Missions in Horizon Europe

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**Horizon Europe (2021-2027)**

The next Research and Innovation Programme with a proposed budget of over €80 billion.

- to strengthen the EU's scientific and technological bases
- to boost Europe's innovation capacity, competitiveness and jobs
- to deliver on citizens' priorities and sustain our socio-economic model and values
Added value through Horizon Europe:

- Trans-national collaboration, exchange and networks
- Critical mass to address global challenges
- Attracting the best talents
- Competitive funding promoting excellence
- Strengthened European R&I landscape
- Visible for leading research and innovation
- Creating new market opportunities
- Transnational mobility
Horizon Europe: Evolution not Revolution
Lessons Learned from Horizon 2020 Interim Evaluation

- Support breakthrough innovation
- Create more impact through mission-orientation and citizens' involvement
- Strengthen international cooperation
- Reinforce openness
- Rationalise the funding landscape

Key Novelties in Horizon Europe

- European Innovation Council
- R&I Missions
- Extended association possibilities
- Open science policy
- New approach to Partnerships
**R&I Missions**

*Connecting to citizens:* Missions will relate EU’s research and innovation to society and citizens’ needs, with strong visibility and impact.

A mission will consist of a portfolio of actions intended to achieve a **bold and inspirational as well as measurable goal** within a set timeframe, with impact for science and technology, society and citizens that goes beyond individual actions.

Horizon Europe proposal defines mission characteristics and criteria.

Specific missions will be co-designed with Member States, stakeholders and citizens and programmed within the Global Challenges and Industrial Competitiveness pillar (drawing on inputs from other pillars).
Adaptation to climate change, including societal transformation

Mission areas

Healthy oceans, seas, coastal and inland waters

Cancer

Climate-neutral and smart cities

Soil health and food
1. Conquering Cancer: Mission Possible

2. Accelerating the transition to a climate prepared and resilient Europe

3. Regenerating our Oceans and Waters

4. 100 Climate-neutral cities by 2030 – by and for citizens

5. Caring for soil is caring for life
Missions characteristics

- Strong visibility and impact;
- Achieve a bold, inspirational and measurable goal within a set timeframe;
- Find solutions to some of the major challenges faced by European citizens;
- Citizen engagement is key!
Citizen Engagement

• EU Missions are not only for scientists and entrepreneurs
• Key element to ensure transparency, built on trust and inclusiveness
• Continuous process

More on Missions:
Horizon Europe

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