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Selezione periodica, a cura di Confindustria Piemonte, delle *calls 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 <u>obiettivi politici</u> 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.

## Connecting Europe Facility Programme: open calls for proposals

Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) is the funding instrument for strategic investments in transport, energy and digital infrastructure to promote growth, jobs and competitiveness in the EU and contribute to deliver the European Green Deal. The European Climate, Infrastructure and Environment Executive Agency (CINEA) has recently published the following 4 calls for proposals focused on transport, energy and digital infrastructures:

- CEF Energy 2021- Projects of Common Interest (Studies);
- CEF 2 Energy 2021- Projects of Common Interest (Works);
- CEF Energy 2021 Preparatory studies for cross-border renewable projects;
- CEF Transport call for proposals 2021.

Funding programme: Connecting Europe Facility (CEF)

**Deadlines:** October 19th 2021 / November 30th 2021 / January 19th 2022 (depending on the call)

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

Activity sector: transport, energy, digital infrastructures

Partnership: not required

More info:

- Recording of the *InfoDay 2021 CEF Transport calls* (September 27<sup>th</sup> 2021)
- Recording of the 2021 CEF Energy Virtual Info Day on the call for proposals for preparatory studies for cross-border renewable energy projects (September 28th 2021)

## <u>Single Market Programme: Social economy and local green deals supporting SMEs to become more resilient</u>

The overall aim of this call for proposals is to build partnerships across regions and cities that will boost territorial resilience and re-design of economic growth through citizen's empowerment, cities/local authorities' involvement, local businesses and social economy enterprises participation. In particular, this call for proposals will contribute to building resilience of proximity economy under topic 1 (<u>Local Green Deals</u>) and of social economy under topic 2 (<u>Social Economy Missions for community resilience</u>).

Funding programme: Single Market Programme (SMP)

Call & Topic ID: Social economy and local green deals supporting SMEs to become more resilient (SMP-COSME-2021-RESILIENCE)

Deadline: November 24th 2021

**Applicants:** legal entities established in different EU Member States or associated countries, including public authorities, business associations, companies, non-profit entities.

Activity sector: Green deal / social economy

**Partnership:** required (at least 3/4 independent legal entities established in different EU Member States or associated countries)

## European Defence Fund: Research on innovative and future-oriented defence solutions

This call encourages the driving role of SMEs in bringing forward innovation, agility and ability to progress technologies, possibly adapting them from civil to defence applications, in view of turning research results into products. The proposals must address innovative defence technologies and solutions, including those that can improve readiness, deployability and sustainability of EU forces in all spectrum of tasks and missions, for example in terms of operations, equipment, basing, energy solutions, new surveillance systems.

Funding programme: European Defence Fund (EDF)

**Call & Topic ID:** Open call focused on SMEs for research on innovative and future-oriented defence solutions (EDF-2021-OPEN-R-SME)

Deadline: December 9th 2021

Applicants: SMEs

Activity sector: defence technologies

**Partnership:** required (at least 2 SMEs established in different EU Member States or associated countries) **More info:** 

> Recording and presentation of the European Defence Fund - 2021 - Info Day (September 15<sup>th</sup> 2021)

#### **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 calls for proposals.

#### **GALACTICA** learning expeditions

GALACTICA project aims to support the creation of new industrial value chains around textile and aerospace sectors based on advanced manufacturing. The project is organizing a set of company missions to <u>various EU locations</u> between October and December 2021; SMEs and startups are invited to participate and apply for travel vouchers.

Deadlines (to apply for travel vouchers): from September 14th to October 21st 2021

**Applicants:** SMEs / Startups **Activity sector:** textile, aerospace

Partnership: not required

## **DigiCirc - 3rd open call for Bioeconomy**

DigiCirc is looking for European SMEs/Startups that can use digital tools and apply cutting-edge solutions in the circular economy by addressing specific challenges in the domain of Bioeconomy. The selected consortia will get direct funding of up to €20.000 and take part in a 12 weeks-long innovation support programme, divided in two phases: a) develop their business plan and adapt their solution for the targeted area; b) demonstrate their solutions in relevant environment and shape their commercial strategy. At the end of the accelerator programme, 5 consortia will be selected to receive further funding of €100.000 to develop their prototype and make tests in operational environment in view of a commercial launch.

**Deadline:** November 10<sup>th</sup> 2021 **Applicants:** SMEs/Startups **Activity sector:** digital, bioeconomy

**Partnership:** required (at least 2 SMEs or Startups)

#### MedPhab - Photonics Solutions at Pilot Scale for Accelerated Medical Device Development

The objective of the Open Call is to provide technology development services for the companies that are adopting advanced photonics technologies in the medical diagnostics solutions. As the technology development services are pioneering in nature, we provide subsidized financial support (125.000 €) to up to 20 business cases. For small and medium enterprises (SMEs) the support is 75% of the costs and for large enterprises the support is 50%.

Next deadlines (Pre-screening stage): January 31st 2022

Applicants: SMEs / Large companies

Activity sector: Photonics technologies (Fibre optics, Microfluidics, Surface functionalization,

Instrumentation, Opto-electronic integration, Miniaturisation for micromodules and wearables)

Partnership: not required

#### **FORTHCOMING**

## Horizon Europe: Carbon Dioxide Removal (CDR) approaches (Research and Innovation Action)

Projects under this topic should be focused on characterisation and comparison of CDR technologies and the barriers to their deployment, which can facilitate public discourse on their role and impacts, as well as on exploration and demonstration of business/ policy/ MRV (Monitoring, reporting and verification) frameworks for CDR uptake at scale, ranging from plant level to incorporation of CDR in international MRV and accounting.

Funding programme: Horizon Europe - Cluster 5 - Climate, Energy, Mobility

Call & Topic ID: Climate sciences and responses (HORIZON-CL5-2022-D1-01-01-two-stage)

Planned opening date: October 12th 2021

Deadline: First stage: February 10th 2022 / Second stage: September 27th 2022

Applicants: legal entities established in different EU Member States or Horizon Europe associated countries.

Activity sector: Carbon Dioxide Removal technologies

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

#### **EVENTS**

## Webinar session: Avoiding errors in declaring personnel costs in Horizon 2020 grants

Online, September 30th 2021

The EU Commission is organising a webinar focusing on specific rules in declaring personnel costs in Horizon 2020 grants and related most common errors, with tips on how to avoid them. There is no need to register, the webinar will be broadcast live via the Funding & Tenders Portal. More info here.

## Info session on Horizon Results Booster: Bring a continual stream of innovation to the market and beyond

Online, October 5th 2021

The European Commission is organising an open information session on the Horizon Results Booster, the EU initiative that provides a set of free tailor-made services aiming to increase dissemination and exploitation potential in EU-Funded projects. This training will focus on how the Horizon Results Booster can help with the dissemination and exploitation R&I projects results. This Horizon Europe webinar will take place via YouTube only, from 09.00. All the useful information (including the presentations and a recording of the webinar afterwards) is available <a href="here">here</a>.



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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