



# The Eureka Resilience Call 2024

A call for projects in the field of disaster resilience, response and recovery.

Austria, Belgium (Flanders & Wallonia), Canada, Chile, Czech Republic, Denmark, France, Lithuania, Singapore, South Korea, South Africa, Spain, Türkiye, United Kingdom

FROM 13 June 2024 TO 31 October 2024

Eureka is the world's biggest public network for international cooperation in R&D and innovation, present in over 45 countries. It is a decentralised intergovernmental organisation aiming to boost the productivity and competitiveness of industries by funding and supporting international collaborative market-driven R&D projects.

This call for projects has been launched following Eureka's Network projects framework based on mutual consent between participating national and regional funding bodies.

The national funding bodies from Austria, Belgium (Flanders & Wallonia), Canada, Chile, Czech Republic, Denmark, France, Lithuania, Singapore, South Korea, South Africa, Spain, Türkiye, United Kingdom have allocated funding for organisations collaborating on international R&D projects in the field(s) of disaster resilience, response and recovery.

You can submit your R&D project application for this call for projects between 13 June 2024 and 31 October 2024.

Eureka programme: Network projects

## Participating countries/ regions

- Austria: FFG
- Belgium:
  - Flanders Innovation & Entrepreneurship VLAIO
  - o Wallonia Service Public de Wallonia (SPW)-Research
- Canada: National Research Council Canada NRC-CNRC
- Chile: Chilean Economic Development Agency CORFO
- Czech Republic: Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports MEYS
- **Denmark**: Innovation Fund Denmark
- France: Bpifrance
- Lithuania: Research Council of Lithuania
- Singapore: Enterprise Singapore
- South Korea: KIAT
- South Africa: Department of Science and Innovation (DSI)
- Spain: CDTI
- **Türkiye**: Tübitak
- United Kingdom: Innovate UK

# **Revision history**

## 24 June 2024

- South Africa: added to the call.
- Belgium (Wallonia): Funding details updated.
- Denmark: Eligibility details updated.

### <u>16 July 2024</u>

• Türkiye: Eligibility details updated.

## 24 October 2024

• Lithuania: Link for further funding information updated.

## Scope

This call is for R&D&I projects in the field of: Disaster Resilience, Response and Recovery.

Collaborative international R&D&I and technology development projects can help society prepare for, respond to, and recover from different kinds of disasters. R&D&I products and solutions can save life, prevent or limit environmental catastrophes, and help society prepare for a future where climate change is expected to increase the frequency and scale of many kinds of disasters.

Disaster types covered:

- **'Man-made'**, including widespread destruction resulting from conflict and war, urban fires, and industrial accidents of various kinds.
- **'Natural'**, including avalanche, flooding, extreme cold and hot weather, drought, earthquake, storms, volcanic activity, and wildfire.

Projects should address one of the application areas that follow, or any other that has clear links to disaster resilience, response and recovery:

- 1. Innovative and resilient construction. Such as: building behaviour modelling during and after disaster situations; seismic isolation/damper technologies; disaster-resilient architectural designs; advanced building materials and technologies (e.g. fire resistance, water resistance, shock resistance, non-toxic); durability-increasing adaptations e.g. for buildings on weak soils or floodplains.
- 2. **Digital technologies.** *Such as*: damage prediction and early-warning systems; advanced geographic information and remote sensing systems; artificial intelligence-based sensing algorithms; sensor technologies.
- 3. **Search and rescue.** *Such as*: automated and intelligent drone systems; rapid and effective search and rescue; portable equipment and devices capable of imaging and detection.
- 4. **Resilient communications.** *Such as*: non-interruptible communications systems; portable communications devices; battery technologies and alternative energy sources; resilient infrastructures and systems.
- 5. **Health.** *Such as*: disinfection, filtration and storage solutions; autonomous environmental disinfection and sterilisation; mobile medical devices; resilient health services and infrastructures; nutrient-enriched and functional foods and drinks.
- Post-disaster waste management. Such as: safe demolition technologies; separation/classification and management solutions for construction and demolition waste (CDW); transformation of CDW into building materials and other secondary raw materials in line with circular economy principles.

