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New Opportunities

Call Title:	WORLD FOOD PRIZE
Programme:	WORLD FOOD PRIZE
Objective:	<p>Objective</p> <p>The World Food Prize is the foremost international honour recognizing – without regard to race, religion, nationality, or political beliefs – the achievements of individuals who have advanced human development by improving the quality, quantity or availability of food in the world. The World Food Prize is awarded for a specific, exceptionally significant, individual achievement at any point along the full range of the food production and distribution chain.</p>
Eligible Activities:	<p>Fields of achievement include, but are not limited to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) soil and land; 2) plant and animal science; 3) food science and technology; 4) nutrition; 5) rural development; 6) marketing; 7) food processing and packaging; 8) water and the environment; 9) natural resource conservation; 10) physical infrastructure; 11) transportation and distribution; 12) special or extraordinary feeding programs; 13) social organization and poverty elimination; 14) economics and finance; 15) policy analysis; and 16) public advocacy. <p>The World Food Prize emphasizes the importance of a nutritious and sustainable food supply for all people. By honouring those who have worked successfully toward this goal, The Prize calls attention to what has been done to improve global food security and to what can be accomplished in the future.</p> <p>Actions can take place worldwide.</p>
Eligible Applicants:	<p>Eligible is: (1) someone who is making exceptional progress in the quality quantity and availability of food; (2) someone who is creating waves within the world of agriculture and food production to enhance the quality, quantity and availability of food.</p>
Total Budget:	€250,000
Deadline:	01/05/2024
More information and official documents:	https://www.worldfoodprize.org/

Call Title:	COUNTERING TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS AND SUPPORT TO VULNERABLE POPULATIONS (CTIP/V) ACTIVITY
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Programme: Ukraine USAID-Kiev	
Objective:	Objective The Countering Trafficking in Persons and Support to Vulnerable Populations (CTIP/V) Activity, implemented by the Agency for International Development in Ukraine (USAID-Kiev), aims to address the issue of trafficking in persons (TIP) and provide support to vulnerable populations. The primary objectives of the activity are to prevent TIP through a strengthened comprehensive, government-led counter-trafficking response and to ensure nationwide access to trauma-informed and survivor-centered recovery and reintegration services for victims of trafficking, exploitation, gender-based violence (GBV), and detention/torture.
Eligible Activities:	The activity focuses on enhancing understanding of TIP risks and prevention strategies, increasing the sustainability and availability of protection services, strengthening the prosecution of perpetrators, and developing partnerships across government, civil society, and socially responsible businesses. Actions must take place in Ukraine.
Eligible Applicants:	The funding opportunity is unrestricted, meaning it is open to any type of entity. However, applicants must refer to the additional information on eligibility provided in the text field of the announcement for any specific clarifications.
Total Budget: \$24,000,000	
Deadline: 17/05/2024	
More information and official documents:	https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/353443

Call Title:	KENYA DIGITAL HEALTH ECOSYSTEM
Programme: Kenya USAID-Nairobi	
Objective:	Objective Kenya Digital Health Ecosystem's (KDHE) overall purpose is "Increased country's ownership and management of one national integrated and comprehensive sector-wide health information ecosystem, to achieve health systems outcomes of equity, quality, and resources optimization".
Eligible Activities:	Actions must take place in Kenya.
Eligible Applicants:	Eligibility for this award is restricted to local organizations in Kenya. However, USAID strongly encourages these organizations to collaborate with at least one international entity as a sub-recipient and apply as a consortium.
Total Budget: \$14,344,675	
Deadline: 20/05/2024	
More information and official documents:	https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/353450

