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1. INSTITUTIONAL INFORMATION

» Network Meeting 06jun2025

The first draft of the meeting minutes is available **HERE**

» Técnico Innovation Summit, 29th-30th October 2025 — Save the Date!

This year's *Técnico Innovation Summit* will feature a dedicated **exhibition space showcasing cutting-edge projects and initiatives** from PRR programs, **Research Units,** the Técnico Partners Network, as well as start-ups and spin-offs from the Técnico community. The aim is to highlight **how Técnico drives innovation and fosters collaboration between academia and industry.**

While the event is open to the public, the **primary audience will be companies and industry professionals.**

Now is the time to **start identifying innovative projects within your Research Unit** that deserve to be showcased. This is a unique opportunity to **share their work, increase visibility, and strengthen partnerships with the business community.**

Further details and an official invitation to participate will follow soon. Don't miss the chance to be part of this key event for innovation at Técnico.

» HORIZON EUROPE 2025 | IST-ID Statistics

One additional ERA Talent proposal was invited for funding. Well done CERENA and iBB!

» Updated List of Research Unit Members – Deadline: June 30

Please send your Research Unit's updated list of members to **pre-award@ist-id.pt** by **June 30**. This information is essential for compiling statistics on Research Units' participation in EU programs, which will be presented at the upcoming Pre-Award meeting.

Required information for each member:

- Name
- Email address

If possible, please also include:

- Number of years since PhD completion
- Main research area

Thank you for your collaboration in helping us maintain accurate and up-to-date data to support future funding opportunities, strategic planning and capacity building.

» Meeting between Technology Transfer Office and Pre-Award support for Técnico community

DTT and DPFC have been collaborating informally for some time. A recent meeting, extended to collaborators from both services, marked the first step towards establishing a more structured partnership between the two. Several areas of potential collaboration were identified, where mutual benefits can be achieved:

- **Intellectual Property**: Share existing templates for confidentiality agreements and NDAs; develop customized templates for each funding program; provide an overview of IP models and strategies; offer training for researchers and research managers.
- **Lab2Market**: Identify research results with commercial potential; assess funding opportunities for start-ups.
- **Entrepreneurship**: Share a list of spin-offs; align research activities with TecInnov, proof-of-concept initiatives, and industry challenges.
- **Técnico Partners Community**: Collaborate on promoting events such as i.Talks and Workshop Técnico – Indústria; facilitate access to the Alumni Platform; offer training on LinkedIn alumni searches; disseminate the Urban Mobility Disruptor session on 30th June.
- **Knowledge Sharing**: Provide a summary of Technology Transfer (TT) activities, including key performance indicators.

Next Steps: DTT and DPFC will meet again to define and formalize a joint activity plan based on these discussion points.

2. POLICY NEWS

» **Innovating with purpose: The EU AI Office's First Year** (source: European Commision)

One year ago, the EU AI Office was launched with a clear mission: To **support those building Europe's AI future** — with innovation and trust at the core. In just 12 months, they are more than 100 experts working across **AI policy, research and innovation, healthcare, regulation, and international cooperation.**

What have been achieved so far:

- The AI Continent Action Plan presented in April

- Gigafactories initiative (deadline for call for expression of interest: 20 June) and the Apply AI Strategy (coming in September)

- network of European Digital Innovation Hubs (EDIHs)

- first wave of funding to develop and deploy generative AI into strategic sectors under the GenAI4EU initiative, backed by nearly €700M

- available advanced AI tools to cities and regions across Europe, the Citiverse European Digital Infrastructure Consortium (EDIC)

- implementing the world's first comprehensive AI legislation, the AI Act,

   - guidelines on the AI system definition and the prohibitions, as well as a living repository of AI literacy practices.

   - setting up the governance. We already work with the AI Board of Member States. The call for the Scientific Panel was published yesterday, and the Advisory Forum will follow soon.

   - The Code of Practice on general-purpose AI (GPAI) will be published in the coming weeks

   - Guidelines on general-purpose AI are on their way

   - A public consultation on high-risk AI systems is now open

- promoting our European approach to AI governance in all the key multilateral processes and initiatives, like the OECD and the Global Partnership on AI, G7, G20, the Council of Europe and the United Nations, as well as with the network of AI safety institutes.

- a cooperation agreement with the Singapore AI Safety Institute, with more underway. Bilateral exchanges on AI safety are also conducted with other partner countries.

