





CELTIC-NEXT

∑eureka Cluster

CELTIC-NEXT Introduction

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Who is CELTIC-NEXT?





CELTIC-NEXT

Seureka Cluster

CELTIC-NEXT is the world industry-driven ECP* ICT** not for profit **cluster** involving major ICT** industry players, service providers, many SMEs, and research institutions & academia to enable a secured, trusted, and sustainable digital society.

*Eureka Clusters Program, launched on 17/6/2021, CELTIC-NEXT was launched earlier, in 2003



^{**} Information & Communications Technologies 2



CELTIC-NEXT CELTIC-NEXT in the European innovation landscape





EGSNS



Innovation **Programmes**

following

European

Strategy



Trans-National **Programmes**

following

National

Priorities



National

Develop & Maintain

Critical Mass & Differentiation

Platform Germany

6G Bridge - Finland

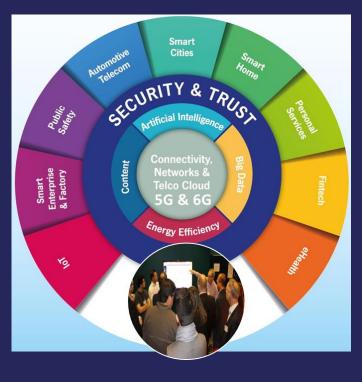
Future Network

Services - Netherlands





Who is CELTIC-NEXT?



Since its launch in 2003, CELTIC has achieved:



CELTIC-NEXT is open to all entities willing to align their business targets with their national public priorities, by running common RD&I*** projects to advance the development and uptake of advanced ICT solutions, thus accelerating their own Time-To-Market.



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^{**} Information & Communications Technologies

^{***} Research, Development & Innovation





CELTIC-NEXT Mission, Vision and Roadmap

The mission of CELTIC-NEXT for the next 4 years is to:

- > Foster our Eureka collaborative RD&I program for the ICT community
- > Accelerate the deployment and take up of advanced ICT services
- Employing the new network concepts of 5G and leading to the ownership and implementation of 6G in Eureka countries

It is crucial to consolidate the position of :

- > Eurekan manufacturers and service providers
- With a high degree of Eurekan sovereignty

A strong ambition of CELTIC-NEXT is to:

- Assist Eurekan National Authorities, Eurekan Industry, and Eurekan Societies
- Make them access to societal benefits, competitive advantages, commercial returns of being at the forefront of the new digital society







