



France - Israeli call for Joint R&D projects

FROM 30 October 2022 TO 20 February 2023

Eureka is the world's biggest public network for international cooperation in R&D and innovation, present in over 45 countries. It is a decentralised intergovernmental organisation aiming to boost the productivity and competitiveness of industries by funding and supporting international collaborative market-driven R&D projects.

This call for projects has been launched following Eureka's Network projects framework based on mutual consent between participating national and regional funding bodies.

The national funding bodies from France (Bpifrance) and Israel (Israel Innovation Authority) have allocated funding for organisations collaborating on international R&D projects

You can submit your R&D project application for this call for projects between 30 October 2022 and 20 February 2023. Your project consortium must include one France-based company and one Israel-based organisation.

Eureka programme: Network projects

Participating countries/ regions

France

Israel

Scope

This project call is for R&D projects focussing on developing innovative solutions in all technological and application areas.

Your project should:

- contribute to the development of commercial products, applications and / or technology-based services.

Timeframe

- Call for projects opens: 30 October 2022
- Deadline: 20 February 2023
- Eligibility feedback: Beginning of March 2023
- National evaluation: March-May 2023
- Consensus meeting of funding agencies: Mid-June 2023
- Eureka label procedure and funding decision: June 2023
- Projects start: July 2023
- Project duration: Up to 36 months

Funding details

France

Eligible beneficiaries: French companies with up to 2,000 fulltime equivalents (FTEs)

Eligible costs: Industrial research and experimental development (industrialisation and commercialisation costs are not eligible)

Funding: Financial support may be provided to eligible French companies in support of industrial research or technological development activities. Eligible French partners can be funded through an ADI (Aide pour le Développement de l'Innovation), i.e., through a reimbursable advance or an R&D loan of up to 3 million euro within the limit of own equity.

NB: If the company is considered a deeptech company, funding could be different.

French partners may also participate in a collaborative project on a self-funding basis.

Any payment is subject to a signed consortium agreement.

Israel

An Israeli R&D performing company which initiates a single or multi-year programme that will provide know-how, processes or methods for the manufacture of a new product, application, technology-based service or process is eligible to apply. The product must have a sizeable potential for export sales.

Research institutes or other participants may apply as a subcontractor to a company.

The support is in the form of a conditional grant amounting generally up to 50% (+ regional incentives for companies located in "development zone") of the eligible R&D budget.

Further details regarding grants and payment of royalties can be found on the Innovation Authority web site: <https://innovationisrael.org.il/>

Eligibility

Eureka has limited eligibility criteria for organisations participating in a [Network projects](#) consortium:

- Your project idea must represent international cooperation in the form of a specific project.
- The project must be directed at researching or developing an innovative product, process or service with the goal of commercialisation.
- The project must have a civilian purpose.
- Your consortium must include at least two independent legal entities from a minimum of two Eureka countries.
- No single organisation or country can be responsible for more than 70% of the project budget.

Evaluation

Your project application will be reviewed according to our Network projects evaluation methodology.

1. Impact

- Is the market properly addressed (i.e. size, access and risks)?
- Is the value creation properly addressed (i.e. employment opportunities and environmental and societal benefits)?
- What are the competitive advantages of your project (i.e. strategic importance, enhanced capabilities and visibility)?
- Are your commercialisation plans clear and realistic (i.e. return on investment, geographical and sectoral impact)?

2. Excellence

- What is the degree of innovation? (i.e. is the proposed product, process or service state-of-the-art? Is there sufficient technological maturity and risk)?
- How is the new knowledge going to be used?
- Is your project scientifically and technically challenging for consortium partners?
- Is the technical achievability and risk properly addressed?

3. Quality and efficiency of implementation

- What is the quality of your consortium (i.e. balance of the partnership and technological, managerial and financial capabilities of each partner)?
- Is there added value through international cooperation?
- Is your project management and planning realistic and clearly defined (i.e. methodology, planning approach, milestones and deliverables)?
- Is your cost structure reasonable (i.e. costs and financial commitment for each consortium partner)?

4. Overall perception

Experts will list three positive and negative points to your application and finally state whether they recommend your project for public investment.

Your national funding body may carry out a further evaluation (performed by the national project coordinator and technical experts) according to national rules before allocating funds to successful applicants.

Applying

1. Contact your national funding body using the form below to discuss your project idea, financial viability, eligibility and national procedures.
2. Create an account on our application portal (one per consortium) and select the funding opportunity you want to apply to.
3. Using the portal, complete one application form per consortium (in English) and invite other consortium partners to fill in a partner form.
4. Upload a GANTT chart (one per consortium), a signed and completed co-signature form (which you can download from the platform) and any additional required annexes.
5. Your application will be checked for completeness and eligibility before being reviewed using a standard evaluation procedure. If successful, your project will receive a Eureka label.
6. Your national funding body may carry out a further evaluation (performed by the NPC and technical experts) according to national rules before allocating funds to successful applicants.

You must submit the online Eureka application form (<https://eureka.smartsimple.ie/>) by 20 February 2023 17:00 (CET).

The forms must be legally signed by all participating companies and signatures must be scanned and sent **electronically** together with the Eureka application form.

The Eureka project application will be screened and evaluated by Innovation Authority in Israel and Bpifrance.

All partners must also submit funding applications following relevant national procedures. **Contact your national funding body before applying.**

- In addition, Israeli partners will be asked to submit a short project outline of the funding application to the Israel Innovation Authority at the same time as the Eureka application: <https://innovationisrael.org.il/>
- You must also have a provisional consortium agreement between project partners when submitting your application (to Eureka and the Israel Innovation Authority)

Deadline for submitting your application to the Israel Innovation Authority: 20 February 2023 12:00

- French partners should contact their Bpifrance account manager (“Chargé.e d’affaires Innovation”) to start the funding application process
- You must also have a provisional consortium agreement between project partners when submitting your application (to Eureka)

Each country will fund its eligible participants within the Eureka framework. Funding conditions and eligibility criteria vary between participating countries.

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