- launched a [call for proposals to harness the power of Generative AI to drive innovation in Africa](#).

» Links between civil and military research funds (source: [science business](#))

The European Commission is pushing for better integration between **civilian and military R&D**, aiming to improve **dual-use technology** development. Current EU tools like the **European Defence Fund (EDF)** support defence projects, but more cross-sector mechanisms are needed. The **European Innovation Council** may soon allow **dual-use tech funding**, a shift from Horizon Europe's strictly civilian scope.

Experts at a recent conference noted the challenges, such as **different security requirements** and **fragmented EU markets**. The Commission plans to propose revamped funding instruments in July. The **European Investment Bank (EIB)** has reoriented toward **security and defence investments**, moving beyond dual-use language and lifting funding caps. Key areas include **AI, space, and critical infrastructure protection**.

» Technological Innovation: Europe loses across the board to the US and China (source: [Portugal Global](#))

A study by Bruegel confirms that Europe lags behind the **US and China** in key tech areas like **AI, quantum computing, and semiconductors**. The US leads in AI and quantum innovation, while **China has advanced significantly**, especially in semiconductors and newer quantum fields. The **EU trails in patent output**, with its strength in quantum computing coming mainly from public research centers, not companies.

US firms like **IBM, Intel, and Microsoft** dominate across all three technologies, while China's **Huawei** is the only major player across the board. Europe's leading entities include **CEA** and **Ericsson**. China's innovation is expanding rapidly and strategically across subfields.

Portugal is highlighted as a pioneer in niche markets, with a strong R&D ecosystem and notable innovations like **electronic tolling and prepaid mobile phones**, and remains active in aerospace and banking technologies.

» European Partnership on One Health Antimicrobial Resistance (EUP OHAMR)

The European Partnership on One Health Antimicrobial Resistance (EUP OHAMR) brings together 53 organisations from 30 countries in EU and beyond to **address the challenges of antimicrobial resistance (AMR) across sectors and perspectives**. The partnership deploys an integrated One Health approach, recognising that human, animal and plant health are interdependent and interlinked with the environment.

The EUP OHAMR coordinates national public investments from the European Union and partner countries (co-funded partnership) to support joint transnational calls based on the EUP OHAMR Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda (SRIA), seeking new knowledge and supporting solutions to decrease the burden of AMR with a One Health approach.

Portugal is part of this partnership through FCT.

Follow EUP OHAMR for updates on funding opportunities, capacity building activities, events, news and much more. You can also check in which calls Portugal is going to fund projects.

Next call will be launched in November 2025 and Portugal is going to fund projects. (check also Funding opportunities & Upcoming calls)

3. FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES & UPCOMING CALLS

» Doctoral Networks 2025 call | deadline 25 nov 2025

This call will dedicate €597.8 million to fund over 150 projects in all scientific fields and the training and skills development of more than 2000 doctoral candidates. Doctoral Networks offer three funding modalities to set up doctoral programmes, with specific incentives for Industrial and Joint Doctoral Networks.

Standard Doctoral Networks

- promote international, interdisciplinary and inter-sectoral cooperation to train PhD candidates in various scientific areas, with a focus on promoting entrepreneurial mind-sets, research-related and transferable skills and long-term career prospects within and outside academia.

Industrial Doctoral Networks

- train PhD candidates and develop their skills outside academia, including in industry and business. Doctoral candidates also benefit from joint industry-academia supervision. These programmes foster the close cooperation between the academic and non-academic worlds and are ideal catalysts for technology transfer and for nurturing innovation.

Joint Doctoral Networks

- train PhD candidates through integrated programmes leading to joint or multiple doctoral degrees. These programmes promote structuring collaboration among institutions and are required to establish joint operational procedures for recruitment, admission, supervision and evaluation of doctoral candidates.

Find more information on **how to apply** and attend the upcoming Doctoral Networks 2025 Call Information Day on 24 June 2025.

» EUP OHAMR Research call 2025

The first EUP OHAMR call will be within the focus area of **providing innovative and cost-effective treatment options**. The call will be **launched in November 2025**.

The potential research objectives for this call will be as outlined in the EUP OHAMR Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda:

- To develop new antimicrobials, novel treatment protocols or alternative treatment strategies against Human Infectious diseases along with their respective diagnostics.

