



## EU-Forschungsförderung Kompakt (16.02.2026)

Wissenswertes rund um Europäische und internationale Förderprogramme - bei Interesse gern abonnieren

### 1. Ausgewählte aktuelle Förderbekanntmachungen / Calls

**Internationale Klimaschutz Initiative IKI Large Grants 2025: Themen- & Länderschwerpunkte 17. Februar 2026** | Es werden 1-2 Projekte pro Schwerpunkt ausgewählt | Budget pro Projekt: 12 - 20 Mill Euro

**Europäische Partnerschaft Agroecology: Fostering plant and animal genetic diversity and empowering farmers to accelerate the agroecological transition** | Deadline date: **18. Februar 2026** | three-stage application

**DFG-CONICET: 5. Bilateral Call für Deutsch-Argentinische Forschungsprojekte in ausgewählten Themenfeldern** (Physik, Chemie, Materialwissenschaften, Engineering, Geowissenschaften, Neurowissenschaften, Molekulare und klinische Infektiologie und Immunologie) DFG Deadline: **20. Februar 2026** | Kontakt: Christian Marchetti, Marianne Hege (AF2)

**BMFTR-UNAM: Mexican-German Joint Call for Proposals** | DFG-Deadline: **25. Februar 2026** | Kontakt: Christian Marchetti, Marianne Hege (AF2)

**Margaret Awards 2026**: Annual, high-impact **entrepreneurship and innovation award programme recognizing young** women leaders in AI and technology, whose technological projects and innovations address the major challenges facing our society. Winners gain access to a one-year acceleration ecosystem valued at about €1 million — including mentorship, visibility, strategic support, and business growth opportunities.  
Deadline: **27. Februar 2026**.

**ERASMUS Partnerships for Innovation: Forward-Looking Projects - Higher Education (ERASMUS-EDU-2025-PI-FORWARD-HE)**: einstufig | Deadline: **03. März 2026**

**Horizon Europe: EIT Higher Education Initiative Call** | Deadline: **04. März 2026** | Einstufig | Kontakt: Franziska Schenk (Akademisches Auslandsamt)

**Belmont Forum: Ocean 2 CRA – Towards the Ocean We Want: Biodiversity and Ecosystem Sustainability for Nature and Human Well-being** | **5. März 2026** | 3 Schlüsselfelder:

- Biodiversity Conservation and Nature-Based Solutions
- Ocean-Biodiversity-Climate Integration
- Nature Futures, Ocean Governance, and Ethics for Sustainability.

**British Academy** | **International Fellowships 2026** ermöglicht Forschern eine zweijährige Tätigkeit an einer britischen Forschungseinrichtung, um eine global vernetzte, mobile Forschungs-Community aufzubauen | Frühester Start 1 Okt. 2026 Deadline **11. März 2026**

**NEU:** **Eva Crane Trust:** [Awards für die Förderung der weltweiten Forschung und des Verständnisses der Bienenwissenschaft und -zucht inklusive der historischen Bedeutung der Bienen](#) | Förderoptionen: A: Wissenschaft; B: Citizen Science; C: Veranstaltungen; D: Bücher | Bewerbungsfristen: **15. März** (kein formelles finanzielles Limit, obwohl der Trust nur selten Projekte über £30.000 unterstützt) & **15. September** (die Preise sind auf maximal £5.000 begrenzt)

**Wellcome Trust:** [Genomics in Context Awards: collaborative research at the intersection of genomics, humanities, social sciences and bioethics](#) | Deadline: **16. März 2026**

**Human Frontier Science Programme** [HFSP Research Grants](#): Call for innovative basic research proposals focusing on fundamental biological problems with emphasis placed on novel and interdisciplinary approaches that involve scientific exchanges across national and disciplinary boundaries | Deadline **compulsory initiation of a letter of Intent** by obtaining an LOI ID number: **17. März 2026** | Submission of **Letters of Intent**: **26. März 2026**

**NEU:** **FFAR/GFI grant partnership:** [Verbesserung des Geschmacks von pflanzlichen und fermentierten Proteinen RFA](#) | Antragsfrist **25. März 2026**

**NEU:** **IBM Impact Accelerator"-Programm** [AI-Driven Solutions Shaping the Future of Work and Education](#) | Berechtigte Antragsteller: u.a. Hochschulen weltweit | Antragsfrist: **25. März 2026**

**Erasmus+** [Virtual Exchanges in Sub-Saharan Africa](#) | Deadline: **26. März 2026** | Einstufig | Kontakt: F. Schenk, Dr. B. Gehring (Akademisches Auslandsamt)