Call Title:	STRENGTHENING CITIZEN ENGAGEMENT IN THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO
Programme:	European Commission (EC) - International Partnerships
Objective:	<p>Objective</p> <p>The general objective of this call for proposals is to: “contribute to the improvement of democratic governance and peace in the DRC by supporting and strengthening an inclusive, participatory, autonomous and independent civil society and democratic space; and inclusive and open dialogue with and between civil society organizations.”</p> <p>The specific objective of this call for proposals is: “the promotion and support of the growing interest of local civil society organizations in the DRC on issues related to innovative entrepreneurship, economic governance, access to health and improvement of the urban environment, primarily for young people and women.”</p>
Eligible Activities:	<p>The priority(s) of this call for proposals is:</p> <p>Priority 1: Promotion of innovative entrepreneurship</p> <p>Priority 2: Improvement of economic governance</p> <p>Priority 3: Contribution to universal access to health care for populations</p> <p>Priority 4: Protection and improvement of the urban environment in the city – province of Kinshasa</p> <p>Actions must take place in Republic of the Congo.</p>
Eligible Applicants:	Eligible organisations are: (1) non-profit-making; (2) be a civil society organisation; (3) and be directly responsible for the preparation and management of the action.
Total Budget:	€8,582,500
Deadline:	20/05/2024
More information and official documents:	https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/online-services/#/

Call Title:	DIGNIFIED WORK: MEASURES FOR THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL INTEGRATION OF VULNERABLE YOUNG PEOPLE
Programme:	European Commission (EC) - International Partnerships
Objective:	<p>The overall object of this convocation of proprietors is to support the OSC as a “change agent” for the fulfilment of the 2030 Agenda for the Sustainable Development. The specific object of this convocation of proposals is to support the work of the OSC to participate and influence the way it is structured in the definition and monitoring of the implementation of public policies and actions that contribute to the promotion of the economic and social integration of the Vulnerable youth have access to decent work.</p>
Eligible Activities:	<p>The priorities of this call are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support the participation of CSOs in the definition of legislation, public policies and the monitoring of its implementation, in matters of formalization of employment • Support the most vulnerable young people and jobs (women, ethnic and sexual minorities) in the formalization process and, specifically, in registration

	<p>before the National Superintendency of Administración and Administración Tributaria (SUNAT) and in ESSalud (employees) or the Sistema Integral de Salud (SIS) (auto empleados) to be able to exercise those entitled to social protection.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support the design and the implementation of professional training programs – including dual professional training (alternation between the educational center and the company) – with organizations and associations representing the business sector and the competent authorities in the field of education and training. <p>Actions must take place in Peru.</p>
Eligible Applicants:	Eligible organisations are: (1) non-profit-making; (2) be a civil society organisation; (3) and be directly responsible for the preparation and management of the action.
Total Budget:	€2,939,500
Deadline:	21/05/2024
More information and official documents:	https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/online-services/#/

Call Title:	CALL FOR PROPOSALS 2024 IN HONDURAS
Programme:	European Commission (EC) - International Partnerships
Objective:	<p>Objective</p> <p>The overall objective of this call for proposals is: Promote the strengthening and active participation of Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) in sustainable development, inclusion, promotion and protection of human rights, as well as in the fight against violence, discrimination and all types of inequalities, with special emphasis on groups in vulnerable situations.</p>
Eligible Activities:	<p>To achieve the general objective of the call, applicants can submit proposals in one of the following two thematic lots:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lot 1 – Sustainable economic development and inclusive public policies (Budget of the Thematic Program for Strengthening Civil Society) • Lot 2 – Protection and conservation of natural resources (including forest resources) and response to environmental conflicts (Budget of the Thematic Program on Human Rights and Democracy) <p>Actions must take place in Honduras.</p>
Eligible Applicants:	Eligible organisations are: (1) non-profit-making; (2) be a civil society organisation; (3) and be directly responsible for the preparation and management of the action.

Total Budget:	€4,567,500
Deadline:	24/05/2024
More information and official documents:	https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/online-services/#/

