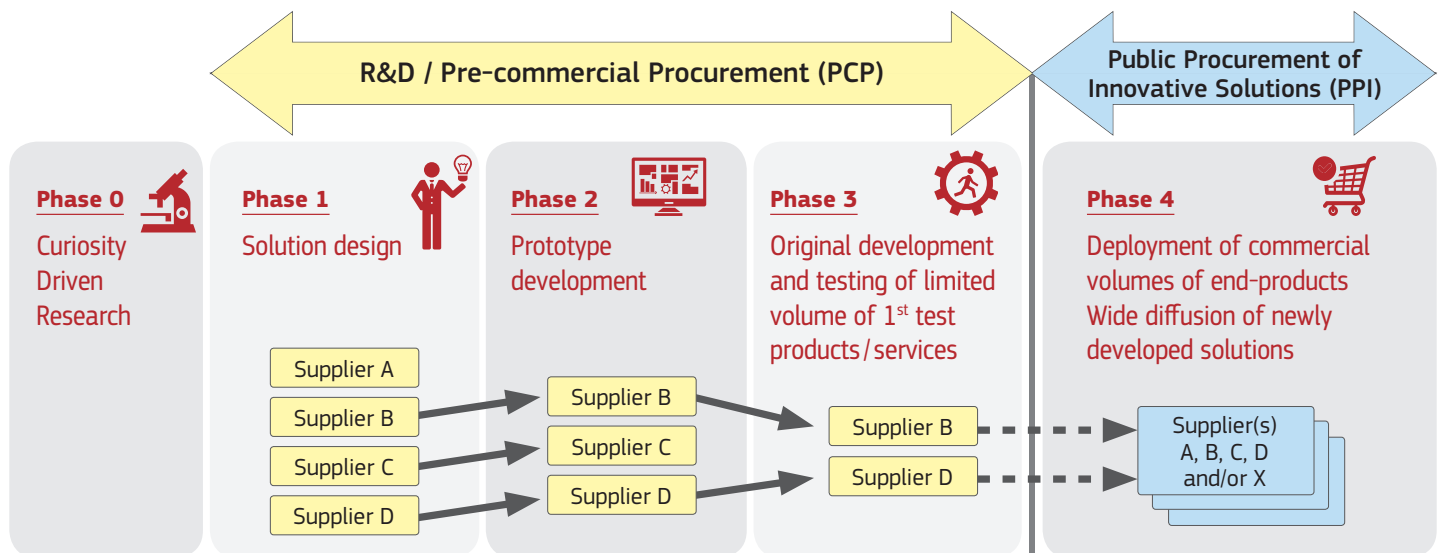




Innovation Procurement

A total budget of circa €130 million is available for EU funding for PCP (pre-commercial procurement) and PPI (public procurement of innovative solutions) projects across the different 2016-17 Horizon 2020 work programmes.

- PCP to steer the development of solutions towards concrete public sector needs, whilst comparing/validating alternative solution approaches from various vendors
- PPI to act as launching customer / early adopter / first buyer of innovative commercial end-solutions newly arriving on the market



Why European cooperation on PCP-PPI?

- Speed up public sector modernisation – improve quality and efficiency of public services with breakthrough solutions
- Get better value for money through cooperation – enable public sector around Europe to share cost + experience to buy new solutions that can respond to concrete public needs
- Address issues of common interest together – e.g. where interoperability and coherence of solutions across borders, pooling of resources or market defragmentation is required
- Create growth and jobs in Europe – help innovators bring European R&D to the market (the majority of R&D in H2020 funded PCPs should take place in Europe, 1st set of first test products can be bought in the PPI from companies in the PCP).

Interested?

Apply for ICT-33: (a) European wide networks of public procurers preparing future PCPs or PPIs in any area of public interest that requires ICT based solutions and (b): European wide networks of competence centers on innovation procurement (€ 4M for ICT-33 (a) and (b) together; **call deadline: 25 Apr 2017**)

This type of support is found in the Horizon2020 work programmes for European Research Infrastructures, Information and Communication Technologies, Health, Security, Energy, Transport, Space and Climate Change / Environment. **Note that the funding rates are increased to 90% respectively 35% for the PCP respectively PPI actions from WP2016-17 onwards!**

More info: ec.europa.eu/digital-single-market/en/innovation-procurement

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