



## BANDI & OPPORTUNITÀ DALL'UE

Selezione periodica, a cura di Confindustria Piemonte, delle *call for proposals* aperte e in apertura, ritenute di maggiore interesse per la manifattura piemontese, sui principali programmi europei a gestione diretta (Horizon Europe, Single Market Programme, Life, Digital Europe...) e relativi "cascade funding".

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## CALLS FOR PROPOSALS

Attraverso i programmi europei a gestione diretta, l'UE sostiene finanziariamente lo sviluppo di progetti che contribuiscono a realizzare gli obiettivi politici della Commissione per la programmazione 21-27. Tali programmi prevedono specifiche **calls for proposals** pubblicate e gestite direttamente dalla Commissione europea e dalle sue Agenzie esecutive. Ciascun programma può prevedere regole di candidatura distinte e anche le modalità di gestione e rendicontazione delle attività realizzate e delle relative spese possono essere diverse.

### **Horizon Europe: Efficient and compliant access to and use of data (AI, Data and Robotics partnership)**

The call aims to support the deployment of secure, interoperable, and scalable data management systems, ensuring seamless cross-sector data integration, automation of key processes, and compliance with EU frameworks. Proposals can address one or both of these two areas:

- a) Supporting the development and deployment of advanced, AI-driven compliance technologies and solutions that automate data transactions and key regulatory processes, reduce administrative burdens, and facilitate seamless adherence to EU rules.
- b) Focusing on the design and deployment of secure, scalable, and adaptive data management systems that automate key data processes.

The total budget allocated is €46.500.000; expected number of funded projects: 3.

**Funding programme:** Horizon Europe – Cluster 4: Digital, Industry and Space

**Call & Topic ID:** HORIZON-CL4-2026-04-DATA-06

**Deadline:** April 15<sup>th</sup> 2026

**Applicants:** legal entities (public or private bodies) established in EU Member States or Horizon Europe associated countries

**Activity sectors:** AI, Data and Robotics

**Partnership:** required (at least 3 independent legal entities established in different EU Member States or Horizon Europe associated countries)



Partner Search (France): Industry partners sought for multi-sector validation of sovereign synthetic data platform (health, defence, manufacturing, finance, mobility, HR, energy, govtech, retail)

### **Horizon Europe: Accelerating the discovery and development of chemicals and innovative advanced materials through digitalisation and artificial intelligence**

The call aims to accelerate the development and industrial deployment of new chemicals and advanced materials with novel functionalities. Proposals should use digital tools, AI, self-driving labs, and interoperable workflows, support safe and sustainable-by-design (SSbD) approaches, follow FAIR data management principles, foster collaboration, and integrate with initiatives like Materials Commons for Europe or DIGIPASS. Projects should include demonstrators, business cases, and exploitation strategies. The total budget allocated is €50.000.000.

**Funding programme:** Horizon Europe – Cluster 4: Digital, Industry and Space

**Call & Topic ID:** HORIZON-CL4-2026-01-MAT-PROD-23

**Deadline:** April 21<sup>st</sup> 2026

**Applicants:** legal entities (public or private bodies) established in EU Member States or Horizon Europe associated countries

**Activity sectors:** Chemicals and Advanced Materials

**Partnership:** required (at least 3 independent legal entities established in different EU Member States or Horizon Europe associated countries)

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## **CASCADE FUNDING**

*Il supporto finanziario a parti terze o “cascade funding” è un meccanismo di finanziamento della Commissione europea attraverso cui il consorzio beneficiario è incaricato di distribuire sovvenzioni ad entità terze attraverso le cosiddette “open calls”. Accedere a una sovvenzione derivante da una open call consente di ricevere un finanziamento pubblico per eseguire specifiche attività di ricerca e innovazione (studi, esperimenti, azioni pilota) senza dover incorrere negli oneri burocratici delle tradizionali call for proposals. Nella presente sezione sono riportate anche le call pubblicate nell’ambito delle KICs (Knowledge and Innovation Communities) dello European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT).*

### **ARISE Open Call #2**

The ARISE project is making Industrial Human–Robot Interaction (HRI) more accessible and cost-effective, particularly in the healthcare, intra-logistics, and manufacturing sectors. Projects must develop or extend HRI modules by either building new functionalities or adapting existing ones to new use cases. Projects must start at TRL 3–5 and reach TRL 6–7, addressing one of the predefined ARISE challenges. The total budget allocated is €2.600.000 with up to €200.000 per project.

**Deadline:** February 4<sup>th</sup> 2026

**Applicants:** SMEs, startups, midcaps, or research organizations established in EU Member States or Horizon Europe associated countries

**Activity sectors:** HRI in industrial automation and healthcare environments

**Partnership:** required (teams of up to three entities, including at least one main technology provider and one end-user, with at least one SME)

### **MAGICIAN Open Call #2**

The call aims to explore how MAGICIAN capabilities can be applied across five distinct use cases. The goal is to further validate the performance and adaptability of the capabilities of the SR (Sensing Robot) and CR (Cleaning Robot) within new and diverse real-time production environments. Capabilities need to be adapted to one specific selected sector among: Aerospace; Electronics; Heavy Industry & Energy; Interior Design Components; Maritime & Shipbuilding; Public Transport; Intermediate Components (glass, plastic, textile); White Goods. The total budget allocated is €1.000.000 with up to €200.000 per project.

