# Backing visionary entrepreneurs

The European Innovation Council

EIC Transition Activities & Business Acceleration Services





## Europe's most ambitious innovation initiative

- €10 billion programme to identify, develop and scale up breakthrough technologies and disruptive innovations in Europe
- **Unique** in the world to combine research on emerging technologies with Accelerator for startups, SMEs and scaleups
- EIC set to become **largest deep-tech investor** in Europe (over €3 billion)
- Enhances the **European innovation ecosystem** (partnerships with EIT, ERC, etc)
- First work Programme adopted 18 March 2021, €1.5 billion
- Second Work Programme adopted 7 February 2022, €1.7 billion



## **EIC** main instruments and characteristics

#### **Pathfinder** (TRL1-4)

- For consortia
- Early stage research on breakthrough technologies
- Grants up to €3/4 million

#### **Transition** (TRL 4-6)

- For consortia and single entities
- Technology maturation from proof of concept to validation
- Business & market readiness
- Grants up to €2.5 million

#### **Accelerator** (TRL 6-9)

- For individual SMEs
- Development & scale up of deep-tech/ disruptive innovations by startups/ SMEs
- Blended finance (grants up to €2.5 million; equity investment up to €15 million or above)

- Focus on breakthrough, market-creating, deep-tech
- Mainly bottom up complemented by targeted funding on strategic technologies/ challenges
- Steered by **EIC Board** of leading innovators (entrepreneurs, investors, researchers, ecosystem)
- Business Acceleration Services (coaches/ mentors, corporates, investors, ecosystem)
- Pro-active management (roadmaps, reviews, reorientations, etc) with EIC Programme Managers
- Fast track access to Accelerator for results from EIT, EIC Pathfinder,

## **EIC Pathfinder 2021**



- Successful completion of the first Pathfinder Open evaluation (56 proposals retained for funding)
- Implementation of the first rebuttal ('right-to-react') pilot under Horizon Europe
- Successful launch of five Pathfinder Challenges (in total 433 proposals submitted, evaluation ongoing)

### **European Innovation Council Pathfinder Open**

Successful proposals | Cut-off 25 May 2021



## **EIC Transition 2021**



29

PROJECTS CHOSEN FOR OPEN CALL



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PROJECTS CHOSEN FOR CHALLENGES CALL

