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Support for partnering: "Business Connect Travel Awards"

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Innovate UK Business Connect

Part of the Innovate UK family.

At innovate UK Business Connect we help you accelerate your innovation. We do this by connecting ideas, people and communities to respond to challenges and drive positive change. We can make introductions to new business partners and funders, help you find collaborators for grants and introduce you to new market opportunities.



How we can help



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Secure funding



Get expert insight



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European Travel Awards



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Travel Support available for UK-based R&D SMEs to attend European events

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Innovate UK Business Connect “European Travel Awards” support attendance of UK based R&D performing SMEs to specific targeted events for the purpose of increasing engagement with potential partners.

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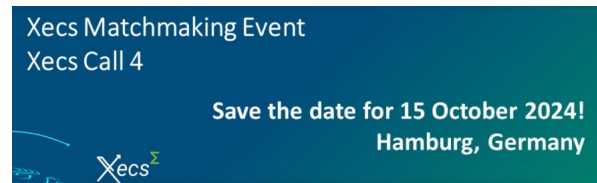
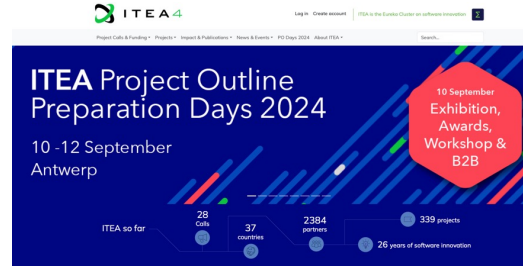
- Application for each specific event gets advertised @ Innovate UK KTN website
- A maximum of £700 can be claimed as a contribution towards travel costs incurred for the purpose of attending the specific event. Only 1 representative per SME.
- In addition to the funding bespoke pro-active support from IUK teams to progress project idea to application into European Programmes (Eureka & Horizon Europe)



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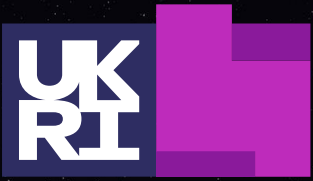
<https://iuk.ktn-uk.org/news/travel-support-now-available/>



Up to £700 is available to help cover travel and subsistence costs needed to attend the following events:

- **International Conference on Electrical Machines (ICEM) 2024, 1-4 September, Torino, Italy** (Application deadline: 6 August 2024, Notification date: 8 August 2024)
- **EUREKA-ITEA PO Day: Software Innovation, 10-12 September 2024, Antwerp, Belgium** (Application deadline: 29 July 2024, Notification date: 2 August 2024)
- **European Space Agency – Industry Space Days 2024, 18-19 September, Noordwijk, The Netherlands** (Application deadline: 27 August 2024, Notification date: 30 August 2024)
- **Sustainable Places 2024, 23-25 September, Luxembourg** (Application deadline: 19 August 2024, Notification date: 21 August 2024)
- **Wind Energy Hamburg, 24-27 September 2024, Hamburg, Germany** (Application deadline: 19 August 2024, Notification date: 21 August 2024)
- **InnoTrans 2024, 24-27 September, Berlin, Germany** (Application deadline: 26 August 2024, Notification date: 29 August 2024)
- **NetworkNature Annual Event 2024 | Busting myths: People with nature, 25 September, Brussels, Belgium** (Application deadline: TBC, Notification date: TBC)
- **Low Carbon Technologies: EUROGIA Partnering Day, 30 September 2024, Paris, France** (Application deadline: 9 September 2024, Notification date: 12 September 2024)
- **10th European Conference on Sustainable Cities and Towns, 1-3 October 2024, Aalborg, Denmark** (Application deadline: 2 September 2024, Notification date: 5 September 2024)
- **14th EASN International Conference – “Innovation in Aviation & Space towards sustainability today & tomorrow, 8-11 October 2024, Thessaloniki, Greece** (Application deadline: TBC, Notification date: TBC)
- **B2B Match-Making Event Contact-Contract (Part of the Brno International Engineering Fair), 8-11 October 2024, Brno, Czech Republic** (Application deadline: 9 September 2024, Notification date: 12 September 2024)
- **EUREKA-Xecs Matchmaking: Electronic Components and Systems, 15 October 2024, Hamburg, Germany** (Application deadline: 9 September 2024, Notification date: 13 September 2024)
- **2nd Swiss Translational Medicine Conference, 24 October 2024, Bern, Switzerland** (Application deadline: 23 September 2024, Notification date: 26 September 2024)
- **Smart City Expo World Congress, 5-7 November 2024, Barcelona, Spain** (Application deadline: 23 September 2024, Notification date: 26 September 2024)
- **17th European Public Health Conference 2024, 12-15 November, Lisbon, Portugal** (Application deadline: 22 October 2024, Notification date: 25 October 2024)
- **EU Hydrogen Week, 18-22 November 2024, Brussels, Belgium** (Application deadline: 14 October 2024, Notification date: 17 October 2024)
- **POLIS Annual Conference 2024, 27-28 November, Karlsruhe, Germany** (Application deadline: 15 October 2024, Notification date: 18 October 2024)