**European Partnership on Animal Health and Welfare** "[Shaping the Future of Animal Health and Welfare](#)" | Deadline: **30. März 2026** | Webinar for applicants: **02. Februar 2026, 10:00-12:00 CET**: <https://ptj-fzj.webex.com/ptj-fzj-en/j.php?MTID=m6250b1a9eaebe41de6fa6b170f728daf>

**NEU:** **International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), the Asian Development Bank (ADB), the IDB Lab, the CGIAR Accelerate for Impact Platform (A4IP), the European Space Agency (ESA), the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD), the International Innovation Hub (IIH) and the European Institute of Innovation for Sustainability (EIS)** [Moonshots for Development Open Innovation Challenge](#) | 4-phasig: Bootcamp and Phase 1-3 | Application deadline **30. März 2026**

**NEU:** **The European Society for Clinical Nutrition and Metabolism:** [ESPEN-Forschungsstipendium 2026](#): **Zulassungskriterien:** (1) Antragsteller und Betreuer müssen [ESPEN-Mitglieder](#) sein (in Hohenheim: Prof. Stephan Bischoff); (2) Nachwuchswissenschaftler innerhalb von 5 Jahren nach dem akademischen Abschluss (PhD, MD, MSc) | Bewerbung | Einreichungsfrist: **31. März 2026**

**EMBO** [Young Investigator Programme](#) unterstützt NachwuchsgruppenleiterInnen in den Lebenswissenschaften in Europa und darüber hinaus. Deadline: **01. April 2026**

**NEW:** **Wellcome Trust** [Climate Impacts Awards: Unlocking urgent climate action by making the health effects of climate change visible](#): Förderung bis zu 2.5 Mill £ für max. 3 Jahres-Projekte; Deadline **08. April 2026**

**Europäische Partnerschaft für Pandemievorsorge (BE READY):** "[Advancing knowledge of host and pathogens dynamics to better combat emerging diseases](#)" | zweistufig: Skizzen-Deadline **13. April 2026**

**NEU:** **2026 MNI Grant:** 40.000 EUR für eine lokale Initiative oder ein Projekt mit dem Ziel, das Ernährungsmanagement in der Patientenversorgung zu verbessern | offen für alle Angehörigen der Gesundheitsberufe, Kliniker und Forscher, die im Bereich der klinischen Ernährung tätig sind | Einreichungsfrist: **30. April 2026**

**Human Frontier Science Programme** [HFSP Postdoctoral Fellowships](#) unterstützt Vorschläge für potenziell transformative Pionierforschung in den Biowissenschaften. Anträge für risikoreiche Projekte sind besonders erwünscht. Die Projekte sollten interdisziplinär angelegt sein und bestehende Paradigmen durch den Einsatz neuer Ansätze und Techniken in Frage stellen. In wissenschaftlicher Hinsicht sollten sie ein wichtiges Problem oder ein Hindernis für den Fortschritt auf diesem Gebiet angehen.

Initiierung eines Lol bis zum **05. Mai 2026** | Deadline Submission Letter of Intent bis zum **12. Mai 2026**

**Horizon Europe:** [InnoNext - Next Generation Innovation Talents' Initiative](#) Cascade funding: Deadline: **31. Juli 2026** | einstufig

**German-Israeli Foundation for Scientific Research and Development (GIF): [2026 Call for AI in Science and Society](#)**: This new program invites innovative research proposals focusing on the development, application, and societal implications of artificial intelligence (AI) across both STEM and Social Sciences & Humanities | GIF portal opens on 01 Sept. | Deadline Pre-Proposals: **15. Oktober 2026**, [Webinare Beratung auf Anfrage](#)

## **Horizon Europe (HE) [Arbeitsprogramme 2026/27](#)**

### **HE [Cluster 1 - Health](#)**

- Call - Cluster 1 - Health (einstufig - 2026) Opening: 10. Februar | Deadline(s): **16. Apr 2026**  
Destination - Staying healthy in a rapidly changing society  
Destination - Living and working in a health-promoting environment Destination - Tackling diseases and reducing disease burden  
Destination - Ensuring equal access to innovative, sustainable, and high-quality healthcare  
Destination – Developing/ using tools, technologies and digital solutions for a healthy society  
Destination - Maintaining an innovative, sustainable, and competitive EU health industry

### **HE [Cluster 2 - Culture, Creativity and Inclusive Society](#)**: verschiedene Deadlines, z.B. **23. Sep 2026**

- CL2-2026-01-DEMOCRACY-10: Digital and media literacy as drivers for democratic and civic resilience
- CL2-2026-01-DEMOCRACY-05: Research and Innovation Network for a Union of Equality

