

EUROPEAN FUNDING GATEWAY for DEFENCE

FUNDING SOURCE	European Defence Fund (EDF)		EDA's ad-hocs	Connecting Europe Facility (CEF)	European Structural and Investment Funds (ESIF) - Cohesion Policy Access to EDA's platform → "See EDA's ESIF success stories" ←			
FUNDING «WINDOW»	Preparatory Action on Defence Research (PADR)	European Defence Industrial Development Programme (EDIDP)	Cat. A and Cat. B	CEF Transport: Single European Sky ATM Research (SESAR)	European Regional Development Fund (ERDF)	European Territorial Cooperation goal (ETC): Interreg	European Social Fund (ESF) ¹	Cohesion Fund
SCOPE	EU BUDGET SUPPORTING DEFENCE R&T	COMPETITIVENESS, EFFICIENCY, INNOVATION of DEFENCE INDUSTRY in EU / EU STRATEGIC AUTONOMY / COOPERATION	DEFENCE CAPABILITIES and COOPERATIVE R&T	EUROPEAN TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURES	JOB CREATION, INNOVATION and COMPETITIVENESS	Cross-border/ Transnational COOPERATION	HUMAN CAPITAL training and skilling	Reduce disparities. Promote sustainable development
WHAT (can be funded) ²	Cooperative defence Research-and-Technology (R&T) projects	Cooperative development (e.g. study, design, test, system prototyping, life-cycle efficiency) of products/ technologies (re agreed defence capability priorities) that MS intend to procure/use	Cooperative defence Research-and-Technology (R&T) / capability projects	(Cooperative) Works or studies, or a combination of both. Pilot activities can be part of the project	Productive investment projects in the defence sector. Projects modernising the defence supply chains. Defence and dual-use activities in research and innovation	Productive cooperative investment projects in the defence sector. Projects modernising the defence supply chains. Defence and dual-use activities in research and innovation	Projects on key skills and competencies in both the defence and dual-use domains	Energy projects benefitting the environment. Climate change adaptation. Environment and resource efficiency. Public administration efficiency and capacity
WHO (can apply) ³	Transnational consortia of min. 3 entities [e.g. enterprises, RTOs, universities, Governmental bodies] from Member States (MS) + Norway	Consortia of public/private entities in EU (industry, RTOs, universities): min. 3 from min. 3 MS	Enterprises. Research-and-Technology Organisations (RTOs). Universities. Consortia	MS(s). If concerned MS agrees: international organisations, joint undertakings, public/private undertakings / bodies (e.g. industry, Universities, RTOs) established in EU	Enterprises. Clusters. Universities. RTOs. Ministries of Defence (MoDs). Other private / public organisations. Consortia	Transnational consortia from pre-identified territories (members may be as in ERDF)	Enterprises. Clusters. Universities. RTOs. Ministries of Defence (MoDs). Other private / public bodies. Consortia. VET organisations	Private (e.g. enterprises) and public bodies in eligible Member States
WHICH (funding type)	Grants	Grants. Public procurement	National funding (MoDs)	Grants	Grants. Loans. Guarantees. Equity	Grants. Loans	Grants. Loans. Guarantees	Grants. Loans. Guarantees. Equity
WHEN	2017-2019: annual calls for proposals	2019-2020	Continuing basis	2014-2020: calls for proposals	2014-2020: calls for proposals and/or (continuously) «open window»	2014-2020: calls for proposals and/or (continuously) «open window»	2014-2020: calls for proposals and/or (continuously) «open window»	2014-2020: calls for proposals and/or (continuously) «open window»
WHERE (to apply)	European Defence Agency	European Commission's DG GROW	EDA's CapTechs / PTs - IDTs	INEA	Managing Authorities in Member States (MS)	Managing Authorities in MS	Managing Authorities in MS	Managing Authorities in BG, HR, CY, CZ, EE, EL, HU, LV, LT, MT, PL, PO, RO, SL, SI
QUANTUM (HOW MUCH per application)	Defined in the call text (specific budget per topic)	Defined in the call text	Not defined	Defined in the call text	Defined in the call text (≤ €50 mn; but also above if EC approves)	Defined in the call text (≤ €50 mn; but also above if EC approves)	Defined in the call text	Defined in the call text
HOW (to apply)	Project application (via the Participant Portal)	Project application (via the Participant Portal)	(MoDs in) EDA's CapTechs / PTs - IDTs	Project application	Project application	Project application	Project application	Project application

¹ ERDF + ESF are together often referred to simply as «Structural Funds».

