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# Connecting Europe Facility TELECOMMUNICATIONS

# 2016 Calls for Proposals

*Funding  
Opportunities*

## CEF Digital Service Infrastructures

The Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) supports trans-European networks and infrastructures which fill in the missing links of Europe's energy, transport and telecommunications sectors. A budget of €870 million is earmarked for trans-European digital services for 2014-2020. Supported projects facilitate cross-border interaction between public administrations, businesses and citizens, by deploying digital service infrastructures (DSIs). The overall objective is to create a European ecosystem of interoperable digital services that make the Digital Single Market work in practice.

### €70 million for the Calls for proposals in 2016

The 2016 calls will award €70 million in the form of grants for generic services. They will help European public administrations and businesses to support Member States' Digital Service Infrastructures to operate with each other across borders. Please refer to the 2016 CEF Telecom Work Programme for the detailed objectives of each DSI and call area.

| 2016 CEF Telecom - Call 1 - open 3 March 2016 <i>(indicative)</i> |                   |
|---|-------------------|
| Deadline 19 May 2016  | Indicative budget |
| Business Registers Interconnection System (BRIS)                  | €3 million        |
| Electronic Exchange of Social Security Information (EESSI)        | €24.5 million     |
| eProcurement  | €4.5 million      |

| 2016 CEF Telecom - Call 2 - open 12 May 2016 <i>(indicative)</i> |                   |
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| Deadline 15 September 2016                                       | Indicative budget |
| eDelivery  | €0.5 million      |
| eIdentification and eSignature                                   | €4.5 million      |
| European eJustice portal   | €2 million        |
| Public Open Data   | €3.5 million      |

| 2016 CEF Telecom - Call 3 - open 13 September 2016 <i>(indicative)</i> |                   |
|--|-------------------|
| Deadline 15 December 2016  | Indicative budget |
| Automated Translation  | €6.5 million      |
| Cyber Security   | €12 million       |
| eInvoicing   | €7 million        |
| Europeana Generic Services   | €2 million        |

## How to apply



1. Identify the relevant call and area
2. Read the call documentation and prepare your documents – Please do not forget to obtain approval of the concerned Member State(s) for your proposal! See call documents for more info.
3. Submit your application online
4. You will be informed of the outcome of the evaluation in due time



Read the call documentation and FAQs online: <http://bit.ly/1KDJEb2>  
Contact the call helpdesk: [inea-cef-telecom-calls@ec.europa.eu](mailto:inea-cef-telecom-calls@ec.europa.eu)

### INEA: Your gateway to EU funding under CEF Telecom

The Innovation and Networks Executive Agency (INEA) is responsible for the management of these Calls for proposals. INEA works in partnership with the European Commission to turn policy into action. Since 2014, the Agency provides technical expertise and high quality programme implementation for infrastructure, research and innovation projects in the fields of transport, energy and telecommunications.

### What happens to your proposal once submitted?

#### The Call Process

European Commission  
(DG CNECT)

Executive Agency  
(INEA)

Call publication

(Info Day event)

Proposal admissibility & eligibility  
check

External evaluation

Internal evaluation/Selection

Consultation of the Internal  
Evaluation Committee

Consultation of the ICT Directors

Consultation of the CEF Telecom  
Committee

Selection decision

Preparation & signature of grant  
agreements

Submitted proposals are assessed on the basis of eligibility, selection and award criteria as set out in the CEF Telecom Work Programme. INEA carries out the evaluation of the eligible proposals, supported by independent experts. Once the selection of proposals recommended for funding is formally approved by the Commission, successful applicants are invited by INEA to prepare and sign individual grant agreements. INEA then works closely with the beneficiaries on the technical and financial project implementation.