**Deadline:** March 2<sup>nd</sup> 2026

**Applicants:** SMEs and startups established in EU Member States or Horizon Europe associated countries

**Activity sectors:** Robotics, Industrial Automation, AI & Sensing, Advanced Manufacturing

**Partnership:** optional (proposals can be submitted either by a single applicant or by a consortium of up to 2 companies, one acting as a technical partner and the other as an early adopter in the selected sector, preferably established in different Member States or associated countries)

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## **FORTHCOMING**

### **Horizon Europe: Smart Networks and Services Joint Undertaking 2026**

The Smart Networks and Services Joint Undertaking (SNS JU) published its [Annual Work Programme \(AWP\) for 2026](#), which includes the Research and Innovation Work Programme for 2026, allocating €22 million to advance Europe's leadership in Beyond 5G and 6G technologies and the future of connectivity. The programme will support research and innovation activities through three complementary streams:

- [Stream B \(IA\)](#): Collection, Generation and Validation of Datasets suitable for training AI models for 6G Networks;
- [Stream C \(RIA\)](#): SNS experimental infrastructure;
- [Stream CSA](#): SNS Operations and Output optimisation, 6G Devices, and EU-India International Collaboration.

**Funding programme:** Horizon Europe, Smart Networks and Services Joint Undertaking

**Call & Topic ID:** HORIZON-JU-SNS-2026

**Planned opening date:** January 29<sup>th</sup> 2026

**Deadline:** April 29<sup>th</sup> 2026

**Applicants:** legal entities (public or private bodies) established in EU Member States or Horizon Europe associated countries

**Activity sectors:** smart networks and connectivity services

**Partnership:** required (at least 3 independent legal entities established in different EU Member States or Horizon Europe associated countries)

### **Horizon Europe: Chips Joint Undertaking - Calls 2026**

The Chips Joint Undertaking (Chips JU) aims to bolster Europe's semiconductor industry by fostering collaboration between the EU, Member States, and the private sector. The Chips JU will publish two calls at the beginning of February:

- [HORIZON-JU-CHIPS-2026-1-IA \(Innovation Action\)](#)
- [HORIZON-JU-CHIPS-2026-1-RIA \(Research and Innovation Action\)](#)

**Funding Programme:** Horizon Europe – Chips JU

**Call & Topic ID:** HORIZON-JU-CHIPS-2026

**Planned opening date:** February 3<sup>rd</sup> 2026

**Deadline:** May 26<sup>th</sup> 2026

**Applicants:** legal entities (public or private bodies) established in EU Member States or Horizon Europe associated countries

**Activity sector:** semiconductors

**Partnership:** required (at least 3 independent legal entities established in different EU Member States or Horizon Europe associated countries)

**More Info:** [Brokerage Event](#)

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## EVENTS

### **Side Event Horizon Europe – Gli aspetti legali e finanziari: aggiornamenti in vista dei bandi 2026-2027**

*Online, January 22<sup>nd</sup> 2026*

L'Agenzia per la Promozione della Ricerca Europea (APRE), in accordo con il Ministero dell'Università e della Ricerca (MUR), organizza il primo dei cinque Side Event della Settimana Horizon Europe 2026. L'evento offre un aggiornamento tecnico sul Programma Horizon Europe, con focus su regole di partecipazione, schemi di finanziamento e primi risultati dei controlli del Programma. La partecipazione è gratuita, previa registrazione al seguente [link](#).

### **Info Day Nazionale Innovation fund**

*Roma, January 29<sup>th</sup> 2026*

Confindustria, in collaborazione con il Ministero dell'Ambiente e della Sicurezza Energetica (MASE), organizza l'Info Day nazionale sull'Innovation Fund, dedicato alle nuove opportunità di finanziamento a supporto della decarbonizzazione dei sistemi produttivi. Durante l'evento, esclusivamente in presenza e fino ad esaurimento posti, verranno presentati i contenuti del nuovo bando Innovation Fund – IF-Net Zero Technologies, insieme alle nuove aste IF25 Hydrogen Auction e IF25 Heat Auction, dedicate alla decarbonizzazione del calore di processo industriale. Il form di iscrizione è disponibile al seguente [link](#).

### **ECS Brokerage Event 2026**

*Brussels, February 4<sup>th</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> 2026*

The Electronic Components and Systems (ECS) Brokerage Event 2026, organized by the industry associations AENEAS, EPoSS, and INSIDE, will focus on the new Chips Joint Undertaking (Chips JU) Calls 2026. The event will provide networking opportunities, consortium-building meetings, interactive workshops, and spaces to present project ideas. More information on participation fees is available at the following [link](#). Registration is required and can be completed [here](#).

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### **A.A.A. PARTNER CERCASI**



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