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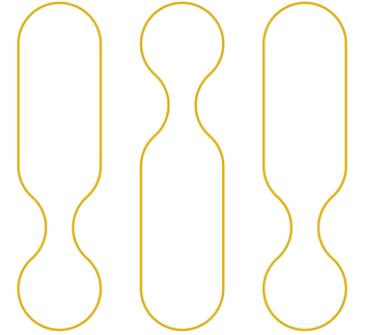
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Resolução do Conselho de Ministros n.º 27/2018

Os benefícios da investigação clínica e dos projetos de inovação biomédica no quadro nacional e internacional são, cada vez mais, de crucial importância para a melhoria da prestação de cuidados de saúde aos cidadãos

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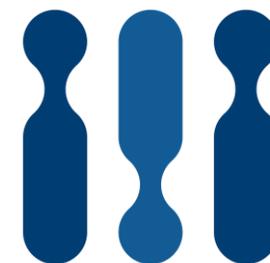
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MISSION

To promote, coordinate and support **activities** in the areas of clinical and translational research and biomedical innovation, **contributing to the optimisation of Portugal's clinical, scientific and technological potential.**

VISION

AICIB aims to be a national and European reference as an entity capable of creating the **essential conditions to stimulate clinical research and biomedical innovation in Portugal.**



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Strategic Pillars



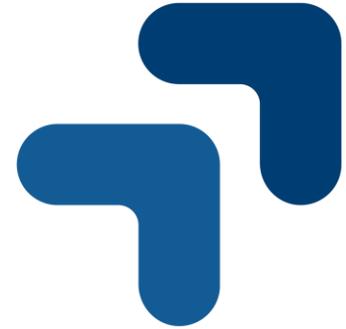
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Promote the competitiveness of CR&BI, leveraging the **capacity to carry out clinical studies in Portugal.**



Training & Network

Develop a culture of continuous improvement, building a **collaborative national network to develop research centres** and attract and retain talent.



Internationalise

Strengthen AICIB's role in the European and international contexts, accompanying scientific innovation and the evolution of IC&IB activities.

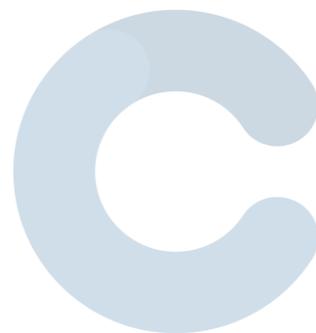
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EU PROJECTS/INICIATIVAS



ECHoS
Cancer Mission Hubs



DEP4ALL



EUROPEAN PARTNERSHIPS



EP PerMed
European Partnership
for Personalised Medicine



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3. Understand the Objectives of the “Mother” program (Mission on Cancer, Horizon Europe Cluster Health...)
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4. Pay Attention to the Details & Seek Feedback

- Read evaluation criteria and ensure your proposal addresses each point.
 - This will be the basis what evaluators will be looking for
- Evaluation criteria as a checklist during late/final review process
- Seek feedback from senior and junior colleagues AND, very important, from **National Contact/Focal Points**
- Adhere to the formatting guidelines and page limits.
- Keep it simple - Use clear and concise language (page limits!)
- Address all required administrative (Ethical, Gender Equality, type of organization...) processes relevant to your project. – you do not to be consider “not eligible”.



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5. Start Early and Seek Feedback

- Begin preparing your proposal well in advance of the deadline.
 - National Contact/Focal Points know the Work Programme in advance. Stay in contact with them
- Allow ample time for consortium building, proposal writing, and revisions.
- Organize (Shared) folders for documentations
 - Avoid sharing multiple versions of documents by email
 - Consider organizing a F2F writing workshop
 - Meet regularly with all partners to ensure commitment and transparency
- Start using European commissions funding and tenders portal as soon as possible - upload partners profile and contacts

European Commission | Funding & tender opportunities

SEARCH FUNDING & TENDERS | HOW TO PARTICIPATE | PROJECTS & RESULTS | FOR KALEHS EXPERT | SUPPORT

Find calls for proposals and tenders

Search for proposals and tenders by keywords, programmes...

Search

All news updates | Send info | Request fund

EU Programmes

System Migration and Integration Fund (SMIF)	Border Management and Visa Assistance (BMVA)	Customs Control Equipment Instrument (CCEI)	Growing Europe Facility (GEF)	Citizens, Quality, Rights and Values Programme (CQRV)	Small Business (SME4)
Customs Programme (CUP)	Digital Europe Programme (DEP)	Europe Direct (ED)	European Defence Fund (EDF)	European Parliament (EP)	EU Youth Fund Programme (EUYFP)

11 Feb 2022
Have you heard about the Horizon Impact Award?
Dear beneficiaries - have you considered applying for the Horizon Impact Award by the European Commission's Industrial Artificial Intelligence Research programme...

11 Jan 2022
Latest release of the Portal brings new functionalities
The European Commission publishes in February 2022 new calls for proposals on both AI4Growth (single topic) and against financing (11 topics) and on AI4Growth...