- To improve, preserve and reinforce the clinical efficacy of the current treatment antimicrobials.

- Identification of barriers to access, availability, quality and uptake of therapeutic solutions and development of solutions to overcome those barriers.

- Assessment and prediction of the impact of economic incentives and regulations on drug development, drug production, drug supply and treatment availability.

Participating countries

Austria, Belgium, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Moldova, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, *Portugal*, Slovakia, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey and United Kingdom

More information **HERE**

» EU-Japan cooperation on the exploitation of Quantum Space Gravimetry data | deadline 15 sep 2025

Exciting opportunity for Quantum Space Gravimetry! The European Commission is launching a call for proposals for EU-Japan collaboration to prepare for future operational missions based on Quantum Space Gravimetry (HORIZON-CL4-2025-02-SPACE-81).

This new topic, funded under the scope of EUSpaceResearch, seeks to prepare the grounds for the exploitation of Quantum Space Gravimetry mission data and lay the groundwork for cooperation between the EU and Japan scientific communities.

Key Objectives:

🔑 Support the EU space policy and the EU green deal by preparing the grounds for an innovative Quantum Space Gravimetry (QSG) mission.

🔑 Foster EU-Japan cooperation in the field of quantum sensing from space.

🔑 Allow scientists from EU and Japan to prepare for the exploitation of QSG mission data.

» Eurostars 9 call for projects | deadline 4 September 2025

Eurostars is a funding instrument that supports innovative SMEs and project partners (large companies, universities, research organisations and other types of organisations) by funding international collaborative R&D and innovation projects. By participating, organisations can access public funding for international collaborative R&D projects in all fields.

Call site

Check the Events Calendar 2025 for information on 2 related webinars (July 2nd and 4th)

» Innovative Health Initiative call 11 | Short proposal submission deadline 9 October 2025

IHI call 11 is a two-stage call with topics on brain dysfunction, the link between infections and non-commuicable diseases, pharmacovigilance, type 1 diabetes, and ambulatory surgical centres.

- Topic 1: Towards precision medicine: platform for transdiagnostic stratification of brain dysfunction
- Topic 2: Understanding how infections foster and induce non-communicable diseases
- Topic 3: AI-powered signal detection in pharmacovigilance
- Topic 4: Leveraging Europe's expertise to accelerate cell therapy for type 1 diabetes
- Topic 5: Establishing ortho and cardiology ambulatory surgical centres in Europe

Guide for Applicants and FAQs

Info sessions

The IHI Call Days for IHI call 11 will take place from 23 to 30 June 2025 online and will include sessions on the individual topics as well as the rules and procedures.

More information in Events Calendar 2025

» HOP-ON | deadline 04 sep 2025

HORIZON EUROPE's HOP-ON aims to boost R&D&I throughout the European Union, especially in countries with less innovation capital, WIDENING countries, in which Portugal fits.

This call allows the participation of entities established in widening countries to be extended to projects that have already been approved.

See the list of projects eligible for application.

4. NETWORKING & PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

» SOILL - Online Matchmaking for Soil Health Living Labs and Lighthouses

The [SOILL b2match platform](#) empowers you to

- Connect with international stakeholders: Find potential partners from various sectors, including public sector, science, private companies, and citizen groups, all interested in soil health.

- Schedule online meetings: Streamline collaboration and discuss ideas for creating urban, agricultural, industrial, (semi-)natural or forestry Living Labs and Lighthouses.

- Find consortium partners: Partner up to apply for grants under the [2025 Mission Soil topics focusing on Living Labs](#).

» Marketplace | Cluster 1 - Calls 2025 (long term matchmaking until 30 November 2025)

Brookerage Event May 5-6, 2025

[Project Cooperation - 1232 Opportunities (24jun2025)](#)

» French company seeks partners or project coordinators, offers expertise in structural mechanics, vibrations and electromagnetic compatibility to integrate their system in a complex and harsh mobility environment (EEN)

Topic: R&D HORIZON-CL5-2026-01-D2-01

Areas: Batteries, mechanical and materials engineering, electromagnetic compatibility (EMC), equipment testing and certification, computer-aided design and simulation (CAD & CAE)

Deadline: 1 December 2025

More information [here](#)

Browse the **STACK** and check these expertise' seeking announcements:

Keywords: Materials, Circular Industry

Seeking expertise (Circularity of materials, Circular industry, Business sustainability) for upcoming call **Open Topic: Innovative solutions for the sustainable and circular transformation of SMEs** (HORIZON-CL6-2025-01-CIRCBIO-01-two-stage)

Keywords: Digital, Manufacturing, Circular Industry

Seeking expertise (Circularity of materials, Circular industry, Business sustainability) for upcoming call **Physical and cognitive augmentation in advanced manufacturing (Made in Europe Partnership)** (HORIZON-CL4-INDUSTRY-2025-01-TWIN-TRANSITION-02)

5. UPCOMING EVENTS & SAVE THE DATE

» MSCA Doctoral Networks (MSCA-DN) - Common mistakes

📅 June 26th (thur) | 9:30 🔗 Livestream TBD to registrants

The MSCA Doctoral Networks (MSCA-DN) funding scheme offers a unique opportunity to collaborate, network and exchange knowledge with academic and non-academic organizations across Europe and beyond via training programs for doctoral candidates. But many applicants unknowingly undermine their proposals by making avoidable mistakes, sometimes critical ones.

In this free webinar, Enspire Science will explore the most common pitfalls they've seen in MSCA-DN applications and how to steer clear of them - from conceptual misunderstandings about the scheme to writing mistakes that weaken your narrative.

You'll walk away with a **clearer understanding** of:

- What the evaluators are really looking for; The main difference between most research grants and MSCA-DN; Key structural and conceptual errors that can cost you points; How to align your project's design with the scheme's true intent

[REGISTER](#)

» Designing Impactful Living Labs and Consortia (Mission Soil)

📅 June 30th (mon) | 9:00 🔗 Livestream TBD to registrants

SOILL Webinar Series – a set of three targeted online sessions designed to support potential applicants to the Horizon Europe Mission Soil calls. The webinars aim to provide strategic, practical, and accessible guidance on key aspects of proposal preparation. This final session will provide hands-on guidance for writing successful Horizon Europe proposals, including common pitfalls, annotated templates, and tips from experts and evaluators.

Register [here](#) to get practical insights and direct access to expert advice.

» Info Session Horizon Europe: Built4People & New European Bauhaus

📅 July 2nd (wed) | 14:00 🔗 Online (Link TBD to registrants)

ANI will hold an online information session dedicated to European funding in the field of the built environment, neighbourhoods and urban planning, within the scope of the New

European Bauhaus and the Built4People partnership, integrated in the Horizon Europe programme.

The session will feature the participation of the European Commission, which will present the open calls in 2025 for both initiatives. Applications for the New European Bauhaus are open until 12 November, while those for Built4People open on 16 September and close on 17 February 2026. The session also includes a roundtable discussion with national projects already funded — UTOPIZE (CIM Coimbra), Wegenerate (LNEG) and RETIME (ISCTE) — who will share experiences and practical advice on the application process. ANI will close the session with recommendations to increase the success of submitted proposals.

AGENDA

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» How to prepare a competitive MSCA Post-Doctoral Fellowship Proposal?

📅 July 3rd | 10:00 🔗 Livestream

16.6% of applicants successfully secured MSCA funding in 2024. The application process can be time-consuming and administratively difficult to navigate. Preparing competitive proposals requires patience and the enhancement of proposal writing skills. Crowdhelix wants to help researchers submit competitive MSCA applications by sharing advice, learnings and tips on how to structure winning proposals.

In this event, Crowdhelix proposes to demonstrate how researchers can harness ReviewIQ, their new AI-powered tool designed to refine and elevate MSCA proposals in minutes.

Who is this training event for?

- • Researchers seeking to elevate MSCA proposals

- • Research Managers seeking to generate additional capacity

- • Research Supervisors seeking to ensure the submission of competitive proposals

AGENDA

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» MSCA Presidency conference: Attracting and retaining research talent in Europe

📅 September 18-19

🌐 in Lyngby, Denmark 🔗 Livestream TDB to registrants

As part of the Danish Presidency of the Council of the EU, the conference is organised by the Technical University of Denmark (DTU) and co-funded by the European Commission. It will explore how academia can attract and retain the brightest minds and shape the future of research in Europe.

The conference will bring together early career researchers, policy makers, university leaders and industry representatives to discuss the purpose-driven university, working culture and intersectoral mobility, diversity, well-being, academic talent programmes, international initiatives such as the Coalition for Advancing Research Assessment (CoARA) and the role of supervisors.

