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CENTRE PRAGUE

TEAMING 2023 CALL AND EVALUATORS MOST FREQUENT COMMENTS

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■ WP parts:

- ➔ — Introduction: Overall description of common policy objectives and rationale based on the specific programme and strategic plan (**description of key objectives**)
- ➔ — **Destination 1: Improved access to excellence**
 - Introduction including **Expected impacts**
 - Calls (instruments) description
- Destination 2: Attracting and mobilising the best talents
 - Introduction including Expected impacts
 - Calls (instruments) description
- Destination 3: Reforming and enhancing the EU research and innovation system
 - Introduction including 4 strands and Expected impacts
 - Call topics description
- Other actions not subject to calls for proposals (grants to identified beneficiaries, **prizes**, experts contracts, public procurement, indirect management)

**TEAMING
2023 - 2024**

WP 2023 - 2024 KEY OBJECTIVES

1. **Encourage institutional reforms and transformation processes** of the R&I system at national and regional level in Widening countries in line with ERA principles;
2. **Mobilise national investments** in R&I capacity in Widening countries;
3. **Raise the bar for excellence** of R&I actors in Widening countries in partnership with outstanding European and international institutions ('win-win situation');
4. **Increase number of participations and success rates** of widening actors in research and innovation projects in other parts of Horizon Europe (notably in Pillars 2 and 3);
5. **Promote the creation of new innovation ecosystems** and scale up existing ones by a set of measures, which include place-based and international collaboration between academia and business in Widening countries;
6. **Foster brain circulation**, including inter-sectoral mobility for researchers and innovators and turn it into brain gain for Widening countries.

DESTINATION 1 – NINE EXPECTED IMPACTS

1. **Increased science and innovation capacity** for all actors in the R&I system in Widening countries;
2. **Structural changes** leading to modernised and more competitive R&I systems in eligible countries;
3. Reformed R&I systems and institutions leading to **increased attractiveness and retention of research talents**;
4. **Mobilisation of national and EU resources** for strategic investments;
5. **Higher participation** success in Horizon Europe and more **consortium leadership roles**;
6. Stronger links between academia and business and **improved career permeability**;
7. **Strengthened role** of the Higher Education sector in research and innovation;
8. Greater involvement of **regional actors in the R&I process**;
9. **Improved outreach** to international level for all actors.

CALLS AND DEADLINES 2023 - 2024

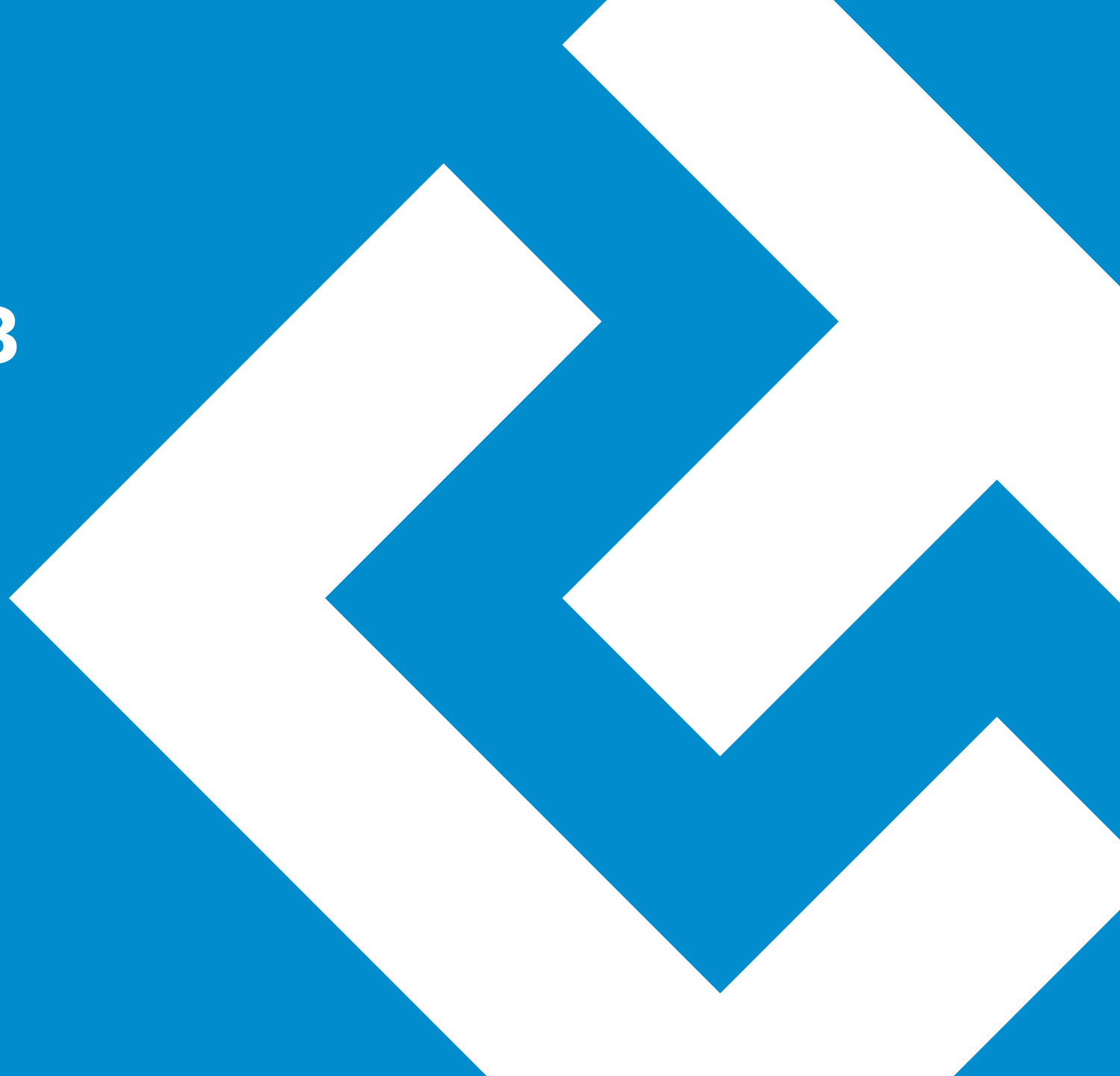
DESTINATION 1 (ACCESS)

HORIZON-WIDERA-2023-ACCESS-01 TEAMING FOR EXCELLENCE	12 Apr 2023 (1st stage) 07 Mar 2024 (2 nd stage)
HORIZON-WIDERA-2023-ACCESS-02 TWINNING	28 Sep 2023
HORIZON-WIDERA-2023-ACCESS-03 EUROPEAN EXCELLENCE INITIATIVE	12 Apr 2023
HORIZON-WIDERA-2023-ACCESS-04 PATHWAYS TO SYNERGIES	28 Sep 2023
HORIZON-WIDERA-2023-ACCESS-05 DISSEMINATION AND EXPLOITATION SUPPORT FACILITY	28 Sep 2023
HORIZON-WIDERA-2023-ACCESS-06 HOP-ON FACILITY	28 Sep 2023 26 Sep 2024
HORIZON-WIDERA-2023-ACCESS-07 EXCELLENCE HUBS	07 Mar 2024