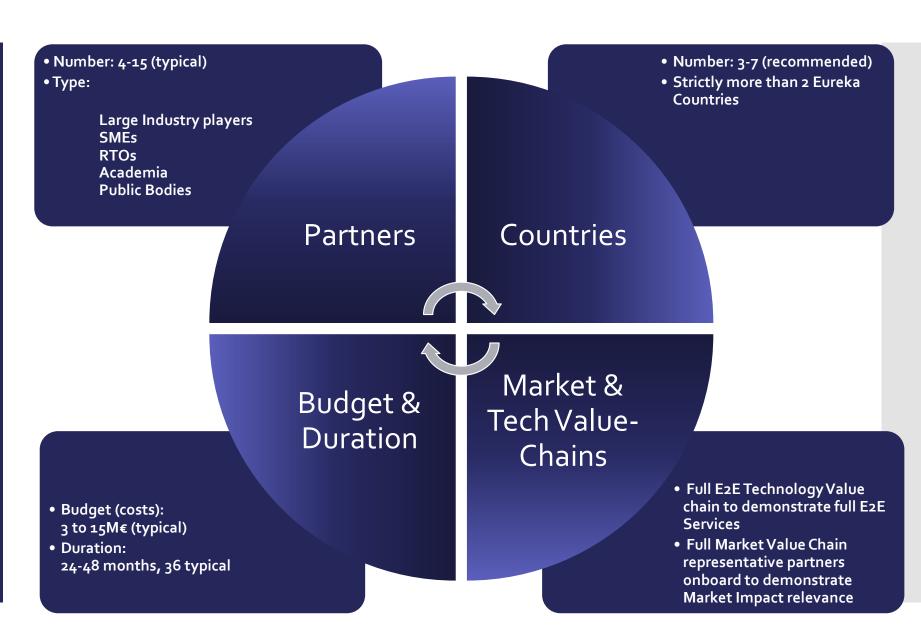
What CELTIC-NEXT does

CELTIC-NEXT manages an international Quality Label that enables international consortia to apply more successfully to National Funding schemes and assemble them to fund international cooperative innovation.

- CELTIC Bottom-up calls
- CELTIC Flagship projects & open calls
- EUREKA ECP Joint Calls

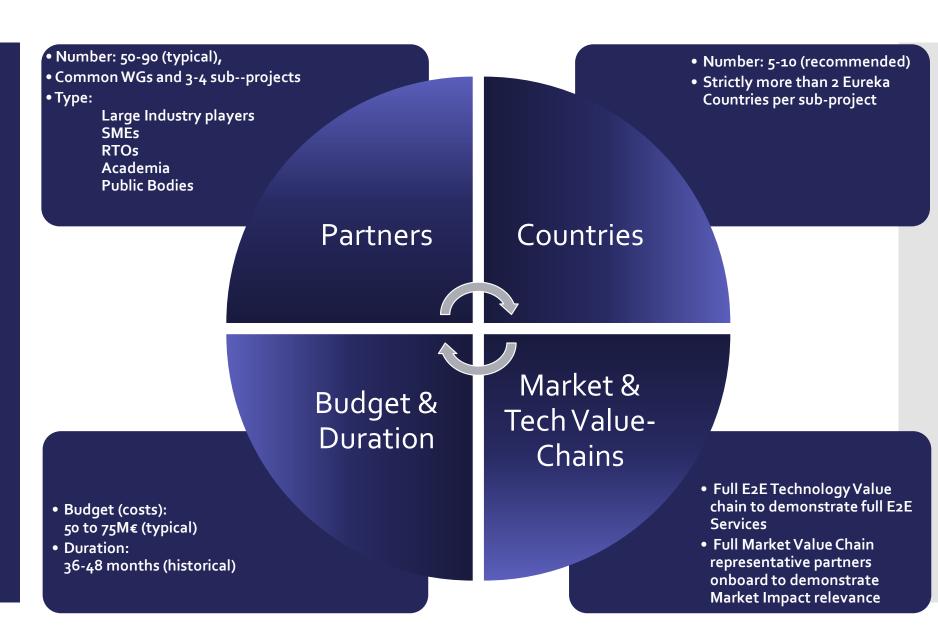


CELTIC-NEXT's typical BOTTOM-UP call projects



CELTIC-NEXT's typical FLAGSHIP projects

(hybrid bottom-up & top-down model)







CELTIC's Community





with over 1150 community members across 41 countries (Europe & beyond)

CELTIC's Community builds its Mission, Vision & Roadmap







CELTIC-NEXT in the **European Funding** Landscape

EUREKA-CELTIC & European Space Agency Mol Signed (Nov. 2021)

EUREKA-CELTIC & 6G-IA SNS MoU Signed (Apr. 2022)













Connecting Terrestrial ICT with Space ICT Strategic Collaboration between Eureka, CELTIC-NEXT and ESA AR



Director of Telecommunications and Integrated Applications and Head of ECSAT at the European Space Agency (ESA), and CELTIC Office Director Xavier Priem.

