

RESEARCHERSnewsletter.

upcoming events, current tenders, new announcements

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Dear all,

we have interesting news regarding the work program 2025 for Horizon Europe. If you are interested, please feel free to contact us directly at fost-ung.um@uni-main.de

In this newsletter, you will find **EU-information** on

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- UPCOMING events.
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- NEW announcements.

UPCOMING events.

➤ KoWi webinar series: 'Horizon Europe Collaborative Projects In a Nutshell' (ENG)

This mini-webinar series will shed light on different aspects of the **proposal preparation process for collaborative projects** in the thematic clusters of Horizon Europe through weekly, short introductory seminars. The aim is to highlight specific elements of proposal preparations including:

- * Horizon Europe and FP10: Status Quo (March 6th 2025, 01:30 p.m. 02:15 p.m.)
- Strategic Preparation and Network Building for Involvement in Horizon Europe (March 13th 2025, 01:30 p.m. - 02:15 p.m.)
- **Time Planning for Proposal Preparation (March 20th 2025**, 01:30 p.m. 02:15 p.m.)
- **How to Read a Call Topic (March 27th 2025**, 01:30 p.m. 02:15 p.m.)
- **Proposal Template and Evaluation (April 3rd 2025, 01:30 p.m. 02:15 p.m.)**
- Impact in Horizon Europe (April 10th 2025, 01:30 p.m. 02:15 p.m.)

The webinars are free of charge. Registration is necessary.

More information can be found **here** (ENG).

> EIC SUMMIT 2025: 'WHERE DEEPTECH MEETS POLICY'

"Don't miss the opportunity to connect with key players shaping Europe's deeptech landscape. Explore groundbreaking EIC projects and discover how the EIC can support your innovations on their path to market."

The summit offers "exclusive workshops, pitching sessions, unparalleled networking opportunities and groundbreaking projects."

Registration is necessary.

When: April 2nd and April 3rd 2025

Where: Brussels, Belgium

Further information can be seen **here** (ENG).

> EFPIA CONFERENCE: 'CANCER CARE 2030: FROM POLICY AMBITION TO IMPACT' (ENG)

The conference, launched by the *European Federation of Pharmaceutical Industries and Associations* (EFPIA), offers a platform to discuss how we can work together to **accelerate progress to improve cancer care**, and build a future where everyone has the best possible chance. The event will also mark the launch of the updated IHE Cancer Comparator Report, offering an overview of the current state of cancer care in Europe.

The event is free of charge. Registration is necessary. When: March 19th 2025, 10:00 a.m. – 04:00 p.m.

Where: Brussels, Belgium

More information can be found here (ENG).

CURRENT funding & tenders.

> 5TH EU-LAC JOINT CALL IN STI 2025

"The aim of the Joint Call is to **initiate sustainable and multilateral research cooperation** between researchers from Europe, Latin-America and the Caribbean countries. Transnational consortia are invited to submit proposals related to six topics in the thematic fields of global challenges, bioeconomy, **health**, energy and open science."

13 funding organisations from 11 countries from the EU-LAC interest group are participating in the funding programme. Germany is represented by the <u>BMBF</u>.

Joint projects will be funded with a max. of 100.000 € for up to 36 months.

The submission deadline for the 1st project outline (2-stage call) is May 22nd 2025.

Further information can be accessed here (ENG).

> HADEA TENDER: "Speed up the access to and/or uptake of innovative Mpox

VACCINES"

Reference: HADEA/2025/OP/0013-PIN

Publishing date: March 4th 2025

Budget: 4,9 mil. €

Aim: The subject of this call for tenders is the evaluation of the immunogenicity of a booster dose, including different routes of administration (intradermal vs. subcutaneous) and the appropriate timing of the booster dose, for the Modified Vaccinia Ankara - Bavarian Nordic Vector (MVA-BN) vaccine. Further information may be seen here (ENG).

