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The European Commission received 2596 proposals from 43 countries for SME Instrument Phase 1 before the latest cut-off date on 9 November 2017. The initial cut-off date of 7 November was extended by two days due to miscommunication on the Participant Portal.

Small and medium-sized businesses selected funding under the Horizon 2020 SME Instrument Phase receive a lump-sum of €50.000 from the EU to co-finance up to 70% of their innovation project.

Most proposals were submitted in the topics ICT (668) ICT for health (260) followed by sustainable

