European funding opportunities for collaborations with Africa

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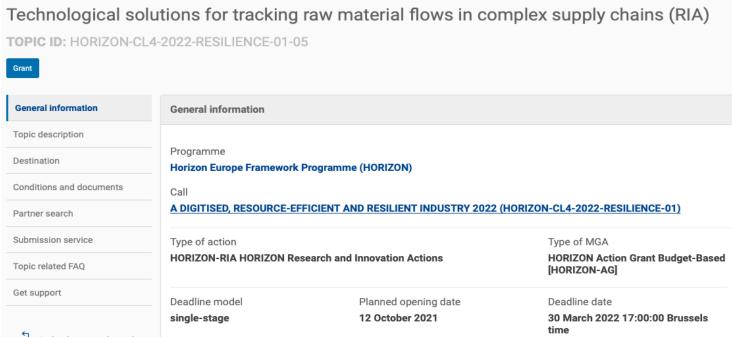
Horizon Europe overview

- For the total period of 2021-2027, current calls for 2021-22
- Aim to enhance cooperation with Africa, in topics of Public Health, Green Transition, Innovation and Technology, and Capacities for Science
- Over 40 calls concerning Africa, with total funding of 350mil€
- H Europe vs. H 2020
 - 45-page applications
 - Impact section is an important part
 - List of researchers & Gender Equality Plan



Example call 1:

- Budget: 13,5mil€
- Total budget: 13,5mil€
- All AU members
- Setting up of technological solutions for tracking raw material flows (material passports), building upon comparable criteria, reporting and audit approaches. e.g.:
 - Transparency in payments and
 - Traceability from beginning to end of the supply chain, and
 - Use of block chain technology to improve supply chain transparency and traceability
- Social innovation as a crosscutting theme
- There are few other similar calls: HORIZON-CL4-2022-RESILIENCE-01-04 -- 08



Example call 2:

• Budget: 2-3mil€

Total budget: 9mil€



- International cooperation with partners from Africa is encouraged
- This action should support the transition towards a "sustainability paradigm", identifying the socio-economic inequalities and the distribution of benefits of economic growth between individuals, also taking into account the environmental impacts and limits of such growth



Example call 3:

Budget: 7mil€

Total budget: 28mil€



- Consortium must include at least eight(8) entities based in Africa
- Proposals will provide a comprehensive and integrated response to current and future challenges benefiting people, nature and economic growth in Europe and in Africa
- Table containing more potential H Europe calls is available at: https://seafile.utu.fi/d/b0a549eadc7444dea9fd/





- Start early, both to build the consortium, planning, and writing!
- H Europe funding portal: https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-search
- Research & Innovation Actions (RIA) vs. Innovation Action (IA)
- Project duration: usually 3 years, unless otherwise stated



What to consider while writing (Horizon Europe)



- General strategies, rules and guidelines of the funder https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/how-to-participate/reference-documents
- Horizon Europe draft template (including electronic forms)

https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/docs/2021-2027/horizon/temp-form/af/af_he-ria-ia_en.pdf

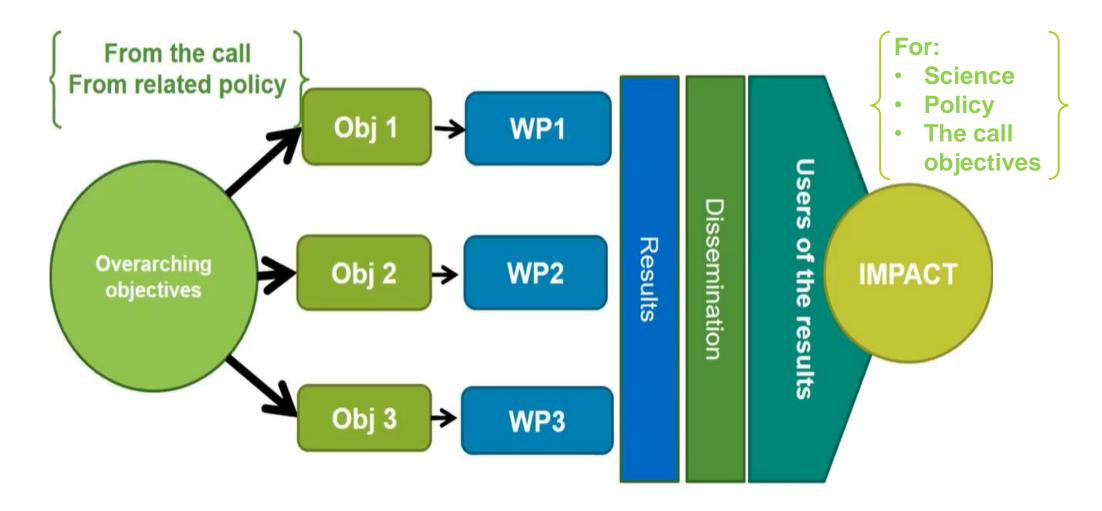
- Time management in consortium proposals (as a consortium leader)
 - Usually 2-3 months to form a good consortium
 - 2-3 months are then needed to collect all inputs
 - 1 month before the deadline, at least 1 full time person for proposal preparation and consortium management
 - Frequent brief consortium meeting
 - · Good set of simple instructions, and reminders



