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EIC PATHFINDER

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- *Tiedeasiantuntija, Strateginen tutkimus*
- *Kansallinen yhteyshenkilö (NCP)*
- *FET (Future and Emerging Technologies)*
- *Tiedonvälittäjä*
- *Tutkimuksen tukena*



European
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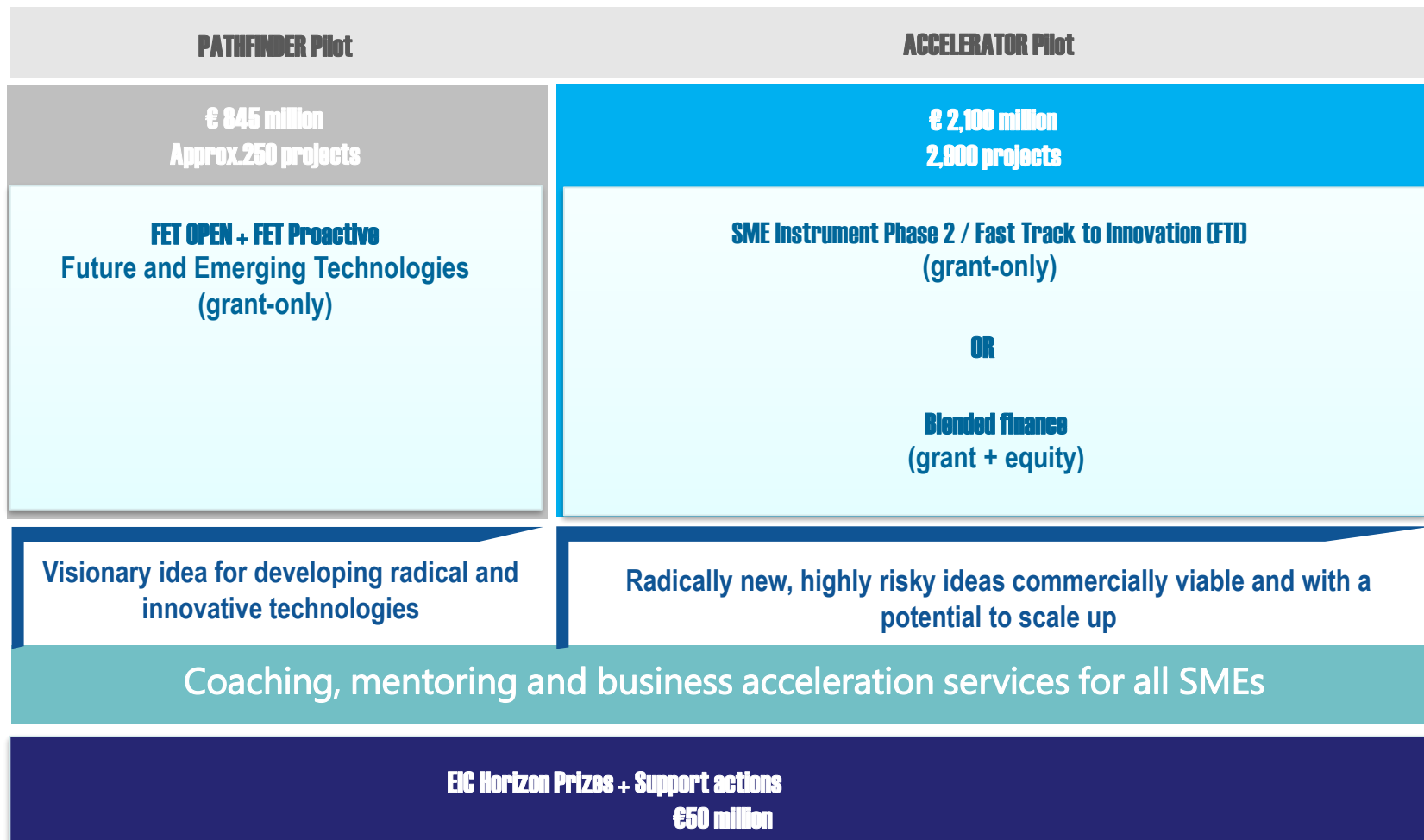
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EMPOWERING EUROPEAN INNOVATORS

*Research and
Innovation*



€2 billion-pilot package to support bottom-up ideas



The Pathfinder Pilot

Pathfinder



> supports researchers, innovators and innovative companies with ideas relating to future and emerging breakthrough technologies with a **grant**