Relevant industry sectors include:

- Materials
- Construction
- Health services, public health, medical devices
- Water public and private utilities, tech developers
- Energy utilities, tech developers
- Information Communication Technologies
- Electronic components and systems
- Software
- Agrifood

Projects must target at least one type of disaster and have at least one clear and specific disasterrelated application.

Projects should aim to develop a product, process or service for commercialisation and the implementation of project results (such as market launch) should aim to occur no later than 24 months after project completion.

Projects may develop fundamentally new innovations, or adapt, re-engineer and re-purpose existing innovations currently used or envisaged for different application areas. While the Technology Readiness Level starting point will vary from one project to another, it is expected that projects will start no lower than TRL level 4.

Project size is envisaged in the order of EUR 0.5m to 5m, but this does not preclude proposals requesting different amounts.

## Timeframe for call

| Pre-announcement            | May 2024                                  |
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| Call opens                  | 13 June 2024, 10:00 Central European Time |
|                             | (CET)                                     |
| Submission deadline         | 31 Oct 2024 (23:59 CET)                   |
| National evaluation         | Nov-2024 to Jan 2024                      |
| Consensus meeting           | Feb 2025                                  |
| National funding procedures | Mar-Apr 2025                              |
| Project start               | May-Jun 2025                              |



# Funding and contact details



| Country | Name of<br>Funding<br>Authority                        | Type of<br>finance | Allocated<br>budget | Max funding per<br>project     | Additional information  | Contacts   |
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| Austria | FFG  | Grant              | Open                | Open                           | Eureka projects can be submitted for funding to the<br>General Programme (Basis programme) of FFG.<br>All relevant information:<br><u>https://www.ffg.at/europa/eureka/einzelprojekte</u> .<br>Grants for Austrian companies participating in Eureka<br>projects: Up to 60% of the eligible costs for small<br>companies; up to 50% for medium-sized companies and<br>up to 40% for large companies.<br>All companies registered in Austria are eligible for<br>funding, universities and research centers can be funded<br>as subcontractors only. | Ines Marinkovic<br>Eureka NPC: <u>ines.marinkovic@ffg.at</u>   |
| Belgium | VLAIO  | Grant              | EUR 2m              | N/A                            | N/A   | Lieve Apers, NPC Eureka Flanders:<br>lieve.apers@vlaio.be  |
| Belgium | Service<br>Public de<br>Wallonia<br>(SPW)-<br>Research | Grant              | N/A                 | N/A                            | Funding is granted in the form of a grant or a<br>recoverable advance with a funding rate ranging from<br>40 to 100% of the budget of each Walloon partner. The<br>type of funding and percentage depend on the type of<br>partner (SME or big company), the consortium<br>composition at regional and international level and<br>whether your project activities fall into the category of<br>industrial research or experimental development.<br>More info: recherche.wallonie.be/eureka  | Fabrice Quertain & Julie Jasmes, NPCs<br>Eureka Wallonia:<br><u>fabrice.quertain@spw.wallonie.be</u><br>julie.jasmes@spw.wallonie.be |
| Canada  | National<br>Research<br>Council<br>Canada              | Grant              | CAD 1.5m            | Max. CAD 0.5m /<br>participant | Canadian applicants must register with NRC IRAP by <u>16</u><br>August 2024 – see instructions on the NRC IRAP<br>webpage for this call for proposals:<br><u>https://nrc.canada.ca/en/irap/about/international/</u>   | Eric Holdrinet, NPC<br><u>Eric.Holdrinet@cnrc-nrc.gc.ca</u> or<br><u>IRAP.International.PARI@nrc-</u><br><u>cnrc.gc.ca</u>           |

