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Call 6: Advanced Digital Skills



Digital Skills & Jobs Platform

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Info Day for potential applicants

12 March 2024





Digital Skills and Jobs Platform & Girls and Women in Digital INFORMATION DAY FOR POTENTIAL APPLICANTS, 12 March 2024

10:30 - 10:45	Welcome and introduction (HaDEA) Agenda and procedure for Questions (HaDEA)	
10:45 - 11:00	DIGITAL-2024-ADVANCED-DIGITAL-06-SKILLS – Digital Skills and Jobs Platform Topic Briefing FAURE TILGAARD Vitis (DG CNECT)	
11:00 - 11:10	Q&As	
11:10 - 11:25	DIGITAL-2024-ADVANCED-SKILLS-06–WOMEN – Girls and Women in Digital Topic Briefing PRETTI Monica (DG CNECT)	
11:25 – 11:35	Q&As	
11:35 – 12:10	 General presentation on the application and evaluation steps KOYUNCU Basak (HaDEA) and SAARELA Maria (HaDEA) Organisational registration PIC numbers for application COPPEIN Henk (REA) and PUIU Florin (REA) 	
12:10 - 12:20	Q&As End of Info session	

Main objectives for today

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- To raise awareness on DIGITAL Europe Programme and the 6th Open Call for proposals on advanced digital skills
- To provide an information session with live Q&A, to feed into the relevant FAQ section on the Funding & Tenders Portal
- To encourage interested participants to submit their proposals, find project partners, and remain engaged with the services provided by the Platform, such as the "Partner for Digital Skills Networking Group"



Find partners for the open calls on DSJP

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• (DIGITAL-2024-ADVANCED-DIGITAL-06)

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• JOIN THE DISCUSSION



PARTNER 4 DIGITAL SKILLS NETWORKING GROUP

- Looking for partners?
- Click here to sign up to the main group, and dive into the dedicated discussion for each call to find like-minded partners to make your application stronger!



GIRLS AND WOMEN IN DIGITAL

- (DIGITAL-2024-ADVANCED-DIGITAL-06)
- LINK TO JOIN THE DISCUSSION

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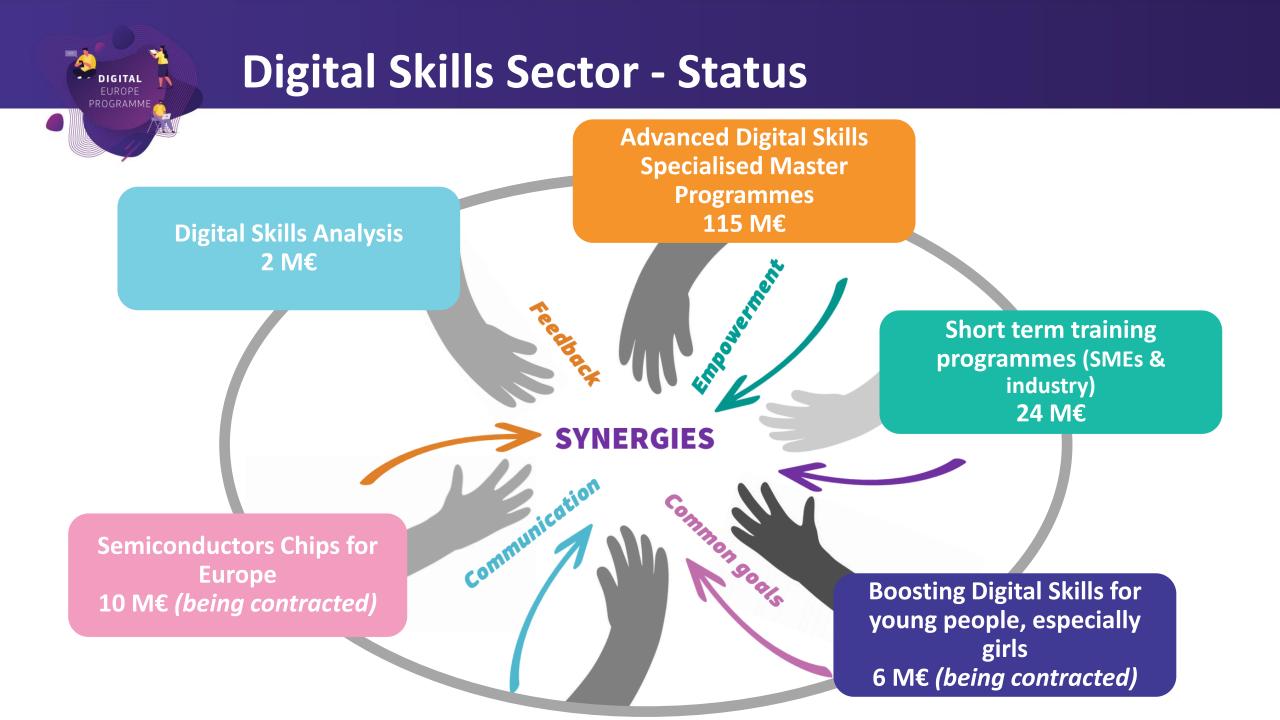
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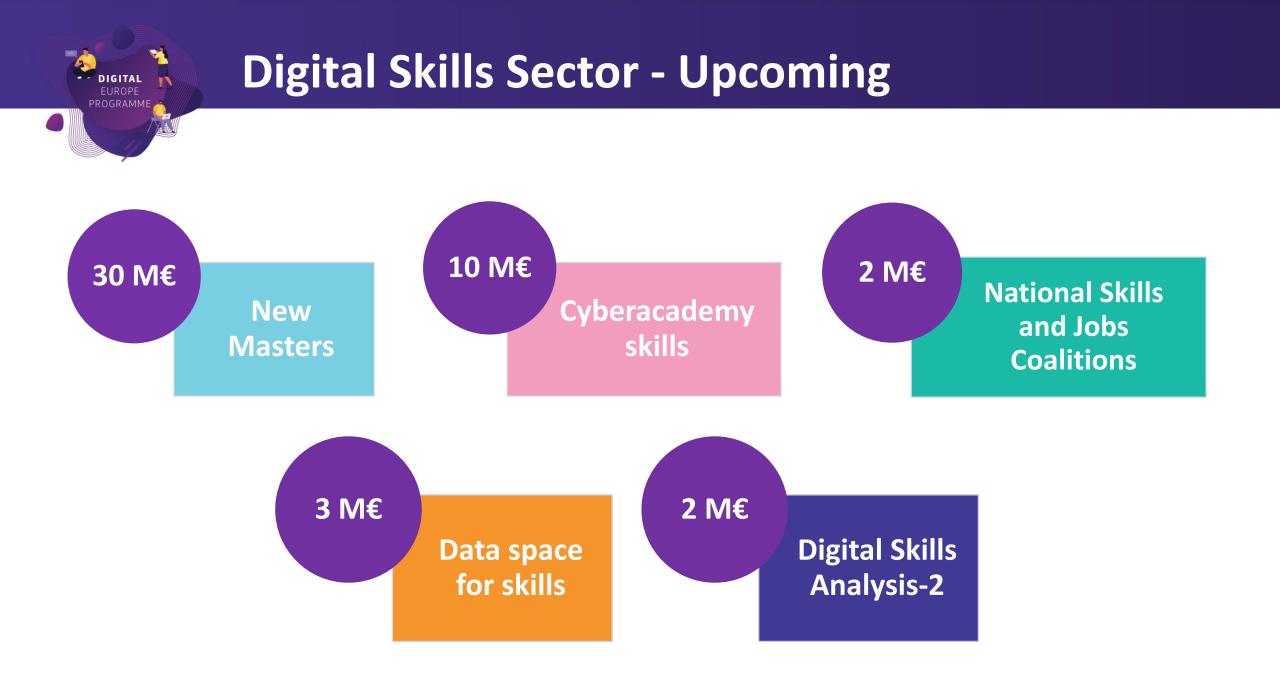


