

EUROSTARS 2021



OBJECTIVE

EUROSTARS supports **R&D-performing SMEs and their partners** by funding **collaborative innovation projects** that will be rapidly commercialised.

CONSORTIUM

The consortium must fulfill the following:

- Be composed by at least **2 independent entities from two different EUROSTARS countries** (see Annex 1). Organisations from any other country may participate (as a third country), but only if 2 Eurostars countries are already in the project.
- The **project coordinator must be an R&D-performing SME** (see Annex 2) from an EUROSTARS member country.
- R&D-performing SMEs budget (excluding subcontracting) must be at least 50% of the total project budget (including subcontracting).
- The project **consortium** must be **well balanced**: no single participant or country may be responsible for more than 75% of the total project budget.
- Eurostars is open to all projects in **all technology areas and market fields**, but projects must have a civilian purpose.

BENEFICIARIES

- **Spain**: Enterprises.
- **Other countries**: According to the national funding rules for each country.

FUNDING

Funding is provided on a **country-by-country basis**: all funding to participants in approved projects is managed by their respective funding body, according to national funding rules and procedures.

Spain:

Grants through the Programme: Interempresas Internacional CDTI

BENEFICIARY	FUNDING
SMALL ENTERPRISE	Up to 60%
MEDIUM ENTERPRISE	Up to 50%
LARGE COMPANY	Up to 40%

Other countries: According to the national funding rules.

ELIGIBLE COSTS

Spain:

- Personnel costs
- Equipment (depreciation)
- Consumables
- Subcontracting (up to 50% of total eligible cost)
- Travel expenses (up to 8.000€ per project)
- Audit certificate (up to 2.000€ per year)
- Overheads (up to 25% of personnel cost)

Non eligible costs: Dissemination, Market Studies, Commercialization and Demonstration work packages cannot be funded in Spain.

End-user tests, industrial scale tests, and any activity identified as TRL 7 to TRL 9 cannot be funded in Spain.

Only the costs after the submission of the national funding application could be eligible.

Other countries: According to the national funding rules.

PROJECT BUDGET

There is no budget limit. However, the **average project** is around **1.5 MilIEUR**.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION

4th February 2020 (20:00 C.E.T)

PROJECT DURATION

Activities of the Spanish participants must start no earlier than 7-8 months since the Cut-Off Date.

The project must be **completed in 30 months or less** (end before 30/06/24).

This period may be shortened by national funding organisations.

The Eurostars project **market introduction** of the project results should be **within 24 months** of the completion of the project. In the case of biotechnology, biomedical or medical projects, the start of clinical trials is planned to occur within 24 months of project completion.

FUNDING INSTITUTION

Spain: CDTI

ANNEX 1: EUROSTARS COUNTRIES

Countries participating in EUROSTARS Programme:

Austria	Hungary	Portugal
Belgium	Iceland	Romania
Bulgaria	Italy	Slovenia
Canada	Ireland	Slovakia
Croatia	Israel	Spain
Cyprus	Latvia	South Africa
Czech Republic	Lithuania	Sweden
Denmark	Luxembourg	Switzerland
Finland	The Netherlands	Turkey
France	Norway	United Kingdom
Germany	Poland	South Korea.

Estonia and Greece are countries without public funding.

ANNEX 2: DEFINITION OF R&D-PERFORMING SME

To qualify as an R&D-performing, the SME must meet the following thresholds:

SME WITH A HEADCOUNT OF 100 FTE	SME WITH A HEADCOUNT OF MORE THAN 100 FTE
HAVE AT LEAST 5.0 FTES DEDICATED TO R&D ACTIVITIES	HAVE AT LEAST 10 FTES DEDICATED TO R&D ACTIVITIES
OR DEDICATE AT LEAST 10% OF THEIR FTE TO R&D ACTIVITIES	
OR DEDICATE AT LEAST 10% OF THEIR TURNOVER TO R&D ACTIVITIES	