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# EIT HEALTH RIS Innovation Call 2021

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With the early publication of the RIS Innovation Call 2021 the aim of EIT Health InnoStars is to ensure that the continuity of the RIS Innovation Calls' publication is not interrupted.

Please note that the launch of the new European Union Framework Programme for Research and Innovation, Horizon Europe is expected in January 2021. **New provisions of Horizon Europe Model Grant Agreement will be applied for the execution of the projects, including any documents related to the announcement, implementation and completion of the projects. These changes shall also be applied to the projects already selected.** Consequently, EIT Health InnoStars reserves the right to introduce changes or additional conditions subject to the new provisions of the Horizon Europe and Horizon Europe Model Grant Agreement. Should your project be selected, the proposed budget or accounting requirements might be adjusted according to the provisions of Horizon Europe Model Grant Agreement before the signature of the subgranting or other type of project agreements, if necessary.

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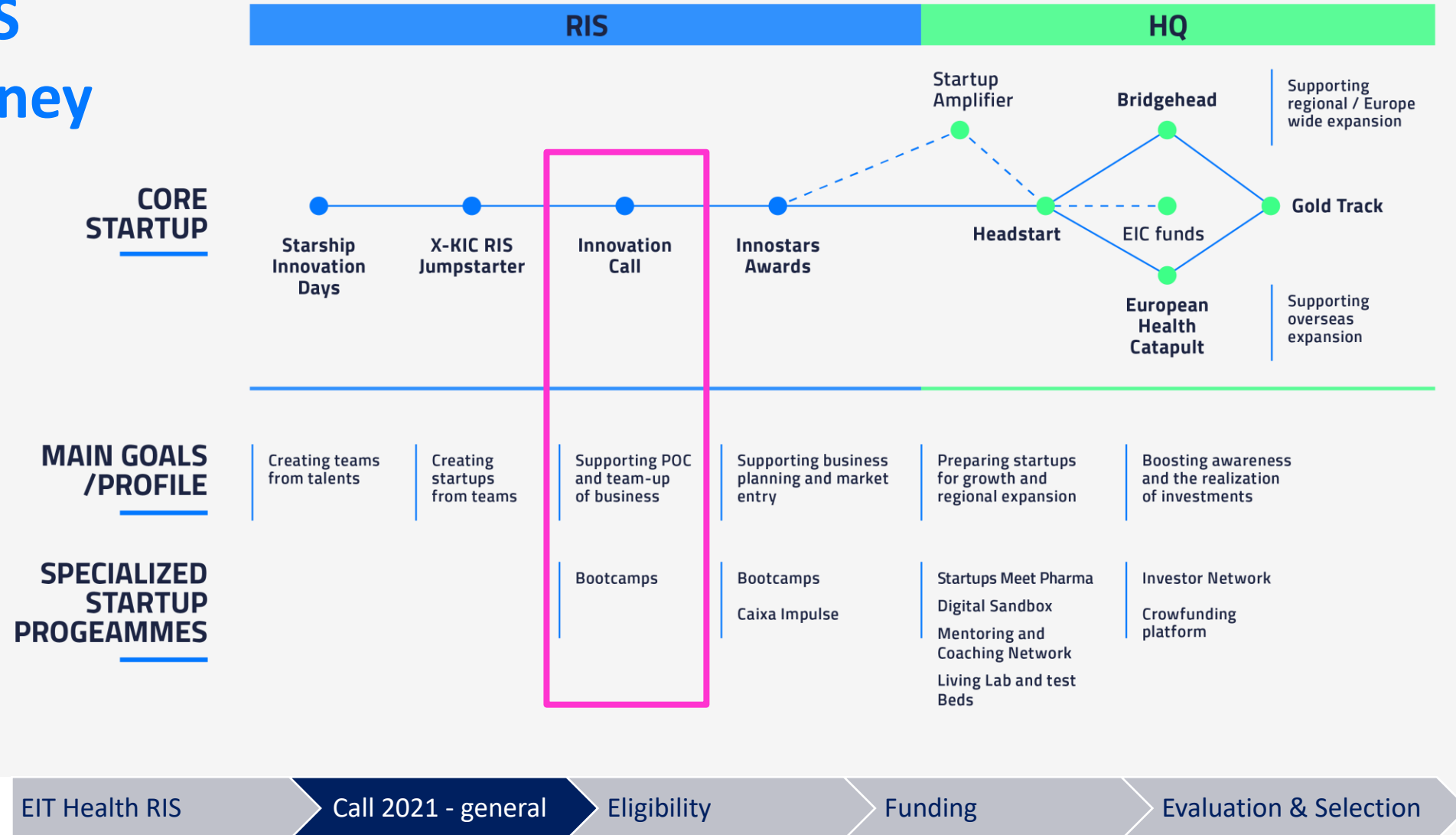
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## Start-up Journey



