

Partner Profile Interest – Horizon Europe CL2

Calls:

- HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-DEMOCRACY-08: Electoral integrity in the digital context
- HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-HERITAGE-04: Towards a fair and transparent market for cultural and creative content in the era of generative AI

Role in the consortium:

Coordinator Partner

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1. Short Profile of Organisation

Hive Ventures provides expert advisory services dedicated to driving the global adoption of innovative technology solutions that advance the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Its core focus is on scaling cleantech, renewable energy, and environmental solutions to address climate adaptation and mitigation challenges in Europe and abroad.

Hive Ventures has been working at the intersection of technology, sustainability, and entrepreneurship, helping startups, businesses, and institutions accelerate innovation and expand their solutions to international markets. Expertise includes commercialisation and internationalisation strategies, startup acceleration, market research, innovation management, policy support and economic and technical feasibility analysis.

Hive Ventures has published work with the European Commission on innovation policy and R&I internationalisation including on **Artificial Intelligence, legal expertise, and ethical AI**. We have:

- Contributed the **drafting of the AI Act and the Digital Services Act**

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- Provide expertise on compliance, AI governance and frameworks.
- Developed frameworks for integrating regulations and ethical standards provided by legislation to support various different industries, civil society and SMEs, such as data governance, algorithmic bias mitigation and data protection of fundamental rights.

2. Role in the consortium / Project idea

Development of Sector-Specific AI Governance Frameworks

- Create modular toolkits tailored to NGOs, Civil Society, Public Administration, SMEs and industry sectors for aligning operations with the EU AI Act, DSA, DMA, and EMFA.
- Include model policies, DPIA (Data Protection Impact Assessment) templates, and algorithmic risk classification tools.
- Build a repository of mappings from legislative requirements (EU AI Act, DSA, etc.) to technical implementation guidance (e.g., documentation, model cards, data sheets, logs).

Multi-Stakeholder Dialogue Workshops

- Run targeted workshops with regulators, tech developers, civil society, and end-users to test proposed compliance frameworks and codes of practice.
- Facilitate participatory design of AI use-case scenarios to understand sector-specific risk implications.

AI Compliance Pilot Testing

- Partner with SMEs, NGOs or public sector entities to implement and test the governance frameworks and codes in real-world use cases.
- Create a “sandbox” environment to simulate legal obligations under the EU AI Act and assess their operational viability.

3. Relevant Project References

Project Reference	Beneficiary	Dates (start/end)	Country	Type and scope of services provided
First Code of Practice on Generative AI Developing comprehensive guidelines that cover principles, risk assessments, technical standards, and operational boundaries for responsible AI deployment and usage . Developing code addressing key concerns around safety, security, data governance, and ethical considerations in generative AI systems	European Commission	09/2024 - Present	EU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stakeholder Engagement • Research and Analysis
AI Act Compliance and AI Responsible Frameworks Developing new frameworks and governance structures, risk assessments, documentation templates and practical implementation guidance for organisations and companies on AI Act compliance	PwC (Mediobanca, Foundever, CCB)	12/2023 - Present	EU/Global	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legal Expertise • Framework & Model Development • Research and Analysis • Dissemination
Model Regulation Frameworks on Digital Markets Act (DMA) and European Media Freedom Act (EMFA): Compliance framework testing, stakeholder engagement, socio-	Avaaz/EKO	07/2020 - 12/2023	EU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy and Legal Expertise • Stakeholder Engagement • Research and Analysis • Communication and Dissemination



economic impact assessments, and drafting industry-specific guidelines.				
EU AI Act – Policy Drafting and Advocacy Stakeholder engagement, policy recommendations, and compliance framework development to align organisations with the Act’s provisions.	EKO/EU	07/2020 - 12/2023	EU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stakeholder Engagement • Policy and Legal Expertise • Research and Analysis
Advocacy and policy drafting activities related to the Digital Services Act (DSA) Review of the DSA framework and its implications, developing advocacy materials, including position papers, policy briefs, and consultation responses	Avaaz	07/2020 - 08/2022	EU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stakeholder Engagement • Policy and Legal Expertise • Research & Analysis
EU Code of Practice on Disinformation 2021 Drafting of code in collaboration with the EU, Commission, CSOs and big tech corporations.	Avaaz/EU	09/2020 - 06/2021	EU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stakeholder Engagement • Project Management • Research and Analysis