9 Medical Technology and Devices;4 Energy harvesting and storage technologies





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TOTAL PROPOSALS SUBMITTED



€99M

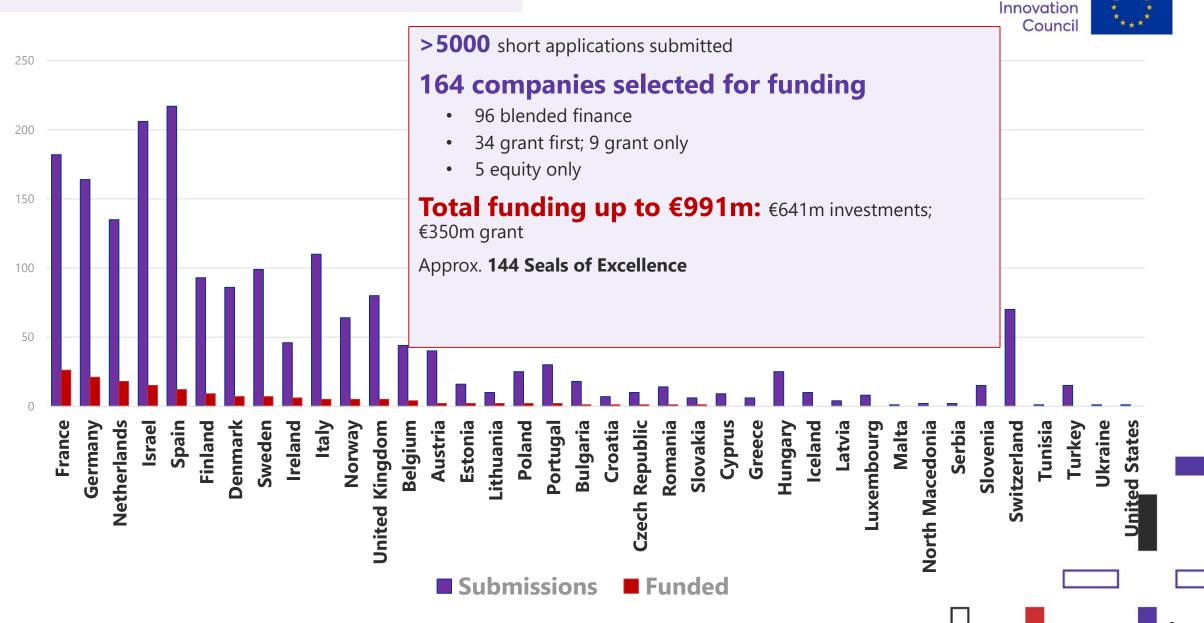
TOTAL EU CONTRIBUTION



24

**COUNTRIES** 

## **EIC Accelerator 2021**



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## What's holding back European innovation?

# Innovation **performance**

- Strong research performance not translated into innovation
- Lack of breakthrough/ disruptive innovations that create new markets

#### Innovation **funding**

Financing gaps (2 "valleys of death") in

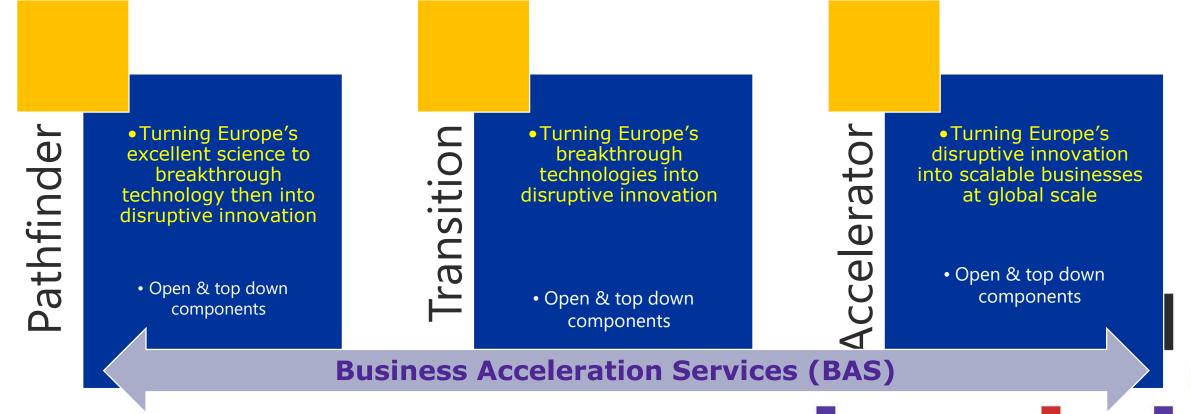
- Transition from lab to enterprise
- **Scaling up** for high-risk innovative start-ups

#### Innovation **ecosystem**

- Many national & local ecosystems, but fragmented at European level
- Need to include all regions and all talent (especially female)

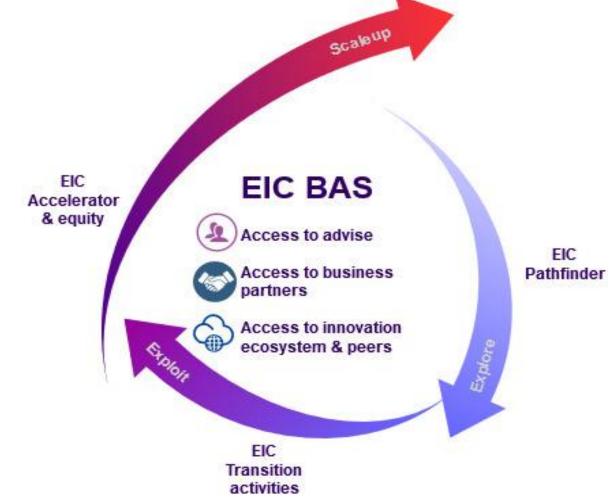


EIC: Integrated, agile support across the full innovation spectrum from early stage research to start-up and scale-up.