Call Title:	Japanese Award for Most Innovative Development Project (MIDP) 2024
Programme:	Global Development Network
Objective:	<p>Under the Global Development Awards Competition 2024, the Japanese Award for Most Innovative Development Project (MIDP) is an award program that invites non-profit NGOs and CSOs to submit project proposals supporting (in particular) improved service delivery, and innovative approaches that may be scaled-up through a grant.</p> <p>The Japanese Award for Most Innovative Development Project is a competitive grant program under the umbrella of the Global Development Awards Competition, administered by GDN, funded under the Policy and Human Resources Development Fund (PHRD) trust fund managed by the World Bank, and generously supported by the Ministry of Finance, Government of Japan. The Award targets projects currently at the stage of implementation, and which have a high potential for impact targeting exceptionally marginalized and disadvantaged groups located in developing countries - per the World Bank's recognition as low and middle income countries.</p> <p>Theme</p> <p>Sustainable Climate Action for Human-Centred Development</p> <p>In the complex and interconnected tapestry of global challenges, climate change stands as a pivotal force, affecting ecosystems, societies, and individuals worldwide. Amidst these challenges, the imperative for sustainable climate action has never been more urgent, especially in regions grappling with unique vulnerabilities. In navigating the intricate challenges of climate change within the Global South, the theme "Sustainable Climate Action for Human-Centred Development" underscores the critical need to align environmental preservation with the well-being of communities in these regions. Within this nexus, initiatives that not only protect the planet but also prioritize human-centric development take centre stage, acknowledging the unique contexts and vulnerabilities of the Global South.</p> <p>The 2024 edition of the Global Development Awards Competition aims to highlight innovative ideas and ongoing projects to celebrate and amplify the voices of those who actively contribute to building a resilient future—one where the human experience is not merely considered but is at the forefront of climate action strategies. The theme underscores the profound need to align the commitment to safeguarding the planet with an unwavering dedication to human-centric development, recognizing the unique contexts, cultures, and vulnerabilities present in the Global South, to realize a society where no one is left behind.</p> <p>Under the Japanese Awards for Most Innovative Development Awards (MIDP) category, GDN wants to highlight the transformative power of on-the-ground initiatives by NGOs that have moved beyond conceptualization, actively engaging with communities to implement projects that enhance climate resilience. By showcasing participatory project design, adaptation and mitigation strategies, and sustainable livelihood initiatives, they aim to award their impactful work. This category stands as a platform to recognize and amplify the voices of those directly supporting the most marginalized</p>

	<p>communities, embodying the spirit of community-led climate resilience exemplifying the spirit of human-centred development in the face of climate change challenges.</p> <p>Sub-Theme: "Community-centred Climate Action and Sustainable Development"</p>
Eligible Activities:	<p>Type of projects</p> <p>Community-Driven Assessment Initiatives</p> <p>Projects that actively involve communities in the assessment of climate change impacts, ensuring that local knowledge and experiences are integral to the evaluation process.</p> <p>Adaptation and Mitigation Strategies</p> <p>Projects that highlight and focus on the direct benefits of these strategies to the most marginalized members of the community based on mitigation approaches to the impact of climate change.</p> <p>Sustainable Livelihood Initiatives</p> <p>Projects that integrate climate resilience with sustainable livelihood opportunities for marginalized communities while emphasizing the economic empowerment and improved well-being of community members.</p> <p>Temporal Adaptation in Practice</p> <p>Projects that have adaptive strategies that acknowledge the temporal dynamics of climate change impact, demonstrating how community-led initiatives have aligned with different time frames identified through assessments.</p> <p>Japan Social Development Fund (JSDF) Award</p> <p>The JSDF award focuses on piloting socially innovative development projects that have been identified as having the potential for development impact and replicability through the MIDP Award. The objective of JSDF Award is to support community driven development and poverty reduction programs that serve to enhance productivity, increase access to social and community services and infrastructure, and improve the living conditions of poor and vulnerable groups in eligible countries.</p> <p>The two first prize winners will compete for the JSDF award after a minimum of 12 months implementation of their MIDP grant. GDN will review the suitability of the proposals for a much larger grant of up to US\$ 200,000 within the framework of the World Bank-administered Japan Social Development Fund (JSDF).</p> <p>Connector Grant</p> <p>The 2022 edition introduced the Connector Grant which aims to stimulate international cooperation through the development of collaborative projects to support scale-up efforts with research-based evidence. The Connector grant will be awarded to ORD grantees, based on a project developed in collaboration with the MIDP grantees who received the JSDF grant. This grant will support the award recipients' collaborative efforts towards measuring and analysing scale-up impact, as well as to enhance the robustness of their M&E activities.</p>
Eligible Applicants:	<p>Eligibility Criteria</p> <p>Geographical scope</p> <p>Eligible countries for the MIDP competition are those classified by the World Bank as low-income or middle-income countries.</p> <p>World Bank Environmental and Social Framework's (ESF)</p> <p>Comply with the WB Environmental and Social Framework's (ESF) and the Environmental and Social Standards (ESSs). Please check the Annex at the end of this call to see the exclusion list of ineligible activities.</p> <p>NGO registration</p>