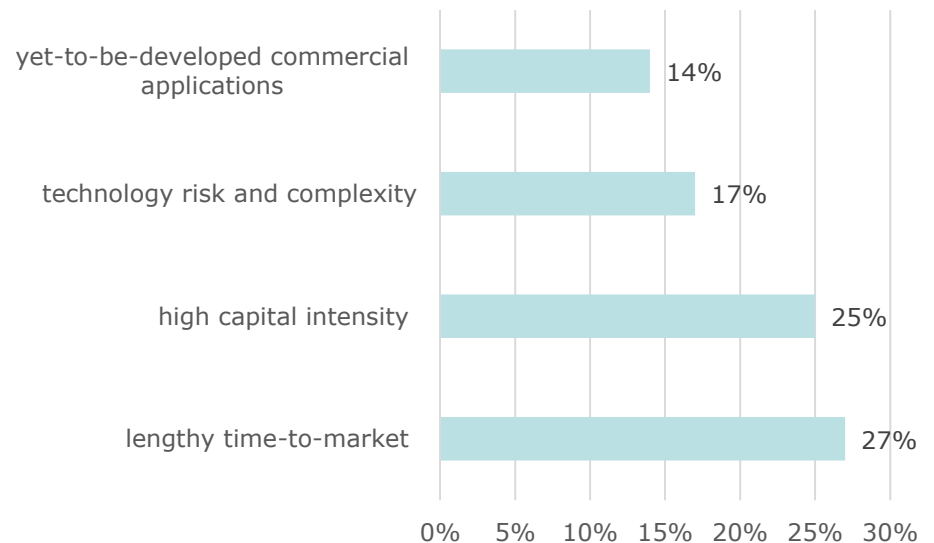
> Researcher, innovator or innovative company can apply for Accelerator funding **as it matures**

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Deep-tech 'made in Europe'

- **Needs a strong research base.**
- Deep-tech companies are **constantly pushing the technological frontier.**
- **Collaborations** are especially important since it lies at the crossroads of disciplines, fundamental research and industrial application.

Challenges for deep-tech startups



Source: BCG and Hello Tomorrow
Report: "From tech to deep tech"

EIC Pathfinder - FET Novelties

- From early stage proof-of-concept research, up to demonstration of commercial viability
- FET Proactive integrated in the Pathfinder Pilot
- Programme managers
- Business Acceleration Services
- FET Transition to Innovation Activities



Major novelties

EIC Programme managers

- For more **flexible and pro-active** management and steering of tech or challenge-based **portfolios**
- **3 to 5** programme managers to follow projects in **EIC Pathfinder Pilot**
- **Professionals with visionary thinking**
- Hired as a **temporary Commission staff**

Major novelties

EIC Advisory Board

- To **advise** the Commission on the design of European Innovation Council (EIC) support for innovation
- **Group of 15 to 20** entrepreneurs, investors, individuals building start-up communities, innovative researchers and academics working on innovation policy
- Will support the Commission:
 - *Developing the pilot in 2019 and 2020*
 - *Enhancing innovation eco-systems and impact*
 - *With the overall strategy under Horizon Europe*

EIC Pathfinder – FET Open

2019-2020 (new WP adopted on 2 July 2019)

- **Deep-tech made in Europe:** from early stage proof-of-concept research up to demonstration of commercial viability (bridging research-innovation gap)
 - high-risk/high-gain breakthrough research/market creating innovation
- Call *stays the same* - *H2020-FETOPEN-2018-2020*
- **2 topics** (Research and Innovation Actions, and Coordination and Support Actions - Innovation Launchpad)
 - for both topics **4 cut-off dates** (2 per topic): in 2019 and 2020
 - Budget: **362,55 M€ (356,85 M€ for RIA and 5,7 M€ for CSA)**
- **Grant based:** individual and/or collaborative actions

EIC Pathfinder – FET Open

2019-2020 (new WP adopted on 2 July 2019)

- FET-Open Research and Innovation Actions
 - Supporting high-risk interdisciplinary collaborative research on the technologies of the future
 - Ideas from any area of technology or business sector including novel combinations of technologies and business models
 - Always very attractive, but still competitive: success rate above 10%
- FET Innovation Launchpad
 - Turning results from FET funded projects into genuine societal/economic innovations
 - Cut-off in 2020 included in Lump Sum pilot (great simplification for the beneficiaries)



EIC Pathfinder - FET Open Research and Innovation Actions

- Foundations for radically new future technologies, high-risk & high-impact interdisciplinary research:
 - *Radical vision*
 - *Breakthrough technological target*
 - *Ambitious highly interdisciplinary research*
- **Bottom-up and continuously open**
- **15-page proposal**, up to **€3 million** (indicative), consortium of minimum **3 partners** from 3 EU / associated countries

