



# SPIN RISE:2026

Information session  
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## Europe's Digital Innovation Engine

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### Turning Research into Impact

We bridge the gap between academic research and market success, transforming breakthrough technologies into thriving ventures.



### Building Entrepreneurial Talent

Supporting deep tech innovation by equipping researchers and students with critical business skills and an entrepreneurial mindset.



### Connecting the Ecosystem

Uniting universities, research organisations, investors, and industry partners to accelerate digital transformation across Europe.



## Empowering researchers to innovate

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Bridging the gap between academia and industry to translate cutting-edge research into real-world market impact.



### **SPIN: Explore**

Online foundational training for researchers to understand commercialisation basics and develop essential business skills.



### **SPIN: Rise**

A hybrid programme with an immersive bootcamp focused on IP valorisation, licensing, industry collaboration, and venture creation.



### **SPIN: Deploy**

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# SPIN: Rise 2026



## What is SPIN: Rise?

SPIN: Rise is a **free of charge hybrid venture-creation and pre-incubation programme designed for researchers and scientists** keen on exploring how their work can drive change and create impact beyond academia.

Through a mix of online training, personalised coaching, and an immersive in-person bootcamp in a leading European innovation hub, participants explore pathways for IP and Technology valorisation - ranging from licensing and industry collaboration to venture creation - while building entrepreneurial skills to translate research into real-world impact.

## Who should apply?

SPIN: Rise is open to deep-tech researchers working on cutting edge research with potential for commercial impact. The programme focus on early-career researchers such as PhD candidates and postdoctoral fellows. Participants may apply individually or as part of a team.

Participants must be affiliated with a University or Research Organisation in the European Union, or in a Horizon Europe associated country.

# Programme structure

7-week hybrid journey from research to market



## Online Training & Mentoring

WEEKS 1-6

Foundational entrepreneurship modules and dedicated mentoring sessions to shape the value proposition.

Mentoring

Workshops



## In-person Bootcamp

WEEK 7

Intensive collaborative week focused on IP valorisation, industry networking, and pitch preparation.

Accessible EU Location



## Timing

Delivery between **September – December 2026**



## Cohort Size

Mandatory minimum of **20 participants** per programme implementation.



## Logistics & Budget

- ✓ Bootcamp accommodation (2 nights min. Single rooms)
- ✓ Selected meals (lunches, social dinners)

**Travel expenses are NOT included**

# Areas of interest & Timeline



Thematic focus and hosting delivery partners

## Thematic Focus Areas

### Green Innovation

Sustainable technologies, clean energy, circular economy, and resource efficiency.

**Climate Innovation Bridge**  
Hosted by  
**ie UNIVERSITY**  
Bootcamp in Madrid, Spain

### Dual-Use Innovation

Tech that serves both civilian (commercial) and military (defense) purposes. E.g. GPS, aircraft engines, semiconductors, AI, cybersecurity tools.

**Empowering Next-Generation Dual-Use Technologies**  
Hosted by  
**PLUGANDPLAY ITALY**  
Bootcamp in Turin, Italy

### Other Strategic Topic

Disruptive solutions for digital sovereignty (e.g., Physical AI, Smart Manufacturing).

**Ventures in Emerging & Critical Technologies for Aerospace & Robotics**  
Hosted by  
**links feat.**  
Bootcamp in Turin, Italy

### Health Technologies

Human-centred innovation, med-tech, diagnostics, and wellbeing solutions.

**Health Pioneers**  
Hosted by  
**eurasanté**  
Entreprendre et Réussir  
Bootcamp in Lille, France

### Submission Deadline

**5<sup>th</sup> September 2026**  
17:00 CET (Brussels Time)

**HARD DEADLINE**

### Timeline

- 5<sup>th</sup> June 2026 - Applications Open**  
Criteria: Excellence, Impact, Implementation (Min score 14/35)
- September 2026 – Programmes Start**  
Online training and Mentoring
- November 2026 - Programmes End**  
Bootcamps

### Results

On a Rolling Basis. In some cases applications can be put on hold into a waiting list.

# What's Next



*For High Potential Participants*



**EIC Grants** (EIC Pathfinder and EIC Transition) **proposal writing**, submission and grant agreement preparation

*For the Winning Team*



**Online IP strategic consultancy:** JCPS will provide 2 hours of consultancy services to each by 28DIGITAL organized SPIN Rise bootcamp winning team, focusing on intellectual property advice tailored to their project needs. The total amount of hours is 8 (2h x 4 teams).

# Are you keen on PHYSICAL AI?



## Accelerate Your Physical AI Venture with e-Novia

Through the partnership of 28DIGITAL with e-Novia, a Milan-based Venture Studio specialising in Physical AI, selected participants can access hands-on venture building support after the programme.

This includes multidisciplinary support across design, engineering, prototyping, marketing, and business development. This integrated framework enables teams to validate their solutions and engage effectively with industrial partners, creating the conditions for strategic matchmaking and collaborative growth.



### Physical AI Focus

For researchers at the intersection of AI, sensing, robotics, embedded systems and smart manufacturing.



### Venture Building

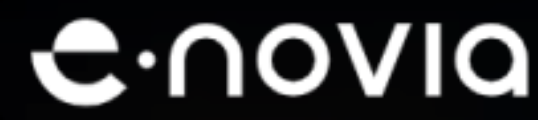
e-Novia provides multidisciplinary capabilities across design, engineering, prototyping, marketing, and business development.



### Industry Matching

Access e-Novia's network of corporate and industrial partners to validate and scale your technology.

When applying to any of the four tracks of SPIN:Rise, indicate if your research involves Physical AI technologies. Eligible applicants will be automatically considered for this pathway.



# Next Steps - Apply!




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# SPIN: RISE

**From Breakthrough Research to Market-Ready Innovation**  
Are you a Deep Tech researcher ready to explore how your work can drive real-world impact?

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## SECTION 1 - Applicant Information

**First name \***

**Last name \***


**Email \***


**Gender**

**Country of Origin \***

**Country of Residence \***

**Organisation \***

 **Questions?**  
Reach out to the team for clarification before the deadline.

 [spin@28digital.eu](mailto:spin@28digital.eu)

# Let's keep in touch!

We look forward to receiving your proposals for **SPIN: Rise 2026**.



**SPIN: Rise**  From Breakthrough Research to Market-Ready Innovation

**ARE YOU A DEEP TECH RESEARCHER READY TO EXPLORE HOW YOUR WORK CAN DRIVE REAL-WORLD IMPACT?**

**4 INDUSTRY-THEMATIC SPIN: Rise PROGRAMMES**

**SEPTEMBER - NOVEMBER 2026** | **6 WEEKS OF ONLINE TRAINING** | **3 DAY IN-PERSON BOOTCAMP**

**HOSTED BY** | **IE UNIVERSITY CLIMATE TECH MADRID** | **PLUG AND PLAY DUAL TECH TURIN** | **EURASANTÉ HEALTH TECH LILLE** | **LINKS & FEAT AEROSPACE TURIN**

**BECOME PART OF SPIN: RISE NOW!** 



Get in touch

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Key Resources


**Call Webpage**

<https://28digital.eu/spin/rise/>



**Application Form**

<https://share.hsforms.com/1YQF9N5sbSC29APmeBbKOsAf4os>

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**THANK YOU**

