



CHIST-ERA Call 2021

Information Webinar #2

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Outline

- □ CHIST-ERA and Call 2021 key features
- Proposal preparation recommendations
- How to submit your proposal



CHIST-ERA and Call 2021 Key Features

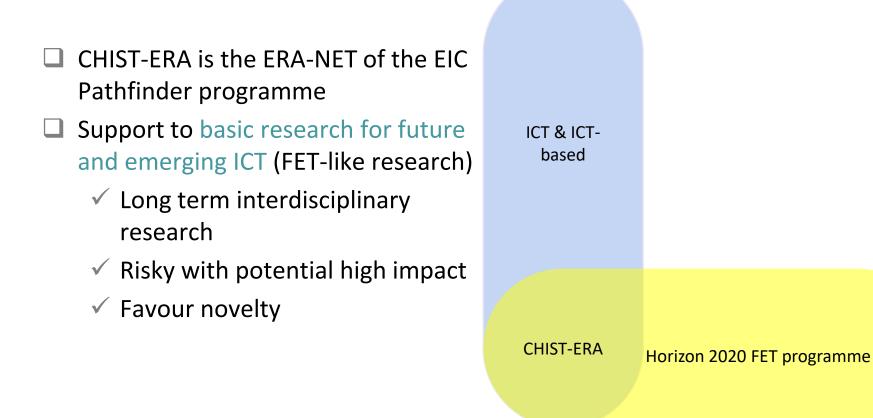
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CHIST-ERA Overview

- A network (ERA-NET) of research funding organisations in Europe and beyond
 - ✓ Covering most European countries + Québec & Taiwan
 - Call consortium is a sub-set of CHIST-ERA consortium (participation on a topic by topic basis)
- **Supporting long term research targeting emerging digital technologies**
 - ✓ Investing in the identification and definition of promising topics
 - ✓ Supporting 2 topics per year
 - Typically 10-15 projects of approx. 0.8 1 M€ each, involving at least 3 countries each
 - ✓ Promoting Open Science, Widening Countries, Ethics
- Relying on a well-established yearly call cycle
 - One-step high quality evaluation process
- Fostering cross-fertilisation across topics and strategic thinking through a yearly Funded Projects Seminar
- Diversification of funding activities: Call Open Science & Challenge Call



Targeted Research Smarter, Safer, Leaner... ICT



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Nano-Opto-Electro-Mechanical Systems for ICT (NOEMS) (1/2)

Target Outcomes

- Miniaturisation of NOEMS and integration with circuits on a single device;
- Development of multi modal and multi physical capabilities;
- Improvement of electro-mechanical energy conversion efficiency;
- Modelling of the NOEMS at the nanoscale taking into account Van der Waals forces;
- Development of metamaterials/metasurfaces for integration of NOEMS components;
- Development of arrays of NOEMS for computing architectures;
- Development of testbeds;
- Advanced fabrication technologies, exploiting silicon or heterogeneous materials to aid integration.

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Nano-Opto-Electro-Mechanical Systems for ICT (NOEMS) (2/2)

Expected Impacts

- Develop a deeper fundamental and comprehensive understanding of NOEMS for information and communication technologies;
- Identify new opportunities fostered through NOEMS and possibly the transfer from laboratories to industries;
- Enable the emerging of innovative, scalable, reliable and reproducible technologies, with increased manufacturability and its repeatability;
- Cross traditional boundaries between disciplines in order to strengthen the community involved in tackling these new challenges.



Foundations for Misbehaviour Detection and Mitigation Strategies in Online Social Networks and Media (OSNEM) (1/2)

Target Outcomes

- Identify most impactful types of misbehaviour (possibly on purpose) and emerging trends;
- □ (Near) real time, robust and scalable technologies to detect misbehaviours;
- Address multimodality (i.e. text, video, audio and images), tackling multiple platforms where possible;
- Development of AI-based (incl. explainable AI) and Natural Language Processing technologies where necessary;
- Availability and sharing of (multilingual) databases and benchmarks.



Foundations for Misbehaviour Detection and Mitigation Strategies in Online Social Networks and Media (OSNEM) (2/2)

Expected Impacts

- Develop a deeper fundamental and comprehensive understanding of misbehaviour in social networks and media, anticipate future and emerging trends;
- Enable the emerging of innovative and reproducible technologies to detect low quality news, misinformation and disinformation (propaganda), and support mitigation strategies;
- □ Increase awareness in society;
- Cross traditional boundaries between disciplines in order to strengthen the community involved in tackling these new challenges.



WHO will Evaluate your Proposal?

