotiating progress has been relatively swift since talks reopened <https://sciencebusiness.net/news/horizon-europe/swiss-cross-fingers-fast-association-horizon-europe-after-commission-opens> last November after these broader talks got back on track.

As well as Horizon Europe, Switzerland is also negotiating access to the Erasmus+ mobility programme and Euratom. "The expectation is that we will have some conclusions at the beginning of July," said Xavier Pilloud, head of office at Netzwerk Future, a grouping of Switzerland's universities, research funders and members of parliament. Under transition measures, Swiss academics will be able to apply for European Research Council advanced grants this year, which open on 29 May.

Further transitional measures will allow Swiss researchers to apply for all Horizon Europe 2025 calls when negotiators "initial" a deal – a point in negotiations where both sides agree they have struck an agreement, but before it has been fully signed off by various EU and Swiss institutions.

This also means that Swiss participation in 2025, at least, shouldn't be subject to sign off by the new Commission and parliament due to come in this year. However, any deal would need to be signed off in full before Swiss academics can receive any money.

"The question is whether we can participate in 2025, that's the great question," said Pilloud.

A Commission spokesperson said the EU is, "Fully committed to advance the negotiation with Switzerland efficiently and quickly."

Read full article here: <https://sciencebusiness.net/news/swiss-horizon-europe-talks-aim-agreement-summer>

Latvian government calls for EIT to be 'discontinued' (9 May 2024)

Source: Website Science|Business <https://sciencebusiness.net/news/horizon-europe/latvian-government-calls-eit-be-discontinued>

The Baltic state puts further weight behind a Danish paper recommending the EU axes the European Institute of Innovation & Technology



Latvia wants the European Institute of Innovation & Technology (EIT) to be scrapped in FP10, the EU's next framework programme for research and innovation, according to a **government position paper** <https://www.izm.gov.lv/en/article/informal-latvian-position-paper-future-eu-framework-programme-research-and-innovation-fp10-has-been-published> published today.

The Latvian government said funding instruments in FP10 should be fit for purpose and recommends the EIT is "discontinued in its current form".

According to the paper, EIT's innovation-related activities should be integrated into the European Innovation Council (EIC), while education schemes – such as the Higher Education Initiative (HEI) and the EIT Label – could continue under Erasmus+.

The EIT headquarters in Budapest could be repurposed to implement the functions of the EIC, the paper says. As the final act, EIT's knowledge and innovation communities (KICs) should be phased out gradually, "in accordance with adopted schedules for financial sustainability and progress made in attracting external financing, ensuring that expertise isn't lost."

This is not the first time a member state has called for a fundamental restructuring of the EIT. In January a paper by the Danish government <https://sciencebusiness.net/news/fp10/axe-european-institute-innovation-technology-and-move-missions-and-widening-out-horizon> said the European Commission should dismantle EIT and put in place a plan for well-functioning KICs to reach financial self-sustainability.

Its director Martin Kern, defended the EIT in an **interview with Science|Business** <https://sciencebusiness.net/news/european-institute-innovation-and-technology/european-institute-innovation-and-technology> earlier this year. "It's a great thing for Europe that we created a system where partnerships themselves become sustainable," he said. The ability of the KICs to attract diverse sources of funding is even more reason to support the EIT model in a time of shrinking budgets. But as Latvia adds its voice to the call for change, the writing seems to be on the wall, with other member states currently considering what they want from FP10, and EU officials seeming to agree that some kind of reform of EIT is required.

Read full article here: <https://sciencebusiness.net/news/horizon-europe/latvian-government-calls-eit-be-discontinued>

Knowledge umbrella organizations: 'more discussion about dual-use in the European framework program is necessary (8 May 2024)

Source: website Neth-ER: <https://www.neth-er.eu/onderzoek/kenniskoepels-meer-discussie-over-dual-use-in-europees-kaderprogramma-noodzakelijk>

More discussion is needed to make a good choice about the future of dual-use in the European framework program. This is the consensus from the responses of five European knowledge umbrella organizations to the consultation on dual-use: EAU, Science Europe, EARTO, LERU and CESEAR. While the first three umbrella organizations have announced that they are not yet making a choice, LERU and CESEAR prefer to continue within the current system. More discussion is also necessary about the definition of dual-use to create clarity.



EAU, Science Europe, EARTO: Better later than too early

It is too early to make a choice about how the Commission should stimulate dual-use research in the future. This is evident from several responses from European knowledge umbrella organizations to the consultation on dual-use. The European University Association (EUA), Science Europe and the European Association of Research and Technology Organizations (EARTO) therefore do not make a choice between the three options proposed by the Commission in the white paper https://research-and-innovation.ec.europa.eu/system/files/2024-01/ec_rtd_white-paper-dual-use-potential.pdf in their responses to the consultation. **In its statement, the EUA** <https://eua.eu/downloads/news/eua%20response%20to%20dual%20use%20consultation.pdf> argues that there should

be more clarity about the financial consequences of the options. For example, she wonders whether the various options will lead to a larger or smaller budget for the next framework program. The European umbrella organization indicates that Option 3 creates unnecessary additional complexity, but does not reject the option. **Science Europe** <https://scienceeurope.org/media/arwpixq5/2024-04-30-se-position-dual-use-white-paper.pdf> also does not make an explicit choice for an option and does not reject an option. The umbrella organization for research funders wants the budget for fundamental research to be protected in any case. The Commission must also promote research into 'peace'. **EARTO** <https://www.earto.eu/wp-content/uploads/EARTO-Answer-to-EC-Consultation-on-Technologies-with-dual-use-potential-Final.pdf>, unlike the previous umbrella organizations, does not see Option 3 as a serious possibility. Regardless of the final choice between Options 1 and 2, the research umbrella organization calls for ensuring synergies and cross-pollination between EDF and Horizon Europe.

LERU, CESEAR: Option 1 of two evils is the better

University umbrella organizations LERU and CESEAR are more emphatic in favor of Option 1, but do not rule out Option 2. According to LERU https://www.leru.org/files/Publications/Dual-use-Funding_LERU-Statement.pdf, Option 1 ensures the fastest implementation of the stimulation the Commission is seeking. This option also provides more flexibility to adjust the incentive actions when the geopolitical situation requires it. **CESEAR** <https://www.cesaer.org/content/5-operations/2024/20240430-dual-use-position/20240430-cesaer-position-dual-use.pdf> is also leaning towards Option 1 and is proposing a so-called 'Option 1.5'. In this option, the umbrella organization proposes to make the European Defense Fund (EDF) the key program for defense-related research. It must also be ensured that EDF becomes attractive to a wider range of researchers and parties. According to them, synergies between EDF and Horizon Europe should be strengthened by introducing more "spin-in" and "spin-out" calls. Spin-in calls ensure that projects from Horizon Europe with an interesting military application can be continued EDF, while Spin-out calls allow the opposite from EDF to Horizon.

Read full article here: <https://www.neth-er.eu/onderzoek/kenniskoepels-meer-discussie-over-dual-use-in-europees-kaderprogramma-noodzakelijk-> (in Dutch)

Research universities want to play a bigger role in EU's industrial policy (8 May 2024)

Source: Website LERU <https://www.leru.org/files/LERU-key-messages-EU-education-innovation-research-policy.pdf>

In a paper published today, the League of European Research Universities (LERU) has urged the European Commission to make better use of research universities' expertise and insights when devising its upcoming industrial policy.

The recommendation is part of a policy paper where the group representing 24 research-intensive universities from 12 European countries has outlined 16 key research and innovation policy objectives for the next European Parliament and Commission.

Other than a greater involvement of universities in EU's industrial policies, LERU's paper outlines other key points, including developing a future-proof multiannual financial framework to provide solid and stable financial backing and building a real European Research Area (ERA) by eliminating European and national obstacles to the free circulation of knowledge.

The group also stressed the need for EU institutions to develop clear and specific pathways between programmes, to avoid funding gaps, loss of talent and innovation leakage.

"In an increasingly competitive global landscape, our universities stand as beacons of progress, driving innovation, and pushing the boundaries of human understanding" said Linda Doyle, Chair of LERU. "Universities not only address pressing societal challenges but also lay the groundwork for future breakthroughs and discoveries that will benefit generations to come."

Read the LERU paper here: <https://www.leru.org/files/LERU-key-messages-EU-education-innovation-research-policy.pdf>

Other International funding

First Co-funded Call for Transnational Collaborative Research Projects: 'Supporting the Future of Animal Health and Welfare' launched (8 May 2024)

Source: Website European Partnership Animal health and Welfare https://www.eupahw.eu/pdf/open-calls/call-01/call-01_EUPAHW%20Call%20Announcement_13.5.pdf

The 2024 co-funded transnational call is the first EUPAHW call and is open to research entities external to the partnership EUPAHW and, under some limitations, to the Research Performing Organisations (RPO), which are beneficiaries of the EUPAHW

The European Partnership on Animal Health and Welfare (EUPAHW) is committed to ensuring a sustainable production system for terrestrial and aquatic animals. This system is designed to prevent and control infectious animal diseases, promote prudent use of antimicrobials and ensure high animal welfare throughout all stages of an animal's life.

