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New Opportunities

Call Title:	COMMUNITIES FOR CLIMATE (C4C)
Programme:	European Commission
Objective:	The Communities for Climate (C4C), an initiative of the European Commission, will support 50 community-led projects in eleven countries of the EU, accompanying them in the realisation of new and innovative ideas for citizens engagement to address climate and sustainability issues. These lighthouse projects will receive tailored support to help them develop a climate-related project, to become replicable models for other local communities willing to engage in climate projects across the EU. The scope of this action covers the four following areas: renewable energy, sustainable water management, circular and resource-efficient economy, and biodiversity.
Eligible Activities:	Communities for Climate (C4C) aim to harness the power of citizens-based local initiatives in response to the urgency of climate change by supporting 50 local climate-related community projects.
	 Benefits to these communities include: specialised expertise, peer-learning, customised study visits, mentoring and coaching, and guidance on ways to make local community projects impactful and visible at European, national and local levels.
	These community-based local initiatives should be implementing actions in one (or more) of the four following areas: • regenerating biodiversity, • water management, • local circular economies or • renewable energy in urban or rural settings.
Eligible Applicants:	As an applicant, you should meet the five (5) eligibility criteria: 1. Legal entity Your project's hosting organisation must be a legal entity, such as a CSO, NGO, public institution (such as a local authority), public-private-community partnership (such as a Local Action Group), or other local entities (such as associations, businesses, financial institutions, local cooperative, social economy or rural development initiative, smart or eco-village, etc.) that are community owned and have a mission to support the public good. 2. Focus on climate action Your project idea must have a main focus on climate action, covering at least one of the four thematic categories of the call (renewable energy, access to water and sustainable water management, circular and resource-efficient economy, and nature and biodiversity). 3. Includes a realistic project idea that can be implemented between June 2024 and March 2025 Your application should consist of a project idea embedded within the local community. The project description should be specific to this call.
	 4. Citizen/resident-driven You must have identified mechanisms for citizens'/residents' engagement, spanning the project's design and implementation. 5. Geographical focus (eleven countries)

	Your project idea should have a local geographical scope, operating within one of the 11 selected countries. These include Croatia (HR), Estonia (EE), Finland (FI), France (FR), Germany (DE), Hungary (HU), Italy (IT), Poland (PL), Romania (RO), Spain (ES), and Sweden (SE). Cross-border project ideas are also welcome - and will be given particular attention - if the applying entity is located in one of the 11 selected countries.
Total Budget:	€50,000
Deadline:	03/04/2024
More information and official documents:	https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/C4C_CallForProjects

Call Title:	CALL FOR PROPOSALS: BELARUS 2024
Programme:	Netherlands Embassy in Belarus
Objective:	Objective The MATRA HRF call for proposals 2024 for Belarus, facilitated by the Netherlands, aims to support and promote human rights and democratic institutions in Belarus. This initiative seeks to strengthen democratic institutions, restore trust between citizens and the government, and work towards reducing societal tensions and enhancing stability. The Dutch support through the Human Rights Fund (HRF) and the Netherlands Fund for Regional Partnerships (NFRP-MATRA) focuses on various priority themes including freedom of expression, internet freedom, equal rights for women, girls, and LGBTQI+ persons, and the protection of human rights defenders.
Eligible Activities:	The overarching goal is to support the Belarusian civil society, both within the country and in exile, in their efforts to advocate for human rights and democratic processes. Actions must take place in Belarus.
Eligible Applicants:	Eligible applicants include NGOs and non-profit organizations (including independent media) registered to operate in Belarus. The Embassy may, in specific situations, decide on the eligibility of other types of organizations. Projects that are purely charitable, involve commercial activities, or repeat previous projects are not eligible for funding.
Total Budget:	€1,000,000
Deadline:	03/04/2024
More information and official documents:	https://www.netherlandsandyou.nl/web/belarus/matra-hrf

Call Title:	Call for Proposals: European Film Distribution
Programme:	European Commission
Objective:	Objectives





Within the specific objective of promoting competitiveness, scalability, cooperation, innovation and sustainability, including through mobility, in the innovation, competitiveness and scalability of the European audiovisual sector, one of the priorities of the MEDIA strand is:

 to enhance the circulation, promotion, online and theatrical distribution of European audiovisual works, within the Union and internationally in the new digital environment; including through innovative business model.

Eligible Activities:

Themes and Priorities

The MEDIA strand shall provide support for the following measures:

- Support to international sales and circulation of non-national European works on all platforms (e.g. cinema theatres, online) targeting both small and large-sized productions, including through coordinated distribution strategies covering several countries and encouraging the use of subtitling, dubbing and where applicable, audio description tools.
- The European Film Distribution support shall encourage and support the wider transnational distribution of recent European films by providing funds to European distributors, based upon their performance on the market, for further reinvestment in the acquisition, promotion and distribution (including online) of recent non-national European films.

Eligible Activities

There are two phases for the eligible activities:

PHASE 1 - Generation of a potential fund

A potential fund will be:

- attributed on the basis of the eligible admissions achieved by the European nonnational films distributed by eligible distributors;
- based upon a coefficient per eligible admission according to the nationality of the film and the territory of distribution;

Eligible admissions are generated by eligible non-national European films:

up to a maximum threshold per film and per distributor and

with minimum availability thresholds per applicant, depending on its nationality.

PHASE 2 - Eligible reinvestment activities

The reinvestment can be made on a maximum of 12 different eligible non-national films. The films declared must comply with the criteria set out above relating to the eligibility of films and must be non-national for the distributor.

Reinvestment on the same film in the different eligible activities detailed below is allowed. Eligible activity 1: Investment in co-production

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The co-production of eligible non-national European films.

Only the investments of the distributor in the co-production which are set out in the co-production contract signed within the eligibility period of the Grant Agreement between the distributor and the producer and / or the co-producer of the film will be eligible.