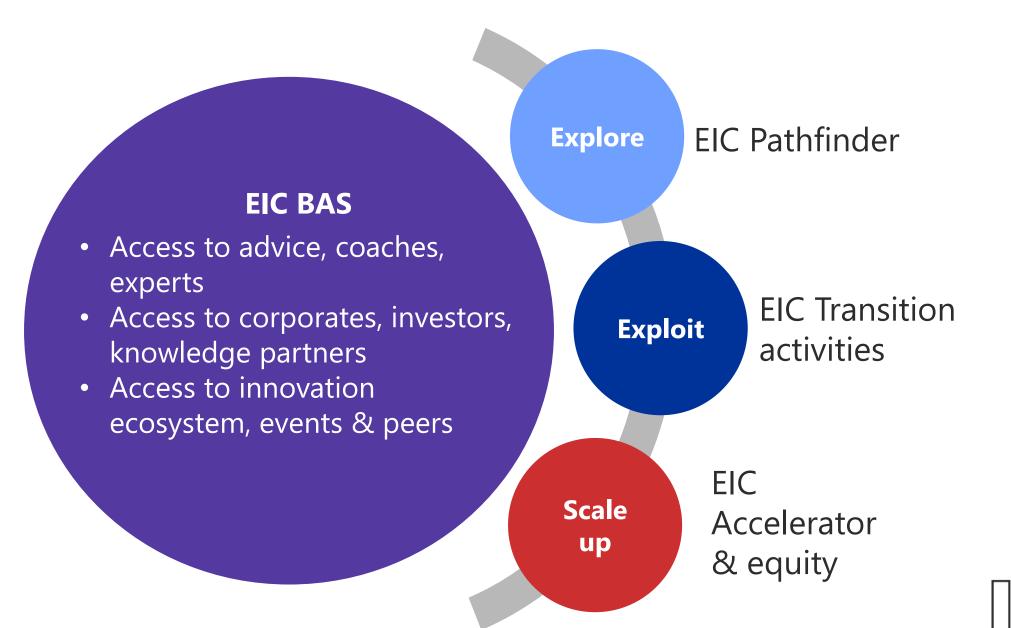


**EIC Business Acceleration Services** in Horizon Europe



## **Business Acceleration Services**







## Access to advise







• → Specific support for





# Coaching: Purpose and scope



- EIC business coaching aims at : developing the strategic and organizational capabilities of Horizon Europe EIC beneficiaries.
- EIC coaches will provide quality business development coaching, including strategic, organisation and development support,
- EIC coaches will equip the coachees with methods, tools and skills to improve their capacity for strategic decision making,
- EIC coaches will help the coaches building a performing organisation and negotiating with investors and new business partners to ensure innovation success and long-term growth.





# Innovation Training Workshops

A general innovation and entrepreneurship introduction for researchers/engineers

2 days/4 modules
Bilateral session + pitching
PO session i.e. discussion
on exploitation

Usually 1 workshop/month

## **EIC Bootcamps**

2<sup>nd</sup> step in the EIC BAS Innovation training for researchers/engineers

We look for a nucleus of the team that might pursue an innovation originated in a Pathfinder / Transition (ex FET) project

At least two persons with affinity and interest for entrepreneurial and technical lead (up to four persons)

"As a researcher you take a deep dive into your ideas. Having this workshop is a very useful tool to give you some perspective. If we want to develop something real, something that changes lives, then we have to take that into account from the beginning."