Porto, 22 November 2021. Eureka Clust (CELTIC-NEXT) and the European Space signed a Memorandum of Intent (MoI) to ogether. This will enable the faster convergence and development of terrestrial and non-terrestrial network and service technologies in the innovative field of Space

The MoI will help to foster economic growth and jobs through coordinated R&DI activities and the commercial exploitation of integrated space and terrestrial systems enabled by 5G and 6G. The collaboration aims to leverage the complementarity of ESA and CELTIC-NEXT and build on synergies to maximise the return on investment and to support

Knowledge exchange & SRIAs cross-contributions

> Leveraging funding schemes across TRLs & topics

Calls timing alignment Easier pipelining of proposals

From Research to Market (TRL 7, early adopters, testbeds...)

Offering innovative entities the full panel between top-down programs and bottomup spaces for their collaborative projects

Memorandum of Understandina with 6G-IA signed



NEXT and the 6G Smart Networks and Services Industry Association (6G-IA) signed a lidentify the complementary nature of their Memorandum of Understanding (MoU), which aims at establishing synergies and complementary activities in collaborative ICT research. The MoU will help foster economic achievement of their goals. growth and jobs through coordinated R&D&I generated results. The collaboration aims to fact that their projects are somewhat seleverage the complementarity of 6G-IA and quential in terms of their Technology Readi-CELTIC-NEXT and build on synergies to max-imise the return on investment and to sup-on the respective investments and increase port achieving the UN Sustainable the impact on the Sustainable Development

ICT has become, more than ever, a pillar of cross-programme discussions and worksovereignty and resiliency in the rapidly changing social, political and economic envi- and solutions, with a view to stimulating a ronment of today and its regional battlefields. measures against the COVID-19 pandemic other's Strategic Research and Innovation terrestrial and non-terrestrial ICT services, as together they constitute one of the critical in- late the respective communities to consider ering the digitalisation of the society and the "end-to-end" perspective of the new com-

and allied countries' funding to reach a criti- mental, and societal benefits. cal mass of R&D&I and a faster time-to-market for the European countries and their

This Memorandum of Understanding vides the platform for leveraging on each signatory's strengths and cooperation, to upport sovereignty and resiliency for Europe and allied countries.

The purpose of this MoU is to set out a simple framework where the signatories can implement shared activities that benefit both initiatives and contribute to the

The signatories aim to leverage the diver ictivities and the commercial exploitation of sity of 6G-IA and CELTIC-NEXT as well as the

shops on potential technology pathfinders pipeline of new projects for both initiative The Russian war against Ukraine as well as the and sharing reciprocal contributions to each

The focus of the cooperation is to stimufrastructures of a country, especially consid- the issues in a holistic way considering the munications services being enabled by 5G with new verticals and communities. The 6G-Therefore, it is mandatory to increase and 6G technologies, as well as developing IA community is also eager to collaborate and leverage to its maximum the European an understanding of the economic, environ-

mon objectives, the signatories intend to:

GG SNS

- Create awareness and promote opportunities for collaboration within and across the respective communitie
- Consult mutually on their SRIAs Collaborate on the organisation and execution of activities with a view to
- reaching the common objectives identified Participate in and support suitable events
- organized by the other signatory common interest in line with the
- Undertake joint communication, as appropriate
- Leverage their relevant resource expertise necessary to ensur
- Regularly review the effect priorities agreed

laborations for CELTIC-NEXT. This for the ICT community by enriching its DNA MoU offers the perfect playground for both communities to meet and work together or strategic topics and projects.

CELTIC-NEXT's DNA

Bottom-up

Proposers are free to define their project proposal according to their own research interests

Close to the market

So far projects have led to more than 1500 new or improved products and services

High Success Rate

High-quality proposals have a good chance of receiving funding.