Eligible activity 2: Investment in acquisition of distribution rights

The acquisition of distribution rights, for example by means of minimum guarantees, of eligible non-national European films.

Only the amount set out in the distribution contract signed within the eligibility period of the Grant Agreement with the distribution rights holder (e.g. producer or sales agent of the film) will be eligible.

Eligible Activity 3: Promotion, marketing and advertising for theatrical releases promotion, marketing and advertising for theatrical releases optical and digital prints (digitisation and transcoding)





Eligible Activity 4: Promotion, marketing and advertising for online releases promotion, marketing, advertising and other related costs for online releases Expected Impact

Improvement in the trans-national distribution of recent non-national European films. Increase in the investment in the production, acquisition, promotion, theatrical and online distribution of non-national European films.

Develop links between the production and distribution sector thus improving the competitive position of non-national European films.

Eligible Applicants:

Eligibility Criteria

In order to be eligible, the applicants (beneficiaries and affiliated entities) must: be legal entities (public or private bodies)

- be established in one of the eligible countries, i.e.:
- Creative Europe Participating Countries:
- EU Member States (including overseas countries and territories (OCTs))
- non-EU countries:
- listed EEA countries and countries associated to the Creative Europe Programme
 or countries which are in ongoing negotiations for an association agreement and
 where the agreement enters into force before grant signature (list of participating
 countries)
- be established in one of the countries participating in the MEDIA strand of the Creative Europe Programme and owned directly or indirectly, wholly or by majority participation, by nationals from such countries. When a company is publicly listed, the location of the stock exchange will in principle determine its nationality
- be European companies active in the audiovisual sector as cinema / theatrical distributor involved in commercial activity designed to bring to the attention of a wide audience a film for the purpose of exploitation in cinema theatres. This shall be the principal activity of the company or division of the company.

The cinema / theatrical distributor shall fulfil the following criteria:

be the holder of the theatrical distribution rights for the film in the country concerned; carry out the theatrical distribution of the film in the country concerned (determine the release date, plan, control and execute the distribution and promotion campaign); pay directly the associated distribution costs; and

be registered and have theatrical distribution operations in the country concerned. In the event that distribution activities are shared between several companies, the contracts/agreements between these companies must be provided. The company that will be considered as eligible is the one which meets all the criteria and actually executes the distribution of the film in the country in line with the above conditions. If tasks and/or responsibilities are so shared between different companies that it is impossible to assess a unique distributor for the film in a territory, the admissions of that film will not be eligible. Applicants acting in different countries linked for distribution purposes (e.g. Belgium and Luxembourg; Greece and Cyprus) should only send one proposal and declare admissions and reinvestment in these different countries.

Total Budget:	€33,000,000
Deadline:	25/04/2024
More	https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-
information	tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/crea-media-2024-





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Call Title:	DRL FURTHERING ACCOUNTABILITY FOR HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS IN
	LIBYA
Programme:	U.S. Department of State
Objective:	Objective The Department of State's Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor (DRL) has announced the "DRL Furthering Accountability for Human Rights Violations in Libya" grant opportunity. This initiative aims to empower civil society organizations in Libya to take a leading role in promoting, protecting, and responding to serious violations of international human rights and humanitarian law, as well as other abuses in the country. The program seeks to address the urgent need for accountability and the enforcement of human rights standards within Libya.
Eligible Activities:	By supporting projects that enable local and international stakeholders to document abuses, advocate for justice, and support victims, the DRL intends to foster a more just and accountable society. This initiative is critical in the context of Libya's complex political and security environment, where human rights violations have been widespread, and accountability mechanisms remain weak. The grant aims to strengthen the capacity of civil society organizations, thereby ensuring that human rights are central to Libya's ongoing political and social processes. Actions must take place in Libya.
Eligible Applicants:	Eligible applicants include U.Sbased and foreign-based non-profit organizations/nongovernment organizations (NGO), public international organizations, private, public, or state institutions of higher education, and for-profit organizations or businesses. While DRL prefers to work with non-profit entities, for-profit entities may be considered if they are best suited for the initiative.
Total Budget:	\$2,000,000
Deadline:	29/04/2024
More information and official documents:	https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/352668

Call Title:	Open call for Research Grants Program
Programme:	Froebel Trust
Objective:	The Froebel Trust provides funding for research and practice development as well as
	specialist training, and information and support for continuing professional learning.
	The work is focused on Early Childhood Education and Care for children from birth to eight
	years of age - a broad and often multi-disciplinary field of study to inform, support, critique





	and advance Froebelian approaches to education pedagogy and practice as well as further research.
Eligible Activities:	The Grants for Research Research is a core element of the strategy at the Froebel Trust. By funding projects, they aim to advance knowledge and understanding of Froebelian education and learning, and to develop practice in Early Childhood Education by helping researchers to share their evidence and key messages. They know that many people engage in research through their work in Early Years settings, schools, colleges, universities and community-based organisations. The researchers that they fund explore many different issues and questions connected to Froebelian education and scholarship. They involve a variety of participants or sources; they use a multitude of research designs and methodologies; and they present their findings in numerous ways. The Froebel Trust welcomes this diversity and the Open Call Research Grants scheme is designed with this variety in mind. They offer two types of Open Call Research Grants: Seed corn grants are intended for early career researchers and/or small-scale and pilot studies. Larger grants are intended for bigger studies and/or more experienced researchers. Applications are welcome from individual researchers or teams in any country, and from partnerships that involve more than one organisation or country. They can only pay grants to organisations, not to individuals.
Eligible Applicants:	Who can apply? Researchers can work in any discipline, organisation or country, but applications must show how the proposed research will promote and advance Froebelian education and learning related to children from birth to eight years. It is not necessary for applicants to have a masters or doctoral level qualification, but understanding of research, experience of project management, and the strength of the project design will be considered when applications are reviewed. Although applicants do not need to be based in the UK, applications must be written in English and budgets must be presented in GBP. Partnership projects are welcome. In such cases, a lead organisation must be identified for contractual reasons. Applications must be for original research projects. The Open Call Research Grants Scheme does not fund building, resourcing or development projects or research that is unconnected to Early Years education or early learning.
	£100,000
	02/05/2024
More information and official	https://www.froebel.org.uk/grants-and-funding/open-call-research-grants
documents:]

Call Title:

Submissions open for TV & Online Content Funding Programme





Programme: Cre

Creative Europe

Objective:

Submissions are now open for the TV & Online Content Funding Programme to increase the capacity of audiovisual producers to develop and produce strong projects with significant potential to circulate throughout Europe and beyond.