Apply to attend any of the above events →



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Innovate UK

- We are the UK's innovation agency
- We support business-led innovation in all sectors, technologies and UK regions
- A key delivery body of the Government's Innovation Strategy

Our Mission

To help UK businesses grow through the development and commercialisation of new products, processes, and services, supported by an outstanding innovation ecosystem that is agile, inclusive, and easy to navigate.



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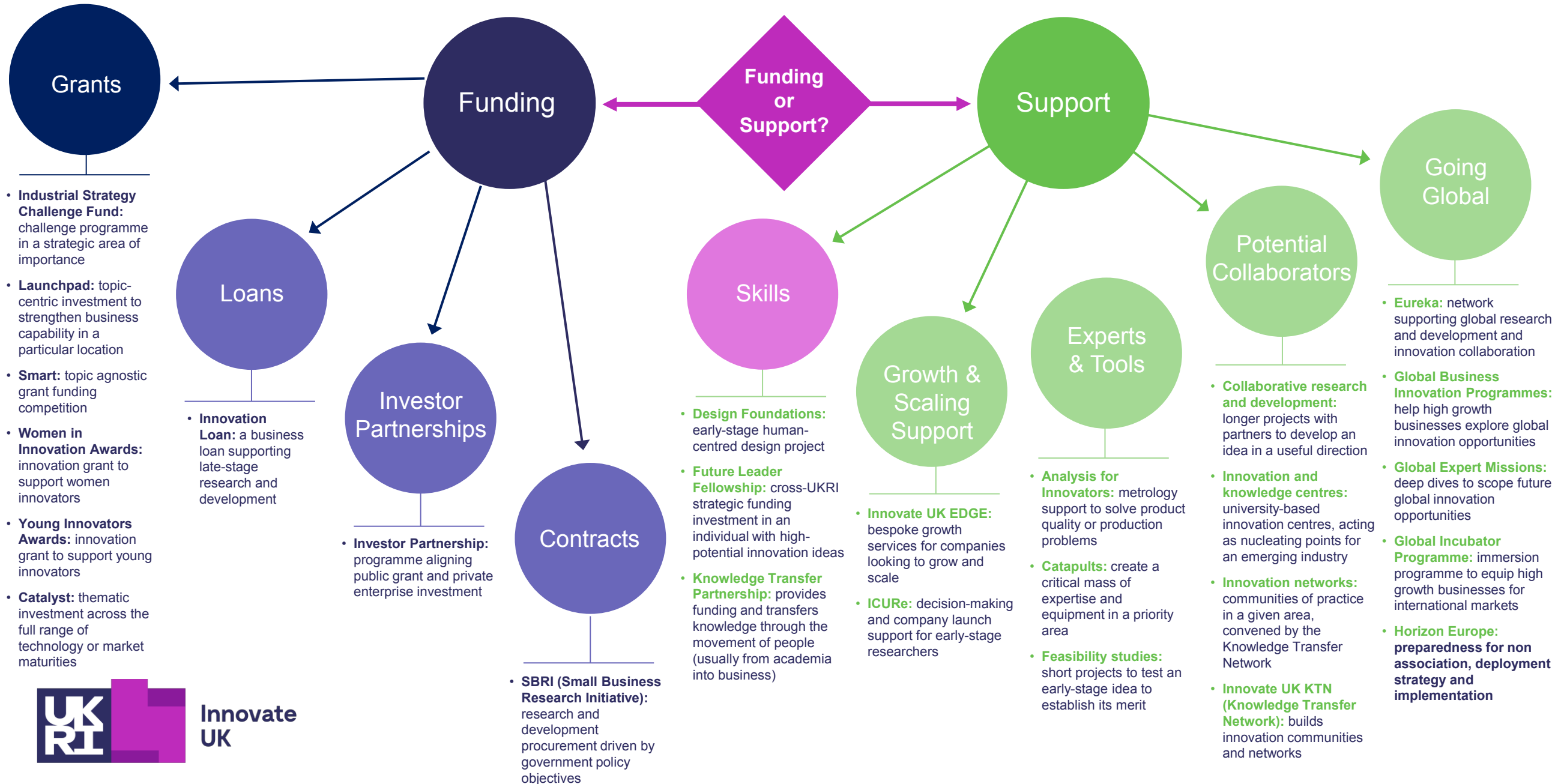
UK Research
and Innovation