General overview The DIGITAL SKILLS sector The current Call

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Digital Call 6 – Overview of Topics

Call:	DIGITAL-2024-ADVANCED-DIGITAL-06 - Advanced Digital Skills	Type of Action	Funding Rate	Available budget
Topic:	DIGITAL-2024-ADVANCED-DIGITAL-06-SKILLS – Digital Skills and Jobs Platform	Coordination and Support Action (CSA)	100%	2 000 000 EUR

Call:	DIGITAL-2024-ADVANCED-SKILLS-06 – Advanced Digital Skills	Type of Action	Funding Rate	Available budget
Topic:	DIGITAL-2024-ADVANCED-SKILLS-06-WOMEN – Girls and Women in Digital	Coordination and Support Action (CSA)	100%	2 000 000 EUR

Digital Call 6 – Timeline

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Phases	Dates
Call opening	29 February 2024
Deadline for submission	29 May 2024 17:00:00 CET (Brussels)
Evaluation	June – July 2024
Information on evaluation results	July 2024
Grant Agreement Signature	February 2025



Advanced Digital Skills



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Why?

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- Digital Decade targets for 2030
 - at least 80 % of those aged 16-74 have at least basic digital skills
 - at least 20 million ICT specialists employed in Europe, while promoting the access of women
- National Coalitions and websites funded under CEF in 2019 and 2020
- The purpose of the call is to ensure the establishment of new National Coalitions and national websites in Member States that do not have one yet as well as the continued operation and expansion of activities of already established National Coalitions and national websites

What?

- Coordination and support action (CSA) grant for one consortium to manage the activities of existing and new National Coalitions
- Budget: EUR 2 million
- Duration: 24 months
- Managed by HaDEA



Call opening 29 February 2024	Deadline for submission 29 May 2024 17.00 (Brussels)	Evaluation 10 June 2024	Information on evaluation results July 2024	Grant Agreement signature February 2025
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Outcomes and deliverables

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Activity 1: Web development	 Development of one national website/database per participating Member State that do not have an established national website. The national website, serving as a "web antenna" (or link) to the Core Platform, must provide content and data on digital skills and jobs in a coherent and structured way in the official language(s) of the concerned country. Content must include interoperable links to the Core Platform as well as other national web antennas in line with the Technical Specifications. Upgrading and maintenance of the national websites in Member State where these have already been established Technical maintenance, support and security updates must be provided for the national website
Activity 2: Services, Content and Community related activities	 Presentation of the National Coalition and its members for new National Coalitions Presentation of relevant parts of the Core Platform content Create and implement an interoperable repository of good practices Create and implement an interoperable repository of resources on digital skills Present relevant and innovative training opportunities on advanced digital skills Present funding opportunities for digital skills at national and European level Events News production and skills intelligence Webinars/online events, peer-to-peer learning and exchange of experience Communication, promotion and community management
Activity 3: Post-editing and localisation of content	 All National Coalitions must provide translation of content and post-edit services from English to the official language(s) and vice versa, rendering content relevant for the local context. The national websites must reuse the information on the Core Platform by publishing it in their official language(s) (e.g. EU policy information, skills intelligence, selected good practices, events, news, funding opportunities, content relevant for national stakeholders and activities). Conversely, the National Coalitions will review English translations of their content for the Core Platform, which will disseminate information from the national websites (e.g. good practices, funding/training opportunities, events, news). The National Coalitions will access services from the European Commission's Machine Translation system eTranslation. They will need to review the texts translated into their official language(s) from the machine translation system and post-edit them before publishing. Similarly, the National Coalitions will also review the automatic translation into English of content from the national websites before publishing on the Core Platform.

Key Performance Indicators

- Presentation of the National Coalition and its members/activities in 4 categories
- Overview of relevant national and regional strategies with description
- Overview of EU initiatives and programmes in digital skills and jobs, relevant news and events
- Presentation of 20 good practices from the national/regional/local level, with in depth presentation of 3 good practices
- Presentation of 8 good practices from the Core Platform published on the national website
- Presentation of 10 resources on digital skills

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- Presentation of 50 training opportunities targeting different groups of end users
- Presentation of 10 national and international financing opportunities in the field of digital skills
- Publication of at least 20 relevant events in the calendar
- Publication of at least 3 original news/announcements per month
- Publication of at least 3 news/announcements per month transferred from the Core Platform
- Publication and distribution of 2 original press releases per year

Consortium composition

Proposals must be submitted by:

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- a consortium composed of a **minimum of 5 applicants** (beneficiaries; not affiliated entities) from 4 different countries of which:
 - minimum 4 applicants must be National Coalitions funded under the CEF-TC calls CEF-TC-2019-2 and CEF-TC-2020-2. All already established National Coalitions are highly encouraged to apply as members of the consortium.