# Aims of the RIS Innovation Call 2021



- Bridge the funding gap: **Proof of concept fund.**
- Development of the local innovation ecosystem.
- Facilitate cooperation among local KTI actors.
- Support teams through grants, training, mentoring and matchmaking.
- Provide teams with appropriate tools/technics/skills to
  - be matched with EIT Health partners,
  - apply for EIT Health Amplifier programme,
  - get funded from other EU programmes.
- Provide EIT Health RIS regions with internationalization tools.

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# Eligibility criteria



1. Focus areas
2. Framework of the partnership
3. Maturity level
4. Mandatory elements of the programme

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# Eligibility criteria – Healthcare areas



**The proposal's content corresponds, wholly or in part, to one of the six EIT Health Focus areas**

1. Reforming Care Pathways
2. Healthcare Transformation
3. Harnessing Real-world Data
4. Bringing Care Home
5. Health in the Workplace
6. Fostering Healthier Lives

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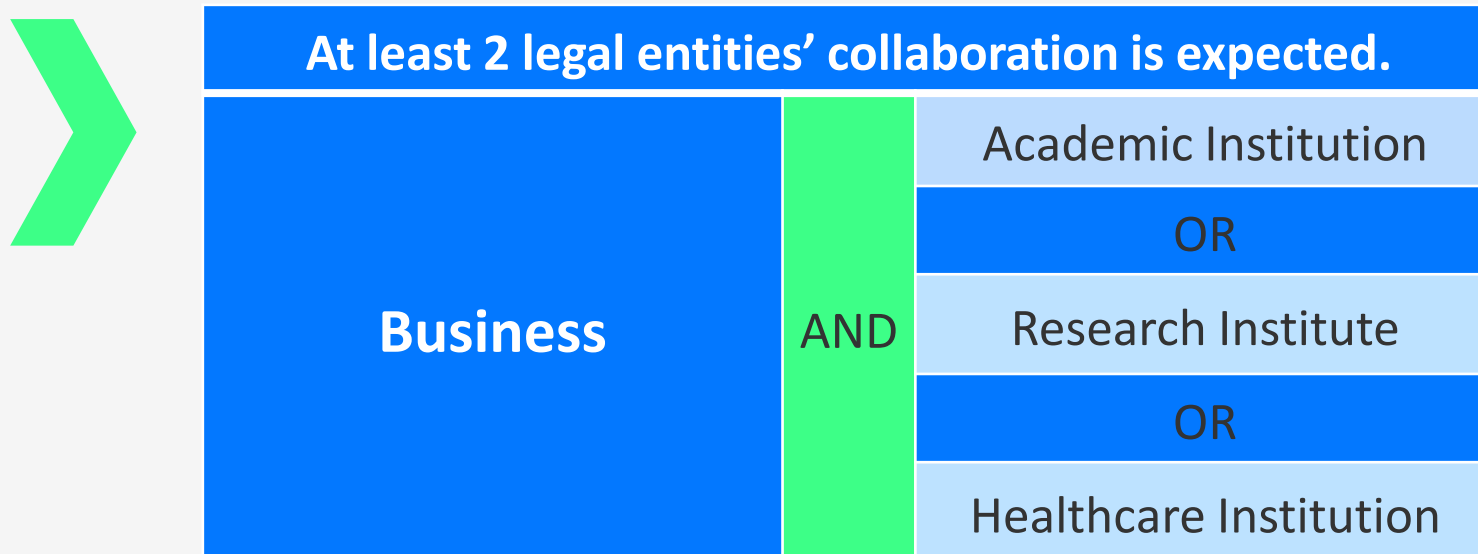
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# Eligibility criteria – Framework of partnerships (1/6)



**FAQ#1:** *If an educational institution do not grant academic degrees, they are not eligible, right?*

They are eligible, but to consider an institution as Academic Institution, it must grant academic degrees on its own.

**FAQ#2:** *Is it possible to have two or more non-academic partners in the same consortium?*

YES, there is no limitation in the number of partners, if there is at least one business and one academic or research or healthcare institution .

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# Eligibility criteria – Framework of partnerships (2/6)

**FAQ#1:** *We have partners in other RIS countries. Can we include them in the proposal?*

No.

 Each partner must be established  
in the same RIS country.