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	COSME Access to EDA's platform		LIFE		European Investment Bank (EIB)
	Financial instruments ⁴ (LGF, EFG)	Access to markets	Environment. Climate Action	Financial instruments (PF4EE, NCFE)	Project loans
SCOPE	FINANCING HIGH-RISK Small-and-Medium-sized Enterprises (SMEs)	SME / CLUSTER ACCESS to MARKETS	RESOURCE-EFFICIENT, LOW-CARBON and CLIMATE-RESILIENT economy. Quality of the ENVIRONMENT. HABITATS	CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION (PF4EE) / ADAPTATION; NATURE (NCFE)	EU POLICY PRIORITIES
WHAT (can be funded) ⁵	SME expansion and growth	Internationalisation of SMEs	Pilot, demonstration, best practice, information / awareness / dissemination projects related to water, waste, energy, circular economy, chemicals (incl. REACH), noise, emissions, etc.	Innovative pilot natural capital management projects (NCFE). Energy efficiency investments and its technical assistance (NCFE and PF4EE)	Dual-use R&T+D projects (economically, financially, technically, environmentally sound) furthering EU policy goals
WHO (can apply) ⁶	Defence-related SMEs in EU projects. "Dual-use SMEs" (but EIF restricted sectors ⁷)	Transnational partnerships: min. 3 clusters (min. 1 defence-related ⁸) / business organisations (from min. 3 MS)	Public and private bodies	Enterprises (but EIB excluded activities). Public bodies	Enterprises. Public-private partnerships. Public bodies (but EIB excluded activities ⁹)
WHICH (funding type)	Loans. Equity	Grants	Grants. Public procurement contracts	Loans, equity, guarantees	Loans
WHEN	2014-2020: continuing basis (demand-driven: «first-come, first-served» basis)	2014-2020: calls for proposals	2014-2020: annual calls for proposals	2014-2020: continuing basis	Continuing basis
WHERE (to apply)	Financial intermediaries (selected by the EIF)	EASME	EASME	NCFE: EIB. PF4EE: financial intermediaries (selected by the EIB)	EIB
QUANTUM (HOW MUCH per application)	Loans: ≤ €150 000 for high-risk SMEs; above €150 000 for "non-innovative" high-risk SMEs only	Defined in the call text	≤ 55% of eligible costs (≤ 60% under priority Nature and Biodiversity)	NCFE: € 2-15 mn (technical assistance: ≤ 10%, ≤ € 1 mn). PF4EE: ≤ € 5 mn (exceptionally ≤ € 15 mn)	≤ 50% of a project, whose total investment cost ≥ €25 mn (> € 15m for SMEs and Mid-Caps)
HOW (to apply)	No need for project (case to be made for entity financial viability)	Project application	Project application	NCFE (mail); PF4EE	Project

⁴ **Financial instruments:** notably loans, guarantees, equity investments («money that has to be repaid back by the recipient»: no grants / subsidies).

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⁷ **EIF** (European Investment Fund) restricted sectors: "The EIF applies restrictions to ... the financing of the production of and trade in weapons and ammunition of any kind. This restriction does not apply to the extent such activities are part of or accessory to explicit EU policies" (Guidelines on the EIF Restricted Sectors, Board of Directors, 13/07/2010).

⁸ **Defence-related cluster/business organisation:** "(one of the members of) such entity is either a member of a National Defence Industry Association, or devoting part of its sales to the defence markets or taking part in national or European defence-related projects" (see COS-CLUSINT-2017-03-6, § 6.2, European Commission, ref. ARES(2017)4355188 – 06/09/2017).

⁹ **EIB** (European Investment Bank) excluded activities: "Activities excluded from EIB lending (22 April 2013) - Type of activities: 1) Ammunition and weapons, military/police equipment or infrastructure. Comments/Clarifications: includes explosives and sporting weapons".

