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Intelligent Cities Challenge

Training activities: "How to read an EU call" (ENG)

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Today

- **Be informed** on the background on the Digital Europe funding Programme
- **Be advised** on DEP's funding mechanism and bid procedure
- **Practice** with the EU Funding Tender Portal

Focus and etiquette

- Today will be an informal session, dedicated to providing an update on the Digital Europe Programme relevant to SERN, giving advise on the funding mechanism and bid procedure and facilitating pitches among SERN cities
- For questions please interrupt – active participation is encouraged
- Slides are to be shared after the meeting
- It's okay to have fun

Context

- The European Commission has recently published the Digital Europe Programme, focused on bringing digital technology to businesses, citizens and public administrations.
- The Digital Europe Programme has an overall budget of €7.5 billion for the period 2021-2027 and offers several **funding opportunities for cities**, including around smart communities and data spaces (Call 1 ending February 2022 and Call 2 – deployment- starting from February).
- This session aims to explain the DEP programme and its components and will present you an overview of the funding portal and the general project timeline of a tender procedure
- The follow up of the session is your own responsibility



SERN is 1
out of 100
cities in the
ICC
programme

MENTOR

CORE

CITIES



Digital Europe Work Programme 2021-2022

Part 1



#DigitalEuropeProgramme



Digital Europe Programme

recap the main objectives

strategic autonomy



Compete globally

Other regions of the world invest huge amount of public capital in advanced technologies. For example, the US and China spend € 10-20 billion annually on AI alone



Better address Europe's economic and societal challenges

E.g. climate, health, mobility and public services



Achieve scale through collective co-investments

Given the size of investments needed, scale required and risks involved Europe needs to pool the resources together



