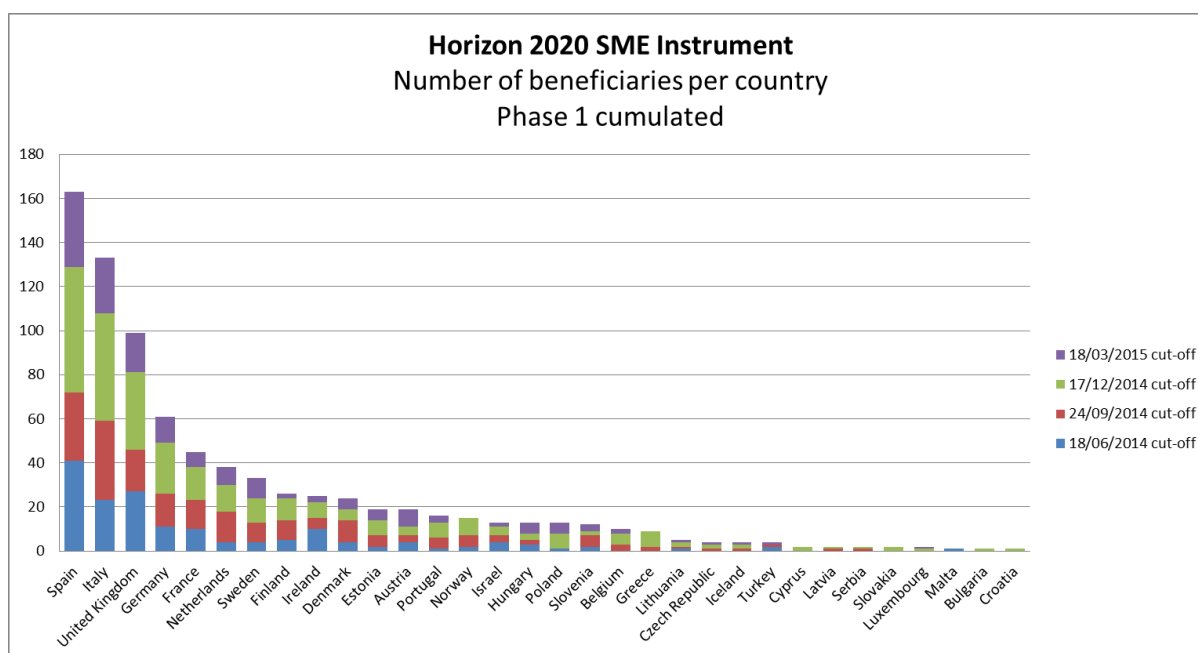
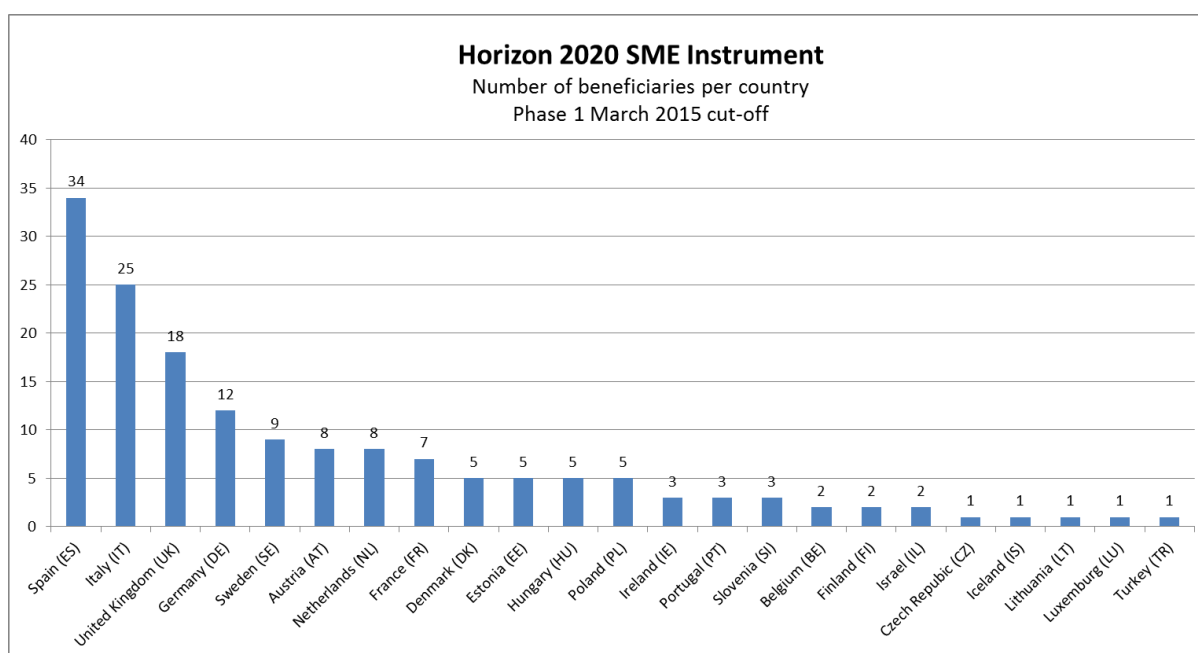


Latest 161 SMEs funded by Horizon 2020 SME Instrument

161 SMEs from 23 countries have been selected in the latest round of Horizon 2020 SME Instrument Phase 1. For each project, the participants will receive €50,000 to finance feasibility studies. They can also request up to three days of business coaching.

The European Commission received 1,569 proposals under Phase 1 by the first cut-off date of 2015 on 18 March. 251 received an evaluation score above the application threshold and 151 or 60.1% have been selected for funding.

Spanish SMEs have again been particularly successful with 34 beneficiaries accepted for funding, followed by firms from Italy (25) and the UK (18). Since the launch of the programme on 1st January 2014, 816 SMEs have been selected under Phase 1 of the SME Instrument.



Horizon 2020 SME Instrument Phase 1 - Number of beneficiaries per country

Country	18/06/2014 cut-off	24/09/2014 cut-off	17/12/2014 cut-off	18/03/2015 cut-off	Total
Spain	41	31	57	34	163
Italy	23	36	49	25	133
United Kingdom	27	19	35	18	99
Germany	11	15	23	12	61
France	10	13	15	7	45
Netherlands	4	14	12	8	38
Sweden	4	9	11	9	33
Finland	5	9	10	2	26
Ireland	10	5	7	3	25
Denmark	4	10	5	5	24
Estonia	2	5	7	5	19
Austria	4	3	4	8	19
Portugal	1	5	7	3	16
Norway	2	5	8	0	15
Israel	4	3	4	2	13
Hungary	3	2	3	5	13
Poland	1	0	7	5	13
Slovenia	2	5	2	3	12
Belgium	0	3	5	2	10
Greece	0	2	7	0	9
Lithuania	1	1	2	1	5
Czech Republic	0	1	2	1	4
Iceland	0	1	2	1	4
Turkey	2	1	0	1	4
Cyprus	0	0	2	0	2
Latvia	0	1	1	0	2
Serbia	0	1	1	0	2
Slovakia	0	0	2	0	2
Luxembourg	0	0	1	1	2
Malta	1	0	0	0	1
Bulgaria	0	0	1	0	1
Croatia	0	0	1	0	1
Total	162	200	293	161	816

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