### **HE [Cluster 3 - Civil security for society](#)**: verschiedene Deadlines, z.B. **05. Nov 2026**

- HORIZON-CL3-2026-01-DRS-05: Climate security and civil preparedness
- HORIZON-CL3-2026-01-DRS-04: Open topic on driving innovation uptake of disaster risk solutions

### **HE [Cluster 4 - Digital, industry, space](#)**: verschiedene Deadlines, z.B.

- CL4-2026-02-DIGITAL-EMERGING-53: Innovative AI methods and technologies for the process industries **17. März 2026**
- CL4-2027-04-DIGITAL-EMERGING-06: International cooperation in AI (IA) **18. März 2027**

### **HE [Cluster 5 - Climate, energy and mobility](#)**: verschiedene Deadlines, e.g., **15. April 2026**

- CL5-2026-07-D1-04: Fighting disinformation and effectively communicating on climate change
- CL5-2026-07-D1-03: Economics of climate change and cost of inaction
- CL5-2026-07-D1-01: Next generation climate monitoring and related capabilities
- CL5-2026-07-D1-05: Improving climate and weather models for Africa

### **HE [Cluster 6 - Food, Bioeconomy, Natural Resources, Agriculture and Environment](#)**

- CL6 Call 01 – einstufig: Biodiversity and ecosystem services | Deadline **17. Sep 2026**, [WP, S.20 ff.](#)
- CL6 Call 02 – einstufig: Fair, healthy and environment-friendly food systems from primary production to consumption | Deadline **14. Apr 2026**, [WP, S.23 ff.](#)
- CL6 Call 03 – einstufig: Circular economy and bioeconomy sectors | Deadline **15. Apr 2026**, [WP, S.26 ff.](#)
- CL6 Call 04 – einstufig: Clean environment and zero pollution | Deadline **26. Nov 2026**, [WP, S.28 ff.](#)
- CL6 Call 01 – zweistufig: Land, ocean and water for climate action | Deadline **16. Apr 2026**, [WP S.30 f.](#)
- CL6 Call 02 – zweistufig: Resilient, inclusive, healthy and green rural, coastal and urban communities  
Deadline **14. Apr 2026**, [WP S.31 f.](#)
- CL6 Call 03 – zweistufig: Innovative governance, environmental observations and digital solutions in support of the Green Deal | Deadline **15. Apr 2026** (1. Stufe), [WP S.33 fv.](#)

**[HORIZON-JU-CBE-2026 Call](#)** | Deadline: **22. September 2026**, 17:00 CET

**HE [Missions](#)**, incl. **Mission Soil, Adaptation to Climate Change Mission**, Cancer Mission, Climate-Neutral and Smart Cities Mission, Restore our Ocean and Waters, and the European Bauhaus | Deadlines im **September 2026**

**HE [European Innovation Ecosystems \(EIC\) Work programme \(2026-27\)](#)**

**HE [MSCA Work programme \(2026-27\)](#)**: Doctoral Networks, Postdoctoral Fellowships and more

Mehr Info und Links sowie Möglichkeiten für ein [Anschubfinanzierung zur Vorbereitung von ERC und EU-Verbundanträgen](#) finden sich auf der [EU-Office Webseite](#).

## **2. Förderformat / Programme des Monats Februar**

Europäische Partnerschaften für Forschung und Innovation ([Übersicht in den einzelnen Säulen von Horizon Europe](#)) unterstützen den Europäischen Forschungsraum (EFR) thematisch. Die Europäische Kommission sowie private und/oder öffentliche Partner verpflichten sich dabei, Schwerpunktthemen strategisch zu entwickeln und in Form von 'Joint Transnational Calls' in Projekte umzusetzen. Partnerschaften sind eine Weiterentwicklung der ERA-Nets bzw. Joint Programming Initiatives (JPI). Entsprechend ihrer Organisations- und Finanzierungskonzepte (oft werden die Partnerschaften durch nationale Fördermittelgeber ko-finanziert) werden [verschiedene Partnerschaftstypen](#) unterschieden.

Für die Fördermitteleinwerbung Hohenheimer WissenschaftlerInnen sind folgende Partnerschaften besonders relevant:

- ◆ [Agriculture of Data](#)
- ◆ [Agroecology](#)
- ◆ [Animal Health & Welfare](#)
- ◆ [Biodiversa+](#)
- ◆ [Circular Biobased Europe](#)
- ◆ [Collective Research Networking with SME](#)
- ◆ [Health | Rare diseases](#) (EP PerMed)
- ◆ [One-Health Anti-Microbial Resistance \(OH AMR\)](#)
- ◆ [Pandemic Preparedness](#)
- ◆ [PRIMA: Partnership for Research and Innovation in the Mediterranean Area](#)
- ◆ [Raw Materials for the Green and Digital Transition](#)
- ◆ [Social Transformations and Resilience](#)
- ◆ [Sustainable Food Systems \(FutureFoodS\)](#)
- ◆ [Transforming Health & Care Systems \(THCS\)](#)

Hier finden Sie eine [Übersicht aller EU-Partnerschaften und aktueller Kandidaten-Partnerschaften](#).