The aim is to generate actionable recommendations for the future MSCA programmes on motivation and working life of MSCA fellows.

The event also includes networking opportunities and the organisation of the next MSCA Falling Walls Lab Pitch competition.

Conference programme

REGISTRATIONS are open for both **in-person and online attendance**. Please note that on-site places are limited, so early registration is recommended.

6. RESOURCES

» Living Guidelines on the Responsible Use of Generative AI in Research (source Avi Staiman)

"But even if AI is an incredible tool, will I have my grant proposal rejected for using it?" In March 2024, the European Commission published the first version of its 'Living Guidelines on the Responsible Use of AI in Research.' Thankfully, the policy laid out a fair and balanced approach to AI use in proposal writing, calling for responsible and transparent use. However, it was very unclear how researchers and research managers should go about implementing those guidelines in practice.

In April, the Commission went ahead and updated the 'Living Guidelines', adding a lot more detail and making them much more robust.

Check the major updates **HERE**

 » Living Guidelines on the Responsible Use of Generative AI in Research (ERA Forum Stakeholders' document, Apr 2025)

Download the full document HERE

» Horizon Implementation Day: **Finding opportunities and submitting a proposal in Horizon Europe** (13 March 2025)

Presentations and Recording HERE

» HNN3.0 | Brokerage event on Horizon Europe Cluster 1 2025 calls

Brookerage Event May 5-6, 2025

Pitching sessions - Browse the presentations (inc. high quality presentations received but not selected) as well as the **recording**

» Global Report on Food Crises (GFRC) 2025 #report

The share of population in countries facing high levels of acute food insecurity rose to 295.3 m in 2024 from 281.6 m in 2023, the driving force behind the increase being armed conflicts in Nigeria, Myanmar and Sudan. The report estimates that 37.7 m children aged 6-59 months have suffered from acute malnutrition in 2024, 10 m of whom needed urgent treatment. About 10.9 million pregnant and breastfeeding women were acutely malnourished.

Full Report HERE

» Generative AI Outlook Report 2025 - Exploring the Intersection of Technology, Society and Policy #report

Our health and education systems, science, public administration and industrial ecosystems are progressively adopting this technology. This Outlook report, prepared by the European Commission's JRC, provides policy makers with insights to address its risks and opportunities.

Full Report HERE

» Digital twins for greener, healthier cities (VARCITIES' project deliverable)

This policy brief explores the potential of digital twins for municipalities to advance sustainable urban development, based on VARCITIES experience with its own digital twin tool, the Health & Well-Being Platform. This policy brief highlights existing and potential benefits and provides concrete measures to help cities implement digital twin technologies for greener, healthier cities.

Read it **HERE**

» The EU blue economy report 2025 #report

The Blue Economy sectors play an increasingly important role in achieving the European Commission's key priorities to make the EU more competitive, sustainable, resilient and secure. The EU blue economy report aims to offer guidance to policymakers and stakeholders in fostering the growth of ocean-based and maritime-related markets and the sustainable use of coastal and marine resources. By providing economic insights into the opportunities that emerge from the energy and digital transition, the Report also aims to attract investment in the Blue Economy sectors.

Download it HERE

» Future of MaaS in Europe: the 2040 vision, trends, scenarios and use cases

The **MASTT2040 report** explores how **Manufacturing as a Service (MaaS)** can support Europe's **digital and green transitions** by 2040. It presents **four strategic future scenarios**:

1. *Designed for Survival* (sustainability-focused),
2. *Friendshoring* (Western manufacturing alliances),
3. *The Third Pole* (agile geopolitical positioning),
4. *Industry 7.5* (AI-driven localized production).

The report includes **20 use cases**, such as **circular urban mining**, **localized energy systems**, and **AI-augmented workforces**. It offers a roadmap for policymakers, industry, and innovators to build a **sustainable, competitive, and resilient manufacturing ecosystem** in Europe.

