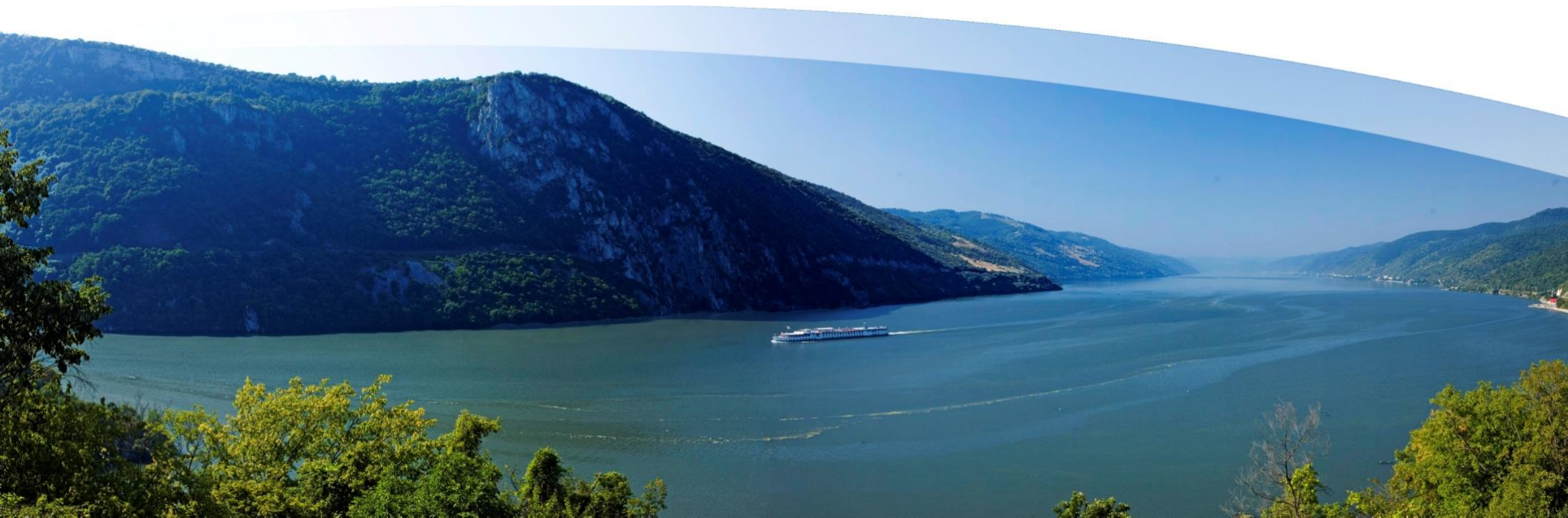




# Online Meeting of the Danube Local Actors Platform

14 April 2020





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# Agenda

10.00

Start of Meeting

## EUSDR Updates

Priorities of the Croatian EUSDR Presidency  
Embedding of the EUSDR in ESIF/IPA/ENI Programmes 2021-2027  
State of Play Revised EUSDR Action Plan  
Q&A

## Danube Participation Day 2020 & Youth involvement in the Danube Region

Danube Participation Day 2020  
Introduction into the planned 'Danube Youth Action Plan'  
Danube Youth Network

Q&A

## Funding Information & project databases

EuroAccess, KEEF, Horizon2020 - Databases for capitalisation & funding  
Funding information: What? Why? For whom?  
Funding related to SARS-COV-V2/COVID-19

Q&A

12.00

End of Meeting



# EUSDR Updates



# revised EUSDR Action Plan







# Danube Participation Day 2020 & Youth involvement in the Danube Region





# Danube Participation Day



## Objective:

Interactive exchange that links bottom-up and top down youth initiatives & discuss youth involvement in the Danube Region

## Thematic intervention areas:

- Environment & Sustainability
- Employability & Education
- Social Innovation & Entrepreneurship
- Connectivity & Digitalisation



DPD 2019  
Youth  
Participation  
Empowerment

–  
,Let's start the talk...'



