



## 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 2021-2027. Tali programmi prevedono specifiche **call 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.

### **European Partnership on Innovative SMEs (Eurostars 3) – September 2023**

Eurostars supports innovative SMEs and project partners (large companies, universities, research organisations and other types of organisations) by funding international collaborative R&D and innovation projects. Participating organisations from 37 countries can access public funding for international collaborative R&D projects in all fields.

**Funding programme:** Horizon Europe through National funding bodies (MUR and MIMIT)

**Call & Topic ID:** Eurostars call for projects 5 - SEP 2023

**Deadline:** September 14<sup>th</sup> 2023

**Applicants:** Innovative SMEs

**Activity sector:** R&D in all technology fields

**Partnership:** required (consortium should be led by SMEs and include entities from at least two participating countries, with at least one organisation coming from an EU or Horizon Europe Associated Country).



Partner search (Switzerland): Eurostars: a shoe or insole manufacturer and an athlete/running association sought for the development of an AI coach for a better healthy running.



Partner search (Turkey): EUROSTARS: An industrial electric motor company is looking for an SME partner to apply next Eurostars call.

### **Single Market Programme: European Agri-food Sustainability Cluster Partnerships**

The main objective of this call for proposals is to support both preparatory and implementation actions for the establishment and development of new European Agri-food Sustainability Cluster Partnerships with the final aim of boosting the uptake of resource-efficiency technologies by food processing SMEs (including food and drink producers) in the middle part of the agri-food value-chain and countering food inflation in the EU. The available call budget is 3.000.000 €. It is expected to fund between 3 to 5 proposals under this call.

**Funding programme:** Single Market Programme

**Call & Topic ID:** European AgriFood Sustainability Cluster Partnerships (SMP-COSME-2023-AGRICLUSTER)

**Deadline:** September 28<sup>th</sup> 2023

**Applicants:** legal entities from EU member states or SMP associated countries being or representing an agri-food cluster organisation, industry support organisation or agri-food technology centre

**Activity sectors:** agri-food / food processing

**Partnership:** required (minimum 4 legal entities from 3 different eligible countries; the coordinator of the consortium must be an agri-food cluster organisation; at least 2 other agri-food clusters or industry support organisations and one agri-food technology centre must be involved)

### **Interreg Alpine Space Programme: 2023 call for classic projects**

The Interreg Alpine Space programme 2021-2027 is an EU transnational cooperation programme aimed at fostering the integration of sustainable economic development, societal well-being and the preservation of biodiversity. This call for project proposals is aimed at co-financing classic projects between 1 and 3 million € across 3 thematic priorities: 1: Climate resilient and green Alpine region; 2: Carbon neutral and resource sensitive Alpine region; 3: Innovation and digitalisation supporting a green Alpine region.

**Funding programme:** Interreg Alpine Space Programme

**Call & Topic ID:** Call for classic projects

**Deadline:** Step 1: October 13<sup>th</sup> 2023 / Step 2: February 2024

**Applicants:** public bodies or private organisations from the programme participating regions (Italy: Lombardia, Friuli Venezia Giulia, Veneto, Provincia Autonoma di Trento, Provincia Autonoma di Bolzano, Valle d'Aosta, Piemonte, Liguria)

**Activity sectors:** interregional cooperation

**Partnership:** required (the partnership must involve 7 to 12 partners from at least four different countries of the programme area; the lead partner shall be a public or public equivalent institution)

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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).*

### **X2.0 HealthTech & BioTech Call**

X2.0 3<sup>rd</sup> Open Call aims at providing health-tech startups and SMEs with a 5-month growth program that aims to foster the launch, development, growth, and scaling of new products, services, processes, and integrated solutions in the Health-tech and Bio-tech domain. Innovation Vouchers to cover: a) Needs-based growth and scaling services in the max. amount of €20.000; b) 1-on-1 mentorship with experts from the field of need in the min. amount of €5.000; c) Access large-scale startup and investor-oriented events, exhibitions, and fairs in the amount of €5.000.

**Deadline:** September 5<sup>th</sup> 2023

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

**Activity sectors:** Health-tech and Bio-tech

**Partnership:** not required

### **FRIEND CCI Eurocluster 1st Open call**

FRIEND CCI aims at contributing to an improved resilience of the European Industrial Ecosystem of Creative and Cultural Industries (CCI) and to its green and digital transformation, by supporting SMEs with financial support in the form of lump sum grants (min 20.000€-max 50.000€), directed to the development and implementation of cross-sectoral projects aimed at developing both product and process innovations, as well as fostering cross-fertilization and innovation between SMEs of different ecosystems.

**Deadline:** September 30<sup>th</sup> 2023

**Applicants:** SMEs from EU Member States or Single Market Programme associated countries

**Activity sector:** Creative and Cultural Industries

**Partnership:** required (at least two SMEs, including at least 1 SME from the CCI ecosystem and 1 SME from another ecosystem; the lead Partner must be from one of the following countries: Italy, Spain, France, Germany or Romania)

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## **FORTHCOMING**

### **Horizon Europe: technologies/solutions to support circularity for manufacturing (Made in Europe Partnership)**

Manufacturing plays a key role in achieving the twin transition goal through enhancing circularity, facilitating decarbonisation whilst enhancing competitiveness. A broad range of digital technologies and engineering tools can be employed to achieve the systemic circularity of the European manufacturers. Proposals should cover all of the following aspects: a) Develop new approaches of Artificial Intelligence to forecasts the environmental impact; b) Develop innovative simulation and modelling software or built on existing solutions; c) Develop digital platforms/ tools build on existing interoperability architectures; d) Enhance the human involvement in the development of the circularity aspects and new technologies. The available call budget is 36.000.000 €; it is expected to fund 6 proposals under this call.

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

**Call & Topic ID:** Twin Green and Digital Transition 2024 (Horizon-CL4-2024-Twin-Transition-01)

**Planned opening date:** September 19<sup>th</sup> 2023

**Deadline:** February 7<sup>th</sup> 2024

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

**Activity sector:** technologies for circular manufacturing

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

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## **EVENTS**

### **Italian EIT Community Days**

*Online, October 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> 2023*

L'Istituto Europeo di Innovazione e Tecnologia (EIT) e APRE organizzano il 4 e il 5 ottobre l'evento "Italian EIT Community Days". Due giorni indirizzati ad approfondire il funzionamento dell'EIT e nello specifico focalizzarsi sulle 9 KICs attive ad oggi e quali sono le opportunità di finanziamento al loro interno. [Link](#) per le iscrizioni.

## **Horizon Implementation Day: Finding opportunities and submitting a proposal in Horizon Europe**

*Online, October 5<sup>th</sup> 2023*

This first webinar of the Horizon Implementation Day series 2023 will provide detailed information about searching for calls and partners in the Funding and Tenders Portal as well as the submission and evaluation process of the proposals (proposal template, basic principles, evaluation criteria).

## **Horizon Europe: Cluster 4 – Digital, Industry and Space Infoday**

*Online, October 11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> 2023*

This event aims to inform potential applicants about the funding opportunities of the 2024 calls of Horizon Europe Cluster 4 'Digital, Industry and Space' Work Programme 2023-2024. During the 2-day event, speakers from the European Commission will present the call topics, the evaluation and the award. The event is virtual and all sessions will be live streamed on the [event page](#).

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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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