

## Access2EIC Updated News on EIC Pathfinder 17<sup>th</sup> June 2021

### EIC Pathfinder Challenges – Guidelines and submission available

The EIC Pathfinder Challenges Call for Proposals are now open, with deadline Oct 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

#### Quick Summary

*Type of Action:* Research and Innovation Action

*Funding Rate:* 100% Eligible costs

*Eligibility Conditions:*

*Mono-beneficiary:* The legal entities may for example be universities, research organisations, SMEs, start-ups, natural persons. In the case of monobeneficiary projects, mid-caps and larger companies will not be permitted.

*Multi-beneficiary:*

- **Two entities:** Consortia of two must have independent legal entities from two different Member States or Associated Countries.
- **Three entities or more:** Consortia of three or above follow standard rules: at least one legal entity must be from a Member State and independent legal entities from three different Member States or Associated Countries.

*Proposal Template:* Specific, in terms of content and limit of pages for the three sections Excellence, Impact and Implementation (25 Pages).

*Evaluation Form:* Specific

*Relevant document:* EIC Pathfinder Challenge Guidelines, available under Topic Conditions and Documents section of the [Call for Proposals](#) or via the [EIC website dedicated webpage](#)

*Deadline* Oct 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021 (17.00 CET)

### 10th, 11th and 12th Editions of the EIC Innovation Training Online Workshop | Capitalize on your innovation

The European Innovation Council Business Acceleration Services invites EIC Pathfinder (FET-Open and FET-Proactive) and Transition beneficiaries to participate in the upcoming editions of the Innovation Training Workshop. You will get the opportunity to learn in depth about eventual/potential commercialisation of your projects outcomes and maximise your value proposition.

The two-day workshops are based on interactive sessions offering concrete business tools to you and your research project, which can be immediately implemented.

Three upcoming editions are open so you can choose the most convenient according to your calendar:

- 10th Edition ITW: 24 and 25 June 2021 - [Apply here](#)
- 11th Edition ITW: 23 and 24 September 2021 - [Apply here](#)



- 12th Edition ITW: 26 and 27 October 2021 - [Apply here](#)

The Workshop is built as an agile match of different modules that will be combined based on the status (maturity level) and needs of the participants.

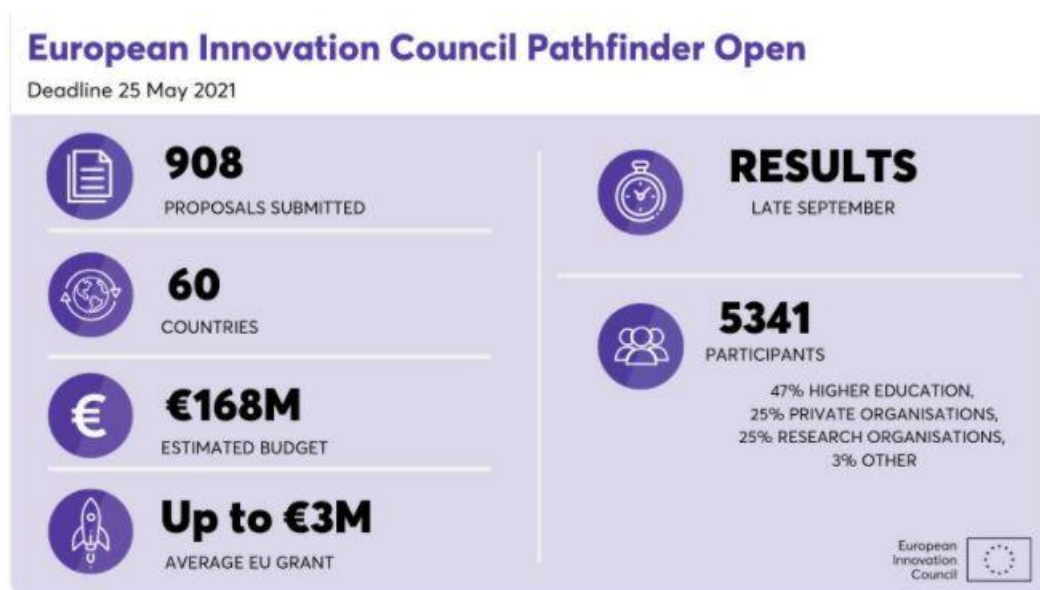
The Modules offered are the following:

- *Technology Validation and product-market fit process*: Understanding the market pull actions from early stage of Technology Readiness Level (TRL)
- *Business Recognition and Market Data Module*: Understanding the commercialization potential of the research and defining ideal market sharing techniques
- *Venture Development Methodology Module*: Fine-tuning and improving business proposition and approach to the market.
- *Exploitation via Lean approach Module*: Identifying customer segment and exploitation opportunities
- *Presentation Pitch*: Simulation and personalized feedback given on the quality of the pitch.

Kindly look at the detailed [invitation here](#).

Should you have any questions regarding the event, the eligibility, or Business Acceleration Services, please refer to [helpdesk](#) (please choose “EIC Innovation Training Workshop” as the subject).

### EIC Pathfinder Open – Participation Rate



25 May was the first deadline of the EIC Pathfinder Open call. EC received 908 consortia applications (5341 participants in total) calling for more than €2.7 billion of grant support. This is a higher number than the Pathfinder calls under EIC pilot and preceding FET Open programme. Applicants are coming from 60 countries and are mainly from Higher Education bodies and research institutions, but with a relatively high number from the private sector (29% of participants, of which 67% are SMEs). With €168 million budget allocated to this call, it is expected that approximately 55 applications will be funded. The evaluation process has begun and will be finalised at the end of September with the selection of interdisciplinary teams of researchers to realise their radical visions for science-towards-technology breakthroughs.

## Access2EIC EuroEquity Label for EIC Pathfinder companies

The [Access2EIC](#) project and EuroQuity-Bpifrance are pleased to invite all eligible Pathfinder, Innovation Launchpad and Transition to Innovation Activities startups to enjoy the Seal of Excellence Pathfinder community.

By encouraging EIC Pathfinder and Transition companies to join the Seal of Excellence community on Euroquity, they will have access to an extensive network of almost 2100 investors and over 1600 partner companies.

- EIC Pathfinder and Transition companies can have access to tailor-made training with a professional investment-readiness coach, including a dry-run session;
- Exclusive access to the EuroQuity platform, an online matchmaking platform that helps companies meet investors and partners;
- An ePitch in front of specialised prominent investors followed, if chosen by investors, by one-to-one meetings with investors might be organized, as the future one, now closed, on 29<sup>th</sup> June 2021.

Pathfinder startups can register [here](#)

The EuroEquity Label, contact persons and EIC Pathfinder EuroEquity community is available [here](#).