Ensure broad take-up of digital technologies across all regions of EU

In deploying latest technologies to offer best services to citizens and business



Regain control over Europe's value chains

and ensure Europe's technological sovereignty

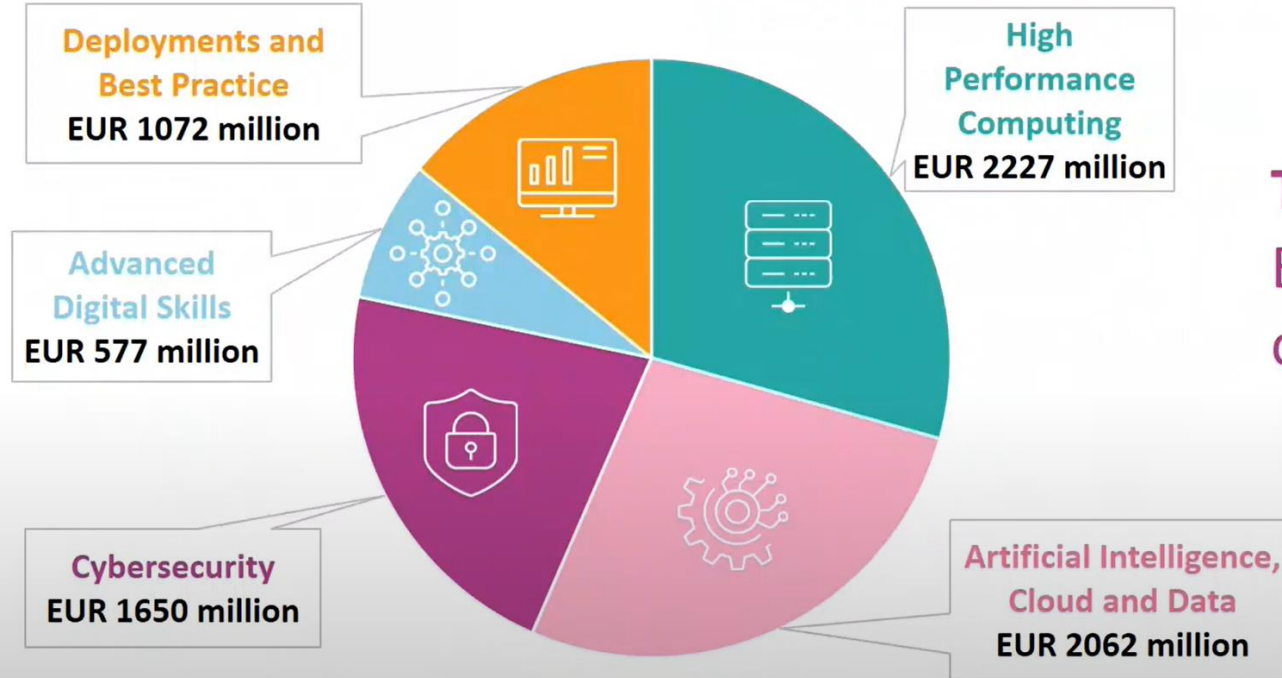


Support SMEs to acquire or access the latest technologies and skills

More than 400,000 EU vacancies in these fields



Budget as in Regulation

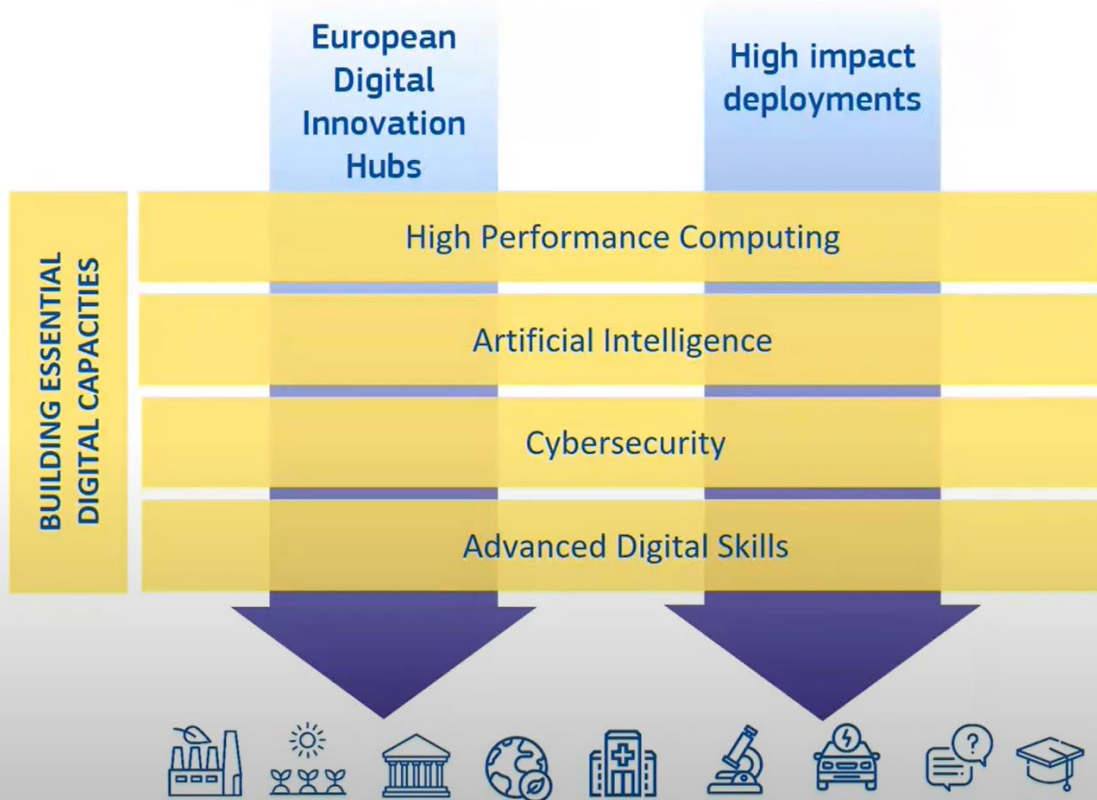


Total :
EUR 7588 million
over 7 years



Digital Europe programme structure

ACCELERATING THE BEST USE OF DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES





Digital Europe is complementary to other programmes with investments in digital

EU-wide collective effort					National regional and local			Financial instrument
Horizon Europe	Digital Europe	CEF	Creative Europe	Health	Cohesion	Agriculture Funds	RRF	InvestEU
Research Innovation	Strategic capacities: computing, data, testbeds, etc. Advanced digital skills EU-Wide deployment	Broadband and 5G roll out Connecting Communities	Creative industry Media	Telemedicine eHDSI	Digital connectivity in white and grey areas Support to enterprises in line with Smart specialisation Digital skills for all citizens	Making use of Big Data for CAP monitoring Broadband rollout in rural areas	Connect Scale-up Modernise Reskill and Upskill 20% digital	Leverage private capital for investments in SMEs, research, digital, infrastructure, skills...



Some specific features

- Funding schemes : Similar but not exactly the same to Horizon Europe, e.g.
 - Grants with cost reimbursement 50% for everybody or with 75% for SMEs
 - CSA at 100%
 - Wider use of procurement
- Focus is on delivery actual results. It will make use of the most recent research results, but it will not support research. For example, the programmes will support:
 - The acquisition of HPC machines
 - The set-up of sectorial data spaces, eg manufacturing
 - The building or reinforcing of Testing and Experimentation Facilities
 - The set up and delivery of Master courses in key advanced digital technologies
 - The set-up, interoperability, operations and maintenance of a number of services in the eGov area
- The Call text will specify the detailed information needed to submit a proposal
- The programme has specific restrictions to participation of entities not in the EU or in the EEA. These restrictions are specified in the wp and in its annexes.



Overall planning

- First Orientations July 2019 : public consultation until October 2019
- MFF Negotiation concluded in December 2020
- DEP Regulation adopted in March-April 2021 with an approx. budget of EUR 7.5 billion over 7 years
- 1st Work programmes content discussed with the Member States Expert Group / Programme Committee
- Work programme adopted by Commission on 10 November 2021
- First call opened on 17 November 2021
- Second call indicatively will open in Q1 2022
- Third call indicatively will open in Q3 2022



Digital Europe work programmes 2021-22

- Four work programmes :
 - *High Performance Computing → managed by the EuroHPC JU and not part of the package to be adopted by the Commission*
 - Cybersecurity → managed by the ECCC and, ad interim, by DG CNECT
 - European Digital Innovation Hubs → managed by DG CNECT
 - "Main" work programme → managed by DG CNECT, EA HaDEA and making use of Indirect management for some actions

In summary



High-performance computing

- Independent annual work programme
- Adopted by the EuroHPC JU Governing Board
- Adoption of 2021 work programme expected in the next days

Artificial intelligence, Data and Cloud

- In the "main" work programme, covering two years
- Adopted and managed by the Commission
- Adoption of 2021-22 work programme expected in the next days

Cybersecurity

- Independent work programme
- It will be managed by ECCC, but for the moment is with DG CNECT

Exception

- Quantum communication infrastructure – QCI which is covered in the "main" work programme

Advanced digital skills

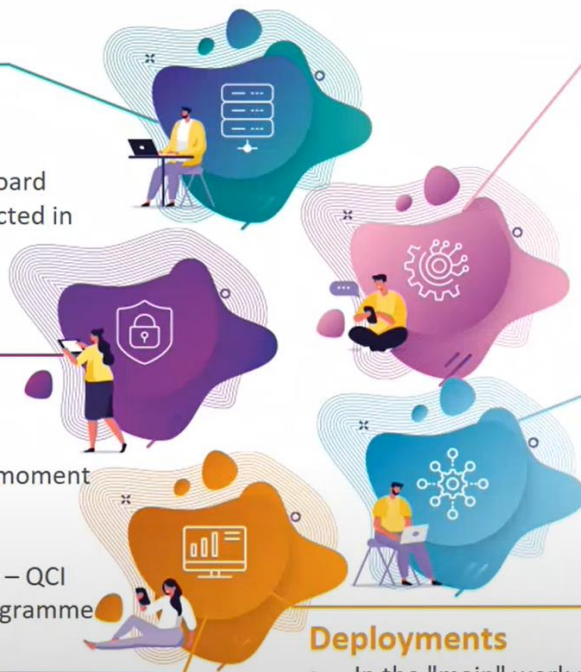
- In the "main" work programme, covering two years
- Adoption by Commission of 2021-22 work programme expected in the next days
- Managed by HaDEA

Deployments

- In the "main" work programme, covering two years
- Adopted by the Commission
- Mainly managed by HaDEA
- Adoption of 2021-22 work programme expected in the next days

European digital innovation hubs

- Independent work programme covering three years
- Managed by DG CNECT





1. Combination of funding – DIGITAL + ERDF

- **Common principles** (Common Provisions Regulation and directly managed programmes)
 - **Prohibit double funding** of the same costs and **prohibit funding beyond 100% of eligible costs**
 - **Promote** cumulative / complementary funding to **develop synergies** with other funds / programmes
- **CPR additional constraint** (Article 63 (9) Eligibility):
 - **Expenditure declared** in a payment application for one of the Funds **shall not be declared for support from another Fund or Union instrument**



2. Combination of funding – DIGITAL + RRF

- Reform and investment projects may receive support from other Union programmes, except to cover mandatory national co-financing under these other programmes and **on the condition that the same costs are not covered twice.**
- Digital Europe Programme regulation enables the combination of funds, “including for the joint funding of actions”. **Funding of the same action from the RRF and Digital Europe is possible provided:**
 1. **It is justified** in light of the relevant provisions applying to both programmes, **and**
 2. **avoidance of double funding is ensured.** Appropriate coordination is needed.