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30 Countries/ 61 organisations

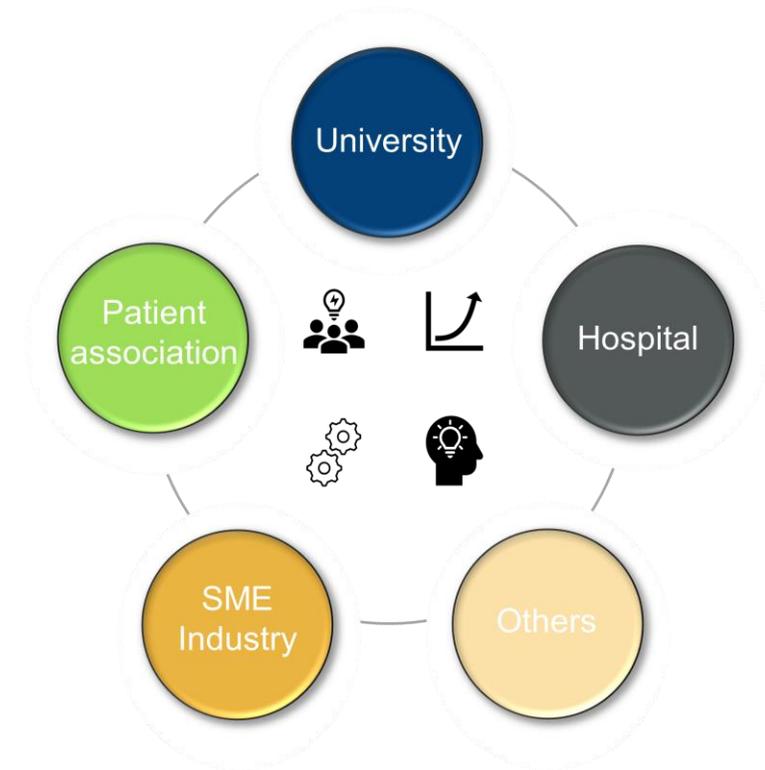
Austria, Belgium, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Türkiye

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Consortium composition (collaborative projects)

- at least one independent legal entity established in a Member State, and
- at least two other independent legal entities each established either in a different Member State or an Associated Country



Searching for the right Partner

6. Assemble a Strong Consortium – your close network



Start with your close network:

- ✓ who you usually work with in that area
- ✓ who you've worked with in previous projects
- ✓ who you've met at a conference/workshop/meeting and said that was working in an area that you're interested in

Use the network of your consortium partners

Searching for the right Partner

6. Assemble a Strong Consortium – Partners Search Menu

Establishing of national cancer mission hubs and creation of network to support the Mission on Cancer

TOPIC ID: HORIZON-MISS-2022-CANCER-01-05

46 Searches of partners to collaborate on this topic

[View / Edit](#)

Start submission

To access the Electronic Submission Service, please click on the submission-button next to the confirmation, you will be linked to the correct entry point.

To access existing draft proposals for this topic, please login to the Funding & Tenders Portal and

Please select the type of your submission:

HORIZON Coordination and Support Actions [HORIZON-CSA], HORIZON Action Grant Budget-Based [HORIZON-AG]

[Start submission](#)

[Need help?](#)

46 Items found

Search by name, description... Expertise request, Expertise offer

Sort by

Organisation type	Type of request	Request date
Small or medium-size enterprise	Expertise offer	30 May 2022
Spain		
Published		
Small or medium-size enterprise	Expertise offer	06 Jun 2022
Turkey		
Published		
Non-governmental organization	Expertise offer	03 Jun 2022
Cyprus		
Published		

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6. Assemble a Strong Consortium – Cordis (past and active projects)

The screenshot shows the Cordis search results for 'pandemic preparedness'. The search bar contains the query and shows 120 results. A list of project cards is visible, including:

- PANDHUB** Prevention and Management of High Threat Pathogen Incidents in Transport Hubs (D: 447455) - From 1 November 2016 to 31 October 2017. Coordinated in Finland.
- DIS2** Disability and Disease during the 1918 Influenza Pandemic: Implications for Preparedness Policies (D: 441402) - From 2 June 2014 to 2 June 2021. Coordinated in Norway.
- RECOVER** Rapid European SARS-CoV-2 Emergency research Response (D: 101000048) - From 14 February 2020 to 13 August 2022. Coordinated in Belgium.
- PANDEM-2** Pandemic Preparedness and Response (D: 440245) - From 1 February 2021 to 31 January 2022. Coordinated in Ireland.
- ASIAFLUCAP** Health system analysis to support capacity development to respond to pandemic influenza in Asia (D: 201455) - From 1 May 2008 to 30 April 2011. Coordinated in Italy.



