How to get funding under the Digital Europe programme

Learn about the work programmes, the calls for proposals and the application process for the Digital Europe Programme.

For the first two years, the Digital Europe programme will be implemented through four work programmes:

1. For all actions excluding those implemented by the other three work programmes as indicated below - DIGITAL Europe Work Programme 2021-2022
2. For the European Digital Innovation Hubs - DIGITAL Europe - EDIH Work Programme 2021-2023
3. For Cybersecurity actions - DIGITAL Europe - Cybersecurity Work Programme 2021-2022
4. For High Performance Computing actions – the work programme will be prepared by the EuroHPC Joint Undertaking

They provide you with information on the content of the calls for Grants and Procurement opened for proposals in 2021 and 2022.

The funding and tender opportunities web page gives you an overview of the calls for proposals ('calls') that are forthcoming or already open. Each call has its own call document, related to a particular topic. It gives more precise information on some of the issues that the European Commission would like you to address in the proposal.

The funding and tender opportunities web page hosts the services for managing your proposals and projects throughout their lifecycle.
The application process

Submit your proposal

If you wish to respond to a call, you must submit a proposal before 17:00 Brussels time on the day of the indicated call deadline. Please note that this deadline and specific time are strict and must be respected. The European Commission strongly advises to submit your proposal in good time and not to wait until the last moment.

All proposals need to be submitted online.

Find your partners

If you need help to identify a potential partner with particular competences, facilities or experience, use the partner search options.

Evaluation

Once the deadline has passed, all proposals are evaluated against the criteria published in the Work Programme, resulting in a list of proposals in priority order. Independent experts specialised in the relevant fields may be involved in the evaluation.

Grant agreement

When the evaluation is over, applicants are informed on the outcome.

The European Commission will draw up a grant agreement with each of the successful participants within the limits of the allocated budget. The grant agreement describes the activities to be undertaken, in line with the objectives of the call, the project’s duration, budget, rates and costs, as well as the European Commission’s contribution, the rights and obligations and other specificities linked to the topic covering the specific grant agreement. The time frame for signing the grant agreements is up to 9 months from the closure of the call.

Want to know more? See how to participate.

Funding and tender opportunities portal
The Digital Europe Programme (DIGITAL) is a new EU funding programme focused on bringing digital technology to businesses, citizens and public administrations.

See Also

The DIGITAL Europe Programme – Work Programmes
Overall objectives, scope, outcomes and deliverables as well as budget allocations, for each topic are described in the work programmes. On this web page you will find relevant documents and amendments for the work programmes once they have been adopted by the European...

Skills in the DIGITAL Europe programme

The DIGITAL Europe programme will fund the design and delivery of specialised programmes and traineeships for future experts in key capacity areas like data and AI, cybersecurity, quantum and HPC.

Cybersecurity in the DIGITAL Europe programme

The Digital Europe Programme will help the EU achieve a high common level of cybersecurity.

Artificial intelligence in the DIGITAL Europe programme

The DIGITAL Europe programme will open up the use of artificial intelligence by businesses and public administrations.

Supercomputing in the DIGITAL Europe programme

The DIGITAL Europe programme aims to build up and strengthen the EU’s supercomputing and data processing capacities, helping us to reach exascale supercomputing - computing with a power comparable to aggregating the computing capabilities of the mobile phones of the EU’s entire...

European Digital Innovation Hubs

European Digital Innovation Hubs (EDIHs) will function as one-stop shops that help companies dynamically respond to the digital challenges and become more competitive.

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