



Pilot Project 'Innovative deployable antennas'

Call for proposals document

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Deadline for submission of Proposals: 30/10/2024

CALL FOR PROPOSALS: INNOVDEPLAN

PILOT PROJECT - 'Innovative deployable antennas'

1. INTRODUCTION – BACKGROUND

The European Parliament decided to finance a pilot project, within the meaning of point a) of Article 58(2) of the Financial Regulation, and entitled "Innovative deployable antennas" (https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/BUDG-DT-759726 EN.pdf).

The Commission has decided to implement this pilot project through the award of a grant following the publication of a call for proposals. This call is not a Horizon Europe call, however the processes to be applied are generally based on those set in Horizon Europe.

2. TIMETABLE

	Steps	Date and time or indicative period
(a)	Publication of the call	18/07/2024
(b)	Deadline for submitting applications	30/10/2024 - 17:00:00
(c)	Evaluation period	Q4 2024
(d)	Information to applicants	December 2024
(e)	Signature of grant agreement	Q2 2025

3. BUDGET AVAILABLE

The total budget earmarked for this call for proposals is EUR 1 450 000.

Only one proposal will be funded by the contracting authority.

The contracting authority reserves the right not to distribute the funds available, if the quality of the proposals does not reach the minimum quality threshold required.

4. Type of action

Research and innovation actions (RIA) — Activities that aim primarily to establish new knowledge or to explore the feasibility of a new or improved technology, product, process, service or solution. This may include basic and applied research, technology development and integration, testing, demonstration and validation of a small-scale prototype in a laboratory or simulated environment.

5. ADMISSIBILITY

The conditions to be applied are those described in <u>Annex A</u> and <u>Annex E</u> of the Horizon Europe Work Programme General Annexes.

The page limit of the application is 70 pages.

6. ELIGIBILITY

The conditions to be applied are those described in <u>Annex B</u> of the Work Programme General Annexes.

Additional eligibility conditions:

In order to achieve the expected outcomes, and safeguard the Union's strategic assets, interests, autonomy, or security, and in accordance with Article 197(3) Financial Regulation, this action is implemented with regard to the following eligibility and participation conditions:

- (a), the eligible legal entity is established in an EU Member State, Norway and Iceland and its executive management structures are established in that Member State and/or country;
- (b), the eligible legal entity commits to carry out all relevant activities in one or more EU Member States, Norway and Iceland; and
- (c), the eligible legal entity is not to be subject to control by a third country or by a third country entity.

For the purpose of these conditions, 'control' means the ability to exercise a decisive influence over a legal entity directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediate legal entities.

Eligibility conditions with regards to the consortium composition follow the HE RIA rules. The reference to third country above shall be understood as any country other than EU Member State, Norway or Iceland.

Declaration of ownership and control

A compulsory <u>questionnaire</u> on the <u>declaration of ownership and control</u> is to be filled by all project participants as part of the application. All declarations must be assembled by the coordinator and uploaded in a single file in the portal submission system. For successfully evaluated proposals that enter into Grant Agreement Preparation, an assessment of the ownership and control shall take place by the granting authority. Failure to demonstrate condition (c) above shall result in non-eligibility of the participant.

7. FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL CAPACITY AND EXCLUSION

Procedures applicable are those described in <u>Annex C</u> of the Horizon Europe Work Programme General Annexes

8. EVALUATION AND AWARD

- Award criteria, scoring and thresholds procedures applicable are those described in <u>Annex D</u>
 of the Horizon Europe Work Programme General Annexes
- Submission and evaluation processes procedures applicable are those described in <u>Annex F</u> of the Horizon Europe Work Programme General Annexes and the <u>Online Manual</u>

9. LEGAL AND FINANCIAL SET-UP OF THE GRANTS

Provisions described in <u>Annex G</u> of the Horizon Europe Work Programme General Annexes will be applicable.

10. FINANCIAL PROVISIONS

Notwithstanding the respect of the co-financing principle, the grant will reimburse up to 100% of the eligible costs incurred and declared by the consortium/beneficiary for the implementation of the action.

Eligible costs will take the form of a lump sum, following the model defined in the Decision of 7 July 2021 authorising the use of lump sum contributions under the Horizon Europe Programme – the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2021-2027) – and in actions under the Research and Training Programme of the European Atomic Energy Community (2021-2025).

11. CONTACT

Questions can be addressed to the Research Enquiry Service https://research-and-innovation.ec.europa.eu/contact-us/research-enquiry-service en

Or

DEFIS-B2-SPACE-RESEARCH@ec.europa.eu

Documents

Evaluation Form shall follow: Standard evaluation form (HE RIA, IA)

Grant Agreement: will be setup derived from the Horizon Europe Lump Sum MGA v1.0

Additional documents:

EU Financial Regulation

Rules for Legal Entity Validation, LEAR Appointment and Financial Capacity Assessment

<u>Guidance: "Lump sums - what do I need to know?"</u> (from Horizon Europe)