Average success rate 60 %

> Flexibility

Project focus can be adjusted to new technological developments in the field

FOR YOUR SUCCESS

By participating, you will get

Expectable benefits for you

Your opportunities are

- The award of an Globally Recognised Label
- Professional coaching and mentoring
- Easy access for SMEs
- Access to SMEs for Large industry & vice-versa
- Access to partners from more than 45 countries
- Access to national funding (while having international co-innovation)
- Transnational RD&I cooperation





- Boosting your competitiveness
- Accelerating your growth
- Shortening time to market
- Accessing new markets
- Increasing your international visibility
- Exposing your know-how to the eco-system
- Receiving guidance, coaching and monitoring of your project by the CELTIC Office,
- flexible project coaching process where you can adapt your project plan, consortium and other aspects, in agile way, using CELTIC's Project Change Requests



- Immerge yourself into a rich ecosystem covering the technology and business whole value chains (Large Industry, SMEs, Startups, RTOs, Academia, end-users)
- Build RD&I consortia during brokerage and other events
- Lead or be part of an industry lead project
- Create and foster collaborative innovation
- Stimulate disruptive and/or sustainable ideas
- Run and manage your collaborative project with the Office's support
- Adapt to internal and external circumstances
- Generate high economic impact
- Grow and collaborate beyond borders
- Deliver high social and economic impacts
- Support U.N. SDGs













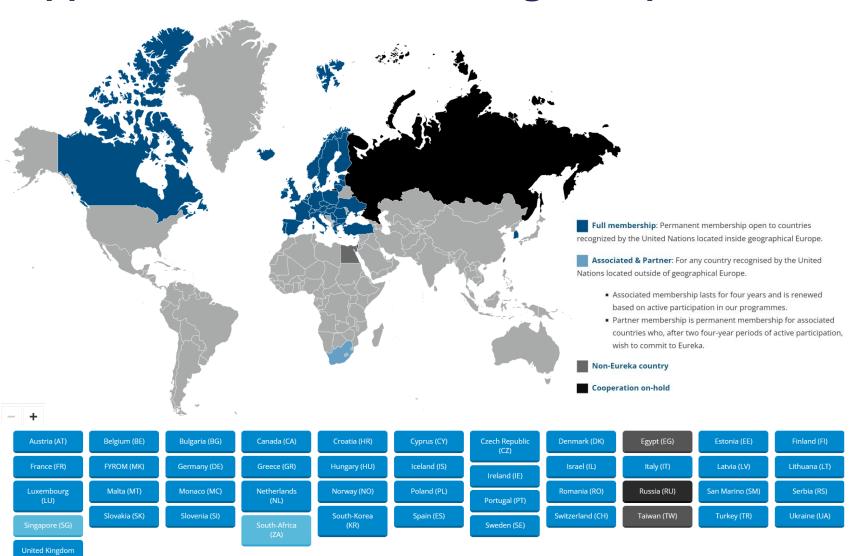






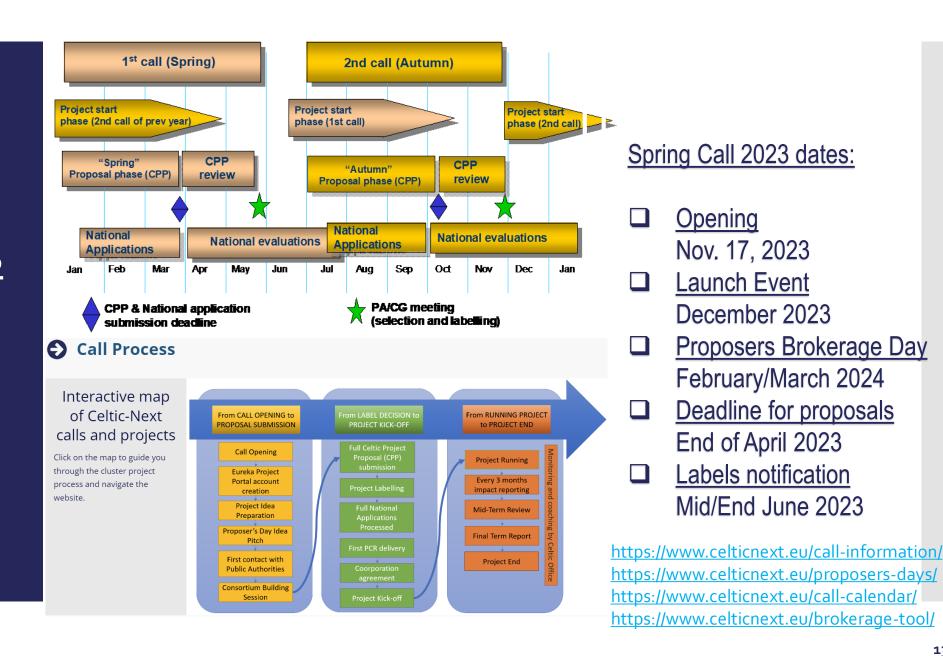
And more countries to come...