	<p>The project must be managed by a registered non-profit, Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) or Civil Society Organization (CSO) with its headquarters in one of the eligible countries.</p> <p>Project implementation</p> <p>Project must have started its implementation on 1st June 2023 or before to be considered eligible. The applicant will need to prove during the review stage that there is a track record of activities since this Competition does not fund ideas or pilot initiatives.</p> <p>Submissions concerning a recently started project or only a project idea or a feasibility or baseline study will not be considered.</p> <p>Submissions for funding conferences (either in part or in full) will not be considered.</p>
Total Budget: €120,000	
Deadline: 24/05/2024	
More information and official documents:	https://www.gdn.int/gdac/2024/midp

Call Title:	SOCIO-ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT OF PERSONS WITH ALBINISM IN MALAWI
Programme:	European Commission (EC) - International Partnerships
Objective:	<p>Objective</p> <p>The global objective of this call for proposals is to empower civil society organisations and to support their efforts to advance and defend human rights, particularly for the most vulnerable categories in society as well as consolidate their role as actors for positive change. In reference to the EU Gender Action Plan (III), specific interventions aimed at promoting and defending the rights of women and girls that fall within the targeted population should be highlighted.</p>
Eligible Activities:	<p>The specific objective of this call for proposals is Promotion of Socio-Economic Rights of Persons with Albinism in Malawi.</p> <p>Actions must take place in Malawi. Actions must take place in five or more of the following districts: Balaka, Chikwawa, Chiradzulu, Dedza, Ntcheu, Nsanje, Thyolo, Mulanje, Machinga, Mangochi, Phalombe, Salima and Zomba.</p>
Eligible Applicants:	Eligible organisations are: (1) non-profit-making; (2) be a civil society organisation; (3) and be directly responsible for the preparation and management of the action.
Total Budget: €600,000	
Deadline: 28/05/2024	
More information and official documents:	https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/online-services/#/

Call Title:	SUPPORT TO CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANISATIONS IN THE REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA
Programme:	European Commission (EC) - International Partnerships
Objective:	<p>Objective</p> <p>The global objective of this call for proposals is to empower civil society organisations (CSOs) to act as key contributors to the democratic and economic transformation of the country. This action aims to strengthen inclusive, resilient and democratic society by capacitating CSOs to participate meaningfully in socio-economic development of the country, implementation of reforms, accountability of institutions, ensuring fair and equal opportunities for all.</p>
Eligible Activities:	<p>The specific objective(s) of this call for proposals are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lot 1: To strengthen the engagement of Civil Society Organisations in improving access to labour market for unemployed vulnerable men and women with care responsibilities (parents/legal guardians) through provision of inclusive active employment programmes and enhanced access to childcare services in local communities; • Lot 2: To strengthen the engagement of Civil Society Organisations in providing inclusive and equal development opportunities through afterschool activities and social care for children in local communities. <p>The priorities of this call for proposals are to increase the role of civil society organisations including grassroots organisations; to provide support to the National Employment Agency to improve the offer of vocational and educational training and employment opportunities for vulnerable families in local communities; creation and development of (public or social) nurseries and educational centres for children in local communities in order to support employment of men and women with care responsibilities; support the implementation of the social protection and labour market reforms launched by the Ministry of Labour and Social Protection with a focus on genuine social and economic integration of marginalised persons including people with disabilities, Roma etc.</p> <p>Actions must take place in the Republic of Moldova, including in the Transnistrian region.</p>
Eligible Applicants:	Eligible organisations are: (1) non-profit-making; (2) be a civil society organisation; (3) and be directly responsible for the preparation and management of the action.
Total Budget: €4,000,000	
Deadline: 28/05/2024	
More information and official documents:	https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/online-services/#/

