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HOP-ON FACILITY

Horizontal Priority “Widening Participation and Strengthening the European Research Area”

The Hop-on Facility (Topic ID:HORIZON-WIDERA-2023-ACCESS-06-01) has been initially introduced under the Horizon Europe “Widening Participation & Strengthening the ERA” Work Programme. It foresees the possibility for legal entities from Widening (low R&I performing) countries to join already selected collaborative R&I actions of Horizon Europe, provided that legal entities from such countries are not yet participating in it.

CHARACTERISTICS



- The proposal should concern the inclusion of a partner from a Widening Country to an ongoing Research and Innovation Action (RIA) Project under Pillar 2 or the EIC Pathfinder.
- The consortium must agree with the potential addition of the new Widening partner in the network.
- The proposal must be submitted by the Coordinator of the existing Project and is evaluated by the European Commission (EC).

FUNDING



- The EU contribution for each proposal is estimated between **0.10-0.60 million EUR**. This budget increase must be used for the benefit of the additional Widening partner to the consortium, with the exception of a coordination fee of up to 10% of the increased budget to be allocated to the coordinator of the consortium. It is estimated that around **160 Projects** will be funded through the Hop-on Facility for the Work Programme period 2023-24.

CALL DEADLINES



- Two deadlines are foreseen in the context of the Work Programme 2023-24. These are:
 - **28 September 2023 (17:00, Brussels time)**, and
 - **26 September 2024 (17:00, Brussels time)**.



EC TOOL PRESENTING THE LIST OF ELIGIBLE FUNDED PROJECTS FOR THE HOP-ON FACILITY

A dedicated tool has been announced by the EC and includes a list of all eligible Projects from Horizon Europe RIA Pillar 2 and EIC Pathfinder. This tool, in which information is regularly updated by the EC, is available here: <https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/horizon/hop-on>

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT THE HORIZON EUROPE NATIONAL CONTACT POINTS OF CYPRUS:

- Based on the thematic area of your interest, please get in contact with the National Contact Points of Cyprus (NCPs) for Horizon Europe. The full list of the NCPs is available online here: <https://www.research.org.cy/horizoncy/poioi-eimaste/>
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