Die Förderbekanntmachungen von national kofinanzierten EU-Partnerschaften sind in der Regel 3-stufig:

- (1) Skizzenphase
- (2) Vollantrag auf Einladung
- (3) Nationaler Förderantrag für zur Förderung ausgewählte Anträge.

### 3. Für Projekt-KoordinatorInnen & ManagerInnen

**EU@Lunch** am **13. April 2026**, 12:00-13:00 Uhr

**THEMA: Startklar für EU-Projekte: Projektumsetzung kompakt**

**zu Gast:** Oriane Petit (AW5, Drittmittel / EU-Kompetenzteam)

[Zoom-Link](#) | Meeting-ID: 690 0617 8152 | Kenncode: wG02GN

### 4. Fortbildungsveranstaltungen und Events

◆ Webinar-Reihe der Nationalen Kontaktstellen zu den

**1. Veranstaltungsreihe ‚RP Start‘** bietet einen **Einstieg in das Rahmenprogramm Horizont Europa:**

- Das Programm (25. Februar 2026),
- Das Projekt (25. März 2026)
- Der Projektantrag (12. Mai 2026) >>> Die [Anmeldungen](#) sind geöffnet.

**2. Calls 2027 im Horizon Europe Cluster 6:** Anmeldung über [Webex-Formular](#).

- [Destination 1](#) (Biodiversität und Ökosystemdienstleistungen): Di, **17.02.2026**, 10:00 - 11:30 Uhr
- [Destination 2](#) (Farm2Fork): Do, **19.02.2026**, 10:00 - 11:00 Uhr
- [Destination 3](#) (Circular Bioeconomy): Di, **24.02.2026**, 10:00 - 11:30 Uhr
- [Destination 4,5 und 6](#) (Umwelt, Klimamaßnahmen an Land und in den Ozeanen und Gewässern, sowie resilienten, inklusiven, gesunden ländlichen, küstennahen, urbanen Gemeinden): Do, **26.02.**, 10:00 - 11:30 Uhr
- [Destination 7](#) (Governance, Monitoring, digitale Lösungen für den Green Deal): Do, **03.03.**, 10:00 - 11:00 Uhr

**3. Einführung Arbeitsprogramm 2027, Calls und Missionen**

- [2027er Topics im Überblick - Einführung in die Missionen](#): Mi, 04.03.2026, 14:00 - ca. 15:30 Uhr
- [2027er Topics im Überblick - Cluster 6, Gewässermission](#): Do, 05.03.2026, 10:00 - ca. 11:00 Uhr

- [2027er Topics im Überblick - Cluster 6, Klimamission](#): Di, 10.03.2026, 10:00 - ca. 11:00 Uhr
- [2027er Topics im Überblick - Städtemission](#): Do, 12.03.2026, 11:00 - ca. 12:00 Uhr
- [2027er Topics im Überblick - Bodenmission](#): Mo, 16.03.2026, 10:00 - ca. 11:00 Uhr

3. [Ausschreibungen des LIFE-Infotage](#) >>> [Anmeldung für den 12./13. Mai 2026](#)

4. [Erfolgreiche Antragstellung im Horizon Europe Cluster 1-Health: 02.-06. März 2026](#)

- ◆ **KoWi-Matchmaking für Konsortien im HE Cluster 6: 25. März in Brüssel**, [mehr Info hier](#)
- ◆ ELLS-Angebot an den wissenschaftlichen Nachwuchs: [Navigating BrussELLS 2026 "How can the EU help you in developing your scientific career?"](#): **19.-21. Mai 2026** | [Mehr Informationen zum Intensiv-Training-Course in Brüssel und Bewerbungsunterlagen für InteressentInnen finden Sie hier.](#)

