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European Partnership «Key Digital Technologies»

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► Introduction – Key Digital Technologies (KDT) Partnership

- □ Public-private partnership supported by the European Commission, the Participating States and 3 European Industry Associations (Aeneas, Inside, EPoSS)
- Aims to maintain the European Electronics Components and Systems industry at the technological forefront and contribute to boosting the EU's competitiveness, including that of its industries by providing essential components and software and related manufacturing infrastructure
- ☐ Annual Work Programmes under Horizon Europe Cluster 4
- ☐ Implementation of research and innovation large scale projects (25-50 Participants, € 15-50 M. per Project) by transnational consortia which consist organisations from the participating countries in the Programme
- □ Calls cover Research and Innovation Actions (RIA) and Innovation Actions (IA)
- ☐ General Calls covering ECS-SRIA 2023, and Calls on Focus Topics











Key Digital Technologies (KDT) Partnership – 2023 Calls for Proposals

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- ☐ HORIZON-KDT-JU-2023-1-IA-Topic-1- Global call according to SRIA 2023 (IA)
- HORIZON-KDT-JU-2023-1-IA-Focus-Topic-2- Focus topic 6G Integrated Radio Front-End for TeraHertz Communications (IA)
- HORIZON-KDT-JU-2023-1-IA- Focus-Topic-3-Focus topic on Integration of trustworthy Edge AI technologies in complex heterogeneous components and systems (IA)
- ☐ HORIZON-KDT-JU-2023-1-IA- Focus-Topic-4- Focus Topic on Electronic Control Systems (ECS) for management & control of decentralized energy supply & storage (IA)

Research and Innovation Actions

- ☐ HORIZON-KDT-JU-2023-2-RIA-Topic-1- Global call according to SRIA 2023 (RIA)
- ☐ HORIZON-KDT-JU-2023-2-RIA Focus Topic 2- Focus Topic on Hardware abstraction layer for a European Vehicle Operating System (RIA)













European Partnerships – Key Digital Technologies (KDT) Programme (1)

- National Funding Scheme for the support of local Organisations wishing to participate in Projects of the KDT Partnership
- ☐ Aims to:
 - ✓ Encourage local enterprises and other organisations to participate in transnational research and development projects in the Electronic Components and Systems areas
 - ✓ Promote the networking and collaboration between Cypriot and foreign organisations through the participation in transnational industrial research and development projects
- ☐ Budget: **€ 3.000.000** for 2021-2027









European Partnerships – Key Digital Technologies (KDT) Programme (2)

2023 Calls for Proposals:

- **Budget for the Cypriot Organisations:** € 3.000.000
- Announcement Date (for the KDT Calls): 24 February 2023
- **□** Funding per Project (for Cypriot partners): € 500.000
- Funding Intensity: According to the type of participants, the eligible activities and the EU funding rate
- **☐** Deadlines (for the KDT Calls):
 - ✓ Proposal Outline: 3 May 2023, 17:00 Brussels Time
 - ✓ Full Proposal: 19 September 2023, 17:00 Brussels Time
- **☐** Submission Deadlines to the RIF:
 - ✓ Proposal Outline: 10 May 2023, 13:00 Local Time
 - ✓ Full Proposal: 25 September 2023, 13:00 Local Time













Specific Conditions for Participation

- Host Organisation (of the Cypriot Consortium) could be an Enterprise, a Research Organisation or an Other Private or Public Organisation
 Research Organisations, Enterprises and Other Private or Public Organisations can participate as Partner Organisations (in the Cypriot Consortium)
 Maximum number of organisations in the Cypriot Consortium should be between
- Participation of Large Enterprises is only permitted when an SME is also participating in the Cypriot Consortium.
- Participation of startups is not allowed except for those with marketable products/services, with a record for sales and turnover and audited financial statements for at least two (2) years.

☐ For Innovation Actions:

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- > The participation of an **SME in the Cypriot Consortium is obligatory**
- ➤ At least 30% of the Cypriot consortium's participants budget should be allocated to Enterprises













► Eligible Activities and Costs

- ☐ Eligible Activities:
 - For Innovation Actions: Experimental Activities
 - For Research and Innovation Actions: Industrial Research
- ☐ Eligible Costs:
 - Personnel costs *
 - ➤ Instruments and Equipment Costs (Depreciation)
 - Costs for External Services
 - Costs for Travelling Abroad
 - Consumables
 - ➤ Other Specific Costs
 - Overheads (Up to 20% of Direct Costs)

^{*} All beneficiaries that have not previously participated in the RESTART 2026-2020 Programmes, should make use of the simplified cost Method «Standard Scales of Unit Costs» for the calculation of personnel costs.