Department for
Science, Innovation,
& Technology



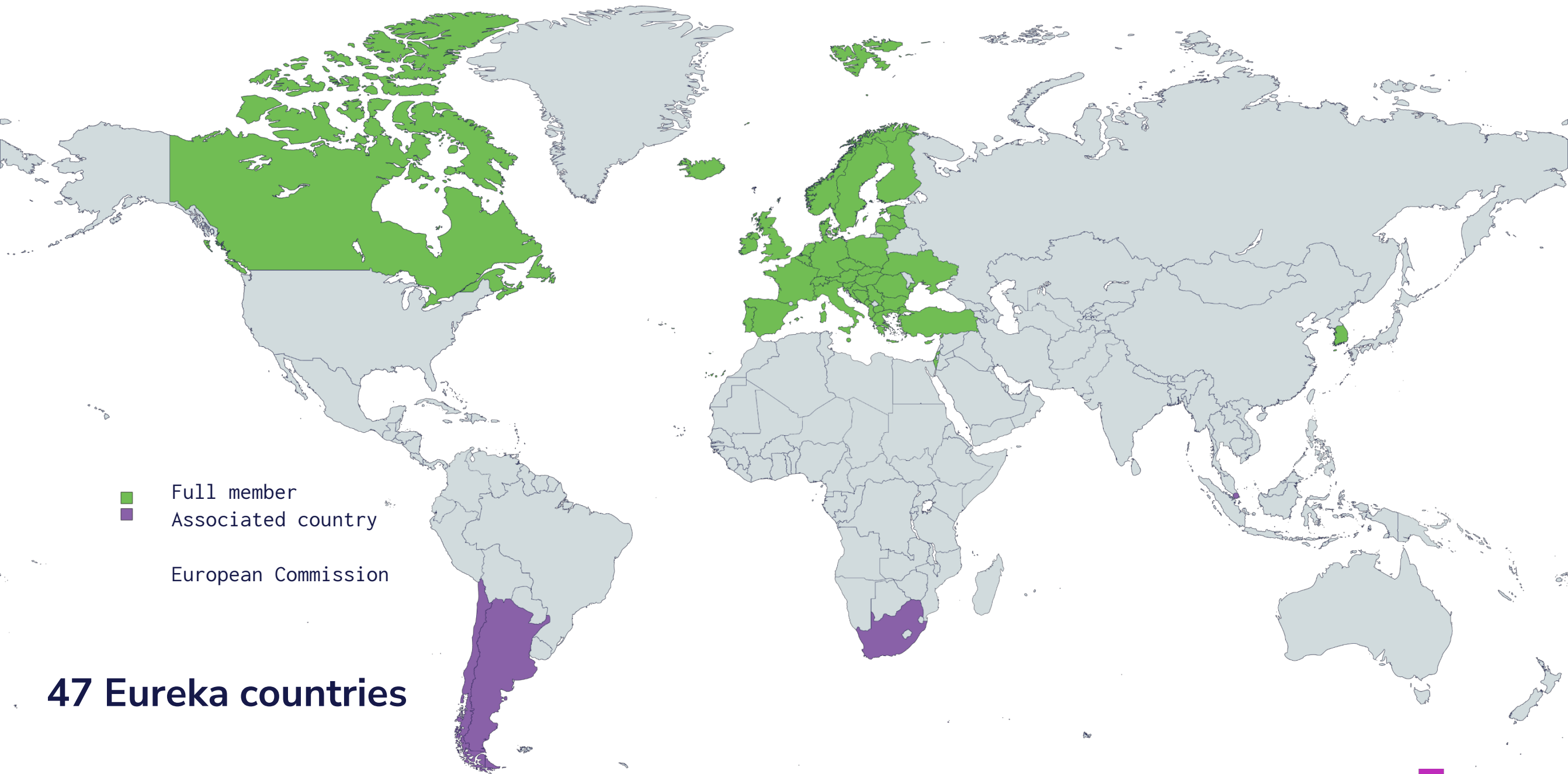
Innovate UK Opportunities for UK Organisations