Principles

- Ex-ante coordination is necessary to encourage synergies between programmes. Cost eligibility is aligned as far as possible. The funding rate needs to be coordinated to ensure that the limit of covering 100% of estimated eligible costs is not breached.
- The relevant provisions of the respective legal bases need to be complied with.
- ***For shared management programmes only:*** For directly managed grants, once the beneficiary has submitted a copy of the declaration of costs to the MA, they would need to comply with the technical requirements in order to receive a payment from the directly managed programme, including the encoding of required data on implementation of the action.
- Selection under one programme cannot imply any obligation under another programme. Selection rules for all funds/programmes must be complied with in the normal way. No fund or programme can be obliged by the choice of another granting authority.



Main tasks for applicants for synergy grants

1. Apply for funding in the different funding programmes for an activity according to the rules and requirements of each programme.
2. Declare in the proposal of the directly managed fund the use of other EU funds for the action, explain and justify.
3. Sign the grants including the synergy grant provision.
4. Follow the rules for reporting for each funding programme and additionally **(for shared management programmes only)** that they must firstly declare the expenditure to the managing authority.
5. Insert the costs into the system for directly managed funds in the usual way.



Work Programme and Call document

Two key documents

Work Programme

Call document



Call document

- Complements the Work Programme
- Provides guidance on important aspects of the topics in a **call**
- For **each topic**:
 - Objectives
 - Scope
 - Outcome and Deliverables
 - KPIs
 - Targeted stakeholders
 - Type of action
 - Specific topic conditions
 - Budget



Call document - Support to proposers

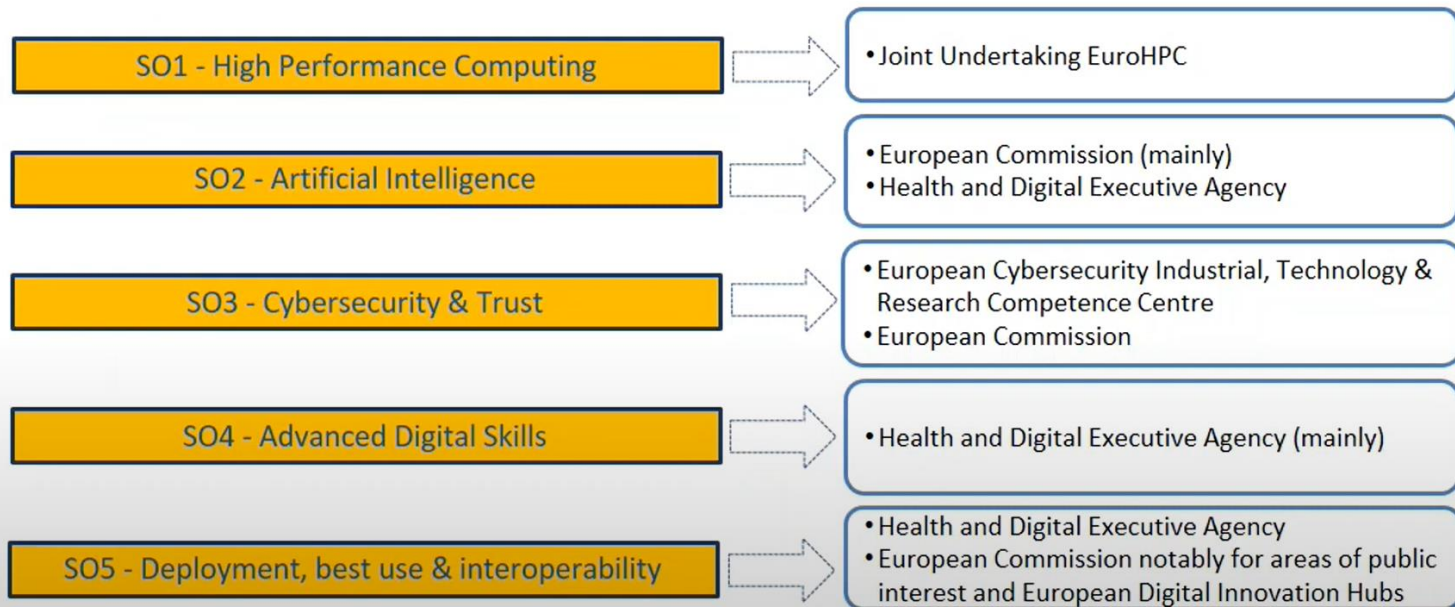
- Details on admissibility and eligibility
- Information for applicants on financial and operational capacity
- Exclusion criteria
- Evaluation procedure
- Guarantees, obligatory milestones and deliverables, certificates and any many other description on legal conditions to participate in grants
- Financial support to third party schemes and conditions
- All the mandatory annexes needed for the call (e.g. ethic issues, security issues)
- Type of action description
- Other important legal and operational provisions
- Help for applicants and how to reach out to the commission