Funding Conditions National Funding by the RIF

CALL	Small Enterprise	Medium Enterprise	Large Enterprise	«Research Organisations» and «Other Public and Broader Public Sector Organisations»
HORIZON-KDT-JU-2023-1-IA-Topic-1	30%	20%	20%	65%
HORIZON-KDT-JU-2023-1-IA-Focus-Topic-2 HORIZON-KDT-JU-2023-1-IA-Focus-Topic-3 HORIZON-KDT-JU-2023-1-IA-Focus-Topic-4	25%	15%	15%	65%
HORIZON-KDT-JU-2023-2-RIA-Topic-1 HORIZON-KDT-JU-2023-2-RIA - Focus Topic 2	45%	40%	40%	65%

Funding by the KDT - EU

CALL	Small or Medium Enterprise	Large Enterprise	Universities/Other Organisations (not for profit)
HORIZON-KDT-JU-2023-1-IA-Topic-1	30%	20%	35%
HORIZON-KDT-JU-2023-1-IA-Focus-Topic-2			
HORIZON-KDT-JU-2023-1-IA-Focus-Topic-3			
HORIZON-KDT-JU-2023-1-IA-Focus-Topic-4	35%	25%	35%
HORIZON-KDT-JU-2023-2-RIA-Topic-1			
HORIZON-KDT-JU-2023-2-RIA - Focus Topic 2			



Proposal Submission

- Submit
- □ Transnational Proposal is submitted electronically (on-line application form) by the Transnational Project Coordinator, through the EU <u>Funding and Tenders</u> <u>Platform</u> for Horizon Europe Programme.
- ☐ Coordinator of the Cypriot Consortium should also submit a Proposal to RIF through IRIS Portal. Project Coordinator and all local participating organizations of the Cypriot Consortium, should register in advance on IRIS
- Proposal submitted to the RIF includes only **general information regarding the Transnational Proposal** and **the Consortium** and **detailed budget** for each partner participating in the Cypriot Consortium
- ☐ Proposal Parts:
 - ✓ Part A General Information & Budget
 - ✓ **Audited Financial Statements** of the HO for the previous financial year or the year preceding it. Organisations undergone a financial viability check by the RIF in the frame of previous contract preparation, with valid financial viability check results, are exempted (private)











Evaluation and Selection Procedure



- «Key Digital Technologies» Partnership applies its own central procedures and regulations for submission and evaluation of proposals and selection of projects, which are described in the Work Programme and relevant guidelines
- ☐ Funding decision is taken centrally by all the participating countries in the Programme, based amongst other, on the results of the scientific evaluation, the available EU and National budgets, and the priority focus topics
- ☐ Information on the **outcome of the Evaluation**: Maximum 5 months from submission deadline
- ☐ Indicative date for the **signing of Grant Agreements**: Maximum 8 months from submission deadline













Information, Support and Networking

- Website https://www.kdt-ju.europa.eu/
- □ KDT JU Calls 2023
 https://www.kdt-ju.europa.eu/calls/kdt-ju-calls-2023
- □ RIF Support Service support@research.org.cy
- ☐ KDT Office calls@kdt-ju.europa.eu
- ECS Collaboration Tool https://ecscollaborationtool.eu/











▶ Partnering Opportunities – ECS Collaboration Tool

- ☐ The Industry Associations, members of KDT JU, maintain a **Collaboration Tool:**
 - https://ecscollaborationtool.eu/
- ☐ **Features** in the tool:
 - ✓ Create a project idea
 - ✓ Look for a partner
 - ✓ Look for other project ideas
 - ✓ Message Board Get noticed even more

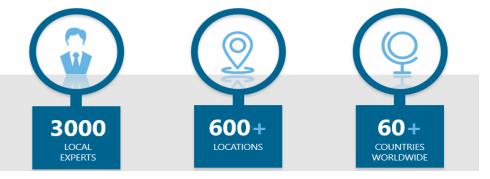






► Partnering Opportunities through EEN (1)

☐ Enterprise Europe Network: The world's largest support Network for SMEs with international ambitions



☐ A **broad range of services** for growth-oriented SMEs









▶ Partnering Opportunities through EEN (2)

- ☐ EEN manages **Europe's largest online database** of business opportunities
- ☐ Search EEN's global partnership database based on your criteria:

https://een.ec.europa.eu/partners

Register in order to Express your Interest on Profiles and/or to receive personalized email alerts based on your own search criteria:

https://een.ec.europa.eu/tools/services/

☐ Contact us in order to support you to create your **own R&D Profile** (Offer or Request) to be uploaded in the Database

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Thank You!

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