DESTINATION 2 (TALENTS)

HORIZON-WIDERA-2023-TALENTS-01 ERA CHAIRS	07 Mar 2024
HORIZON-WIDERA-2023-TALENTS-02 ERA FELLOWSHIPS (MSCA)	13 Sep 2023
HORIZON-WIDERA-2024-TALENTS-03 ERA FELLOWSHIPS (MSCA)	11 Sep 2024
HORIZON-WIDERA-2024-TALENTS-04 ERA TALENTS	26 Sep 2024

TEAMING FOR EXCELLENCE 2023



TEAMING - SCOPE

- Teaming is one of the actions that stimulates the EU to exploit its potential by **maximising and spreading the benefits of research and innovation**.
- It is vital for EU **competitiveness** and its ability to address **societal challenges**.
- Teaming is designed to support the **creation of new centres of excellence or upgrading the existing ones** in low R&I performing countries.
- It is building on **partnerships** between leading scientific institutions in the European landscape and the main beneficiary institutions in Widening countries.



NINE OBLIGATORY EXPECTED OUTCOMES (1)

- **Increased scientific capabilities** of the coordinating institution and the host country enabling the coordinator and other potential entities from that country to successfully apply for competitive funding in the EU and globally;
- **Improved the R&I culture** of the country hosting the coordinator (indicators such as research intensity, innovation performance, values towards R&I) through centres of excellence as lighthouses and role models;
- Stimulus for **institutional and systemic reforms and R&I investments** at national level taking into account the enabling conditions on governance of **smart specialisation** introduced under cohesion policy programmes as far as applicable;
- Strengthened and **mutually benefitting collaboration with partners** from leading scientific institutions from abroad;

NINE OBLIGATORY EXPECTED OUTCOMES (2)

- Development and promotion of **new research strands** in relevant domains;
- Developed and **enhanced research and innovation capacities** and the uptake of advanced technologies;
- Contribution to the achievement of the specific objectives of the supporting national/regional/EU programme as **complementary funding**;
- Enhanced innovation and integration of **planned processes, services and products of the centre**;
- Enhanced **co-operation and synergies** with other European projects.

TEAMING – ELIGIBILITY CONDITIONS

- Participation as **coordinators** is limited to legal entities established in Widening countries
- **At least two beneficiaries in a consortium:**
 - a) the **main applicant organisation** (the coordinator) which will be a university or a research organisation, a national or regional authority or a research funding agency, established in a Widening country, and
 - b) **at least one leading university or research organisation** established in another Member State or Associated Country as an advanced partner
- Project must have **a source of funding complementary to the HE funding** (e.g., national and/or regional funding, European funding, such as from Cohesion policy programmes, or private sources) at least equal the total requested HE contribution
- **Clear description of the project part supported by complementary funding** must be included in the proposal, where relevant including the eligible category of research and development, technical specifications of infrastructure, preliminary planning for building and installations, cost- benefit analysis etc.
- **In kind contributions are not considered** complementary funding

TEAMING – PROCEDURE

- As it is an **EU Synergy grant**, the project will undergo joint evaluation of both project parts funded under HE and under any chosen complementary source of funding
- The operations supported by a **complementary source of funding must comply** with the scope of the supporting programme, and they must provide an effective contribution to the achievement of programme's specific objectives.
- When Cohesion policy funding is mobilised, it must be **consistent with the relevant smart specialisation strategy**.
- **Seals of Excellence** will be awarded to applications exceeding all of the evaluation thresholds set out in this work programme, but cannot be funded due to lack of budget available to the call.
- Rules for dealing with ex-aequo applications: in the first place, ex-aequo proposals will be prioritised according to **geographical diversity criteria**, defined as proposals with coordinators established in a Widening Country, not otherwise represented as coordinator higher up the ranking list

TEAMING – OTHER CONDITIONS

- The grant awarded from the Horizon Europe budget should **provide substantial support for the start-up and implementation phase** of the future centre of excellence including:
 - the recruitment of the managerial, technical and scientific personnel.
- It should also **cover expenses related to team members of the future centre of excellence** e.g.:
 - their salaries,
 - recruitment costs,
 - management costs,
 - travel and subsistence costs.
- All recruitments have to follow a **transparent, merit based and open recruitment procedures**.
- This action is open for **participation of the JRC** - FAQ on FTOP [„What are the rules of the JRC's involvement in the Horizon Europe calls/topics?“](#)