> HADEA TENDER: "MULTIPLE FRAMEWORK CONTRACTS IN CASCADE FOR LEGAL SUPPORT SERVICES FOR THE COMPLIANCE ASSESSMENT OF NATIONAL TRANSPOSING MEASURES IN THE HEALTH AND FOOD SAFETY AREAS, IN THE CONTEXT OF THE ENLARGEMENT"

Reference: HADEA/2025/OP/0012-PIN Publishing date: March 31st 2025

Budget: 5,67 mil. €

Aim: The subject of this call for tenders is the conclusion of multiple framework contracts in cascade for the provision of legal support services in the field of compliance assessment of national transposing measures, in the health and food safety areas in the context of the enlargement.

Further information may be seen here (ENG).

➤ HADEA TENDER: "DEVELOPMENT OF A RAPID POINT-OF-CARE ANTIMICROBIAL SUSCEPTIBILITY TESTING DIAGNOSTIC MEDICAL DEVICE"

Reference: HADEA/2025/CPN/0006-PIN

Publishing date: April 4th 2025

Budget: 12,86 mil. €

Aim: This call for tenders aims to speed up the development of a point-of-care diagnostic medical device that can provide antimicrobial susceptibility results on the bacteria or fungi causing an infection in humans, within one hour or less from subject sample collection, and ideally, to also allow for pathogen identification.

Further information can be seen here (ENG).

➤ HADEA TENDER: "MULTIPLE SOURCING FRAMEWORK CONTRACTS TO SPEED UP THE DEVELOPMENT OF AND ACCESS TO INNOVATIVE MEDICAL COUNTERMEASURES: NEXT-

GENERATION INFLUENZA VACCINES"

Reference: HADEA/2025/CPN/0008-PIN

Publishing date: April 7th 2025

Budget: 147,95 mil. €

Aim: This call for tenders aims to **speed up the development of next generation influenza vaccines** that could be produced in rapidly scalable manufacturing platforms, could support products utilising novel administration routes, confer mucosal immunity, target potentially pandemic influenza A viruses or could be rapidly adapted to pandemic influenza A viruses.

You may participate in a **public online consultation**, regarding the PCP framework contract proposed in this call. The consultation platform is **open until March 5**th **2025**, **11:00 p.m.**.

Further information may be seen **here** (ENG).

> MSCA COFUND 2025

The European Commission is funding COFUND with 101,8 mil. € to support training and career development programs for researchers, as well as helps organizations create or enhance doctoral and postdoctoral programs by co-funding a significant portion of their costs to attract and recruit international talent.

The **submission deadline** is **June 24th 2025**. Further information can be found **here** (ENG).

NFW announcements.

> *EC*: 'SHE FIGURES 2024'

"Since its first publication in 2003, the She Figures report serves as a key source of comparable, Europewide statistics on gender equality in research and innovation.

Through six chapters, the publication traces the 'career trajectory' of both women and men, from completing their doctoral studies to entering the workforce and advancing into leadership and decisionmaking positions in academia. Moreover, the report examines differences in working conditions and research outcomes produced between women and men."

More information can be found here (ENG).

EU START-UP AND SCALE-UP STRATEGY: OPEN CONSULTATION

"Start-ups and scale-ups are crucial for the EU's competitiveness. They often bring breakthrough innovative solutions for societal challenges to the market. However, their growth is still hindered by barriers, including difficulties in accessing private capital in the EU and in selling seamlessly across the single market."

A consultation is open until March 17th 2025, in which a broad public can comment on possible hurdles (e.g. access to funding and markets, bureaucracy, fragmentation, lack of talent, lack of infrastructure, knowledge and services) and necessary measures.

Further information can be found here (ENG).