## Structural intervention areas

- Financing
- Structural Participation
- Cross-border cooperation
- Information & Communication

DPD 2020  
Youth  
Participation  
Empowerment

–  
,Youth Action Plan'

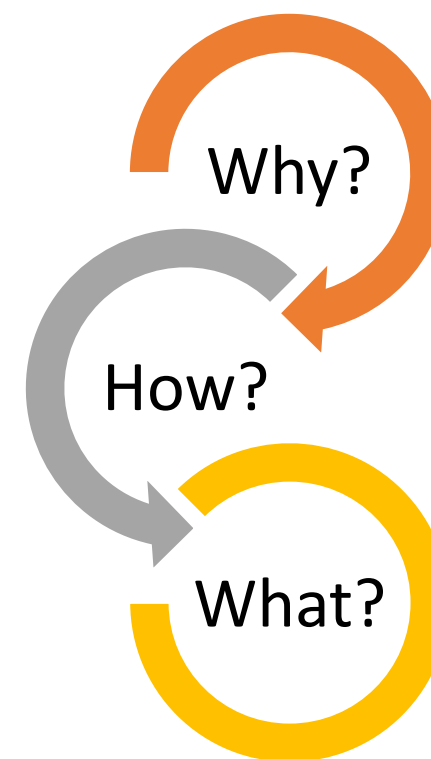


# Danube Youth Action Plan

The Danube Youth Action Plan aims at

- Providing guidance to youth initiatives and young people to pro-actively shape development in the Danube Region (by making use of the Macro-regional Strategy);
- Starting a discussion in the EUSDR Governance and beyond on a long-term, sustainable perspective for EU Strategy for the Danube Region (EUSDR)

Dimensions of youth involvement	How can youth contribute to EUSDR?	What support can EUSDR provide for youth?
D1: Danube Strategy Governance		
D2: Cross-border Youth exchange in the Danube Region		
D3: Support and connect local youth initiatives		





# Funding information & Project databases



# EuroAccess - MacroRegions

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- Initiative of EUSDR PA10  
Priority Area 10 – Institutional Capacity & Cooperation



- Implemented by EuroVienna  
EU-consulting & -management GmbH  
[www.eurovienna.at](http://www.eurovienna.at)



- A project financed by the European Union and the City of Vienna



# EuroAccess - MacroRegions

## What is EuroAccess?

- ✓ Online search tool for EU funding
- ✓ Website
- ✓ Free of charge
- ✓ English

## Who is EuroAccess for?

- ✓ (Potential) project promoters in the EU Macro-Regions
- ✓ Different types of organisations
- ✓ Public bodies, NGOs, universities, SMEs, associations...

## Aim:

- ✓ Support Macro-Regions and their strategic objectives
- ✓ One-stop-shop for project promoters searching for EU funding for their project ideas



# EuroAccess – MacroRegions: What does it offer to you?

- Information on 4 Macro-Regions:  
what, who, where + most relevant funding programmes
- Calls for proposals in more than 350 EU funding programmes
- Programme information and link
- Filters: applicant, origin, thematic focus, macro-region,  
type of funding, keyword search
- Customised newsletter with new calls,  
tailored to the interest profile of each user
- Funding basket to save calls and interesting programmes





# Keep.eu – Capitalise on projects and search for implementers

- keep.eu is a database of project related information
- Learn more about projects of European Transnational Cooperation (ETC) that were implemented
- The content is provided by the programmes themselves or, in the case with macro-regional strategies, by their thematic coordinators.
- Learn about projects from
  - INTERREG,
  - INTERREG-IPA
  - ENPI/ENI CROSS-BORDER





# Funding information



# Erasmus+ EU Programme for education, training, youth and sport (2014-2020)



- for students, young people
- vocational training students and apprentices,
- teachers, youth trainers, ...



- develop, transfer and implement innovative education, training and youth practices
- boosting employment and entrepreneurship



- support sport events and related partnerships

Funding  
Activities



## Erasmus+ EU Programme for education, training, youth and sport

2020:

- Key Action 3: Support for policy reforms
- e.g. European Policy Experimentations in the field of Education and Training led by high-level public authorities (Deadline 05.05.2020)

2021+

- The Commission is proposing to increase the Erasmus budget to €30 billion from 2021-2027 with €25,9 billion for education and training, €3,1 billion for youth and €550 million for sport.
- Reach out to people from all social backgrounds
- Focus on promoting forward-looking study fields
  - renewable energy, climate change, environmental engineering, artificial intelligence or design.