POTENTIAL PARTNER - JRC

EC JOINT RESEARCH CENTRE

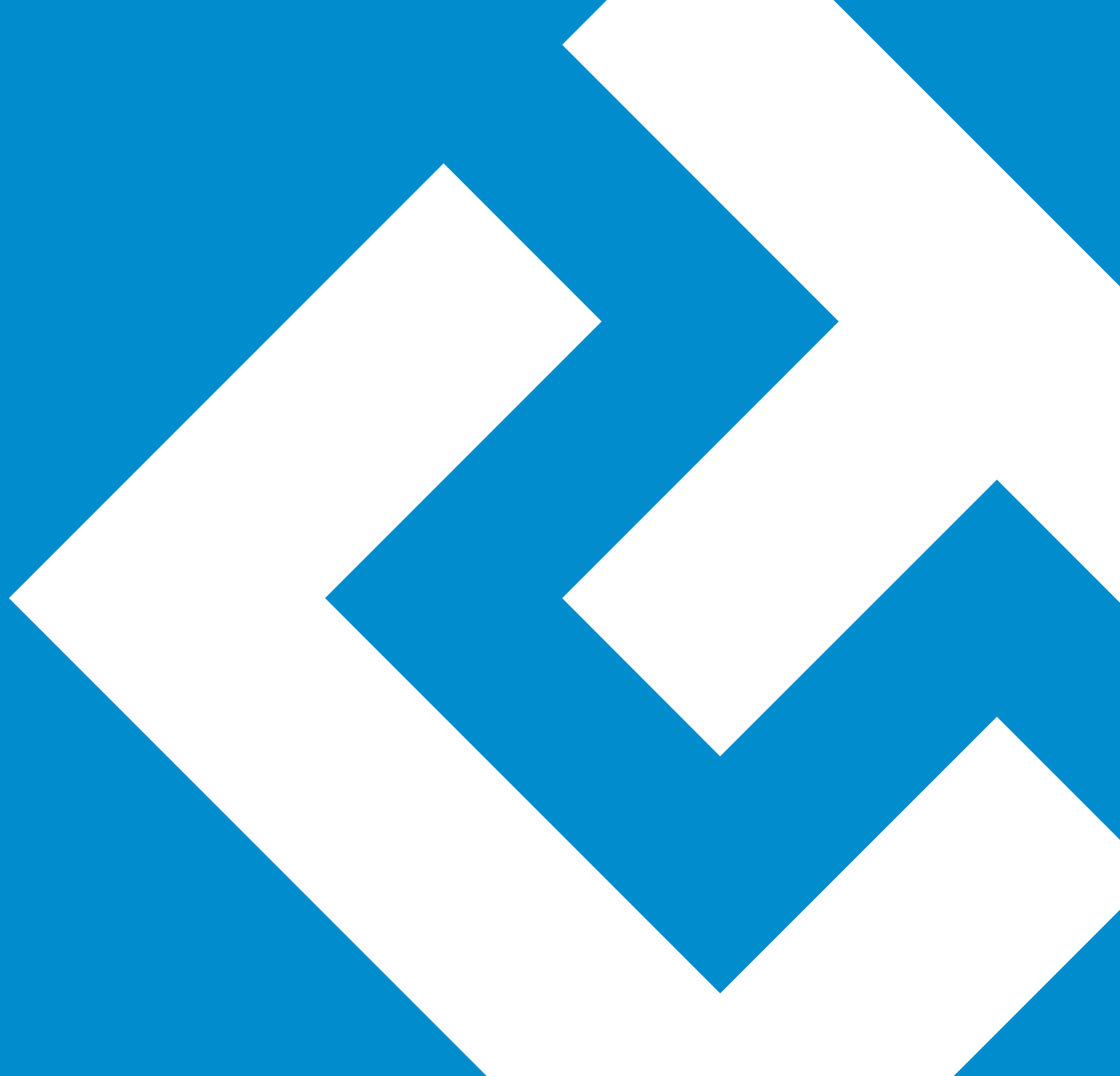
- This action is open for participation of the **JRC that can contribute with specific expertise**, where relevant, for:
 - development of R&I strategies depending on the R&I domain chosen by the project,
 - technology transfer,
 - IPR management
 - linking up to regional smart specialisation strategy.

INFORMATION

- JRC is the Commission's science and knowledge service
- [10 science areas](#)
- [JRC in Seville \(ES\)](#)
- [IPR and technology transfer](#)



TEAMING STAGE 1



TEAMING STAGE 1

- **R&I excellence and the conceptual approach** for the centres of excellence will be evaluated
- Applicants should present **a strategic vision** on
 - how to develop R&I excellence **beyond the state of the art** in the chosen domain and
 - how the coordinator will **benefit from the partnership with a leading institution** from abroad.
- **Conceptual approach** should outline
 - how the **access to complementary funding** from other sources will be ensured, **in the respect of** national, regional and/or European strategies or policy priorities (e.g., notably smart specialisation strategies, Green Deal, Digital transformation) and
 - how the **autonomy of the envisaged centre** will be ensured and the necessary human resources recruited and retained.

TEAMING STAGE 1

- Proposal form **CSA stage 1**: Part B - 10 pages
- **SPECIFIC TEMPLATE FOR TEAMING STAGE 1**
 1. Excellence
 - 1.1 Objectives (2 pages)
 - 1.2 Coordination and/or support measures and methodology (5 pages)
 2. Impact
 - 2.1 Project's pathways towards impact (3 pages)



Horizon Europe Programme

**Specific Application Form (HE 1st stage CSA)
HORIZON-WIDERA-2023-ACCESS-o1-o1-two-stage**

Project proposal – Technical description (Part B)

Version 1.0
12 January 2023

- **NO budget table in stage 1, only Total requested grant amount**

STAGE 1 - PART B

Proposal template Part B: technical description

TITLE OF THE PROPOSAL

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1. Excellence #@REL-EVA-RE@#

1.1 Objectives #@PRJ-OBJ-PO@#

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1.2 Coordination and/or support measures and methodology #@CON-MET-CM@# #@COM-PLE-CP@#

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2. Impact #@IMP-ACT-IA@#

2.1 Project’s pathways towards impact

Insert here text for your proposal



SCORING

- The threshold for both criteria is 4.
- The overall threshold (applying to the sum of the two individual scores) will be set for the call at a level that allowed the total requested budget of proposals admitted to stage 2 be **as close as possible to 3 times the available budget (and not below 2.5 times the budget)**:
 - HORIZON-WIDERA-2022-ACCESS-01-01-two-stage Teaming for Excellence (Stage 1): **8.5 points**

GENERALISED FEEDBACK AFTER STAGE 1

- In order to best ensure equal treatment, successful stage 1 applicants **do not receive the evaluation summary reports (ESRs)** for their proposals, but this generalised feedback with information and tips for preparing the full proposal.

MAIN SHORTCOMINGS

- Credibility of the approach to ensure access to **complementary funding** is not demonstrated
- **Precise commitment and share** of contributions from potential funding sources is not shown
- **Synergies** with relevant national, regional and/or European strategies and policies are not fully demonstrated
- How these synergies contribute to the projects' expected outcomes and impacts is also **unclear**