Targeted stakeholders

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- As a single consortium will be responsible for ensuring that the activities are completed by all the National Coalitions, it is imperative that the consortium coordinator has experience in managing projects of this scale and scope.
- The consortium must ensure that they have the **sufficient technical knowledge** (including IT) required to achieve the activities.
- The following applicants are encouraged to apply as consortium members:
 - Established Digital Skills and Jobs National Coalitions funded under the CEF-TC calls in 2019 and 2020
 - Private, public or civil society organisations who are in a position to a manage project of this scale and scope
 - Private or public organisations who have the technical knowledge (including IT) required to achieve the activities

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.:
 - EU Member States (including overseas countries and territories)
 - non-EU countries:
 - listed EEA countries and countries associated to the Digital Europe Programme

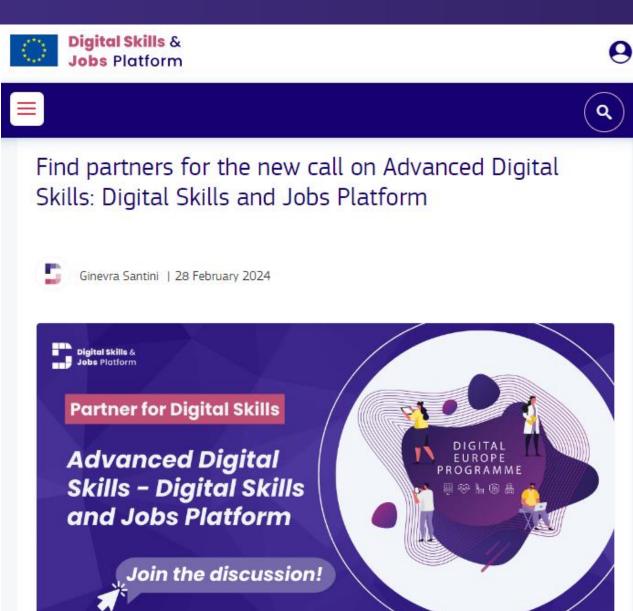
Financial support to third parties (FSTP)

- Already established National Coalitions are encouraged to apply to the call as part of the consortium
- National Coalitions both news ones and those already established can be supported through FSTP (maximum EUR 150.000 per third party)

• The consortium will be responsible for determining how they will use FSTP as well as the budget (which should be reasonably balanced with the project budget to be used by the consortium) and its composition (e.g. to include the possibility of using additional funding such as national funding)

Online Discussion page

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Q&A session



EUROPE DIGITAL PROGRAMME: SO4 – Specific Objective 4 *Advanced Digital Skills*

'Girls and Women in Digital'

Monica PRETTI DG CONNECT Info Day 12 March 2024



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Background to the Call

• Women are still significantly under-represented in ICT.



2023 Report on the State of the ≺ Digital Decade <u>Target</u>: employing at least 20 million ICT specialists in the Union by 2030 + promoting the access of women to this field (= gender convergence) & increasing the number of ICT graduates.

- Critical for successful <u>digital transformation</u>:
 ✓ ensuring enough ICT specialists in the EU;
 ✓ leveraging women's contributions to the sector;
 - ✓ building an **inclusive & competitive** Europe.



Description of the Call

'Girls	Type of Action: Coordination & Support Action (CSA)
and Women -	Budget: EUR 2 Million
in	<u>EU Financing</u> : 100%
Digital'	Duration: 24 months



Main Objectives of the Call

1. Identifying OBSTACLES

• girls and women encounter when choosing educational and professional pathways in ICT.

2. Showing ACTIONS & MEASURES

• to boost girls' and women's representation in the digital sector.

3. Creating a NETWORK/COMMUNITY

• to stay informed about effective best practice to encourage and support female participation in ICT across Europe.



Scope of the Call (1)

1. Monitoring Member States 2. Establishing Network/Community

3. Analysing Gender Gap in ICT 4. Providing Recommendations for Actions



Scope of the Call (2)



Actions where financial support to third parties or FSTP is possible.

Establishing network/community

- Identifying participation

- Engaging network/community Analysing Gender Gap in ICT

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Info collection

Comparison

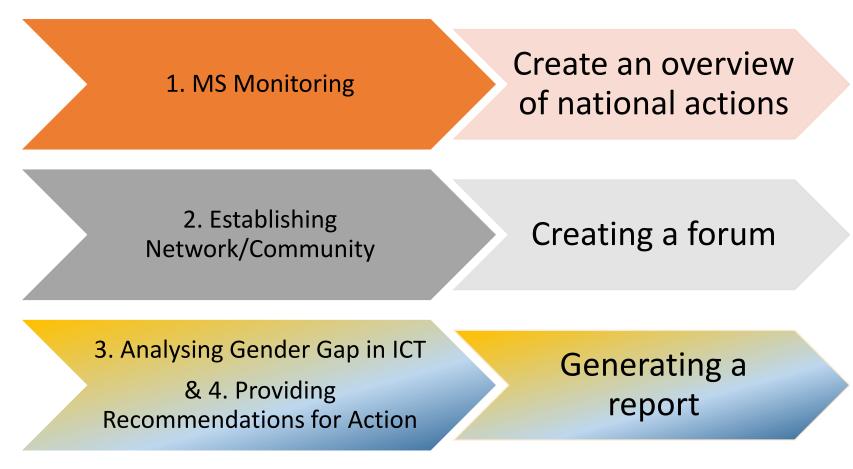
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Providing recommendation for actions

Clear, relevant, feasible.



Outcomes of the Call





Consortium Composition & Targeted Applicants for the Call

CONSORTIUM APPLICANTS

Minimum 3 independent applicants;

 \Box From 3 different eligible countries.

Civil society and research organisations as well as businesses.



Q&A session



Submitting a proposal via the Funding & Tenders Portal

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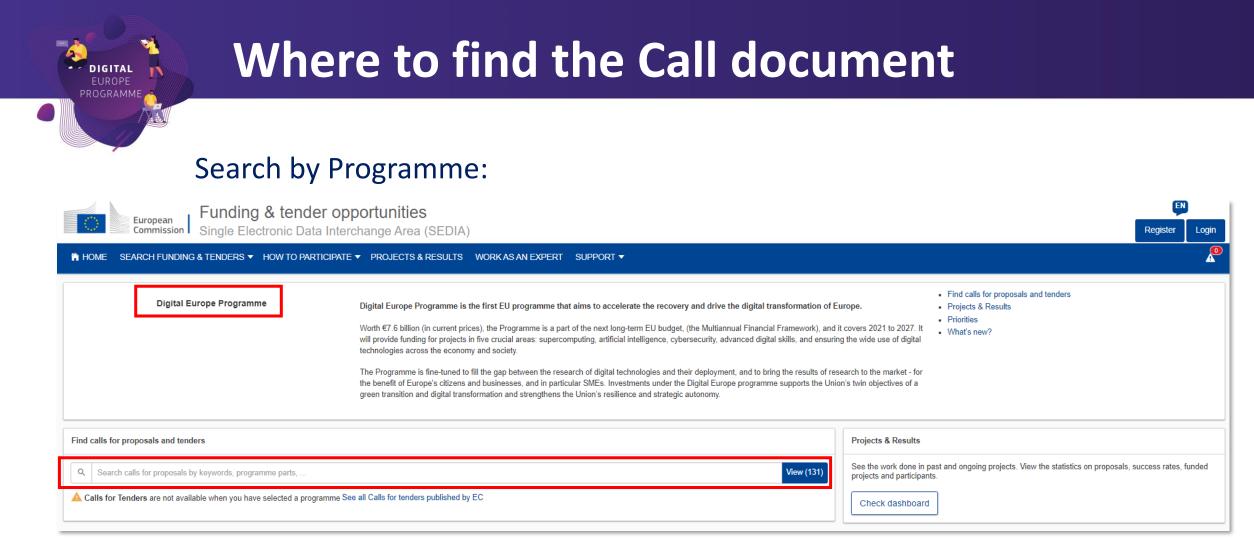
Where to find the Call document

