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**European Partnership
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▶ Introduction – Key Digital Technologies (KDT) Partnership / Chips Joint Undertaking (JU)

- ❑ **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 2024**, and **Calls on Focus Topics**

► KDT/Chips JU – 2024 Calls for Proposals

Innovation Actions

- HORIZON-Chips 2024-1-IA T1 - Global Call according to SRIA 2024 (IA)
- HORIZON- Chips 2024-1-IA T2 - Focus topic on “High Performance RISC-V Automotive Processors supporting SDV”
- HORIZON- Chips 2024-1-IA T3 - Focus topic on “Service Oriented Framework for the Software Defined Vehicle of the future”

Research and Innovation Actions

- HORIZON- Chips 2024-2-RIA-T1 - Global call according to SRIA 2023 (RIA)
- HORIZON- Chips 2024-2-RIA T2 - Focus topic on “Sustainable and greener manufacturing”

▶ European Partnerships – Key Digital Technologies Programme (1)

- ❑ **National Funding Scheme** for the support of local Organisations wishing to participate in Projects of the KDT Partnership/Chips JU
- ❑ **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 Programme (2)

2024 Calls for Proposals:

- Budget for the Cypriot Organisations: € 2.000.000
- Announcement Date (for the KDT/Chips JU Calls): 28 March 2024
 - ✓ EP/KDT-CHIPS-IA/0324 ([EL](#) / [EN](#))
 - ✓ EP/KDT-CHIPS-IA-FT/0324 ([EL](#) / [EN](#))
 - ✓ EP/KDT-CHIPS-RIA/0324 ([EL](#) / [EN](#))
- 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/Chips JU Calls):
 - ✓ Proposal Outline: 14 May 2024, 17:00 Brussels Time
 - ✓ Full Proposal: 17 September 2024, 17:00 Brussels Time
- Submission Deadline to the RIF: 21 May 2024, 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 one to three (1-3)**
- ❑ 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.
- ❑ Each Enterprise can receive funding from the RIF for a **maximum of two (2) Projects** in the frame of the Programme during the 2021-2027 period.

- ❑ **For Innovation Actions:**
 - 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 / Funding Rates

National Funding by the RIF

CALL	Small Enterprises	Medium Enterprise's	Large Enterprises	Research Organisations / Public Bodies
HORIZON-Chips 2024-1-IA T1	30%	20%	20%	65%
HORIZON- Chips 2024-1-IA T2 HORIZON- Chips 2024-1-IA T3	30%	20%	15%	65%
HORIZON- Chips 2024-2-RIA T1 HORIZON- Chips 2024-2-RIA T2	45%	40%	40%	65%

Funding by the EU

CALL	Small Enterprises	Medium Enterprise's	Large Enterprises	Universities / Other Non-Profit Organisations
HORIZON-Chips 2024-1-IA T1	30%	30%	20%	35%
HORIZON- Chips 2024-1-IA T2 HORIZON- Chips 2024-1-IA T3	30%	30%	25%	35%
HORIZON- Chips 2024-2-RIA T1 HORIZON- Chips 2024-2-RIA T2	35%	35%	25%	35%

► Proposal Submission



- ❑ **Transnational Proposal is submitted electronically** (on-line application form) by the **Transnational Project Coordinator**, through the EU **Funding and Tenders Platform** 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**
 - ✓ **«Smart Specialisation Sectors (S3Cy 2023-2030)» Table** for the selection of the **Priority Sector/ of the Smart Specialisation Strategy** that the Proposal is applied to
 - ✓ **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 organisations only)

► Evaluation and Selection Procedure

- KDT/Chips JU 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

- ❑ KDT/Chips JU Website
<https://www.chips-ju.europa.eu/>
- ❑ KDT/Chips JU Calls 2024
<https://www.chips-ju.europa.eu/noninitiative/>
- ❑ RIF Support Service
support@research.org.cy
- ❑ KDT/Chips JU Office
enquiries@chips-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**:

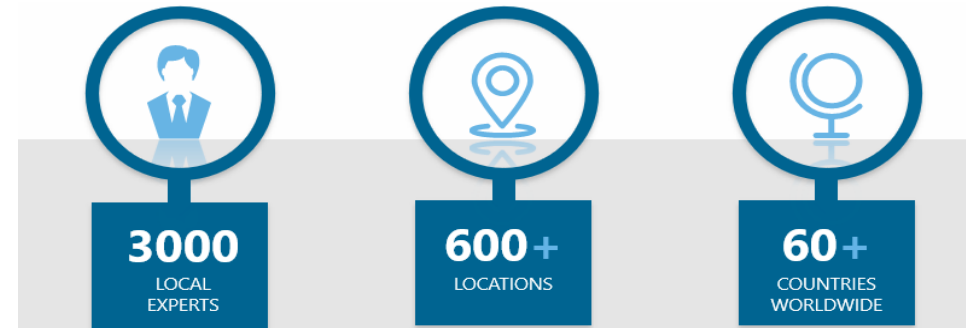
<https://ecscollaborationtool.eu/>

- ❑ **Features** in the tool:
 - ✓ Create a project idea
 - ✓ Look for a partner
 - ✓ Look for other project ideas
 - ✓ Message Board - Get noticed even more

*Interested parties may also upload **Expertise Offers / Expertise Requests** through the **EU's Funding and Tenders Portal (Call Links)***

▶ 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**



International partnerships
Expertise, contacts and events to connect you with the right international partners to grow your business.

Advice for international growth
Expert advice for growth and expansion into international markets.

Support for business innovation
Solution-driven services to help you turn your innovative ideas into international commercial successes.

▶ 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
[http://eencyprus.org.cy/en/
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Thank You!

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