A tool for international Research and Development (R&D) and innovation:

Projects between partners in any
two (or more) Eureka countries



47 Eureka countries

Eureka programmes

Eurostars innovative Small or Medium-sized Enterprises (SMEs) aim higher

Globalstars flexibility for international partners (non-Eureka countries)

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Eurostars

- Innovative SMEs as main project partners
- 37 countries & the European Commission
- Centralised process, decentralised funding
- Non-sector specific
- 2 deadlines per year

DEADLINE: 12 SEPT Eurostars is part of the European Partnership on Innovative SMEs. The partnership is co-funded by the European Union through Horizon Europe.



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EUROPEAN PARTNERSHIP

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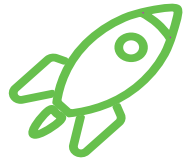
37 Eurostars Countries

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-  Austria
 -  Bulgaria
 -  Belgium
 -  Canada
 -  Croatia
 -  Cyprus
 -  Czech Republic
 -  Denmark
 -  Estonia
 -  Finland
 -  France
 -  Germany
 -  Greece
 -  Hungary
 -  Iceland
 -  Ireland
 -  Israel
 -  Italy
 -  Latvia
 -  Lithuania
 -  Luxembourg
 -  Malta
 -  The Netherlands
 -  Norway
 -  Poland
 -  Portugal
 -  Romania
 -  Singapore
 -  Slovak Republic
 -  Slovenia
 -  South Africa
 -  South Korea
 -  Spain
 -  Sweden
 -  Switzerland
 -  Turkey
 -  United Kingdom

EU SME definition

Enterprise category	Headcount: annual work unit (AWU)	Annual turnover	or	Annual balance sheet total
Medium-sized	< 250	≤ EUR 50 million	or	≤ EUR 43 million
Small	< 50	≤ EUR 10 million	or	≤ EUR 10 million
Micro	< 10	≤ EUR 2 million	or	≤ EUR 2 million

Eurostars Projects must meet 7 eligibility criteria



Led by **innovative SME** from Eurostars country



At least **two Eurostars countries**, with at least one organisation from EU or Horizon Europe Associated Country