## 5. Wissenswertes

- ◆ [Änderungen beim "Gender Equality Plan" in Horizont Europa: Für das Arbeitsprogramm 2026/2027](#) wurden die Anforderungen an den Gleichstellungsplan vereinfacht (z. B. keine zwingende Unterschrift, Berichtspflicht nun alle zwei Jahre). Die Änderungen gelten rückwirkend für alle Förderungen ab 2022 und sind in den „[General Annexes](#)“ (p18 f.) des Funding & Tenders Portals beschrieben >>> Hier geht's zum [neuen Infoblatt](#) + [Gender equality plans - How to be ready for ex post-checks](#)".
- ◆ Die Europäische Kommission arbeitet derzeit an dem ersten europäischen **Aktionsplan für Frauen in Forschung, Innovation und Start-ups** und bittet um [Stellungnahme zu diesem Aktionsplan bis zum 23. Februar 2026](#).
- ◆ Das [neue Portal der EU-Mission zur Anpassung an den Klimawandel](#) ist online! Durch die Bündelung von Wissen, Daten und Kooperationsmöglichkeiten soll das Missionsportal zu einer zentralen Plattform für Entscheidungstragende, Fachleute und weitere Akteurinnen und Akteure werden. Das Portal soll den Übergang Europas zu einer klimaresilienten Zukunft fördern und bietet dafür Leitlinien, Daten und Inspiration zur Anpassungsplanung. Die zentralen Bereiche sind:
  - **"Projects" und "Stories"** mit Informationen zu laufenden Missionsprojekten, zu konkreten Ergebnissen sowie zu erfolgreichen Anpassungsmaßnahmen und praxisnahen Lösungen zur Klimaanpassung
  - **"Knowledge Hubs"** mit Werkzeugen, Leitfäden und bewährten Ansätzen für eine evidenzbasierte Planung und Entscheidungsfindung
  - **"Funding & Financing"** mit aktuellen Fördermöglichkeiten, Förderdatenbank und einem hilfreichen Leitfaden
  - **"News & events"** mit Informationen zu aktuellen Entwicklungen, Veranstaltungen und politische Initiativen
- ◆ Die Nova Nordisk Foundation (DK) vergibt zweimal im Jahr einjährige [RECRUIT-Sabbatical-Stipendien](#) für exzellente internationale Professoren (ass. Prof. und regulär), sofern sie von einer dänischen Universität nominiert werden. Der Forschungsschwerpunkt der KandidatInnen muss im Bereich der Natur- und Technikwissenschaften oder der Biotechnologie und Nachhaltigkeit liegen und Interdisziplinarität fördern. Die nächste Ausschreibungsrunde öffnet im Mai.
- ◆ **Hohenheimer EU-Office vom 23.-27. Februar nicht besetzt**: Bitte kommen Sie mit zeitkritischen Anfragen rechtzeitig auf uns zu. Im Notfall helfen die KollegInnen der nationalen Forschungsförderung (AF2) aus. Danke für Ihr Verständnis.

## 6. Kontakt, Feedback und Anregungen

Sie haben Anregungen, wie der Service für EU- und internationale Förderanträge und die Projektimplementierung verbessert werden kann?

- Nutzen Sie unsere [Wunsch-Box](#)
- **Rufen Sie an:** -24615 / -24688
- **Schreiben Sie:** [eu-grants@uni-hohenheim.de](mailto:eu-grants@uni-hohenheim.de) oder [global-grants@uni-hohenheim.de](mailto:global-grants@uni-hohenheim.de)
- **Besuchen** Sie uns im Wollgrasweg 43 (EG) und nutzen Sie unsere Veranstaltungsformate.

# Funding News EU-Office [16.02.2026]

**Calls & information about European and international research funding**  
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## 1. Selected Research Funding Options / Calls

**The International Climate Initiative (IKI) Large Grants 2025:** [Topic- & Country Priorities](#) | Deadline: **17 February 2026** | 1-2 Projects/ Priority will be selected for funding | Budget per project: 12-20 Mill Euro

**European Partnership Agroecology:** [Fostering plant and animal genetic diversity and empowering farmers to accelerate the agroecological transition](#) | Deadline: **18 February 2026** | three-stage application

**DFG-CONICET: 5. Bilateral Call for German-Argentinian research projects in selected thematic fields** (Physics, Chemistry, Material Science, Engineering, Geosciences, Neurosciences, Molecular / Clinical Infectiology and Immunology) DFG Deadline: **20 February 2026** | Contact: Christian Marchetti, Marianne Hege (AF2)

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- Biodiversity Conservation and Nature-Based Solutions
- Ocean-Biodiversity-Climate Integration
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**British Academy** | [International Fellowships 2026](#) enables researchers to spend two years working at a British research institution in order to build a globally networked, mobile research community | Earliest Start: 1 Oct 2026, Application Deadline: **11 March 2026**

**NEW:** **Eva Crane Trust: Awards for advancing global research and understanding in bee science and beekeeping. We aim to foster innovative projects and collaborations that explore and expand knowledge in apiology, beekeeping practices, and the historical significance of bees** | Application Types: Form A: Science; Form B: Citizen Science; Form C: Events; Form D: Books | Application Deadlines: **15 March** (no formal financial limit (although the Trust rarely commits to projects in excess of £30,000) & **15 September** (Awards will be capped at a maximum of £5,000)