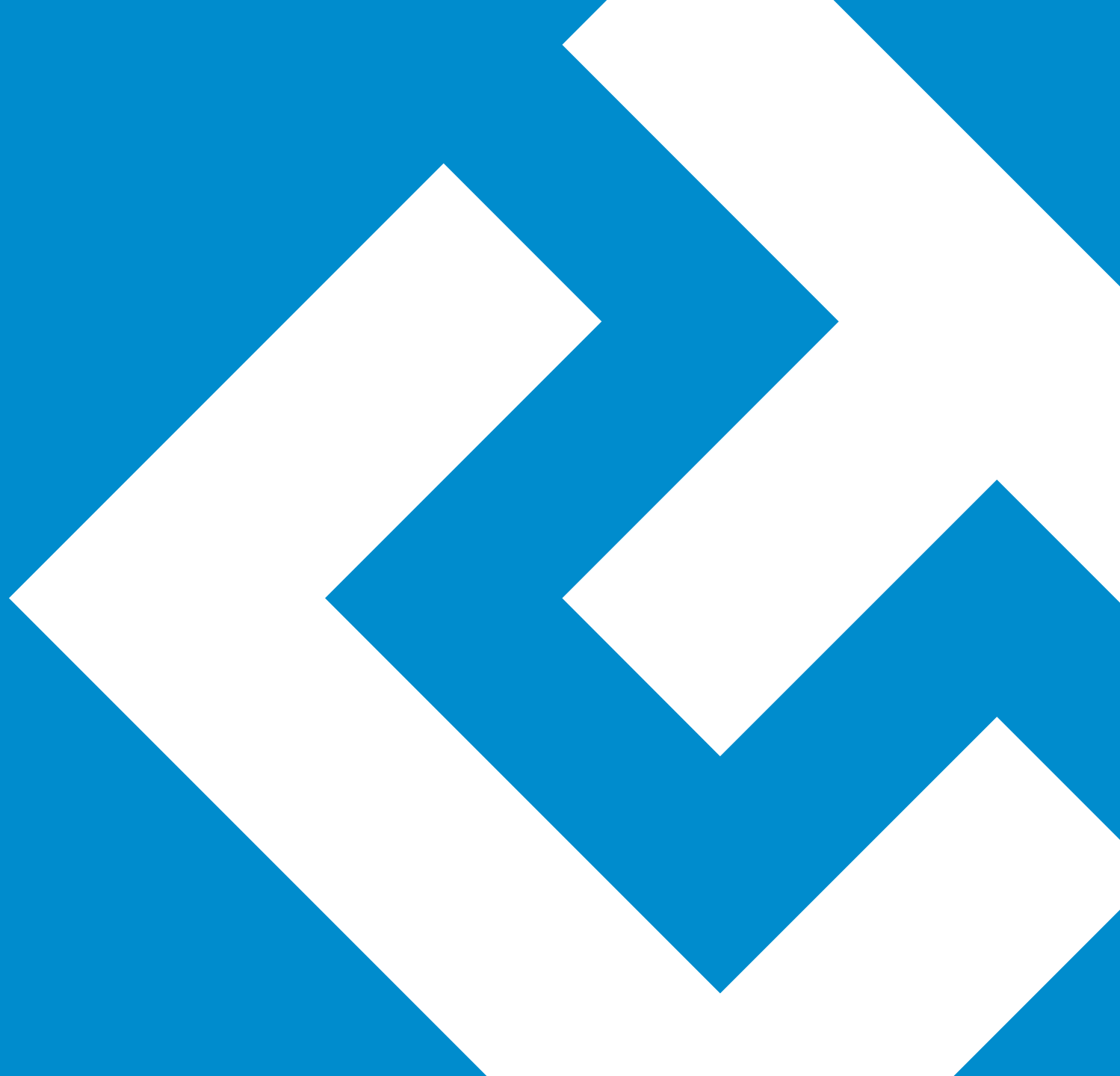
- The effectiveness of the approach to ensure the **autonomy of the CoE** is not demonstrated and also when considering the **long-term self-sustainability**
- Sufficient detail on how to **attract, recruit and retain the required HR** is not provided (particularly when considering gender equality issues)
- How any potential reluctance of researchers **to move to a low R&I performing country** is addressed is also not fully explored

MAIN SHORTCOMINGS

- Presentation of **Open Science** practices is too generic
- How the OS practices are **integrated into the methodology** of some of the work is also not clearly presented
- **Negative public perception** of certain fields of science and technology, is not fully considered
- The range of **barriers and challenges**, both social and scientific, to how R&I excellence will be achieved are not sufficiently described

- Approaches to **overcome any barriers and challenges** are also unclear
- The **impact of the CoE** on the institutional and national R&I systems is not fully considered - relevant local assessments and operational plans on how projects will be fully integrated, are insufficiently detailed
- **Key requirements and potential barriers** are inadequately presented
- Identification and effectiveness of relevant **mitigation measures** to address these barriers are inadequate

TEAMING STAGE 2



PAY ATTENTION TO

- Full proposal is **consistent** with your short outline proposal. It may **NOT differ substantially**. The project must stay the same.
- Include **an investment plan** for the full project **including a binding commitment** for the necessary complementary funding
- Present a **strategy** for how the centre will develop excellence in the chosen relevant R&I domain that will put it at the competitive edge **beyond the state of the art** enabling future success in competitive calls;
- Demonstrate the **growth potential and expected socio-economic outreach** of the CoE for the benefit of the host country or region;
- Demonstrate how the project will contribute to **encouraging and supporting reforms** of the R&I system at regional and or/national level;
- Elaborate on the **structure of the consortium** and how this will create a win-win situation;

DO NOT FORGET TO

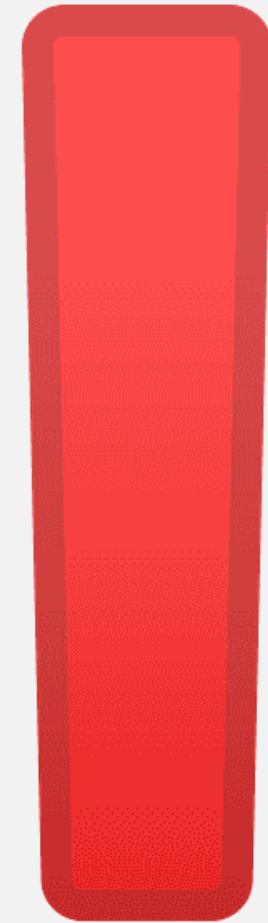
- Demonstrate how the newly established/upgraded CoE will have **full autonomy in decision-making**. In particular, the CoE should have the maximum degree of autonomy in terms of taking its own decisions, being in legal, administrative, operational, personnel and academic matters. The CoE should be able to fix and pay **competitive salaries** for its personnel;
- Elaborate on the steps that will be taken to ensure **long-term self-sustainability** after the end of the Horizon Europe grant;
- Propose a robust **human resource strategy** that addresses gender equality (in line with the research institutions respective GEPs) and international component, ensuring appropriate management capacities for the effective and efficient running of the CoE;
- Present an **investment plan** including the **letter(s) of commitment** for complementary funding from the competent national/regional authorities or private sources to commit financial resources (e.g., resources coming from programmes co-financed by the ERDF or other sources) for implementing the future CoE, in particular regarding investment in infrastructure and equipment. The letter(s) of commitment for complementary funding of the project will be an **integral part of the evaluation** of the proposal;

TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION

- The grant from HE should provide **substantial support for the start-up and implementation phase of the future CoE** including the recruitment of the managerial, technical and scientific personnel. It should also cover **expenses related to team members of the future CoE** (e.g., their salaries, recruitment costs, management costs, travel and subsistence costs);
- In order to assure the autonomy of the CoE, if relevant, the project might benefit of having the **CoE coordinating the project within the duration of the grant**;
- **A minor research component can be accepted not exceeding 10% of the total HE grant** that may include a preparatory research project. Such small research project embedded in the Teaming action should be aligned with the objectives of the project and e.g., serve the purpose of developing and testing new methodologies and instruments and/or the integration of new scientific personnel.
- If preparatory research activity is planned to be carried out, the outline of a respective **work plan** with an appropriate level of detail should be presented;

DO NOT FORGET TO

- Illustrate **quantitatively and qualitatively** the expected potential impact of the project and its expected results in terms of new local and international research and innovation partnerships, institutional and/or R&I system changes (various levels), increased research intensity (i.e. new scientific publications directly linked to the project's area, protected IPR)
- Proposals are encouraged to **choose any additional relevant indicators** that will be used for measuring the impacts achieved.
- Specific attention should be paid to **gender equality objectives**, in line with the organisations' commitments through their adopted gender equality plans, and in line with ERA objectives.