At least **two independent entities**



Budget of **SMEs** from Eurostars countries (excluding subcontracting) must be at least **50%** of total project budget



No single **participant** or **country** is responsible for more than **70%** of total project budget



Maximum duration: **36 months**



Civilian purpose

UK Eligibility

- Innovate UK will only fund SMEs, other types of organisation can participate but must self-fund.
- Innovate UK contribution is £2.5m per call.
- Grant is €360k or 60% of costs, whichever is less.
- UK subcontracting is capped at 20% of the UK partner eligible costs.
- The UK entity must have at least 12 months of trading history at point of submission deadline.
- Overheads are capped at 25% of Labour.
- Cost Guidance – Eligible costs for UK partners

UK Eligibility

- The project must be led by Innovative SME, one that:
 - invests 10% or more of its turnover into research, or
 - has 10% of its full-time equivalent staff working on research activities, or
 - has 5 or more full-time staff working on research activities, if the SME has 100 or fewer employees, or
 - has 10 or more full-time staff working on research activities, if the SME has more than 100 employees
- You must follow:
 - [Eurostars eligibility criteria](#) link takes you to the UK page, you can change country on the Funding Information tab.
 - [Innovate UK Criteria](#) at the competition application deadline and throughout your project.
 - [Eureka Home Page](#)

A Typical Eurostars Project



3-4
participants



2-3
countries



average duration
30 months



average project cost
€1.4 million

Funding competition

Eureka collaborative R&D: Eurostars 3 Call 7

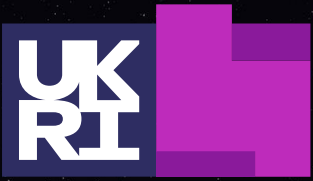
UK registered organisations can apply for a share of up to £2.5 million for collaborative research and development (CR&D) in partnership with organisations from participating Eurostars countries.

Competition opens: Friday 12 July 2024
Competition closes: Thursday 12 September 2024 11:00am

[Start new application](#)

EUREKA PAGE & APPLICATION: [HERE](#)
 MATCHMAKING PLATFORM: [HERE](#)

UK NATIONAL APPLICATION & APPLICANT
 BRIEFING RECORDING: [HERE](#)
 DEADLINE: 12 SEP 2024



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Globalstars

- Cooperation with countries outside of Eureka network
- Past: Argentina, Brazil, Chile, India, Japan, Kenya, Nigeria, Morocco, Singapore, Taiwan



Network projects

- Flexible
- Bilateral or multilateral calls for projects with two or more Eureka countries
- Thematic scope possible