The objectives of the EUPAHW align with the European Green Deal and its associated Farm-to-Fork Strategy, which advocates for a fair, healthy and environmentally friendly food system.

The Partnership pools national and regional financial resources through the participation of Ministries and Funding Organisations. In this first call 30 Funding Organisations from 19 countries responsible for funding research and innovation actions with financial support from the European Commission.

The purpose of this call is to support the future of the health and welfare of terrestrial and aquatic animals through research and innovation and the advancement of fundamental and socio-economic science. The call also aims to contribute to the main objectives of the EUPAHW, as outlined in the Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda (SRIA), and the research objectives of the partner Funding Organisations.

Call Topics

This call is open to proposals addressing one of the research topics described below, focusing on terrestrial and aquatic animals, bee health, or wildlife where relevant (transmission of diseases of consequence to livestock or zoonotic diseases).

Topic 1: Novel Technologies for Prevention, Detection, Assessment, and Management of Animal Health and Welfare

This topic includes research projects that concentrate on creating and advancing innovative technologies to enhance Animal Health & Welfare.

Topic 2: Fundamental Research for Animal Health and Welfare

This topic involves research to advance scientific knowledge and understanding of the biological, immunological, and physiological mechanisms influencing terrestrial and aquatic Animal Health & Welfare.

Topic 3: Animal Health and Welfare and Society

This topic covers social, economic, or ethical studies that examine how pathogens or novel technologies or improved animal welfare might impact farmers, fishers, aquaculture producers, consumers, or the production chain.

Deadline for submission of pre-proposals: 8th July 2024, 15:00 CEST

Deadline for full-proposal submission: 4th February 2025, 14:00 CET

Read carefully the guide for applicants for the rules /eligibility criteria / budget / tariffs etc.:

https://www.eupahw.eu/pdf/open-calls/call-01/call-01_EUPAHW%20Call%20Announcement_13.5.pdf

More information can be found on:

- <https://www.eupahw.eu/>
- <https://eupahw.ptj.de/>

National funding

Call open: 2.85 million euros available for the NWA call 'NWA Social dynamics in the energy transition. From practice to theory' (20 May 2024)

Source: Website NWO News <https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/call-open-285-million-euros-available-for-the-nwa-call-nwa-social-dynamics-in-the-energy-transition-from-practice-to-theory>



The NWA call 'NWA Social dynamics in the energy transition. From practice to theory' is open for submissions. The transition to clean energy is bringing about major changes in the Netherlands. It is not only a question of replacing old energy sources with new, more sustainable options. The success of the transition also depends on people's behaviour. With this call, NWO aims to help accelerate the energy transition in the Netherlands. A total of 2.85 million euros is available for this research.

Aim and background

With the NWA Call for proposals 'NWA Social dynamics in the energy transition. From practice to theory' NWO aims to stimulate knowledge development on how social dynamics can accelerate or slow down the energy transition. Social dynamics refer to behaviour within groups of end users and between end users and the system to which they belong. End users here refer to citizens and small, local businesses. The knowledge developed in this programme should provide governments with tools to respond more adequately to and anticipate the unpredictability of social dynamics among end users.

In this call for proposals, NWO invites knowledge institutions and social stakeholders to jointly develop a scientific and practice-oriented research proposal on 'Social dynamics in the energy transition. From practice to theory' The consortia will work from a knowledge chain-wide, multidisciplinary and interdisciplinary . Knowledge chain-wide means that this programme combines fundamental, applied and practical research and meets the knowledge needs of social stakeholders.

The deadline for the submission of **pre-proposals** is Tuesday **24 September 2024 at 14:00:00 CEST**.

The deadline for the submission of **applications** is Tuesday **22 April 2025 at 14:00:00 CEST**.

View the call for proposals: <https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/nwa-social-dynamics-in-the-energy-transition-from-practice-to-theory>

Information meeting

An information meeting will take place on Wednesday 12 June at 12:00h CEST. Would you like to register for this online meeting? Please click on the link below.

View the information meeting: <https://www.nwo.nl/en/meetings/online-information-meeting-for-the-nwa-social-dynamics-in-the-energy-transition-from-practice-to-theory>

First program of the Dutch Climate Research Initiative will accelerate climate transitions in urban neighborhoods (16 May 2024)

Source: Website NWO News <https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/first-program-of-the-dutch-climate-research-initiative-will-accelerate-climate-transitions-in-urban-neighborhoods>



The Dutch Climate Research Initiative (KIN), founded by NWO and KNAW, has launched its first work program to accelerate climate transitions in urban neighborhoods. The program takes an inclusive and collaborative approach to research and innovation.

The impacts of climate change are becoming increasingly visible and thus there is an urgent need for innovative approaches to address this challenge. This includes innovative approaches to research and funding. That is why the work programs in the KIN are mission-driven, transdisciplinary and is created in co-creation rather than competition. The launch of this first work program follows this approach to research and marks an important milestone for the KIN. Following the KIN way of working, the work program started at a concrete and urgent transition in the Netherlands: making urban neighborhoods sustainable. Then last fall, researchers and stakeholders sat down together to come up with a joint work program in a so-called Crutzen workshop. In implementation, the program will involve and support local parties such as housing corporations, civil servants, local entrepreneurs, sustainability professionals and citizens in developing sustainable solutions for a just climate transition.

Jan de Boer, portfolio holder for KIN on the NWO Executive Board, says: "It is fantastic that this work program has come about together with all local stakeholders. It follows a radically new way of doing research that fits the urgency with which we need to set climate transitions in motion."

More programs in the coming years

In the coming years, KIN will develop more programs in this way, using other tools as well, such as those that are more small-scale and/or connective. The underlying theme will be the same in all programs, namely that the activities bring a climate-neutral, climate-resilient and climate-just society closer.

Read more about the first work program of the Climate Research Initiative Netherlands: <https://hetkin.nl/en/home-en/>

Twenty-three innovative research projects launched through Open Competition Domain Science-M programme (15 May 2024)

Source: Website NWO News <https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/twenty-three-innovative-research-projects-launched-through-open-competition-domain-science-m-programme>



The NWO Domain Board Science has approved twenty-three grant applications in the Open Competition Domain Science-M programme. The topics vary from a study about the landscape response to retreating glaciers, a study about the dark side of star formation, the characterization of RNA localization in pathogenic

fungi, and a multi-photon imaging setup to study cognitive functions in the brain. M-grants are intended for innovative, high-quality, fundamental research and/or studies involving matters of scientific urgency.

One WUR applications is granted:

Plastics in the air: how they get transported by wind: *Dr Mahrooz Rezaei (WUR)*

For more information about the funded projects and about the NWO Open Competition Domain Science-M:
<https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/twenty-three-innovative-research-projects-launched-through-open-competition-domain-science-m-programme>

Call for proposals for the further development of human measurement models: Human Measurement Models: Next steps in model development (15 May 2024)

Source: Website SGF <https://www.gezondheidsfondsen.nl/subsidie-aanvraag-engels/>

Why this call for proposals?

Health research that holds good predictive value for human situations is important to ensure that outcomes can be applied to humans. Human measurement models are research models based on the human situation, such as human cells and tissues on a chip, or computer models based on data collected in humans. By using human measurement models, health research is expected to be better predictable and faster applicable for patients. Also, science will be less dependent on animal models.

To stimulate the development of human measurement models, the Association of Collaborating Health Foundations (SGF), Health-Holland (Top Sector Life Sciences & Health) and the Netherlands Organisation for Health Research and Development (ZonMw) have opened a new call for proposals within the Human Measurement Models programme. This third call focuses on further development of promising human measurement models.

More information can be found in the call text:<https://www.gezondheidsfondsen.nl/subsidie-aanvraag-engels/#downloads> .

Read full article here: <https://www.gezondheidsfondsen.nl/subsidie-aanvraag-engels/>

Nomination for KNAW Early Career Award 2024 (14 May 2024)

Source: Website KNAW <https://www.knaw.nl/en/funds-and-prizes/knaw-early-career-award>

The KNAW Early Career Award recognises innovative and original scientific research and also encourages the further development of a broad, diverse range of early career researchers within various fields of scientific practice.

Who is it for?

Researchers within the Kingdom of the Netherlands who are at the beginning of their career and have innovative and original ideas for research.

Who can nominate?

Members of the Royal Academy (KNAW) and The Young Academy, full professors (hoogleraren) at universities in the Netherlands and directors of research institutes in the Netherlands.

Deadline

You can submit nominations up to and including **Monday 1 July 2024**.

For nomination form: https://storage.knaw.nl/2024-03/Nominatieformulier-KNAW-Early-Career-Award-2024_0.docx

For Reglement KNAW-Early-Career-Award: <https://storage.knaw.nl/2024-03/Reglement-KNAW-Early-Career-Award.pdf>

For more information: <https://www.knaw.nl/en/funds-and-prizes/knaw-early-career-award>

Interview Dolf Weijers- 'Science back on the agenda' (13 May 2024)

Source: Website NWO News <https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/interview-dolf-weijers-science-back-on-the-agenda>



Since 1 January, WUR associate professor Dolf Weijers has been the new chair of the Life Sciences Round Table. How did he get this position and what are his plans for the Round Table.