Programme structure

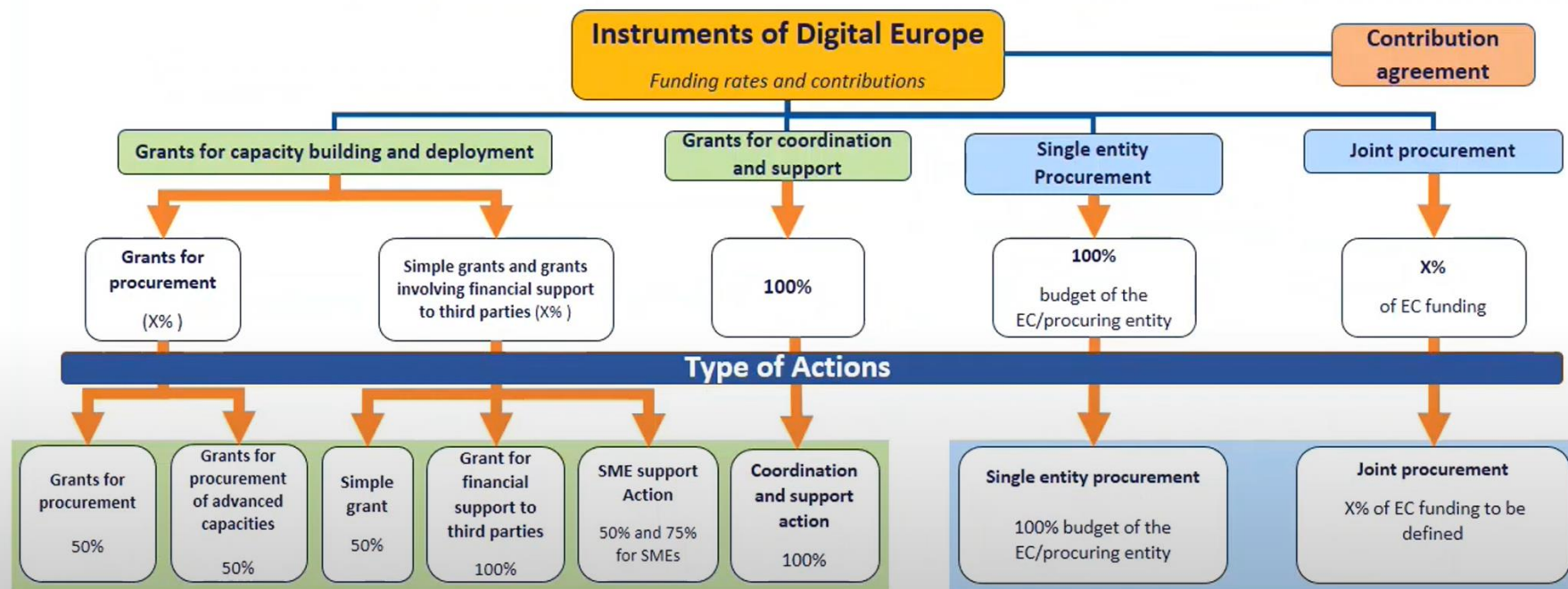
Specific Objectives

Implementing bodies





Instruments and types of actions





Who can participate

In order to be **eligible**, participants **must be**



legal entities

public or private body

and

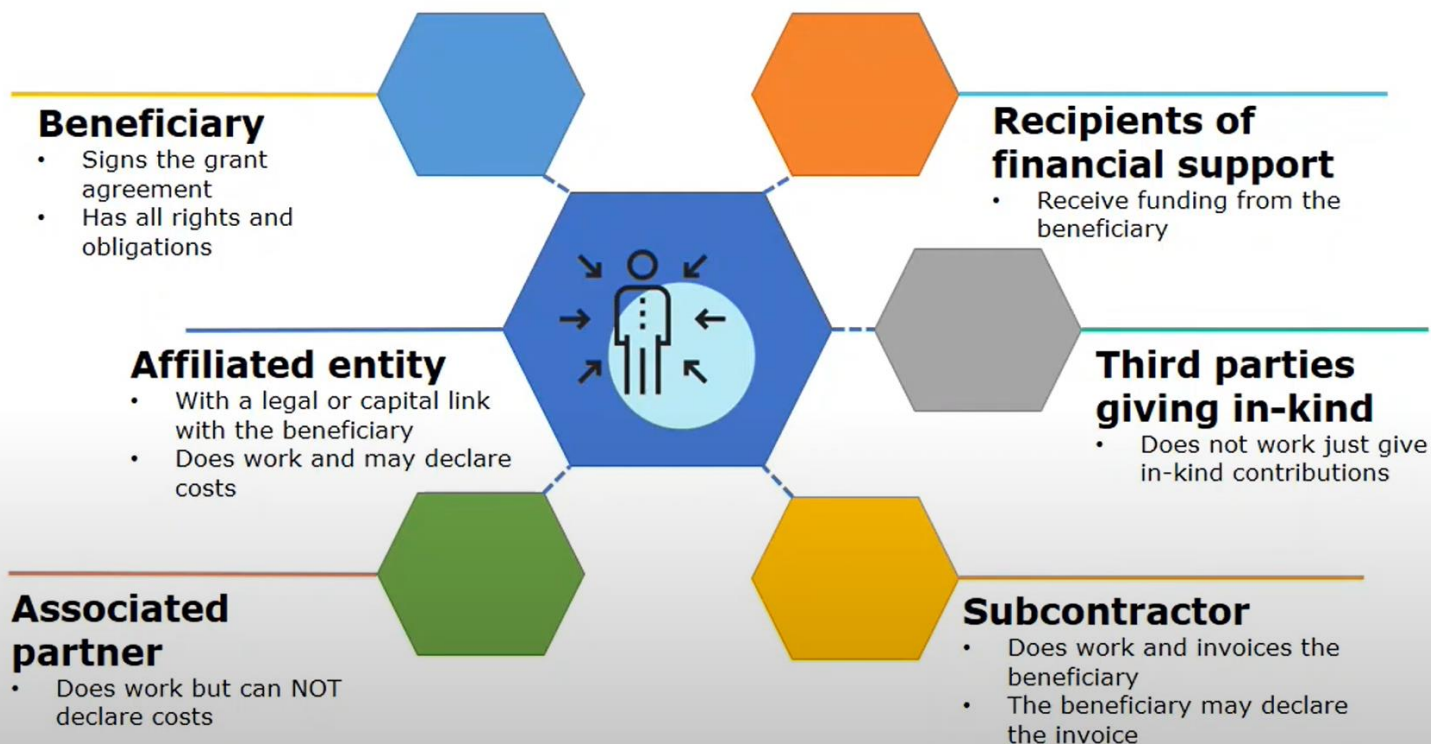


established in a **EU member state** (including overseas territories)
or an **eligible non-EU country**

Call documents will further specify and may add other eligibility conditions, for example in case of restrictions regarding security and strategic autonomy



Different ways to participate





Article 12.5/.6 DEP: restriction based on security

Some topics may **restrict the participation** to entities established in MS and controlled by MS or its legal entities

- **Non-eligible country controlled entities** cannot participate under 12.5, whereas 12.6 allows for their participation provided they comply with certain conditions established in the Work Programme
- The activation of these security restrictions requires a security **justification**



Article 12.5/.6: Restriction based on security

Article 12.5

- applicable to **Cybersecurity** (SO3) topics
- **no conditions** regarding entities participation unless specified otherwise in the Work Programme

Article 12.6

- applicable to **HPC** (SO1) and **AI** (SO2) topics
- legal entities established in the EU but controlled from third countries and legal entities established in Associated Countries **may participate if they comply with certain conditions** included in the Work Programme and certified by the MS/AC where they are established



Article 18.2: Third countries participation

- Legal entities from third countries **not associated** to the programme can participate in specific actions **ONLY** where their participation is necessary
- The participation of legal entities from third countries **will not receive funding, unless specified otherwise in the Work Programme**



Article 18.4: Restriction based on strategic autonomy

Some topics may **restrict the participation** to entities established in MS and Associated Countries

- **Legal entities established in third countries** cannot participate on topics under 18.4 (this includes e.g. subcontractors)
- **Article 18.2** will not apply in those cases



Award criteria

1. RELEVANCE



2. IMPLEMENTATION



3. IMPACT





Award criteria: 1. Relevance



- Alignment with the objectives and activities
- Contribution to long-term policy and strategic objectives
- Reinforcement of the Union's digital technology supply chain*
- Resilience to financial obstacles*

* call document sets applicability



Award criteria: 2. Implementation



- Maturity of the proposed action
- Soundness and efficiency of the implementation plan
- Capacity of the applicants or consortium to carry out the proposed work



Award criteria: 3. Impact



- Achievement of the expected outcomes and deliverables, as well as communication and dissemination
- Competitiveness strengthen and contribution to society
- Environmental sustainability*

* call document sets applicability



What is the Grant Agreement?

