



## 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.

### Eureka: 4th Innowwide call for market feasibility projects – Autumn 2025

Innowwide supports innovative SMEs to assess the viability of their commercial or research ambitions for internationalisation in a target country. SMEs can carry out market feasibility projects for their innovative solutions over a six-month period, working with local organisations based in their selected

target country (in Africa, Americas, Asia or Oceania). The project has an exclusive focus on civil applications. The total budget allocated is €4.200.000, with up to 70 projects to be selected, each receiving up to €60.000.

**Funding Programme:** Horizon Europe – European Partnership on Innovative SMEs

**Call & Topic ID:** 4<sup>th</sup> Innowwide call – Autumn 2025

**Deadline:** November 25<sup>th</sup> 2025

**Applicants:** SMEs established in EU Member States, Iceland, Israel, Norway, Switzerland, Türkiye, or United Kingdom

**Activity sector:** innovative solutions with potential for internationalisation

**Partnership:** not required

**More info:** [webinar recording](#)

### **European Innovation Ecosystems (EIE): Expanding Investment Ecosystems**

The EIE aims to create more connected and efficient innovation ecosystems to support the scaling up of companies, encourage innovation and stimulate cooperation among national, regional and local innovation actors. The call supports co-designed programmes of activities proposed by legal entities located in less developed innovation ecosystems and more developed ones, with the goal of facilitating the entry of foreign funders from 'strong innovators' and innovation leaders' regions into less developed innovation ecosystems. The total budget allocated is €5.000.000.

**Funding programme:** Horizon Europe – European Innovation Ecosystems

**Call & Topic ID:** HORIZON-EIE-2026-01-CONNECT-02

**Deadline:** January 20<sup>th</sup> 2026

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

**Activity sector:** innovation, interregional cooperation

**Partnership:** at least 3 national or regional authorities, from at least 3 different Member States or associated countries, of which at least 1 is representing a 'moderate' or 'emerging' innovator region and at least 1 is representing a 'strong' or 'innovation leader' innovator region



[Partner Search \(Spain\) for Expanding Investment Ecosystems call \(CONNECT\): European Food Innovation and Sustainability Network](#)

### **Horizon Europe: Smarter buildings as part of the energy system for increased efficiency and flexibility**

The call aims to develop and demonstrate smart building solutions that upgrade existing Building (Energy) Management Systems to enhance energy efficiency and flexibility. Proposed solutions should be user-friendly, ensure high indoor environmental quality, and be tested in at least three pilot projects covering three different climatic zones, building types, and technical systems. The call also seeks to establish a methodology to measure energy demand reduction, grid flexibility, and interoperability, while assessing cost-effectiveness and replicability. The total budget allocated is €12.000.000.

**Funding programme:** Horizon Europe – Cluster 5: Climate, Energy and Mobility

**Call & Topic ID:** HORIZON-CL5-2026-02-D4-02

**Deadline:** February 17<sup>th</sup> 2026

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

**Activity sector:** smart buildings for energy efficiency

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



[Partner search \(France\) for the call HORIZON-CL5-2026-02-D4-02 Smarter buildings as part of the energy system for increased efficiency and flexibility](#)

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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).

### **EIT Urban Mobility: SME Market Expansion Open Call 2026**

EIT Urban Mobility aims to support solutions with a clear path to market, helping cities and businesses confidently procure and scale proven innovations. This call aims to promote business growth and market expansion by encouraging the replication and scaling of successful solutions in new regions or sectors. It offers a strategic platform for scaling by opening subsidiaries or expanding into new markets. Through collaboration with an end client, SMEs can validate their offering in a real-world setting, while gaining visibility and credibility in the European market. The total budget allocated is €600.000, with up to 10 projects to be selected, each receiving a fixed amount of €60.000.

**Deadline:** December 1<sup>st</sup> 2025

**Applicants:** SMEs registered in EU Member States or Horizon Europe associated countries

**Activity sector:** urban mobility

**Partnership:** not required

**More Info:** [Info Session recording](#)

### **NGI Mobifree open call**

The NGI MOBIFREE project, funded by the European Union under the Horizon Europe programme, aims to enhance security and promote freedom of speech through free and open-source software, libre hardware and open standards. This call supports innovative solutions that enhance user control, privacy, security and interoperability, while promoting European digital sovereignty and reducing dependence on proprietary technologies. All project results must be released under a free and open-source licence. Selected projects will receive up to €50.000 each.

**Deadline:** December 1<sup>st</sup> 2025

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

**Activity sector:** mobile software and hardware development

**Partnership:** not required

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## **FORTHCOMING**

### **Horizon Europe: A Sustainable and Green Rail System**

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. The upcoming call aims to develop alternative energy solutions for rolling stock, implement a holistic approach to energy management, enhance sustainability and resilience across the rail system, improve health and safety for passengers, and increase overall attractiveness. The total budget allocated is €26.600.000.

**Funding programme:** Horizon Europe – EU-RAIL JU

**Call & Topic ID:** HORIZON-JU-ER-2025-FA4-01

**Planned opening date:** October 30<sup>th</sup> 2025

**Deadline:** February 11<sup>th</sup> 2026

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

**Activity sector:** railway industry

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



**Partner search:** [A Turkish SME offers its expertise in development of next-generation electric-locomotives for HORIZON-JU-ER-2025-FA4-01](#)

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## **EVENTS**

### **Conferenza Annuale APRE 2025**

*Roma/Online, October 16<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> 2025*

APRE, l'Agenzia per la Promozione della Ricerca Europea, organizza la Conferenza Annuale 2025, il principale evento di apprendimento, approfondimento e confronto dedicato alla comunità nazionale sui temi della ricerca e dell'innovazione nel contesto di Horizon Europe. La Conferenza sarà aperta al pubblico il 16 e 17 ottobre. Per partecipare è necessario registrarsi al seguente [link](#).

## **Horizon Europe: EU Missions info days**

*Online, January 20<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup> 2026*

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



Gli uffici di Confindustria Piemonte, oltre a diffondere le opportunità di partnership internazionali, sono a disposizione per creare apposite ricerche partner delle aziende piemontesi e promuoverle attraverso il database gestito in esclusiva dal network EEN.

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