Call for disaster resilience, response and recovery projects

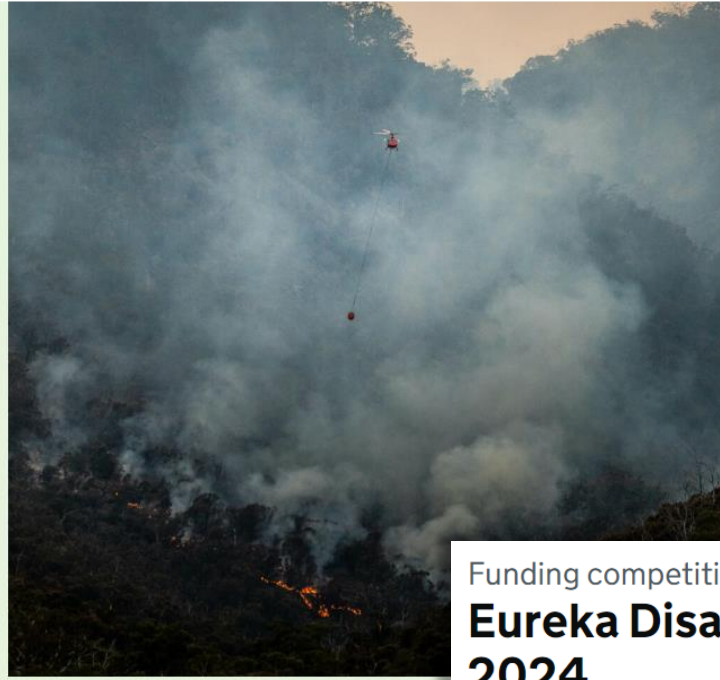
Deadline: 31 October 2024 23:59 CEST

Apply from: 13 June 2024 **Until:** 31 October 2024 23:59 CEST

The national funding bodies from Austria, Belgium (Flanders and Wallonia), Canada, Chile, Czech Republic, Denmark, France, Lithuania, Singapore, South Korea, Spain, Türkiye and the United Kingdom have allocated funding for organisations collaborating on international R&D projects in the field(s) of disaster resilience, response and recovery.

You can submit your R&D project application for this call for projects between 13 June 2024 and 31 October 2024.

[Apply](#)



Countries/regions with funding

- Austria
- Belgium (Wallonia)
- Chile
- Denmark
- Lithuania
- South Korea
- Türkiye
- Belgium (Flanders)
- Canada
- Czech Republic
- France
- Singapore
- Spain
- United Kingdom

Funding competition

Eureka Disaster Resilience Programme Collaborative R&D 2024

UK registered organisations can apply for a share of up to £1 million to develop technologies in the field of Disaster Resilience, Response and Recovery, in partnership with organisations from participating Eureka countries.

Competition opens: Friday 14 June 2024

Competition closes: Thursday 31 October 2024 11:00am

[Start new application](#)

EUREKA PAGE & APPLICATION: [HERE](#)
MATCHMAKING PLATFORM: [HERE](#)
JOINT INTERNATIONAL WEBINAR (9 SEP 2024): REGISTER [HERE](#)

UK NATIONAL APPLICATION & APPLICANT BRIEFING RECORDING: [HERE](#)
DEADLINE: 31 OCT 2024

Innowwide

European INNOvative business solutions
in WorldWIDE markets

- 60,000 euro per project
- 400 market feasibility projects
- 6 calls for projects



Innowwide is funded by the European Union as part of the European Partnership on Innovative SMEs.

Innowide call for market feasibility projects

Deadline: 15 October 2024 14:00 CEST

Apply from: 23 July 2024 Until: 15 October 2024 14:00 CEST

Innowide is funded by the European Union as part of the European Partnership on Innovative SMEs.

The programme supports innovative SMEs to assess the viability of their commercial or research ambitions for internationalisation in a target country. By participating, SMEs can conduct market feasibility projects for their innovative solutions over a six-month period, working with local organisations based in their selected target country (in Africa, Americas, Asia or Oceania).

SMEs can carry out a market feasibility project at different stages. For example, when exploring or developing an R&D project idea, or after a successful R&D project to understand whether their new product, process or service might be commercialised in targeted global markets.

Apply



Countries/regions with funding

- Austria
- Belgium (Brussels)
- Belgium (Flanders)
- Belgium (Wallonia)
- Bulgaria
- Croatia
- Cyprus
- Czech Republic
- Denmark
- Estonia
- Finland
- France
- Germany
- Greece
- Hungary
- Iceland
- Ireland
- Israel
- Italy
- Latvia
- Lithuania
- Luxembourg
- Malta
- Norway
- Poland
- Portugal
- Romania
- Slovakia
- Slovenia
- Spain
- Sweden
- The Netherlands
- Türkiye
- United Kingdom

Innowide library and guidelines

- [Innowide call 1 ranking list \(Africa\)](#)
- [Innowide call 1 ranking list \(rest of the world\)](#)
- [Innowide call 2 ranking list](#)



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PARTNER SEARCH: [HERE](#)

LIBRARY & GUIDELINES: [HERE](#)

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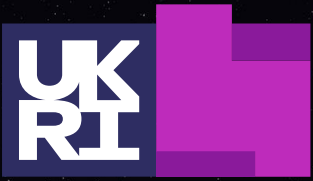
PARTNER SEARCH: [HERE](#)

Investment Readiness

- International missions with opportunities for SMEs to connect with non-EU investors and key strategic partners
- Corporate activities helping SMEs approach multinational corporate investors for business partnerships. Learn about best practices and collaborating to develop solutions to industry challenges

You can apply if your startup or SME is based in a Eureka country.