The Grant Agreement is the contractual document signed with a 'granting authority' (e.g. the EC or one of its executive agencies) defining



YOUR RIGHTS

- **To receive EU funding**, under the terms and conditions defined in the grant agreement, to help you to accomplish your project
- **To own the results** of the project that you have generated
- **To ask for amendments** of the grant agreement (if something needs to be changed)



YOUR OBLIGATIONS

- **To Implement the project** as planned in the description of the action (Annex 1 to the grant agreement)
- **Submit reports** at the time and for the periods defined in the grant agreement
- **Display the EU emblem and reference to DIGITAL funding** (e.g. information material, equipment funded by the grant, major results);



HOW MUCH MONEY YOU CAN GET

Overall, the granting authority can never pay:

- more than the maximum grant amount fixed in the grant agreement.
- But it may pay less; e.g. if the project costs at the end are less than budgeted



Model Grant Agreement (MGA)



e-GRANT

The DIGITAL Grant Agreement and its management are **fully electronic**



CORPORATE STRUCTURE

Commission-wide model
'Corporate' Model Grant Agreement including corporate annexes



ANNEX 5 (NON-CORPORATE)

Important specifications for DIGITAL:

- **Confidentiality and security**
- **Ethics**
- **IPR**
- **Communication, Dissemination,**
- **Specific rules for carrying out the action**



Corporate structure of the MGA

Datasheet

Summary of the grant agreement

1. General Data
2. Participant
3. Grant
4. Reporting, payment and recoveries
5. Consequences of non-compliance, applicable law and dispute settlement forum
6. Specific rules Annex 5 & standard time-limits after project end

Articles

Grouped in six chapters

- Chapter 1** – General (Articles 1-2)
- Chapter 2** – Action (Articles 3-4)
- Chapter 3** – Grant (Articles 5-6)
- Chapter 4** – Grant Implementation (Articles 7-26)
- Chapter 5** – Consequences of non-compliance (Articles 27-35)
- Chapter 6** – Final provisions (Articles 36-44)



Eligible costs



A. PERSONNEL COSTS

- **A.1** Employees
- **A.2** Natural persons under direct contract
- **A.3** Seconded persons
- **A.4** SME owners and natural person beneficiaries



B. SUBCONTRACTING COSTS



C. PURCHASE COSTS

- **C.1** Travel and subsistence
- **C.2** Equipment
- **C.3** Other goods, works and services



D. OTHER COST CATEGORIES

- **D.1** Financial support to third parties
- **D.2** Internally invoiced goods and services
- **[D.5 PAC procurement cost]**



E. INDIRECT COSTS



Project monitoring



During its **life cycle**, the project will be monitored regularly



The **reporting** and **payment** arrangements are fixed in the Grant Agreement



Experts

- Experts are essential for project evaluation and monitoring
- Register in the Funding & tender portal and experience “how it all works”!



European Commission | Funding & tender opportunities | Single Electronic Data Interchange Area (SEDIA)

English EN

Register Login

SEARCH FUNDING & TENDERS ▾ HOW TO PARTICIPATE ▾ PROJECTS & RESULTS **WORK AS AN EXPERT** SUPPORT ▾

Find calls for proposals and tenders

Search calls for proposals and tenders by keywords, programmes... Search

EU Programmes

Asylum, Migration and Border Management and Citizens, Equality, Rights Creative Europe (CREA) Digital Europe Europe Direct (ED)

ERA corona platform Brexit info Report fraud

News

16 Apr, 2021
OPSYS - Important note concerning the Management of Interventions (including their Logframes)
Dear Implementing Partners, Due to ongoing structural changes concerning interventions, in terms of methodology and in the IT system, you are requested to stop ...

14 Apr, 2021
A new TV channel is ready for you! Welcome to the Horizon



Useful links

Digital Europe Programme website

<https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/activities/digital-programme>

Digital Europe Programme Regulation

<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A32021R0694&qid=1621344635377>

Funding & tender opportunities portal

<https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/programmes/digital>

Advise on DEP's funding mechanism and bid procedure

Part 2

Digital Europe Programme

The [Digital Europe Programme](#) (DIGITAL) is part of 2021-2027 Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) of the European Union, a programme focused on building the strategic digital capacities of the Union (as well as Countries Associated to the programme) and on facilitating the wide deployment of digital technologies and its applications. In strategic terms, it is aligned with the Commission vision for the Digital Decade and should therefore contribute to delivering the [digital targets for 2030](#). Digital Europe is complementary to other programmes with investments in digital

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Budget as in Regulation

The Digital Europe Programme will provide strategic funding in five interrelated specific objectives (SOs), as foreseen in the Regulation:

- SO1: High Performance Computing (approximately **€2,227 million**)
- SO2: Artificial intelligence, data and cloud (approximately **€2,062 million**)
- SO3: Cybersecurity and trust (approximately **€1,650 million**)
- SO4: Advanced digital skills (approximately **€577 million**)
- SO5: Deployment, best use of digital capacity and interoperability (approximately **€1,072 million**)

With a planned overall budget of **€7,588 million**, it will shape and support the digital transformation of Europe's society and economy. The DIGITAL programme Regulation ([EU Regulation 2021/694](#)) was adopted on 21 April 2021 and sets the scene for the programme implementation over the duration of the MFF 2021-2027.

