New Research Collaboration Opportunities with Europe

HORIZON EUROPE 2026-2027

The European Union flagship **Horizon Europe** funding program for science and innovation has allocated **€14.8 billion** for 2026 and 2027 to support priorities that will drive the green and digital transitions and support global talent. The program also launches new cross-disciplinary calls to tackle major research and innovation challenges, and it expands the **Choose Europe** initiative.

Calls for proposals are now open and more will be launched throughout the year.

Seize the opportunity to get international exposure and test your ideas and research in a collaborative community!

- Apply by November 24 for Marie Skłodowska Curie Doctoral Networks 2026, promoting international collaboration — a unique opportunity for U.S. universities and research organizations to internationalize their PhD programs and connect with Europe's top research networks.
- Apply from December 8 for Marie Skłodowska Curie 2027 Choose Europe for Science calls for proposals, inviting researchers to advance their careers in Europe through world-class training and collaboration.
- Apply from December 8 for Marie Skłodowska Curie COFUND, which co-finances new or existing doctoral programs and postdoctoral fellowship schemes, aiming to spread the MSCA's best practices.
- Apply from December 15 for Marie Skłodowska Curie Staff Exchanges 2027, promoting innovative international, inter-sectoral and interdisciplinary collaboration.
- Apply by 12 January 2027 for the up to €2 million European Research Consolidator Grant, to consolidate your independence by establishing a research team and continuing to develop a successful career in Europe.
- Apply from 17 February 2027 for the up to €10 million ERC Synergy Grant to tackle ambitious research problems without predetermined priorities.
- Apply to one of the 7,000 research job offers on EURAXESS or one of the 101 National and Regional funding schemes.

Collaboration opportunities with Europe for researchers based in the U.S.

Researchers based in the U.S. are welcome to join the majority of Horizon Europe consortia on a self-funded basis. The EU has made participation easy: U.S. participants can join as an Associated Partner and do not sign a grant agreement. Joining a Horizon Europe consortium has considerable advantages. It provides access to the best research groups in Europe, in a privileged and secure environment, enabling you to advance your research faster.

Calls for proposals under Work Program 2026-2027 are published on the dedicated Funding and Tenders portal, and more calls will be released later in the year and in 2027. They are structured around six priority areas that fall under Horizon Europe's second pillar plus Research Infrastructures:

- Research Infrastructures: improving transnational access and training.
- Health: strengthening public health and healthcare resilience, leveraging biotechnology and Artificial Intelligence, developing critical medicines.
- Culture, Creativity & Inclusive Society: enhancing democratic governance and shaping social, economic, technological, and cultural transformations.

- Civil Security for Society: responding to rapidly changing threats and domestic security challenges.
- Digital, Industry and Space: digital technologies, high-performance computing, AI, robotics, critical space technologies, the net-zero industry and the circular economy.
- Climate, Energy, and Mobility: accelerating the twin green and digital transitions and the associated transformation of our economy, industry, and society.
- Food, Bioeconomy, Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment: reducing environmental degradation, halt and reverse the decline of biodiversity, better manage natural resources, and meet the EU's climate objectives.

How can you participate?

- Screen the calls for funding in the Work Program above by clicking on the area of interest (Health, Climate, etc.) and retrieve them in the Funding and Tenders Portal, also accessible via mobile app.
- On the Portal, explore the list of possible partners under each call for proposals or make your own announcement by clicking on the 'Partner Search Announcements' link on the page.
- Each cluster will arrange Information and Brokerage Days for upcoming calls, providing opportunities to discuss and refine your project ideas with potential partners, build collaborations, and join consortia. Please check this website for upcoming and past events.

Do not forget to reach out directly to your European peers and ask whether you can join their consortium if they plan to submit a proposal.

Get inspired

- Explore this world map to see who is already participating in Horizon Europe.
- You can also use the CORDIS database to find other researchers working in your research field.

Get the information you need

- Check here our short guide to help you get started.
- For detailed questions - reach out to the Research Enquiry Service or the U.S. National Contact Point for Horizon Europe - the National Council of University Research Administrators (NCURA).
- EURAXESS in North America shares all jobs opportunities under Horizon Europe and can also provide you with further guidance. Sign up to their Newsletter!

The European Union is a global leader in science and innovation. With academic freedom, reliable funding, and a culture of international collaboration, it offers an ideal environment for researchers to advance their careers.

Check out the links!