















EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

WEBINAR

HORIZON EUROPE

15 MAY 2023

« Widening funding oppurtunities for R&I

Brokerage event to encourage collaborations between France, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Denmark and Norway »

Practical information

Date: 15 May 2023

Hours: 1pm - 3pm (CET, France, Norway, Denmark) - 2pm - 4pm (Estonia, Lithuania, Latvia)

<u>Organisers</u>: French Ministry of Higher Education and Research; French Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs, Estonian Research Council, French Embassy in Estonia, French Embassy in Latvia, French

Embassy in Denmark, Research Council of Lithuania, Latvian Council of Science

Online: will be communicated few days before the event

PRESENTATION OF THE EVENT

On **15 May 2023**, the WIDERA NCPs in France, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Denmark and Norway, and the scientific and university cooperation attachés of the French embassies **are organising a webinar to encourage collaboration between these countries in the framework of Horizon Europe's « Widening » programme.**

This two-hour webinar aims to present the funding instruments of the « Widening » programme, with a focus on the « Twinning » call for projects. This event is also a brokerage event and aims to provide a space for researchers from France, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Denmark and Norway to meet, discuss and create new collaborations.

In order to facilitate discussions, thematic sessions will be organised to allow participants to meet, pitch and discuss projects and, ultimately, to form consortia to respond to the « Widening » calls for projects. For the time being, the thematic sessions will have a broad scope (e.g.: humanities, or biodiversity and environment, etc.), in order to bring together a maximum of researchers. We will define further narrower categories once participants have registered.

The « Widening » calls for projects in Horizon Europe

The Widening programme is a group of bottom-up calls designed to facilitate the creation or the strenghthening of pan-european consortia by gathering the so-called <u>« Widening » countries</u> with other European member States and Associated countries. Only « Widening » countries can coordinate a consortium or be the beneficiary of single-beneficiary projects, but their partners can come from any European member State or Associated country.

The « Widening » calls bring together european teams in different configurations: centres of excellence (TEAMING), consortia of three partners (TWINNING), integration of an ongoing project (HOP ON), etc. These are structuring calls that aim to reduce the gap between the European countries in R&I and to strengthen collaborations in all areas of research and innovation.

The « TWINNING » call for project

TWINNING brings together three partners in a consortium, coordinated by the « Widening » participant, in order to enhance the capacities of the « Widening » coordinator in a specific scientific fields, through the exchange of best pratices, trainings, missions, etc. This CSA also aims to improve the research management skills of the coordinating institution.

30% of the total amount is dedicated to research activities, in order to encourage joint research programmes between the partners.

■ Who is it for ?

- → You are based in Estonia, Latvia or Lithuania, and you want to coordinate a project with France, Denmark and Norway, or other Baltic countries
- → You are based in France, Denmark and Norway, and you want to participate in a project with the Baltic countries

Register to this webinar!

HOW TO PARTICIPATE?

■ To register

Please fill in the following form: Webinar & Brokerage Event on the Widening fundings in Horizon Europe (google.com)

The registration is open until the 11 May 2023

To participate in the thematic sessions (break-out rooms)

If you answered « Yes » at the « Would you like to present your project during the webinar? »:

- → Prepare a 3 min/1 slide presentation.
- → Send it to Ms Mélie Cornet (<u>melie.cornet@ife.ee</u>), Ms Kristin Kraav (<u>kristin.kraav@etag.ee</u>) and Ms Solène Chevalier (<u>solene.chevalier@recherche.gouv.fr</u>) on the 11 May 2023 at the latest.

If you do not wish to present your project, you will be registered in a thematic discussion room as well. You will be able to discuss with the other researchers in this thematic session.

The login link will be sent before the event to registered participants only.

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