

TOTAL BUDGET	DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS
€3.000.000	November 15 th 2022 17:00 (Brussels time)
CALL GOALS	
<p>This call is for innovative SME, who can apply to the European Partnership on Innovative SMEs/Innowwide for a grant of 60,000 euros to assess the viability of their research or commercial ambitions in international markets. The aim of this call is to encourage the SMEs to take their R&I to markets all over the world. They have to choose a target region and country and find a local counterpart.</p> <p>Funding is for SMEs in European Union Member States or Horizon Europe Associated Countries partnering with a counterpart in Africa, North and South America, the Middle East or Asia-Pacific.</p> <p>This year, the European Partnership on Innovative SMEs/Innowwide will fund 50 projects (with up to 25 of those involving counterparts in Africa).</p>	
BENEFICIARIES AND CONDITIONS	
<p>Innovative SMEs, including young companies and startups from any sector:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Established in an EU Member State or a Horizon Europe Associated Country. Looking to compete and start business in new and emerging markets around the world. Engaged in an economic activity (selling products or providing services on the market at a given price). Meeting eligibility, financial viability and ethical criteria as specified in the guidelines. Self-employed, partnerships and associations or any other entity different from the above mentioned will not be eligible for EU Innowwide funding. 	
<p>Only one proposal per applicant SME per call is allowed.</p>	
<p>Eligibility criteria</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Complete application SME legal status* To receive Innowwide funding, you must be an SME. <p>SME stands for small and medium-sized enterprise as defined in European Union law (EU recommendation 2003/361).</p> <p>To be an SME, your company must fit the European Commission definition of an SME.</p> <p>You can also receive Innowwide funding if you are a start-up or young company.</p>	

3. Commitment signed by the local counterpart

You need to invite your counterpart (main subcontractor in the market feasibility project) to sign a commitment in the platform before you submit your project application.

4. Exclusive focus on civil applications

5. Declaration of honour

None of the participating organisations can have:

- convictions for fraudulent behaviour, other financial irregularities or unethical and illegal business practices,
- been bankrupt or be in the process of being declared bankrupt or
- be 'undertaking in difficulty' according to the EU definition (Article 2, no. 18 of COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) No 651/2014 of June 2014).

6. Six-month project duration

7. Minimum total project cost of 86,000 euro

The maximum funding rate is 70% of a funding amount fixed at 60,000 euro, so your total eligible project costs must be at least 86,000 euro.

Eligible costs include personnel, subcontracting and purchasing costs (travel and subsistence, equipment depreciation, other goods, works and services). See list of eligible activities in 'eligible activities' section.

8. Combination of eligible activities

To be eligible, your application must include market and technical activities and can include (but not exclusively) business development and promotion activities.

*In the case of African companies targeting EU Member States or Horizon Europe Associated Countries, the African company must also meet the SME legal status.

FUNDING CONDITIONS

Call budget

- 3 million euro to fund 50 projects
- 60,000 euro per market feasibility project

To be considered for funding, your application must score above the set threshold for each individual award criterion and be ranked in the top 50 projects (above the budget-threshold).

Funding will be allocated to applications ranked over threshold, financially and ethically viable according to the ranking list until the call available budget is exhausted.

Innowide financial support rate is up to 70% of minimum eligible costs of 86,000 euro. Each successful market feasibility project will receive a fixed grant of 60,000 euro.

The funding to each SME market feasibility project coordinator will be processed as follows:

1. An advance payment of 70% (42,000 euro) provided at the beginning of project implementation;
2. The remaining 30% (18,000 euro) transferred at the end of the market feasibility project, upon delivery and acceptance of a complete Final Report.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

- Applications will be submitted online via https://eureka.smartsimple.ie/s_Login.jsp
- Further information: <https://www.eurekanetwork.org/open-calls/innowide-2022-call-01>
[Funding & tenders \(europa.eu\)](https://www.eurekanetwork.org/open-calls/innowide-2022-call-01)