| Chile             | Chilean<br>Economic<br>Development<br>Agency –<br>CORFO    | Grant | Open   | Matching grant of<br>maximum €233.000<br>approx. (CLP\$220<br>million) per project,<br>which varies<br>according to firm<br>size: 40% large;<br>60% medium; and<br>80% small.<br>Extra 10% funding<br>for female-led<br>companies. | Eligible Chilean partners must be at least 24 months<br>old and show proof of sales in this period. Funding will<br>be available through the "Crea y Valida – Eureka"<br>subsidy. This grant supports the development of new<br>or significantly improved products, processes and/or<br>technology-based services, covering the phases of low-<br>resolution prototype development (from TRL 4<br>onwards) to validation at an industrial and/or<br>commercial scale.<br>The project is expected to be developed within 24<br>months, extendable to 30 months. If the project<br>involves biological cycles, an extension between 36-42<br>months is allowed. The grant is paid in two<br>instalments.  | Jocelyn Olivari, National Project<br>Coordinator: jocelyn.olivari@corfo.cl                 |
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| Czech<br>Republic | Ministry of<br>Education,<br>Youth and<br>Sports –<br>MEYS | Grant | EUR 1m | 3,000,000 CZK per<br>project per year for<br>one Czech<br>participant or<br>4,000,000 CZK per<br>project per year for<br>two or more Czech<br>participants in a<br>consortium.   | MEYS covers up to 80 % for industrial research projects<br>or up to 60 % for experimental development projects<br>of project costs per year in grants for small enterprises,<br>up to 75 % for industrial research projects or up to 50<br>% for experimental development projects of project<br>costs per year in grants for medium-sized enterprise,<br>up to 65 % for industrial research projects or up to 40<br>% for experimental development projects or up to 40<br>% for experimental development projects of project<br>costs per year in grants for large companies. MEYS<br>covers up to 100% of project costs per year in grants<br>for universities and research organisations. Czech<br>research organisations or universities must be in a<br>consortium with a Czech company to be eligible to<br>receive funding. | Klára Musilová, National Eureka<br>Coordinator, MEYS:<br><u>Klara.musilova@msmt.cz</u>     |
| Denmark           | Innovation<br>Fund<br>Denmark                              | Grant | EUR 1m | Maximum EUR<br>300,000 per Danish<br>partner and<br>maximum EUR<br>500,000 per project<br>for all Danish<br>partners   | See the <u>Guidelines for International Collaborations</u> for detailed information on how to apply for investment from IFD.  | Klaus Gunnestrup, Innovation Fund<br>Denmark:<br><u>klaus.bruun.gunnestrup@innofond.dk</u> |

| France          | Bpifrance  | Loan or<br>reimburs<br>able<br>advance | Open   | Maximum EUR 3m<br>per French<br>participant, up to<br>80% of the<br>expenses                                   | Detailed funding guidelines on our <u>website.</u>  | Jeanne Andrade:<br>international.innoproject@bpifrance.f<br><u>r</u>  |
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| Lithuania       | Research<br>Council of<br>Lithuania                    | Grant                                  | EUR 1m | Maximum EUR<br>300,000 per project   | Research Council of Lithuania funds projects led by<br>research institutions with at least one Lithuanian<br>industrial partner. The call for projects budget is up to<br>EUR 1.0 million euro. The budget per project is up to<br>EUR 300,000.<br>Funding rates can reach up to 100% for research<br>institutions and up to 80% for industrial partners<br>(depending on their size).<br>For more information, please contact the Lithuanian<br>NPC. | Justina Ruksnaite, Research Council of<br>Lithuania: <u>justina.ruksnaite@lmt.lt</u>  |
| Singapore       | Enterprise<br>Singapore                                | Grant                                  | Open   | N/A  | Funding is given on a reimbursement basis. Please<br>ensure sufficient cashflow to finance the project prior<br>to application.   | Koe Zi Yan, Eureka NPC:<br><u>koe_zi_yan@enterprisesg.gov.sg</u>  |
| South<br>Africa | Department<br>of Science<br>and<br>innovation<br>(DSI) | Grant                                  | Open   | -SMEs - Up to 75%<br>- Science Councils<br>and Universities –<br>up to 80%<br>- Large Companies -<br>Up to 50% | process with the national funding body, (DSI) to finalise<br>the exact percentage funding. The funding will be<br>transferred in tranches in accordance with the project<br>duration.   | National Projects Officer:<br>Mr. Toto Matshediso<br>Tel: +27609654077<br>Email: <u>Toto.matshediso@dst.gov.za</u><br>Deputy NPC:<br>Ms Mabatho Ndwandwa<br>Tel: +2782 600 5566<br>Email:<br><u>Mabatho.ndwandwa@dst.gov.za</u><br>All enquiries to:<br><u>info.eurekasa@dst.gov.za</u> |