This funding aims to strengthen the independence of producers in relation to broadcasters and digital platforms. It enhances collaboration between operators, including independent producers, broadcasters, digital platforms and sales agents. Particular attention will be given to projects presenting innovative aspects in the content and in the financing that show a clear link with the envisaged distribution strategies.

Eligible Activities:

Objectives

Within the specific objective of promoting competitiveness, scalability, cooperation, innovation and sustainability, including through mobility in the European audiovisual sector, one of the priorities of the MEDIA Strand is:

to nurture talents, competence and skills and to stimulate cross-border cooperation, mobility and innovation in the creation and production of European audiovisual works, encouraging collaboration across Member States with different audiovisual capacities. Themes and Priorities

The MEDIA Strand shall provide support for the following measures:

Production of innovative and quality TV content and serial storytelling, addressing diverse audiences, by European independent production companies.

The objective of the support to TV and online content is to increase the capacity of audiovisual producers to develop and produce strong projects with significant potential to circulate throughout Europe and beyond, and to facilitate European and international coproductions within the television and online sector.

The action aims to strengthen the independence of producers in relation to broadcasters and digital platforms, to enhance collaboration between operators, including independent producers, broadcasters, digital platforms and sales agents, from different countries participating in the MEDIA Strand, including from low capacity countries, in order to produce high quality programming aimed at wide international distribution and promoted to a wide audience including commercial exploitation in the multi-platform environment. Particular attention will be given to projects presenting innovative aspects in the content and in the financing that show a clear link with the envisaged distribution strategies. Funding Information

The grant will be a lump sum grant. This means that it will reimburse a fixed amount, based on a lump sum or financing not linked to costs. The amount will be fixed by the granting authority on the basis of the estimated project budget and a funding rate of maximum 20%.

Expected Impact

Increased production of high quality European works for linear and non-linear broadcasting including on digital platforms, as well as an increase in the number of coproductions.

Enhanced cooperation between operators from different countries participating in the MEDIA Strand, including between broadcasters and from low capacity countries. Increased audience for European works through linear and non-linear broadcasting including on digital platforms.

Activities that can be funded

The TV and online content action supports works (drama films, animation and documentary) intended for linear and non-linear broadcasting, presenting: strong cooperation between operators from different countries participating in the MEDIA Strand, including between broadcasters;





high creative/artistic value and wide cross-border exploitation potential able to reach audiences at European and international level; innovative aspects in terms of the content and the financing that show a clear link with the envisaged distribution strategies. Applications should present adequate strategies to ensure a more sustainable and more environmentally-respectful industry (in particular through the use of greening consultants allowing to reduce the environmental impact of productions and shootings) and to ensure gender balance, inclusion, diversity and representativeness. **Eligibility Criteria Eligible** In order to be eligible, the applicants (beneficiaries and affiliated entities) must: **Applicants:** be legal entities (public or private bodies) be established in one of the eligible countries, i.e.: **Creative Europe Participating Countries:** EU Member States (including overseas countries and territories (OCTs)) non-EU countries: listed EEA countries and countries associated to the Creative Europe Programme or countries which are in ongoing negotiations for an association agreement and where the agreement enters into force before grant signature be established in one of the countries participating fully in the MEDIA Strand of the Creative Europe Programme and owned directly or indirectly, wholly or by majority participation, by nationals from such countries. When a company is publicly listed, the location of the stock exchange will in principle determine its nationality be independent European audiovisual production companies **Total Budget:** €20,000,000 **Deadline:** 14/05/2024 https://www.creativeeuropeireland.eu/funding-opportunities/call/tv-online-content More information and official

Call Title:	RASKOB FOUNDATION GRANTS
Programme:	Raskob Foundation
Objective:	Objective The Raskob Foundation is an independent, private family foundation. The mission of the Raskob Foundation is to support domestic and international projects from institutions and organisation identified with Catholic church. Their international program is funding various topics such as education, governance and human rights, health, economic empowerment and business trainings, water and sanitation, income generation and disability.
Eligible Activities:	Sample projects that they have funded in the past include: youth leadership and peacebuilding in Ecuador, income generation activities in Ethiopia, feeding programs in Haiti, women empowerment in India, medical aid to the poor in Gaza, childhood education program in Jordan, ending child labour in Malawi, program for disabled mothers in Palestine, improve water and sanitation in South Sudan



documents:



	They are funding projects in any country in Asia, Africa, America and Europe.
Eligible Applicants:	If the requesting organisation is located in the US, it must be tax- exempt 501 (3) with public charity status and be catholic (listed in the P.J. Kenedy Official Catholic Directory). If the requesting organization is located outside the US, it must have a non-profit, non-governmental status equivalent to a public charity as found in the United States and be catholic as verified by Ordinary of the Diocese.
Total Budget:	€3,000,000
Deadline:	15/05/2024
More	https://www.rfca.org/giving
information	
and official	
documents:	