Five interrelated specific objectives (SOs)

Deployments : emphasison

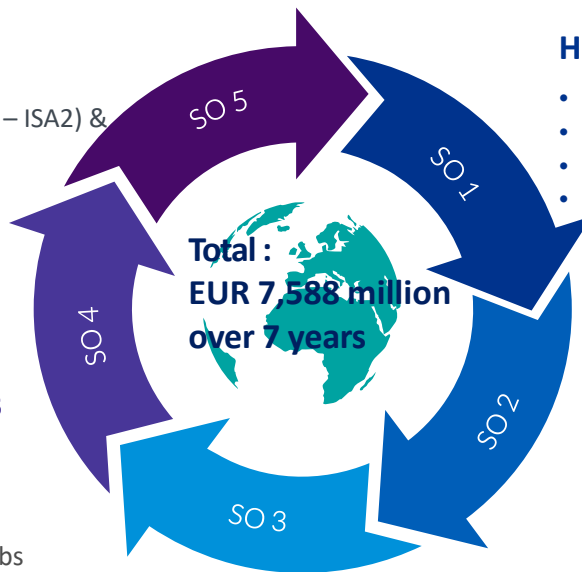
- Destination Earth
- Actions in support to Green Deal
- New Digital Identity and further investments (CEF – ISA2) & Interoperability
- Blockchain

European digital innovation hubs

- At least one per MS or associated country

Advanced digital skills

- Master courses
- Short term trainings
- Job placements
- Platform for Skills and Jobs



High-performance computing

- Procure exascale machines
- Upgrade existing supercomputers
- Quantum computing
- Widen the access to and use of supercomputing

Artificial intelligence, data and cloud

- Data4EU : common Data Spaces, clouds, platforms and infrastructure
- Large Testing and Experimentation Facilities for Agriculture, health, mobility, manufacturing and AI edge HW
- AI-on-demand platform

Cybersecurity & trust

- Deploy competence centers network
- Cybersecurity shield, quantum communication infrastructure - QCI
- Certification schemes
- Cybersecurity tools

DEP - How to find call topics 1/3

Participants portal - Funding & tender opportunities <https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal>

The screenshot displays the 'Funding & tender opportunities' portal. At the top, there's a navigation bar with the European Commission logo and the text 'Single Electronic Data Interchange Area (SEDA)'. Below this, a dark blue header contains navigation links: 'SEARCH FUNDING & TENDERS', 'HOW TO PARTICIPATE', 'PROJECTS & RESULTS', 'WORK AS AN EXPERT', and 'SUPPORT'. A search bar is located below the header, with the text 'Find calls for proposals and tenders' and a search icon. The main content area is titled 'EU Programmes' and features a grid of 24 programme cards. The 'Digital Europe Programme (DIGITAL)' card is highlighted with a green border. To the right of the grid, there's a 'News' section with a webinar announcement and a 'Self-test' link. Below the news, there's a 'Useful links' section with various resources. At the bottom of the main content area, there's a 'How to participate in 5 steps' link.

European Commission | Funding & tender opportunities
Single Electronic Data Interchange Area (SEDA)

English

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SEARCH FUNDING & TENDERS HOW TO PARTICIPATE PROJECTS & RESULTS WORK AS AN EXPERT SUPPORT

Find calls for proposals and tenders

Search calls for proposals and tenders by keywords, programmes...

Search

EU Programmes

Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund (AMIF)	Border Management and Visa Instrument (BMVI)	Customs Control Equipment Instrument (CCEI)	Connecting Europe Facility (CEF)	Citizens, Equality, Rights and Values Programme (CERV)	Creative Europe (CREA)
Customs Programme (CUST)	Digital Europe Programme (DIGITAL)	Europe Direct (ED)	European Defence Fund (EDF)	European Parliament (EP)	EU Anti-fraud Programme (ELIAP)
European Solidarity Corps (ESC)	Erasmus+ Programme (ERASMUS)	EU4Health Programme (EU4H)	European Social Fund + (ESF)	European Maritime, Fisheries and Aquaculture Fund (EMFAF)	Eurostars Research and Training Programme (EURATOM)
Fiscalis Programme (FISC)	Innovation Fund (INNOVUND)	Internal Security Fund (ISF)	Horizon Europe (HORIZON)	Single Market Programme (SMP)	Social Pragmatic and Specific Competencies Lines (SOCPCL)
EU External Action (ELEX)	Interregional Innovation Investments (I3)	Justice Programme (JUST)	Protection of the Euro against Counterfeiting Programme (PROCLITE)	Pilot Projects and Preparatory Actions (PYP)	Programme for the Environment and Climate Action (ELIA)
Promotion of Agricultural Products (UPPER)	Research Fund for Coal & Steel (RFCS)	Union Civil Protection Mechanism (UCPM)			

Show all

How to participate in 5 steps

News

Webinar: Horizon Europe Coordinators' Day on Grant Agreement Preparation, 26 January 2022, 09:30h CET

This webinar is specifically designed for Horizon Europe proposal coordinators who have received a letter inviting them to start Grant Agreement Preparation. It...

07 Dec, 2021

What should the EU support financially in the future? Share your views!

The Conference on the Future of Europe is a unique occasion for all Europeans to share their views on the future of EU policies and its priorities. This can all...

24 Nov, 2021

Self-test helping you to understand the rules on cost reporting in Horizon 2020


A questionnaire is now available to test your knowledge on the cost reporting rules in Horizon 2020 grants. If you are involved in running a Horizon 2020 grant...

All news


Useful links


- Calls for tenders on TED
- Overview of all EU funding opportunities
- Access to publications and data on OpenEurope
- Apply for EU loans & venture capital
- Find funding in the EU Macro-Regions
- Open Research Europe

DEP - How to find call topics 2/3




Funding & tender opportunities
Single Electronic Data Interchange Area (SEDIA)

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Digital Europe Programme (DIGITAL) 

Digital Europe Programme



Digital Europe Programme is the first EU programme that aims to accelerate the recovery and drive the digital transformation of Europe.


Worth €7.6 billion (in current prices), the Programme is a part of the next long-term EU budget, (the Multiannual Financial Framework), and it covers 2021 to 2027. It will provide funding for projects in five crucial areas: supercomputing, artificial intelligence, cybersecurity, advanced digital skills, and ensuring the wide use of digital technologies across the economy and society.

The Programme is fine-tuned to fill the gap between the research of digital technologies and their deployment, and to bring the results of research to the market - for the benefit of Europe's citizens and businesses, and in particular SMEs. Investments under the Digital Europe programme supports the Union's twin objectives of a green transition and digital transformation and strengthens the Union's resilience and strategic autonomy.

- Find calls for proposals
- Projects & Results
- Priorities
- What's new?


Find calls for proposals in Digital Europe Programme

 Search calls for proposals by keywords, programme parts, ...  View (26)

 Calls for Tenders are not available when you have selected a programme. See all calls for tenders published by EC

Projects & Results

See the work done in past and ongoing projects. View the statistics on proposals, success rates, funded projects and participants.
[Check dashboard](#)

Priorities 


What will the Digital Europe Programme fund?
€2.2 BILLION for supercomputing to:

Build up and strengthen the EU's supercomputing and data processing capacities by buying world-class exascale supercomputers by 2022/2023 (capable of at least a billion billion or 10¹⁸ calculations per second) and port exascale facilities by 2026/2027.

