EIT Health InnoStars
Together for healthy living and active ageing in emerging markets
EIT Health InnoStars has been growing fast since 2014

EIT Health InnoStars is a regional chapter of EIT Health, an international nonprofit organisation supported by the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT), a body of the European Union.

InnoStars covers half of Europe

- Stable and developing innovation ecosystem in 4 countries
- Coordination of 13 EIT Health Hubs in 12 countries. Call for the new Hub in Poland will be open
- Over 40 start-ups supported yearly
- Over 70 events across Europe to promote EIT Health opportunities
- EU award-winning, self-developed programmes

InnoStars is focused on promoting entrepreneurship, innovation, and education in the domain of healthcare, healthy living and active ageing in the progressive regions within European countries where the overall pace of innovation is still moderate, according to the European Innovation Scoreboard (EIS).

Headquartered in Budapest, EIT Health InnoStars spans several geographic regions in Hungary, Italy, Poland and Portugal. This area includes the highest concentration of funding for European Structural and Investment Funds (ESIF) for innovation, with €20 billion available up to 2023.
EIT Health InnoStars associates 23 Partners out of almost 150 EIT Health Partners. They represent industry, academia, hospitals, insurance companies, public partners (municipalities, city governments, regions) and research centres.

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<th>Core Partners</th>
<th>Associated Partners</th>
<th>Linked/Affiliated Party</th>
<th>EIT Health Hubs</th>
<th>External Partners</th>
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<tr>
<td>Status of EIT Health Member</td>
<td>✓</td>
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<td>Yearly membership fee</td>
<td>✓ (€ 75 000)</td>
<td>✓ (€ 30 000)</td>
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<td>Voting right and thus impact on strategic activities of EIT Health</td>
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<td>Participation in the EIT Health Annual Call for Proposals</td>
<td>✓ (possibility of being lead partner)</td>
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<td>Receiving grants</td>
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<td>€ 350 000 / yearly</td>
<td>Linked to partners’ grants</td>
<td>€ 50 000 + € 100 000</td>
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<td>Benefit from EIT Health networking, matchmaking and attending events and meetings</td>
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Scaling up innovative ideas

EIT Health InnoStars provides excellent development opportunities.

Our network helps you find the right partners across Europe. You can also benefit from vast of education programmes to leverage your skills. There are also dedicated funds to support start-ups and innovation projects. EIT Health gives you access to the network of investors too.

Types of programmes

- **StarShip**
- **EIT Jumpstarter**
- **InnoStars Awards**

**Eligible criteria**

- Students, PhD students, researchers
- Start-up based in EU
- Prototype or minimum viable product/solution
- Early-stage of development

**Industry**

- Healthcare, biotechnology
- Healthcare, Food, Raw Materials, Urban Mobility, Manufacturing and InnoEnergy

**Focus**

- Education based on Stanford Biodesign Methodology
- Training and mentoring
- Funding and mentoring

**Perquisite**

- Certificate of participation
- The Winner receives up to € 12 000
- 3 winning teams receive up to € 50 000

**Dates for submissions**

- Beginning of February
- End of March
- End of March

**Duration**

- 9 weeks
- 9 months
- 9 months

Examples of start-ups that gained support from EIT Health InnoStars:

- Swallowable radar chip that scans the surface of the colon
- Technology for Autism
- Diagnostic testing technologies
- Biodegradable ureteral stent
- Mobile molecular diagnostics
- Neur imaging diagnostics
- Genetic testing in the cardiovascular field
- Automatic reporting tool of chest X-ray images
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We are focused on three pillars: innovation, education and business creation.

Whether you are a student, an individual with a great idea, a start-up, or a SME – you can find the right match of cooperation and support scheme among dozens of our programmes.

Flagship programmes of EIT Health InnoStars

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EIT Health InnoStars coordinates EIT Health Regional Innovation Scheme Programme

There are 13, competitively selected, EIT Health Hubs located in 12 countries which support development of local communities eager to innovate in healthcare. Call for the new Hub in Poland will be open.

EIT Health InnoStars creates a unique link between geographically more remote hubs and makes them involved in the European innovation ecosystem.
We ensure that innovation always addresses the needs of the market and society.

We connect all relevant healthcare players across European borders – making sure to include all sides of the “knowledge triangle,” so that innovation can happen at the intersection of research, education, and business. We bring together healthcare professionals, entrepreneurs, and citizens, offering them new opportunities and resources.

We give health innovators access to the market, to funding, and to the expertise of our network. We facilitate innovation in programmes, workshops, and initiatives. We collaborate on international projects – incubating ideas, forming start-ups, and disseminating our findings in the media, events, and publications. We create new products and services for healthy lives in Europe. And we educate, too: in citizen engagement activities, innovation programmes, and skill development trainings.