Call Title:	SUPPORT TO CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANISATIONS: CIVIL SOCIETY FACILITY 2023
Programme:	European Commission (EC) - International Partnerships
Objective:	Objective The global objective of this call for proposals is to strengthen the role of civil society in promoting transparent and participatory governance, democratic reforms and human rights. This call for proposals is divided into four lots, each with its own specific objectives and priorities, as indicated below. Within the general objective in each lot, the proposed actions may address one or more of the specific objectives of the lot.
Eligible	The lots are:
Activities:	 Lot 1: Support to CSOs and CSO networks towards increased abilities to monitor and actively participate in Montenegro's reform processes. Lot 2: Support to small Civil Society Organisations (CSOs) and civil society movements in different sectors, developing grassroots movements' and local informal groups' capacities through flexible financial support to third parties mechanisms. Lot 3: Support to different key stakeholders to contribute to local development in the North and central region of Montenegro Lot 4: Support to different key stakeholders to contribute to local development in the South and central region of Montenegro Actions must take place in Montenegro.
Eligible Applicants:	Eligible organisations are: Civil Society Organisation or a Consortium of CSOs or other organisations
Total Budget:	€2,500,000
Deadline:	27/05/2024
More information and official documents:	https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/online-services/#/





Call Title:

Erasmus+ Teacher Academies ERASMUS-EDU-2024-PEX-TEACH-ACA

Programme:

ERASMUS-LS ERASMUS Lump Sum Grants

Objective:

Scope:

ERASMUS+ TEACHER ACADEMIES

The 2019 Council Resolution on further developing the European Education Area1 invites the Commission to "Develop new means to train and support competent, motivated and highly qualified teachers, trainers, early childhood education and care (ECEC) staff, school leaders and other staff, and promote their continuous professional development and high-quality, research-based teacher education".

The Council Conclusions on European Teacher and Trainers for the Future of May 20202 reiterate the role of teachers as cornerstones of the European Education Area and call for further support to teachers' career and competence development as well as well-being at all stages of their careers. The Conclusions stress the benefits of mobility of teachers and the need of embedding mobility as part of teachers' initial and continuous education. Moreover, the Conclusions invite the Commission to support closer cooperation between teacher education providers within the continuum of teachers' professional development.

The 2020 Commission's Communication on Achieving the European Education Area by 20253 recognises the key role of teachers and trainers and sets the vision of having highly competent and motivated educators who can benefit from a range of support and professional development opportunities throughout their varied careers. It proposes a number of actions to address the challenges the teaching professions face today, including the plan to launch Erasmus+ Teacher Academies.

The Commission's Digital Education Action Plan (2021-2027)4 stresses the need to ensure that all teachers and trainers have the confidence and competences to use technology effectively and creatively to engage and motivate their learners as well as to ensure that all learners develop their digital competences for learning, living and working in an ever more digitalised world.

The Council Resolution on a strategic framework for European cooperation in education and training towards the European Education Area and beyond (2021-2030) refers to the potential of Erasmus+ Teachers Academies in facilitating networking, knowledge sharing, mobility and providing teachers and trainers with learning opportunities at all phases of teachers' and trainers' careers.

There is a need to improve the attractiveness of the profession: in the EU countries participating in OECD's TALIS survey, on average, less than 20% of lower secondary school teachers felt that their profession is valued by the society.

The ageing of the teaching professionals is a concern as upcoming waves of retirement could result in potential shortages in the teaching workforce in a country.

The Education and Training Monitor indicates also that a number of European countries face serious shortages of teachers, either across the board or in some subjects such as science, or in specific profiles such as teaching pupils with special needs.

Despite wide offer of continuous professional development, teachers still self-report a lack of professional development opportunities according to the OECD's TALIS survey.





Despite the benefits of mobility, it is still not embedded in teacher education effectively, due to many practical obstacles that should be removed by more consistent policies.

The Erasmus+ Teacher Academies will address these issues by promoting close cooperation between organisations active in initial and continuing teacher education and training, complement other work done in achieving the Education Area, and help transfer the results to national and regional policy making and eventually to teacher education and support for schools.

They will build on the innovations and effective practice that exists within national teacher education and European cooperation and develop them further. Specific attention will be paid to dissemination and exploitation of effective practice across countries and teacher education providers, and to ensuring feedback and impact also at policy level.

Eligible Activities:

OBJECTIVES OF THE ACTION

The overall objective of this action is to create European partnerships of teacher education and training providers to set up Teacher Academies that will develop a European and international outlook in teacher education.

These Academies will embrace multilingualism, language awareness and cultural diversity, develop teacher education in line with the EU's priorities in education policy and contribute to the achievement of the objectives of the European Education Area.

The Erasmus+ Teacher Academies will meet the following objectives:

- Contribute to the improvement of teacher education policies and practices in Europe by creating networks and communities of practice on teacher education that bring together providers of initial teacher education (preservice education for future teachers) and providers of continuing professional development (inservice), other relevant actors such as teacher associations, ministries and stakeholders to develop and test strategies and programmes for professional learning that is effective, accessible and transferable to other contexts.
- Develop and test jointly different models of mobility (virtual, physical and blended) in initial teacher education and as part of teachers' continuous professional development in order to enhance the quality and number of mobility as well as to make mobility an integral part of teacher education provision in Europe.
- Develop sustainable collaboration between teacher education providers with an impact to the quality of teacher education in Europe and with a view to inform teacher education policies at European and national levels.
- Enhance the European dimension and internationalisation of teacher education through innovative and practical collaboration with teacher educators and teachers in other European countries and by sharing experiences for the further development of teacher education in Europe.
- This collaboration will address one or more of the horizontal priorities of the Erasmus+ Programme, as theme(s) for the Teacher Academy activities.