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**NEW:** **Foundation for Food & Agriculture Research: Enhancing the Flavor of Plant-based & Fermentation-derived Proteins RFA** | Application Deadline **March 25, 2026**

**NEW:** **IBM Impact Accelerator“-Program AI-Driven Solutions Shaping the Future of Work and Education:** Deadline: **25 March 2026**

Erasmus+ [Virtual Exchanges in Sub-Saharan Africa](#) | Application Deadline: **26 March 2026** | single-stage | Contact: F. Schenk, Dr. B. Gehring (International Office)

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**NEW:** [ESPEN Research Fellowship 2026](#): Eligibility criteria: (1) Applicant and supervisor must be [ESPEN members](#) (in Hohenheim: Prof. Stephan Bischoff); (2) Early career researcher within 5 years of final academic degree (PhD, MD, MSc) Application | Submission Deadline: **31 March 2026**

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**Human Frontier Science Programme [HFSP Postdoctoral Fellowships](#)** supports proposals for potentially transformative pioneering research in the life sciences. Applications for high-risk projects are particularly welcome. Projects should be interdisciplinary in nature and challenge existing paradigms through the use of new approaches and techniques. From a scientific perspective, they should address an important problem or obstacle to progress in the field | Initiation of an LoI by **05 May 2026** | Deadline Submission of a Letter of Intent by **12 May 2026**

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Deadline: **31 July 2026** | single-stage

[HORIZON-JU-CBE-2026 Calls](#) | Deadline: **22 September 2026**, 17:00 CET

- Innovation actions – flagship (IA-flagship)
- Innovation actions (IA)
- Research and innovation actions (RIA)
- Coordination and support actions (CSA)

[Missions](#), incl. **Mission Soil, Adaptation to Climate Change Mission**, Cancer Mission, Climate-Neutral and Smart Cities Mission, Restore our Ocean and Waters, and the European Bauhaus | Deadlines in **September 2026**

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**NEW:** **EIC [Pathfinder Challenge: Biotechnology for Healthy Ageing](#)** (HORIZON-EIC-2026-PATHFINDER CHALLENGES-01-02) Funding up to 100%, single stage, Deadline **28.10.2026**, 4 Mill €/ Project | Individual or collaborative projects

More information and links, as well as opportunities for [seed funding to prepare ERC and EU joint applications](#), can be found on the [EU Office website](#)

## Horizon Europe (HE) [Work Programmes 2026/27](#)

### HE [Cluster 1 - Health](#)

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Destination – Developing/ using tools, technologies and digital solutions for a healthy society  
Destination - Maintaining an innovative, sustainable, and competitive EU health industry

### HE [Cluster 2 - Culture, Creativity and Inclusive Society](#): various Deadlines, e.g. **23 Sep 2026**

- CL2-2026-01-DEMOCRACY-10: Digital and media literacy as drivers for democratic and civic resilience
- CL2-2026-01-DEMOCRACY-05: Research and Innovation Network for a Union of Equality

### HE [Cluster 3 - Civil security for society](#): various Deadlines, e.g. **05 Nov 2026**

- HORIZON-CL3-2026-01-DRS-05: Climate security and civil preparedness
- HORIZON-CL3-2026-01-DRS-04: Open topic on driving innovation uptake of disaster risk solutions

### HE [Cluster 4 - Digital, industry, space](#): various Deadlines, e.g.

- CL4-2026-02-DIGITAL-EMERGING-53: Innovative AI methods and technologies for the process industries **17 Mar 2026**
- CL4-2027-04-DIGITAL-EMERGING-06: International cooperation in AI (IA) **18 Mar 2027**

### HE [Cluster 5 - Climate, energy and mobility](#): various Deadlines, e.g. **15 Apr 2026**

- CL5-2026-07-D1-04: Fighting disinformation and effectively communicating on climate change
- CL5-2026-07-D1-03: Economics of climate change and cost of inaction
- CL5-2026-07-D1-01: Next generation climate monitoring and related capabilities
- CL5-2026-07-D1-05: Improving climate and weather models for Africa