How did you get involved in the Life Sciences Round Table?

'I got involved with the Table through the programme committee for the NWO Life congress. I really enjoyed doing that for the first editions of NWO Life. After that position, I was asked to join the Round Table. So at first I helped initiate that congress at the Round Table's request for a few years, and then I was able to join the Round Table myself.'

What made you decide to become chair now?

'Several people started at the same time and they finished their second terms at the same time. So there is quite a change in the composition of the Life Sciences Round Table. I have just finished my first three-year term, so I agreed to take over the position of chair for one year. I'm very happy to do it, but I also want to give it my full attention and effort, and I am active in a lot of other boards. The Table deserves someone who can fully commit to it and I can only commit to that for one year. After that, someone else will take over; I will remain a member of the Round Table.'

What do you want to achieve this year?

'The Round Table has an important role in organising the field, for example with the research communities, where life scientists from different backgrounds come together. I think it's important that we facilitate initiatives from the field: issues with broad relevance deserve attention. For example, we have projects around animal testing and biodiversity that have come out of the research communities. These issues are now on the agenda for broader discussion and also for policy change. As Round Table, we need to identify and facilitate these kinds of issues.'

Also, although all members of the Round Table are scientists, most discussions revolve around policy issues and problems and preconditions within science, but rarely about science itself. Of course this is necessary but still I miss those inspiring stories of cool science. I have resolved to still get science back on the agenda, even if it is just one item on the agenda. After all, we are all here for science.'

Read full article here: <https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/interview-dolf-weijers-science-back-on-the-agenda>

Grants for twenty-eight applications within Open Competition ENW-XS (10 May 2024)

Source: Website NWO News <https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/grants-for-twenty-eight-applications-within-open-competition-enw-xs>



The NWO Domain Board Science has awarded 28 applications in the Open Competition Domain Science – XS round 24-1. The themes vary from developing placental models to a search for new antibiotics from plants, and from researching whether stress increases the risk of Parkinson's to developing a new mesh-free method called Walk-on-spheres (WoS) to solve partial differential equations.

ENW-XS will continue in 2024. For more information Open Competition Domain Science – XS in 2024, please visit this page <https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/open-competition-domain-science-xs-package-24-2>. The next ENW-XS deadline was 14 May 2024.

Three projects lead by WUR are awarded:

MicroBTX: Catalyzing a Green Revolution in Aromatic Chemistry: **Dr. L. (Lyon) Bruinsma** (Wageningen University & Research)

Stressed into crawling: the biophysics of confinement-induced cellular evolution: **Dr. U. (Udo) Sen** (Wageningen University & Research)

On alert for phytopathogenic attack: Novel oxidized oligosaccharides as natural plant immunity elicitors for plant protection **Dr. P. (Peicheng) Sun** (Wageningen University & Research)

For more information about ENW-XS and the funded projects: <https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/grants-for-twenty-eight-applications-within-open-competition-enw-xs>

Regional funding

Contribution to broad prosperity through Regional Deals unclear (15 May 2024)

Source: Website Rekenkamer <https://www.rekenkamer.nl/actueel/nieuws/2024/05/15/bijdrage-aan-brede-welvaart-door-regio-deals-onduidelijk>

Minister does not keep track of what makes money

The Rutte IV cabinet has reserved €900 million extra money for Regional Deals in the coalition agreement. Last year, 14 Regional Deals were concluded for a total of € 284.2 million. The rest of the money is intended for future Regional Deals. Research by the Court of Audit shows that it is not clear whether the Regional Deals actually produce concrete results. As a result, the minister cannot properly inform the House of Representatives whether the extra money will promote broad prosperity in the region.

Positive:

It is likely that cooperation in the region is stimulated by Regional Deals;
There is room to learn and improve during implementation;

Negative:

Minister has not set clear goals and does not closely monitor the results of Regional Deals;
As a result, he cannot properly inform the House of Representatives about how the extra money for the region contributes to broad prosperity in that region;

Regional Deals are intended to improve cooperation between municipalities, provinces and social parties in a region, so that they can tackle complex problems together. Which parties exactly work together depends on the social problem that the Regional Deal is intended to address. How problems are tackled is not always clear in advance and is worked out during the Regional Deal. The intention is to discover and learn this during the term of Regional Deals.

Read full report here: <https://www.rekenkamer.nl/binaries/rekenkamer/documenten/rapporten/2024/05/15/resultaten-verantwoordingsonderzoek-2023-ministerie-van-binnenlandse-zaken-en-koninkrijksrelaties/VII+BZK+WR.pdf> (in Dutch)

Read full article here: <https://www.rekenkamer.nl/actueel/nieuws/2024/05/15/bijdrage-aan-brede-welvaart-door-regio-deals-onduidelijk> (in Dutch)

Innovative cross-border cooperation starts (15 May 2024)

Source: Website EFRO Oost <https://www.efro-oost.eu/nieuws/innovatieve-grensoverschrijdende-samenwerking-van-start>

From May 15, SME entrepreneurs in Overijssel and Gelderland can receive subsidies for collaboration with other (participating) European regions.

The Vinnovate pilot is being launched for this purpose. An arrangement in which regions jointly invest money for cross-border innovative projects. This increases and accelerates the impact of these projects.

Small and medium-sized businesses play an important role in European industry and competitiveness. Yet access to knowledge, resources and financing is not self-evident for these entrepreneurs. Vinnovate helps companies from the affiliated regions through knowledge sharing, collaborations and subsidies. The ultimate goal is to contribute to the innovation of European industry.

ERDF East contribution

East Netherlands has made €500,000 available from the ERDF budget for Vinnovate. The resources will be made available in a tender arrangement from May 15 (9 a.m.) to October 30, 2024. Project partners from regions not directly involved may also participate, but with the caveat that no subsidy from Vinnovate goes to these partners. After evaluating the pilot, a possible follow-up in 2025 will be considered.

Thematic choices

The regions have opted for collaborative projects **around eight themes**: bioeconomy, efficient sustainable production, high-quality production via 3D printing, advanced production for energy-related applications in demanding environments,

new nano-products, artificial intelligence, smart healthcare and personalized medicine, and hydrogen. These themes fit within the innovation strategy of the participating Vanguard regions.

Vanguard Initiative

The Vanguard Initiative <https://www.s3vanguardinitiative.eu/> is a collaboration between 38 European regions, including the East Netherlands region. The cooperation of these regions is based on the extent to which they complement each other in their Regional Innovation Strategy (RIS) and aims to stimulate industrial innovation. With the VInnovate pilot, Vanguard is implementing the wish to set up a financing mechanism with the regions' own resources. East Netherlands has been an active participant in the development and will therefore directly benefit from this new financing mechanism.

Status: applications can be submitted between **May 15 (9 a.m.) and October 30, 2024.**

What for: innovative cross-border cooperation projects. within priorities 1 and 2.

For whom: for at least one SME entrepreneur together with other entrepreneurs and/or knowledge institutions from the European regions affiliated with VInnovate.

For more information the subsidy, the conditions, the criteria and how to submit: <https://www.efro-oost.eu/v-innovate-pilot-2024> (in Dutch)

Read full article here: <https://www.efro-oost.eu/nieuws/innovatieve-grensoverschrijdende-samenwerking-van-start> (in Dutch)

Internal Wageningen University and Research calls

Latest developments within R&I Policies

European Policy

EU study presents methodology to assess the directionality of R&I policy (16 May 2024)

Source: AWTI e-mail alert 16 May 2024

The European Commission has published the results of a study into a framework to assess the directionality of national R&I policies of the EU member states. The researchers argue that EU Member States need to adapt their own R&I policies to meet current challenges and developments at EU level, as Horizon Europe has adopted a more transformative and directional approach to R&I, in particular through the EU missions. The report presents a methodology to analyze and understand the structure and levers of direction in national and regional R&I policy. The study should help policymakers assess whether R&I and financing policies are appropriate for the EU's key challenges and ambitions.

Publication European Commission: https://research-and-innovation.ec.europa.eu/news/all-research-and-innovation-news/how-assess-directionality-eu-member-states-ri-policy-2024-05-08_en

Think tank: How the EU should respond to US attempts at technological decoupling from China (16 May 2024)

Source: AWTI e-mail alert 16 May 2024

The EU should insist that the US commits to mitigating risks from China, rather than pursuing technological decoupling. In addition, the EU must demand more transatlantic economic cooperation. This is stated by the think tank Center for European Reform (CER) in an analysis. The think tank warns that the US is increasingly demanding more from European companies. "To protect its interests, the EU must adopt former Italian Prime Minister Enrico Letta's recent recommendations to develop a common European approach to economic security – and put pressure on Washington to keep its footprint small," it said. The analysis discusses ASML and the Netherlands in detail.