Teacher Academies should identify and work on one priority or more priorities that are particularly relevant for their partnership with a view to enhancing a high-quality





education/professional development, and addressing (future) teachers' pressing needs, notably by offering teachers courses, modules and other learning opportunities on:

1. Inclusion and diversity, notably:

- To help teachers acquire the necessary knowledge, skills and competences for the educational inclusion of children/students with fewer opportunities, including children/students with disabilities or special needs, with a migrant background, as well as children/students living in rural and remote areas such as outermost regions, children/students facing gender inequalities, socio-economic difficulties or any other potential source of discrimination based on sex, racial or ethnic origin, religion or belief, disability, age or sexual orientation. This also means understanding underachievement, disengagement, and addressing well-being, mental health and bullying. Examples include: Developing competences to teach in multilingual and multicultural settings, on gender-sensitive practices, inclusive education for children with special needs, on creating supportive learning environments and strategies addressing learners' and teachers' well-being at school, on how to use a variety of learning approaches and blended learning, as well as formative assessment methods and tools.
- To equip teachers to addressing the barriers faced by these groups in accessing
 education, as well as contributing to creating a positive learning climate and
 inclusive environments that foster equity and equality, and that are responsive to
 the needs of the wider community; building relationships of trust with learners,
 parents, families and carers; using collaborative practices and work in multidisciplinary teams in schools.

Further references:

Council Recommendation on promoting common values, inclusive education, and the European dimension of teaching

Council Recommendation on Pathways to School Success (replacing the Council Recommendation of 28 June 2011 on policies to reduce early school leaving).

2. Environment and fight against climate change, notably:

- To implement and further develop comprehensive and collaborative approaches
 to teaching and learning for the green transition and sustainable development,
 recognising that all teachers, whatever their discipline or sector of education, are
 sustainability educators who need to support their learners in preparing for the
 green transition.
- To offer (future) teachers professional training/education about climate change and how to best teach it; develop sustainability competences of (future)teachers/educators and education leaders; and exchange and develop the approaches of the participating organisations regarding environmental sustainability.
- To exchange on how to raise awareness about the green transition, environmental
 and climate-change challenges, to develop competences, green sectorial skills
 strategies and methodologies, as well as future-oriented curricula that better
 meet the needs of teachers.
- To support teachers in adopting pedagogies, including testing innovative
 practices, that enhance teaching and learning for the green transition and
 sustainable development in interdisciplinary ways, including the socio-emotional
 aspects of learning, so that all learners can become agents of change and learn to





reflect and act, both individually and collectively, locally and globally, for a more sustainable world.

Further reference: Council Recommendation on learning for environmental sustainability.

- 3. Addressing digital transformation through development of digital readiness, resilience and capacity, notably:
 - To support the need to engage (future) teachers in the path to digital transformation, with a view to harness the potential of digital technologies for teaching and learning and to develop digital skills for all, also increasing the capacity and readiness of institutions to manage an effective shift towards digital education.
 - To contribute to the first strategic priority of the Digital Education Action Plan, the
 development of a high-performing digital education ecosystem, by building
 capacity and critical understanding on how to exploit the opportunities offered by
 digital technologies for teaching and learning at all levels and for all sectors and to
 develop and implement digital transformation plans of educational institutions.
 - To support the purposeful use of digital technologies for teaching, learning, assessment and engagement. This includes the development of digital pedagogy and expertise in the use of digital tools for teachers, including accessible and assistive technologies and the creation and innovative use of digital education content. Particular attention will be given to promoting gender equality and addressing differences in relation to the access and use by under-represented groups.

Use of the European frameworks on digital competences of educators, citizens and organisations is encouraged.

Further reference: Digital Education Action Plan (2021-2027).

- 4. Common values, civic engagement and participation, notably:
 - To train and equip (future) teachers.
 - To promote active citizenship and ethics in their teaching, and foster the development of social and intercultural competences, critical thinking and media literacy.
 - To offer opportunities for children/students' participation in democratic life, social and civic engagement notably through formal or non-formal learning activities.
 - To raise awareness on and understanding the European Union context, notably as regards the common EU values, the principles of unity and diversity, as well as their cultural identity, cultural awareness and their social and historical heritage.

Further reference: Council Recommendation on promoting common values, inclusive education, and the European dimension of teaching

Eligible
Applicants:

Usual Erasmus+ eligibility

Total Budget: €22,500,000

Deadline: 06/06/2024

More information and official

documents:

https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-

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Call Title:

Sustainable high-throughput production processes for stable lithium metal anodes for next generation batteries (Batt4EU Partnership) HORIZON-CL5-2024-D2-02-01

Programme:

HORIZON-IA HORIZON Innovation Actions

Objective:

Expected Outcome:

As Li metal anodes will be needed for the Gen 4b, Gen 4c and Gen 5 batteries, it is important to create a European production chain for their manufacturing, in order to guarantee secure supply chains for the next generation battery producers with a focus on high performance and recyclability for Gen 4b, Gen4c or Gen5 cells.

The proposed project is expected to contribute to all the following outcomes:

- Reduction of strategic dependencies for critical raw materials by promoting resource efficiency.
- Energy consumption/carbon footprint of processing 10% lower than SoA.
- Throughput of Li foil and/or electrode production to support cell manufacturing, including a technical pathway towards production at MWh/(sub-)GWh scale.
- Ensure stability of Li during handling, processing and operation using coatings or other protective technologies (e.g. barriers/protective layers).
- Processing of Li (Metal) and Li electrodes within cell assembly at industrial scale, including, but not limited to, high-quality cutting of the Li foil and/or electrode.
- Homogeneous Li films with thickness below $20\mu m$, contributing towards energy density levels of 400-500 Wh/kg.
- The developed process should be compatible with recycling targets (with respect to purification of scrap with protective coating) and assure recyclability to more than 70% of Li metal in battery waste, (90% Li metal for production scrap).
- The proposed project is encouraged to contribute to a competitive price of 75€/kWh at pack level.
- A demonstration of the performance of Li at cell level in SoA benchmark cell (at least TRL5 with at least 1 Ah capacity). Validation in Generation 4b, 4c and/or Generation 5 cells is highly encouraged.

