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upcoming events, current tenders, new announcements
May 2025

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UPCOMING events.

- ➢ *EC*: INFORMATION EVENT ON 'HOW TO BECOME AN EXPERT FOR HORIZON EUROPE' (ENG)
  "Join us for an info day and discover how you can become an expert for *Horizon Europe*. Learn about the programme, the roles experts play, and the diverse expertise sought across different areas. Gain insights into how to become an expert and use your unique skills to evaluate and monitor *Horizon Europe* proposals and projects."
  When: June 19th 2025, 09:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
  Where: online
  Further information may be found **here** (ENG).

- ➢ *NKS HEALTH*: SEMINAR SERIES ON THE APPLICATION PROCESS IN *HORIZON EUROPE* (GER)
  The events will provide **detailed information on the application template** as well as tips on preparing the application sections in *Horizon Europe* applications for *Research and Innovation Actions* (*RIAs*).
  The series of events is **primarily aimed at interested parties who are preparing an application for a call in the *Health Cluster* or in the *Cancer Mission*** for the calls in 2025.
  The event is free of charge. Registration is necessary.
  When: June 2nd – 6th 2025, 01:00 p.m. – 02:30 p.m.
  Where: online
  More information can be seen **here** (GER).

➢ *ERA4HEALTH*: WEBINAR – 'GENERATIVE AI IN HEALTHCARE: ADVANCING INNOVATION WHILE ENSURING EQUITY AND RESPONSIBILITY' (ENG)

"Generative AI is rapidly transforming healthcare—from drug discovery to real-time decision support. Yet, the power of these technologies depends on the data they're built on. When datasets are biased or incomplete, AI can unintentionally reinforce health disparities.

Join us for a compelling webinar exploring **how responsible AI principles—fairness, transparency, privacy, and compliance—can guide the ethical use of AI in medicine** and ensure equitable benefits for all. We'll examine how generative AI models are trained and fine-tuned, and how to address data-driven inequities in healthcare systems."

The event is free of charge. Registration is necessary.

When: May 13th 2025, 01:00 p.m. – 02:00 p.m.

Where: online

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

➢ *EUROPEAN RESEARCH AND INNOVATION DAYS 2025*

"The sixth edition of this flagship event of the *European Commission* will bring together policymakers, researchers, business leaders and the wider innovation community to discuss how research and innovation drives Europe's competitiveness, sustainability and industrial leadership, underpinning the EU's top priorities."

When: September 16th & 17th 2025

Where: hybrid - *The Square*, Brussels and online

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

➢ *REA* INFORMATION EVENT: TENDER *MSCA DOCTORAL NETWORKS 2025* (ENG)

The *MSCA-DN-2025* info event informs potential applicants about the *Doctoral Networks*-call in 2025, highlighting **key requirements**.

The event includes **presentations** and a **live Q&A** via *Slido*, allowing participants to ask questions before and during the session.

When: June 24th 2025, 09:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Where: online

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

CURRENT funding & tenders.

➢ *EC*: 'THE DIGITAL EUROPE PROGRAMME – WORK PROGRAMMES'
The *European Commission* has published the **work programme** with the call topics **for the years 2025 to 2027**. The aim of *Digital Europe* is to drive the digital transformation in Europe and strengthen Europe's digital competitiveness.
The healthcare sector is an important area for creating advanced applications such as 'Virtual Human Twins' and AI-based solutions for medical imaging, diagnostics, screening and treatment.
The following call topics are relevant for the **health sector**:
  - **"Health: Data ingestion capacities and data services for the European genomic data infrastructure in the European Health Data Space"**
    Budget: 25 mil. €, **open**: Q4–2025 **deadline**: Q1-2026
  - **"Deployment of cutting-edge multi-modal AI-based solutions in medical imaging"**
    Budget: 16 mil. €, **open**: Q4–2025 **deadline**: Q1-2026
  - **"Apply AI: Piloting AI based image screening in medical centres"**
    Budget: 10 mil. €, **open**: Q2–2026 **deadline**: Q3-2026
  - **"Virtual Human Twins and Artificial Intelligence in health platform validation and uptake incubator"**
    Budget: 9 mil. €, **open**: Q1–2027 **deadline**: Q2-2027
Further information can be found **here** (ENG).