Publication CER: <https://www.cer.eu/insights/can-eu-hold-back-great-tech-decoupling>

NGOs unite against EU's rollback of green policies for the agrifood sector (14 May 2024)

Source: Website Euractiv <https://www.euractiv.com/section/agriculture-food/news/ngos-unite-against-eus-rollback-of-green-policies-for-the-agrifood-sector/>



The criticism extends beyond the recent rollback of CAP environmental measures to encompass a broader trend of abandoning ambitious green plans for the agricultural and food sectors set out earlier in the current Commission's mandate.

Hundreds of civil society organisations decried the recent reversal of EU sustainability policies for the bloc's agrifood sector in an open letter published on 13 May.

The letter is endorsed by 140 regional, national, and international NGOs, including Greenpeace, BirdLife, Friends of the Earth, Oxfam, WWF, ClientEarth, the Finnish Association for Nature Conservation, and GOB Mallorca.

"Our society's relationship with the nature that sustains it is fundamentally broken," reads the letter.

"Despite the growing evidence of looming ecological collapse (...) European governments and EU politicians are blocking new measures to protect nature and tearing up ones already in place," it continues.

The NGOs strongly criticise the relaxation of environmental conditions required for farmers to receive subsidies from the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP), condemning it as "an opportunistic attempt" by politicians to gain support ahead of the upcoming European Parliament elections in June.

Read full article here: <https://www.euractiv.com/section/agriculture-food/news/ngos-unite-against-eus-rollback-of-green-policies-for-the-agrifood-sector/>

Global policy

OECD countries want coordinated approaches between countries on emerging technologies (16 May 2024)

Source: AWTI e-mail alert 16 May 2024

Science and Technology Ministers from OECD countries say governments must develop coordinated approaches to seize the opportunities of new and emerging technologies while better managing future risks. At the ministerial meeting in Paris, ministers welcomed the new OECD Framework for Anticipatory Governance of Emerging Technologies. In addition, ministers welcomed a new agenda for transformative STI policies. This agenda provides guidance for policymakers in formulating and implementing STI reforms. Science Business has written about the outcomes of the meeting.

News item OECD: <https://www.oecd.org/newsroom/transformative-policies-and-anticipatory-governance-are-key-to-optimising-benefits-and-managing-risks-of-new-emerging-technologies.htm>

Framework for Anticipatory Governance of Emerging Technologies: https://www.oecd-ilibrary.org/science-and-technology/framework-for-anticipatory-governance-of-emerging-technologies_0248ead5-en

OECD Agenda for Transformative Science, Technology and Innovation Policies: https://www.oecd-ilibrary.org/science-and-technology/oecd-agenda-for-transformative-science-technology-and-innovation-policies_ba2aaf7b-en

Article Science Business: <https://sciencebusiness.net/news/international-news/science-ministers-commit-better-forecast-and-steer-disruptive-new>

Nature: What is the impact of NATO on science (16 May 2024)

Source: AWTI e-mail alert 16 May 2024

An article in Nature maps out NATO's scientific priorities and ambitions. Defense technology researcher at Lancaster University Simona Soar expects that the role of science and technology for NATO is likely to grow over the next twenty years. When asked how NATO applies science, chief scientist Bryan Wells says he wants to make sure “we can provide scientific advice to NATO countries so they can maintain a technical and military advantage.” The organization's scientific work focuses largely on defense and civil security projects, for example research into the impact of climate change on defense and security, how emerging technologies can improve soldier performance and research into 'hybrid threats' such as election interference and disinformation .

Article Nature: <https://www.nature.com/articles/d41586-024-01052-1>

New Zealand expects to join FP10 (16 May 2024)

Source: AWTI e-mail alert 16 May 2024

New Zealand is on track to join the successor to Horizon Europe (FP10) in 2028. This is what Minister of Science Judith Collins told Science Business. In December 2022, New Zealand was the first country outside Europe to sign an association agreement with Horizon Europe. Canada and South Korea have since also signed agreements to join. But these agreements do not yet guarantee that the countries will also participate in the successor to Horizon (FP10) in 2028. “So far we are very happy with our collaboration with Horizon Europe,” says Collins. “Our success rates have been good so far.”

Article Science Business: <https://sciencebusiness.net/news/fp10/new-zealand-science-minister-assumes-country-will-join-next-framework-programme>

National policy

Subsidy news from the outline agreement of the new cabinet (16 May 2024)

Source: Website : <https://www.tweedekamer.nl/nieuws/kamernieuws/vezelchairmen-lezen-hoofdlijn-toe>

The negotiators of PVV, VVD, NSC and BBB agreed on Wednesday on an outline agreement for a new cabinet. This agreement, entitled 'Hope, courage and pride', also contains the necessary subsidy-related news. Below is a brief overview, broken down as much as possible by policy area.

Generic target subsidies

The budgets of the various ministries contain a large number of subsidy budgets, while the effectiveness and efficiency of the resources are often not or insufficiently proven. Examples are subsidies for healthy lifestyle, inclusivity, participation and participation. That is why the budgets for subsidies in the budgets are structurally reduced by € 1 billion. This target is distributed in proportion to the subsidy base on the budgets, whereby the base is first reduced by the specific budget reductions in this outline agreement.

Economy and business climate

Companies are helped with the energy transition and with solving grid congestion (*see also under the heading Energy transition*). The availability of talent, strengthening the knowledge economy, innovation, and (digital) infrastructure are given priority. **InvestNL** is being strengthened as an important vehicle for investments in innovation and in the potential of our economy. An additional €1 billion will therefore be made available for InvestNL's activities. **The National Growth Fund, on the other hand, is being phased out.** The agreements of rounds 1 to 3 are fulfilled. **Rounds 4 and 5 are cancelled. As a result, €6.8 billion less is spent.**

The compensation transition payment is limited to small employers (as of 1-7-26). Compensation for employers in the event of dismissal due to long-term disability (after the end of the two-year obligation to continue paying wages) is limited to small employers (fewer than 25 employees). Employers with 25 or more employees are no longer compensated.

Energy transition

The energy transition should aim to reduce existing and prevent new dependence on unreliable countries. It is crucial that this is not at the expense of people with a small budget and small businesses, such as the bakery on the corner and the handyman company. Some of the resources currently available for the energy transition will be used specifically for these people and entrepreneurs. This includes helping people and small entrepreneurs to make their homes and business premises more sustainable.

The price-risk buffer for SDE expenditure will be reduced to 10 percent. The resources in the current budget will therefore be reduced annually by € 1 billion from 2026. **The reservation for nuclear energy in the current government budget of € 4.5 billion will be increased by € 9.5 billion so that € 14 billion is available for a government contribution to the construction of four nuclear power stations up to and including 2035.**

The purchase of electric vehicles continues to be supported, with attention also being paid to 'fossil drivers' and a fair distribution of costs between both groups. The subsidies will all stop in 2025, the MRB weight correction (fiscal) will remain in place.

The Climate Fund is used for investments in innovations and technology such as 'CCS' and green hydrogen. If necessary, blue hydrogen can be used as an intermediate step. **Subsidies for bioenergy combined with CO2 capture and storage (BECCS) and biomass power stations will be stopped as soon as possible**, in accordance with the previously agreed phase-out path. **The budget for the Climate Fund will be reduced by €1.2 billion.** The resources for the development of batteries and green hydrogen will be reduced (proportionally to the current budget).

The phasing out of fossil subsidies for energy supply is taking place in a European context.

Agriculture and horticulture

Innovation is given the space it deserves, procedures are adjusted and innovation resources are organized in such a way that new discoveries can quickly be applied in a legally sustainable manner and goals are achieved. There will be a **separate innovation program for robotization** aimed at saving manpower. Any buyout will be aimed at

outdated companies with the least favorable conditions for the climate and/or environment and animal welfare. Farmers who use the National Termination Scheme for Livestock Farming Locations (LBV and LBV+) will receive a deferral of the demolition obligation until the manure market is stable again.

This will be followed by a multi-year investment of €5 billion in the agricultural sector, such as innovation, a purchase scheme and tackling the manure market. This amount is in addition to the structural investment for agricultural nature management by farmers. The current funds in the LNV budget for rural areas will be retained. The Transition Fund will be cancelled. The investments and expenditure are made available through the LNV budget. The bill for the Transition Fund is therefore withdrawn.

Fisheries

The survival of Dutch fishing is crucial for the Netherlands. That is why the fishing sector receives maximum support in achieving a future-proof fleet. **Fishermen are part of Dutch culture and everything is done to fight for the fishermen.** Also in Brussels. Fishermen are supported in innovations, safety and the development of sustainable fishing techniques.

Education/Science

The proliferation of subsidies will come to a halt. The subsidies will often be converted into solid structural financing, with a standard for the amount of education money for the primary process, maximizing overhead and with the say of school leaders and the involvement of teachers in the expenditure of resources.

