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Planning grant for international cale 2025

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Brief about Planning Grant

For Swedish organisations planning to apply for funding for a research and innovation project in an international call



Opportunity to further develop and strengthen your project proposal for a published international call



Aims to enhance the conditions for more internationally competitive applications with Swedish participation

Who can apply?

- Research institutes
- Public sector
- Academic actors
- Civil Society
- Small and medium sized enterprises (SMEs)



How much can you apply for?

< 300 000 SEK Project partner

< **500 000 SEK** Coordinator for project with at least three actors from three different countries

< 80% of the total eligible costs of the planning project



What can be funded?

 \checkmark Developing the project idea and proposal

- ✓ Strengthening the consortium's composition and collaboration
- Strengthening the scientific or technical basis (POC, prototyping)
- \checkmark Strengthening the business case (IPR, business plan)
- Consultant costs when needed (writing consultants < 75 000 SEK)

What can not be funded?

- Planning projects not aiming to submit an application for a published international call
- Main project focusing only on basic research
- Applications for Eureka programs, such as Eureka Eurostars



A special International Initiative



Time Line 2025



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SSF HEU Research Application Support

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SSF Call for EU Horizon Europe Research Application Support

The Swedish Foundation for Strategic Research (SSF) announces **SEK 10 million** in a directed Call to support **preparation of research applications** targeting the European Union's (EU) Horizon Europe (HEU) framework program for research and innovation.

The Call aims to promote internationalization of Swedish research by stimulating increased Swedish participation in **HEU Pillar 2 Global Challenges & European Industrial Competitiveness**. The HEU-projects must be of **strategic relevance for Sweden**, i.e., benefit the future competitiveness of Sweden.

The Call is directed exclusively towards researchers in natural science, technology or medicine at Swedish universities or research institutes that apply for a **HEU Pillar 2 Project Coordinator role**.

Selected projects will receive SSF-grants maximized to **SEK 500 000 (incl. overheads).** The grants are to be used exclusively for covering costs for **salaries**, **travel**, **and consultants** in direct connection to the preparation of an HEU application.



Tentative!

SSF HEU Research Application Support

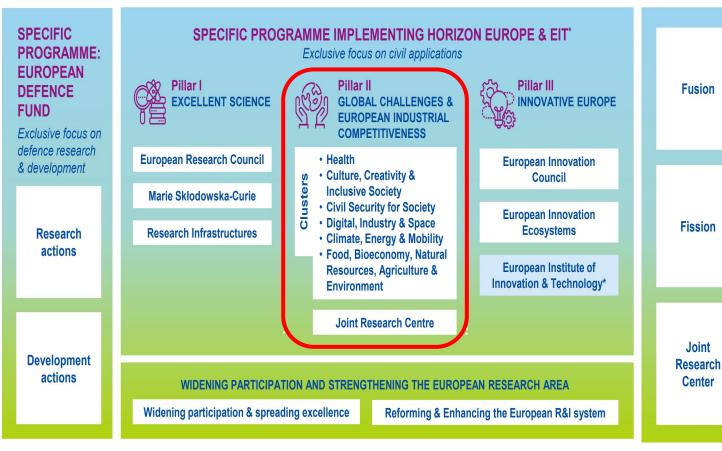
- Call opens: shortly after HEU WP2025 is published, i.e. when the 2025 HEU calls are defined
- Call close: tentatively October 1, 2025
- Eligible costs: max 500 kSEK application writing costs (salaries, travel, consultants) during 1 January 31 December 2025
- The call is a yearly call during Horizon Europe 2021-2027. The first call opened in 2021.
- Find the previous call text here (the 2025-version will be very similar): <u>eu23 en.pdf</u>
- The call is for experienced (requirements apply) researchers employed (min 50%) by a Swedish university or research institute.
- The applicant must be involved in the role of Project Coordinator in a HEU Pillar 2 (Global Challenges & European Industrial Competitiveness) Project (including partnership projects)
- SSF releases funding after a report that an eligible HEU application has been submitted to EU. Only actual costs are covered.
- The call normally opens in November, covering the following 1-2 years of the HEU WP. In 2025 we have a special situation. By
 accepting actual HEU writing costs for the whole of 2025, while releasing funding only after an HEU-application is submitted, SSF
 hopes to mitigate this situation.



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* The European Institute of Innovation & Technology (EIT) is not part of the Specific Programme

The SSF call applies only to applications for Project Coordinators in HEU Pillar 2 (inside the red square in the picture).

Note specifically that applications towards HEU ERC, MSC and EIC calls are not eligible.



Region Skåne's support function for Horizon Europe

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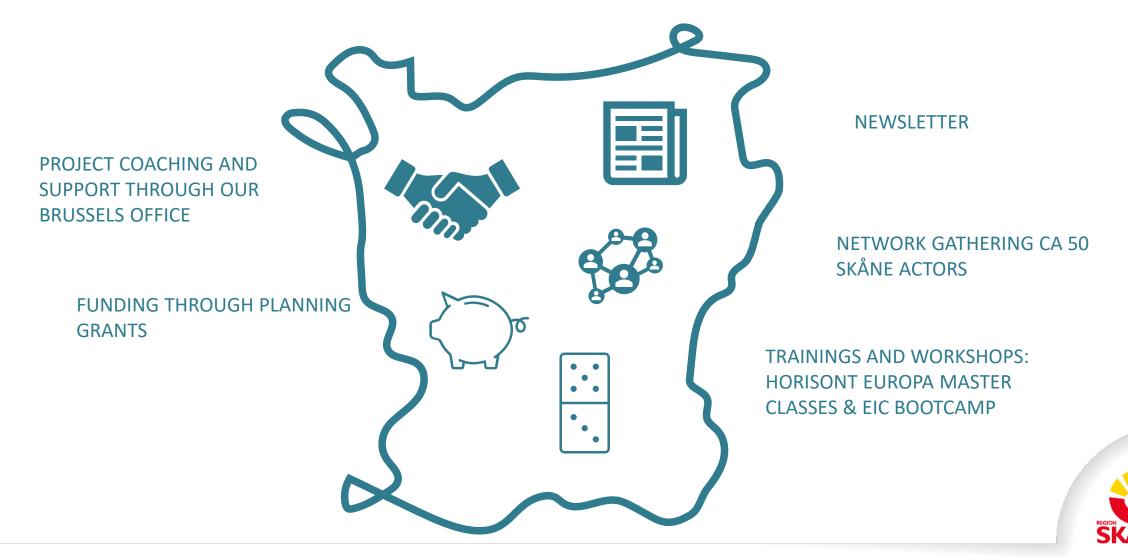
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Region Skåne's support function for Horizon Europe

