



PRECISEU

Frequently Asked Questions

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1. What is PRECISEU and what are its objectives?

PRECISEU is a Horizon Europe co-funded project that aims to connect innovation ecosystems across Europe and accelerate the uptake of personalised medicine. It focuses in particular on deep-tech innovation in health, especially advanced therapies and health data, while promoting interregional collaboration, transfer of practices, and scaling up innovation capacity across participating ecosystems.

2. What is the objective of the PRECISEU Open Call?

The objective of the Open Call is to fund Joint Interregional Projects (JIPs) that support the scale-up and validation of deep-tech innovations in personalised medicine, strengthen collaboration between PRECISEU ecosystems, and contribute to the expected outcomes and impacts defined in the call. Projects are expected to help bring solutions from TRL 6 towards TRL 8.

3. What types of projects are supported?

The call supports Innovation Action-type collaborative projects. Eligible activities include, among others, scale-up production, optimisation and validation of methods and protocols, mechanism-related studies linked to technical uncertainty, development of reference materials and improved models, generation of evidence for performance, safety or regulatory readiness, end-user collaborative projects, use of health data repositories, and validation or demonstration activities in relevant or operational environments where needed to resolve remaining technical uncertainty.

4. Which sectors and thematic areas are prioritised?

The call prioritises deep-tech innovation in personalised medicine, with a particular focus on advanced therapies and health data. Projects must also fit the technical scope and priorities described in the call and its annexes.

5. Who can apply?

Applicants may include companies, research institutes, universities, technological centres, local authorities, public administrations, associations, NGOs including patient organisations, public and private research bodies, hospitals, and large companies, provided they are legal entities and have a validated PIC number. The PIC number have to be validated before the Grant Agreement Signature. However, funding eligibility



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depends on the applicant's region and the applicable regional annex.

6. What are the consortium requirements?

Each consortium must include at least three independent legal entities established in three different Funding Agency regions, and at least two of those entities must be in two different EU Member States. The consortium must include at least one SME from a PRECISEU funding region. Only entities established in territories of participating Funding Agencies may lead the consortium and receive PRECISEU funding. A consortium may include at most one partner from a PRECISEU non-funding region and/or one partner from a non-PRECISEU EU Member State or Horizon Europe Associated Country, subject to the call conditions; those participants are self-funded.

7. Can organisations from non-funding regions participate?

Yes, but on a self-funded basis. Their participation must provide clear added value, their budget must remain below the threshold set by the call, and their financial resources must be secured at application stage and before Grant Agreement signature. They cannot lead the consortium.

8. What results are expected from funded projects?

Projects are expected to contribute to the call's expected outcomes and impacts through results such as validated prototypes, harmonised protocols, interoperable data infrastructures, clinical or real-world evidence, regulatory- and HTA-relevant documentation, sustainable business and implementation models, capacity-building outcomes, best-practice guidelines, or strengthened use of health data for clinical decision-making and regulatory acceptance.

9. What is the available funding?

The total budget committed to this Open Call is EUR 11 570 000. The maximum financial contribution per project is EUR 3 000 000, and the maximum amount that may be awarded to a single beneficiary is EUR 600 000, subject to the applicable regional rules and available regional budgets.



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10. What funding rates apply?

Funding rates may differ depending on the region, the type of beneficiary, and the applicable State aid framework. As a general rule under the PRECISEU Open Call, entities established in PRECISEU Funding Agency regions may receive up to 70% funding if they are profit-making entities and up to 100% funding if they are non-profit entities, unless the relevant regional annex provides otherwise. Where Article 25 GBER applies to experimental development, aid intensity may also depend on enterprise size and on the applicable increases under Article 25(6)(a) and, where relevant, Article 25(6)(d). For the purposes of this Open Call, the call indicates maximum aid intensities of 50% for large enterprises, 60% for medium-sized enterprises, and 70% for small enterprises, subject in all cases to the regional annex and the final confirmation of the competent Funding Agency.

11. Do partners need to co-finance the project?

Yes, where the applicable funding rate does not cover 100% of eligible costs. In particular, for-profit entities may need to cover the non-funded share of their project costs. In addition, self-funded partners must demonstrate that their own resources are secured. Regional State aid and funding-rate rules may also affect the financing structure.

12. What costs are eligible for funding?

Eligible costs are governed by the call and, where relevant, by Annex 1 and the applicable regional rules. Applicants must pay particular attention to regional specificities on beneficiary types, cost categories, State aid conditions, pre-financing, audit requirements, and documentation obligations. The call also states that additional regional expenditure-verification or audit requirements may apply.