Call Title:	USAID KITUMAINI
Programme:	Democratic Republic of the Congo USAID-Kinshasa
Objective:	Objective

	The USAID Kitumaini funding opportunity, administered by the Agency for International Development in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (USAID-Kinshasa), aims to continue and expand upon existing health service delivery activities in the country.
Eligible Activities:	<p>The five-year activity focuses on improving health outcomes in five designated health zones in Haut-Katanga, with potential expansion to other provinces as directed by the Office of the Global AIDS Coordinator (OGAC)/PEPFAR. Key objectives include enhancing local sub-recipients' capacity to receive assistance awards from USAID, prioritizing HIV epidemic control efforts, and targeting priority populations, orphans and vulnerable children (OVC), and key populations (KP).</p> <p>Actions must take place in Democratic Republic of the Congo.</p>
Eligible Applicants:	Eligibility for this award is not restricted.
Total Budget: \$28,100,000	
Deadline: 06/06/2024	
More information and official documents:	https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/353436

Call Title:	EMPOWERING LGBTQI+ COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP
Programme:	U.S. Mission to India
Objective:	<p>Objective</p> <p>The U.S. Mission to India, through the Empowering LGBTQI+ Community Leadership program, aims to promote equal access and strengthen leadership capacity within LGBTQI+ communities. This initiative prioritizes inclusivity, equality, and accessibility of government services for transgender and intersex individuals, addressing their unique challenges in areas such as education, healthcare, employment, and legal protection against discrimination. By employing a 'train the trainer' approach, the program seeks to empower community leaders to disseminate essential information and skills, fostering increased engagement and awareness.</p>
Eligible Activities:	<p>The overarching goal is to advance democratic values by ensuring equal access for all, particularly marginalized groups, thereby enhancing health, education, economic prosperity, justice, and equality in both India and the United States. Through sustainable peer education models, the project endeavors to build resilience, raise awareness, and promote inclusivity within the transgender and intersex communities, creating a positive ripple effect of empowerment and advocacy.</p> <p>Actions must take place in India.</p>
Eligible Applicants:	Eligible applicants include not-for-profit organizations, civil society/non-governmental organizations, think tanks, public and private educational institutions, individuals, public international organizations, and governmental institutions.

Total Budget:	\$150,000
Deadline:	07/06/2024
More information and official documents:	https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/353437

Call Title:	The NNF Grand AI Challenge 2025
Programme:	Novo Nordisk Fonden
Objective:	<p>Purpose</p> <p>The purpose of the Novo Nordisk Foundation's Challenge Programme is to make a substantial contribution to the development of Danish research ecosystems within strategically relevant research areas. The aim is to give leading researchers the opportunity to assemble a strong team that can collaborate in a centre-like structure with a unifying vision and mission to develop solutions to major challenges. The Programme provides long-term funding to enable scientific depth and focus and facilitate synergy between the research partners.</p>
Eligible Activities:	<p>Research Theme 2025</p> <p>The programme is a strategic effort targeting specific challenges within annually selected research themes. For the 2025 application call, the Challenge Programme is seeking to support the following research theme:</p> <p>The NNF grand AI Challenge</p> <p>The Challenge is to develop and deploy AI which can be transformative in addressing some of the most critical global challenges impacting society in healthcare, sustainability, and the life sciences.</p> <p>The Grand AI Challenge focuses on developing and deploying large-scale AI models, targeting key challenges within health or sustainability. Within health, this includes (but is not limited to) health care, drug discovery, protein design, or seeking a deeper understanding of cardiometabolic and infectious diseases. Within sustainability, this includes (but is not limited to) driving the green transition through AI, development of climate models, mapping out sustainable futures, optimizing resource use and discovering novel materials for energy solutions. Research may also be aimed at developing or using AI to accelerate advancements in cybersecurity, quantum technology, and AI research itself.</p> <p>This highly interdisciplinary Challenge bridges synergistic collaboration between innovative AI experts and domain experts in fields such as medicine, physics, chemistry, mathematics, engineering, life sciences, or climate research. The successful research plan should offer a solid basis for the planned model's relevance and computational resource requirements while also ensuring the availability of necessary data to support the project. Applicants are encouraged to focus on the limitations related to the representation models used, hereunder considering the risk of bias related, e.g., to gender, ethnicity, and associated conditions. It will be a requirement that the research and associated outputs are transparent, human-centric, and compliant with relevant ethical considerations. This programme is distinct from other NNF activities focused on AI as it allows for ambitious, large-scale AI research endeavours, potentially benefitting from the AI dedicated processing power provided by Denmark's new supercomputer "Gefion", a large-scale NVIDIA DGX SuperPOD powered by NVIDIA H100 Tensor Core GPUs which is anticipated to be fully operational from beginning of 2025.</p> <p>Supported research may include but is not limited to:</p>

