



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: EuroHPC JU - 2026 Calls for proposals

The European High Performance Computing Joint Undertaking (EuroHPC JU) aims to enhance Europe's high-performance computing and data infrastructures, facilitating research and innovation across various sectors. At the moment, four calls are open:

- [Standards for Quantum Technologies](#) (total budget allocated: €1.000.000; expected number of funded projects: 1; deadline: September 30th 2026);
- [Large-Scale Photonic Quantum Computing Platform Technologies](#) (total budget allocated: €10.000.000; expected number of funded projects: 1; deadline: September 30th 2026);
- [Grand Challenge on Quantum Sensors for Inertial Navigation](#) (total budget allocated: €2.000.000; expected number of funded projects: 5; deadline: January 14th 2027);
- [Quantum Machine Learning](#) (total budget allocated: €3.000.000; expected number of funded projects: 2; deadline: January 28th 2027).

Funding programme: Horizon Europe – EuroHPC JU

Call & Topic ID: HORIZON-JU-EUROHPC-2026

Deadline: depending on the call

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

Activity sector: quantum technologies

Partnership: required (at least one legal entity established in a Member State; and at least two other independent legal entities, each established in different Member States or Associated Countries)

Connecting Europe Facility: 2026 Transport Calls for proposals

The Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) Programme has published new calls for proposals to modernise transport infrastructure in the EU and the CEF associated countries of Ukraine and Moldova. Projects funded under these calls will help make the trans-European transport network (TEN-T) more sustainable, smart and resilient and contribute to the EU's goal of becoming climate neutral by 2050. The total budget allocated is €1.100.000.000.

Funding programme: Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) programme – Transport Strand

Deadline: October 6th 2026

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

Activity sector: transport

Partnership: not required

More Info: [Info Day](#)

Autonomous Drive Ambition Cities Initiative: call for expressions of interest

The European Commission launched ADACities call for expressions of interest to support the deployment of autonomous driving in EU cities, including robo-taxis, car-sharing, and autonomous shuttles. This call aims to map city-led partnerships interested in scaling these deployments, assessing their maturity and investment needs. Providing no direct EU funding, in this phase the call will create an indicative list of interested consortia.

Deadline: September 30th 2026

Applicants: public and private legal entities (city/urban authorities, Public Transport Authorities (PTAs), Public Transport Operators (PTOs), mobility service providers, industry, research and innovation entities)

Activity sector: autonomous driving

Partnership: required (consortia must be coordinated by EU city authorities)

More Info: [Info session](#)

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).

EIT - Culture & Creativity Calls

EIT Culture & Creativity connects creatives and innovators to boost sustainable growth, transforming innovative concepts into purpose-driven partnerships across Europe. At the moment, two calls are open:

- [NEB Academy | Fashion Shift](#): supports consortia in scaling circular and regenerative fashion models, focusing on existing businesses, pilots, or proven concepts ready for collaborative growth; total budget allocated: €2.500.000; with up to €500.000 per project.
- [NEB Academy | Skills Infrastructure](#): designed to develop lifelong learning programmes that support the transformation of the lived environment; total budget allocated: €3.500.000; with up to €600.000 per project.

Deadline: August 31st 2026

Applicants: legal entities (public or private bodies) established in Horizon Europe eligible countries

Activity sector: circular fashion & sustainable built environment

Partnership: required (Fashion Shift: minimum of 4 and a maximum of 6 independent legal entities, established in at least 2 different eligible countries; Skills Infrastructure: minimum of 3 and a maximum of 8 independent participants, established in at least 2 different eligible countries)

More Info: [Info session](#)

EIT Urban Mobility: Urban Mobility Explained (UMX) Open Call

The call aims to accelerate the development and delivery of high-quality, sustainable professional training and support services that close the urban mobility knowledge gap, focusing on the design, commercialisation, replication, and delivery of face-to-face courses — including EIT Label ones — and custom training pathways. The total funding allocated is €4.000.000, with up to €700.000 per proposal.

Deadline: September 29th 2026 - Cut-off 2

Applicants: SMEs, universities, research and technology organisations, cities or large businesses established in EU Member States or Horizon Europe associated countries

Activity sector: professional training in urban mobility

Partnership: optional (both mono-participant and multi-participant proposals are eligible)

More info: [Webinar recording](#)

FORTHCOMING

Horizon Europe: EIC Pathfinder Challenges 2026

The European Commission will publish the new EIC Pathfinder Challenges in July. These calls support advanced research on breakthrough or game-changing technologies within predefined thematic areas, with the aim of achieving specific objectives for each Challenge. Three calls will be published:

- [DeepRAP: Deep Reasoning, Abstraction & Planning towards trustworthy Cognitive AI Systems](#);
- [Biotechnology for Healthy Ageing](#);
- [Advanced Materials for Miniaturised Energy Harvesting Systems](#).

Funding programme: Horizon Europe – European Innovation Council

Call & Topic ID: HORIZON-EIC-2026-PATHFINDERCHALLENGES-01

Planned opening date: July 22nd 2026

Deadline: October 28th 2026

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

Activity sector: advanced research and breakthrough technologies

Partnership: optional (both mono-participant and multi-participant proposals are eligible)

EVENTS

Info session: Autonomous Drive Ambition Cities (ADACities) Initiative

Online, 25/06/2026

The European Commission is organizing an informative webinar to present the newly launched Autonomous Drive Ambition Cities (ADACities) initiative. This session will guide city authorities, public transport operators, industry players, and mobility stakeholders through the Call for Expression of Interest (CEoI). Participants will learn about the initiative's objectives, the participation tracks (Pioneers and Network), deployment use cases, and upcoming funding roadmap. The live broadcast is available at this [link](#).

Info session: NEB Academy | Fashion Shift & Skills Infrastructure

Online, 08/07/2026 & 10/07/2026

The EIT Culture & Creativity is organising two info sessions on new NEB Academy calls. The session on July 8 will focus on "Fashion Shift" (scaling circular and regenerative fashion models), while the July

10 session will cover "Skills Infrastructure" (lifelong learning for the lived environment). Both events will detail eligibility criteria, funding frameworks, and application processes. Registration is required at the following links:

- 8 July: Fashion Shift – [registration link](#)
- 10 July: Skills Infrastructure – [registration link](#)

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