LIST OF THE MOST IMPORTANT POINTS

- In kind contribution is NOT considered complementary funding
- When Cohesion policy funding is used, it must be consistent with the relevant S3
- **Include all nine obligatory expected outcomes**
- Make references to national, regional and/or EU strategies or policy priorities (e.g. S3, Green Deal, Digital transformation)
- Illustrate quantitatively and qualitatively the expected potential impact and expected results
- **This action is open for participation of the JRC**
- **NO budget table in the 1st stage, only Total requested HE grant**
- For stage 2, proposals must include an investment plan for the full project including a binding commitment for the necessary complementary funding
- **Full proposal must be consistent with your short outline proposal - it may NOT differ substantially**

[FAQs](#)



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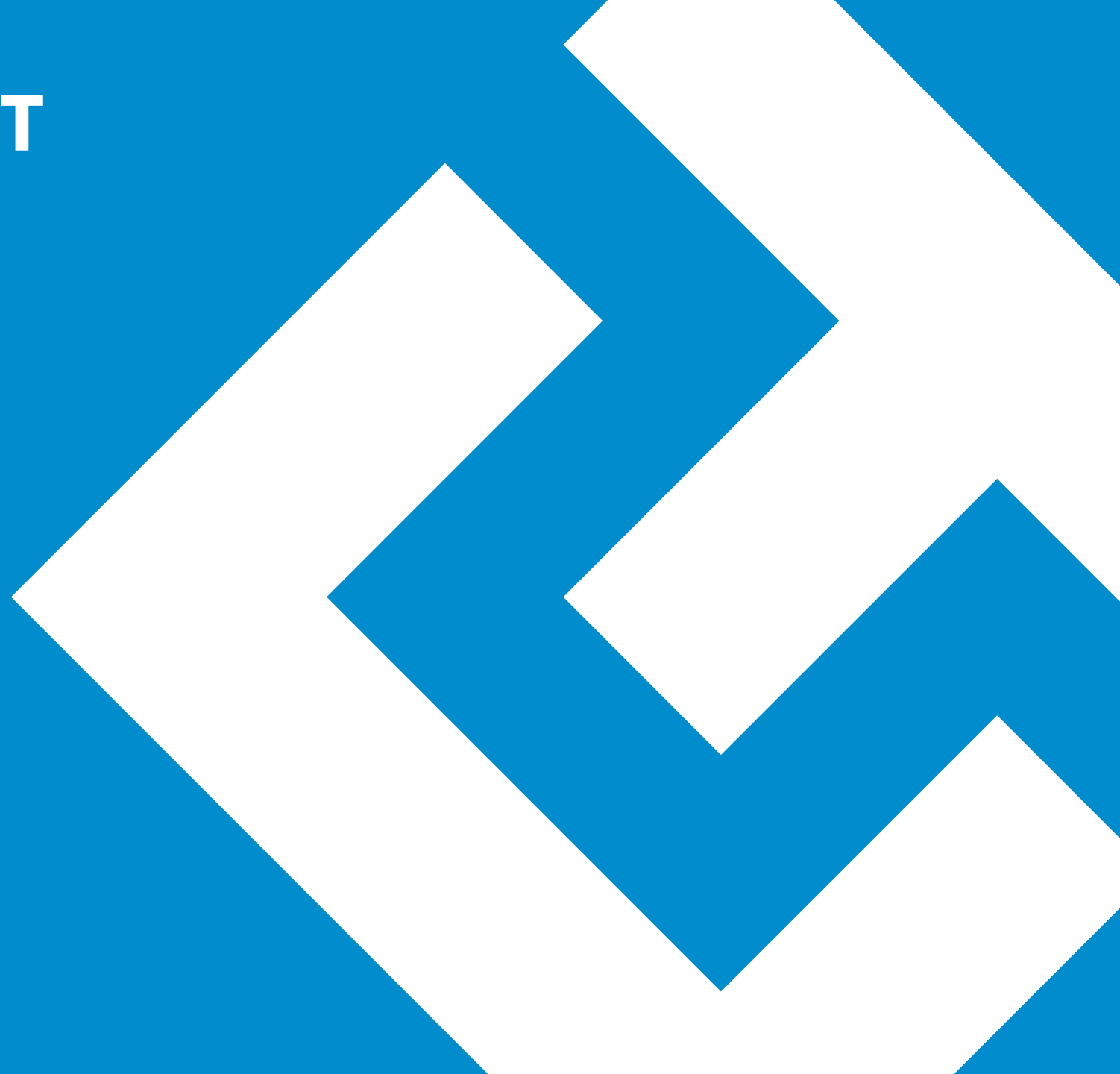
BASIC INFORMATION

- MAIN AIM – institution building: create new centres of excellence or substantially upgrade existing ones
- Two-stage evaluation process
- Complementary funding from other sources at least equal to HE grant (LoC for the 2nd stage)
- Seal of Excellence to applications exceeding all evaluation thresholds but not funded
- A research component up to 10% may include preparatory research project
- CoEs already funded from previous Teaming calls are excluded

CALL OVERVIEW

- [HORIZON-WIDERA-2023-ACCESS-01-01](#)
- Opening: 10 January 2023
- Deadline stage 1: 12 April 2023
- Deadline stage 2: 7 March 2024
- Overall indicative budget: M€ 174
- Budget per project: M€ 8 – 15
- Project duration: up to 6 years
- Consortium: min. 1 + 1
- Expected no. of projects: 18

EVALUATORS MOST FREQUENT COMMENTS



EC STANDARD BRIEFING FOR EVALUATORS



1. CRITERION: EXCELLENCE - POSITIVE COMMENTS



POSITIVE COMMENTS (1)

- The proposal is well aligned with European, national and regional strategies and policies. This includes:
 - national and regional smart specialisation strategies,
 - digitalisation of administration,
 - strategies to reverse brain-drain in widening countries
 - European strategies and policy priorities such as the New European Bauhaus, Built4People, COST Actions, the Green Deal, and global Sustainable Development Goals.
 - synergies with a high number of EU projects addressing topics relevant to the CoE's activities.
- The vision is sufficiently ambitious, relying also on multi-disciplinarity and covering the entire research value chain - from basic to applied science, from students to qualified workforce training, from regional to European excellence and capacity enhancement

POSITIVE COMMENTS (2)

- The existing organisational structure of the CoE provides full autonomy and this will be continued with a credible decision-making strategy for legal, administrative, operational, personnel, and academic matters.
- Proposed approach to ensure that the necessary human resources are recruited and retained is of good quality
- A robust human resource strategy addresses:
 - gender equality,
 - internationalization measures,
 - diversity,
 - inclusion and ethics parameters that will be followed
 - staff exchanges, training, mobility, and career development plans.
- The mechanism for offering competitive salaries is likely to generate a good retention rate.
- The technical robustness of the AI solutions is considered very well.
- A research component is appropriately embedded as a testbed and showcase.