The subsidy for social service time (MTD), the subsidy for broad bridge classes and the subsidy for heterogeneous bridge classes will be abolished. The subsidy for school and environment will be reduced. The School and Environment program is limited to the 5% of schools with the largest positive disadvantage score. **The higher education and science sector plans will be adjusted and the Research and Science Fund will be reduced by € 1.1 billion.**

Good governance and a strong rule of law

Investments are being made in structural cooperation with the region. The existing regional deals will be expanded in consultation with the business community, knowledge institutions and local authorities into strategic investment agendas with agreements on housing, accessibility, education and the economy.

Foreign trade/development cooperation

The budget for foreign trade and the budget for international security (BIV) will not be reduced and will remain available for the objectives of the main agreement. The budget for development cooperation is adjusted to the shifting relationships in the world. Furthermore, from 2027, a maximum of 10% of the costs of first-year reception of asylum refugees will be allocated to the ODA budget.

More information

For more information, please also visit: <https://www.tweedekamer.nl/nieuws/kamernieuws/vezelchairmen-lezen-hoofdlijntoe>

Coalition agreement for universities: “Bum to our students and employees” (16 May 2024)

Source: Website UNL <https://www.universiteitenvannederland.nl/actueel/nieuws/universiteiten-dreun-voor-onze-studenten-en-medewerkers>

Major cuts to education and research in the outline agreement

Today the forming parties presented their main lines agreement. Universities are shocked by the cuts in education, research and innovation. These plans damage the future of young people and the Netherlands. Jouke de Vries, interim chairman of Universities of the Netherlands: “The cuts in education and science are a blow to our students and employees who are already under enormous pressure. Together with the major changes in the international character of universities, these cuts are damaging our good education and research. This does not fit with the ambition of the forming parties to strengthen the knowledge economy and the earning capacity of the Netherlands. With this we are putting the future of the young people in our country at risk.”

Cuts

The structural damage caused by the cuts in this main agreement amounts to more than 500 million. The forming parties are making structural cuts of 215 million on the higher education and science sector plans, among other things. This puts the position of 1,200 scientists at risk, while they are desperately needed to limit the demonstrably high workload and keep education and research up to standard. They are also cutting back on the fund for research and science by a total of 1.1 billion and billions are disappearing for innovation by scrapping the National Growth Fund.

A late study fine of 3,000 euros per year will significantly increase the pressure on our students. This can increase the barrier to (continue) studying, especially for young people from a family with a low income.

These cuts will have far-reaching consequences for the Netherlands: overburdened teachers, less time and freedom for students and researchers, and a deterioration of the Dutch knowledge economy.

International position under pressure

The forming parties want universities to offer far fewer bachelor's programs in English and to increase the requirements for knowledge workers. "These measures destroy the international character of higher education. This has major consequences for the availability of talent for science and the labor market.

Read full article here: <https://www.universiteitenvannederland.nl/actueel/nieuws/universiteiten-dreun-voor-onze-studenten-en-medewerkers> (in Dutch)

KNAW calls for the maintenance of an open science system (16 May 2024)

Source: AWTI e-mail alert 16 May 2024

In view of Minister Dijkgraaf's plans for the internationalization of scientific education (see next message), the KNAW advocates maintaining international mobility and maintaining an attractive business climate for international scientists and students. This can be read in a statement. "The language of instruction plays an important role in this and the discussion about this must be well-considered and focused on content. The responsibility for the choice of language and for ensuring the accessibility of academic education belongs to the academic institutions. The KNAW therefore calls on universities to continue to work on regional and national coordination regarding language policy, whereby they must be given appropriate instruments to take control," it can be read. The KNAW emphasizes that international cooperation and an open science system are important for Dutch science, economy and society. The Young Academy also endorses the KNAW statement.

News item KNAW: <https://www.knaw.nl/nieuws/statement-van-de-knaw-wetenschap-kent-geen-grenzen-behoud-het-open-wetenschapssysteem> (in Dutch)

Statement KNAW: <https://storage.knaw.nl/2024-04/KNAW-oproep-behoud-open-wetenschapssysteem.pdf> (in Dutch)

News item The Young Academy:

<https://www.dejongeakademie.nl/nieuws/2716783.aspx?t=Koester%2Deen%2Dopen%2Den%2Dinternationaal%2Dgeori-enteerd%2Dwetenschapssysteem> (in Dutch)

Clingendael: How do we balance between openness and security around critical technologies? (16 May 2024)

Source: AWTI e-mail alert 16 May 2024

It is expected that there will be export restrictions on critical technologies worldwide. To ensure a good balance between openness and security, the Netherlands must prepare for this, ideally in collaboration with the EU and other member states. This is stated by the Clingendael Institute in an analysis of possible export controls for quantum technologies. For example, Member States should ensure greater harmonization in export controls, invest significantly in capacity building and promote EU-wide cooperation between universities and industry.

Publication Clingendael: <https://www.clingendael.org/publication/balancing-openness-economic-security-and-national-security>

Opinion: Universities are missing out on money due to a lack of knowledge surrounding valorization (16 May 2024)

Source: AWTI e-mail alert 16 May 2024

There is still much room for improvement in the work of the KTOs (knowledge transfer offices) and the management of this by university boards. This is what emeritus professor Gerard van Beynum writes in an opinion piece in the FD. "There are still virtually no valorization experts on the various boards of directors. And in the Netherlands there are too few of them to work in a KTO for a civil servant salary," says Van Beynum. He suggests transferring the small number of professional valorization experts to a nationally operating private company in which knowledge institutions are shareholders. "Then it is possible to develop a joint portfolio, bundle major research themes and bring them to the market in one go – mass is the cash register. The Dutch Oncode Institute proves that it works; there, oncological knowledge is centrally collected and marketed throughout the country." HOP also wrote about the opinion piece.

Opinion piece FD (Paywall): <https://fd.nl/ opinie/1515102/door-kennisgebrek-loopt-universiteit-opbrengst-mis> (in Dutch)

Article HOP/U-Today: <https://www.utoday.nl/news/74169/patenten-universiteiten-laten-geld-liggen> (in Dutch)

Dijkgraaf sends the Internationalization in Balance Act to the House (16 May 2024)

Source: AWTI e-mail alert 16 May 2024

Minister Dijkgraaf has sent the Internationalization in Balance Act (WIB) bill to Parliament. The law regulates a package of measures and instruments to better manage internationalization. In addition to the law, the minister wants to make administrative agreements with the institutions. In a press release, the minister emphasizes that 'the Netherlands relies on knowledge'. "We therefore cannot do without international talent, whether that is for science, the labor market or the quality of the programs themselves. We must cherish our leading position as an international knowledge hub," says Dijkgraaf. At the same time, the minister believes that we are now entering a new phase of internationalization. "It is therefore important to take action, but a sustainable balance does require precision instruments and customization. This bill makes it possible to intervene carefully, targeted and appropriate where necessary, with the colleges and universities primarily taking the initiative together." HOP and ScienceGuide have written analyzes on some striking and new points from the bill.

Press release from the Dutch government: <https://www.rijksoverheid.nl/actueel/nieuws/2024/05/13/sturen-op-gebalanceerde-internationalisering-hogescholen-en-universiteiten> (in Dutch)

Article HOP/U-Today: <https://www.utoday.nl/news/74179/nieuw-wetsvoorstel-internationalisering-instellingen-krijgen-zelf-de-regie> (in Dutch)

Article HOP/U-Today: <https://www.utoday.nl/news/74186/gedwongen-ontslagen-geen-verplicht-vak-nederlands-en-meer-bijzonderheden> (in Dutch)

Article ScienceGuide: <https://www.scienceguide.nl/2024/05/internationaliseringswet-houdt-ruimte-voor-uitzonderingen-ontslagen-niet-ondenkbaar/> (in Dutch)