Funding and Tenders Portal:

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https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/home

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Customs Programme (CUST)	Digital Europe Programme (DIGITAL)	Erasmus+ (ERASMUS+)	EU External Action (RELEX)	EU4Health Programme (EU4H)	Euratom Research and Training Programme (EURATOM)	or by Topic IDs: DIGITAL-2024-ADVANCED-DIGITAL-06-SKILLS
Europe Direct (ED)	European Defence Fund (EDF)	European Maritime, Fisheries and Aquaculture Fund (EMFAF)	European Parliament (CD)	European Social Fund + (ESF)	European Solidarity Corps (ESC)	DIGITAL-2024-ADVANCED-SKILLS-06- WOMEN
Fiscalis Programme (FISC)	Horizon Europe (HORIZON)	Information Measures for the EU Cohesion policy (IMREG)		Internal Security Fund (ISF)	Interregional Innovaux. Investments Instrument (I3)	\rightarrow or by Programme \rightarrow
Just Transition Mechanism (JTM)	Justice Programme (JUST)	Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument – Global Europe (NDICI)	Pilot Projects and Preparation Actions (PPPA)	Programme for the Environment and Climate Action (LIFE)	Programme for the Protection of the Euro against Counterfeiting (PERICLES IV)	
Promotion of Agricultural Products (AGRIP)	Research Fund for Coal & Steel (RFCS)	Single Market Programme (SMP)	Social Prerogative and Specific Competencies Lines (SOCPL)	Technical Support Instrument (TSI)	Union Anti-fraud Programme (EUAF)	
Union Civil Protection Mechanism (UCPM)	Union Renewable Energy Financing Mechanism (RENEWFM)					



Search by Call ID, topic ID or Keywords, e.g: DIGITAL-2024-ADVANCED-DIGITAL-06-**SKILLS** DIGITAL-2024-ADVANCED-SKILLS-06-**WOMEN**

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General information	Programme Digital Europe Programme (DIGITAL)	[€ Budget overview
Topic description	Call Advanced Digital Skills (DIGITAL-2024-ADVANCED-DIGITAL-06)		
Conditions and documents Partner search announcements	Type of action	Type of MGA	(Forthcoming)
Start submission	DIGITAL-CSA DIGITAL Coordination and Support Actions	DIGITAL Action Grant Budget-Based [DIGITAL-AG]	
Topic related FAQ	Deadline model single-stage	Planned opening date 29 February 2024	Deadline date 29 May 2024 17:00:00 Brussels time
Get support			
← Go back to search results	Topic description		
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Where to find the Call document

Call/topic page: Topic conditions and documents

Digital Skills and Jobs Pl	latform
DIGITAL-2024-ADVANCED-DIGIT	AL-06-SKILLS
Topic Call for proposal	
Internal navigation <	Topic conditions and documents
General information	Conditions
Topic description	
Conditions and documents	1. Admissibility conditions: described in section 5 of the call document
	Proposal page limits and layout: described in Part B of the Application Form available in the Submission System
Partner search announcements	2. Eligible countries: described in section 6 of of the call document
Start submission	3. Other eligibility conditions: described in section 6 of the call document
Topic related FAQ	4. Financial and operational capacity and exclusion: described in section 7 of the call document
Get support	5. Evaluation and award:
outsupport	Award criteria, scoring and thresholds: described in section 9 of the call document
← Go back to search results	 Submission and evaluation processes: described section 8 of the call document and the Online Manual Indicative timeline for evaluation and grant agreement: described in section 4 of the call document
	6. Legal and financial set-up of the grants: described in section 10 of the call document
	Documents
_	CALL DOCUMENT
	Standard application form — call-specific application form is available in the Submission System
	Digital Europe General MGA v1.0
	Digital Europe Programme Regulation 2021/964
	Digital Europe Work Programme 2023-2024 EU Financial Regulation 2018/1046

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Outline of the Call document

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Section 2 – Topic specific:

- Objectives (see also <u>DEP Work Programme</u>)
- Scope
- Outcomes and deliverables
- KPIs to measure outcomes and deliverables
- Targeted stakeholders
- Type of action and funding rate
- Specific topic conditions

As of Section 3 \rightarrow Common to the call, incl. exceptions



How to submit a successful proposal

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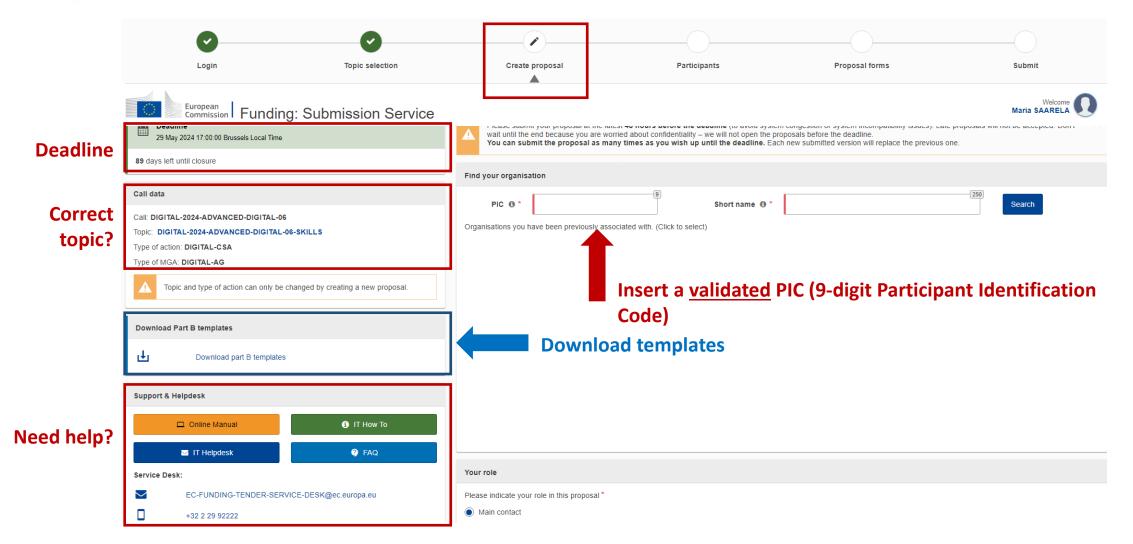
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Conditions and documents				
Partner search announcements	To access the Electronic Submission Service, please click on the submission-button next to the type of action and the type of model grant agreement that corresponds to your proposal. You will then be asked to confirm your choice, as it cannot be changed in the submission system. Upon confirmation, you will be linked to the correct entry point.			
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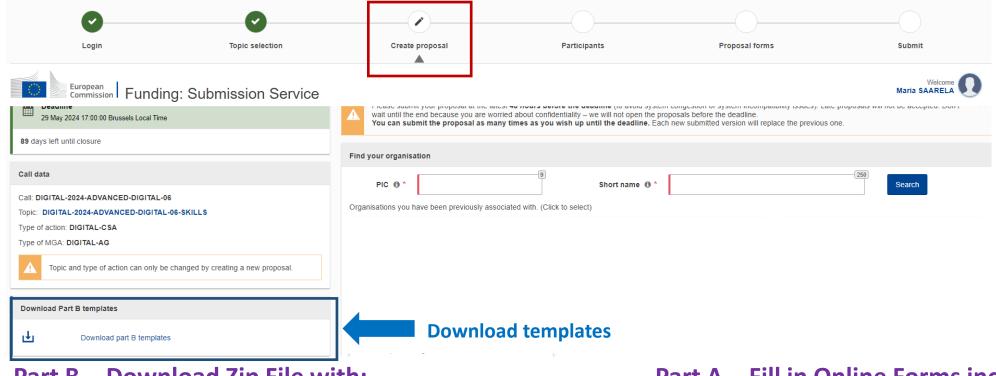
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<u>Part B</u> - Download Zip File with:

- Tpl_Application Form (Part B) (DEP).rtf
- Tpl_Ownership Control Declaration (DEP, HE, EDF and CEF-DIG).rtf

Ownership Control Declaration NOT applicable for the 2 topics. Do NOT fill in, do NOT upload

<u>Part A</u> - Fill in Online Forms including:

- 1. General information (title, acronym, abstract...)
- 2. Participants details
- 3. Budget
- 4. Other questions Ethics & Security issues table



Part A & Part B



Part A of the proposal

Information on this slide has been updated after the Info Day

Part A – administrative forms				
Section 1 – General information	Call, Topic, Type of Action, Type of Model Grant Agreement, Proposal number, acronym, title, duration, Keywords, Declarations			
Section 2 – Participants	Information on the applicants and consortium partners			
Section 3 – Budget	Budget allocation per costs category and per partner			
Section 4 – Other Questions	Ethics and/or Security issues table - <u>must be completed</u> for both topics			



Ethics table – NOT applicable for any of the topics Security table – applicable for both topics

Security issues table			
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Part B of the proposal

Part B – technical description			
Section 1 – Relevance In line with Award Criteria 1	 1.1 Objectives and activities 1.2 Contribution to long-term policy objectives, policies and strategies — Synergies 1.3 Digital technology supply chain* 1.4 Financial obstacles* 		
Section 2 – Implementation In line with Award Criteria 2	2.1 Maturity2.2 Implementation plan and efficient use of resources2.3 Capacity to carry out the proposed work		
Section 3 – Impact In line with Award Criteria 3	 3.1 Expected outcomes and deliverables – dissemination and communication 3.2 Competitiveness and benefits for society 3.3 Environmental sustainability and contribution to European Green Deal goals* 		



Part B Sections **1.3, 1.4** and **3.3** are **NOT APPLICABLE** for the any of the topics. Leave empty in Part B. Part B Page limit for both topics (CSA): **50 pages.** Annexes do not count towards the page limit.

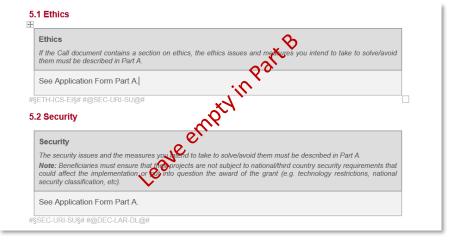


Part B of the proposal

Part B – technical description			
Section 4 – WORK PLAN	Work plan, Work Packages, Staff effort, Subcontracting, Purchases and equipment, Other cost categories, Timing (Gantt)		
Section 5 - OTHER Ethics, Security – leave empty in Part B; fill in tables in Part A			
Section 6 - DECLARATIONS Information concerning other EU grants – must be completed for all to Financial support to third parties – applicable for both topics			
ANNEXES	List of previous projects (annex 4 to Part B) – mandatory for both topics		



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Submission service – Part B and Annexes DIGITAL PROGRAMME Part B and Annexes Welcome European Commission Maria SAARELA Funding: Submission Service ~ Topic selection Login Create proposal Participants Proposal forms Submit Part B and Annexes In this section you may upload the technical annex of the proposal (in PDF format only) and any other requested attachments. **Part B** – Mandatory for all topics Part B 0 Upload 🛆 **List of Previous projects -** Mandatory for both topics List of previous projects Upload 🛆 6 **Ownership Control Declaration** – Not applicable for these topics **Ownership control declaration** 6 Upload 🛆 Other annexes 6 Upload \Delta

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Submission service – Validate

Validating and Warnings:

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Award criteria



Award criteria

Award criteria and sub-criteria are in line with the Part B sections

1. RELEVANCE	2. IMPLEMENTATION	3. IMPACT
1.1 Alignment with the objectives and activities as described in section 2	2.1 Maturity of the project	3.1 Extent to which the project will achieve the expected outcomes and
1.2 Contribution to long-term policy	2.2 Soundness of the implementation plan and efficient use of resources	deliverables referred to in the call for proposals and, where relevant, the plans
objectives, relevant policies and strategies, and synergies with activities at European and national level	2.3 Capacity of the applicants, and when applicable the consortium as a whole, to	to disseminate and communicate project achievements
1.3 Extent to which the project would reinforce and secure the digital technology supply chain in the EU*		3.2 Extent to which the project will strengthen competitiveness and bring important benefits for society
1.4 Extent to which the project can overcome financial obstacles such as the lack of market finance*		3.3 Extent to which the project addresses environmental sustainability and the European Green Deal goals , in terms of direct effects and/or in awareness of environmental effects*



* Sub-criteria 1.3, 1.4 and 3.3 are **NOT APPLICABLE** for any of the topics For further details, refer to the Call Document - Section 2 - *Specific topic conditions*



Award criteria & thresholds

Award criteria	Minimum pass score per criterion	Minimum pass score per proposal	Maximum score per criterion	Maximum score per proposal
Relevance	3		5	
Implementation	3	10	5	15
Impact	3		5	

For a proposal to be considered for funding, it **MUST**:

1. Pass the individual award criteria threshold for all criteria: 3

AND

- 2. Obtain an overall score of or above: 10
- All proposals that are scored *below* these thresholds will be rejected.
- Only proposals *above* these thresholds and within the limits of the *available call budget*, can be funded.
- For further details, please refer to the Call Document Section 9 <u>Award Criteria</u>



Topic specific FAQs Submitting questions Guidance & Manuals

Topic related FAQs & Get support

European Funding & tender opportunities

Commission Single Electronic Data Interchange Area (SEDIA)

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Data Space for Cultural heritage

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DIGITAL-2023-CLOUD-DATA-AI-05-CULTHERITAGE

Topic Call for proposal				
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General information				
Topic description	For the topic DIGITAL-2023-CLOUD-DATA-AI-05-CULTHERITAGE, what does 3D and XR scenario mean? Please define the term scenario. For the purpose of this Call, scenario should be one or more new 3D model(s) in an extended reality application, following a concrete, fully developed use case. In the context of the			
Conditions and documents	For the topic DIGITAL-2023-CLOUD-DATA-AI-05-CULTHERITAGE, is the cost of creating an online portal/website eligible or only the costs of presenting the project on the participants' existing websites?			
Partner search announcements	As stated on page 24 of the Call document: project websites: communication costs for presenting the project on the participants' websites or social media accounts are eligible; costs			
Start submission	For topic DIGITAL-2023-CLOUD-DATA-AI-05-CULTHERITAGE, under "Outcomes and deliverables" it is stated "the project should" does this mean that the project MUST satisfy ALL the points or it is possible to satisfy only some? It should address all points. However, for the first point: Produce frameworks, tools, technologies, storage, open-source software and processing capacities for making advanced 3D an			
Topic related FAQ				
Get support	For the topic DIGITAL-2023-CLOUD-DATA-AI-05-CULTHERITAGE, in footnote number 13 on page 8 of the call document, it is stated that the existing "source code" can be used, does it also have to be "published with an open source license", that is, public? If the source code used was not previously published, source code used for the project shall be made public under an open source license, if the proposal is selected for funded.			
Call updates	Do we interpret correctly that the cost of the equipment is acceptable in 100% amount, since it is stated on page 24 of the call document:" - equipment costs:- FULL COST for the topic DIGITAL-2023-CLOUD-DATA-AI-05-CULTHERITAGE.			
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IT Helpdesk – Contact the IT helpdesk for questions such as forgotten passwords, access rights and roles, technical aspects of submission of proposals, etc.				
Online Manual – Step-by-step online guide thro	ugh the Portal processes from proposal preparation and submission to reporting on your on-going project. Valid for all 2021-2027 programmes.			
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Support overview		
GRANTS TENDERS	Popular support topics	
Support by type	EU Login Online manual	How can I acquire roles and access rights for proposals, projects or FAQ ?
□ ? <u>(</u>)	How to change the EU Login account details? FAQ	How to update my organisation data? FAQ
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	How to assign PLSIGN? FAQ	SIME Self Evaluation
	How do I fill in my bank account as an expert? FAQ ?	Where can I find the National Contact Points (for Horizon Europe)? Helpdesks



Final tips for applicants



- Admissibility requirements:
 - Application form is readable before uploading Part B, check that it has been correctly converted to PDF and that there are no missing parts or missing tables.
 - Always use the **standard template Part B**, downloaded from the submission system (not an old copy or own format).
 - List of previous projects mandatory Annex (see template in Part B)
- Eligibility requirement:
 - **Consortium composition compliance is a must** Read carefully Section 6 of the call document and section *Targeted Stakeholders*.

Final tips for applicants

• Ethics and Security issues tables in Part A:

- <u>Security</u>: Applicable for **both topics**.
- Ethics: Not applicable for any of the topics.
- Mark with great attention the **relevant Security issues** when applicable.
- When marking any security issues, include the corresponding proposal Part B page in the respective table.
- Award Criteria:
 - Take into account the **award criteria** as detailed in the Call document and follow that logic in your application to provide all necessary information.

Final tips for applicants

• Page Limit:

- **50 pages** for both topics. Any additional pages will not be taken into account.
- Deadline:
 - **Do not submit your proposal on the last day** to avoid last minute or technical problems! Resubmission before the deadline is possible.
- Overlaps/double funding risk:
 - The system detects similarities between proposals. This has serious legal implications.
 - Reply relevant questions in Part A carefully.
- Updates to the Call/Topics:
 - Please regularly check Funding & Tenders Portal for possible updates to the call or topics



Thanks for your attention

For any questions after today's session please submit them through the functionality in the F&T Portal <u>https://european-union.europa.eu/contact-eu/write-us_en</u>



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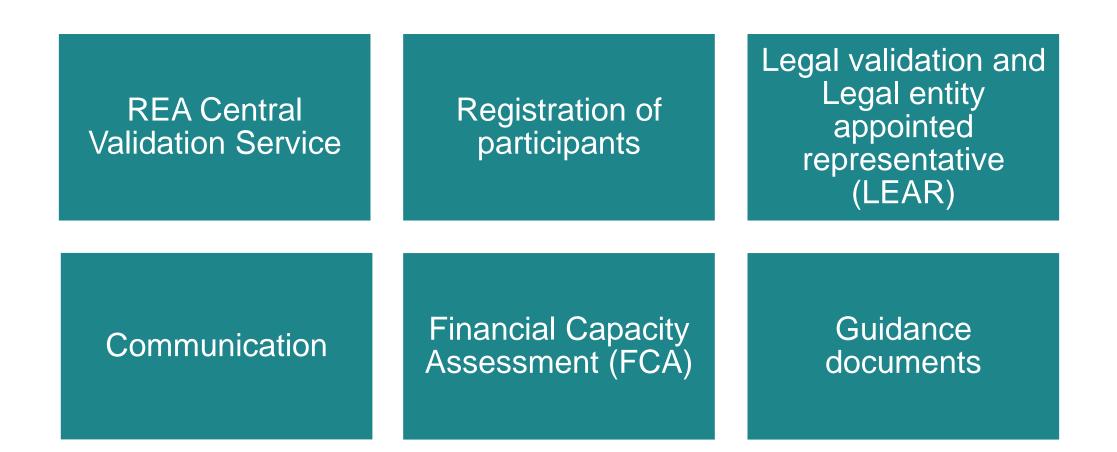


REA Central Validation Service

Getting started -Registering your organisation

Florin PUIU Henk COPPEIN VALIDATION PLANNING

Presentation Outline





REA Central Validation Service (REA CVS)

- Verifies legal existence and legal statuses of entities
- Validates the appointment of Legal Entity Appointed Representatives (LEARs)
- Validates legal changes of validated entities
- Assesses universal takeovers (UTROs) of validated entities
- Encoding Bank Account requests
- Prepares the Financial Capacity Assessment
- Performs ownership control analyses for specific programmes
- Performs ex-post status verifications (e.g. SME & MID cap status checks)



Registration of an organisation (at proposal stage)

Participant Register

If you want to participate in a call for proposals or in a call for tenders with eSubmission, your organisation needs to be registered and have a 9-digit Participant Identification Code (PIC). Please quote your PIC in all correspondence with the Commission.

