

NCP4EIT

NCP EIT Training, Networking and
Best Practices Initiative



**EIT Meets Horizon Europe Cluster
4: Exploring Opportunities for
Industry**

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The main goal of **NCP4EIT** project is to

- ▶ **Improve visibility and awareness of EIT opportunities**
- ▶ **Enhance professionalisation and capacity building of EIT NCPs**
- ▶ **Enhance cooperation between EIT NCPs and KIC offices**
- ▶ **Contribute to addressing participation imbalances across countries and applicant groups**

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Overview

- **Duration:** 54 months (Oct 2025 – Mar 2030)
- **Budget:** €3.25M
- **Consortium:** 24 NCP organisations from 22 countries
 - 11 Member States,
 - 10 Associated Countries,
 - 1 Third Country
- **Aim:**
 - professionalise & harmonise EIT NCP services
 - make EIT and KICs more visible and accessible



Overall project activities



- Participation and barrier analysis for applicants
- NCP training and capacity building
- KICs mapping, meetings and feedback to KICs
- Events: informational, brokerage, targeted and EIT national events
- Synergies within HE and other programs & collaboration with other NCP networks

Participation & barriers (WP1)



- Survey on entry barriers to the EIT Community
- Participation analysis for applicants
- EIT & KICs impact on national ecosystems
- Results feed trainings, events and applicant targeting

EIT NCPs capacity building (WP2)

- EIT NCPs needs assessment surveys shape the training plan
- On-site trainings & online trainings
- Mentoring activities between experienced and newcomer EIT NCPs
- Quarterly “Open Café” sessions and EIT NCP Q&A group
- Welcome Package for newcomer EIT NCPs and KIC factsheets



Cooperation with KICs (WP3)

- Meetings with the KICs
- Mapping of KIC offices, RIS Hubs, EIT Community Officers and national authorities
- Feedback on calls
- Feedback reports to EIT and KICs



Events for applicants (WP4)



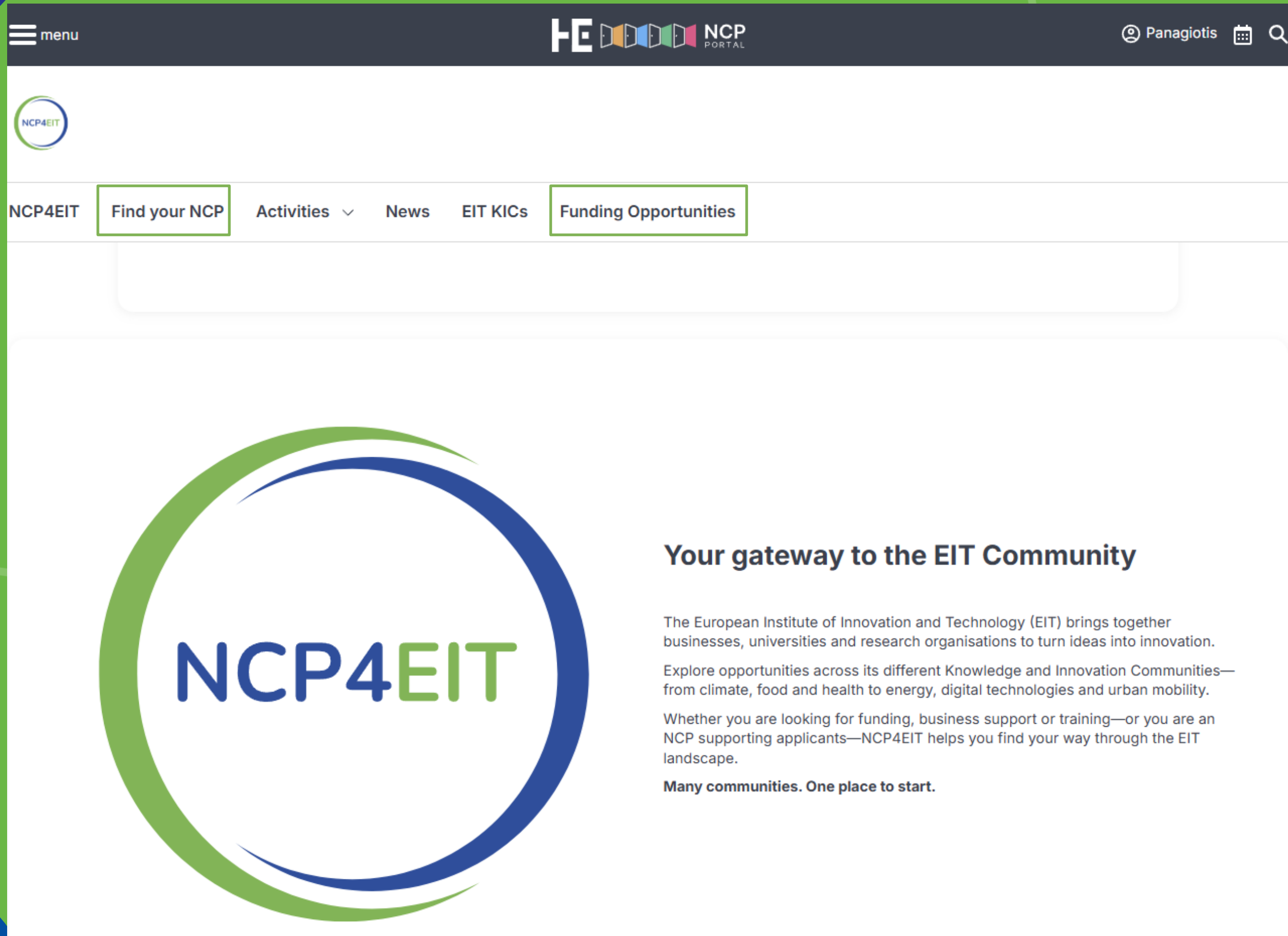
- Informational webinars on EIT and KIC calls
- EIT national events
- Info days in low-performance countries
- Brokerage events
- Targeted events: RTOs, HEIs, SMEs
- Joint actions for women innovators

Synergies (WP5)

- Map synergies and complementarities with EU programmes (EIC, NEB, MSCA) and national initiatives
- Prepare synergy mapping reports and summaries (EU-level and country-level)
- Develop online materials, including good practices and fact sheets
- Collaboration with other NCP networks through joint meetings and dedicated “Meet & Exchange” workshops



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