Call deadlines

HORIZON Europe calls

Overview of the foreseen HORIZON Europe deadline 17 May 2024

Call identifier	Deadline
Pillar I Excellent Science	
ERC	
ERC-2024-Adv	Foreseen opening 29 May 2024 and foreseen deadline 29 August 2024
Marie Skłodowska Curie Actions	
HORIZON-MSCA2024-DN-01-01 MSCA Doctoral Networks 2024 TMA Doctoral Networks	Foreseen opening 29 May 2024 and foreseen deadline 27 November 2024 (<i>HORIZON-MSCA-2024-DN-01-01 TMA Doctoral Networks</i>)
HORIZON-MSCA-2024-DN-01-01 TMA Doctoral Networks - Industrial Doctorates	Foreseen opening 29 May 2024 and foreseen deadline 27 November 2024 (<i>HORIZON-MSCA-2024-DN-01-01 TMA Doctoral Networks - Industrial Doctorates</i>)
HORIZON-MSCA-2024-DN-01-01 TMA Doctoral Networks - Joint Doctorates	Foreseen opening 29 May 2024 and foreseen deadline 27 November 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time (<i>HORIZON-MSCA-2024-DN-01-01 TMA Doctoral Networks - Joint Doctorates</i>)
HORIZON-MSCA-2024-PF-01-01 Postdoctoral Fellowships - European	11 September 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time (<i>HORIZON-MSCA-2024-PF-01-01 Postdoctoral Fellowships – European</i>)
HORIZON-MSCA-2024-PF-01-01 Postdoctoral Fellowships - Global	11 September 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time (<i>HORIZON-MSCA-2024-PF-01-01 Postdoctoral Fellowships – Global</i>)
HORIZON-MSCA-2024-SE01-01 MSCA Staff Exchanges 2024 Staff Exchanges	Foreseen opening September 2024 and foreseen deadline 5 Februar 2025 (<i>HORIZON-MSCA-2024-SE01-01 Staff Exchanges</i>)
HORIZON-MSCA-2024-COFUND- 01-01 https://marie-sklodowska- curie- actions.ec.europa.eu/actions/cofund	26 September 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time (<i>HORIZON-MSCA-2024-COFUND- 01-01) TMA Cofund postdoctoral and TMA Cofund doctoral</i>)
HORIZON-MSCA-2024-INCO-01- 01 MSCA International Cooperation 2024 International cooperation	Foreseen opening 14 May 2024 and foreseen deadline 4 September 2023 (<i>HORIZON-MSCA-2024-INCO-01-01 International cooperation</i>)
Research Infrastructures	
Cluster 1 HEALTH	
Destination 1 – Staying healthy in a rapidly changing society	
HORIZON-HLTH-2024-DISEASE- 09-01 European Partnership: One Health Anti-Microbial R European	25 September 2024 (<i>HORIZON-HLTH-2024-DISEASE-09-01 European Partnership: One Health Anti-Microbial Resistance</i>)

Partnership: One Health Anti-Microbial Resistance	
Destination 2. Living and working in a health-promoting environment	
Destination 3. Tackling diseases and reducing disease burden	
<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-CL4-2024-TWIN-TRANSITION-01-TWO-STAGE	7 February 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time (CLOSED) (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-CL4-2024-RESILIENCE-01-TWO-STAGE	7 February 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time (CLOSED) (First Stage) and 24 September 2024 (Second Stage) at 17.00 Brussels time
DESTINATION 3 - WORLD LEADING DATA AND COMPUTING TECHNOLOGIES	
DESTINATION 4 – DIGITAL AND EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES FOR COMPETITIVENESS AND FIT FOR THE GREEN DEAL	
DESTINATION 5 – DESTINATION – OPEN STRATEGIC AUTONOMY IN DEVELOPING, DEPLOYING AND USING GLOBAL SPACE-BASED	

INFRASTRUCTURES, SERVICES, APPLICATIONS AND DATA	
DESTINATION 6 – A HUMAN-CENTRED AND ETHICAL DEVELOPMENT OF DIGITAL AND INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGIES	
CLUSTER 5 - Cluster 5: Climate - Energy - Mobility	
Destination - Climate sciences and responses	
HORIZON-CL5-2024-D2-02	5 September 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time
Destination: Sustainable, secure and competitive energy supply	
HORIZON-CL5-2024-D3-02	5 September 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time
HORIZON-CL5-2024-D3-02-03 Development of next generation synthetic renew and several other topics	Planned opening date 17 September 2024 Deadline date 21 January 2025 17:00:00 Brussels time (<i>HORIZON-CL5-2024-D3-02-03 en several other topics</i>)
Destination: Efficient, sustainable and inclusive energy use	
HORIZON-CL5-2024-D4-02	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	
<u>Cluster 6</u>	
Destination 1: Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services	

HORIZON-CL6-2024- BIODIV-02 2 stage	22 February 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time (STAGE 1) CLOSED 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-CL6-2024- FARM2FORK-02 2 stage	22 February 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time (STAGE 1) CLOSED 17 September 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time (STAGE 2)
Destination 3: Circular economy and bioeconomy sectors	
HORIZON-CL6-2024- CIRCBIO-02 2 stage	Foreseen deadline stage 1 22 February 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time (STAGE 1) CLOSED 17 September 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time (STAGE 2)
Destination 4 – Clean environment and zero pollution	
HORIZON-CL6-2024- ZEROPOLLUTION-02 2 stage	22 February 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time (STAGE 1) CLOSED 17 September 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time (STAGE 2)
Destination 5 – Land, oceans and water for climate action	
Destination 6 – Resilient, inclusive, healthy and green rural, coastal and urban communities	
HORIZON-CL6-2024- COMMUNITIES-02 2 stage	22 February 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time (STAGE 1) CLOSED 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	
Pillar III Innovative Europe	
Mission calls 2024	
HORIZON-MISS-2024-CLIMA-01 Adaptation to Climate Change Mission	18 September 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time (<i>HORIZON-MISS-2024-CLIMA-01</i>)
HORIZON-MISS-2024-CANCER-01 Mission: Cancer	18 September 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time (<i>HORIZON-MISS-2024-CANCER-01</i>)
HORIZON-MISS-2024-OCEAN-01 Mission: Restore our Ocean and Waters by 2030	18 September 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time (<i>HORIZON-MISS-2024-OCEAN-01</i>)
HORIZON-MISS-2024-CIT-01 Mission: 100 Climate-Neutral and Smart Cities by 2030	16 January 2025 at 17.00 Brussels time (<i>HORIZON-MISS-2024-CIT-01</i>)

HORIZON-MISS-2024-CIT-02 Mission: 100 Climate-Neutral and Smart Cities by 2030	5 September 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time (<i>HORIZON-MISS-2024-CIT-02</i>)
HORIZON-MISS-2024-SOIL-01 Mission: A Soil Deal for Europe	Foreseen deadline 8 October 2024 at 17.00 Brussels time
WIDERA 2024	

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 17 May 2024 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 Agroecology	<p>1ST CO-FUNDED CALL OF THE AGROECOLOGY PARTNERSHIP "FOSTERING AGROECOLOGY AT FARM AND LANDSCAPE LEVELS" THE CALL IS OPEN</p> <p>THE RECORDINGS AND SLIDES OF THE WEBINAR CAN BE FOUND HERE: HTTPS://FZ-JUELICH.SCIEBO.DE/S/ITWWA2NDTC1KHGS</p> <p>For all call information: https://agroecology.ptj.de/call1 The deadline for pre-proposals is 26 April 2024 6, 14:00h CEST (CLOSED). The deadline for full proposal submission is 19 September 2024, 14:00h CEST.</p>
European Partnerships European Partnership on Animal Health and Welfare https://www.eupahw.eu/	<p>NEW: 1st co-funded call for proposals of the European Partnership on Animal Health and Welfare (EUPAHW) "Supporting the Future of Animal Health and Welfare"</p> <p>Pre-proposal: This first step is now open and will be closed on July 8th, 2024, 15:00 h (CEST).</p> <p>Deadline for full-proposal submission 4th February 2025, 14:00 CET https://www.eupahw.eu/pdf/open-calls/call-01/call-01_EUPAHW%20Call%20Announcement_13.5.pdf EUPAHW submission webpage: https://eupahw.ptj.de/ EUPAHW webpage: www.EUPAHW.eu</p>
European partnership ERA4Health https://era4health.eu/	<p>ERA4Health Partnership: Pre-announcement of the Modulation of brain ageing through nutrition and healthy lifestyle (NutriBrain) call</p> <p>3 November, 2023 Publication of NutriBrain call 15 January, 2024, 16h00 CET Deadline for pre-proposal submission CLOSED 27 March, 2024 Communication of the results of the pre-proposal assessment (invitation for full proposal) 27 May, 2024, 16h00 CEST Deadline for full proposal submission</p> <p>For more information: https://era4health.eu/pre-announcement-of-the-modulation-of-brain-ageing-through-nutrition-and-healthy-lifestyle-nutribraincall/ and</p>

<p>European Partnership Sustainable Blue Economy https://www.bluepartnership.eu/</p>	<p>Sustainable Blue Economy Partnership (SBEP) – Second Joint Transnational Co-Funded Call. Closing date for pre-registration 10 April 2024 15:00 hrs. (CLOSED) Closing date full application 6 November 2024 15:00 hrs. https://www.nwo.nl/sites/nwo/files/media-files/Call%20text%20-%20Sustainable%20Blue%20Economy%20Partnership_Def%20%282-24%29.pdf and https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/sustainable-blue-economy-partnership-sbep-second-joint-transnational-co-funded-call</p>
<p>Joint Technology Initiatives</p>	
<p>Joint Programming Initiatives</p>	
<p>JPI OCEANS https://jpi-oceans.eu/en/about</p>	<p>new JPI Oceans Joint Call on the ecological aspects of deep-sea mining Deadline for submitting pre-proposals - 01.03.2024 (CLOSED) Deadline for submitting full proposals - 30.09.2024</p> <p>View the call for proposals on the website of JPI Oceans: https://jpi-oceans.eu/en/announcement-new-jpi-oceans-joint-call-ecological-aspects-deep-sea-mining</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A healthy diet for a healthy life (HDHL): http://www.healthydietforhealthylife.eu/ • Agriculture, food security and climate change (FACCE): http://www.faccejpi.com/ • Antimicrobial Resistance- The Microbial Challenge - An Emerging Threat to Human Health (JPI AMR): http://www.jpiamr.eu/ • Connecting Climate Knowledge for Europe (Clik'EU): http://www.jpi-climate.eu/home • Healthy and Productive Seas and Oceans (JPI-Oceans): http://www.jpi-oceans.eu/ • More Years, Better Lives - The Potential and Challenges of Demographic Change (JPI MYBL): http://www.jp-demographic.eu/ • Neurodegenerative Disease/Alzheimer's (JPND): http://www.neurodegenerationresearch.eu/ • Urban Europe - Global Urban Challenges, Joint European Solutions (Urban Europe): http://jpi-urbaneurope.eu/ • Water challenges for a changing world (Water-JPI): http://www.waterjpi.eu/ • Cultural Heritage a Challenge for Europe (Cultural Heritage): http://www.jpi-culturalheritage.eu/