| South<br>Korea | KIAT    | Grant              | EUR 1m   | Maximum 500<br>million South<br>Korean won<br>(approximately<br>370,000 euro) per<br>project per year<br>(the project period<br>should be up to 3<br>years) | SMEs can receive up to 67% of project costs, mid-tier<br>companies can receive up to 50% of project costs,<br>large companies can receive up to 33% of project costs<br>and universities and research organisations can receive<br>up to 100% of project costs.<br>The Korean consortium must include at least one<br>Korean private company. The company in the Korean<br>consortium must have been in operation for at least<br>one year by the application deadline, and the company<br>is required to have a "corporate R&D center<br>certification" issued by the Korean Government (Korea<br>Industrial Technology Association).<br>National project applications must be submitted online<br>(K-PASS) by <b>24.11.01 16:00</b> Korea Standard Time | Researcher Heeweon LEE, KIAT:<br>leejen@kiat.or.kr                    |
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| Spain          | CDTI    | Mix loan<br>/grant | Open     | N/A   | Main features of the funding for Spanish companies<br>are: Soft loan up to 85% of eligible costs (Euribor 1 year<br>interest fee). Minimum budget EUR 175,000 (no<br>maximum budget). Long recovery period (10 or 15<br>years) where 22.5% of the eligible costs have not to be<br>repaid.  | Óscar Fernández Moyano:<br>oscar.fernandez@cdti.es                    |
| Türkiye        | Tübitak | Grant              | EUR 2.5m | Maximum EUR<br>500,000 per project<br>and maximum   | For projects applying to the relevant call, the project<br>budget for Turkish project partners cannot exceed EUR<br>500,000. However, for joint project applications<br>involving Turkish institutions, the project budget can<br>be up to EUR 750,000.<br>Within the scope of the call, the support rate for large-<br>scale enterprises is 60%, while for SMEs, it is 75%.<br>Public administrations within the general budget<br>framework, as well as publicly funded agencies such as<br>foundation universities, education and research<br>hospitals, and public research centres and institutes,<br>are eligible for 100% support.   | Emine Elif OCAKCI<br>Umut EGE<br>E-mail: <u>eureka@tubitak.gov.tr</u> |

| United<br>Kingdom | Innovate UK | Grant | £1m | Up to £250K per<br>project | <ul> <li>We have allocated up to £1 million to fund innovation projects in this competition.</li> <li>For industrial research projects, you could get funding for your eligible project costs of: <ul> <li>up to 70% if you are a micro or small business</li> <li>up to 60% if you are a medium-sized business</li> <li>up to 50% if you are a large business</li> </ul> </li> <li>The UK registered research organisations in your consortium can share up to 30% of the UK total eligible project costs. If your consortium contains more than one UK research organisation, this maximum will be shared between them.</li> </ul> | Ben Morris and Teresa Arumardi:<br><u>eurekanpc@iuk.ukri.org</u> |
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# Eligibility

Eureka has the following **eligibility criteria** for organisations participating in a Network projects consortium:

- Your project idea must represent international cooperation in the form of a specific project.
- The project must be directed at researching or developing an innovative product, process or service with the goal of commercialisation.
- The project must have a civilian purpose.
- Your consortium must include at least two independent legal entities from a minimum of two Eureka countries.
- No single organisation or country can be responsible for more than 70% of the project budget.

This call for projects has one **additional eligibility criteria** that must be taken into account:

• Projects must target at least one type of disaster and have at least one clear and specific disaster-related application.

## Additional national eligibility requirements

Each participating NFB may apply additional eligibility criteria based on their national regulations. Applicants are strongly advised, prior to submitting the application, to contact their NFB (see below) to discuss their project idea and verify their and their project's eligibility.

### <u>Austria</u>

Eureka projects can be submitted for funding to the General Programme (Basis programm) of FFG which provides the Eureka funding scheme illustrated below. Further information on Eureka project funding in Austria: <u>https://www.ffg.at/europa/eureka/einzelprojekte</u>. Rules, procedures, and other national criteria: <u>https://www.ffg.at/programm/basisprogramm</u> Guideline eligible costs: <u>https://www.ffg.at/recht-finanzen/kostenleitfaden.</u>

The deadline for the national application is the same as for the Eureka application (evaluation follows the national cut-off dates (<u>https://www.ffg.at/content/basisprogramm-f-rdersitzungen-und-beirat</u>)).

Project applications must be submitted online via FFG eCall: <u>https://ecall.ffg.at</u>. Joining a project on self-funded basis is possible; you are required to contact the Eureka NPC at FFG.

