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FET Innovation Launchpad

Cut-off date: 8/10/2019 at 17:00

Research and Innovation

The spirit of FET Innovation Launchpad

FET Innovation Launch aims at turning a result of an ongoing or recently finished FET project into a genuine innovation with socio-economic impacts.

The €100,000 funding aims to increase the investment readiness of the innovation rather that technology readiness level.

The scope of FET Innovation Launchpad

FET Innovation Launchpad are short individual or collaborative actions focused on the non-scientific aspects and the early stages of an innovation idea, stemming from ongoing or recently finished FET projects.

- Short: up to maximum 18 months
- Individual or collaborative action: 1 legal entity or a consortium.

Eligible FET project results

Results to be taken up must stem from ongoing or recently finished FET RIA projects, funded under any call in the FET work programmes under Horizon 2020 or under the FET part of any of the LEIT-ICT work programmes under FP7.

- The Link with the FET project needs to be explicitly described in the proposal
- If not ongoing (at the moment of the cut-off date) the FET project has to have its actual end date after 8/10/2018.

Proposed FET Innovation Launchpad activities

Not exhaustive list of proposed activities

- Definition of commercialisation process,
- market and competitiveness analysis,
- technology assessment,
- verification of innovation potential,
- consolidation of IPR,
- business case development.

Limited low-risk technology development (for instance for demonstration, testing or minor adjustment to specific requirements) can be supported as long as it has a clear and necessary role in the broader proposed innovation strategy and plan.

FET Innovation Launchpad applicants

- **Applicants from the linked FET project:**

Proposals must include a declaration by the coordinator of the necessary rights and ownership of results to be exploited, as described in the proposal.

- **Applicants that are not the owner of the result:**

Applicant must provide a letter from the relevant beneficiary or beneficiaries of the previous FET project that own(s) the result that confirms the existence of the necessary agreements with the coordinator of the current proposal, including on IPR.

Pay attention to

- Budget NOT higher than 0.1 million or duration NOT longer of 18M
- NO more than 7 pages (no cover page!) on sections 1-3
- NO complex workplan, too many deliverables, too many milestones
- DON'T devote most of the budget to a prototype development
- DON'T Set unrealistic target
- NO new or continuation of R&D work
- NO outright sell of technology

Admissibility & Eligibility

- At least one legal entity established in an EU Member State or Horizon 2020 associated country
- Submitted in the submission system
- Readable, accessible and printable
- Complete (administrative data, description, specific FET Launchpad declarations, supporting document..)
- Proved the Operational capacity (CVs, publications, infrastructure, description of third parties involved if any..)
- Draft plan for exploitation and dissemination (as a 7 pages proposal can allow..)

Part A: specifics / 1

Proposals must build on results from an ongoing or recently finished FET funded project, FP7 or H2020. Specify the Acronym and ID of the project.

5 - Call-specific questions

Eligibility

I confirm that this proposal draws substantially on results of an existing or recently finished FET	☑
Provide the related FET Project Acronym :	
Provide the related FET Project ID number :	
I confirm that the applicant(s) are the owner or have any necessary agreements with owners or right holders of those results to move towards their exploitation, as described in the proposal. 2	☑

posals must build on results from an ongoing or recently finished project, funded as a result of call in any FET topic under FP7 or Horizon 2020 and clearly identified in the proposal. For a project to be considered 'recently finished' in the context of this call topic its actual end date must be at most one year before the deadline for proposal submission to this topic. For a project to be considered 'ongoing' in the context of this call topic the deadline for proposal submission to this topic must be within the period limited by the contractual start date and end date of the project

2 Proposals must include a [illegible] ownership of results to be exploited, as described in the proposal. Applicants that are not the owner of the result to be taken up in the proposal must provide a letter from the relevant beneficiary or beneficiaries of the previous FET project that own(s) the result that confirms the existence of the necessary agreements with the coordinator of the current proposal, including on IPR.

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Part A: specifics / 2

Proposals must confirm to have the agreement with right-holders of the results to move towards exploitation.