- Evaluation panel consists of sufficient number of high-level experts from different fields within the call topic
 - Some of them with specific knowledge on Open Science and on technology transfer
- Composition of the evaluation panel is prepared by the Call Secretariat and approved by CHIST-ERA funders in the call
 - Scientists participating in the proposals *cannot* be members of the evaluation panel or evaluate proposals as external reviewers
- Each proposal will be evaluated by 3 panel members
 - ✓ *External reviewers* at least 2 for each proposal
- Evaluation panel is established for each topic → 2 separate panels evaluate proposals → Thus 2 ranking lists are elaborated
- The list of the panel members will be made public on CHIST-ERA website after the funding recommendation is issued

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HOW will your Proposal be Evaluated?

Evaluation criteria – for full description see Call 2021 Announcement

Relevance to the Topic (threshold: 4/5, weight: 1)

✓ Relevance of the project with respect to the topic description

Scientific and Technological Quality (threshold: 3.5/5, weight: 2)

- High risk/High gain of the proposed research and novelty of the potential technological breakthroughs;
- Clarity of long-term vision of a science-enabled technology;
- Soundness of the concept, ambition and quality of the proposed research objectives that address this vision, quality of the research method, reproducibility of the results;
- Range and added value from interdisciplinarity (incl. measures for exchange, crossfertilisation and synergy), originality and novelty, and potential for non-incremental progress beyond the state-of-the-art;
- ✓ Flexibility and plausibility of the methodology.

HOW will your Proposal be Evaluated?

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Impact (threshold: 3.5/5, weight: 2)

The extent to which the outputs of the project would contribute, at the European and/or international level, to:

- ✓ The expected impacts mentioned in the topic description (see pages 5-6);
- ✓ Potential to transform research results into innovations with societal or economic impact.

Quality of the proposed measures and plans to:

- Disseminate and use of project results (incl. data and means to reproduce results) in line with the Open Access to Publications and Research Data principles (see pages 7-8), and management of intellectual property;
- Communicate the project to different target audiences.

Implementation (threshold: 3/5, weight: 1)

Quality and efficiency of the implementation and management:

- Quality and effectiveness of the work plan to achieve project objectives and impacts, including appropriateness of allocation of the resources to tasks and partners (incl. justification of requested resources) and of data management;
- Appropriateness of the management structure and procedures (incl. risk management);
- Quality and added value of the participants (complementarity, coherence of the consortium as a whole, balance of involvement etc.).

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Selection of Proposals

- On the basis of the ranking of the proposals and of available funding, the Call Steering Committee prepares a list of projects recommended for funding to the national/regional funding organisations
- Call Steering Committee (CSC) follows the ranking list and makes efforts to fund as many projects as possible
 - ✓ If not all ex-aequo projects can be funded, the following options are considered
 - Budget of the respective funder(s) can be increased
 - Budget cut in requested funding (manageable up to 10%)
- If the budget is unsufficient to fund all *ex aequo* projects among rank N, CSC will select projects using the following criteria:
 - ✓ The output of the call, i.e. the overall funding, should be maximised (e.g. by prioritising the projects with high presence of under-represented countries and vice-versa)
 - ✓ If possible each funding organisation funds at least one project
 - ✓ Projects involving partners from **Widening Countries** are prioritised



WHEN will your Proposal be Evaluated?

Tentative timeline

17 January 2022 Deadline for proposals submission

Spring 2022

Proposals evaluation by Evaluation panel

June 2022

Notification of accepted proposals and feedback sent to applicants October 2022 First possible start date for accepted projects



WHICH Feedback will you Receive?

- Notification of selection decision
 - Proposal below quality threshold, or
 - ✓ Proposal above quality threshold but not selected due to lack of funding, or
 - ✓ Proposal selected
- Review feedback
 - ✓ A consensus report summarising the panel's view on the proposal and funding recommendation to CHIST-ERA is sent to the project coordinator
 - Subsequently report is distributed to all partners by project coordinator
- List of selected projects is published on CHIST-ERA webpage
- If the proposal is selected for funding, contractual negotiation phase is launched with respective funding organisations involved in the project



Proposal Preparation & Recommendations

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Joint Funding Instrument

European level

- ✓ Formation of collaborative projects
- ✓ Submission of proposals
- Evaluation and ranking
- ✓ Funding recommendation
- ✓ Contact point: CHIST-ERA Call Secretariat

National/Regional level

- ✓ One National/Regional Contact Point for the funding organisation
- ✓ For some countries, a separate application to the respective funding organisation by a project partner from that country is needed
- ✓ Formal implementation, grant agreement