13. How do I submit an application?

Applications must be submitted electronically through the online application form available on the [PRECISEU website](#). The submission is single-stage and must use the official templates. The complete application must include Part A, Part B, Part C, and the Declaration of Honour. Part B is limited to 30 pages. All documents must be uploaded in PDF format, and the application must be uploaded by the Coordinator. Some regions may also require additional submissions directly to the relevant Funding Agency.



14. In which language must the proposal be submitted?

Applications must be written exclusively in English. Submissions in any other language are ineligible.

15. What are the key deadlines?

The Open Call is scheduled to open on 13 April 2026 and close on 14 June 2026 at 17:00 CET. Evaluation is foreseen from 15 June 2026 to 31 July 2026, results are expected on 31 July 2026, Grant Agreement preparation is planned from 1 August 2026 to 30 September 2026, the signature deadline is 30 September 2026, the earliest project start date is 1 October 2026, and the latest project end date is 31 March 2029.

16. What are the evaluation criteria?

Proposals are evaluated against three award criteria: Excellence, Impact, and Quality and efficiency of the implementation. The call follows an IA-like logic aligned with Horizon Europe evaluation practice.

17. How are proposals scored?

Each criterion is scored from 0 to 5, with a minimum threshold of 3 per criterion; half marks may be awarded. The overall threshold is 10 points across the three criteria. In case of a tie, proposals are ranked first by Impact, then by Excellence, and if needed by further call-aligned considerations.

18. How does the evaluation process work?

The evaluation has two steps: individual evaluation by at least three experts, followed by consensus evaluation by the Expert Panel. Only proposals that pass the admissibility and eligibility check proceed to independent evaluation. The Call Secretariat then communicates results and the funding recommendation goes to the PRECISEU Steering Committee.

19. Can I submit more than one application?

Yes. An organisation may participate in more than one proposal provided that it acts as Coordinator in only one, the proposals are genuinely different, and the teams involved within the organisation are different.



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20. Can I modify my application after submission?

The call text confirms that, after submission, the Coordinator receives a verification email with the submission date and time, but it does not establish a general right to amend the proposal after the deadline. As a rule, applicants should assume that a proposal must be complete and correct at submission. Any admissible corrections would only be those allowed by the submission system or specifically requested during Grant Agreement preparation for successful proposals.

21. What happens if a consortium partner withdraws?

Any change affecting consortium composition after selection would need to be addressed during Grant Agreement preparation or, later, under the amendment rules of the sub-grant agreement and applicable regional conditions. Because eligibility depends on consortium structure, withdrawal of a core funded partner may jeopardise eligibility or require a justified replacement.

22. Are there ethics requirements?

Yes. The call contains a dedicated ethical dimension section, and applicants must address ethics where relevant. Ethically sensitive activities may require screening, approvals, permits, or other compliance measures, and only ethically cleared proposals should proceed to funding. Applicants should also ensure compliance with data protection, security, and wider legal requirements.

23. Do projects need to meet sustainability or DNSH requirements?

Yes. Projects must comply with the Do No Significant Harm (DNSH) principle and should address relevant sustainability considerations where applicable. The call also expects applicants to take account of broader Responsible Research and Innovation dimensions.

24. What are the obligations after receiving funding?

Funded projects must comply with the sub-grant agreement, reporting and monitoring obligations, supporting-document requirements, and any additional regional conditions. Beneficiaries may also be subject to further expenditure verification, audit, or supporting-document obligations imposed by the



relevant Funding Agency. Projects are also expected to participate in networking and joint activities where appropriate.

25. What are the rules regarding intellectual property?

Applicants must describe their IP management strategy in the proposal, including protection and exploitation where relevant. Selected consortia must put in place a consortium agreement before grant signature covering background, access rights, ownership of results, protection, exploitation, dissemination, confidentiality, and dispute resolution. Results belong to the beneficiaries that generate them, unless otherwise agreed in the consortium agreement. Funding Agencies do not take ownership of results, although they retain certain rights of use over non-sensitive materials submitted for reporting, communication, or dissemination purposes.

26. Are there tools or resources to help applicants?

Yes. The PRECISEU consortium provides call documents and support materials, and the project framework foresees a Guide for Applicants. The Call Secretariat acts as the main contact point, and regional Funding Agencies may provide additional support on regional conditions. The call also refers applicants to resources such as the European IP Helpdesk where relevant.

27. Is there a review procedure if I disagree with the evaluation result?

Yes, but only for procedural errors. The Evaluation Review Procedure does not allow re-evaluation simply because the applicant disagrees with the scores or comments. Only the Coordinator may request review, and the request must normally be submitted within 7 calendar days from the Evaluation Result Letter.

28. Where can I find more information or ask questions?

For general enquiries, applicants may contact the Call Secretariat at preciseu@biocat.cat and consult the PRECISEU website. Questions related to regional funding conditions should be addressed to the relevant Funding Agency contacts listed in Annex 1.



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