5 - Call-specific questions

Eligibility

I confirm that this proposal draws substantially on results of an existing or recently finished FET project. 1	
Provide the related FET Project Acronym :	
Provide the related FET Project ID number :	
I confirm that the applicant(s) are the owner or have any necessary agreements with owners or right holders of those results to move towards their exploitation, as described in the proposal. 2	☑

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2 Proposals must include a declaration by the coordinator of the necessary rights and ownership of results to be exploited, as described in the proposal. Applicants that are not the owner of the result to be taken up in the proposal must provide a letter from the relevant beneficiary or beneficiaries of the previous FET project that own(s) the result that confirms the existence of the necessary agreements with the coordinator of the current proposal, including on IPR.

Evaluation criteria, Scoring and Thresholds

FET-Open 2018-2020

Excellence	Impact	Quality and efficiency of the implementation
The following aspects are taken into account: ☐ Clarity and quality of the innovation idea and its link with the previous or ongoing FET project indicated in the proposal. ☐ Concreteness of objectives and their pertinence for moving the output of FET research through the initial steps of a process leading to a commercial or social innovation. ☐ Suitability and necessity of the proposed activities to reach the stated objectives, including their complementarity to actions already foreseen or expected from the previous or ongoing FET project.	Contributions to the impacts listed under this topic in the work programme: ☐ Added innovation potential with respect to the FET project from which this innovation originates. ☐ Extent of economic and/or societal benefits resulting from this innovation as identified in the proposal. ☐ Suitability of measures for taking the innovation beyond the research world, including through engagement with prospective exploitation partners, other stakeholders, users or society.	The following aspects are taken into account: ☐ Quality of workplan and management. ☐ Relevance of expertise in the consortium. ☐ Appropriate allocation of resources (person-months).
Threshold: **3/5** Weight: **40%**	Threshold: **3.5/5** Weight: **40%**	Threshold: **3/5** Weight: **20%**

For more Guidance consult

- Work programme
- Proposal template
- Participant portal FET Innovation Launchpad topic
- Participant portal Frequently Asked Questions
- Web Infopackage
- European Innovation Council pilot

I have over 30 years of experience as a successful entrepreneur, business angel investor, board member, and investment fund member. I grew my 1st company from 1 to 260 people in IT services, and have since helped several other companies achieve significant growth and globalisation".

Kaija Pöysti, Finland:

"My expertise is in the field of Space: years in industry, years with the space agencies, years in diplomacy as Science Attaché and one mission in space as Shuttle astronaut are the benchmarks of my competences and network of contacts. As founder of Genova Startup I have helped numerous SMEs improve their business plans, networking in consortia, increase their access to market and obtain attention from prospect investors".

Franco Malerba, Italy

Not only funding…

Up to 12 days of business coaching are offered to SMEs within the FET Innovation Launchpad projects by the European Innovation Council pilot.

The 950 business innovation coaches in the scheme have vast experience in technology assessment and commercialisation and business development in specific industries and markets.

FET Innovation Launchpad history

Cut-off	Budget spent	Proposals Funded
29 September 2016	1.6 M€	16
27 September 2017	1.9 M€	19
16 October 2018	*2.5 M€**	*25**
08 October 2019	*2.7 M€**	*27**
14 October 2020	*3.0 M€**	*30**
* *Estimated figures*		

Call topic	Indicative budget	Proposals submitted	Grant requested by submitted proposals
FETOPEN-03-2018-2019-2020 deadline 16/10/2018	2,5 M€	42	6.386.916,25 €*

*including one proposal that requested 2,3 M€.

- > estimated success rate 59%

FET Innovation Launchpad - October 2018 cut-off
FET linked projects

- 3 proposals (7%) were built on results from FP7 FET projects
- 39 proposals (93%) were built on results from H2020 FET projects:
  - 32 proposals (76%) H2020-FETOPEN
  - 3 proposals (7%) H2020-FETPROACTIVE
  - 4 proposals (10%) H2020-FETHPC

Countries' participation in submitted proposals

Participants profile in submitted proposals

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