# Erasmus+ - Who is it for?

## EU membership status



EU member

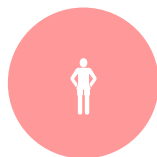


Non-EU member

## Size of organisation (staff, budgets)



Big organisations



Small organisations

## Type of project



Capacity building



Project preparation

## Type of organisation

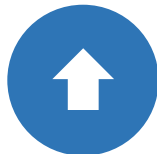


Local/regional authority



Civil society organisation

## Knowledge & capacities



High capacities



Low capacities



# Horizon Europe

- Horizon Europe Framework Programme 9
  - Research & Innovation Programme
  - 2021 - 2027
  - 100 billion €





# Horizon Europe

## ■ Pillar 2 -> 5 Thematic cluster

Health	Inclusive and secure society	Digital and Industry	Climate, Energy and Mobility	Food and natural resources
Health throughout the life course	Democracy	Manufacturing technologies	Climate science and solutions	Environmental observation
Environmental and social health determinants	Cultural heritage	Digital technologies	Energy supply	Biodiversity and natural capital
Non-communicable and rare diseases	Social and economic transformations	Advanced materials	Energy systems and grids	Agriculture, forestry and rural areas
Infectious diseases	Disaster-resilient societies	Artificial intelligence and robotics	Buildings and industrial facilities in energy transition	Sea and oceans
Tools, technologies and digital solutions for health and care	Protection and Security	Next generation internet	Communities and cities	Food systems
Health care systems	Cybersecurity	High performance computing and Big Data	Industrial competitiveness in transport	Bio-based innovation systems
		Circular industries	Clean transport and mobility	Circular systems
		Low carbon and clean industry	Smart mobility	
		Space	Energy storage	



# Let's look back: Horizon 2020 - Types of action

Type of Action <sup>1</sup>	Code	Minimum Conditions <sup>2</sup>	Funding Rate	Typical Duration	Average EC Contribution	Aim
Research & Innovation Action	RIA	≥ 3 legal entities from 3 MS/AC	100%	36-48 months	€ 2.0 – 5.0M	collaborative research projects
Innovation Action	IA	≥ 3 legal entities from 3 MS/AC	70% <sup>3</sup>	30-36 months	€ 2.0 – 5.0M	produce plans & arrangements or designs for new, altered or improved products, processes or services
Coordination & Support Action	CSA	1 legal entity	100%	12-30 months	€ 0.5 – 2.0M	accompanying measures (standardisation, dissemination, policy dialogues etc.) no research
MSCA <sup>4</sup> (except Cofund)	MSCA	see separate factsheet				facilitate mobility of researchers for training & career development
ERC Grants	ERC	1 legal entity in MS/AC	100%	60 months	Starting: ≤ € 2.0M Consolidator: ≤ € 2.75M Advanced: ≤ € 3.5M	support excellent investigators and their research teams to pursue ground-breaking, high-gain/ high-risk research
Prizes	PRI	1 legal entity	n/a	n/a	variable; see respective topic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- recognise past achievements</li> <li>- induce future activities</li> </ul>
SME Instrument	SME	1 SME in MS/AC	3 phases: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Phase 1: lump sum of € 50K / project</li> <li>• Phase 2: € 1 – 2.5M / project (1-2 years) (70% of eligible costs reimbursed)</li> <li>• Phase 3 : no funding</li> </ul>			combination of demonstration activities (testing, prototyping, ...), market replication
Fast Track to Innovation	FTI	≤ 5 legal entities from 5 MS/AC	70% <sup>3</sup>	tbd	≤ € 3.0M	produce plans & arrangements or designs for new, altered or improved products, processes or services

<sup>1</sup> Defined in the Work Programme.

<sup>2</sup> Additional conditions may be listed in the respective Work Programmes.

<sup>3</sup> 100% for non-profit organisation (= any legal entity except companies)

<sup>4</sup> MSCA = Marie Skłodowska Curie Actions



# Horizon Europe

- What's new?
  - European Innovation Council
    - "Ideas from lab to real world"
    - Support innovative start-ups
    - Two funding instruments: early stages & development and market deployment
  - R&I Missions
    - Ambitious goals
    - Defined by member states, European Parliament, Citizens, Stakeholders
  - Open Science
    - Open access to publications, data, etc.
  - European Partnerships
    - Streamline of ERA-NET, JTI, FET Flagships, EIT/KIC
  - Simpler Rules



# Horizon 2020 - Funding opportunities

[www.euro-access.eu](http://www.euro-access.eu)

[Funding & tenders](#)

