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Checklist for applicants

Before you submit your pre-proposal, you need to make sure that your project consortium meets the eligibility rules of this call. This is important since consortia not respecting the eligibility rules will be rejected without further review.

You can use the checklist below to see if your consortium meets the eligibility rules.

Please note that additional national rules and regulations may also apply and must be respected. All applicants must have fulfilled both joint and national requirements for an application to be eligible.



→ National rules and requirements

A summary of the national rules and requirements and contact information to all participating funding organisations in this call.

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Does your consortium include a minimum of 3 eligible partners from 3 different countries? ✓

YES – eligible.

NO – Your consortium is **not eligible.** Make sure to increase to the indicated minimum.

The consortium can include a maximum of 6 project partners (including non-funded partners). The maximum number of partners can be increased to 7 if the consortium includes:

- at least one partner from an under-represented country or
- at least one partner where the Principal Investigator meets the definition of an Early-Career Researcher or
- a start-up, SME, or an Industry

Does your consortium include a minimum of 2 eligible partners from 2 EU member states or associated countries? ✓

YES – eligible.

NO – Your consortium is **not eligible**. Make sure to increase to the indicated minimum.

Does your consortium include an under-represented country, an Early Career Researcher, or company? ✓

YES – eligible. The maximum number of partners allowed is 7.

NO – eligible. The maximum number of partners allowed is 6.

Note: The maximum number includes non-funded partners.

Does your consortium include more than 2 partners requesting funding from the same funding organisation? ✓

NO – eligible.

YES – Your consortium is **not eligible**. Modify the composition of the consortium.

Is the project coordinator asking for funding? ✓

YES – eligible.

NO – Your consortium is **not eligible**. Change the project coordinator.

Is the project coordinator also coordinating another proposal? ✓

NO – eligible.

YES – Your consortium is **not eligible**. Change the project coordinator.

Are non-funded partners included?

YES – Make sure that the majority of the project consortium consists of partners eligible for funding and that the budget for the non-funded partners does not exceed 30% of the requested total transnational project budget.

Please note

- Hungarian legal entities affected by the Council Implementing Decision (EU) 2022/2506 are eligible to apply to calls for proposals as **non-funded partners** (i.e. without requesting or receiving funding from the Call).
- A consortium cannot include, as funded partners as well as non-funded partners, any legal entities established in Russia, Belarus, or in non-government-controlled territories of Ukraine, or any legal entities established outside Russia but whose proprietary rights are directly or indirectly owned for more than 50% by a legal person, entity or body established in Russia. This list is not extensive and may evolve.
- For more information on other restrictive measures, consult [the general annexes of the 2023-2025 Horizon Europe funding programme \(ec.europa.eu\)](https://ec.europa.eu).

Early Career Researcher definition

For the purpose of this call, an Early-Career Researcher (ECR) is a PhD holder, up to 8 years after the year of PhD award, holding a position at a recognised institution.

The 8-year period may be extended to allow for career breaks including documented parental leave, positions of trust in trade union organisations and student organisations, mandatory military or civil service, illness (own illness or care for close family members), medical internships or medical fellowship (applies to clinically active professionals). The last two categories may involve periods of up to 24 months each.

Please note that the EUP OHAMR definition of an ECR may differ from the national/regional definition.

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