Requirements from the Consortia

- Formation of consortia
 - ✓ At least 3 partners from 3 countries participating in the call topic
 - Industrial partners eligible for some funders (see call text for details)
 - Research should be focused on a clearly defined goal, i.e. typically not more than 6 partners is recommended
 - Consortia should be balanced:
 - Not more than 60% of the total requested funding may be requested by partners from one country
- Additional partners
 - Research groups from countries whose funding organisations are not in the call may join a project consortium as long as they are able to secure their own funding
 - ✓ These groups/institutions do not count for the 3-3 rule
 - ✓ The coordinator must request funding

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Application Procedure

- One-step submission procedure
 - ✓ Proposal: approx. 25-35 pages
- Each consortium specifies one coordinator
 - ✓ Single point of contact for the call secretariat
 - ✓ The coordinator must be based in a country participating in the call
- For each project partner, one PI is the point of contact at the national/regional level
- Prior to submission, each PI has to consult with its funding organisation regarding eligibility issues:
 - Eligibility of the institution (university, academic institutions, industry,...)
 - ✓ Position of the PI (e.g. permanent staff,...)
 - ✓ Eligible costs
- The proposal is submitted through the ANR online submission platform
- Some funding organisations require additional national/regional forms

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Recommendations (1/2)

- CHIST-ERA is not ERC: Collaboration, science and technology are essential ingredients
- Novelty and interdisciplinarity are important
 - ✓ Incremental refinements rarely make it, high-risk does
 - Collaboration driven by joint questions, goals and mutual learning
- A long term vision is essential but also a plausible idea on how to get there
- Strong encouragement to involve Widening Countries in the call
- Improve your project by integrating appropriate Open Access measures
- Consider altogether the Call Announcement, the evaluation criteria and the proposal template



Recommendations (2/2)

- Make sure that your partners have checked their eligibility with the respective funding organisations
- □ Take into consideration national/regional budget constraints. Projects are expected to be at maximum in the range of 0.8 1 M€
- Do not hesitate to contact the CHIST-ERA call secretariat and your national/regional contact points
- Get used to the electronic submission system sufficiently in advance to prevent any technical risk



How to Submit your Proposal



Application Guidelines (1/11)

Full guidelines: <u>https://www.chistera.eu/sites/www.chistera.eu/files/CHIST-</u> <u>ERA%20Call%202021%20-%20Submission%20Guidelines.pdf</u>

Recommendations:

Create your submission account some days before the submission deadline in order to avoid any problem

- > Verify all the data in the submission platform
- > Upload the proposal document in PDF format
- Upload the financial plan in the annex section (letters of support could be uploaded as well in the same section)
- The CHIST-ERA Call 2021 electronic submission system is based on the French National Research Agency (ANR) electronic submission platform (<u>https://aap.agencerecherche.fr/</u>)



Application Guidelines (2/11)

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Application Guidelines (3/11)

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Application Guidelines (4/11)

Partnership Partners/Organisations and tasks

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Identity of the project

Scientific abstracts

Scientific document Submission of the project

Partnership

The project coordinator specifies each partner and the principal investigator (PI) of each partner.

Any PI indicated in the table below has access to the project, his/her login being the registered email address. If necessary, he/she can generate a new password from the home page.

Note that users with only the scientific team member role do not have an account to log into the application.

At each change made, the PIs of the concerned partners are informed by e-mail.

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Application Guidelines (8/11)

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Application Guidelines (9/11)

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Application Guidelines (10/11)

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If a red or an orange sentence is displayed, please check again all the tabs or your project will be automatic considered by the system as *not submitted*.

The closing date for call for proposals is 01/03/2021 until 17:00 (DD/MM/YYYY; Current local time in Paris, France)

Project status :Submitting

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Your application will automatically be considered submitted if all the following conditions are met

- · the scientific document has been submitted
- the grant amount requested for the project is non-zero at the closing of the call for proposals

Only information entered on the submission website by the call for proposals closing date will be considered.

An electronic confirmation will be sent to the coordinator on the call for proposals closing date.

Coordinators are asked to lock their projects by the closing date. The emirate may be unlocked by the coordinator prior to the close



Checking fields

This tab enables the coordinator to lock and unlock the project proposal. When the proposal is locked, other PIs cannot modify their information.

Please note that the submission platform is unable to check that the information you have entered matches the eligibility criteria laid out in the text of the call for proposals.

Please be aware of the following alerts:

- In red : This condition must be fulfilled for your proposition to be complete
- In orange : Information about the project or partner that should be filled or corrected

Proposal:

- No scientific document has been uploaded
- The aid requested under the project must be different from 0
- The abstract in English is empty
- · No principal research theme has been entered for your project

Administrative and financial document of the project

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- Newsletter
- **Twitter**
- LinkedIn

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		NOEMS		
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