Other international calls

This list is a SELECTION of other international calls. The list was compiled on **17 May 2024**. Calls marked with **NEW** are newly included in the list

Deadline	Call
From 20-11-2023 until 21-05-2024	Deadline submission proposals Globalstars call for projects with Taiwan . You can submit your R&D project application for this call for projects between 20 November 2023 and 21 May 2024. https://www.eurekanetwork.org/open-calls/globalstars-taiwan-2024
27-05-2023	Deadline submission Full proposals for Modulation of brain ageing through nutrition and healthy lifestyle (NutriBrain) within the European partnership ERA4Health . The deadline for full proposals is 27 May 2024, 16:00 CEST . https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/modulation-of-brain-ageing-through-nutrition-and-healthy-lifestyle-nutribrain and https://era4health.eu/
11-06-2024	Foreseen deadline proposals for NL-CGIAR SEP II on enhancing knowledge and innovation for global food and nutrition security . https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/pre-announcement-nl-cgiar-sep-ii-

	on-enhancing-knowledge-and-innovation-for-global-food-and-nutrition-security and https://www.nwo.nl/en/researchprogrammes/netherlands-cgiar-research-programme and https://www.nwo.nl/en/researchprogrammes/netherlands-nl-cgiar-research-programme/senior-expert-programma-sep-cgiar
19-09-2024	Deadline submission Full proposals 1ST CO-FUNDED CALL OF THE AGROECOLOGY PARTNERSHIP "FOSTERING AGROECOLOGY AT FARM AND LANDSCAPE LEVELS" The deadline for full proposal submission is 2024 September 19, 14:00h CEST. https://agroecology.ptj.de/call1 and HTTPS://FZ-JUELICH.SCIEBO.DE/S/ITWWA2NDTC1KHGS
17-09-2024 and 19-09-2024	Deadline submission proposals for several LIFE calls 'Nature and biodiversity', 'Circular economy and quality of life', 'Climate change mitigation and adaptation and 'Clean energy transition' Deadline dates: 19 September 2024 and 17 September 2024 https://cinea.ec.europa.eu/programmes/life/life-calls-proposals-2024_en and https://cinea.ec.europa.eu/news-events/news/life-calls-proposals-2024-bring-your-green-dream-life-share-eu571-million-funding-2024-04-18_en
06-11-2024	Deadline for submission full applications Sustainable Blue Economy Partnership (SBEP) – Second Joint Transnational Co-Funded Call . Closing date full application 6 November 2024 15:00 hrs. https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/sustainable-blue-economy-partnership-sbep-second-joint-transnational-co-funded-call and https://www.nwo.nl/sites/nwo/files/media-files/Call%20text%20-%20Sustainable%20Blue%20Economy%20Partnership_Def%20%282-2-24%29.pdf and https://www.bluepartnership.eu/
Open until 23-11-2024	Deadline for collection proposal for Open COST Call 2024 . The next collection date will be 23 October 2024 at 12.00 (noon) CEST. The following collection date is expected in Autumn 2025. https://www.cost.eu/funding/open-call-a-simple-one-step-application-process/ and https://www.cost.eu/funding/documents-guidelines/

National calls

This list is a selection of open national calls. The list was compiled on 17 May 2024. Calls marked with **NEW** are newly included in the list:

21-05-2024	Deadline for submission pre-applications third call PhD scholarship programme Mosaic 2.0 . The deadline for submitting pre-applications: 21 May 2024, at 14:00:00 CEST. https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/now-open-call-third-grant-round-mosaic-20 and https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/mosaic-20-2024 and https://www.nwo.nl/sites/nwo/files/media-files/Call%20for%20Proposals_Moza%C3%AFek%202.0%202024%20DEF_0.pdf
23-05-2024	Deadline for submission Pre-proposals The call 'Smart Materials: From responsive to adaptive' within the Knowledge and Innovation Covenant (KIC) The deadline for submitting pre-proposals is 23 May 2024, at 14:00:00 CEST. https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/call-for-new-adaptive-materials-opened and https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/smart-materials-van-responsief-naar-adaptief and https://www.nwo.nl/sites/nwo/files/media-files/screened-English%20version%20of%20Call%20for%20Proposals%20Smart%20Materials%20FINAL_11-12-2023_DEF.pdf
28-05-2024	Deadline for submission of declaration of intend for NWO call for Large-scale Scientific Infrastructure . Submission declarations of intent: May 28, 2024. https://www.nwo.nl/onderzoeksprogrammas/nationale-roadmap-grootschalige-wetenschappelijke-infrastructuur and file:///C:/Users/jonge026/Downloads/NWO-GWINC%202024%20537%20call%20for%20proposals%202024.pdf Please contact Shared Research Facilities (SRF, mascha.rasenberg@wur.nl) if you are coordinating a proposal or are part of a consortium submitting a proposal. SRF coordinates the internal submission procedure including the needed approval of our Executive Board.
04-06-2024	Deadline for submitting a grant application for Off-Road 2024 (ZonMw) . The applicant the applicant can submit the grant application until June 4, 2024, 14:00h CEST. a completed application form must be submitted via MyZonMw. https://www.zonmw.nl/en/news/road-call-opened and https://www.zonmw.nl/en/subsidie/off-road-2024#orientate-when and https://www.zonmw.nl/sites/zonmw/files/2024-04/Application-form-Off-Road-2024.docx and https://www.zonmw.nl/sites/zonmw/files/2024-04/Subsidieoproep-Off-Road-2024_English_0.pdf
06-06-2024	Deadline for submitting full-proposals Open Competition Domain Science-XL The deadline for submitting full proposals is June 6, 2024, before 14:00:00 hours CEST. https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/new-round-open-competition-domain-science-xl-opened and https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/open-competition-domain-science-xl
18-06-2024	Deadline for submitting an application The NWA call 'Behavioural insights for climate policy' The deadline for submitting an application is 18-06-2024, before 14:00:00

	CEST. https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/call-open-28-million-euros-available-for-new-nwa-call-behavioural-insights-for-climate-policy and https://www.nwo.nl/en/researchprogrammes/dutch-research-agenda-nwa/thematic-programming/behavioural-insights-for-climate-policy
02-07-2024	NEW: Deadline for submission full proposals Venture Challenge Fall 2024 . Closing date full application 2 July 2024 14:00 hrs. https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/new-application-round-venture-challenge-opened and https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/venture-challenge-fall-2024 and https://www.nwo.nl/sites/nwo/files/media-files/Brochure%20Venture%20Challenge%20Fall%202024%20EN.pdf
Continuously applications until 31-07-2024	Deadline submission of proposals for NWO Open Competition Domain Science - M Applications for the current round (2023/2024) can therefore be submitted until 31 July 2024 at the latest, as long as the maximum number of 420 applications has not yet been reached. The new round, year 2024/2025, will be opened in August 2024, in which applications can again be submitted continuously. https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/open-competition-domain-science-m-2023/2024 and https://www.nwo.nl/sites/nwo/files/media-files/Call%20for%20proposals%20OC%20ENW-M%20ronde%2023-24_EN_def.pdf
27-08-2024	Deadline submission Full proposals SSH Open Competition XS 2024 - round 2 <u>The deadline for the first round is 19 March 2024. The deadline for the second round is 27 August 2024</u> and the deadline for the third round is 15 October 2024. Applications for the first round are now open. https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/ssh-open-competition-xs-2024-a-call-for-promising-ideas and https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/ssh-open-competition-xs-2024-round-1 and https://www.nwo.nl/sites/nwo/files/media-files/Call%20for%20Proposals%20SSH%20OC%20XS%202024%20-%20EN.pdf
03-09-2024	Deadline submission proposals Rubicon 2024-2 ENW, SGW, TTW, ZonMw . The deadlines in 2024 are: March 26, September 3 and December 3. Once the call is open, a link appears at the bottom of this page. In 2024, the budget for each round is approximately 2.47 million euros??. https://www.nwo.nl/en/researchprogrammes/rubicon
05-09-2024	NEW: Deadline Final Applications BioBased Circular projects . The final application must be submitted no later than Thursday September 5, 2024. 5:00 PM. https://www.biobasedcircular.com/nieuws/eerste-oproep-voor-projecten-opent-op-19-maart/ and https://www.rvo.nl/subsidies-financiering/missiegedreven-onderzoek-ontwikkeling-en-innovatie/biobased-circular and https://topsectoragrifood.nl/nieuws/eerste-oproep-voor-projecten-biobased-circular-geopend/
10-09-2024	Deadline for submission Full-proposals VICI round 2024 . Deadline developed applications September 10, 2024, 14:00:00 CET. https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/vici-round-2024-open-for-pre-proposals and https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/nwo-talent-programme
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
24-09-2024	NEW: Deadline for submission pre-proposals NWA call 'NWA Social dynamics in the energy transition. From practice to theory' The deadline for the submission of pre-proposals is Tuesday 24 September 2024 at 14:00:00 CEST. https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/call-open-285-million-euros-available-for-the-nwa-call-nwa-social-dynamics-in-the-energy-transition-from-practice-to-theory and https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/nwa-social-dynamics-in-the-energy-transition-from-practice-to-theory and https://www.nwo.nl/sites/nwo/files/media-files/def_-_cfp-sociale_dynamieken_in_de_energietransitie_-_nwa_sjabloon_-_nl.pdf
24-09-2024	Deadline for submission of full applications for NWO call for Large-scale Scientific Infrastructure . Submission applications: September 24, 2024. https://www.nwo.nl/onderzoeksprogrammas/nationale-roadmap-grootschalige-wetenschappelijke-infrastructuur and file:///C:/Users/jonge026/Downloads/NWO-GWINC%202024%20537%20call%20for%20proposals%202024.pdf Please contact Shared Research Facilities (SRF, mascha.rasenberg@wur.nl) if you are coordinating a proposal or are part of a consortium submitting a proposal. SRF coordinates the internal submission procedure including the needed approval of our Executive Board.
01-10-2024	Deadline for submission full proposals Dutch Research Agenda - Research along Routes by Consortia 2024 (NWA-ORC 2024) Closing date full application 1 October 2024 14:00 hrs. https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/nwa-call-research-along-routes-by-consortia-2024-now-open and https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/dutch-research-agenda-research-