1. CRITERION: EXCELLENCE - NEGATIVE COMMENTS



NEGATIVE COMMENTS (1)

- The objectives are clearly identified, yet they are not sufficiently measurable and verifiable and not linked enough to the set goals, for some objectives the current baseline values are not fully clear,
- The proposal does not clearly describe the expected win-win situation of the partnership, particularly in relation to the benefits for the leading institution.
- While some of the main challenges related to the methodology are mentioned, a shortcoming is that it does not appropriately describe critical risks or credible approaches to overcoming the challenges related to the upgrading of the existing Centre, in terms of the approach or the methodology.
- Major challenges are adequately identified, but some of them (e.g., securing the collaboration with external partners, industrial participation, support of start-ups, market characteristics for vulnerable groups) are not thoroughly considered

NEGATIVE COMMENTS (2)

- Proposal does not sufficiently consider interregional initiatives
- Recruitment strategy is not thoroughly described. For example, the proposal does not sufficiently specify criteria to select personnel (e.g., desired profiles) or how it will ensure competitive salaries to retain human resources
- The autonomy of the CoE is not fully demonstrated. For example, questions related to governance structure, decision-making processes, and the legal status of the CoE are not adequately explained to be fully convincing.
- It is not sufficiently clear and not explicitly elaborated what unique capability, expertise, or a new research strand, will be developed to make the Centre competitive in the future
- Management structure, decision-making procedures and conflict resolution are not comprehensively presented

2. CRITERION: IMPACT - POSITIVE COMMENTS



POSITIVE COMMENTS (1)

- The measures to maximize impact are well presented, not only at the direct R&I level of the involved institutions, but also at the regional and national scale. It is also credible that the social impact of the CoE will reach beyond the national borders.
- Growth potential and expected socio-economic impact of the upgraded CoE, as well as appropriate indicators, are all well described
- Scale and significance of the project's contribution to the expected outcomes and impacts mentioned in the Work Programme are convincing with excellent consideration given to outcomes such as: increasing the scientific capabilities of the beneficiary institution and the host country, enabling successful applications for competitive EU and global funding, increasing innovation capacity and the uptake of advanced technologies, and the development and promotion of new research strands in relevant domains.
- The project will reach significant growth by elevating the innovation capacity of the CoE. This pathway includes, in particular, implementing the incubator which will contribute to the creation of start-up companies through the accelerator programme.
- Pathways lead to socio-economic impact through training of competitive researchers and creation of new employment opportunities. The scale of the impact is realistically reflected in the numeric values of the KPIs.

POSITIVE COMMENTS (2)

- The impact in the research sphere will concern increased networking, cooperation, staff exchange, joint supervision, joint publications, and improvement of education thanks to the doctoral schools. A second set of impacts are local synergies and technological advances in sustainable building construction and solutions for buildings with improved pandemic preparedness, which will positively impact society at large. The impact of the proposed project is expected to be of a large scale, and significant in advancing the knowledge
- The quality of the proposed dissemination and communication activities is very good. The measures to maximize the impact are suitable and effective in engaging the right audiences and demonstrate novelty in the planned co-design activities
- The targeted relevant conferences and journals are properly identified, and the communication channels are well defined.
- IPR management and protection measures for result exploitation are well-formulated, also because they will be overseen by appropriate committees (e.g., R&I Evaluation Committee, Technology Transfer Office).

2. CRITERION: IMPACT - NEGATIVE COMMENTS



NEGATIVE COMMENTS (1)

- Expected environmental impacts are not given sufficient quantification
- Not enough consideration is given to exploitation impact. For example, the number of innovations and patents in collaboration with industry is not justified in terms of ambition.
- Although the forecast growth potential and expected socio-economic outreach of the CoE are well enumerated, the means to achieve them are not convincingly demonstrated
- Key Performance indicators (KPIs) are not entirely convincing because it is not well enough demonstrated that they are based on sufficiently sound baselines, benchmarks, or assumptions.
- Contribution towards higher success rates in securing competitive funding and an increased involvement of regional actors in R&I processes is not sufficiently elaborated

NEGATIVE COMMENTS (2)

- Proposed steps to ensure long-term sustainability of the CoE are neither fully convincing, nor entirely effective, because the proposal does not satisfactorily address all relevant impact areas (e.g., ensuring industrial interest and related revenue) to sustain the CoE after the end of the Horizon Europe grant
- Barriers related to the regulatory environment, targeted markets, user behaviour, buying power of vulnerable groups, recruitment of scientists with high academic profiles are not adequately considered
- Potential exploitation markets are not thoroughly identified, and exploitation activities aimed at commercialization of the project outputs are not detailed enough
- Growth potential is not sufficiently elaborated, lacking proper quantitative measures.

3. CRITERION: IMPLEMENTATION - POSITIVE COMMENTS



POSITIVE COMMENTS

- Exploitation and sustainable development plans, e.g. for the establishment of a business incubator, are very well described.
- The overall allocation of resources to work packages is reasonable, for instance, in terms of person months and recruitment costs. Most of the EU funding is allocated to personnel costs, in line with the call topic description and its overall scope.
- Within each WP, the activities are very well aligned to the corresponding specific objectives and they are appropriate to achieve them.
- The presence of the leading partners in the WPs is genuine. They actively participate in tasks by hosting, for example, the staff, or through an expert guiding in the relevant process.
- The description of the work plan is divided into nine soundly planned work packages (WPs), is detailed, very well-described and convincingly achievable.