5 services to increase the number of successful applications from Skåne



Why a dedicated planning grant in Skåne?

- The purpose of our planning grant is to increase EU funding to Skåne for research and innovation.
- The initiative will support applications that contribute to the development of the six specialization areas jointly developed by the Research and Innovation Council in Skåne (FIRS) in Skåne's innovation strategy for sustainable growth:
- Tech, Life science and health, Food, Advanced materials and manufacturing industry, Smart sustainable cities, ESS, MAX IV and the innovation system Science Village
- The projects are also expected to contribute to increasing the competitiveness of Skåne's business sector - i.e., focus on applied research.





Benefits of a planning grant

- Financial carefully prepare and write a competitive application.
- External expertise that help you structure the process.
- Can be used to establish and strengthen collaborations with other organizations and partners, which is crucial for many EU projects.
- Hire a consultant **or** cover the costs for the time spend writing an application.
- Develop internal capacity and capability.





Region Skåne's Planning Grant – How it works!

- The purpose is to increase the number of successful applications (preferably with the help of a consultant) for collaborative projects within pillars II and III from actors in Skåne under the umbrella Support Function for Horizon Europe applications.
- Contributes up to SEK 100,000 to costs related to the application to Horizon Europe. Note! Special conditions for EIC Accelerator and Eurostars.
- The target group is small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) and non-profit organizations, such as the region, universities, clusters, etc.
- The planning grant call is open for continuous applications from January 15 June 15 and from August 15 December 15.
- Compared to other application processes this is shorter and simpler.



Focus on higher TRLs through pillar II & III



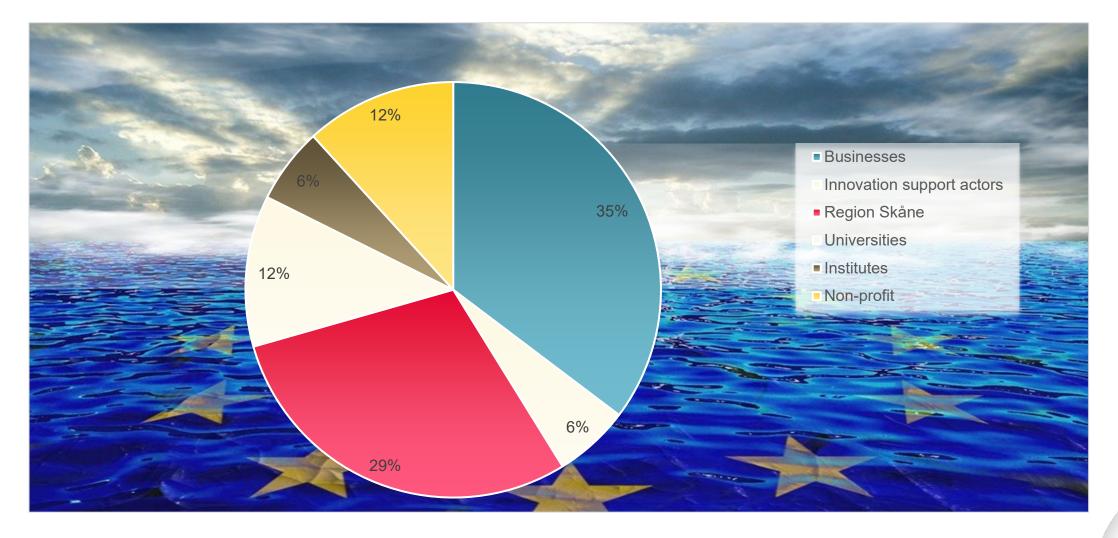
- EIC Accelerator the project must plan to involve collaboration with other international actors.
- Applications within EIC Accelerator and Eurostars in pillar III can receive a maximum of SEK 50,000 in co-financing.
- Salary costs are not approved for applicants to EIC Accelerator and Eurostars.

Approved costs:

- Purchase of services from an external actor in accordance with the quote attached to the application.
- Salary costs as well as costs for travel and meetings for applicants to collaborative projects.



Region Skåne's planning grant 2021-2024





Contact and more information

- Read more about Region Skåne's support function <u>here</u>.
- Read more about our planning grant <u>here</u>.
- Questions?
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What can you apply for?

You can apply for dunding to plan an application to Horizon Europe, cluster 3 " Civil security for society"

Who can apply?

PhD researchers at Swedish universities or research institutes planning to apply to Horizon Europe as coordinator or project partner.

How much can you apply for?

Max 150 000 SEK for coordinator Max 50 000 SEJ for project partner

Period

The planning grant is scheduled to be opened in April and closed in middle of October.

Applications can be sent in continuously, and the grant can be closed earlier than the scheduled deadline if the budget is consumed.