New editions are published in the BAS calendar of the EIC website













### **Main Goals**

- Participants ascending to senior and management positions
- Participants creating spin-offs or spinouts
- Ensuring follow-on investment rounds/IPOs/deals
- EIC teams becoming more gender-diverse

## **Main Services**



Mentoring



Business coaching



Joint trainings



Networking opportunities





# **Coaching vs Mentoring**

|           | Personal Mentoring   | Business Coaching   |  |
|-----------|--|---|--|
| Scope     | Development driven,<br>experienced and trusted advisor/buddy<br>relationship | Purpose driven, Partnering with clients in a thought-provoking and creative process that inspires them to maximize their personal and professional potential                                      |  |
| Focus     | Holistic approach to career development                                      | Researchers: discover innovation opportunities and provide insight in their entrepreneurship potential  Companies: improve the business plan, the strategy implementation and faster market entry |  |
| Timeframe | Long term, open-ended  | Short term (from December on)   |  |
| Structure | Informal - b2match platform  | Regularly scheduled meetings on b2match platform  |  |

# The Greenhouse-gas programme



# European Innovation Council's contribution towards a carbon neutral Europe and Reducing Greenhouse Gas emissions



**Budget**: € 3 million |



**Duration**: 2 years (start January 2021 – end December 2022)



#### **Objectives**:

- Mobilise & Engage the EIC Community towards a carbon neutral Europe
- Reduce the GHG emission of EIC-funded companies by 5% annually
- Develop new solutions for GHG reduction through co-creation

#### 5 Tasks

- Task 1: Support EIC beneficiaries to reduce GHG emission of their own company
- Task 2: Support EIC beneficiaries to co-create, adapt existing and invent new products & services to reduce GHG emissions
- Task 3: Monitor the impact on GHG emission reductions achieved
- Task 4: Propose and implement a communication strategy
- Task 5: General coordination



## The GHG programme

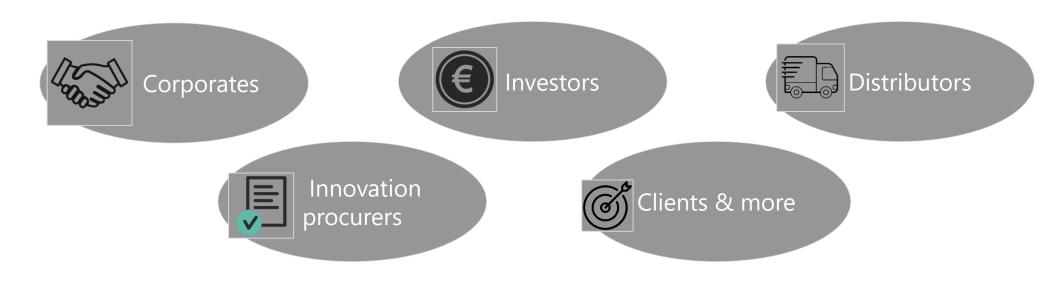
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### **Activities in more details**

- Task 1: Carbon footprint assessment tool and expert advice on reducing self-emission
- Task 2: co-creation activities:
  - Peer-to-peer: connecting EIC beneficiaries to develop GHG solutions
  - With business partners: Corporates, Industry Associations, Cities/Regions propose challenges to EIC beneficiaries
  - Co-creation toolbox and expert support provided throughout and following the process
  - Solutions showcased to investors and customers at Demo Days at the end of the 6-month period



# Access to business partners



Matching, Co-creation, Venture client, EIC Scalator, Overseas Trade Fairs



# What is an "EIC Corporate Day"?

# Exclusive curated business acceleration service bridging the gap between EIC-funded innovators and a large firm.































































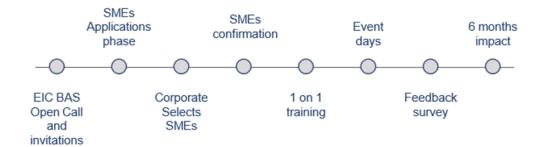


## **EIC Corporate Days**



## How does it work?

- EIC & Corporate agreement (letter of intent).
- EIC calls for interest ~6000 startups & SMEs.
- Corporate selects most relevant startups & SMEs.
- EIC arranges training for startups & SMEs.
- Free of charge (supported by EIC).