Eligible Activities:

Scope:

Proposals under this topic are expected to cover all of the following bullet points:

- Sustainable, cost-efficient and large-scale production of Li-metal foils and/or electrodes, demonstrated up to pilot level during the project. Activities can include, but are not limited to, extrusion, comparison extrusion / electrostatic spray, rolling and co-rolling. However, extensive cell design and development are out of the scope as this topic focuses on the Li anode production.
- Control of the passivation of Li metal films, and to understand how the passivation is linked with the dry room conditions and requirements. The goal is to find the optimal way: high passivation and lower quality dry room, or low passivation and higher quality dry room, and how these selections are linked with cost, energy consumption and performance of the cells.
- The project is expected to also guarantee safety of the Li film production and handling, which has to be demonstrated in a process that is compatible for large scale production.

Plans for the exploitation and dissemination of results for proposals submitted under this topic should include a strong business case and sound exploitation strategy, as outlined in





the introduction to this Destination. The exploitation plans should include preliminary plans for scalability, commercialisation, and deployment (feasibility study, business plan).

Collaboration with other projects from calls HORIZON-CL5-2023-02-01 Advanced materials and cells development enabling large-scale production of Gen4 solid-state batteries for mobility applications and/or HORIZON-CL5-2024-02-02 Post-Li-ion technologies and relevant manufacturing techniques for mobility applications (Generation 5) is expected.

The project is encouraged to cooperate with projects stemming from call topic HORIZON-CL5-2023-01-01 Technologies for sustainable, low carbon and cost-efficient downstream processing and production of battery-grade materials.

This topic implements the co-programmed European Partnership on Batteries (Batt4EU). As such, projects resulting from this topic will be expected to report on the results to the European Partnership on Batteries (Batt4EU) in support of the monitoring of its KPIs.

Specific Topic Conditions:

Activities are expected to achieve TRL 6-7 by the end of the project

Eligible Applicants:

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Some calls for proposals require a so-called multi-actor approach: this means your proposed project must involve a diverse set of stakeholders, in particular end-users and users of the project's results.

Total Budget:	€8,000,000
Deadline:	05/09/2024
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information	tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/horizon-cl5-2024-d2-02-
and official	<u>01</u>
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Call Title:	Robust Knowledge and Know-How transfer for Key-Deployment Pathways and implementation of the EU-CEM (CCAM Partnership) HORIZON-CL5-2024-D6-01-05
Programme:	HORIZON-CSA HORIZON Coordination and Support Actions
Objective:	Expected Outcome:
	Project results are expected to contribute to all of the following outcomes:





- Extended and up to date CCAM Knowledge Base[1], including CCAM projects, demonstration and deployment initiatives, standards, facilitating the exchange of best practices and the deployment of CCAM services.
- Well established network of experts and forum for stakeholders in the different thematic R&I fields of CCAM.
- Strong collaboration and cooperation between all CCAM stakeholders through effective collaboration mechanisms fostering exchanges of practices, experiences, tools and methodologies supporting the transition to large-scale deployment.
- Increased and high-quality exchanges and cooperation between the EU Member States/Associated countries,
- EU CCAM common evaluation methodology (EU-CEM) widely used in Europe.
- Good level of understanding and awareness of CCAM among citizens, decision and policy makers in Europe.

Eligible Activities:

Scope:

A common basis for CCAM Knowledge in Europe is available today with the online CCAM Knowledge Base which constitutes a one stop shop for all relevant R&I initiatives, tools, methodologies, regulations and standards in the field. Targeted content will be available for some stakeholder categories[2]. The Knowledge Base should be expanded and further adapted to the needs of all relevant stakeholders. Results and lessons learned from the EU, national and international projects should be made available and accessible to targeted user groups. Proposed actions should in particular provide support for stakeholders to move into operations by identifying key building blocks and standards for deploying pilot services and enable capacity building for key actors of different use cases /applications domains as well as for citizens and non-experts on how to use CCAM systems and services and to become aware of new developments and related risks.

The EU Common Evaluation Methodology (EU-CEM) developed in project "FAME" funded under CL5-2021-D6-01-06[3] aims at becoming the basic methodology for all CCAM related evaluations to support collaboration, exchange and harmonisation. The methodology will need to be implemented for existing and innovative use cases by CCAM projects and aligned with national mobility strategies and approaches. Training programmes for CCAM projects will be necessary to integrate the methodology and to collect feedback on lessons learned during its implementation.

A States Representatives Group (SRG)[4] has been created within the CCAM Partnership to ensure a continuous dialogue at European and national level for the sharing of information on CCAM R&I to increase coordination between European and national R&I funding schemes, and among national programmes. To carry out its mission efficiently, the SRG will need support to collect and analyse information on national R&I initiatives and to implement cooperation activities.

To successfully contribute to the expected outcomes, proposed actions are expected to address all of the following aspects:

 Ensure the maintenance and expansion of the Knowledge Base to support the CCAM stakeholder community and CCAM Partnership for the identification of future needs for R&I, testing and demonstration initiatives and for moving into operations (minimum block requirements, standards and common definitions to run pilot services across Europe). The content of the Knowledge Base should support the monitoring of the progress made on the targets and impacts set by the CCAM Partnership[5].





