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Third call features

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Call main features

1. When? **20 MARCH – 7 JUNE 2024, 12 noon (CEST Paris time)**
2. How much? **Up to 130 MEUR**
3. About what? **All topics open**
4. From where? **All corners of the programme area**

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Timing of the call

12 weeks

Opening: 20 March 2024 (portal available)

Closing: 7 June 2024 at 12:00 CEST (Paris time)

Decision: end of 2024

Application pack available in early 2024



Topics of the call

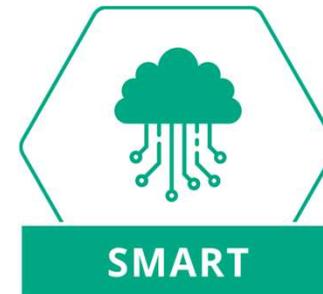
All topics open



Concentration principle (80%)



Insight into **topics**



Within 80%

- **Research and Innovation** capacities, uptake of advanced technologies
- **Digitisation** for citizens, companies, research organisations and public authorities
- Sustainable growth and **competitiveness of SMEs** and job creation in SMEs, including by productive investments
- **Skills** for smart specialisation, industrial transition & entrepreneurship
- **Digital connectivity**

Insight into **topics**



Within 80%

- **Energy efficiency** and reduction of greenhouse emissions
- **Renewable energy**
- **Smart energy systems, grids and storage**
- **Climate change** adaptation, disaster risk prevention, resilience
- **Access to water** and sustainable water management
- **Circular and resource efficient** economy
- **Protection and preservation of nature and biodiversity**, green infrastructures, pollution reduction
- **Sustainable urban mobility** for zero carbon economy

Insight into **topics**



Within 80%

- Effectiveness and inclusiveness of **labour market**, access to quality employment, social economy
- Equal access to **health care**, health systems resilience, family-based and community-based care
- **Culture and tourism** for economic development, social inclusion and social innovation

Insight into topics



- **Accesses to education, training and lifelong learning, distance and on-line education and training**
- **Inclusion of marginalised communities, low-income households and disadvantaged groups**
- **Socio-economic integration of third country nationals, including migrants**



- **Climate resilient, intelligent, secure, sustainable and intermodal TEN-T**
- **Sustainable, climate resilient, intelligent and intermodal national, regional and local mobility**



- **Sustainable integrated territorial development, culture, natural heritage, sustainable tourism and security**

Insight into **topics**



'Non-thematic' topics related to implementation of regional development policies

For example:

- evaluating and monitoring public intervention
- management of public procurement
- management of state aid
- management of financial instruments

Innovative character

What is the **added value** of your project?

Remember to check:

www.interregeurope.eu/approved-projects



Geographical coverage

- **Four areas (out of five) to be covered**
- **Participation of Swiss partners encouraged**

Geographical areas	Countries covered
North	Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Sweden
East	Austria, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia
South	Croatia, Cyprus, Greece, Italy, Malta, Portugal, Spain
West	Belgium, France, Ireland, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Switzerland
EU candidates	Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Moldova, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Serbia, Ukraine

First and second calls - **lessons learned**

On eligibility

- **Ensure that at least one instrument is an Investment for growth & jobs goal programme**
- **Check carefully the ‘policy responsible authority’ status of the organisations involved in the project**
- **Don’t prepare documents (e.g., declarations) at the last minute**

First and second call - lessons learned

On quality assessment

- **Partnership is key**
 - Broad geographical area (e.g., AL, BA, BG, ME, MK, SI and part of FR also in MED)
 - Balanced partnership (e.g., country representation, mix between more & less advanced regions)
 - Policy relevance of partners
- **Quality of results**
 - Innovative character (especially when partners come back on similar topic)
 - Expected policy improvements

Please justify when **programme recommendations** are not followed



Key to successful application

- **Thorough preparation**
 - Read carefully programme documents (e.g., the manual)
- **Assistance tools**
 - Use self-assessment tool
 - Ask for JS feedback (during open call)
 - Join assistance events
- **Get to know our selection process**
 1. Eligibility = ineligible proposals get no further assessment
 2. Quality criteria = meet programme expectations

Time for questions



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