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	ERASMUS+ Access to EDA's platform			Horizon 2020			
	Learning mobility of individuals	Strategic Partnerships	Knowledge Alliances	Thematic areas	SME instrument	Financial instruments (InnovFin)	E.L.E.N.A.
SCOPE	Mobility for VOCATIONAL EDUCATION and TRAINING (VET) of learners	INNOVATIVE PRACTICES: development / testing / implementation / transfer	INNOVATION in higher education and business	TRANSNATIONAL RESEARCH and INNOVATION (R&I)	RESEARCH and INNOVATION in Small-and-Medium-sized Enterprises (SMEs)	Access to RISK FINANCE for RESEARCH and INNOVATION (R&I)	TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE for energy efficiency / distributed renewable energy investment programmes
WHAT (can be funded) ¹⁰	Projects on transnational mobility / placement (incl. internships) towards Higher Education and VET organisations ¹¹ / companies (also in defence), for students / trainees / apprentices	Projects (incl. transnational training, exchange of experience and know-how) on, e.g.: planning professional development for staff (also in defence), increased capacity to work at international level	Projects fostering / stimulating innovation / creativity / entrepreneurial skills of graduates and/or company staff	Civil purpose / applications of dual-use research and innovation projects	Civil purpose / applications of dual-use research and innovation projects	Enterprise viability and growth	Public / private feasibility and market studies, programme structuring, business plans, energy audits and financial structuring, preparation of tenders
WHO (can apply) ¹²	Transnational consortia (led by a VET organisation) incl. any organisation active in the labour market (e.g.: enterprise, RTO, industry association, public body)	Consortia (of e.g. any enterprise, MoDs / public bodies, education / training / trade organisations): min. 3 organisations (from 3 MS + Norway)	Consortia [of enterprise (min. 2), higher education institutions (min. 2), MoDs / public bodies, trade / training organisations]: min. 6 organisations (from 3 MS + Norway)	Consortia (min. 3 entities from 3 MS)	Small-and-Medium-sized Enterprises (SMEs)	Innovative ¹³ SMEs, Mid-Caps ¹⁴ , Larger Caps, RTOs (but EIB excluded activities / EIF restricted sectors)	Public or private entities (but EIB excluded activities)
WHICH (funding type)	Grants	Grants	Grants	Grants. Prizes. (Pre-commercial) public procurement (of innovative solutions)	Grants	Loans. Loan guarantees. Equity	Grants
WHEN	2014-2020: calls for proposals	2014-2020: calls for proposals	2014-2020: calls for proposals	2014-2020: (normally) open call for project proposal	2014-2020 (3-4 cut-off dates per year)	2014-2020: continuing basis (demand-driven: «first-come, first-served»)	Continuing basis («first-come, first-served basis»)
WHERE (to apply)	National Agencies	National Agencies	EACEA	European Commission and JUs (Brussels)	EASME	Financial intermediaries (selected by EIF) for “InnovFin SME Guarantee Facility” and “InnovFin Equity”. Also EIB if ≥ € 7,5 mn	EIB
QUANTUM (HOW MUCH per application)	Defined in the call text	≤ € 150 000 yearly (max. 3 years)	≤ € 700 000 (if 2 years); ≤ € 1 mn (if 3 years)	Defined in the call text (funding range: €1-50 mn)	Phase I: €50 000 (lump sum) per project. Phase II: €500 000- 2,5 mn	Loans: between € 25 000 and € 7,5 mn re “InnovFin SME Guarantee Facility” (for SMEs and Small Mid-Caps ≤ 500 employees); above re “InnovFin Emerging Innovators”	≤ 90% of eligible project development costs (within a programme > € 30 mn for ≤ 3 years)
HOW	Project application	Project application	Project application	Project application (Horizon	Project application (Horizon	Case to be made for entity	EIB

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¹¹ VET organisations: to identify them, contact your National Agency.

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¹³ Innovative entities: see Annex III to EIF Open Call for Expression of Interest to select Financial Intermediaries under InnovFin SME Guarantee facility, “2. Innovation Eligibility Criteria”: pages 9-10.

¹⁴ Mid-Caps: 250-3000 employees.

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financial viability

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