3. CRITERION: IMPLEMENTATION - NEGATIVE COMMENTS



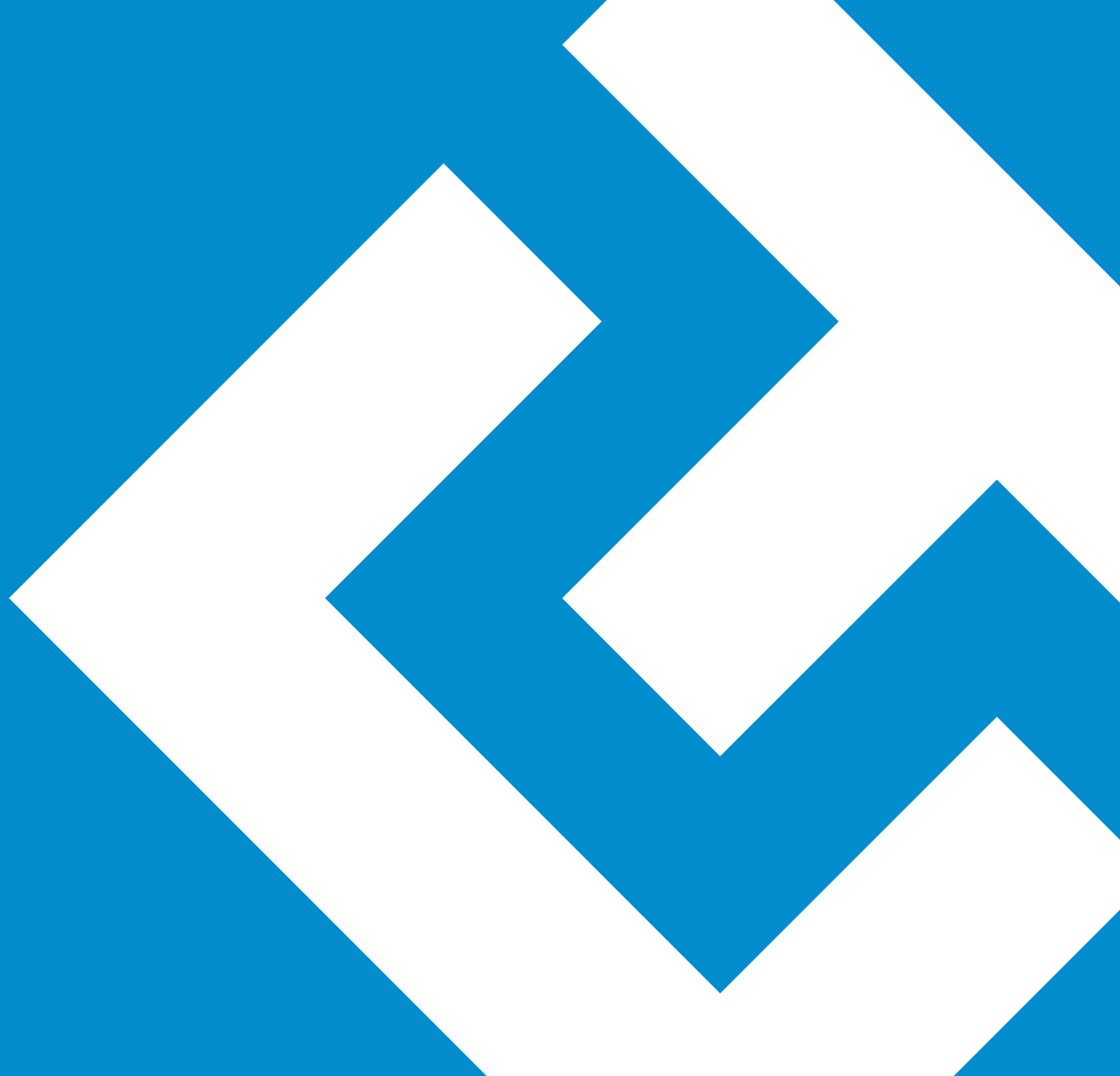
NEGATIVE COMMENTS (1)

- Gantt chart does not give enough attention to the timing of deliverables and has some discrepancies compared to the description in the WPs,
- There is a limited number of milestones to monitor the progress of a €15M grant over six years and these milestones will not provide a sufficient overview of the progress in the implementation of the project.
- While critical risks relating to project implementation are included, not enough discussion is given to risks associated with delays affecting equipment, renovation, and infrastructure buildings.
- Although mitigation measures are included, some are not fully convincing, for example the mitigation measures addressing delays in the recruitment process, inflation, self-sustainability, infrastructure, governance, administrative issues or the unavailability of key researchers
- Risk management strategy is not entirely suitable to cover uncertainty; for instance, in relation to recruitment, site renovation/development, financial aspects, timely approval from ethical committees and regulatory issues.

NEGATIVE COMMENTS (2)

- All of the WPs and most of the deliverables are led by Partner 1 (coordinator). The proportion of PMs allocated to the CoE is limited, with a significant part of the total person months allocated to other 3 partners in the widening country. Additionally, the allocation of approximately 6% of the total person months to the leading scientific institution is not fully convincing.
- Even though the work plan has a detailed structure and is overall clear, it contains a great number of inconsistencies in terms of both time management and content. The timing of WPs, their components and inter-relations are not always fully consistent with the work plan.
- Contribution of the advanced partners is minimal, and the majority of person-months are allocated to the national partner.
- Most activities are well described; however, there is not enough clarity about certain important aspects, such as the collaborative models for establishing joint labs, measures to ensure principles of equality in granting fellowships and attracting talent from abroad, the regulatory mechanisms and accreditation of joint Master and PhD programmes, and the scale and frequency of the competitive calls for complementary satellite activities at regional level.

USEFUL INFORMATION



INFORMATION SOURCES – CZECH PORTAL

- Publikace a e-learning na českém portálu Horizont Evropa <https://www.horizontevropa.cz/cs>
 - **Publikace** (Pravidla financování projektů, leták k EIT, Výkladový slovník vybraných pojmů atd.)
 - **E-learning** (Genderové aspekty v projektech, Jak vytvořím projektový návrh, Třetí strany atd.)

Více o programu Horizont Evropa >

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Potvrdit

HORIZONT EVROPA


Aktuality Kalendář Success Stories Výzvy Struktura Horizontu Evropa a ERA



Hodnocení projektových návrhů "nanečisto" – Výzva Výzkumné infrastruktury

Kdy: 16. 2. 2023 12:00 - 17. 2. 2023 12:00


Kde: Technologické centrum Praha, zároveň ONLINE



Webinář Evropské inovační ekosystémy 2023

Kdy: 16. 2. 2023 9:30 - 12:00


Kde: On-line



SAVE THE DATE: Seminář pro vedení institucí a zástupce projektového managementu k pod...

Kdy: 16. 2. 2023 10:00 - 12:00

Kde: online (MS Teams)



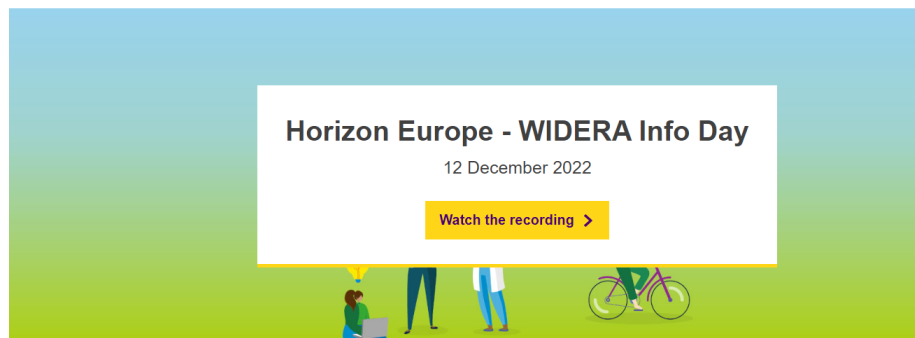
Hodnocení projektových návrhů "nanečisto" – Klastr 4

Kdy: 27. 2. 2023 - 2. 3. 2023

Kde: Online. Termin registrace projektů do 10. února 2023.