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Clusters

- **Industry-led communities consisting of leading companies, knowledge institutes and end-user organisations**
- **Strategic technology areas**
- **Market-oriented, aiming to solve economic, technological and societal challenges**

Clusters



CELTIC-NEXT

Next-generation secure communications for a trusted and sustainable digital society

EUROGIA 2030

Low-carbon energy technologies

ITEA 4

Software innovation and digital transition

SMART

Advanced manufacturing and production technologies

Xecs

Sustainable digital transformation in electronic components and systems

UK Scope & Eligibility

Your project

- UK applicants can apply for total grant of up to £750,000 (depending on Cluster) for each project.
- All types of UK registered organisations can apply for funding.
- Expected duration 12 – 36 months
- Your project must be collaborative.
- Further guidance

UK Scope & Eligibility

Funding

We have allocated up to £5,000,000 to fund innovation projects in this call.

For industrial research projects, you could get funding for your eligible project costs of:

- up to 70% if you are a small enterprise
- up to 60% if you are a medium enterprise
- up to 50% if you are a large enterprise
- UK registered research organisations in your consortium can share up to 30% of the UK total eligible project costs. If your consortium contains more than one UK research organisation, this maximum will be shared between them.

Of that 30% you could get funding for your eligible project costs of up to:

80% of full economic costs (FEC) if you are a Je-s registered institution such as an academic

CELTIC-NEXT

The ICT Cluster under the umbrella of EUREKA,
focusing on **Next-Generation Communications** for the Digital Society

Call	Description	Date
Autumn Call 2024	Opening	1 July 2024
	Launch Event	23 July 2024
	Proposers Brokerage Day	September 2024 (TBD)
	Deadline for Proposals	21 October 2024
	Labels Notifications	5 December 2024
Spring Call 2024	Opening	13 November 2023
	Online Launch Event	13 February 2024
	Proposers Brokerage Day	13 March 2024
	Deadline for Proposals	03 May 2024
	Labels Notifications	19-25 June 2024

EUROGIA 2030

The EUREKA Cluster for Low Carbon Technologies Solutions

UPCOMING:

CALL27 SEPT-NOV 2024

EUROGIA PO DAY IN PARIS 30TH SEPTEMBER

ITEA 4

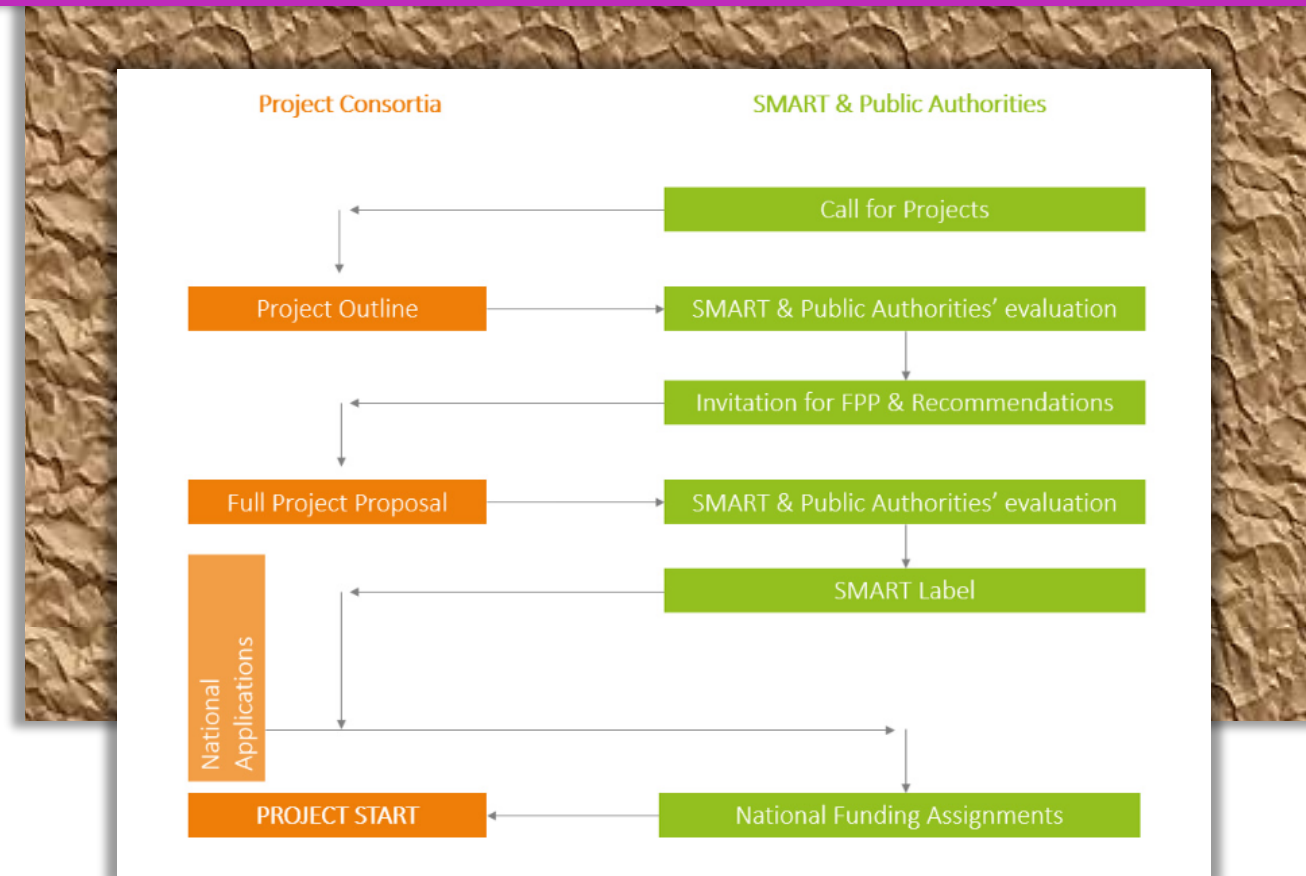
The Eureka RD&I Cluster on Software Innovation

Opening of the Call	10 September 2024
ITEA Project Outline preparation Days	10-12 September 2024
Deadline for submission of Project Outlines (PO)	11 November 2024 - 17:00 CET
Letter of Intent	25 November 2024
Announcement of POs invited for Full Project Proposal (FPP) submission & rejected POs	17 December 2024
FPP preparation	Check the FPP instruction videos here
FPP briefing webinar	19 December 2024
Deadline for submission of FPPs	17 February 2025 - 17:00 CET
Declaration of Acceptance (DoA)	3 March 2025
Announcement of labelled and rejected FPPs	End of March 2025
National funding applications	Q4 2024 - Q2 2025

ITEA Project Outline Preparation Days (ITEA PO Days) in Antwerp, on 10-12 September.

SMART

The Eureka Cluster on Advanced Manufacturing



Xecs

The Eureka Cluster on Electronic Components and Systems

Xecs Call 4 Timeline



Project Outlines must be submitted by **23 January 2025, 17:00 CET** in the [Project Zone](#).

Selected project partners will be invited to prepare and submit a **Full Project Proposal** with a deadline of **16 April, 17:00 CEST** in the [Project Zone](#).



EUREKA Clusters



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