"EIC Corporate Day" includes:

- Pitching.
- Networking.
- Peer-2-peer learning.
- Pre-arranged 1-to-1s.
- Structured feedback.
- Communication/Dissemination.

## A best practice:





# Co-creation Corporate/Startup for predetermined challenges related to the European Green Deal - Energy



Mariya Gabriel, European Commissioner for Innovation, Research, Culture, Education and Youth: "The EIC is playing a crucial role bringing together the most innovative start-ups and most open corporates in the field of sustainable energy. I am delighted to support the EIC Energy4Planet-initiative and looking forward to next steps in this exciting journey".

#### **PARTNERS**













#### **OBSERVERS**

































## **EIC Corporate Partnership**



- 55 Corporate Partnership activities ("Corporate Days", "Multi-corporate Days", "Enhanced cooperation".
- 1236 EIC-SMEs participations.
- +60 Corporations involved.
- +2000 Corporate representatives.
- +2300 pre-arranged 1-to-1s.
- 90% of satisfaction by SMEs.
- 100% of corporates want to repeat.
- 26% of "success" rate. (Success = Number of signed deals in less than 6 months).

## **CORPORATE DAY WITH OMV PETROM**

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## **EH Group Engineering**

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EH Group if focused on the design and production of its innovative fuel cell technology. In addition, we are developing a unique turquoise hydrogen production process based on microwave catalysis of methane.

# UniSieve Switzerland www.unisieve.com



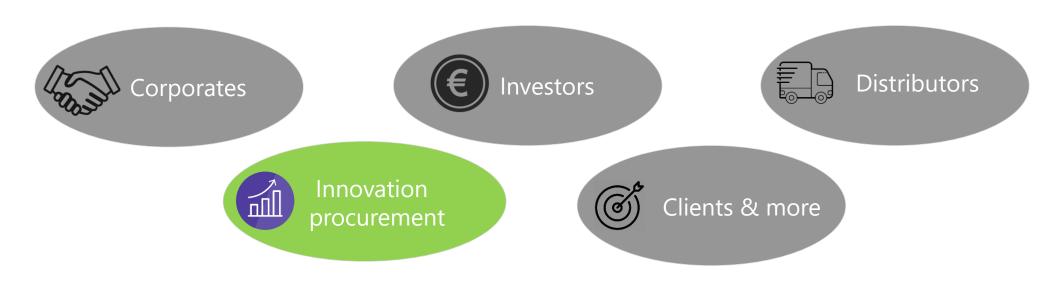




UniSieve challenges state-of-the-art separation technology. To make a material such as polymers from natural resources, many purification and separation steps are needed. Such separations today account for over 10% of the globally used energy.



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#### European Innovation Council



#### Why this programme?

- Public Procurement of Innovation = Large opportunities
  - Public Pro = 14% EU GDP/year + Investment Plans
  - Modernising public services & better fitting to the needs of citizens
  - Facing societal challenges such as climate change, pandemic...
- Private Procurement of Innovation = Under used
  - Competitiveness of European Companies & Supply Chain Management
- Public & Private Procurers of Innovation improve
  - Competitiveness/scaling-up of innovative SMEs
  - Potential First clients
- EIC wants to develop agile, short & small actions
  - Fitting SMEs needs
  - Complementing Commission actions on PPI and PCP



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CEO Bundesverband
Materialwirtschaft, Einkauf und
Logistik e.V. (BME)
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Very often, it is not known how powerful is the procurement function and size within a company. If you take the sales volume of a company and that you compare it to the purchasing volume, you turn to the fact that this is often 50% of the overall sales.

Another issue is that purchasing function does work alone, we need to work cross functional, this is within the company, but in the new situation with breaks in the supply chains, this is working together with the suppliers...

With the current supply chain breakdowns, this is inviting us more than ever to network with suppliers... On that regards, the small innovative companies have ideas. They are agile and can serve

large companies.