The register contains all participants of EU programmes.

Is your organisation already registered? PIC search

Please check whether your organisation has already been registered. If so, no need to register it again.

Search a PIC

Search for a registered organisation

Register your organisation

To register your organisation or as a natural person, you need to login into the Portal or, if you are a new user, create your account.

Check what information you need to register in the Online Manual - and keep it to hand during the registration procedure. To start registration, click on the button below.

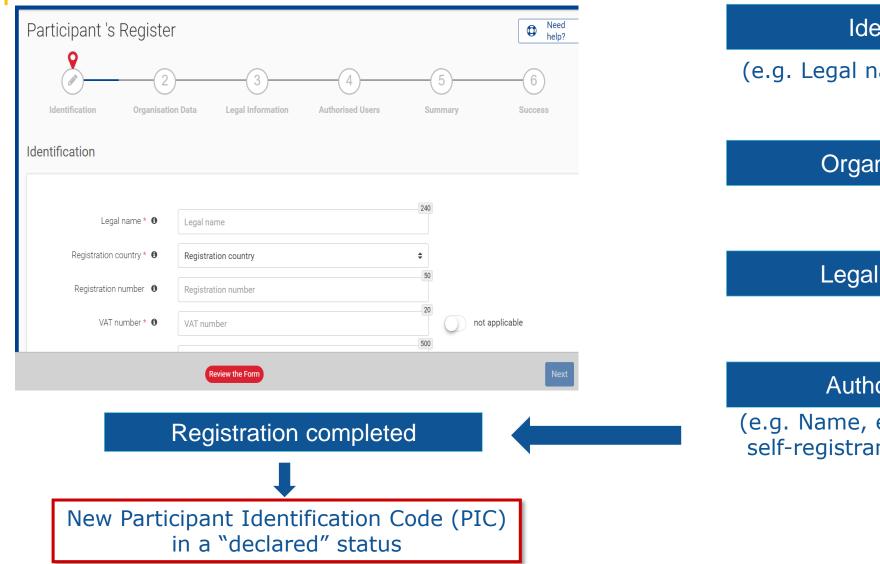
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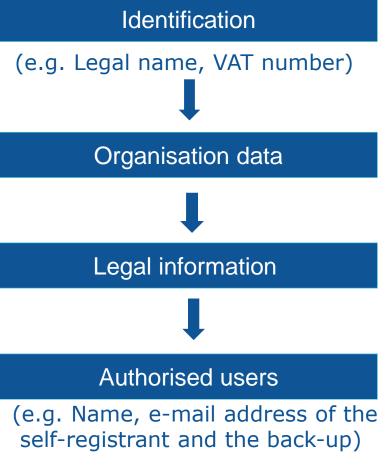




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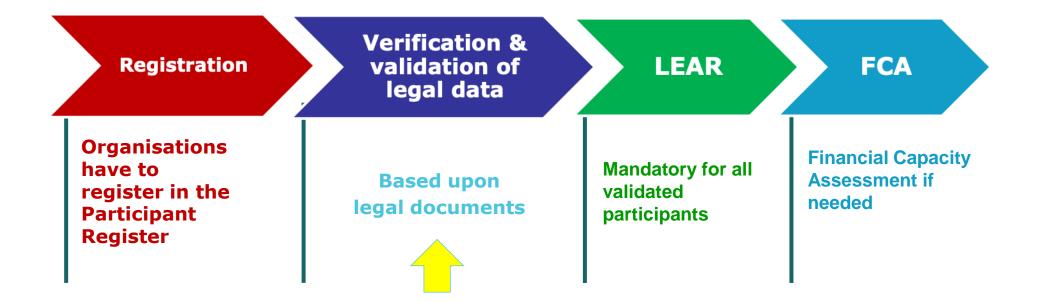
How to register in the Participant Register







Validation Process Overview



COMMUNICATION VIA PARTICIPANT REGISTER



Legal validation

- Registration data is verified by REA Central Validation Service before the signature of the Grant Agreement or Contract
- The legal validation of a participant is done **once**, when the entity has to sign its first Grant Agreement or Contract and it is reused for future participations in EU grant and procurement actions
- Validation is always performed on the basis of supporting documents, in accordance to EU Financial Regulation and the <u>Rules on Legal Entity Validation, LEAR</u> <u>Appointment and Financial Capacity Assessment</u> for EU Grants and Tenders



Legal validation documents

✓ Legal entity form (template to be completed, dated, stamped and signed)

- ✓ VAT extract (< 1 year)</p>
 - ✓ If not registered for VAT proof of VAT exemption
- ✓ **Registration extract** (< 1 year) for private law bodies
- ✓ Law/decree/decision for public law bodies
- ✓ **Treaty** for international organisations
- ✓ **Statutes** for non-profit organisations



Communication (e.g. request to submit legal documents or to appoint a LEAR)

All communication is exclusively managed through the Participant Register

European Commission <EC-NO-REPLY-GRANT-MANAGEMENT@nomail.ec.europa.eu>

to me 👻

Europa / Funding & Tenders Portal notification

Dear User,

You have been granted the role of Self Registrant for the organisation arquicios.

In order to access your organisation data on the Funding & Tenders Portal/Supplier portal, you need to log in on the F&T Portal/Supplier Portal. If you did not have an EU Login yet, it was launched automatically for a separate e-mail with a hyperlink to finalise your account.

For more information on the Funding & Tenders Portal roles, please refer to the <u>Online Manual</u> if you participate in the <u>programmes</u> <u>managed on the Funding & Tenders Portal</u>.

For more information on the roles for e-Procurement, please refer to the e-Procurement wiki page, if you participate in a tender call.

