

Eureka – Eurostars Funding Schemes



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Programme advantages:

- Eureka accesses all available national funding instruments and provides guidance to the most appropriate ones
- Nationally/regionally funded
- Industry-led (bottom-up) applied research (close to market R&D) funding scheme
- Projects with only two partners are already eligible
- Project administration is very low (two submission phases)
- High success rates (\approx 20-30%)
- Fast submission-to-funding delay
- The project can be resubmitted later in a larger call (H2020)

International research cooperation advantages:

- Higher total project funding
- Grants
- Access to niche/complementary technologies
- Clear IP framework contract settled at the beginning of the project
- Possible synergies and economies of scale
- Access to international markets via partnership
- Quality labialization and international recognition

CALL PROCEDURE STAGE 1

- Support of innovation projects in **all topics** (bottom-up) and focused mainly on the innovation activities of companies
- Draft a **project outline**:
 - General information (title, summary, technological/market area, budget and duration)
 - Outline (project description, benefits, results; market – 1 or 2 pages)
 - Participants details
- **Submission** of the project outline:
 - Open
 - **The sooner, the better!**
 - → It is recommended to contact your funding agency before submission

CALL PROCEDURE STAGE 1

- **Qualifications:**

- At least **one company** involved
- Clear **added value from international cooperation**
- **Balanced consortium** (partners contribution (budget & research))
- Other Eureka countries may also participate

- **Results:**

- Notified within 2/3 weeks
- Not recommended to submit or recommended to submit in Eureka or Eurostars (or eventually in another program)



CALL PROCEDURE STAGE 1

- **Submission to Eureka**

- Open Call
- National evaluation (by 2 independent experts)
- Project labialization

- **Submission to Eurostars**

- Focused on R&D&I intensive SMEs
- Centralized evaluation (by 3 independent experts and ranking by a evaluation expert panel)



GENERAL RULES

- Participants must have **operational offices in Wallonia/Flanders/Brussels**
- Project cannot receive **double funding**
- The company must be in a **stable financial situation**
- Project duration cannot exceed **3 years**
- At least **40% of the participant budget** must be allocated to industrial partners
- The project must add benefit to the regional economy
- All information needed for evaluation should be available



FUNDING RULES IN WALLONIA

Small companies

Grant at 70 to 80% funding rate maximum (Industrial research)

Grant at 60% or loan at 55% (Experimental Development)

Medium companies

Grant at 60 to 70% funding rate maximum (Industrial research)

Grant at 50% or loan at 45% (Experimental Development)

Large companies

Grant at 40% funding rate maximum (Industrial research)

Grant at 40% or loan at 35% (Experimental Development)

Research centres

Grant at 75% funding rate maximum (Industrial research)

Universities

Grant at 100% funding rate maximum (Industrial research)



FUNDING RULES IN FLANDERS

Small companies

Grant at 55% of eligible costs

Medium companies

Grant at 45% of eligible costs

Large companies

Grant at 35% of eligible costs

If the activities in the project can be designated as Industrial Research a higher funding % can be asked (up to 80 % for a small company and 60 % for a large enterprise)

Belgian or foreign academic partners or research institutes can be funded by IWT if their expertise is crucial for the Flemish partner and if they are subcontracted by this company

FUNDING RULES IN BRUSSELS

The funding rates vary between 40 and 80% depending on the size of the company and on the type of activities (Research or development)

Brussels-based research organizations participating in a project may be awarded with a regional financial support (max 100%) but only in the framework of collaboration with a Brussels-based company

- Examples of Swss-Belgian funded projects:

A'Chef (Eurostars project 9845)

- o UCL, University, Wallonia, Belgium
- o Exora, SME, Switzerland
- o Akatech, SME, Switzerland
- o Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale De Lausanne, Switzerland
- o IntoPIX, SME, Wallonia, Belgium

Budget: 2,1 Million €

A'CHEF wants to deliver the world first collaborative High Level Synthesis framework engine capable of generating a variety of implementations of the new MPEG HEVC compression standard, including optimized native libraries, automated conformance tests and continuous integration. A'CHEF wants to deliver this revolutionary framework as a product, enabling its users to generate on a agile way their own customized HEVC products by implementing their own extensions or optimizations.





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