#### Eligible costs and funding rates

In addition to the Eureka application, the Austrian participant has to submit a separate national full project proposal to FFG General Programme (Basisprogramm) via eCall. All companies registered in Austria are eligible for funding, universities and research centers can be funded as subcontractors only. Internal experts at FFG carry out the evaluation of the Austrian project part. The project must fulfil the national criteria. There is no dedicated budget for this call. Funding in Austria is provided on an annual basis only, therefore follow-on applications must be submitted for the max. duration of 3 years. General Programme provides grants for Austrian SMEs participating in Eureka projects:

- Up to 60% of the eligible costs for small companies
- Up to 50% of the eligible costs for medium-sized companies

• Up to 40% of the eligible costs for large companies

## **Belgium (Flanders)**

VLAIO accepts development projects (an innovative idea that can lead to successful business in the short term, but there are still some challenges to overcome in developing this innovation) and research projects (an innovative idea that requires new knowledge and research and, in some cases, new development activities.

Only Flanders based companies can apply for funding via subsidies. Flemish or foreign academic partners or research institutes can be funded by VLAIO if their expertise is crucial for the Flemish partner (company) and if they are subcontracted by this company.

#### Eligible costs and funding rates:

Staff and other costs related to the development project can be funded with a 25 to 60% subsidy of the project budget, with a minimum budget equivalent to support of  $\notin$  25.000 and a maximum of  $\notin$  3.000.000. More information via this link.

Staff and other costs related to the research project can be funded with a 25 to 70% subsidy of the project budget, with a minimum budget equivalent to support of € 100.000 and a maximum of € 3.000.000. More information via this link.

General information via: <u>www.vlaio.be/en/subsidies/subsidies-international-cooperation-related-innovation-and-rd/networks/eureka</u>.

In Belgium (Flanders) in addition to the centrally submitted Eureka Project Application Form, partners from Flanders need to submit an application to VLAIO, including a project plan and budget online via <a href="http://www.vlaio.be/nl/subsidies-financiering/ontwikkelingsproject">www.vlaio.be/nl/subsidies-financiering/ontwikkelingsproject</a> or <a href="http://www.vlaio.be/nl/subsidies-financiering/onderzoeksproject">www.vlaio.be/nl/subsidies-financiering/ontwikkelingsproject</a> or <a href="http://www.vlaio.be/nl/subsidies-financiering/onderzoeksproject">www.vlaio.be/nl/subsidies-financiering/ontwikkelingsproject</a> or

We invite Flemish partners to contact us for an eligibility and a pre-check of their project ideas and get support by our team VLAIO advisors. The deadline for submission of the VLAIO application is on Thursday 14 November, 2024 – 12:00 CET.

### Belgium (Wallonia)

In addition to the centrally-submitted Eureka Project Application Form, Walloon applicants must submit their regional application (in French) to SPW Research via the ONTIME portal (<u>https://recherche-technologie.wallonie.be/ontime</u>) before 31 October 2024 at 23:59 Brussels time. Please consult <u>recherche.wallonie.be/eureka</u> for further information on eligibility criteria and evaluation/selection procedures.

It is highly advised that an information meeting between the Walloon project partners and the officers responsible for the programme within SPW Research is held prior to the submission of a proposal.

### <u>Canada</u>

The Canadian application process for this call for proposals has three phases:

 Registration phase: Canadian applicants must register by 16 August 2024 using the REGISTER button on the NRC IRAP webpage for this Call for proposals; see <u>https://nrc.canada.ca/en/irap/about/international/</u>. NRC IRAP will review registrations and contact applicants if more information is required. Qualifying applicants will be invited to submit the Eureka proposal in collaboration with their project partners. The NRC IRAP Canadian Annex form as well as a Template/guidance document for a draft international project consortium agreement will be provided, along with the invitation to submit the Eureka proposal.

- 2. Eureka proposal phase.
- 3. National funding proposal phase: Only Canadian participants selected following the Eureka proposal phase will be invited to submit an NRC IRAP funding application. The submission deadline will be communicated at that time.

