

An aerial night view of a city, likely Singapore, with a complex network of glowing white lines overlaid on the image. The lines connect various points across the city, symbolizing innovation and connectivity. The city lights are visible in the background, and the overall color palette is dominated by blues and whites.

BUSINESS FINLAND

European Innovation Council
EIC Accelerator
Fast Track to Innovation

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EIC Accelerator Pilot

For SMEs with truly innovative product / service
with significant commercial potential

Only for-
profit SMEs
(individual
SMEs)

For
companies
aiming at fast
international
growth

Innovation
very close to
commercialisa-
tion – not
R&D funding!

fully bottom
up

Cut-off
4x/year

Technology
Readiness
Level (TRL)
6->

Cut-off dates:
8.1.2020
18.3.2020
19.5.2020
7.10.2020

Technology Readiness Level & Funding rates

RIA: 100 %				IA: 70 % EIC Pilot Accelerator & FTI TLR 6→				New: Equity option!
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Basic principles observed	Concept Formulized	Proof of Concept	Validation in lab	Technical validation in relevant environment	Demonstration in relevant environment	Demo in operational environment	System complete and operational	Commer- cial

BF
näkemys

Tutkimuksellisen työn osuus 100-60

Tutkimuksellisen työn osuus 50-0%

Myynti,
jakelu

Horizon 2020 opportunities vs. national funding:

- Higher funding rates for industry
- Pre-payments
- Close to market activities funded with grants
- EIC Pilot Accelerator offers grant + equity option

SME Instrument – what?

Activities:

- Development, prototyping, testing
- Piloting innovative processes, products and services
- Miniaturisation/design of products
- Planning & developing scaling-up (market segments, process etc.)
- Market replication

Grant: 0,5 to 2,5 M€ grant ~12 to 24 months
Equity: up to 15 M€ (new!)

Evaluation criteria:

- Impact 33%
- Excellence 33%
- Quality and Efficiency of Implementation 33%

Fast Track to Innovation

- Funds breakthrough innovation projects to accelerate market up-take
- Small industrial consortia (3-5 participants), for all types of entities
 - At least 60 % of overall budget to industry or
 - **Min 2** industry partners out of a consortium of 3-4
 - **Min 3** industry partners out of a consortium of 5
- Targets relatively mature technologies, processes and business models
- Supports innovation from demonstration stage towards market uptake
 - TRL 6 -> TRL 8 during the project
- Eligible actions could be: piloting, test-beds, systems validation in real-world working conditions, validation of business models, pre-normative research, standard-setting etc.



Fully
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Funding
1-3 M euros
/
project

EIC - Smart Money

Funding



Global Business Coaching & Mentoring



Business Acceleration Services



Source: the European Commission

NCP* apunasi

- Kerromme hauista ja niiden sisällöstä
- Autamme hakuprosessissa
- Luemme ja kommentoimme hakemuksia
- Järjestämme haastattelukoulutuksia
- Seuraamme suomalaisten osallistumistilastoja
- Hyödynnämme työssä omia Brysselin-verkostojamme



Muita tiedonlähteitä

- [Business Finland: H2020 pk-yritysrahoitus](#)
- [EASME: Enhanced European Innovation Council \(EIC\) Pilot](#)

Kansalliset pk-yritysten yhteyshenkilöt NCP:t

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Horisontti 2020 -ryhmä