#### This Programme is addressed to Whom?

- To Public Procurers of Innovation
  - Governments, regions, cities, hospitals, police/fire brigades, military & any other public procurers...
- To Private Innovation Procurement
  - Procurement departments of large companies and Mid-cap of any sectors

#### How do we work?

- We start with the definition of **procurers' challenges/needs** followed by the **preselection of EIC SMEs** that addressing these challenges/needs
- Pitching/ePitching & one-to-one meetings with procurers & project leaders



## **EIC CHALLENGE PLATFORM**

## Challenges





## **EIC Challenge Platform**





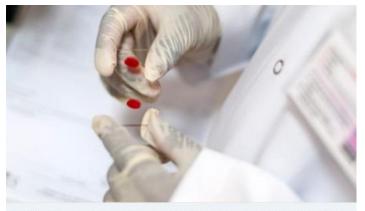


9 March 2020, Dresden



17 & 18 March 2021





Hospitals and procurers in healthcare: join EIC ePitching discover innovative solutions to fight COVID-19 - EASME European Commission

1st ePitching on COVID

29 April 2020



9 June 2021, Vienna

## Events done in 2020-21-22



**EIC ePitching to Procurers with bpost: going green** 

14 Septembre 2020

EUROPEAN INNOVATION COUNCIL eic

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> EIC ePitching to Procurers on COVID-19

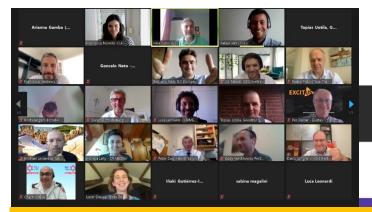
#### Confirmed Procurer Attendance:

- ·Hopitaux Robert Schuman
- •Conselleria de Sanitat Universal i Salut Pública
- •French Army
- Region Skåne
- ·Axencia de Coñecemento en Saúde (ACIS)
- Centre Hospitalier de Verdun Saint-Mihiel
- ·Bundesbeschaffung Gmbh
- ·Health Proc Europe
- •RESAH
- MERCURSHOP

- •AMGROS
- AGKAMED
- •SCR Piemonte S.p.A.
- Sykehusinnkjøp
- Catalan Health and Social Care Consortium
- (Consorci CSC)
- •Netherlands Federation of University Medical
- •NHS Commercial Solutions

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> ePitching on COVID**

#### **17 Novembre 2020**



Multi procurers' e-Day with NO FEAR - ICT solutions for

23 July 2021





#### **2021 Highlights for EIC Beneficiaries**

## **EIC Innovation Procurement Programme: Stats of 2021**







70 Attending EIC Beneficiaries



109 Attending Business





**42** 1-to-1 meetings



#### 2021-22 EIC IPP Partners



























### Testimonials of EIC Companies working with us



Eduardo W. Jørgensen de Vizcarrondo CEO of Medicsen

"We had an event the day before the EIC Procuers Day, as well as the day after. We only stayed in Dresden for two, three hours, but we managed to obtain this relationship with Ypsomed (large private procurer), a major outcome for us.

Having the EIC back you up gives a boost to the position of your company. The pharma supply chain that was present at the event felt that the EIC already picked the best of the best, which is a valuable position to be in."



Gilles Bonnabeau EMEA Director at Cypheme

"The EIC offers the opportunity to meet with exactly those high-level decision makers you need to close a deal.

At the event, we met a big pharma group, specialised in pharmaceutical equipment, offering both to the public and private sector. Cypheme's solution was exactly what the pharma group was looking for, namely identifying and stopping counterfeit products.

After the event, they initiated a short pilot. With agile parametrization and adaptation of the technology, it proved its value and they agreed to start implementing it in one of the product lines. The partnership, initiated in the EIC event, lead to a deal worth 100 000€ of yearly revenues for Cypheme in a timespan of less than six months.