INFORMATION SOURCES – EC REA

Horizon Europe: Widening participation and spreading excellence



Under Horizon Europe, the European Commission funds research and innovation projects to strengthen research and innovation across Europe.

The ["Widening participation and spreading excellence" sub-programme](#) ^(EN ***) contributes to building research and innovation capacity for countries lagging behind, in line with the policy objectives of the [European Research Area](#) ^(EN ***).

Funding opportunities

Teaming for Excellence

Submit your proposal by 12 April 2023

Pathways to synergies

Next call for proposals opens on 28 March 2023

Excellence Hubs

Next call for proposals opens on 28 September 2023

Twinning

Next call for proposals opens on 25 April 2023

Dissemination and Exploitation Support Facility

Next call for proposals opens on 26 April 2023

ERA Chairs

Next call for proposals opens on 28 September 2023

European Excellence Initiative

Submit your proposal by 12 April 2023

Hop-on facility

Submit your proposal by 28 September 2023

ERA Fellowships

Next call for proposals opens on 11 April 2023

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Information on how to compose your project team and find partners

How to apply

Overview of the application process and what types of projects can be funded

Support for applicants

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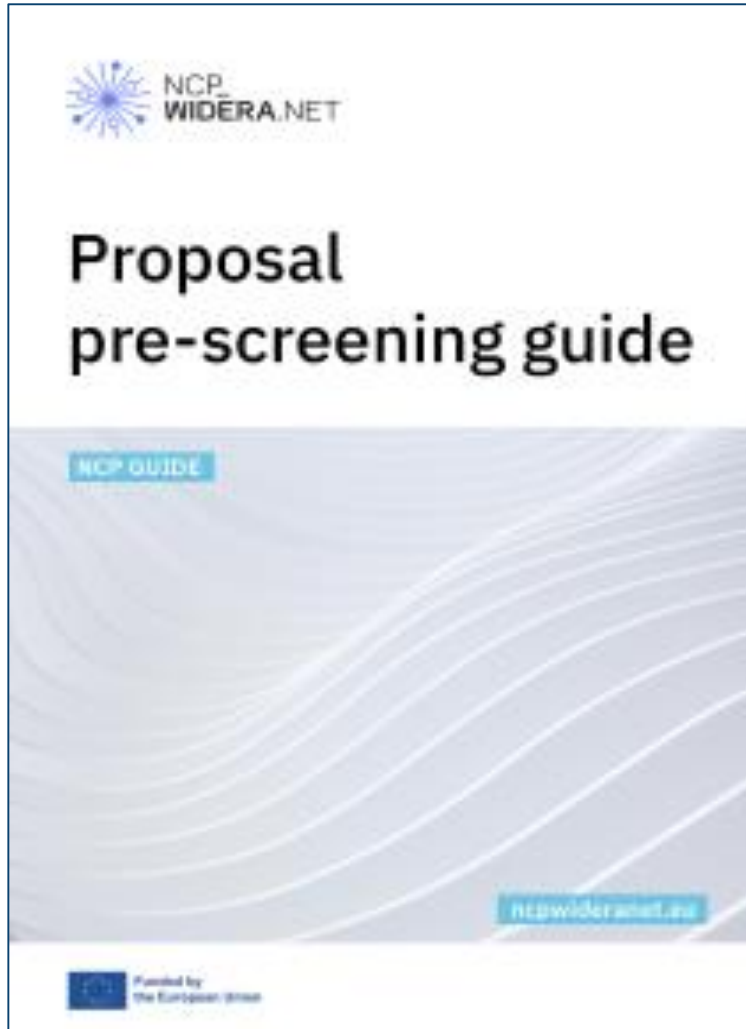
NCP SHARING

- Q: How should the 10% research component in the Teaming call be interpreted. Do you agree that *salaries* of the scientific staff are eligible anyway, and *on top of that* the projects may allocate up to 10% of the total cost on the so-called preparatory research project? Those costs would normally fall under the Other cost category? I.e. researchers' salaries would not be counted in the 10%?
- A: Salaries of researchers who will perform research-related tasks should be covered from the 10% component. If a researcher is also involved in non-research tasks, then this part of their salaries can be covered from other sources. This interpretation was communicated to NCPs by EC
- Q: Widening core actions, Teaming, ERA Chairs and Twinning, foresee 10% and 30% respectively, allocated to research. Can this amount include personnel costs for research, research consumables, or any one category separately?
- A: For Widening actions under HE, a minor research component (R&I activities) can be accepted not exceeding 10% of the total HE Teaming grant. This may include a preparatory research project and covers all eligible costs allowed for R&I activities under HE. Depreciation costs for small equipment used for the action may be eligible as research costs if they constitute only a minor part of the EU funding requested for R&I activities and are necessary to fulfil the action's specific scope and objective.

NCP SHARING

- Any funding that the applicant entity already has, that was given to this entity for a *different* or a *general* purpose, does not count as complementary funding – only funding that will be allocated to the entity with the *specific* purpose of establishing/upgrading the Teaming CoE will be counted. In this way the EC wants to guarantee real, new investments to the CoE, not just a clever re-grouping of existing budget.
- An SME can be part of a consortium as long as the minimum eligibility conditions are met. Of course, the SME should be providing expertise to the Center and not receiving expertise by the advanced partner(s) - the size of the company doesn't matter (SME, large company, etc.)

PROPOSAL PRE-SCREENING GUIDE



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Requirements

Beneficiaries of Horizon Europe and Horizon 2020 funding must carry out activities to increase the impact of their project results:

- They must share research results with the scientific community, commercial players, civil society and policymakers ('dissemination').
- They must also take action to use their project results for commercial purposes, to tackle societal problems or in policymaking ('exploitation').

Dissemination and exploitation are a requirement as per your grant agreement, in addition to your communication activities. Check our [quick guide on communication, dissemination and exploitation](#)

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Free-of-charge dissemination and exploitation services

The European Commission offers various free-of-charge services to support your dissemination and exploitation activities:

[Open Research Europe platform](#): An open access, publishing platform for scientific papers for Horizon 2020 and Horizon Europe beneficiaries, including an open peer review and article revision.

[Horizon Results platform](#): A platform for showcasing your research results, finding collaboration opportunities and getting inspired by the results of others.

EVENTS

- **EC Infoday on WIDERA 2023 - 2024**

When: 12 December 2022 09:30 - 17:00

Where: Brussels online

Presentations and recording



- **CZ-SK workshop on EEI 2023 call**

When: 9 February 2023 10:00 - 12:30

Where: Brno, Mendel University (on site)

Presentations and recording (coming soon)



- **Preliminary timetable of other Widening instruments and ERA workshops organised by TC Prague**

✓ March / June

TWINNING, Pathways to Synergies

✓ September / November 2023

ERA Chairs, Excellence Hubs, ERA call 2024

✓ February / April 2024

ERA Talents



QUESTIONS?

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