	<p>AI for Earth's Future: To predict climate patterns and propose optimal resource distribution, minimise waste, and mitigate environmental threats before they escalate.</p> <p>AI for the green transition: To aid efficient discovery of new catalytic- and energy materials (storage and conversion) guided by AI-based models.</p> <p>AI for improved healthcare: To develop new AI methods for robust, bias-free and explainable improved healthcare.</p> <p>Multimodal data integration and GenAI: To accelerate drug discovery and personalised healthcare.</p> <p>AI for improved vaccines and antibiotics: To formulate predictive models of the human immune system and pathogen evolution.</p> <p>Development of explainable and trustworthy AI: To progress new AI technology, as well as AI-based methods for improving uncertainty metrics, privacy preservation, and robustness against adversarial perturbations.</p>
Eligible Applicants:	<p>Eligibility</p> <p>The Challenge Programme supports excellent research leaders from 2-4 research groups (main applicant plus 1-3 co-applicants).</p> <p>The programme leader must be at least 75% employed at a Danish university, hospital or other non-profit research organization, that will be considered the host institution of the project. Affiliation must be declared in the hosting letter and justified if less than 75%.</p> <p>The research institutions of the co-applicants can be located in Denmark or abroad. The co-applicants should contribute significantly to the advancement of the project and should receive part of the funding.</p> <p>Industry collaboration is possible; however, funding cannot be awarded to industrial partner(s).</p>
Total Budget: €1,600,000	
Deadline: 09/10/2024	
More information and official documents:	https://novonordiskfonden.dk/grant/challenge-programme-2025-the-nnf-grand-ai-challenge/

Call Title:	Approaches and tools for security in software and hardware development and assessment HORIZON-CL3-2024-CS-01-01
Programme:	HORIZON-IA HORIZON Innovation Actions
Objective:	<p>Expected Outcome:</p> <p>Projects' results are expected to contribute to some or all of the following outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved hardware and software security engineering; resilient systems design; • Improved access to testing of hardware and software in virtual, closed and secure environments; • Systematic and, where possible, automated study of vulnerabilities, software analysis, vulnerability discovery, and dynamic security assessment; • Trustworthy certifiable hardware and software; • AI-based security services e.g. predictive security, advanced anomaly and intrusion detection, system health checks.

Eligible Activities:	<p>Scope:</p> <p>Software is at the foundation of all digital technologies and, as such, at the core of IT infrastructures, services, and products. Current software development prioritises fast deployment over security, which results in vulnerabilities and unsecure applications. Security engineering, both at the software and hardware levels, must be integrated in their development. Whilst a great portion of the software and hardware used in the EU is developed outside the European Union, it should comply with the security requirements within the EU. The EU should be able to rely on software and hardware that can be verified and audited as to their security. In particular, the potential security implications of using open-source software and hardware, and security auditability in that context, should be further explored. Software is subject to continuous update, so the security posture cannot be assessed once and for all, hence methods and tooling to perform continuous assessments of security are needed. In addition, security and privacy regulations also evolve, having to be factored in compliance approaches.</p> <p>The identification and analysis of potential regulatory aspects and barriers for the developed technologies/solutions is encouraged, where relevant.</p>
Eligible Applicants:	<p>Any type of organisation can apply for Horizon Europe funding as long as they have the operational and financial capacity to carry out the tasks that they propose.</p> <p>For most calls for proposals, you must apply as a team of at least 3 partner organisations from 3 different EU or associated countries. At least one of the 3 partners must be from an EU country. In addition to these 3 partners, organisations from other countries might be able to join your consortium. Please consult the Horizon Europe programme guide. Further details or exceptions are listed on the pages of the call topics in the Funding & tenders portal.</p> <p>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.</p>
Total Budget: €37,000,000	
Deadline: 20/11/2024	
More information and official documents:	https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/horizon-cl3-2024-cs-01-01