## <u>Chile</u>

- Corfo will check the eligibility of Chilean applicants after receiving the international application. All Chilean companies must fulfil the requirements mentioned in the matching grant document "Crea y Valida – Eureka" when submitting the international application.
- Corfo provides funding for this call through the "Crea y Valida Eureka" programme. This grant supports the development of new or significantly improved products, processes and/or technology-based services, covering the phases of low-resolution prototype development (from TRL4 onwards) to validation at an industrial and/or commercial scale.
- In addition to the international application, Chilean participants must submit a separate national funding application through Corfo's website in Spanish. Dates regarding the opening and deadline of this phase will be timely communicated by Corfo.
- Only companies that are 24 months old and that show proof of sales in the last 24 months at the time of the international application are eligible to receive funding from Corfo. Universities and research organisations are welcome to participate as collaborators and can be funded as subcontractors only.
- The matching grant covers up to 220 million Chilean pesos (approximately 233,000 euros) of project costs in total. The grant is paid in two instalments. The percentage covered varies depending on company size: 40% for large companies; 60% for medium-sized companies; and 80% for small companies. An extra 10% funding is available for female-led companies.
- The project is expected to be developed within 24 months, extendable to 30 months. If the project involves biological cycles, an extension between 36-42 months is allowed.
- Additional documents or clarifications may be requested by Corfo.
- Partners involved in a joint project will be requested to provide information during the execution of the project to ensure that the project is being developed as expected.
- Additionally, partners will have to provide information on the impact of the project once it has ended.
- Detailed information on national rules and procedures: <u>Corfo en Eureka</u>.

## Czech Republic

Applicants from Czech Republic must:

• Submit the required Czech application together with the supporting documentation specified in the instructions for applicants within the parallel open national call <u>LUEDIS24</u> by 31<sup>st</sup> of October, 2024 at 23:59 CET.

The Czech Republic has additional criteria:

- a. Eligible applicant is an SME or large organisation.
- b. Research organisation/university as project partner only.
- c. Applicant must submit a document proving its research and development activity.

For the LUEDIS24 call, the maximum total amount of the subsidy is set:

• 9,000,000 CZK for the entire project, if only one organisation from the Czech Republic participates in the project, at the same time the subsidy for one calendar year may not exceed 3,000,000 CZK.

• 12,000,000 CZK for the entire project, if two or more Czech organisations participate in the project (i.e. the applicant and one or more other partners), the subsidy for one calendar year may not exceed 4,000,000 CZK.

Eligible costs are:

- Personnel costs
- Other goods and services
- Subcontracts
- Depreciation of fixed asets
- Travel costs
- Indirect costs/overheads

All information is provided here: <u>https://www.msmt.cz/vyzkum-a-vyvoj-2/inter-eureka-1</u>.

#### Denmark

Innovation Fund Denmark offers co-funding to Danish participants in projects successful in this call.

The maximum funding amount is 500.000 EUR per project and maximum 300.000 EUR per Danish partner. Maximum funding rate varies between 25-90% of the project costs, please see Guidelines for international projects.

After the central application deadline Innovation Fund Denmark will invite applicants to upload a pdf of the application with annexes via the national e-grant platform. The invitation is normally sent approximately 2-4 weeks after the application deadline.

Non-public organisations will be requested to upload a 'No undertaking in difficulty' declaration. In addition, SME's will be required to upload an 'SME declaration' and an 'Ability to co-finance' declaration. If requesting de minimis funding, then a 'de minimis aid compliance form' is required. The relevant documents can be found here.

For specific questions regarding funding rules of Innovation Fund Denmark, budgets or eligibility contact: - <u>internationale@innofond.dk</u> or Klaus Bruun Gunnestrup, <u>klaus.bruun.gunnestrup@innofond.dk</u>, +45 6190 5046.

#### **France**

Each French participant must contact Bpifrance in advance to discuss their project and check their eligibility to the national funding scheme. It is mandatory to contact the International Innovation Team (<u>international.innoproject@bpifrance.fr</u>), and your regional account manager ("Chargé d'Affaires Innovation). If you don't have a regional contact, the International team will provide you with one.

In order to maximise your chances of success, eligible French companies can use the <u>Diagnostic</u> <u>Partenariat Technologique International</u> tool to prepare their application with an expert consultant (partners search, consortium agreement, application process and writing etc.). 50% of this consultatncy service will be funded by Bpifrance.