## Eligible RIS countries:

Croatia, Czech Republic, Estonia, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia.

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# Eligibility criteria – Framework of partnerships (3/6)

 **Leader legal entity must have an established and registered representation/branch in the NUTS 2 region where the EIT Health Hub is in the corresponding RIS country.**

Eligible NUTS 2 regions and Hubs are listed in the Call document page 9.

**FAQ#1:** *How the established and registered representation / branch should be proved?*

The existence and the location of an established and registered representation/branch should be based on **self-declaration** at application phase.

**FAQ#2:** *Only the Business org. can be the project leader?*

No, any partner from the partnership can be the project leader, however the project leader must comply with this criterion.

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# Eligibility criteria – Framework of partnerships (4/6)



**The local EIT Health RIS Hub must be a partner in the partnership**

Eligible Hubs are listed  
in the Call document page 9.

**FAQ#1:** *Can the RIS hub act as the academic partner of the consortia?*  
NO, at least two legal entities' collaboration is expected, besides the local RIS Hub in the project partnership.

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# Eligibility criteria – Framework of partnerships (5/6)



## The local EIT Health RIS Hub

- can participate with any number of innovation proposals.
- is a mandatory partner, but they cannot benefit from the project budget.

Eligible Hubs are listed  
in the Call document page 9.

### FAQ#1:

*Can a RIS hub's affiliate participate in the RIS innovation project calls?*

If a project partner is affiliated to the RIS hub (e.g two units of the same university), it can participate in the project **only as project supporter** without receiving fund from the project.

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# Eligibility criteria – Framework of partnerships (6/6)



## Affiliated entities

- A legal entity that is directly or indirectly controlled by, or under common control with or controlling a party.
- Control means:
  - Ownership > 50%
  - Right to elect or appoint managing board members, directors
- Affiliated entities can be part of the consortium, but the sum of all grants received by affiliated entities max EUR 50,000.

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# Eligibility criteria – Maturity level

 Targeting the completion of „Proof of Concept” Phase as defined by CIMIT (see Annex2 of the Call document).

 Projects selected will have completed IML 2 (Idea) AND has started IML 3 (PoC) at least in 2 of the 4 domains.

**FAQ#1:** *Do the project has to start on the end of phase 2 of CIMIT IML or it can start later in the process?*

Yes, the funding is to complete PoC phase.

**FAQ#2:** *How does one determine his finish point? Which phase in Cimit IML should be applied on the end of the year?*

Funded projects' finish point will depend on the sector (BioTech, MedTech, Digital Health), and complexity of the project.

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# Eligibility criteria – Mandatory elements of the programme



## Participation with a stable team

### 1. Training

Online trainings: Innovations canvas, Prototyping, IPR, GDPR, Business Development Plan, Pitch training, Start-up financing, Investment strategy, Funding opportunities.

### 2. Mentoring

At least EUR 3.000 of your budget must be spent on mentoring.  
Mentors to be chosen from the Mentoring and Coaching Network (MCN) of EIT Health.  
At least 12 hours of mentoring is obligatory, but the total value must be spent.

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# Eligibility criteria – not eligible



**Applicants who received grant** for the same project/service/product in 2017, 2018, 2019 or 2020 from RIS Innovation Call, InnoStars Awards, European Health Catapult, EIT Health Headstart, Startups Meet Pharma and Bridgehead funding.



**Applicants who receive funding** from RIS Innovation Call 2021 are excluded applying with the same project/service/product for Innostars Awards, European Health Catapult, EIT Health Headstart, Startups Meet Pharma and Bridgehead funding in 2021.

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# Project funding



**Max € 75.000  
per partnership**



**Max € 25.000  
per partner**

- **No funding for large enterprises but they can be part of a project and benefit from the networking opportunities.**
- **Medium enterprises will only be funded up to 70%.**

**FAQ#1:** *Can an organization participate in more projects?*

Yes, but if the same beneficiary (including its affiliated entities) is included in more than one winning project's partnerships in any EIT Health Programme, the sum of all grants received by the beneficiary and its affiliates cannot exceed EUR 50.000 in the same year (2021).