➢ *ERC*: *PROOF OF CONCEPT GRANTS*
"The *ERC Proof of Concept Grants* aim at facilitating exploration of the commercial and social innovation potential of ERC funded research and are therefore available only to Principal Investigators whose proposals draw substantially on their ERC funded research.
Principal Investigators in an **ongoing ERC main grant**, **or** Principal Investigators **in an ERC main grant that has ended after January 1st 2024**, are eligible to apply.
The financial contribution will be awarded as a lump sum of **150.000,- €** for a period of **18 months**."
More information can be accessed **here** (ENG).

➢ *MSCA STAFF EXCHANGES 2025*
Reference: HORIZON-MSCA-2025-SE-01-01
Application deadline: October 8th 2025, 05:00 p.m.
Aim: MSCA Staff Exchanges support the global mobility of research and innovation staff, across academic and non-academic sectors, to promote knowledge transfer. The programme **enhances researchers' skills, career prospects, and international networks** while fostering innovation and communication. Participating organizations benefit from strengthened collaboration across disciplines and sectors, leading to increased research and innovation capacity.
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
Application deadline: May 12th 2025, 04:00 p.m.
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
  Application deadline: May 19th 2025, 03:00 p.m.
  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.
  Further information may be seen **here** (ENG).

NEW announcements.

- ➢ *EIC*: **BOARD SEARCHES FOR NEW ADVISORS**
  The *EIC* is guided by a board that advises the *European Commission* on **strategy, funding allocation**, **project selection and innovation trends**. It also helps identify regulatory barriers, supports innovation ecosystems, and promotes the EIC brand. Board members serve **two-year terms** and act as ambassadors for the *EIC*.
  The **application deadline** is **May 19th 2025**, 12:00 p.m.
  More information may be found **here** (ENG).

- ➢ *EC*: **CALL FOR EVIDENCE**
  "Research & technology infrastructures provide scientific & technological capacities essential for the excellence and the competitiveness of European research, innovation, and industrial ecosystems. However, budget and other constraints ever more hinder the creation, operation and upgrades of these infrastructures and the effective access to their services. The strategy will increase their complementarity and service offer and promote pooling and prioritization of investments, leading to improved capacity and reduced investment risks and costs."
  The **submission deadline** is **May 22nd 2025**.
  Further information can be seen **here** (ENG).

- ➢ *EC - JOINT RESEARCH CENTER*: **'IMPROVING BREAST CANCER SCREENING AND CARE'**
  "The *European Quality Assurance Scheme for Breast Cancer Services* is now available for implementation by breast cancer services, improving the screening and care offerings for breast cancer. This voluntary scheme is the **first official version**. It encompasses requirements and indicators across the breast cancer care pathway covering **breast cancer screening**, **diagnosis to treatment and palliative care**, focusing on quality improvement and equal access to quality healthcare."
  Further information can be found **here** (ENG).

- ➢ *ECIS*: **NEW DATA RELEASED**
  "The release of the **latest cancer data from European population-based cancer registries** is available on the *European Cancer Information System* web application. *ECIS* provides **up to date**, **reliable statistics on cancer burden in Europe** and works closely with the European Network of Cancer Registries (ENCR).
  The published data is the fruit of collaboration between the cancer registries and the EC."
  More information may be seen **here** (ENG).

➢ *ECIR: COUNTRY CANCER PROFILES 2025*

"The *Country Cancer Profiles series*, published under the umbrella of the *European Cancer Inequalities Registry*, provides a **regular reporting mechanism to assess cancer care and inequalities across the 27 EU Member States, Norway and Iceland**.
The *2025 Country Cancer Profiles* provide the **latest insights on cancer burden**, **prevention and care across European countries**. The new edition includes a Synthesis report, highlighting the key findings and developments that emerge from the Country Profiles at the EU level."
Further information can be found **here** (ENG).

➢ *EIC: IMPACT REPORT 2025*

The report highlights the **achievements and objectives of the *EIC***, focussing on the impact of the *Accelerator projects*. Furthermore, it contains **case studies** on innovation pathways through various *EIC* instruments. A total of 1.350 innovations from *Pathfinder* and *Transition* projects were funded.
The official report can be found **here** (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.

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