Opportunities to collaborate globally



Call process and timelines

CELTIC offers 2 bottom-up calls per year and additional flagship calls



Celtic-Next Calls and Projects Timeline



Important: please contact the Public Authorities before Projects submission:

https://www.celticnext.eu/national-public-contacts-funding-schemes/

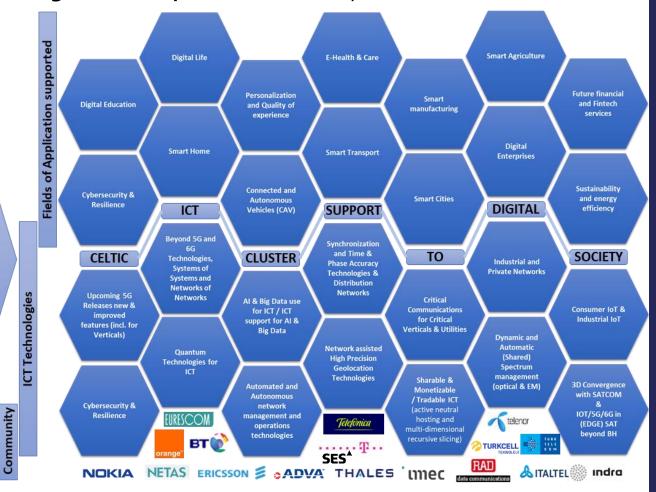
Receiving their opinion early can avoid mistakes in your proposal, and will improve your chances to get the label by aligning with National Priorities and Schemes





C > CELTIC-NEXT Spring Call 2024 Focus

As usual, Proposals that address **any of the topics of the CELTIC Strategic Roadmap** in this bottom-up call are welcomed



https://www.celticnext.eu/strategic-roadmap/



CELTIC is also looking into:

- ☐ Non-Terrestrial-Networks and Terrestrial Networks convergence
- ☐ Digitalisation of the Economy thanks to ICT technologies
- ☐ Clean Growth
- ☐ Remote Health & Care
- ☐ ICT for Industry 4.0 and Logistics
- ☐ Critical Coms for Emergency & Rescue Services
- ☐ Open RAN
- ☐ Private Networks
- ☐ AI for ICT & Networks (including Radio Massive MIMO, Open-RAN RICs, ...)
- ☐ Consumer IoT, Industry IOT
- ☐ ICT Technologies for METAVERSES
- ☐ and 5G Advanced and 6G topics





Spring Call 2023 Proposers' Brokerage Day in Paris (17 March 2023)

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SPRING CALL 2023 PROPOSERS' BROKERAGE DAY

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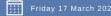
The Conference part organised in the morning will be the perfect occasion to learn more about the Public Authorities funding schemes and priorities, as well as the process of CELTIC Calls!

Keynote speakers will also present about innovative and cutting-edge ICT topics.





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The brokerage and networking forum session organised in the afternoon will be the perfect occasion to discuss with public authorities, interested proposers, and to build your consortium and consolidate your preparations for applying to CELTIC Calls!

Proposal writing support will also be offered by the CELTIC Director and the office team.

Hybrid registration both open for FREE! - only 100 places in-person





Friday 17 March 2023

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https://www.celticnext.eu/celtic-brokerage-event-spring-call-2023/







MANYTHANKS FOR YOUR ATTENTION.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate!







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