EU'S NEXT LONG-TERM BUDGET (MFF): OPEN CONSULTATION

The European Commission is preparing for the next multiannual financial framework (MFF), the EU's long-term budget, which will start in 2028. It aims to create a simpler, more focused, and responsive budget that reflects European strategic priorities. To achieve this, seven public consultations are launched to gather views from interested parties on how to make the most of the EU budget. The consultations will cover various policy areas, including cohesion policy, agriculture, and home affairs, with the goal of creating a more effective and efficient budget that delivers on key objectives. The consultation is open until May 6th 2025.

More information can be seen here (ENG).

> COST: VACANCIES FOR GERMAN INSTITUTIONS IN MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

No German institutions are yet involved in the Management Committee of several ongoing COST ('European Cooperation in Science and Technology') actions.

The Management Committee is the leading body that oversees the strategic direction and implementation of the respective COST actions. The aim of COST actions is to establish and expand joint thematic research networks in Europe.

No scientists from Germany are currently involved in the Management Committee of the following COST actions, in the area of health:

- CA23142 "Developing Knowledge involved in diagnosis and control of human-diseases related to Pneumocystis (Delve-into-Pneumocystis)"
- CA23140 "Boost and secure ATMP for BURN patient (ESENBURN)"
- CA23151 "Mediterranean Cancer Screening and Early Diagnosis Network (Medi-CaSE)"
- CA21102 "Toolkit of Care (TOC)"
- CA21147 "European Network on Optimising Treatment with Therapeutic Antibodies in chronic inflammatory diseases (ENOTTA)"

More information can be found here (GER).

> RECORDED SEMINARS ABOUT THE EU-PROJECT 'INSPIRING ERA'

The events presented **EU initiatives and tools** that can support the career development and mobility of researchers and discussed how research careers can be made more sustainable and attractive.

- * Recording from **November 13**th **2024**: <u>How to make Research Careers more sustainable and attractive? Ways to benefit from the new EU-level policies and tools</u>
- Recording from Dezember 4th 2024: Boost your career: new EU tools and support for attractive research careers

> EU4HEALTH: LAUNCH OF THE NETWORKS EUNETCC AND JANE-2

EUnetCC: "The aim of the *European network of Comprehensive Cancer Centers* (CCC) is to connect CCC structures across Europe in order to provide all patients with access to high-quality research and care structures. The network will serve to **establish research and care structures** in the exchange of best practice, resources and research results in the Member States."

JANE-2: "On the basis of the European Cancer Plan, seven Networks of Expertise (NoEs) are aimed to be established in order to strengthen the collaboration of institutions in Europe-wide cooperation and collaboration through the exchange of expertise. The NoEs address the following key topics: complex cancers with poor prognosis, palliative care, survivorship, personalized primary/secondary prevention, OMICs, high-tech medical resources, adolescents and young adults with cancer."

> EU4HEALTH: THE HNN 3.0 INITIATIVE PUBLISHED PARTNER SEARCH TIPS & TOOLS

"The guideline aims to guide Horizon Europe applicants in finding potential partners especially under the health cluster of the programme, by providing them with tips on "how to get noticed", how to choose the right channels to reach the right partners, and how to advertise at best their own expertise and background for R&I cooperation."

The tips & tools can be found here (ENG).

> HORIZON EUROPE: CANCER MISSION IMPLEMENTATION NEWSLETTER

The Cancer Mission was launched to strengthen the fight against cancer by **improving the understanding, prevention, diagnosis, treatment and quality of life of people affected by cancer** in Europe. It is one of five missions in *Horizon Europe* and part of the "Europe's Beating Cancer Plan". A dedicated Newsletter was recently published to provide information on events, projects and initiatives such as the "Cancer Mission Bus Roadshow".

The newsletter can be subscribed to via the European Commission's website (ENG).

Please consult the monthly Funding Options and Job Openings (see webpage) for further awards, grants, and scholarship opportunities.

We look forward to assisting you.

Please feel free to forward this newsletter to interested colleagues and friends.

Kind regards, on behalf of Univ.-Prof. Dr. Hansjörg Schild ViceDean for Research

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