#### Testimonials of Procurers that work with us



Working with the EIC is a very interesting way to see which technologies we can integrate in our landscape. There are great ideas outside that we can benefit of.

The companies today were of high-quality, well-prepared and I have already seen a few with which we can do interesting projects."

Marcos Escuder Head of Global Supply Chain at Evotec



Upfront the event we identified one startup company called Medicsen, and we agreed today to have a face to face meeting.

Luckily today we got the approval to work together from my regulatory affair office and from our research center in Bern, looking especially into new therapies for diabetes. So we met today and we are close to finalise our deal.

Roland Seckler
VP Global SCO at Ypsomed AG, that spoted Medicsen company

## **Budget and Financial Support to Third Parties**



### Procurers present at EIC ePitching to Procurers with NO-FEAR: Health

## Smart Separations Ltd

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SSL is a UK-based company that has an antimicrobial coating, ViraTeq®, which is fast-killing, long-lasting and efficient against a broad range of bacteria, viruses and fungi. It can be applied onto multiple surface materials, killing pathogens on contact. ViraTeq® prevents the spread of infectious diseases like COVID-19. ViraTeq® and ViraTeq® coated products are an innovative solution to support public health mitigation strategies.

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AQULA BIOSCIENCE is an innovative R&D company that makes pathogen control technology more effective, safer to use and easier to deploy, protecting first responders at the frontline. Using our transformative technology, Aquila Bioscience is revolutionising the way we monitor, control and neutralise biothreat agents for the CIV/MIL sector.

#### BestHealth4U, Lda

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BH4U is developing the next generation of solutions for skin-interacting medical devices that improve your health and quality of life, maintaining your skin healthy by using biomaterials with a low ecological footprint.

#### **ePITCHING TO PROCURERS WITH NO-FEAR: HEALTH**

#### **Epiguard AS**

www.epiguard.com



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EpiGuard is a Norwegian medical technology company established in 2015 by a group of doctors and paramedics at the Oslo University Hospital. We hold top-level expertise with product development and manufacturing. The medical background ranges from intensive care, infectious diseases, internal medicine, and anesthesiology, through transport medicine.

#### EyeFree Assisting Communication Ltd.

www.eyecontrol.co.il





EyeControl is a pioneer of medical technology, specialising in innovative communication solutions that address unmet healthcare needs. We implement disruptive Al-technologies that connect people and bridge information barriers, facilitating better medical care and decision-making. Our eye-tracking wearable and smart platforms empower communication between patients who cannot speak, families and medical teams.



#### Forthcoming events 2022

#### 12 April 2022, online

1st ePitching on Healthcare & Elderly care with Health Proc Europe and EHPPA

#### May 2022, online

2nd ePitching on Healthcare & Biotech with Health Proc Europe and EHPPA

#### May 2022, online

Surface material & technologies (REACH legislation) with RUAG

#### June 2022, online

ePitching on cloud solutions, with EOSC

#### September 2022, physical in Brussels

3rd Pitching on Sustainability & Digitalisation in Healthcare & Biotech with Health Proc Europe and EHPPA

# **Budget and Financial Support to Third Parties**



## Co creation with procurers: starting september 2022

| Actions                                    | Max duration | Max Amount   | Third Parties                  | Innovative organisations   |
|--|--------------|--|--------------------------------|--|
| 1. Needs assessments                       | 5 Months     | 10.000 EUR   | Public & Private<br>Procurers  |  |
| 2. Market consultation and Engagement      | 5 Months     | 10.000 EUR   | Public & Private<br>Procurers. | At least 2 EIC project/companies invited per single market consultation.   |
| 3. Co-creation of pilots and test solutios | 10 Months    | 100.000 EUR or<br>200.000 EUR (in case<br>of joint Innovation<br>Procurement Actions<br>of at least 2 different<br>public procurers from<br>2 different MS or AC | Public Procurers only          | Public Procurers can<br>keep max 10% of the<br>FSTP budget, the<br>remaining amount<br>goes to innovative<br>companies |
| 4. Term of Reference Preparation           | 10 Months    | 50.000 EUR   | Public Procurers only          |  |