Call Title:	Hi-tech capacities for crisis response and recovery after a natural-technological (NaTech) disaster HORIZON-CL3-2024-DRS-01-04
Programme:	HORIZON-RIA HORIZON Research and Innovation Actions
Objective:	<p>Expected Outcome:</p> <p>Projects' results are expected to contribute to some or all of the following outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of a holistic vision of crisis management after telluric (e.g. volcanic, seismic, tsunami, landslide) or extreme climate events (e.g. floods, storms, storm surges, fires, droughts) producing impacts on critical assets (e.g. infrastructures, industries) and creation of new management framework for handling NaTech crises;

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enhanced existing crisis management tools to develop a common platform (shared among public and private operators) allowing cross-border exchanges and decision-making, while respecting legal frameworks and responsibilities; Demonstrated operational protocols and development of standard operating procedures able to respond to NaTech crises in cross-border configurations, including comprehensive risk modelling of worst-case scenarios taking into account cascading effects and future impacts of climate change, and taking into consideration spatial information and data; Improvement of our understanding and capabilities to identify and mitigate risks associated with interdependencies across infrastructures and other human (social and economic) systems.
Eligible Activities:	<p>Scope: The confluence of incidents in recent years has brought renewed concerns over our systemic resilience to external shocks arising from natural-technological (NaTech) disasters. This is particularly acute in the event of disruption in the transport, power, water supply and communication sectors in highly populated and industrialised areas, or when such events raise the likelihood of cascading effects with severe impacts on communities and the economy that are hard or impossible to predict. The main focus on NaTech risks lies on a thorough understanding of the vulnerability of industrial sites and critical infrastructure, and the potential impact natural hazards can have on such technological resources. This entails the identification of both physical (safety of building facilities and structures) and operational vulnerabilities, often addressing multi-hazard conditions. Innovative methods are required for analysing worst-case scenarios, and informing decision-makers about the crosscutting and shared responses to different crises given available resources.</p> <p>Research involving multiple fields of expertise, including spatial information (to be specified), is also required to improve hi-tech capacities for operational response systems to better cope with natural and/or technological disasters occurring in Europe (and in overseas territories) in an integrated manner. This will rely on a knowledge sharing among natural and technological risks communities to develop a holistic vision for an integrated operational crisis management of NaTech disasters.</p> <p>This topic is part of a coordination initiative between ESA and the EC on Earth System Science. Under the EC-ESA Earth System Science Initiative both institutions aim at coordinating efforts to support complementary collaborative projects, funded on the EC side through Horizon Europe and on the ESA side through the ESA FutureEO programme. Proposals should include a work package, means and resources for coordination with complementary projects funded under the ESA FutureEO initiative.</p> <p>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/innovation activities.</p> <p>In order to achieve the expected outcomes, international cooperation is encouraged. The action should take due consideration to EU policies, in particular the SevesoIII and CER Directives, and ensure close synergies with international conventions such as the Convention on the Transboundary Effects of Industrial Accidents (TEIA) /</p>