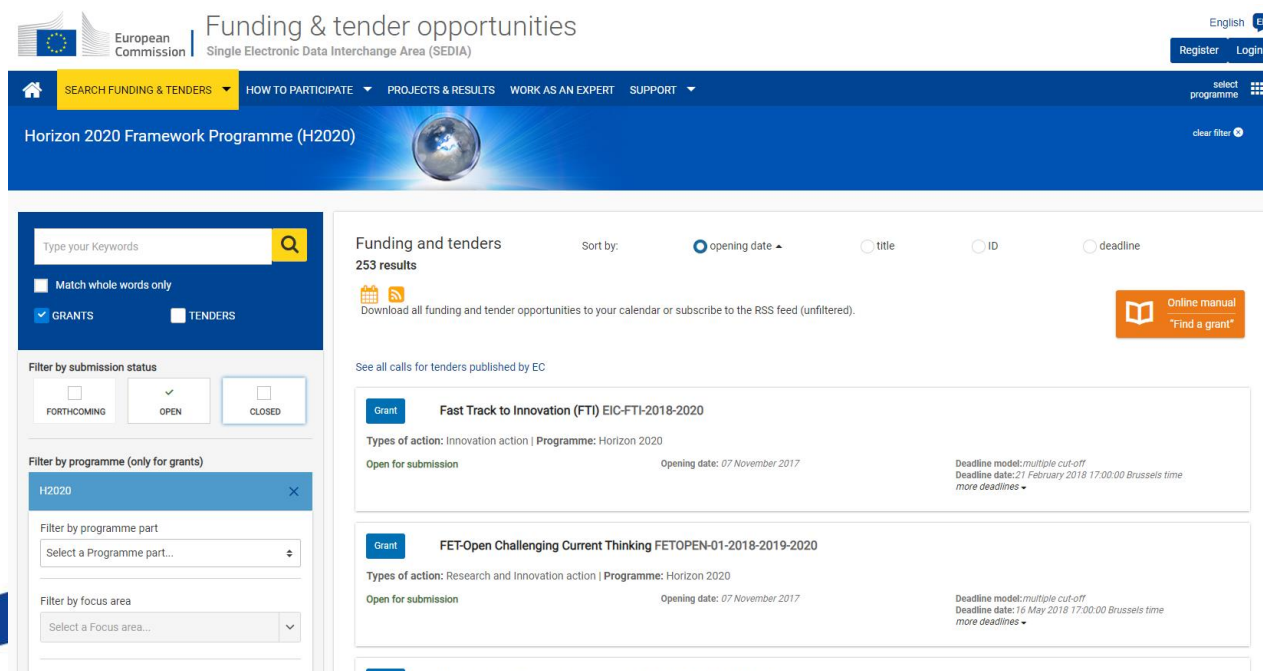
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## Search for Funding

Select Applicant  Select Origin of Applicant

Select Thematic Focus  Select Type of Funding  Select Keyword

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The screenshot shows the 'Funding & tender opportunities' page of the European Commission. The header includes the European Commission logo and navigation links. The main content area is titled 'Horizon 2020 Framework Programme (H2020)'. It features a search bar with the text 'Type your Keywords' and a search button. Below the search bar are filters for 'Match whole words only', 'GRANTS', and 'TENDERS'. There are also filters for 'Filter by submission status' (FORTHCOMING, OPEN, CLOSED) and 'Filter by programme (only for grants)' (H2020). The page displays a list of funding opportunities, including 'Fast Track to Innovation (FTI) EIC-FTI-2018-2020' and 'FET-Open Challenging Current Thinking FETOPEN-01-2018-2019-2020'. Each entry shows the type of action, the programme, the opening date, and the deadline.

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# European Research Area (ERA) corona platform



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## COVID-19 outbreak: latest H2020 calls deadlines updates

Reacting to the COVID-19 crisis, **deadlines for some calls are extended** to give more time for applicants to prepare their proposals. This concerns the following calls:

Deadline extended to:	Call ID:
15 April	H2020-HIA-Prize-2020 H2020-INNOSUP-2018-2020 > INNOSUP-01-2018-2020
23 April	H2020-SwafS-2018-2020
28 April	H2020-DT-ART-2018-2019-2020 NEW H2020-LC-BAT-2019-2020 NEW H2020-LC-GV-2018-2019-2020 NEW H2020-LC-SC3-REA-RIA > LC-SC3-JA-5-2020, LC-SC3-RES-1-2019-2020, LC-SC3-RES-10-2020, LC-SC3-RES-18-2020, LC-SC3-RES-26-2020, LC-SC3-RES-31-2020, LC-SC3-RES-32-2020, LC-SC3-RES-37-2020 NEW