## <u>Lithuania</u>

Research Council of Lithuania funds projects led by research institutions with at least one Lithuanian industrial partner. The call for projects budget is up to 1 million euro. The budget per project is up to 300,000 euro.

Eligible costs are:

- Personnel costs: salaries, social security contributions, taxes and any supplementary payments made to employees within national law and benefits schemes paid by the company.
- Travel costs.
- Fixed assets.
- Indirect costs (overhead): 3%.

Funding rates can reach up to 100% for research institutions and up to 80% for industrial partners (depending on their size).

All information is provided here - <u>https://lmt.lrv.lt/lt/kvietimai/kvietimas\_teikti-paraiskas\_</u> <u>eureka-tinklo-mtep-programos-projektams-igyvendinti-atsistatymui-po-stichiniu-ir-</u> <u>kitu-nelaimiu/</u>.

Submit the required Lithuanian application together with the supporting documentation specified in the instructions for applicants within the parallel open national call by the 31<sup>st</sup> of October 2024 at 23:59 CET.

### **Singapore**

All Singapore companies must meet all of the following eligibility criteria in order to apply:

- Business entity registered and operating in Singapore.
- Company has at least 30% local equity held directly or indirectly by Singaporean(s) and/or Singapore PR(s), determined by the ultimate individual ownership.
- Company is financially ready to start and complete the project.
- Companies must cooperate on a joint innovation project that will focus on developing innovative products and applications within civilian purposes.

Invitation to the national application will only be triggered after consultation with relevant Enterprise Singapore officers.

### South Africa

Potential applicants must inform the National Project Coordinator of their interest to submit a proposal and share the project outline six (6) weeks before submitting the project.

To be considered for national funding the applicants will be required to submit a national funding application form and submit to the DSI within seven (7) days of closing date of the call. The application from will be forwarded to applicants after the first meeting with the DSI.

Specific National/ Regional rules:

Funding is available to registered companies and SMEs as per South African definition. Science Councils and Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) are also eligible to apply and should collaborate with SMEs as partners. Projects are to be led by SMEs. The DSI will prioritise funding to SMEs and project teams with blacks, women and young innovators/scientists as part of the South African transformative targets.

Eligible costs and funding rates:

Each project will go through a financial negotiation process with the national funding body, (DSI) to finalise the exact percentage funding. The funding will be transferred in tranches in accordance with the project duration. Co-funding between the SA participants and the DSI to be as follows:

- SMEs Up to 75%
- Science Councils and Universities up to 80%
- Large Companies Up to 50%

### South Korea

KIAT will fund the industrial research and/or technological development activities of Korean companies, universities and research institutions.

Organisations can receive a grant of up to 500 million South Korean won (approximately 370,000 euro) per year, and the project period should be up to 3 years.

SMEs can receive up to 67% of project costs, mid-tier companies can receive up to 50% of project costs, large companies can receive up to 33% of project costs and universities and research organisations can receive up to 100% of project costs.

The Korean consortium must include at least one Korean private company. The company in the Korean consortium must have been in operation for at least one year by the application deadline, and the company is required to have a "corporate R&D center certification" issued by the Korean Government (Korea Industrial Technology Association).

The national Call text is available on the KIAT website (<u>www.kiat.or.kr</u>). Korean applicants must submit a formal national application (in Korean) online via the Korean application system (<u>www.k-pass.kr</u>) by 24.11.01 at 16:00 Korea Standard Time, including Eureka's application form (in English).

## <u>Spain</u>

CDTI will finance industrial research and/or technological development activities of Spanish companies. Universities and research centers could take part as subcontractors. For more information please access: <u>https://www.cdti.es/ayudas/proyectos-de-i-d</u>.

It is mandatory that project activities do not start before submitting the funding applications to CDTI.

In Spain the participants will have also to submit a formal R&D international project aid application through CDTI's website (https://sede.cdti.gob.es/) by the deadline of this call including the Eureka Application form (in English) and a draft consortium agreement (optional at this stage, but a signed consortium agreement must be signed and provided prior to obtaining the Eureka label endorsement). Additional documents in Spanish language, containing detailed information on the Spanish participants, could be requested depending on the specific type of funding requested by the company. If the application is not submitted in time by the deadline of this call for project, the international project could be rejected.