FET Open (RIA): FETOPEN-01-2018-2019-2020

Scope

Proposals are sought for **cutting-edge high-risk/high-impact interdisciplinary research** with ALL of the following essential characteristics so-called "**FET gatekeepers**" (in-scope/out-of-scope)

- Radical vision
- Breakthrough technological target
- Ambitious interdisciplinary research

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t8dAJvoiguM>

FET Open (RIA): FETOPEN-01-2018-2019-2020

Evaluation

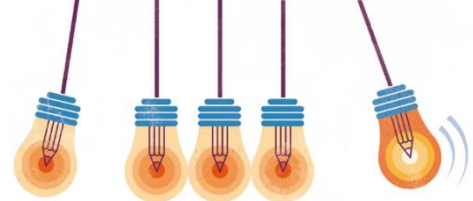
- Three award criteria **stay the same**
 - **Excellence**: weight of 60%, threshold of 4
 - **Impact**: weight of 20%, threshold of 3,5
 - **Implementation**: weight of 20%, threshold of 3
- Evaluation process **stays the same**
- Out-of-scope (**FET gatekeepers**) proposals become ineligible
- Possible advice not to resubmit the proposal



FET Open (CSA): FETOPEN-03-2018-2019-2020

FET Innovation Launchpad

- **Strengthening exploitation of FET results:** turning results from FET-funded projects into innovations and increase their value creation
- Examples of activities:
 - Market or competitiveness analysis, commercialisation process, business case development, technology assessment, consolidation of IPRs
- EU contribution of up to 100 k€ (eligibility) and up to 18 months
- **Sole applicant** or as part of a consortium from MS/AC
- 7-pages (A4) proposal
- Cut-off in 2020: introduction of lump sums



EIC Pathfinder - FET Proactive

Emerging paradigms and communities

- Stimulate the emergence of a **new technological paradigm**

- **Selected emerging paradigms**

2019
€52M



- *Human-Centric AI*
- *Implantable autonomous devices and materials*
- *Breakthrough zero-emissions energy generation for full decarbonisation*

2020
€50M



- *Future technologies for social experience*
- *Measuring the unmeasurable -- Sub-nanoscale science for Nanometrology*
- *Digital twins for the life-sciences*

- Up to **€4-5 million**, across up to **4 years**
- 30-page proposal, Minimum **3 partners** from 3 EU / AC

EIC Pathfinder - FET Open Research and Innovation projects

A typical Research and Innovation Action project



Average funding
per project:

3.4 million €



Average number of
partners per project:

6



Average project
duration:

41 months

EIC Pathfinder - FET Open Innovation Launchpad

- **Turning results** from FET-funded projects **into genuine societal or economic innovations**
- Up to **€0.1 million** over 18 months
- Sole applicant or as part of a consortium
- Market analysis, business case, technology assessment, IPRs...

EIC Pathfinder - FET Proactive Transition to Innovation Activities

- Turn promising results into **breakthrough and disruptive innovations**
- At the end of a typical FET-Open or FET Proactive project (i.e., starting from **early-stage technologies**)
- **Targeted technologies:** Micro- and Nano-technologies, Artificial Intelligence and advanced robotics, Technologies for the life sciences, health and treatment, Energy technologies, Interaction technologies
- 24 months, €1-2 million

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Next cut-offs

- FET Open
 - 18 September 2019
 - 13 May 2020
- FET Proactive Emerging paradigms and communities
 - 3 Sep 2019
 - 22 Apr 2020
- FET Proactive Environmental Intelligence
 - 22 Apr 2020
- FET Innovation Launchpad
 - 8 October 2019
 - 14 October 2020
- FET Proactive Transition to Innovation Activities
 - 3 Sep 2019

EIC Pathfinder - FET Open and Proactive Evaluation Criteria

- **For FET Open and Proactive RIAs:**
 - *Three award criteria:*
 - 60% 'excellence'
 - 20% 'impact'
 - 20% 'quality and efficiency of implementation'
- **For Transition to innovation & ILP**
 - *Three award criteria:*
 - 40% 'excellence'
 - 40% 'impact'
 - 20% 'quality and efficiency of implementation'
- **Time-to-inform:** 5 months
- **Time-to-grant** 8 months

Let's try even if it fails!



From
cutting-edge
SCIENCE ...

... to disruptive
TECHNOLOGY
of the future

The **spirit** of FET Open remains the same!

EIC Pilot

Need help?

- [EIC Wizard](#) [via EIC website](#)
- [EIC Pilot Guide for Applicants](#)
- [EIC Questions and Answers](#)
- [National Contact Points \(NCPs\)](#)
- [European Enterprise Network \(EEN\)](#)

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