Deadline extended to:	Call ID:
7 May	ERC-2020-PoC
12 May	H2020-CS2-CFP11-2020-01 H2020-JTI-IMI2-2020-20-two-stage (stage 1) NEW
14 May	H2020-INFRAIA-2018-2020 H2020-INFRAINNOV-2019-2020 H2020-INFRA-SUPP-2018-2020
27 May	H2020-S2RJU-2020

Deadline extended to:	Call ID:
3 June	H2020-FETOPEN-2018-2020 > FETOPEN-01-2018-2019-2020
4 June	H2020-SC1-BHC-2018-2020
16 June	H2020-SESAR-2020-1 H2020-SESAR-2020-2
17 June	H2020-DT-2018-2020 NEW H2020-FETHPC-2018-2020 NEW H2020-FETPROACT-2018-2020 > FETPROACT-09-2020 NEW H2020-ICT-2018-2020 NEW

[Link](#)



# Danube Transnational Programme – Seed Money Facility I



- Next SMF Call expected to be in the **2<sup>nd</sup> half of 2020**
- Proposals must be linked to **Priority Areas of the EU Strategy for the Danube Region**  
⇒ close coordination with Priority Area Coordinators (and Steering Group members).
- maximum **3 proposals approved** per Priority Area
- Total budget per project: **50,000.00 EUR** (EU contribution to each project is 85% (42,500.00 EUR) for ERDF, IPA and ENI project partners)



# Danube Transnational Programme – Seed Money Facility II

SMF projects are expected to address the challenge in a broader way, such as:

- Sectorial project, where the main topic is addressed in a comprehensive way and is preparing the framework for subsequent subprojects, and
- Subprojects linked to the sectorial project, meant to address either a specific issue or a specific identified territory (e.g. through regional programmes), or
- Parallel sectorial projects, aimed at addressing a specific challenge and/ or a territory to be monitored in their implementation by the relevant PACs.

Project proposals that are developed under the DTP SMF can be **submitted to any available funding**: national, mainstream EU, transnational or cross border or by any other public or private investor (such as IFIs) or public-private partnership.

**Disclaimer:** Final decisions for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Call of the DTP SMF by the Monitoring Committee are still pending.



# EEA Grants/Norway Grants



Innovation, Research, Education and Competitiveness	Environment, Energy, Climate Change and Low Carbon Economy
Fund for Youth Employment	Social Inclusion, Youth Employment and Poverty Reduction
Fund for Regional Cooperation	Justice and Home Affairs
Topics	Culture, Civil Society, Good Governance and Fundamental Rights and Freedoms

## Calls

Whenever funding becomes available, official calls will be announced.

### Open Calls:

<https://eeagrants.org/currently-available-funding>

### Newsletter:

<https://us6.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=b0110dcf22f6e47955f26e8dc&id=dcf53ac7d4>

### How to apply:

<https://eeagrants.org/apply-for-funding>



# Examples for exploring institutional philanthropy for your cause

Foundation Networks can be a useful starting point to identify suitable foundations for your work...





# DG Regio Call for Proposals – Citizen engagement

Call for Proposals: Support for citizen engagement in the implementation of cohesion policy



## Objective/Priorities

To encourage citizen engagement in cohesion policy for better implementation and a stronger sense of ownership of results

- Develop new tools or actions that support citizen engagement in cohesion policy; and/or
- Support scaling up of existing tools or activities for strengthening and widening citizen engagement in cohesion policy

## Budget

- Total budget earmarked for the co-financing is estimated at **EUR 250 000**.
- The maximum grant will be **EUR 25 000**.
- The Commission expects to fund **10 proposals**.

## Deadline & more info

Deadline: 31 May 2020

More info here:

[https://ec.europa.eu/regional\\_policy/en/newsroom/funding-opportunities/calls-for-proposal/](https://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/en/newsroom/funding-opportunities/calls-for-proposal/)

## Timeline

21/05/2020	Deadline for submitting applications
06-07/2020	Evaluation period (indicative)
09/2020	Information to applicants (indicative)
10/2020	Signature of grant agreements (indicative)