### Forthcoming activities 2022-23

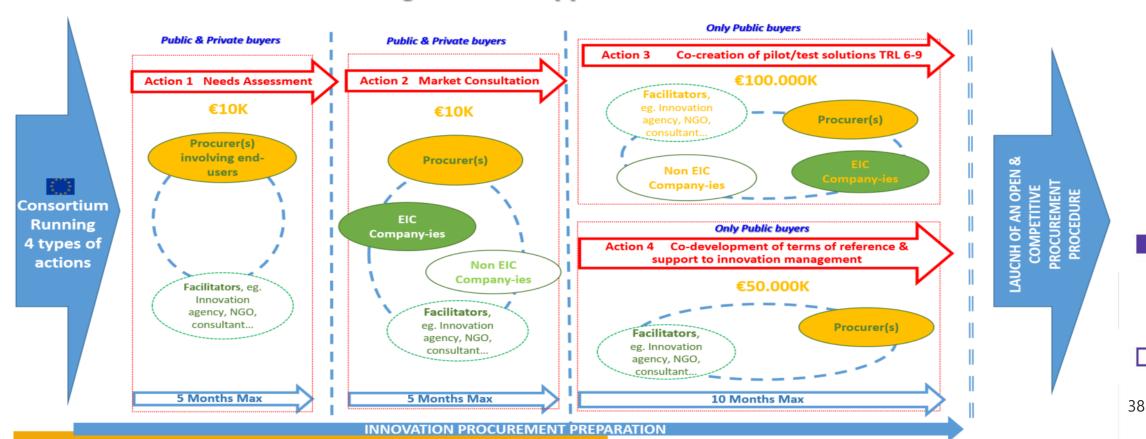
CSA Co creation programme with 4 actions involving private & public procurers – WP2021

1) Needs assesment; 2) Market consultation;

3)Co creation with public procurers;

4)Legal support

#### EIC 4 Co-Creation via grants to support Innovation Procurement 2M€





Forthcoming activities 2022-23

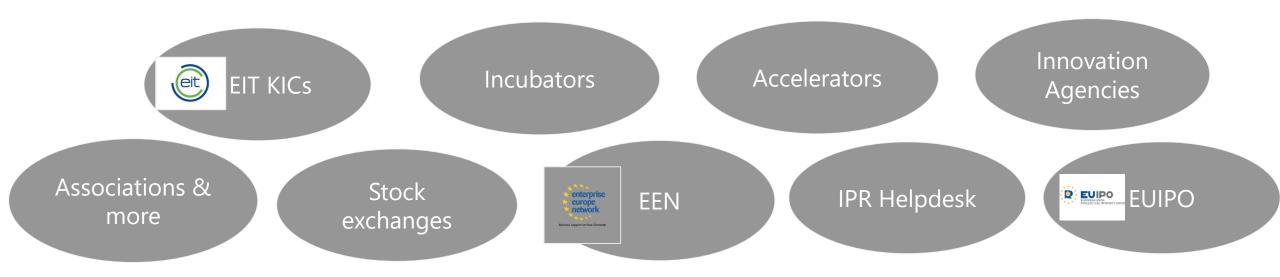
#### WP2022

Tender on "Bridging EIC awardees to innovation procurement" 4.000.000 Euros

"Strategic Use Of Procurement To Open Up Market Opportunities"



# Access to innovation ecosystem and peers



EIC Community, (Co)organization of EIC events, Data mining-mapping, (Co)funding



# Access to EIC Ecosystem and peers: Join the EIC Community Platform



**Virtual place** to share information on members, events, partners' activities and services <a href="https://eic.eismea.eu/community/">https://eic.eismea.eu/community/</a>



Large corporates, investors, and innovation procurement departments access to the EIC Community to share their **challenges** 

https://eic.eismea.eu/community/challenges



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