

**Horizon 2020 INFO DAY** Call H2020-ICT-2014-1 **European Commission DG CONNECT** Kimmo Rossi Unit G.3 - Data Value Chain



# **EC** presentations

- Overall presentation of H2020
  - focusing on practicalities important for proposers
  - highlighting differences between H2020 and FP7/CIP
- Thematic presentations
  - to present the scope of each of the Specific Challenges: ICT 15, ICT 16, ICT 17, ICT 22.a
  - to help you position your proposal idea in the right context (also in view of networking and proposal clinics)



# **DISCLAIMER**

- The only authoritative source of information is the relevant call page in the Participant Portal:
- http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/ desktop/en/home.html

In case of discrepancy with information presented today and the Participant Portal, the latter prevails.



# H2020 Forms of funding, types of actions and general rules



# Types of actions (=projects)

- Research and innovation actions
  - comparable to FP7 STREPs & IPs
- Innovation actions
  - comparable to CIP Pilot B projects (+ "some research")
- Coordination and Support Actions
  - similar to FP7 CSA, but no more distinction between CA and SA



# Research and innovation actions

- Actions primarily consisting of activities aiming to establish new knowledge and/or to explore the feasibility of a new or improved technology, product, process, service or solution.
- For this purpose they may include basic and applied research, technology development and integration, testing and validation on a smallscale prototype in a laboratory or simulated environment.



# **Innovation actions**

- Actions primarily consisting of activities directly aiming at producing plans and arrangements or designs for new, altered or improved products, processes or services.
- For this purpose they may include prototyping, testing, demonstrating, piloting, large-scale product validation and market replication.



# **Coordination and support actions**

Actions consisting primarily of **accompanying measures** such as standardisation, dissemination, awareness-raising and communication, networking, coordination or support services, policy dialogues and mutual learning exercises and studies, including design studies for new infrastructure and may also include complementary activities of networking and coordination between programmes in different countries.



# **Eligibility conditions**

#### Research and Innovation actions

 At least 3 mutually independent legal entities, each established in different MS/AC

#### Innovation actions

 At least 3 mutually independent legal entities, each established in different MS/AC

## Coordination and Support Actions

One legal entity established in a Member State or associated country



# **Entities eligibile for funding**

- Entities established in MS or associated countries
- International European interest organisations
- Entities established in certain low-income countries (see General Annex A of WP)
- Entities in other countries, and international organizations may receive funding if:
  - participation is essential or
  - funding foreseen in bilateral arrangement between the Union and third country/international organisation



# **Annexes to the Work Programme**

- Table of Contents (excerpt)
- A. List of countries, and applicable rules for funding
- B. Standard admissibility conditions for grant proposals, and related requirements
- C. Standard eligibility criteria
- D. Types of action: specific provisions and funding rates
- ...
- H. Evaluation
- ...
- K. Financial support to third parties



# H2020

Model Grant Agreement

DG CONNECT





# **Grant Agreement - novelties**

- Coherence within H2020 and over all EU programs and Financial Regulation
- No more Annex II "General conditions" integrated with Core GA
- Some new terminology

"Project" becomes "Action"

"Final payment" becomes "Payment of the balance"



# No more paper signatures or submissions

#### **Electronic signature**

- Of the Grant Agreement
- Of the Amendments
- Financial Statements and Technical reports

#### Communication between the Commission and the beneficiaries

- Through the Participant Portal
- Electronic-only submission of reports as a general rule



## MODEL GRANT AGREEMENT

#### **CORE TEXT**

Annex 1: **Description of the action** 

Annex 2: Estimated budget

Annex 3: **Accession Forms** 

Annex 4: Financial statements

Annex 5: Certificate on the financial statements

Annex 6: Certificate on the methodology



#### **Chapter 1: General**

• Single article: subject of the agreement

#### **Chapter 2: Action**

Action, duration and budget

#### **Chapter 3: Grant**

• Amount, rates, eligible costs

#### **Chapter 4: Rights and obligations of the parties**

- To implement the action: resources, in-kind contributions, subcontracts
- Grant administration: reporting, payments, audits
- Background and results: access rights, protection of results, exploitation, dissemination
- Others: gender equality, ethics, confidentiality

#### Ch 5: Division of beneficiaries' roles and responsibilities

• Roles and responsibilities, internal arrangements

#### Ch 6: Rejection, reduction, penalties, termination...

- Rejection, reduction, recovery and penalties
- Suspension and termination of the action

#### **Chapter 7: Final provisions**

• Accession, entry into force, amendments, applicable law



## **CHAPTER 3 - GRANT**

One reimbursement rate by action (same rate for all all activities):

- Up to 100% for Research and Innovation actions (and CSA)
- Up to <u>70%</u> for innovation (non-profit entities up to 100%) and programme co-fund actions.
- WP may specify a different reimbursement rate

#### One method for calculation of indirect costs:

- <u>Flat rate of 25%</u> of total direct costs, excluding subcontracting, costs of third parties and financial support to third parties
- If provided in WP, lump sum or unit costs

**No-profit rule (as in FP7)** 



## **CHAPTER 3 - GRANT**

#### **General eligibility conditions** for:

- (a) actual costs
- (b) unit costs
- (c) flat-rate costs
- (d) lump sum costs

#### Specific eligibility conditions for budget categories:

- A. Personnel costs
- B. Direct costs of subcontracting
- C. Direct costs of providing financial support to third parties
- D. Other direct costs
- E. Indirect costs
- F. Specific categories of costs



