



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: EU-RAIL JU Call 2025

The European Rail Joint Undertaking (EU-RAIL JU) is a public-private partnership between the European Commission and the rail industry, aiming to develop an integrated, high-capacity European railway network. It achieves this by eliminating interoperability barriers, providing solutions for full integration across traffic management, vehicles, infrastructure, and services, and promoting digitalization and automation to reduce costs, increase capacity, and enhance flexibility and reliability.

With a total budget of €3.000.000, EU-RAIL JU Call 2025-01 focus on the further technological development of Maglev-Derived Transport Systems (MDS).

Funding Programme: Horizon Europe – EU-RAIL JU

Call & Topic ID: HORIZON-ER-JU-2025-FA7-01

Deadline: May 7th 2025

Applicants: legal entities (public or private bodies) established in EU Member States or Horizon Europe Associated Countries

Activity sectors: railway industry

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

Digital Europe Programme: Work Programme 2025-2027

The Digital Europe Programme (DEP) aimed at enhancing the EU's strategic digital capabilities and promoting the widespread adoption of digital technologies across the economy and society. DEP Work Programme 2025-2027 allocates €1.3 billion to the development and dissemination of critical digital technologies, aiming to bolster Europe's digital sovereignty and global competitiveness. Within this framework, several calls are part of the programme:

- AI Continent (DIGITAL-2025-AI-08)
- European Digital Innovation Hubs - Associated countries (EDIHs with reinforced AI focus) (DIGITAL-2025-EDIH-AC-08)
- Accelerating the Best Use of Technologies (DIGITAL-2025-BESTUSE-08)
- Advanced Digital Skills (DIGITAL-2025-SKILLS-08)

Funding Programme: Digital Europe Programme

Call & Topic ID: DIGITAL-2025

Deadline: May 14th; September 2nd 2025 (depending on the Call)

Applicants: legal entities (public or private bodies) established in EU Member States or DEP Associated Countries

Activity sector: adoption of digital technologies

Partnership: required (consortium composition may vary depending on the call)

More Info: [info day](#)

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).

SPADE Open Call #2

The SPADE project (Smart Physical-Agricultural Drones Ecosystem) is a UE project aimed at developing an intelligent ecosystem that utilizes drones to promote sustainable digital services across agriculture, forestry, and livestock sectors. The goal of the SPADE Open Call #2 is to identify and fund 9 projects aimed at enhancing the capabilities of drone technology and its innovative use in the framework of four given case studies. Total call budget: €525.000; up to €60.000/beneficiary.

Deadline: May 26th 2025

Applicants: universities, research centers, NGOs, foundations, SMEs, and start-up established in EU Member States or Horizon Europe Associated Countries

Activity sector: drone technologies for agriculture

Partnership: not required (proposals must be submitted only by single entities)

NGI MOBIFREE Open Call

The NGI MOBIFREE project is an initiative funded by the European Union under the Horizon Europe program, designed to enhance security and promote freedom of speech through free and open-source software, libre hardware and open standards. The NGI MOBIFREE open call has a total budget of

€430.000.000, with selected projects receiving up to €50.000 each. The expected outcome is innovative, user-centric solutions addressing mobile internet challenges.

Deadline: June 1st 2025

Applicants: legal entities (public or private bodies), based in the EU or Horizon Europe Associated Countries

Activity sector: mobile software and hardware development

Partnership: not required

FORTHCOMING

Horizon Europe: EIC Transition Open 2025

The EIC Transition Open is a funding programme designed to support innovation activities that extend beyond the experimental proof of concept in the laboratory. Its main objective is to facilitate the maturation and validation of new technologies, advancing them from the laboratory to relevant application environments. The upcoming call focuses on further developing technologies based on results achieved in previous projects - specifically, at least an experimental proof of concept (TRL 3), ideally technology validated in the lab (TRL 4). Total call budget: €98.000.000.

Funding programme: Horizon Europe - EIC Transition

Planned opening date: April 22nd 2025

Deadline: September 17th 2025

Applicants: legal entities (public or private bodies) established in EU member states or Horizon Europe Associated Countries

Activity sectors: breakthrough technologies

Partnership: optional (proposals can be submitted individually or jointly by a small consortium – 2 independent legal entities established in 2 different Member States or Associated Countries – or a larger consortium – minimum 3 and maximum 5 independent legal entities established in different Member States or Associated Countries)

EVENTS

Info Day DIGITAL: GenAI Meets PA

Online, April 14th 2025

In the framework of the DEP Work Programme 2025–2027, the European Commission is organizing an Info Day to present in detail the new call for proposals launching in April 2025. The call aims to fund Generative AI (GenAI) pilot projects for Public Administrations, with a focus on scalable and replicable solutions. The event will provide insights into the objectives, requirements, and expected outcomes of the call, and will offer networking opportunities for public administrations, system integrators, and other stakeholders with shared use-cases, in order to facilitate the formation of project consortia. Registration is available [here](#) (EU Login account required).

Horizon Europe: EU Missions info days

Online, May 22nd - 23rd 2025

The event aims to inform potential applicants about the funding opportunities for projects helping to reach the [EU Missions goals](#) in the areas of health, climate and the environment. The event is virtual and will be livestreamed on [this platform](#).

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