

# How to participate to H2020 Reykjavik 21 November, 2014

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# H2020 rules for participation





## Forms of funding

### <u>Grants</u>

- Research and innovation actions
- Innovation actions
- Coordination and support actions
- SME instrument
- Programme co-fund
  - ERANET co-fund
  - Pre-commercial procurement co-fund
  - Public procurement of innovative solutions co-fund

### **Other**

- Framework Partnership Agreement
- Prizes, procurement, financial instruments





#### **Research and Innovation Action**

- Action primarily consisting of activities aiming to establish new knowledge and/or to explore the feasibility of a new or improved technology, product, process, service or solution
  - For this purpose they may include basic and applied research, technology development and integration, testing and validation on a small-scale prototype in a laboratory or simulated environment
  - Projects may contain closely connected but limited demonstration or pilot activities aiming to show technical feasibility in a near to operational environment



#### **Innovation Action**

- Action primarily consisting of activities directly aiming at producing plans and arrangements or designs for new, altered or improved products, processes or services
  - For this purpose they may include prototyping, testing, demonstrating, piloting, large-scale product validation and market replication
  - Aiming to validate the technical and economic viability in a (near) operational environment and/or aiming to support the first application/deployment in the market of an innovation that has already been demonstrated but not yet applied/deployed in the market due to market failures/barriers to uptake
  - Projects may include limited research and development activities





### **Coordination & Support Action**

- Actions consisting primarily of accompanying measures such as
  - standardisation, dissemination, awareness-raising and communication, networking, coordination or support services, policy dialogues and mutual learning exercises and studies, including design studies for new infrastructure, and
  - may also include complementary activities of strategic planning, networking and coordination between programmes in different countries



## **Eligibility conditions for participation**

- Proposal is in scope of topic
- Minimum conditions
  - For standard collaborative actions (RIA and IA)
    - **3** independent legal entities, each established in different Member States and/or Associated countries
  - For <u>CSA</u>
    - **1** legal entity
  - For SME instrument and programme co-fund
    - 1 legal entity established in a MS/AC
- Additional conditions

To be set out in the Workprogramme (i.e. number of participants, type of participants, etc.)





## **Eligibility for funding**

- Entities established in a Member State, Associated Country\* or third country identified in the WP
- Entities created under Union law
- International European interest organisation
- Other entities may receive funding if:
  - participation is essential or
  - such funding is foreseen in a bilateral agreement between the Union and a third country/ international organisation
- \* Please note that Switzerland is considered an associated country for some calls and a third country for others. For details, see the "What's new" tab on the PP's home page





## **Simplified Funding Model**

#### • 1 reimbursement rate by action

(same rate for all beneficiaries and all activities):

- Up to <u>100%</u> for Research and Innovation actions and CSAs
- Up to 70% for Innovation actions (non-profit entities up to 100%) and Programme co-fund actions
- WP to specify the reimbursement rate (e.g. 33% for ERANET co-fund)
- 1 method for calculation of **indirect costs**:
  - <u>Flat rate of 25%</u> of total direct costs, excluding subcontracting, costs of third parties and financial support to third parties
  - If provided in WP, lump sum or unit costs
- Funding of the action cannot exceed total eligible costs minus receipts





## Some findings and lessons learnt after the first calls



## Some numbers for LEIT ICT-related calls: <u>SME Instruments</u> -- ODI 1<sup>st</sup> cut-of

H2020 ICT2014-1	
Numbers of Proposals:	
•Submitted:	1639
<ul> <li>Ranked (above</li> </ul>	795
thresholds):	795
•Retained:	207
Quality (ranked/submitted):	49%
Success	13%
(retained/submitted):	1370
<u>H2020-FoF-2014</u>	
Numbers of Proposals:	
•Submitted:	55
<ul> <li>Ranked (above</li> </ul>	20
thresholds):	20
•Retained:	8
Quality (ranked/submitted):	36%
Success	15%
(retained/submitted):	1370

<u>SME Instruments  ODI 1<sup>st</sup> cut-off</u> date	
Numbers of Proposals:	
•Submitted:	886
•Ranked (above	107
thresholds):	107
•Retained:	30
Quality (ranked/submitted):	12%
Success	3%
(retained/submitted):	570
<u>H2020-EUJ-2014</u>	
Numbers of Proposals:	
•Submitted:	23
<ul> <li>Ranked (above</li> </ul>	12
thresholds):	12
•Retained:	4
Quality (ranked/submitted):	52%
Success	17%
(retained/submitted):	1770



#### **Lessons learnt**

#### **Oversubscription:**

- This is a normal consequence of the decision to have less prescriptive calls.
- Pre-proposal checks might help to discourage out-of-scope proposals → NCP are tasked with the pre-proposal checks

#### Innovation:

• *R*&*I*A and *I*A have the same evaluation criteria: the topic description and the expected impacts reflect the difference

#### Participant Portal

• It is rather complex and clarity can be improved



## Make use of existing facilities

Participant Portal  $\rightarrow$  to find information

NCP network  $\rightarrow$  to get clarification

Information Days  $\rightarrow$  to improve your understanding of the topics, but also to network

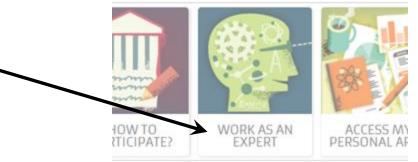
- to this end, you may also make use of the Florence Proposers Days web portal
  - http://ec.europa.eu/digital-agenda/en/ict-proposers-day-9-10-october-2014





Appropriately qualified professional should apply to work as experts in H2020 evaluations

*Application via the Participant Portal* 



The selection per call is made to ensure broad ranging and expertise, and avoiding conflicts of interest