Download it from **HERE**

» Net-Zero Logistics: The Contribution of Rail Transport (Europe's Rail Joint Undertaking, Final Report jun 2025)

The study provides evidence that the high ambition scenario should be prioritised as it yields the most significant impacts. Three main policy implications can be drawn for the study:

• Beyond emissions reductions, the analysis underscores the major socio-economic benefits of the high ambition scenario in particular, notably because the set of measures considered strongly mitigate externalities, such as road congestion and accidents, and generate very significant energy savings

• Bundling measures and ensuring a whole network roll-out is critical to harness synergies and ensure maximum impact

• Technology supports the optimisation of network capacity, without the need for extensive infrastructure investments

A corollary outcome of the study is to highlight that better integration of rail within logistic chains generates substantial cost savings (See Report for full insight).

7. ACCESS TO RESEARCH INFRASTRUCTURES

» AgroServ 4th Call for Projects - Transnational and Virtual FREE ACCESS to Agroecology research services (16jun-15oct 2025)

The AgroServ project aims to provide free transnational and virtual access to top-tier Research Infrastructures, fostering high-quality research and innovation in agroecology. By promoting transdisciplinary and transnational collaboration, we seek to address the multifaceted challenges of agroecology and drive the agroecological transition. This call invites projects from researchers globally to utilize our advanced facilities and expertise.

AgroServ requires research proposals to include at least two services from two different Research Infrastructures, available to browse on the AgroServ Catalogue of Services.

More information HERE

8. RM CAPACITY BUILDING

» Opinion Article "My Takeaways from INORMS 2025: Why the Future of Research Management Is Global, AI-Driven, and Strategically Human"

Check the full article from Anna Aston, after attending INORMS2025 in Madrid.

» EARMA's EU-funded projects in advancing research management, and ethics & integrity

⬦ EARMA is the coordinator of the RM ROADMAP project, working with 7 partners to identify and adapt the EU's research management capital base — including in widening countries — to meet the emerging needs of the current and future RM workforce. The project aims to improve the EU's competitiveness, sustain its economic performance, and promote greater recognition of the profession. 🔗 https://www.rmroadmap.eu/

⬦ EARMA is also coordinating the RM Framework project, involving 17 partners across Europe. The project aims to support the development of a European qualification system for research management by standardising educational and training programmes and creating a quality label to improve interoperability and recognition of the profession across the European Research Area.

🌐 EARMA also contributes as partners in several other EU-funded projects:

⬦ irecs EU – A Horizon Europe project training researchers in ethics for new technologies, fostering integrity and compliance. 🔗 https://www.irecs.eu/

⬦ PATTERN – Promoting training and practices for responsible research and innovation. 🔗

⬦ RE4GREEN EU – Supporting green and digital transitions in research careers, with partners from both within and beyond Europe. 🔗

🔗 You can find them all **HERE**

9. LOOKING FOR EXPERTS

» EU Scientific Panel on AI Call for Experts - until 14th September 2025

The **European Commission** has launched a **Call for Expressions of Interest** to recruit **60 independent experts** for the newly established **Scientific Panel on AI**, as part of the **implementation of the AI Act [Article 68(2), Regulation EU 2024/1689]**. This panel is a cornerstone of the EU's efforts to **govern general-purpose AI (GPAI) models and systems** with scientific rigor, transparency, and accountability.

Purpose of the Panel

The panel will provide **scientific and technical support** to:

- The **European AI Office**
- **National competent authorities**

Its mission is to **identify, assess, and mitigate systemic risks** posed by AI technologies, especially GPAI, and support enforcement of the AI Act.

Key Responsibilities

- **Alert** EU-level institutions on emerging systemic AI risks
- **Support** market surveillance and enforcement authorities
- **Contribute** to **risk assessment methodologies** and **technical benchmarks**
- **Evaluate** GPAI model capabilities, impacts, and performance
- **Advise** on safeguards, compliance measures, and regulatory strategies

Who Should Apply?

Applicants must be **independent** (i.e., no ties to AI providers) and possess **advanced expertise (PhD or equivalent)** in one or more of the following areas:

- **AI safety tools**, model transparency, watermarking
- **Cybersecurity**, red teaming, AI misuse
- **Fundamental rights**, fairness, socio-technical and societal impacts
- **High-risk areas**, such as CBRN (Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear), disinformation, autonomous risks
- **AI governance**, policy, compliance, and incident response

Eligibility & Ethics

No conflicts of interest: Applicants must disclose any professional, financial, or personal ties to AI providers.

Must demonstrate **objectivity, diligence, and high scientific integrity**.

Application Deadline: Sunday, 14 September 2025 at 18:00 CET

Apply