Increase accessibility and broaden the use of supercomputing in areas of public interest such as health, environment and security, and in industry, including small and medium-sized enterprises.

€2.1 BILLION for artificial intelligence to:

DEP - How to find call topics 3/3

 **Funding & tender opportunities**
Single Electronic Data Interchange Area (SEIDA)

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SEARCH FUNDING & TENDERS HOW TO PARTICIPATE PROJECTS & RESULTS WORK AS AN EXPERT SUPPORT

Archived funding (FP7-DEP)
Digital Europe Programme (DIGITAL)

View filter

Type your keywords...

Match whole words only

GRANTS TENDERS

Submission status

Forthcoming Open for submission (28) Closed

Programming period

2021 - 2027 (28)

Digital Europe Programme (DIGITAL)

Filter by call

Select a Call...

DIGITAL-2021-CLOUD-AI-01 (11)
DIGITAL-2021-DEPLOY-01 (4)
DIGITAL-2021-TRUST-01 (4)
DIGITAL-2021-INTERACT-05-01 (3)
DIGITAL-2021-QC-01 (2)
DIGITAL-2021-SKILLS-01 (2)
DIGITAL-2021-EDH-01 (1)

Funding and tenders (28)

Need help?

Sort by: Submission status

Secretariat for the Alliance on Processors and Semiconductor technologies

Open for submission

Programme	Digital Europe Programme (DIGITAL)	Deadline model	single-stage
ID	DIGITAL-2021-CLOUD-AI-01-CATA-TECH	Opening date	17 November 2021
Types of action	DIGITAL Coordination and Support Actions	Deadline date	22 February 2022 17:00:00 Brussels time

Marketplace for federated cloud-to-edge based services

Open for submission

Programme	Digital Europe Programme (DIGITAL)	Deadline model	single-stage
ID	DIGITAL-2021-CLOUD-AI-01-DS-MARKETPLACE-CLOUD	Opening date	17 November 2021
Types of action	DIGITAL Simple Grants	Deadline date	22 February 2022 17:00:00 Brussels time

Governance of the Livingin.eu community

Open for submission

Programme	Digital Europe Programme (DIGITAL)	Deadline model	single-stage
ID	DIGITAL-2021-DEPLOY-01-LIVING-EU	Opening date	17 November 2021
Types of action	DIGITAL Coordination and Support Actions	Deadline date	22 February 2022 17:00:00 Brussels time

Deploying advanced national QCI systems and networks

Open for submission

Programme	Digital Europe Programme (DIGITAL)	Deadline model	single-stage
ID	DIGITAL-2021-QC-01-DEPLOY-NATIONAL	Opening date	17 November 2021
Types of action	DIGITAL Simple Grants	Deadline date	22 February 2022 17:00:00 Brussels time

Intelligent Cities Challenge

Intelligent Cities Challenge

DEP – How to find partners 1/2

The screenshot shows the European Commission's Single Electronic Data Interchange Area (SEDIA) website. The header includes the European Commission logo and the text 'Funding & tender opportunities | Single Electronic Data Interchange Area (SEDIA)'. The language is set to English. Navigation links include 'SEARCH FUNDING & TENDERS', 'HOW TO PARTICIPATE', 'PROJECTS & RESULTS', 'WORK AS AN EXPERT', and 'SUPPORT'. A maintenance notice is displayed: '- Data management of the organizations, search functions under the 'My organisations' tab and adding new organizations to proposals may not be available today **Thursday, 16.12.2021 from 17:30 to 18:00 (CET)**, while system maintenance is being performed.

The main content area is titled 'Preparatory actions for the data' with the topic ID 'DIGITAL-2021-CLOUD-AI-01-PR'. A blue box highlights the 'Partner search' option in the left sidebar, with a blue arrow pointing to it. The sidebar also includes 'General information', 'Topic description', 'Conditions and documents', 'Submission service', 'Topic related FAQ', 'Get support', 'Call information', and 'Call updates'. The main content area displays details for the 'Digital Europe Programme (DIGITAL)' call 'Cloud Data and TEE (DIGITAL-2021-CLOUD-AI-01)'. It includes a 'See budget overview' button, a 'Go back to search results' button, and a 'show more' button. The 'Topic description' section outlines the expected outcomes and deliverables, including a sustainable data governance scheme and a blueprint for connecting local data ecosystems with EU systems.

Partner search

Programme
Digital Europe Programme (DIGITAL)

Call
[Cloud Data and TEE \(DIGITAL-2021-CLOUD-AI-01\)](#)

Type of action
DIGITAL-CSA DIGITAL Coordination and Support Actions

Type of MGA
DIGITAL Action Grant Budget-Based (DIGITAL-AG)

Deadline model
single-stage

Opening date
17 November 2021

Deadline date
22 February 2022 17:00:00 Brussels time

Topic description

Expected Outcome:

Outcomes and deliverables


- A sustainable data governance scheme for the smart communities' data space as well as a blueprint that connects existing local data ecosystems and EU systems and enables public and private stakeholders to develop cross-sector, cross-community, data services, including AI-enabled data services.
- A detailed roadmap towards a full-fledged pan-EU smart communities' data space that will be interconnected with the Green Deal data space (see topic 2.2.1.1), and will include a set of technical specifications for interoperability with the European Data Spaces Technical Framework.

The data space for smart communities will be subject to article 12(6) for the reasons already provided in section 2.2. The data space will offer data related to several critical city infrastructures such as energy supply and consumption, water management, waste management, traffic information, etc. which could then be exposed to vulnerabilities and impact EU public order. In addition, such data may be used for further fine-tuning the functioning of such city critical infrastructures (such as smart grids, etc.) as well as the AI-based solutions using this data.

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 Publish partner search for topic:


Partner Search list



Results: 15 






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Digital Europe Programme (DIGITAL) 

Programming period
2021-2027 

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Reference Documents



Grants








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Procurement

Reference Documents related to tendering opportunities are published on TED eTendering in the calls for tenders.