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| Legal entity category   | Staff headcount | Turnover | or | Balance sheet total | Maximum Funding € |
|-------------------------|-----------------|----------|----|---------------------|-------------------|
| Large enterprise        | > 250           | > € 50 m |    | > € 43 m            | 0                 |
| Medium-sized enterprise | < 250           | ≤ € 50 m |    | ≤ € 43 m            | 17.500            |
| Small enterprise        | < 50            | ≤ € 10 m |    | ≤ € 10 m            | 25.000            |
| Micro enterprise        | < 10            | ≤ € 2 m  |    | ≤ € 2 m             | 25.000            |
| Non-profit organization | N/A             | N/A      |    | N/A                 | 25.000            |
| Academic Institution    | N/A             | N/A      |    | N/A                 | 25.000            |
| Research Institute      | N/A             | N/A      |    | N/A                 | 25.000            |
| HealthCare Institution  | N/A             | N/A      |    | N/A                 | 25.000            |

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# Eligible activities



## Compulsory activities

- Participation on trainings (bootcamps).
- Mentoring.
- Project development plan.  
(summarizing the actions necessary for the innovative solution to reach the market).
- Participation on matchmaking events and organized meetings.



## Optional activities

Activities that contribute to the development of the project.

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# Eligible costs



- Breakdown of the budget by project partners (not by individuals)
- Only actual costs are eligible

## Actual cost means:

- Incurred in connection with the implementation of the project.
- Incurred during the project implementation period (project's date of entry into force - 31.12.2021).
- Identifiable and verifiable.
- Comply with applicable national laws.
- Reasonable, justified and follows sound financial management.

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# Eligible costs categories

## Direct personnel costs

- costs for employees (salary including all social contributions, taxes, etc)
- costs for natural persons working under a direct contract
- costs of personnel seconded by a third party against payment
- costs for SME owners without salary
- costs for beneficiaries that are natural persons without salary
- personnel costs for providing trans-national access to research infrastructure

## Direct costs of subcontracting

## Other direct costs

- travel costs and related subsistence allowances
- equipment costs
- costs of other goods and services

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# Evaluation and selection procedure



1. Eligibility check
2. Evaluation of eligible proposals by 3 independent experts
3. Max 100 points
4. Score will be the average of all remote evaluators' scores.

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# Evaluation and selection procedure - Selection



- **Project excellence, Novelty of innovation and Impact (40%)**
- **Solution readiness, Feasibility and Project plan (20%)**
- **Implementation (Commercialization; Adoption) strategy (20%)**
- **Strength and commitment of team (20%)**

Detailed evaluation criteria is included  
in the Annex 1 of the Call document.

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- Submitted in English.
- Via Optimy platform: <https://eithealth.optimytool.com/en/>
- Deadline: 15 November 2020, 17:00 CET (Budapest time)
- For further questions: [InnoStars.RIS@eithealth.eu](mailto:InnoStars.RIS@eithealth.eu)
- FAQ will be updated with the upcoming questions
- This webinar will be posted on EITHealth's website, under the download section of the Call.

# RIS Innovation Call



The screenshot shows the EIT Health website header with the logo and navigation links: Intranet, In Your Region, Who We Are, What We Do, Our Network, Our Impact, Get Involved, News, and COVID-19. The main content area features a date stamp of 15 November 2020 and the title "Opportunity: EIT Health RIS Innovation Call 2021". The text describes a call for proposals from innovative healthcare partnerships, aiming to fund the proof of concept phase of high-quality, strong, balanced projects targeting EIT Health's six Focus Areas. It mentions that details can be found in the Call document and supporting documents, and that the FAQ document will be updated regularly. A "Documents" section lists several links: RIS Innovation Call 2021, RIS Innovation Call Proposal Template, RIS Innovation Call 2021 FAQ, RIS Innovation Call – Subgranting Agreement Template, RIS Innovation Call – Declaration of non-conflict of interest, RIS Innovation Call – Declaration of SME status, and RIS Call – Consortium agreement. An "Apply" section states that applications can be submitted before 15 November 2020 via the Optimy platform.

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## Opportunity: EIT Health RIS Innovation Call 2021

InnoStars, in collaboration with EIT Health Hubs, has announced a call for proposals from innovative healthcare partnerships. The call aims at funding the proof of concept phase of high-quality, strong, balanced projects that target EIT Health's six [Focus Areas](#) and will be developed by local actors, including business, academic, research and health care institutions. For details please download the Call document and supporting documents below. The FAQ document will be updated regularly; please re-visit our website for the newest version.

### Documents

- [RIS Innovation Call 2021](#)
- [RIS Innovation Call Proposal Template](#)
- [RIS Innovation Call 2021 FAQ](#)
- [RIS Innovation Call – Subgranting Agreement Template](#)
- [RIS Innovation Call – Declaration of non-conflict of interest](#)
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### Apply

Applications can be submitted before **15 November 2020** via the [Optimy platform](#).

<https://eithealth.eu/opportunity/eit-health-ris-innovation-call-2021/>



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