With kind regards, EU Single Electronic Data Interchange Area - F&T Portal team

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Messages are notified via e-mail to the contact person (i.e. self-registrant or the appointed LEAR)



Access lost to a declared or valid PIC

Declared PIC

- In case the self-registrant left the organisation and no one has access to a declared PIC
 - a new PIC needs to be created and REA CVS informed

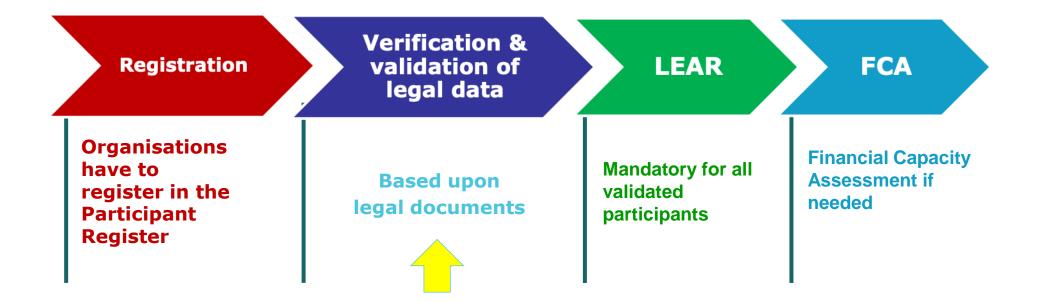
Valid PIC

• If the LEAR is not available anymore and there are no Account Administrators, a new LEAR needs to be appointed – LEAR recovery procedure

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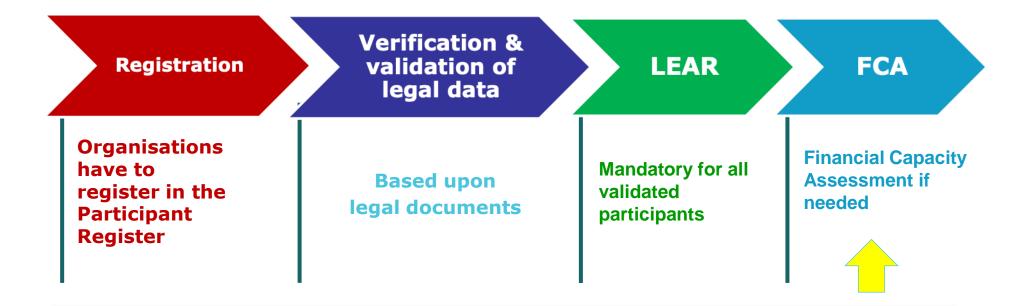
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When is the FCA needed?

✓ ALL beneficiaries, except for:

public bodies (including local, regional or national authorities)

individual request grant amount less than 60 000 EUR

If FCA must be checked, you will be contacted by the Central Validation Service via Participant Register in the F&T Portal.

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For EU-contribution above EUR 750.000

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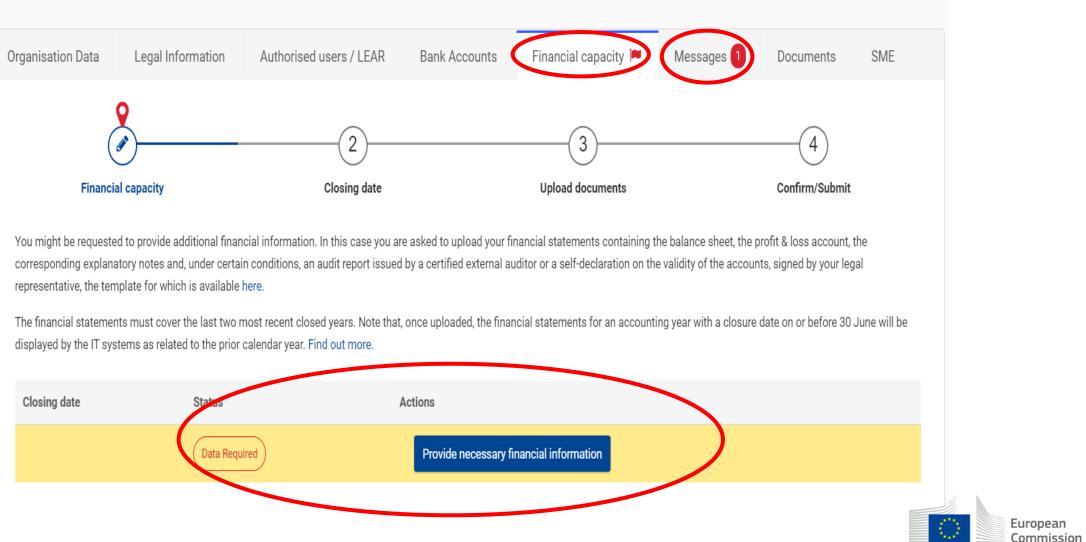
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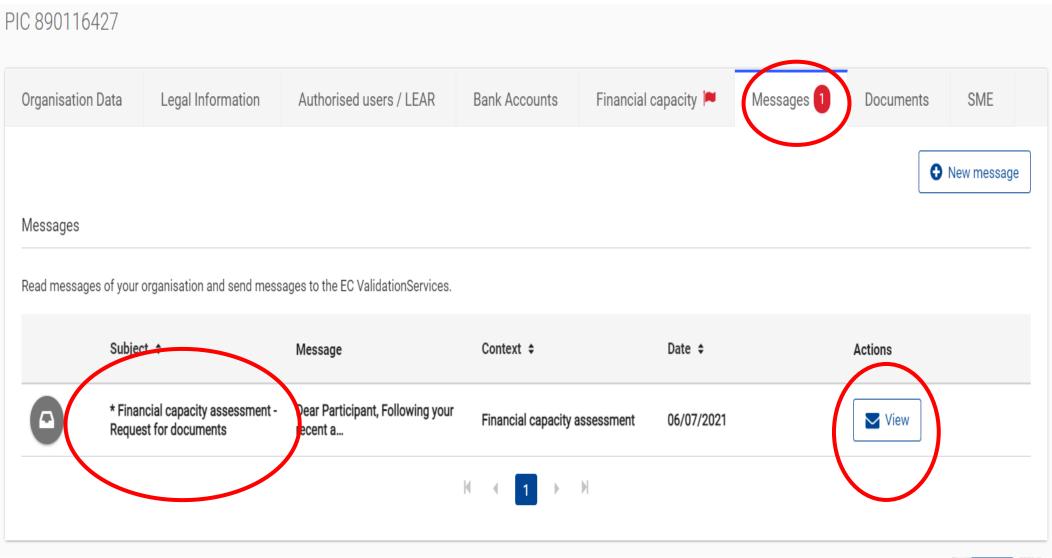
Once completed, the assessment is valid for 18 months from the closing date

Financial Capacity Assessment: Requests in Participant Register

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Financial Capacity Assessment: Requests in Participant Register





Guidance documents

Rules on Legal validation, LEAR appointment and financial capacity assessment: <u>https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/docs/2021-</u> <u>2027/common/guidance/rules-lev-lear-fca_en.pdf</u>

How to register in the Participant Register:

https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/funding-tenders-opportunities/display/OM/Online+Manual

Online Manual, IT How to, IT and RES Helpdesk and specific FAQs on the Funding and Tenders Portal: <u>https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/support/support</u>



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