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Open calls

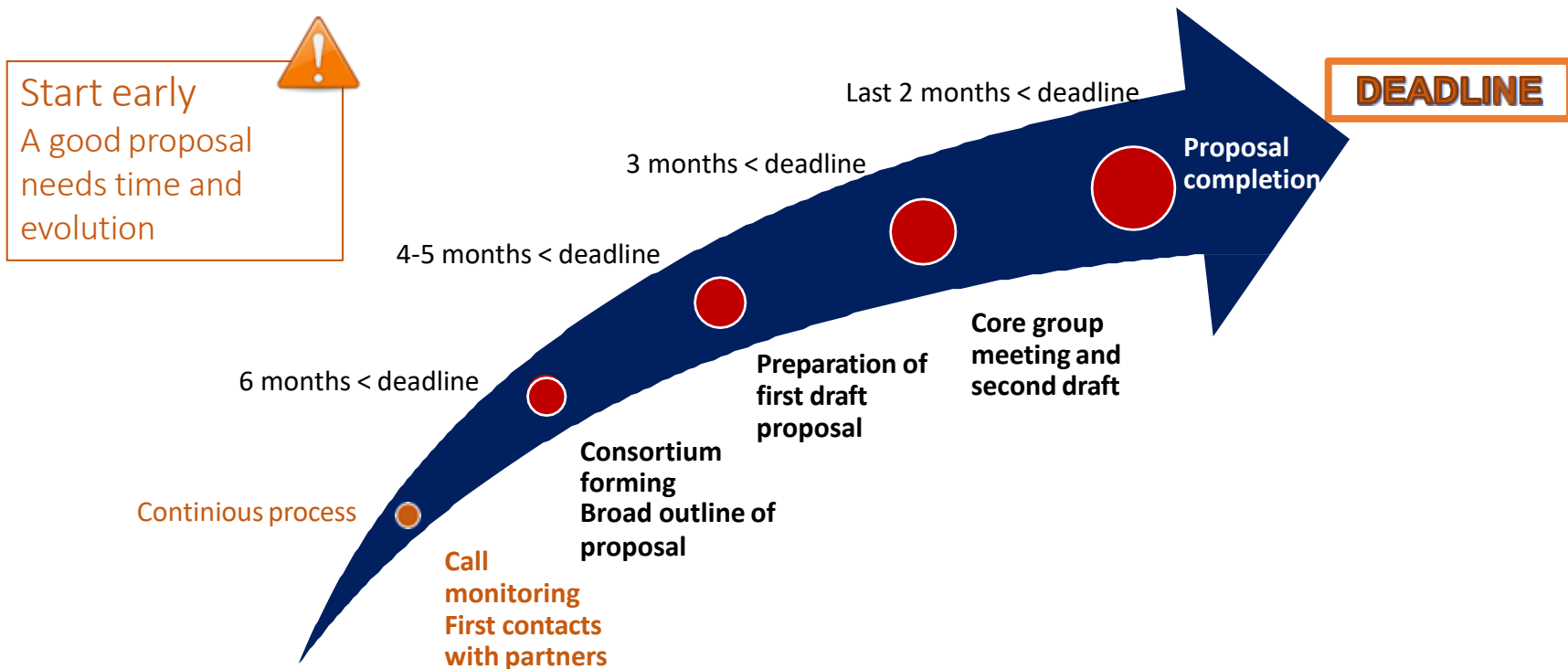
As of 17 November 2021, this is the complete list of the Digital Europe program calls for proposals.

19 calls with their closing dates and descriptions:

- [Blockchain Standardisation](#)
- [Data space for security and law enforcement](#)
- [Testing and Experimentation Facility for Agri-Food](#)
- [Support to cybersecurity in the health sector](#)
- [Federated European infrastructure for cancer images data](#)
- [Testing and Experimentation Facility for Health](#)
- [Short term training courses in key capacity areas](#)
- [Public Sector Open Data for AI and Open Data Platform](#)
- [Testing and Experimentation Facility for Manufacturing](#)
- [Promoting European innovation in education](#)
- [Testing and experimentation Facility for smart cities and communities](#)
- [EBSI – Deployment of services](#)
- [Data space for cultural heritage \(deployment\)](#)
- [Deploying The Network Of National Coordination Centres With Member States](#)
- [Support to the implementation of the European Digital Identity Framework and the implementation of the Once Only System under the Single Digital Gateway Regulation](#)
- [Security \(law enforcement\): AI-based pilot](#)
- [GovTech Incubator](#)
- [National Competence Centres for High Performance Computing](#)
- [Networking and coordination of national HPC Competence Centres and Centres of Excellence](#)

- The deadline for submission of proposals is 17 May 2022 (17:00 Brussels local time).

Planning your proposals



General guidance – Common mishaps

- Proposal does **not sufficiently cover what is in the call text**
- Hard to read, unclear and over complex language
- Insufficient detail provided – not concrete enough
- Inconsistencies between the sections
- **Impact section** is described in rather **vague** and general terms
- **Exploitation and dissemination plan** is **neglected**
- Confusing work plan lacking in detail
- Overlapping expertise of partners
- Poorly defined and justified resources
- Lack of **evidence** to support stated claims

General guidance - How to write a good proposal in a nutshell

- Plan **ahead**
- Choose **consortium partners** based on the project needs
- Read carefully the topic description/ call text – > **every word counts**
- Address thoroughly the **evaluation criteria**
- Be **concrete**, be specific
- Prepare your proposal from the point of view of the **evaluator**
- Where possible & meaningful -> **quantify!**
- Ensure **consistency** of the **different parts of your proposal**
- **Visualize** and **structure** by using (stand-alone) diagrams, tables and graphs
- Ask for support!

The application process 1/2

Step 1: Submit your proposal

If you wish to respond to a call, you must submit a proposal before 17:00 Brussels time on the day of the indicated call deadline. Please note that this deadline and specific time are strict and must be respected. The European Commission strongly advises to submit your proposal in good time and not to wait until the last moment. All proposals need to be submitted online.

Step 2: Find your partners

If you need help to identify a potential partner with particular competences, facilities or experience, use the partner search options.

Step 3: Evaluation

Once the deadline has passed, all proposals are evaluated against the criteria published in the Work Programme, resulting in a list of proposals in priority order. Independent experts specialised in the relevant fields may be involved in the evaluation.

The application process 2/2

Step 4: Grant agreement

When the evaluation is over, applicants are informed on the outcome. The European Commission will draw up a grant agreement with each of the successful participants within the limits of the allocated budget. The grant agreement describes the activities to be undertaken, in line with the objectives of the call, the project's duration, budget, rates and costs, as well as the European Commission's contribution, the rights and obligations and other specificities linked to the topic covering the specific grant agreement.



Pitching session

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Pitches

Recommended set-up of a pitch

5 minute pitch + 5 minute Q&A

Include the following elements in your pitch

Topic of the
presentation

City name

Speaker name &
contact details

3-5 talking points

The more concise a pitch is, the better. Do not forget a call-to-action!



Thank you!