# Funding for measures to tackle SARS-COV-2/COVID-19





# Coronavirus Response Investment Initiative (CRII)

- Mobilising unspent money from **EU budget for European Investment and Structural Funds (ESIF)**
- Amount: **EUR 37 million**:
  - EUR 8 billion of liquidity to be made available immediately to member states
  - If fully used, this will be complemented by EUR 29 billion of EU budget money from the European Structural and Investment Funds; no fresh Member State money needed for the EUR 37 billion support.
- CRII facilitates flexible response to emerging needs in the most exposed sectors, such as healthcare, SMEs and labour markets.
- In practice this means:
  - liquidity made available to member states
  - using available unused cohesion policy funds: bring expenditure forward and redirect to the fight against the coronavirus
  - adapting the rules to ensure high and relevant impact
  - flexible application of the rules
  - administrative support on how to use the funds

[https://ec.europa.eu/regional\\_policy/en/newsroom/coronavirus-response/](https://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/en/newsroom/coronavirus-response/)



# EU Solidarity Fund for COVID-19

The EU Solidarity Fund supports member states hit by major natural disasters. The Commission proposed to extend the scope of the EUSF to allow financial assistance for those seriously affected by COVID- 19. Up to €800 million is available in 2020.

Following this decision, the EUSF may be mobilised at the request of

- a EU country, or
- a country involved in accession negotiations with the Union

**Countries can submit their applications until 24<sup>th</sup> of June 2020.**

**Costs to be covered under the EUSF (not exhaustive):** Medical assistance | Laboratory analyses | Extraordinary measures and extra costs in health and medical care associated with the COVID-19 virus | Personal Protective Equipment | Special assistance to the population, especially to vulnerable groups (elderly, people with health problems, pregnant women, single working parents....) | Special support to keep medical and other emergency services personnel operational | Development of vaccines or medicines | Strengthening preparedness planning capacity and related communication | Improving risk assessment and management | Sanitation of buildings and facilities | Health checks, including at the borders | all related additional personnel costs

[https://ec.europa.eu/regional\\_policy/en/funding/solidarity-fund/covid-19](https://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/en/funding/solidarity-fund/covid-19)



# EU civil protection mechanism – rescEU stockpile

## Who?

Participating countries from the Danube Region:

Austria, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Germany, Hungary, Montenegro, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia

## What?

Intensive care medical equipment such as ventilators, personal protective equipment such as reusable masks, vaccines and therapeutics, laboratory supplies.

## How?

- The stockpile will be hosted by one or several Member States. The hosting State will be responsible for procuring the equipment.
- The Commission will finance 90% of the stockpile. The [Emergency Response Coordination Centre](#) will manage the distribution of the equipment to ensure it goes where it is needed most.
- The initial EU budget of the stockpile is EUR 50 million, of which EUR 40 million is subject to the approval of the budgetary authorities.

[https://ec.europa.eu/echo/news/covid-19-commission-creates-first-ever-resceu-stockpile-medical-equipment\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/echo/news/covid-19-commission-creates-first-ever-resceu-stockpile-medical-equipment_en)



# Horizon 2020

- EUR 47,5 M funding for 17 shortlisted research projects involving 136 research teams from across the EU and beyond to work on developing vaccines, new treatments, diagnostic tests and medical systems aimed at preventing the spread of COVID-19.
- Many Horizon2020 calls have had their deadline postponed allowing more time for organisations to prepare and apply.  
(e.g.: calls under societal challenge 1 (Health, demographic change and well-being) are extended by two months.
- European Research Area (ERA) corona platform:  
information on latest H2020 Calls at <https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/covid-19>



# EU Global Response to Coronavirus – “Team Europe” package

- Support for partner countries in the the fight against the coronavirus pandemic and its consequences: e.g. Western Balkans, Eastern Partnership countries
- **EUR 15,6 billion** from existing programmes (EU, its Member States, and financial institutions, in particular the European Investment Bank and the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development)

The support of the European Union will focus on:

- **Responding to the immediate health crisis** and the resulting humanitarian needs. This will include supporting the response plans of the World Health Organisation and the United Nations, and providing humanitarian support in affected countries;
- **Strengthening health, water and sanitation systems**, as well as partner countries’ capacities and preparedness to deal with the pandemic; and
- **Mitigating the immediate social and economic consequences**, including support to the private sector with a focus on Small and Medium-sized Enterprises, and government reforms to reduce poverty.
- More information:
  - [https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/fs\\_20\\_607](https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/fs_20_607)
  - [https://ec.europa.eu/info/files/joint-communication-global-eu-response-covid-19\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/info/files/joint-communication-global-eu-response-covid-19_en)



## More information...



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