The screenshot shows the project details for 'Epidemic intelligence to minimize 2019-nCoV's public health economic and social impact in Europe'. The project description states: 'The EU and its Member States are working around the clock to fight the coronavirus and COVID-19. Actions are being taken to contain and slow down the spread of the virus, which poses an unprecedented threat to public health, economy and society. The EU-funded EpiPose project will investigate COVID-19's impact on society and health services in the EU. It will also estimate its economic impact. Specifically, the project will collect and disseminate epidemiological data to the largest level possible, provide country-specific assessments of key epidemiological parameters and study the impact on public health networks. It will also conduct an economic analysis of treatments and other EU interventions. The project will also promote the valuable interaction between scientists, public health institutions and society.'

The 'Fields of science' section lists: medical and health sciences > health sciences > infectious diseases > RNA viruses > coronaviruses.

The 'Programme(s)' section lists: H2020-S&I.1 - SOCIETAL CHALLENGES - Health, demographic change and well-being (MAIN PROGRAMME) and H2020-S&I.1.2 - Treating and managing disease.

The 'Topic(s)' section lists: SC1-PHE-CORONAVIRUS-2020 - Advancing knowledge for the clinical and public health response to the 2019-nCoV epidemic.

Coordinator

UNIVERSITEIT HASSELT

NetEU contribution: € 22 541 738,2
Non-EU contribution: € 0,0

Address: Martelarenban42, 3500 Hasselt, Belgium

Region: Vlaams Gewest > Prov. Limburg (BE) > A rt. Hasselt

Activity type: Higher or Secondary Education Establishments

Links: Contact the organisation, Website, Participation in EU R&I programmes, H2020 collaboration network

Participants (5)

Sort alphabetically	Sort by Net EU contribution	Expand all
UNIVERSITEIT ANTWERPEN (Belgium)	NetEU contribution: € 330 143,75	
RJKSINSTITUUT VOOR VOLKSGEZONDHEID EN MILIEU (Netherlands)	NetEU contribution: € 340 552,60	
LONDON SCHOOL OF HYGIENE AND TROPICAL MEDICINE ROYAL CHARTER (United Kingdom)	NetEU contribution: € 826 216,70 Non-EU contribution: € 0,0	
ISTITUTO PER L'INTERSCAMBIO SCIENTIFICO (Italy)	NetEU contribution: € 284 000,00	
UNIVERSITÄT BERN (Switzerland)	NetEU contribution: € 513 304,38	

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6. Assemble a Strong Consortium – Scientific Publications



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6. Assemble a Strong Consortium – ECHoS stakeholder identification Tool

European Cancer Stakeholder Community

Welcome to the ECHoS Stakeholder Identification Tool

Connect now with key decision-makers, community influencers, and organisations on cancer across Europe. This platform helps you find partners and resources to improve the lives of people affected by cancer.

See stakeholders

Submit



Filters

Select a country

Type of organisation

Field of the organisation

Cancer types the organisation is working with

Geographical scope

Transnational Projects

Transnational Networks and Organisations

Apply filters



University of Latvia;
Institute of Clinical and Preventive Medicine (LU ICPM)

Country: Latvia

Type: Knowledge & Academia incl. scientific societies

Main focus: Cancer research



Tartu University Hospital

Country: Estonia

Type: Health & Care

Main focus: Cancer care, Education



Alliance Against Cancer, ACC

Country: Italy

Type: Health & Care

Main focus: Cancer care, Cancer diagnostics, Cancer prevention, Cancer research, Clinical trials



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6. Assemble a Strong Consortium – Network of NCPs



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National Contact Points for Horizon Europe

The network of National Contact Points (NCPs) is the main structure to provide guidance, practical information and assistance on all aspects of participation in Horizon Europe. NCPs are also established in many non-EU and non-associated countries ("third countries").

Filters

738 results found

Sort by...

Austria, Belgium, Bulgari...

Search from tree list items...

- Member states
- Associated countries
- Countries in process to association
- Third countries

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economy, Natural Resources, Agriculture and Environment (including related partnerships), Climate...
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Contact NCP

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lain
60820

Daniela LEVI

Bulgaria

Climate, Energy and Mobility (including related partnerships)

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Contact NCP

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Acad. G. Bonchev Str. block 26B - 1113

NCP Services

In general, the following basic services are available in accordance with the [NCP Guiding Principles](#) agreed by all countries:

1. Guidance on choosing relevant Horizon Europe topics and types of action
2. Advice on administrative procedures and contractual issues
3. Training and assistance on proposal writing
4. Distribution of documentation (forms, guidelines, manuals etc.)
5. Assistance in partner search

As the NCPs are national structures, the type and level of services offered may differ from country to country.

What is the NCP network?

NCPs are national structures established and financed by governments of the 27 EU member states and the states associated to the framework programme.

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- Invite partners with diverse and complementary expertise.
- Ensure balanced no. of partner, each partner has a clear role and contributes for the project.
 - Lower number of partners hinders project progress and visibility
 - Too many partners adds difficulty in project management and reduced commitment
- Aim for a balance between academic, healthcare, industrial, and other relevant stakeholders such as policymakers and civil society;
- Consider involving organizations that provide support to non-scientific areas of the project such as dissemination and exploitation of results.
- Establish clear communication channels and regular meetings to foster a collaborative and trusty environment between partners.

Thank you for your attention.

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