- Identify further needs for targeted content for specific stakeholder categories and in particular, develop content that is accessible to non-experts, thereby supporting capacity building of the general public. The proposed action should define the above-mentioned stakeholder categories, and develop a subsequent communication strategy (content, material, media, etc.) using realistic and accessible terms to address different target groups (including non-experts).
- Provide effective dissemination and concertation mechanisms and means for the stakeholder community (e.g. conferences, workshops, international cooperation, capacity building content for non-experts) to enable the exchange of experiences and practices, stimulate collaboration and cooperation between all CCAM stakeholders and reach consensus on challenges and future R&I needs within the thematic clusters of the European Partnership.
- Facilitate the work of the CCAM SRG and stimulate the cooperation between EU
 Member States/Associated Countries for improved coordination of activities in the
 areas identified as priorities by the SRG. Provide an analysis of initiatives in EU
 Member States/Associated countries and support the SRG in identifying areas for
 R&I cooperation.
- Ensure representation of European stakeholders in international cooperation, information exchange and harmonisation initiatives on CCAM. Provide a global output on CCAM activities to support the development of European agendas by exploring potential opportunities and R&I domains for international cooperation.
- Continue to evaluate and update the EU-CEM through targeted discussions with EU Member States/Associated countries in order to align the CEM with national mobility strategies and regulations, also looking at both national and regional transport and mobility data to ensure compatibility.
- Support the practical implementation of the EU-CEM (for existing and innovative use-cases) and provide training programmes for CCAM projects to integrate the methodology.
- Assess the level of awareness and attitudes of European citizens, decision- and
 policy makers about CCAM as well as their intention to use through regular
 surveys and workshops. Results should be published in the Knowledge Base and
 mechanisms should be provided to integrate findings into the EU-CEM. A link
 should be established with existing survey initiatives in place at EU and Member
 States'/Associated countries' levels. This action should be grounded in a cocreative process.

In order to achieve the expected outcomes, international cooperation is encouraged, in particular with Japan and the United States but also with other relevant strategic partners in third countries.

This topic implements the co-programmed European Partnership on 'Connected, Cooperative and Automated Mobility' (CCAM). As such, projects resulting from this topic will be expected to report on results to the European Partnership 'Connected, Cooperative and Automated Mobility' (CCAM) in support of the monitoring of its KPIs.

Eligible Applicants:

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details or exceptions are listed on the pages of the call topics in the Funding & tenders portal.

Some calls for proposals require a so-called multi-actor approach: this means your proposed project must involve a diverse set of stakeholders, in particular end-users and users of the project's results.

Total Budget:	€4,000,000
Deadline:	05/09/2024
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information	tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/horizon-cl5-2024-d6-01-
and official	<u>05</u>
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Call Title:	
Call Title:	Policies and governance shaping the future transport and mobility
	systems HORIZON-CL5-2024-D6-01-09
Programme:	HORIZON-RIA HORIZON Research and Innovation Actions
Objective:	 Expected Outcome: Projects are expected to contribute to all of the following outcomes: A better understanding of the effects of governance[1], policies[2], and incentives, but also land use and spatial planning, on the choice of individuals, families, or social groups of different kinds to use a specific transport and/or mobility mode. Reinforced public engagement in shaping co-created transport and mobility policies. Effective policy interventions, co-created with target constituencies and building on high-quality policy; strengthening of research-policy cooperation models to reinforce impact and trust in science. More effective and sustainable national, regional and transnational transport and mobility policies toward accepted approaches, based on a system-thinking perspective. Better harnessing the potential of digitised mobility data while protecting citizen's privacy. Providing concepts and policy recommendations sustainably integrating passenger and freight transportation in order to create a future proof holistic mobility system.
Eligible Activities:	Scope: Governance, policies and incentives play an important role in shaping transport and mobility systems and influence the development and implementation of different technologies and modes of transport (e.g. walking, cycling, public transport and rail). It is therefore important to study how policies and regulations could be best used to govern transport and mobility systems in desired directions, so that they become more sustainable and just, for instance with regard to gender, place, or low-income households, as well as their fiscal impacts. In addition, the COVID-19 crisis has significantly altered commuting habits; remote and telework have become widespread together with other flexible work arrangements. The true impact of these changes on gas emissions and on the well-being of people as well as





on the real-estate market (offices) are not known. This is now an opportunity to leverage on an ongoing change in habits that could result in significant GHG reduction.

Proposals should address all of the following aspects:

- Analyse the influence of politicians on the making of sustainable and nonsustainable transport policies, as well as the impact of their design on accessibility in peripheral areas, identifying synergies with the reform of governance instruments of the European Union (e.g. Trans-European Transport Network, Urban Mobility Framework) to enhance the gradual phase-out policy effect for private car ownership.
- Propose approaches that better integrate mobility policies with policies from other sectors (e.g. energy efficiency, renewables, gender mainstreaming, healthcare, retail and poverty and low income population reduction).
- Consider the benefits of public/private partnerships towards future transport and mobility system, as to secure local adjustment and solutions that are effective and economic for private stakeholders, with a long-term sustainable horizon for the society.
- Identify and assess the potential of (shared) mobility hubs at neighbourhood-level and define the role of organisational innovations in supporting them.
- Explore how small, medium cities and metropolitan areas manage the emergence of micro-mobility and how driverless vehicles are likely to affect urban areas and land use (e.g. mixed use of urban space, dynamic parking).
- Identify the major flaws on national transport and mobility regulations in EU countries and provide recommendations on how to better harmonize them transnationally (e.g., incentives for putting bicycles on trains etc.).
- Identify regulations and accountability measures to ensure that mobility data are best utilised for the common good, for example, harnessing the potential of data to stimulate innovation for more sustainable mobility behaviour patterns and guide urban planning, while also protecting citizen privacy.
- Analyse the drivers for public acceptability of stringent and mandatory transport policies (e.g. carbon taxes, urban traffic bans).
- Examine the most effective strategies in promoting the transition to more sustainable freight transport in Europe following the recent and ongoing changes in consumer culture, such as the increase in e-commerce and online.
- A 'social optimum' balance should be included to developing research knowledge
 within new governance models from several perspectives (e.g. socio-economic,
 environmental, health, accessibility, gender and inclusion, safety and security
 aspects). This concept complements the work launched within the Cities Mission
 regarding MaaR (Mobility as a Right). Synergies with the projects GECKO[3],
 ACCTING[4] and SHARED GREEN DEAL[5] should be explored, given that mobility
 behaviours and the role of cities as agent of change will influence policy makers in
 enabling adaptive and anticipatory regulatory schemes and governance with
 novel policies contributing to sustainable mobility goals.