# CHAPTER 4 – RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF THE PARTIES

#### **SECTION 3 - RESULTS**

#### Ownership

- Beneficiary generating the results
- Joint-ownership in specific circumstances

#### Protection

- If results capable of commercial/industrial exploitation
- If no protected, EU may assume ownership

#### Exploitation

- Best efforts obligation; WP may foresee additional obligations
- Transfer and exclusive licences to a third country
  - EC may object (competitiveness, ethical principles, security)

#### Dissemination

 Open access to scientific publications and under certain conditions to research data



# CHAPTER 5 – DIVISION OF BENEFICIARIES' ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Towards the Commission

(The beneficiaries are jointly and severally liable for the technical implementation)

Internal division

(Coordinator and each beneficiary)

Consortium agreement

(Mandatory unless the work programme specifies otherwise)

- Collaboration agreement if applicable
- Coordination agreement if applicable



# **Proposal submission and evaluation**



# This info day is about:

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On this site you can find and secure funding for research & innovation projects under the following EU programmes:

- 2014-2020 Horizon 2020 research and innovation framework programme
- . 2007-2013 7th research framework programme (FP7) and Competitiveness & Innovation Programme (CIP)

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- manage your project throughout its lifecycle



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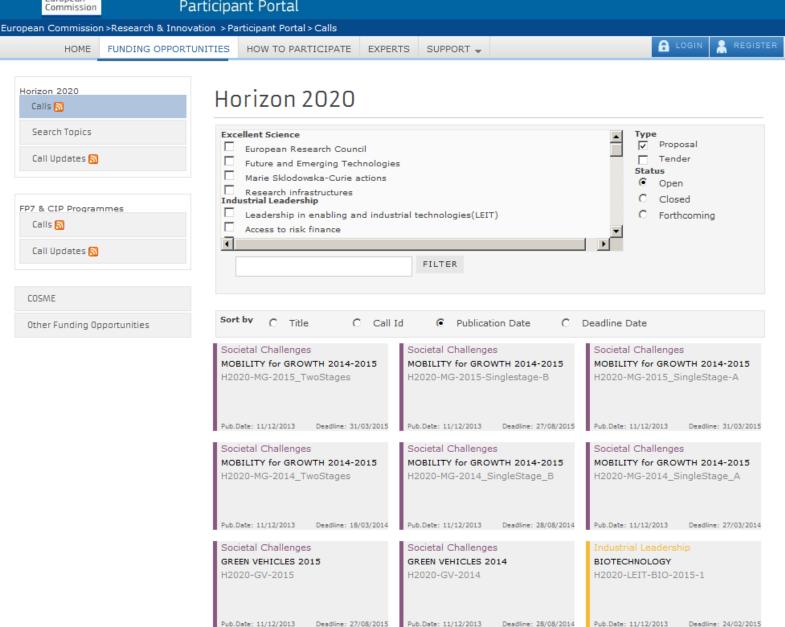


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In addition, see all the open calls of Marie Sklodowska-Curie actions (MSCA) and European Research Council (ERC) grants for individual researchers of any nationality and research teams. The MSCA grants include opportunities for companies and SMEs. The MCSA and ERC grants are not restricted to specific topics.

Quick finder for topics linked to H2020 cross-cutting priorities:

Cross-cutting Key-Enabling Technologies (KETs)

**ERA-NET** 

Gender

Contractual Public-Private Partnerships (cPPPs)

International cooperation

SME Instrument

Socio-economic sciences and humanities



## **Electronic Submission**

Electronic Submission System accessed from the call page

- Prepare proposal,
  - On-line for structured part Part A
  - Upload non-structured part Part B pdf fileS
- Remember to click the Submit button!
- Validation checks and warnings offer guidance
- Please submit early do not wait until the last moment!
- Late submission is not possible (system closes down)

Call H2020-ICT-2014-1 closes 23 April 2014 at 17.00



# Part B – 2 pdf files: Sections 1-3

Based around evaluation criteria:

- Excellence
  - Eg. Objectives, concept, progress beyond state-of-art...
- Impact
  - Eg. Potential impact (*incl. with reference to WP*); measures to maximise impact (*dissemination, communication, exploitation*)
- Implementation
  - Including work package descriptions
  - Information on third parties and subcontractors



# Part B – 2 pdf files: Sections 4-5

- Section 5: Ethics and Security
- Section 4: Members of the consortium

 Template supplied by the submission system (.rtf)



## **Submission in H2020**

- Self check for SME status, financial viability
- Observe page limits for Part B Sections 1-3!
   Excess pages will not be evaluated!
  - 70 Pages for RIA and IA
  - 50 Pages for CSA



- Call Submission
- Call Evaluation



# Scoring/weights/thresholds

- As in FP7: each criterion scored out of 5; individual threshold of 3; overall threshold of 10
- For Innovation Actions
  - *Impact* criterion weighted by factor of 1.5
- For Research and Innovation Actions:
  - No weighting of evaluation criteria

# **Experts**

Appropriately qualified individuals may apply to work as experts in H2020 evaluations

 Application via Participant Portal

call to ensure

Selection per call to ensure broad ranging and expert group; avoiding conflicts of interest Call for experts opened



# Questions?