# Introduction to the Eureka **Clusters Programme**

#### **Driving industry-led innovation and collaboration**

**EUREKA Clusters Workshop** Online, 16 November 2023

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## **The Eureka Clusters Programme**

**Is part of Eureka**, the world's biggest public network for international cooperation in RD&I (47 countries, >48.4 billion € of investment, +7000 projects)

**The ECP** is a long-term intergovernmental initiative. It supports RD&I Clusters communities in strategically important areas:

- Operates in close cooperation with public authorities and industry
- Based on longstanding industry-driven ecosystems comprised of large companies, SMEs, RTOs, academia and end-users, which are used to collaborating through Clusters activities and their trustful/flexible environments



## **Eureka and the Clusters Programme**







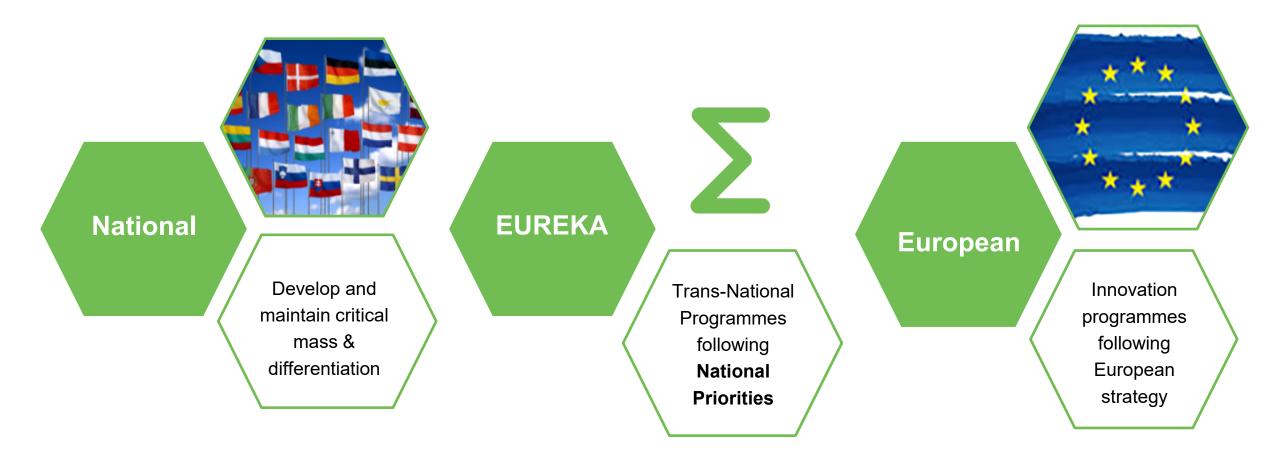








## **Eureka in the European innovation landscape**









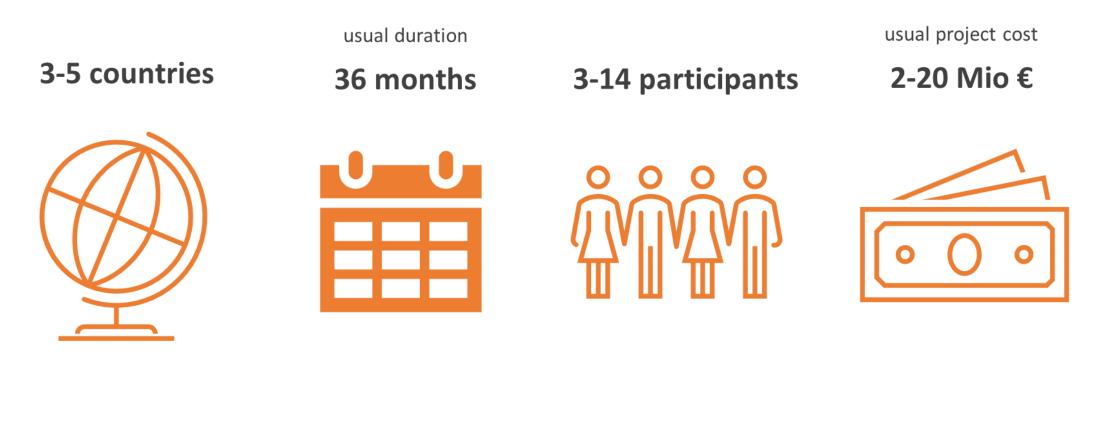






A typical Eureka Cluster project

Average figures:















# A typical Eureka Cluster project

### Main characteristics:

- Industry-led and supported by Public Authorities
- Beyond the state of the art
- Bottom-up idea generation
- Close to the market
- Covering the whole value chain













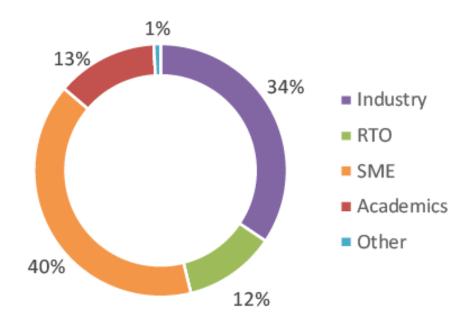


## **Eureka Clusters – figures at a glance**

## As of September 2023:

- 112 currently running projects
- total cost of 728 million €
- SMEs and large enterprises the most represented types of organisation

## PARTICIPANT TYPE IN RUNNING PROJECTS (% OF BUDGET)















## Leading organisations in Eureka Clusters



## **Eureka Clusters create impact**



Innovation impact New technologies / IP standards / incremental & breakthrough innovation



Economic impact New products / processes / materials / services in global markets



Societal impact Employment / education / addressing societal challenges



Ecosystem impact New partnerships / supply chains / stronger communities



Increase speed and decrease risk On innovation / new products













## **Eureka Clusters offer...**



Opportunities to fund transnational R&D and innovation consortia



Access to the best companies and knowledge institutes



Projects initiated by industry in line with national priorities



Global and trusted cooperation in the communities



Support of experts with an industrial viewpoint













## **The Eureka Clusters Programme**

"Participate in Clusters to boost your competitiveness, accelerate growth, shorten time to market and access new markets"

### **UPCOMING CLUSTER CALL DEADLINES:**

- EUROGIA : 24 NOV 2023
- XECS: 18 JAN 2024
- SMART : 22 JAN 2024
- ITEA: 19 FEB 2024 (FPP)
- CELTIC-NEXT : APR 2024

HTTPS://WWW.EUREKANETWORK.ORG/OPEN-CALLS/?PROGRAMME=CLUSTERS













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