In addition to the research activities, actions are expected to involve citizens from different backgrounds and origins in the policy analysis to gather and study their understanding, perceptions, opinions and positions, thus contributing to co-designing and co-assessing the most appropriate policies' recommendations. The collection of children's views can also be included in the study. Citizen platforms if existing, can be used for this purpose.





	This topic requires the effective contribution of SSH disciplines and the involvement of SSH experts, institutions as well as the inclusion of relevant SSH expertise, in order to produce meaningful and significant effects enhancing the societal impact of the related research.
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Total Budget:	€3,000,000
Deadline:	05/09/2024
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information	tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/horizon-cl5-2024-d6-01-
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Call Title:	European mini-slate development CREA-MEDIA-2024-DEVMINISLATE
Programme:	CREA-LS CREA Lump Sum Grants
Objective:	Scope: The objective of the European mini-slate development support is to foster the competitiveness of European independent production companies and to increase their economic weight on the market. The aim is also to increase the capacity of audiovisual producers to develop projects with the potential to circulate throughout Europe and beyond, and to facilitate European and international coproduction. The support will also provide an entry point for emerging talent, giving them the opportunity to direct a short film supported by the strong foundation provided by experienced companies.
Eligible Activities:	Expected results A stronger position on European and international markets for companies selected under European mini-slate development. Increased quality, feasibility, cross-border potential and market value of European works supported. Description of the activities to be funded Support will be given to independent European production companies able to develop a slate of 2 to 3 audiovisual works (fiction, animation, creative documentary). This should





allow production companies to reduce risks and increase their capacity to attract and retain talents.

The European mini-slate development shall provide support to the development of minimum 2 and maximum 3 works for commercial exploitation intended for cinema release, television broadcasting or commercial exploitation on digital platforms or a multiplatform environment in the following categories: animation, creative documentary or fiction. Applicants may add a short film by emerging talent to their slate (optional).

The aim is to provide funds to audiovisual production companies to develop work with high creative value and cultural diversity and wide cross-border exploitation potential. Companies are encouraged to develop strategies for marketing and distribution from the outset of the development phase thus improving the potential to reach audiences at a European and international level.

Greater cooperation, including co-development, between operators from different countries participating in the MEDIA Strand is also pursued as well as strengthening the competitiveness of European audiovisual production companies by consolidating their capacity for investment in the development phase and expanding companies' activities and their innovation capacity to explore new fields and markets.

Special attention will be given to applications presenting adequate strategies to ensure a more sustainable and more environmentally-respectful industry and to ensure gender balance, inclusion, diversity and representativeness.

Eligible Applicants:

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Total Budget: €5,500,000

Deadline: 10/09/2024

More information and official documents:

https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-

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Call Title:

GRANTS FROM VAN TIENHOVEN FOUNDATION





Programme:	VAN TIENHOVEN FOUNDATION
Objective:	Objective Van Tienhoven Foundation is a small foundation that makes grants on the basis of the estate of Pieter Gerbrand van Tienhoven. They are concerned about life on earth and the delicate balance between human life, nature and biodiversity. The Foundation believes local people are instrumental and key to conserve and restore nature and species populations. They believe that small grants can have a great impact, but only if small grants lead to change in policy and practice.
Eligible Activities:	Previously funded projects include: ecosystem restorations in national parks, piloting a community-based approach to ecosystems conservation, establishing biosecurity programs to protect the Critically Endangered Species, fostering human-Asian elephant coexistence with community involvement, supporting the operations of community rangers, creation of Wildlife Reserves, snow leopard conservation, community-based wildlife monitoring, climate-smart agriculture and environmental education in the tropical rainforests, etc. Actions must be implemented in developing countries, predominantly following the most recent DAC list of ODA Recipients.
Eligible	Non-profit organisations, that are registered as legal bodies (NGOs and scientific
Applicants:	institutions) are eligible to apply.
Total Budget:	€100,000
Deadline:	31/01/2025
More information and official documents:	https://www.vantienhovenfoundation.com/application-process/

Call Title:	WORLD DEVELOPMENT SMALL GRANTS
Programme:	Waterloo Foundation
Objective:	Objective The Waterloo Foundation (TWF) is an independent grant-making foundation created in 2007, and based in Cardiff, Wales. The Foundation gives grants to organisations both in the UK and worldwide. They are most interested in projects that help globally particularly in the areas of the disparity of opportunities and wealth and the unsustainable use of the world's natural resources.
Eligible	The Small Grants focus on:
Activities:	 Nutrition: promoting good nutritional practices, with a particular focus on mothers and children during the '1000-day window'; providing micronutrients for young children and their mothers and de-worming drugs for young children; and providing micronutrients through food fortification for all; Sexual and Reproductive Health: improving access to a range of modern contraceptive methods and wider sexual health and reproductive services, and increasing understanding and awareness of, and driving demand for, family planning services;





	 3) Education: improving the quality of secondary, primary and early childhood education and increasing the enrolment and retention of pupils at both primary and secondary level, especially girls and young women; and 4) Water, Sanitation and Hygiene: access to safe drinking water and improved hygiene. Actions can take place worldwide in developing countries with a focus on Sub-Saharan Africa and occasionally South Asia.
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Eligible	They will consider applications from organisations with an annual income of less than
Applicants:	£20,000 or that are newly established within the last 2 years; but in these cases we can only consider applications below £5,000. Applicants' requests should always be in keeping with their organisation's annual income; we do not usually provide grants which total more than 25% of an organisation's annual income. Small grants are usually provided as a one-off donation. In exceptional circumstances some organisations may be invited to reapply. Grants will be prioritised for small UK charities led by committed individuals, especially those based in Wales, which are working to deliver projects in developing countries.
Total Budget:	£100,000
Deadline:	Ongoing
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Link to Previous Funding Newsletters

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