

PROJECT PARTNER SEARCH FORM

- ☒ I offer my expertise to **participate as a Partner** in a Horizon Europe project
☐ I am planning to **coordinate a project** and I am **looking for project partners**

CALL & TOPIC INFORMATION

PROGRAMME	HORIZON EUROPE	CALL DEADLINE	dd/mm/yyyy
TOPIC	HORIZON-CL3-2025-01-DRS-01		23/11/2025
FUNDING SCHEME	RIA-IA-CSA	EVALUATION TYPE	Single stage

INFORMATION ABOUT THE ORGANISATION

ORGANISATION	Province of Liege (BE)
DESCRIPTION OF YOUR ORGANISATION	<p>Intermediate Public authority in Belgium - Wallonia 84 municipalities – 1,1 M Inhabitants – 6 Emergency zones</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Central role in territorial coordination between local and regional authorities: operational links with Wallonia (including integrated hydrological risk management) and the Governor Services regarding the coordination of emergency planning and crisis management, including climate change disasters. - Support for municipalities and management of supra-local competences, particularly in the areas of security, public health, civil protection and climate plans. - Strategic and functional cooperation with the 6 Emergency Zones operating in its territory (Inter-municipal bodies responsible for firefighting and emergency response) thereby strengthening the collective response capacity in case of crises and disasters. - DG Infrastructure with specific skills in rivers management (More than 1.000 km with different characteristics): maintenance, cleaning, and repair works that all contribute to reduce flood damage. Through 6 "Wallonia Rivers Contracts", engagement in regional working groups to define common actions. - Provincial Public Training Institute for security and emergency professionals (Policemen, Firefighters and First Aid Responders) offering the capacity to share existing knowledge and to create tailor-made trainings.
	Place Saint-Lambert, 18A in 4000 Liège - BELGIUM
TYPE OF PARTNER	Public Authority
WEBSITE	https://www.provincedeliege.be/

EXPERIENCE IN EUROPEAN FUNDS/PROJECTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Expertise in EU projects management: cross-cutting technical, administrative and financial skills. The "EU Fundings Department" plays a key role in analysing, managing, and promoting EU grants opportunities to support the socio-economic development of the provincial territory ▪ Expertise in several EU programmes (INTERREG Meuse Rhine, Greater Region and NWE, ERDF, ESF, LIFE, FP7, Creative EUROPE etc...) ▪ Partner Region of INTERREG MEUSE RHINE and EGTC Meuse Rhine > High potential of replication and dissemination at local, regional and cross-border levels ▪ Member of EU Networks: EFUS, Energy Cities, ICLEI, EGEN ▪ Coordinator of the CoM - Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy > tailor-made support to 60 municipalities in designing and implementing their local climate and energy plans
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Existing knowledge and adaptation solutions from EU projects related to the topic : <p>EMROD (Interreg V-A Euregio Meuse-Rhine) coordinating police, justice, preventive services and administrative authorities to analyse and scientifically combat crime (drugs, burglary, etc.) across the region.</p> <p>PANDEMERIC (Interreg V-A Euregio Meuse-Rhine) in response to the COVID-19 crisis: analysis of the impact of national measures and improving information exchange and coordination between health services, particularly intensive care units > creation of a central purchasing body for protective equipment.</p> <p>EMFloodResilience (Interreg V-A Euregio Meuse-Rhine) strengthening cooperation between Belgian, Dutch and German stakeholders after the disastrous flood event in July 2021 > hydraulic studies providing relevant data on rivers behaviour, identify critical infrastructure, areas at risk and deliver recommendations for post-disaster building works</p> <p>FlashFloodBreaker (Interreg North-West Europe) > integrated modelling, artificial intelligence and drones to improve flashfloods preparedness and coordination.</p>
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ROLE IN THE PROJECT

POTENTIAL ROLE IN THE PROJECT:

As a **PARTNER**, please indicate here what your contribution could be in response to the targeted call for proposals. Additionally, to help structure your contribution and make it easier for a coordinator to read, you could organise your response around the following table, with examples of related activities. This will also help to better highlight your added value to the consortium. Example:

Criteria / Call expectations	What we can bring to the consortium
Development and implementation of innovative solutions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Province of Liège as a test-bed territory <p>Multi-actors synergies between local authorities, emergency services, institutional partners and civil society in order to jointly develop approaches tailored to the current challenges of climate change and emerging risks. Consequently, it is able to contribute to EU projects at both institutional and operational levels.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Innovative solutions for risks prevention and early warning tools based on lessons learned from past disasters and EU projects outcomes <p>Co-developed hydraulic risk maps and dynamic crisis management scenarios incorporating real-time data (advanced GIS tools dedicated to decision-making support for local authorities).</p> <p>Inclusive and participatory solutions for raising citizens risk-awareness and strengthening societal resilience to climate change in collaboration with its emergency services and the Governor's departments. For example, during the floods of July 2021, the Province mobilised more than 300 officers and allocated a budget of nearly €2.4 million to coordinate emergency operations, support the affected municipalities and manage operations on infrastructure and waterways.</p> <p>Examples of innovative tools to share: "The sandbag science", the "International Handbook on Emergency Management for flood defences", the "Cit'InCrisis" and "RiskFactory" games...</p>

<i>Integration and use of advanced technologies</i>	Mainly through the "FlashFloodBreaker" project, early warning tools and rivers stress tests, practical expertise in integrating advanced technologies into risk management (Automated warning systems, drones, artificial intelligence forecasting models and decision-making tools for emergency services). This technical and operational expertise is an asset in strengthening the consortium's digital and predictive capabilities.
<i>Training activities and capacity building</i>	The Provincial Public Training institute (IPFASSU) regularly organises field training and crisis simulation exercises in collaboration with emergency services, municipalities and the Governor's office; For example, the " CrisEXInter " exercises based on the Swedish Emergo Train System of crisis simulation. These activities are part of a strategy to improve the skills of first responders and local authorities. It includes modules on crisis communication, multi-level coordination and the use of new technological tools. It is also able and willing to implement public raising awareness campaigns (e.g. on flood risks or risk culture). Thanks to its local roots and educational resources, it contributes to strengthening the capacities (the 'social sciences and humanities' aspect) and long-term preparedness of the various actors in the field.

Or

As a **COORDINATOR**, please insert a brief description of your project (objectives, scope, main activities...) as well as the expertise you are looking for to complete your partnership

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