	along-routes-by-consortia-2024-nwa-orc-2024 and https://www.nwo.nl/sites/nwo/files/media-files/call_for_proposals_orc_2024_eng.pdf
01-10-2024	Deadline submission full proposals KIC call 'Antimicrobials for the preclinical pipeline' . The deadline for submitting applications is 1 Oktober 2024, before 14:00:00 CEST https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/call-open-for-research-on-antimicrobials and https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/kic-antimicrobials-for-the-preclinical-pipeline and https://www.nwo.nl/sites/nwo/files/media-files/NWO-VWS%20partnerschap%20calltekst_EN_final.pdf
08-10-2024	Deadline for submission of NGF AiNed XS Europe grants . Deadline proposals 8 October 2024 at 14:00:00 CEST . https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/ngf-ained-xs-europe and https://www.nwo.nl/sites/nwo/files/media-files/Call%20for%20Proposals%20NGF%20AiNed%20XS%20Europe%20EN%202023-2024v1.pdf
05-11-2024	Deadline for submission full-applications third call PhD scholarship programme Mosaic 2.0 . The deadline for submitting applications: 5 November, at 14:00:00 CET . https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/now-open-call-third-grant-round-mosaic-20 and https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/mosaic-20-2024 and https://www.nwo.nl/sites/nwo/files/media-files/Call%20for%20Proposals_Moza%C3%AFek%202.0%202024%20DEF_0.pdf
From 15-11-2023 until 15-11-2024	Deadline for submitting applications for Thematic Digital Competence Centers Integrated approach for digitalization in science Applications can be submitted from November 15, 2023 until November 15, 2024 at 14:00:00 CET . https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/call-open-thematic-digital-competence-centers and https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/thematic-digital-competence-centers
15-11-2024	Deadline submission Full proposals SSH Open Competition XS 2024 - round 3 The deadline for the first round is 19 March 2024. The deadline for the second round is 27 August 2024 and the deadline for the third round is 15 October 2024 . Applications for the first round are now open. https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/ssh-open-competition-xs-2024-a-call-for-promising-ideas and https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/ssh-open-competition-xs-2024-round-1 and https://www.nwo.nl/sites/nwo/files/media-files/Call%20for%20Proposals%20SSH%20OC%20XS%202024%20-%20EN.pdf
28-11-1024	Deadline for submission Full-proposals The call 'Smart Materials: From responsive to adaptive' within the Knowledge and Innovation Covenant (KIC) The deadline for submitting proposals is 28 November 2024, at 14:00:00 CET .. https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/call-for-new-adaptive-materials-opened and https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/smart-materials-van-responsief-naar-adaptief and https://www.nwo.nl/sites/nwo/files/media-files/screened-English%20version%20of%20Call%20for%20Proposals%20Smart%20Materials%20FINAL_11-12-2023_DEF.pdf
30-11-2024	Foreseen deadline submission Full-proposals KIC - Missie 24/27 - Biodiversity informed decision making in Agri-Horti-Water-Food sectors 2024 . Closing date full application 30 November 2024 14:00 hrs . https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/kic-missie-24/27-biodiversity-informed-decision-making-in-agri-horti-water-food-sectors-2024
03-12-2024	Deadline submission proposals Rubicon 2024-3 ENW, SGW, TTW, ZonMw . The deadlines in 2024 are: March 26, September 3 and December 3 . Once the call is open, a link appears at the bottom of this page. In 2024, the budget for each round is approximately 2.47 million euros??. https://www.nwo.nl/en/researchprogrammes/rubicon
Applications from 15-01-2024 until 13-12-2024	Deadline for submission proposals for NWO call for Open Technology Program 2024 . Applications can be submitted from January 15, 2024 to December 13, 2024 via ISAAC, NWO's digital application and reporting system . https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/pre-announcement-opening-open-technology-programme-2024 and https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/open-technology-programme-2024 and https://www.nwo.nl/en/researchprogrammes/open-technology-programme/2024-change-of-support-letter
13-12-2024	Foreseen deadline submission Full-proposals KIC - Nature-based solutions for sustainable climate control of buildings . Closing date full application 13 December 2024 14:00 hrs . https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/kic-nature-based-solutions-for-sustainable-climate-control-of-buildings
30-01-2025	Foreseen deadline submission Full proposals KIC - Missie 24/27 - Value(s) in transition(s) 2024 . Closing date full application 30 January 2025 14:00 hrs . https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/kic-missie-24/27-values-in-transitions-2024
30-01-2025	Foreseen deadline submission Full-proposals KIC - Missie 24/27 - High performance materials for Defence and Security 2024 . Closing date full application 30 January 2025 14:00

	hrs. https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/kic-missie-24/27-high-performance-materials-for-defence-and-security-2024
27-02-2025	Foreseen deadline submission Full-proposals KIC - Missie 24/27 - Call Digital Identities - a foundation for trust in the digital world . Closing date full application 27 February 2025 14:00 hrs. https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/kic-missie-24/27-call-digital-identities-a-foundation-for-trust-in-the-digital-world
31-03-2025	Foreseen deadline submission Full proposals KIC - Future Plastics 2024 . Closing date full application 31 March 2025 14:00 hrs. https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/kic-future-plastics-2024
22-04-2025	NEW: Deadline for submission applications NWA call 'NWA Social dynamics in the energy transition. From practice to theory' . The deadline for the submission of applications is Tuesday 22 April 2025 at 14:00:00 CEST. https://www.nwo.nl/en/news/call-open-285-million-euros-available-for-the-nwa-call-nwa-social-dynamics-in-the-energy-transition-from-practice-to-theory and https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/nwa-social-dynamics-in-the-energy-transition-from-practice-to-theory and https://www.nwo.nl/sites/nwo/files/media-files/def_-_cfp-sociale_dynamieken_in_de_energietransitie_-_nwa_sjabloon_-_nl.pdf

Regional calls

This list is a selection of regional calls. The list was compiled on 17 May 2024. Calls marked with **NEW** are newly included in the list

Deadline	Call
From 01-02-2024 to 31-01-2025	Opening for submission of innovation projects ERDF East! The European subsidy program ERDF East 2021-2027 . You can submit your application from February 1, 2024 to January 31, 2025 (as long as a budget is available). https://www.efro-oost.eu/innovatieprojecten
From 01-03-2024 to 31-01-2025	Opening for submission of Testing and demonstration facilities ERDF East! The European subsidy program ERDF East 2021-2027 . You can submit your application from March 1, 2024 to January 31, 2025 (as long as a budget is available). https://www.efro-oost.eu/test-en-demonstratieprojecten-2024
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2023-2024	EFRO 2021-2027 Eastern Netherlands: For for overview calls go to EFRO Oost https://www.efro-oost.eu/geplande-openstellingen
2023-2024	EFRO 2021 – 2027 Western Netherlands: For calls Kansen voor West III https://kvw3.kansenvoorwest.nl/openstellingen/openstellingen-/
2023-2024	EFRO 2021-2027 Northern Netherlands: For calls Northern Netherlands go to Website SNN https://www.snn.nl/programmas/efro-2021-2027
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