- Answer carefully and completely to the call text (Horizon RIA and IA calls are top-down calls!)
- Evaluators and evaluation criteria
 - Get familiar with the evaluation criteria
 - The evaluators are professionals, but may not be specialists (often also non-native English speakers)
 - Evaluators cannot read between the lines
 - Give the evaluator a chance to get a positive impression even with a very quick reading
 - Convince each evaluator in every section of your proposal

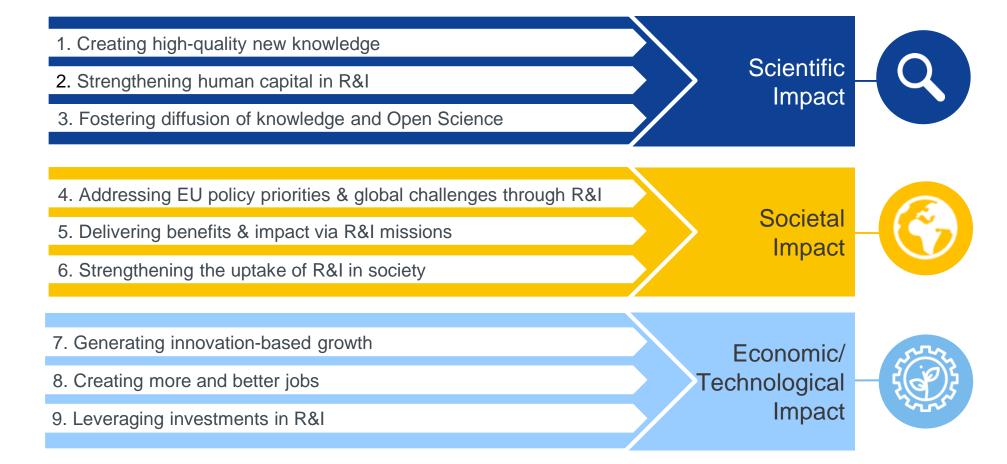


Connect all the pieces of the proposal





 Focus on impact (HORIZON EUROPE defines three types of impact, tracked with Key Impact Pathways)









- Continue to look for funding options
 - Especial focus to various private foundations,
 - and for medium size funding
- Coming meeting about funding options for FABI network (tentatively early October) and website for available funding
- Feedback; which topics or areas interest you especially and what type of information you would like to get about the calls?



Other options for funding

- For Local Authorities;
 - Partnership for sustainable cities: <a href="https://eeas.europa.eu/headquarters/headquarters-homepage/94709/call-proposal-"local-authorities-partnership-sustainable-cities" en homepage/94709/call-proposal-"local-authorities-partnership-sustainable-cities" en homepage/94709/call-proposal-"local-authorities-partnership-sustainable-cities-"local-authorities-partnership-sustainable-cities-"local-authorities-partnership-sustainable-cities-"local-authorities-partnership-sustainable-cities-"local-authorities-partnership-sustainable-cities-"local-authorities-partnership-sustainable-cities-"local-authorities-partnership-sustainable-cities-"local-authorities-partnership-sustainable-cities-"local-authorities-partnership-sustainable-cities-"local-authorities-"local-authorities-"local-authorities-"local-authorities-"local-authorities-"local-authorities-"local-authorities-"local-authorities-"local-authorities-"local-authorities-"local-authorities-"local-authoritie
 - Local authority as a lead applicant,
 but partnership with research institutes is possible
 - Funding between 1-3mil€
 - Deadline tentatively early next year
- For NGOs;
 - Addax & Oryx Foundation: https://addax-oryx-foundation.org/en/submit-a-project



