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**M-ERA.NET Call 2025**

***Pre-Proposal***

***Project Acronym:***

***Project Coordinator:***

***(Organisation and Country):***

**Each partner is requested to contact the respective national/regional funding organisation before Pre-Proposal submission**

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*To be completed by the Project Coordinator only.*

*The Pre-Proposal form has a limit of 22 pages.*

*Refer to Guide for Proposers when filling out this form.*

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***Attention:***

* *The structure, the order and number of chapters as well as the formatting conditions of the proposal form must not be changed.*
* *The evaluation will be done solely on the information provided within the mandatory templates (no links to external sources will be considered).*

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# 1. SUMMARY

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*Black: text in black must be kept*

*Blue: text in blue is for information purpose and can be deleted*

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| **Project Acronym** | | | | |  | | | | | | | | |
| **Project Long Title** | | | | |  | | | | | | | | |
| **Project Coordinator** | | | | | Name: | |  | | | | | | |
| E-mail: | |  | | | | | | |
| Coordinator Organisation  (full name in original language / name in English) | | | | | Original Language:  English: | | | Country/ Region | | |  | | |
| Address |  | | | | | | | Tel: | |  | | | |
| Fax: | |  | | | |
| Postal code (CEDEX) | | | | | |  |
| City | |  | | | | | www: | |  | | | |
| **Total Project Costs**  **(Euro)** | | | | |  | | **Requested Funding**  **(Euro)** | | | | |  | |
| Planned starting date | |  | | | | Duration  (in months) | |  | Total person months | | | |  |
| Call Topic  (Only one Topic) | |  | | Sustainable materials for energy applications | | | | | | | | | |
|  | | Innovative surfaces, coatings and interfaces | | | | | | | | | |
|  | | Advanced composites and lightweight materials | | | | | | | | | |
|  | | Functional materials | | | | | | | | | |
|  | | Materials addressing environmental challenges | | | | | | | | | |
|  | | Next generation materials for electronics | | | | | | | | | |

**Project Summary**

*Including**specific innovation objectives and results, needs addressed, impact and potential benefits (up to 4000 characters recommended). Whenever appropriate, indicate the TRL[[1]](#footnote-1) position in the beginning of the project and after the project is finished (not mandatory).*

**Relevance to funding programmes**

***(for each of the involved national/regional funding programme)***

Justify why the proposal is in line with the objectives of each funding programme and why the proposal includes the required national impact (up to 2 pages recommended).

# 2. CONSORTIUM OVERVIEW

**Attention: PIC is mandatory**

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| **CONSORTIUM OVERVIEW** | | | | | | |
| **Organisation** | **Partner name (Full name)** | **Coordinator (P1)** | **Partner 2:** | **Partner 3:** | **Partner 4:** | **Partner 5:** |
| **Participation Identification Code (PIC) [[2]](#footnote-2)** |  |  |  |  |  |
| TRL[[3]](#footnote-3) at project start |  |  |  |  |  |
| TRL3 at project end |  |  |  |  |  |
| Organisation Type[[4]](#footnote-4) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Website (http:…) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Region / Country |  |  |  |  |  |
| Organisation registration number[[5]](#footnote-5) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Size (Employees) [[6]](#footnote-6) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Turnover (K€)6 |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Contact Person** | Title / Name |  |  |  |  |  |
| Telephone |  |  |  |  |  |
| E-mail |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Funding Organisation (FO)** | Name of FO +Contact person in in FO [[7]](#footnote-7) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Funding Programme (full name[[8]](#footnote-8)) |  |  |  |  |  |

# 3. Excellence

*Describe the innovation of the project outcome(s), the originality of the proposed approach and the market needs (if applicable) addressed by the project. Please indicate the TRL at the beginning and at the end of the project.*

## 3.1. Objectives of the project and expected results

## 3.2 Ambition

* *Current state of art and progress beyond the state-of-the-art*
* *Originality and/or innovation of the proposed approach*

## 3.3 Concept and approach

* *Overall concept and methodology*
* *Start and target TRL*
* *Approach to Responsible Research & Innovation*

# 4. Impact

## 4.1 Relevance of the objectives to the call topic

* *Research issues covered by the chosen research theme*

## 4.2 Contribution at the European or international level to the expected impacts listed under the selected call topic

* **Scientific impacts**

* **Economic impacts** (*for low TRLs present the visions for potential industrial use*)

* **Societal and environmental impacts**

## 4.3. Sustainability and RRI

*Explain how the project will engage with*

* *Circularity, environmental dimensions of the proposed research*
* *Ethical, political, social and / or cultural dimensions of the proposed research*

# 5. Implementation

## 5.1 Consortium description

*Describe the role of each partner in the project and partner’s qualification in the field of proposal, including their past experiences and expertise (last 5 years).*

**Partner 1 (Coordinator):**

Role in the project:

Team qualification in the field of proposal:

**Partner 2:**

Role in the project:

Team qualification in the field of proposal:

**Partner 3:**

Role in the project:

Team qualification in the field of proposal:

*Please duplicate as needed*

## 5.2. Inter- and transdisciplinarity

*Describe the complementarity and balance of the consortium as a whole*

## 5.3. Benefit of transnational cooperation for the consortium as a whole

*Explain the added value provided by the transnational cooperation (for the consortium and for each partner).*

## 5.4. Work plan and overall management of the project

* *Work package description: Title of each WP and short description*
* *Timing of the different work packages and their components (Gantt chart or similar)*
* *Management of the project including risk management*