### HE [Cluster 6 - Food, Bioeconomy, Natural Resources, Agriculture and Environment](#)

- CL6 Call 01 – single-stage: Biodiversity and ecosystem services | Deadline **17 Sep 2026**, [WP, S.20 ff.](#)
- CL6 Call 02 – single-stage: Fair, healthy and environment-friendly food systems from primary production to consumption | Deadline **14 Apr 2026**, [WP, S.23 ff.](#)
- CL6 Call 03 – single-stage: Circular economy and bioeconomy sectors | Deadline **15 Apr 2026**, [WP, S.26 ff.](#)
- CL6 Call 04 – single-stage: Clean environment and zero pollution | Deadline **26 Nov 2026**, [WP, S.28 ff.](#)
- CL6 Call 01 – two-stage: Land, ocean and water for climate action | Deadline **16 Apr 2026**, [WP S.30 f.](#)
- CL6 Call 02 – two-stage: Resilient, inclusive, healthy and green rural, coastal and urban communities  
Deadline **14 Apr 2026**, [WP S.31 f.](#)
- CL6 Call 03 – two-stage: Innovative governance, environmental observations and digital solutions in support of the Green Deal | Deadline **15 Apr 2026** (1. Stage), [WP S.33 f.](#)

[HORIZON-JU-CBE-2026 Call](#) | Deadline: **22 September 2026**, 17:00 CET

[Missions](#), incl. **Mission Soil, Adaptation to Climate Change Mission**, Cancer Mission, Climate-Neutral and Smart Cities Mission, Restore our Ocean and Waters, and the European Bauhaus | Deadlines in **September 2026**

### [HE European Innovation Ecosystems \(EIC\) Work programme \(2026-27\)](#)

#### [HE MSCA Work programme \(2026-27\)](#)

- MSCA Staff Exchanges 2026: Call is open already | Deadline: **16 Apr 2026**
- MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships 2026: Opening: 09 Apr 2026 >>> Deadline: **09 Sep 2026**
- MSCA Doctoral Networks 2026: Opening: 28 May 2026 >>> Deadline: **24 Nov 2026**
- MSCA Choose Europe for Science 2027: Opening: 08 Dec 2026 >>> Deadline: **06 Apr 2027**

[HE WIDERA Work Programme 2026-2027](#) (Widening participation and strengthening the European Research Area), various Calls, e.g.

- ERA Fellowships (p.34ff); ERA Chairs (p.42ff); Excellence Hubs (p.53ff)

## 2. Funding Options/ Programmes of the Month February

**European Partnerships for Research and Innovation** ([overview in the individual pillars of Horizon Europe](#)) provide thematic support to the European Research Area (ERA). The European Commission and private and/or public partners commit to strategically developing priority topics and implementing them in projects in the form of joint transnational calls. Partnerships are a further development of ERA-Nets and Joint Programming Initiatives (JPIs). Depending on their organisational and financing concepts (partnerships are often co-financed by national funding bodies), a distinction is made between [different types of partnerships](#).

The following partnerships are particularly relevant for Hohenheim scientists seeking research funding:

- ◆ [Agriculture of Data](#)
- ◆ [Agroecology](#)
- ◆ [Animal Health & Welfare](#)
- ◆ [Biodiversa+](#)
- ◆ [Circular Biobased Europe](#)
- ◆ [Collective Research Networking with SME](#)
- ◆ [Health | Rare diseases](#) (EP PerMed)
- ◆ [One-Health Anti-Microbial Resistance \(OH AMR\)](#)
- ◆ [Pandemic Preparedness](#)
- ◆ [PRIMA: Partnership for Research and Innovation in the Mediterranean Area](#)
- ◆ [Raw Materials for the Green and Digital Transition](#)
- ◆ [Social Transformations and Resilience](#)
- ◆ [Sustainable Food Systems \(FutureFoodS\)](#)
- ◆ [Transforming Health & Care Systems \(THCS\)](#)

Here you will find an overview on all [EU-Partnerships and Candidates Partnerships](#).

Funding announcements for nationally co-financed EU partnerships generally consist of **three stages**:

- (1) **Outline/ Pre-Proposal Stage**
- (2) **Full application** upon invitation
- (3) **National funding application** for selected consortia.

## 3. For Project Coordinators & Managers

**EU@Lunch** on **13 April 2026**, 12:00-13:00 CET

**Topic: Ready for EU Projects: Implementation at a Glance**

**Guest:** Oriane Petit (AW5, Third Party Funding/ EU Competence Team)

**Zoom-Link:** <https://uni-hohenheim.zoom-x.de/j/69006178152?pwd=KsulXrQXufKiGtCAadacC61BYdfaPtC.1> |

Meeting-ID: 690 0617 8152 | Code: wG02GN

## 4. Trainings and Events

### Webinar Series of the National Contact Points

#### 1. The “**RP Start**” Introduction to the Horizon Europe framework programme

- The programme (25 February 2026)
- The project (25 March 2026)
- The Project application (12 May 2026) >>> [Registration is](#) now open.

**2. Calls 2027 in Horizon Europe Cluster 6:** Participation is free of charge, but registration is required. You can register for the entire webinar series or for individual parts of the event series here: [Webex-Form](#).