CDTI will check the eligibility of the Spanish applicants after receiving the international application. If it is eligible, funding applications will be generated by CDTI to each Spanish company. Those funding applications must be completed and submitted by them. Deadline to reply is approximately one month after the deadline of the call. If the funding applications are not submitted in time, the international project could be rejected.

### <u>Türkiye</u>

Within the scope of the call, higher education institutions, public research centres and institutes, education and research hospitals, and research infrastructures covered by Law No. 6550 cannot apply to the call independently.

Applications from these institutions are accepted only in partnership with at least one joint-stock company.

In projects submitted under this call, the lead organisation (applicant organisation) must be a jointstock company.

For further information about financing of Turkish participants please directly contact with TÜBİTAK. Detailed information can also be reached from <u>here.</u>

Participants must submit a formal national application (in Turkish) through TÜBİTAK TEYDEB's website (<u>https://eteydeb.tubitak.gov.tr/</u>) by December 12, 2024 including Eureka's application form (in English).

### United Kingdom

To be eligible for grant funding from Innovate UK:

- your UK consortium must be business-led.
- your UK consortium must include at least one UK registered <u>micro, small or medium sized</u> <u>enterprise</u> (SME).
- your overall consortium must include at least two independent legal entities from a minimum of two Eureka countries participating in the competition.

The UK is a Eureka country participating in the competition.

For more information on company sizes, please refer to the <u>company accounts guidance</u>. This is a change from the <u>EU definition</u> unless you are applying under State aid.

In addition to the Eureka application submitted by the overall project consortium, the UK lead applicant must submit your Innovate UK application by 11am UK time on 31 October 2024 on <u>Innovation Funding Service</u>.

UK lead applicant:

The UK registered partners in your Eureka project must nominate one business, of any size, to start an Innovate UK application. We refer to them as the 'lead organisation' and the person they nominate to have overall responsibility as the 'lead applicant'. The lead applicant has an overall view of the application and must:

- start the application
- monitor the partners' application progress
- make sure all UK partners complete their parts of the application
- click submit once the application is complete

The UK lead applicant must collaborate with at least one organisation from a Eureka country participating in the competition. It must be a separate legal entity, not linked to the UK partners.

## Evaluation

Your project application will be reviewed according to our Network projects evaluation methodology.

## 1. Impact

- Is the market properly addressed (i.e. size, access and risks)?
- Is the value creation properly addressed (i.e. employment opportunities and environmental and societal benefits)?
- What are the competitive advantages of your project (i.e. strategic importance, enhanced capabilities and visibility)?
- Are your commercialisation plans clear and realistic (i.e. return on investment, geographical and sectoral impact)?

## 2. Excellence

- What is the degree of innovation? (i.e. is the proposed product, process or service state-of-the-art? Is there sufficient technological maturity and risk)?
- How is the new knowledge going to be used?
- Is your project scientifically and technically challenging for consortium partners?
- Is the technical achievability and risk properly addressed?

## 3. Quality and efficiency of implementation

- What is the quality of your consortium (i.e. balance of the partnership and technological, managerial and financial capabilities of each partner)?
- Is there added value through international cooperation?
- Is your project management and planning realistic and clearly defined (i.e. methodology, planning approach, milestones and deliverables)?
- Is your cost structure reasonable (i.e. costs and financial commitment for each consortium partner)?

## 4. Overall perception

Experts will list three positive and negative points to your application and finally state whether they recommend your project for public investment.

Your national funding body may carry out a further evaluation (performed by the national project coordinator and technical experts) according to national rules before allocating funds to successful applicants.

# Applying

- 1. Contact your national funding body using the contact form on Eureka's website to discuss your project idea, financial viability, eligibility and national procedures.
- 2. Create an account on our application portal (one per consortium) and select the funding opportunity you want to apply to.
- 3. Using the portal, complete one application form per consortium (in English) and invite other consortium partners to fill in a partner form.
- 4. Upload a GANTT chart (one per consortium), a signed and completed co-signature form (which you can download from the platform) and any additional required annexes.
- 5. Your application will be checked for completeness and eligibility before being reviewed using a standard evaluation procedure. If successful, your project will receive a Eureka label.
- 6. Your national funding body may carry out a further evaluation (performed by your national contact and technical experts) according to national rules before allocating funds to successful applicants.
- 7. The final step is to complete and sign a consortium agreement. We recommend that you seek legal advice when drafting your consortium agreement.