## 5.5. Cost Calculation

**Total project costs per partner**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Partner** | **Person months** | **Total Costs** | **Requested Funding** |
|  | Euro | Euro |
| Partner 1 (Coordinator): |  |  |  |
| Partner 2: |  |  |  |
| Partner 3: |  |  |  |
| Partner 4: |  |  |  |
| Partner 5: |  |  |  |
| **Total:** |  |  |  |

# 6. ETHICAL ISSUES

*Please fill in YES or NO.*

| **ETHICAL ISSUES[[9]](#footnote-9)** | | **YES / NO** | **Page** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **HUMAN EMBRYOS/FOETUSES** | | | |
| Does your research involve Human Embryonic Stem Cells (hESCs)? | |  |  |
| Does your research involve the use of human embryos? | |  |  |
| **HUMANS** | | | |
| Does your research involve human participants? | |  |  |
| Does this activity involve interventions (physical also including imaging technology, behavioural treatments, etc.) on the study participants? | |  |  |
| Does this activity involve conducting a clinical study as defined by the Clinical Trial Regulation (EU 536/2014[[10]](#footnote-10))? (using pharmaceuticals, biologicals, radiopharmaceuticals, or advanced therapy medicinal products) | |  |  |
| **HUMAN CELLS / TISSUES** (not covered by section 1) | | | |
| Does your research involve human cells or tissues? | |  |  |
| **PERSONAL DATA** | | | |
| Does your research involve processing of personal data? | |  |  |
| Does it involve the processing of special categories of personal data (e.g. sexual lifestyle, ethnicity, genetic, biometric and health data, political opinion, religious or philosophical beliefs)? | |  |  |
| If YES | Does it involve processing of genetic, biometric or health data? |  |  |
| Does it involve profiling, systematic monitoring of individuals, or processing of large scale of special categories of data or intrusive methods of data processing (such as, surveillance, geolocation tracking etc.)? | |  |  |
| Does this activity involve further processing of previously collected personal data (including use of pre-existing data sets or sources, merging existing data sets)? | |  |  |
| **ANIMALS** | | | |
| Does your research involve animals? | |  |  |
| **ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH and SAFETY** | | | |
| Does this activity involve the use of substances or processes that may cause harm to the environment, to animals or plants (during the implementation of the activity or further to the use of the results, as a possible impact)? | |  |  |
| Does this activity deal with endangered fauna and/or flora / protected areas? | |  |  |
| Does this activity involve the use of substances or processes that may cause harm to humans, including those performing the activity (during the implementation of the activity or further to the use of the results, as a possible impact)? | |  |  |
| **ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE** | | | |
| Does this activity involve the development, deployment and/or use of Artificial Intelligence? | |  |  |
| **OTHER ETHICS ISSUES** | | | |
| Are there any other ethical issues that should be taken into consideration? | |  |  |
| *Please specify (max. 1000 characters)* | |  |  |

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| **I CONFIRM that I have taken into account all ethics issues above.** |  |

# 7. CHECKLIST FOR SUBMISSION *(must be included in the proposal)*

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| The proposal conforms to the call guidelines. |  |
| The provided proposal forms have not been changed in structure, order of chapters and formatting conditions. |  |
| Every project partner has been in direct contact with his/her national/regional funding agency and has checked that their collaboration and their project contributions are eligible for funding. |  |
| All project partners have checked the national/regional programme procedures and regulations. All project partners are aware of documents requested by the national/regional funding organisations.  ***IMPORTANT REMINDER: All consortium partners must check if applications (at Pre-Proposal and/or Full-Proposal stage) have to be submitted also to their national/regional funding organisations.*** |  |
| All partners who are not eligible for 100% funding are able to provide financial resources for their own contribution. |  |
| The consortium is aware that a duly signed and stamped consortium agreement (CA) between the project partners is recommended for funded projects based on national/regional funding rules, including agreements on intellectual property rights (IPR) and agreements on scientific publications. At the time of proposal submission it is recommended to provide the principles ruling the CA but not the CA itself. |  |

***Please go*** [***https://www.m-era.net/joint-call-2025***](https://www.m-era.net/joint-call-2025) ***to submit this pre-proposal form online.***

***Deadline for submission: 13 May 2025, 12:00 noon Brussels time***

***For further information on M-ERA.NET: please go to*** [***http://www.m-era.net***](http://www.m-era.net)

1. Technology Readiness Level; see Annex 2 of the M-ERA.NET Call 2025 Guide for Proposers [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. Insert Participant Identification Code (PIC) of your organisation as used for participating on Horizon Europe. Information on how to find / get your PIC see FAQs on the Call page. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. Technology Readiness Level (see Annex 2 in the Guide for Proposers) [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. HE-University, RES-Research organisation, SME-Small Medium sized Enterprise, IND-Large Company, OTH-Others. (according to national rules) [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
5. VAT number or other Registration number [↑](#footnote-ref-5)
6. Only for companies [↑](#footnote-ref-6)
7. **It is strongly recommended to contact M-ERA.NET contact person in your region/country** for further information about funding rules, prior to the submission of a Pre-Proposal (see [Participating countries & regions Call 2025](https://www.m-era.net/joint-calls/joint-call-2025/participating-countries-regions-call-2025)) [↑](#footnote-ref-7)
8. Name of the funding programme for which the partner is applying [↑](#footnote-ref-8)
9. Table assembled based on EC Horizon Europe Guidance: <https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/docs/2021-2027/common/guidance/how-to-complete-your-ethics-self-assessment_en.pdf> [↑](#footnote-ref-9)
10. <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A32014R0536> [↑](#footnote-ref-10)