	<p>Implementation of natural hazard-triggered technological accident principles, and the Sendai Framework for Action.</p> <p>Specific Topic Conditions: Activities are expected to achieve TRL 5-7 by the end of the project</p>
Eligible Applicants:	<p>Any type of organisation can apply for Horizon Europe funding as long as they have the operational and financial capacity to carry out the tasks that they propose.</p> <p>For most calls for proposals, you must apply as a team of at least 3 partner organisations from 3 different EU or associated countries. At least one of the 3 partners must be from an EU country. In addition to these 3 partners, organisations from other countries might be able to join your consortium. Please consult the Horizon Europe programme guide. Further details or exceptions are listed on the pages of the call topics in the Funding & tenders portal.</p> <p>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.</p>
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Call Title:	CBRN-E detection capacities in small architecture HORIZON-CL3-2024-FCT-01-07
Programme:	HORIZON-IA HORIZON Innovation Actions
Objective:	<p>Expected Outcome:</p> <p>Projects' results are expected to contribute to all of the following outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improved vulnerability assessments by law enforcement and local managers of public spaces by detection of chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear and explosive (CBRN-E) threats in the public spaces and flow of public transport, in order to provide broader situational awareness to practitioners in the field; Enhanced planning capabilities of security practitioners and policy-makers due to the access of new data and identification of potential vulnerabilities connected to the design/refurbishment and improvement of different public spaces; Recommendations are provided for further improving safety and security-by-design approach to public spaces and mass transportation systems; Improved training of Police Authorities in collaboration with different public and private actors (e. g., crisis management and civil protection authorities, fire brigades, regulatory agencies, emergency health services, security managers, private security organisations, civil society groups etc.) to enhance their preparedness to attacks on public spaces; and

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enhanced modelling capabilities for security practitioners and policy-makers due to the identification of potential new vulnerabilities and data available, and improved support to planning of respective resources and activities.
Eligible Activities:	<p>Scope: Public spaces such as squares, sport venues, shopping districts, places of worship, and mass transport systems have been the target of terrorist attacks causing significant loss of lives and causing societal insecurity. Means to carry out such attacks range from sophisticated, and well-planned scenarios including several coordinated attackers using explosives and firearms, to low-cost, low-tech attacks making use of common products. Today specific urban furniture like benches, bus shelters, flower boxes, etc. already have double functions controlling access to protected areas, which answers to some of the low-cost attacks. The next logical step seems to expand their functions further and adopt new functionalities to better respond to the terrorist threats, such as for CBRN-E ones. The successful proposal should build on the publicly available achievements and findings of related previous national or EU-funded projects, as well as seek to exploit potential synergies with the successful proposal(s) funded under HORIZON-CL3-2024-BM-01-05: Detection and tracking of illegal and trafficked goods.</p> <p>In recent years, in some pilot actions some street furniture, including bins and bus shelters have become smart as they have been equipped with environmental sensors, wireless modules, or microcontrollers becoming part of the IoT infrastructure, and one of the components of the future smart cities. Proposals should focus on exploitation and integration of existing sensors within the public space small architectures. Traditional sensors and surveillance platforms like the Automatic Number-Plates Recognition (ANPR), cameras or image analysis systems are not in the scope of this topic unless their integration with new sensors is considered, and the added value of networked systems demonstrated. Proposals should present relevant challenges and opportunities for future applications of CBRN-E detection capacities in small architecture, including prospects of scalability, real-time processing, and cooperation of networked systems.</p> <p>Proposals funded under this topic are expected to engage with the Europol Innovation Lab during the lifetime of the project, including validating the outcomes, with the aim of facilitating future uptake of innovations for the law enforcement community.</p> <p>In this topic the integration of the gender dimension (sex and gender analysis) in research and innovation content should be addressed only if relevant in relation to the objectives of the research effort.</p> <p>Specific Topic Conditions: Activities are expected to achieve TRL 6-8 by the end of the project</p>
Eligible Applicants:	<p>Any type of organisation can apply for Horizon Europe funding as long as they have the operational and financial capacity to carry out the tasks that they propose.</p> <p>For most calls for proposals, you must apply as a team of at least 3 partner organisations from 3 different EU or associated countries. At least one of the 3 partners must be from an EU country. In addition to these 3 partners, organisations from other countries might be able to join your consortium. Please consult the Horizon Europe</p>

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