



Spreading Excellence and Widening Participation in Horizon 2020

Teaming for Excellence

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The Horizon 2020 logo is positioned at the bottom of the slide. It features a stylized globe with a blue and white pattern, set against a background of a blue sky with white clouds. The word 'HORIZON' is written in large, white, sans-serif capital letters, and '2020' is written in the same style to the right of the globe. The entire logo is set against a background of a blue sky with white clouds.

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OBJECTIVE

Creation of new or significant upgrade of existing

Centre of Excellence

in low RDI performing Member States;

implementation in 2 stages

Result: a recognizable CoE and an autonomy in decision-making is a must for sustained excellence

TEAMING FOR EXCELLENCE – STAGE 1

Call 2014 ("Stage 1"): Business Plan for a Centre of Excellence (CoE)

Budget: € 11.85M

Call deadline: 17 September 2014

Project Size: €200.000 - €500.000 per proposal (indicative budget)

Project Duration: 12 months

TEAMING FOR EXCELLENCE – STAGE 1

Main deliverable: Business Plan of the Centre of Excellence

Development of a Business Plan for the new/upgraded Centre of Excellence facilitated by a teaming process with a leading counterpart in Europe.

Proposals need to demonstrate the long-term science and innovation strategy of the future Centre based on a SWOT analysis

Business Plan with a robust financial commitment (from national/ESIF funds or any others)



Evaluation of the Business Plan through a competitive review across partners

TEAMING FOR EXCELLENCE – STAGE 2

In 2016: ("Stage 2") Start-up/Implementation of the CoE

Budget: ~ € 80-90 M

Project Size: €15-20M (indicative budget)

Project Duration: 5-7 years

TEAMING FOR EXCELLENCE – STAGE 2

Stage 2: Subject to the quality of the Business Plan, and a commitment of the Member State (e.g. support via Cohesion Policy Funds), the Commission may provide further substantial financial support for the first steps of implementation of the Centre.

FUNDING

"Stage 2" Start-up/Implementation of the CoE

Funding for:

Substantial support for the start-up & implementation phase of the CoE inter alia: salaries, operational and administrative costs, exchange of staff with advanced partners, training of staff, dissemination, only small equipment but no infrastructure and no funding for research projects



Synergies with Cohesion Funding: Need to make appropriate conditional "space" in ESIF OPs to secure possible funding for Stage 2 (OPs are expected to be submitted to the EC in summer 2014)

Alignment with the national/regional Smart Specialisation Strategy

CONSORTIUM REQUIREMENTS

At least 2 partners in each Teaming project:

(1) the participant organisation (**COORDINATOR**) from a low performing Member State (for example a research agency at national or regional level, or a regional authority);

Both strong in project management & strong in mobilising national/Cohesion funding

(2) an institution of research and innovation excellence (public or private) or a consortium of such institutions (from all EU28 or AC), preferably from 'high RDI performing' Member States

Well-chosen, carefully structured long term partnership & strong engagement from both parties

AGREEMENTS WITH THE EC

Two separate agreements:

- **a Framework Partnership Agreement (FPA)**, based on the long-term cooperation between the Commission and the selected consortium on the overall objective/vision/strategy for the development of the future centre, which will form the Action Plan for the FPA, and
- **a Specific Agreement (SGA)** funding a Coordination and Support Action (CSA) which, within the context of the long term vision, will cover the one-year implementation of activities leading to the Business Plan.
- **Implementation: Specific Grant Agreement established under a Framework Partnership Agreement (Coordination and Support Action)**

One template has been created for submission in this call

**- Overall budget for
TEAMING in H2020 is**

~ € 270 M

- another call is planned in 2018



Timeline for Teaming

- 11 December 2013: WIDESPREAD-1 2014 Teaming Call published
- 26 February 2014 : Infoday for Widening NCPs
- 25 March 2014 : High Level Conference on Teaming (Warsaw,PL)
- 17th September 2014: Teaming Call deadline
- December 2014: Transfer of TEAMING proposals to the REA
- February 2015: Evaluation outcome to applicants
- May 2015: Signature of GA & start of Stage 1 Teaming projects

**Templates for submission e.g. part B has been adapted.
However, many elements belong to general templates.**

'the key requirements of this call have been added to the proposal template text, however most of the text is standard for all calls'

- always refer to the WP

**e.g. disregard
'infrastructure'
in template
part B
(general tables)**

Table 3.4b 'Other direct cost' items (travel, equipment, **infrastructure, goods and services, large research **infrastructure**)**

Please complete the table below for each participant if the sum of the costs for 'travel', 'equipment' and 'goods and services' exceeds 15% of the personnel costs for that participant (according to the budget table in section 3 of the proposal administrative forms).

Participant Number/Short Name	Cost (€)	Justification
Travel		
Equipment		
Other goods and services		
Total		

Please complete the table below for all participants that would like to declared costs of large research **infrastructure** under Article 6.2 of the General Model Agreement⁸, irrespective of the percentage of personnel costs. Please indicate (in the justification) if the beneficiary's method

Learn more:

Horizon 2020 Participant Portal:

<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/index.html>

Cohesion policy (2014-20)

http://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/what/future/index_en.cfm

**Thank you for your
attention!**

