

Sustainable mining, bioeconomy or sustainable cities

Network Projects

FROM 29 SEPTEMBER 2025 TO 30 JANUARY 2026

Eureka is the world's biggest public network for international cooperation in research and development (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.

Apply from: 29 September 2025

Submission Deadline: 30 January 2026

National funding procedures: 30 September 2026

Projects can begin (expected): 1 October 2026

About this call

Countries

Brazil, Sweden

Funding information

This call is prioritising R&D projects in the following field(s):

- Sustainable mining
- Bioeconomy
- Sustainable cities

Your project should:

- Address at least one of these fields and
- Show the potential to research or develop a product, process or service that you can commercialise.

In the area of sustainable mining, your R&D project should consider, but not be limited to, the following topics:

- Eco-efficient comminution
- More efficient material handling processes/methods
- Recycling
- More efficient water management

In the area of bioeconomy, your R&D project should consider, but not be limited to, the following topics:

- Sustainable forest management
- Bio-based materials, including related processes, new technologies, business models and policy issues

In the area of sustainable cities, your R&D project should consider, but not be limited to, the following topics:

- Smart and fossil-free transportation systems
- Efficient water-management systems
- Flood management systems

Eligibility criteria

To apply, you must meet several eligibility criteria:

- 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 Call participating countries. Please note, that organisations from non-participating countries are welcome to join if (public or self-) funding is secured by the call deadline.
- No single organisation or country can be responsible for more than 70% of the project budget.

Available support

Brazil (EMBRAPII)

Brazilian funding agency, EMBRAPPII, funds R&D costs for SMEs, large companies, research organisations, and universities participating in this call. Funding is available as a grant.

The amount of funding available depends on the type of organisation applying.

Type of organisation	Amount of funding available
SMEs	Up to 30% of eligible project costs
Large companies	Up to 30% of eligible project costs
Research organisations or universities	Up to 30% of eligible project costs

Additional information for applications to EMBRAPPII from Brazil

To access EMBRAPPII's funding you need to contact an EMBRAPPII Unit, which is a university or research centre accredited as a Unit.

Additional eligibility criteria for applications to EMBRAPPII from Brazil

- Your project consortium must have at least one company.
- Your project needs to involve an EMBRAPPII Unit and have a Brazilian company

1. Nature of the partner company

- Must be a legal entity under private law, established in Brazil.
- The company does not need to be technology-based, but the project must involve R&D&I (Research, Development, and Innovation).

2. Relevance and alignment of the project

- The project must focus on innovation (a new or significantly improved product, process, or service).
- The proposal must be aligned with the technological competence area of the chosen EMBRAPPII Unit.

3. Feasibility of the schedule

- The project must have a clear scope, objectives, budget, and timeline.
- Typically, projects have short/medium terms (up to 24 months).

4. Intellectual property protection

The ownership/sharing of intellectual property (IP) results is negotiated on a case-by-case basis, but the company generally has the right to exploit the results.

Additional steps for applications to EMBRAPPII from Brazil

The project must include a confidentiality and intellectual property agreement between the company and the EMBRAPPII Unit.

The ownership/sharing of IP results is negotiated on a case-by-case basis, but the company generally has the right to exploit the results.

For more information, please visit [the website of EMBRAPPII](#).

Brazil (Finep)

Brazilian funding agency, Finep, funds R&D costs for startups, SMEs, and large companies participating in this call. Funding is available as loans and grants.

The amount of funding available depends on the type of organisation applying.

Type of organisation	Amount of funding available
Startups	Up to 90% of eligible project costs, to a maximum of 1 million Brazilian reais
Small companies	Up to 85% of eligible project costs, to a maximum of 3.6 million Brazilian reais
Medium-sized companies	Up to 70% of eligible project costs, to a maximum of 3.6 million Brazilian reais
Large companies	Up to 50% of eligible project costs, to a maximum of 5 million Brazilian reais
Research organisations or universities	May act as a service provider to the funded company

Brazilian participants can apply for grants according to Brazil's general terms and conditions for grants, subject to the following limits:

- **Micro and Small Companies** (annual gross operating revenue below 4.8 million Brazilian reais)
 - Grants from 1 million Brazilian reais to 1.5 million Brazilian reais
 - Minimum financial counterpart: 10%
- **Small Company** (annual gross operating revenue from 4.8 million Brazilian reais to 16 million Brazilian reais)
 - Grants from 1 million Brazilian reais to 3.6 million Brazilian reais
 - Minimum financial counterpart: 15%
- **Medium Company I** (annual gross operating revenue from 16 million Brazilian reais to 90 million Brazilian reais)
 - Grants from 1 million Brazilian reais to 5 million Brazilian reais
 - Minimum financial counterpart: 30%
- **Medium Company II** (annual gross operating revenue from 90 million Brazilian reais to 300 million Brazilian reais)
 - Grants from 1 million Brazilian reais to 5 million Brazilian reais
 - Minimum financial counterpart: 40%
- **Large Company** (annual gross operating revenue above 300 million Brazilian reais)
 - Grants from 1 million Brazilian reais to 5 million Brazilian reais
 - Minimum financial counterpart: 50%

Sweden

Swedish funding agency, Vinnova, funds R&D costs for SMEs, large companies, research organisations, and universities participating in this call. Funding is available as a grant with a maximum of 500,000 euro per project.

The amount of funding available depends on the type of organisation applying.

Type of organisation	Amount of funding available
SMEs	Up to 60% of eligible project costs
Large companies	Up to 40% of eligible project costs
Research organisations or universities	Up to 100% of eligible project costs

Additional eligibility criteria for applications from Sweden

- A company must be the project coordinator

Additional evaluation steps for applications from Sweden

Vinnova's call opened on 29 September 2025 and will close on 6 February 2026.

Vinnova's national call is aimed at companies, universities, research institutes or other relevant actors in Sweden that want to collaborate with organisations in the participating Eureka countries. A participant seeking a grant must be a Swedish legal entity. In this respect, a Swedish legal entity is equated to a foreign organisation with a branch or establishment in Sweden. The project costs must have been incurred in the Swedish legal entity.

State aid rules apply to organisations that carry out economic activities. The rules on state aid for research, development, and innovation are stated in the European Commission's General Block Exemption Regulation No 651/2014 (GBER). In this call article 25 in GBER applies with support for industrial research or experimental development.

Additional steps for applications from Sweden

In addition to the centrally submitted online Eureka project application form, Swedish participants of the international project consortium apply on **the Vinnova website** to **the national call that will open on 29 September 2025**. Only the Swedish participants should be entered as project partners in Vinnova's application portal.

The complete Eureka application form of the international project consortium, including all partner forms, project budget, and a Gantt diagram of work packages, must be submitted as the project description in the application to Vinnova. A CV for the Swedish project coordinator should also be submitted as an appendix to the application (use the template provided for the call).

For more information, please visit **the website of Vinnova**.

How to apply

Application process

1. Contact your ministry or funding agency through Eureka's website to discuss your project idea, finances, eligibility and procedures.
2. Create an account on our application portal (one per consortium) and select the funding opportunity you want to apply to.
3. To apply, use the portal and complete one application form per consortium in English. Additionally, request that other partners fill out a partner form.
4. Submit a GANTT chart, a signed co-signature form (available for download on the platform), and any other required attachments.
5. We will check your application for completeness and eligibility before reviewing it using a standard evaluation procedure. If successful, your project will receive a Eureka label.
6. Your country or region's ministry or funding agency may conduct another evaluation performed by experts and based on national regulations.
7. The final step is to complete and sign a consortium agreement. We recommend that you seek legal advice when drafting your consortium agreement.



Important: Your national or regional funding body may need you to complete additional steps to apply to this Network Projects call. If you do not provide the information required by your national or regional funding body, you may render yourself ineligible to receive public funding.

Evaluation process

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 new knowledge going to be used?
- Is your project scientifically and technically challenging for consortium partners?
- Are 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 about your application and state whether they recommend your project for public funding. Your ministry or funding agency may carry out a further evaluation according to national/regional rules before allocating funding to organisations.

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