- [Destination 1](#) (Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services): **17.02.2026**, 10:00 - 11:30 CET
- [Destination 2](#) (Farm2Fork): **19.02.2026**, 10:00 - 11:00 CET
- [Destination 3](#) (Circular Bioeconomy): **24.02.2026**, 10:00 - 11:30 CET
- [Destination 4,5 & 6](#) (Environment, climate action on land and in the oceans and waters, as well as resilient, inclusive, healthy and green rural, coastal and urban communities): **26.02.2026**, 10:00 - 11:30 CET
- [Destination 7](#) (Governance, Monitoring, digital solutions for the Green Deal): **03.03.2026**, 10:00 - 11:00 CET

## 2. Introduction to the Calls of the EU Missions

- [2027er Topics Overview - Introduction Missions](#): **04.03.2026**, 14:00 - ca. 15:30 CET
- [2027er Topics Overview - Cluster 6, Oceans & Water Restoration](#): **05.03.2026**, 10:00 - ca. 11:00 CET
- [2027er Topics Overview - Cluster 6, Climate Mission](#): **10.03.2026**, 10:00 - ca. 11:00 CET
- [2027er Topics Overview - Climate-neutral and smart cities](#): **12.03.2026**, 11:00 - ca. 12:00 CET
- [2027er Topics Overview – Soil Mission](#): **16.03.2026**, 10:00 - ca. 11:00 CET

## 3. LIFE Info Days announcements >>> [Registration](#) for **12–13 May 2026**

## 4. [Successful application in Horizon Europe Cluster 1-Health](#): **02–06 March 2026**

- ◆ **KoWi-Matchmaking for consortia in HE Cluster 6 on 25 March in Brüssel**, [more info here](#)
- ◆ ELLS coaching for young scientists: [Navigating BrussELLS 2026 “How can the EU help you in developing your scientific career?”: 19-21 May 2026](#) | More [Information on the training course in Brussels and application forms for interested researchers you'll find here](#).

## 5. News

- ◆ The 5<sup>th</sup> edition of the **EU Organic Awards** [is now open for applications](#) from 10 February to **26 April 2026** to any EU actor or institution with a **noteworthy project that contributes to greater affordability and accessibility of organic products** in the EU.
- ◆ **Changes to the Gender Equality Plan in Horizon Europe: For the 2026/2027 work programme**, the requirements for the gender equality plan have been simplified (e.g. no mandatory signature, reporting requirement now every two years). The changes apply retroactively to all funding from 2022 onwards and are described in the [‘General Annexes’](#) (p18 f.) of the Funding & Tenders Portal >>> Click here for the [new information sheet + Gender equality plans - How to be ready for ex post-checks](#)"
- ◆ The European Commission is currently working on the first **European Action Plan for Women in Research, Innovation and Start-ups** and is inviting [comments on this Action Plan until 23 February 2026](#).
- ◆ The [new Portal of the EU Mission on Adaptation to Climate Change](#) is online! By bringing together knowledge, data and opportunities for cooperation, the portal aims to become a central platform for decision-makers, experts and other stakeholders supporting Europe's transition to a climate-resilient future by providing guidance, data and inspiration for adaptation planning. The main sections are:
  - **‘Projects’ and ‘Stories’** with information on ongoing mission projects, concrete results, successful adaptation measures and practical solutions for climate adaptation
  - **‘Knowledge Hubs’** section with tools, guidelines and best practices for evidence-based planning and decision-making
  - **‘Funding & Financing’** section with current funding opportunities, a funding database and a helpful guide
  - **‘News & events’** section with information on current developments, events and political initiatives of the mission.
- ◆ Nova Nordisk Foundation (DK) offers [RECRUIT Sabbatical grants](#) to excellent researchers at the assistant-, associate-, or full-professor level. All candidates for the RECRUIT programme must be nominated by a Danish university, which have nomination quota for RECRUIT allocated. The candidate's research focus must lie within natural and technical science research and interdisciplinarity, or biotechnology and sustainability. The next call opens in May 2026.
- ◆ **EU-Office closed from February 23-27**: If you expect to receive enquiries or require assistance during this period, please contact us well in advance. For urgent support that cannot be anticipated, our colleagues from the National Research Funding Services (AF2) will be happy to help. Thank you for your understanding.

## 6. Contact, Feedback and Suggestions

Do you have suggestions on how the service for EU and international funding applications and project implementation can be improved?

- Use our [‘Make-a-Wish’ Box](#)
- Call us: -24615 / -24688
- Write to us: [eu-grants@uni-hohenheim.de](mailto:eu-grants@uni-hohenheim.de) or [global-grants@uni-hohenheim.de](mailto:global-grants@uni-hohenheim.de)
- Visit us and take advantage of our event formats