



OPEN CALLS

HORIZON EUROPE

Safeguarding linguistic diversity in Europe
HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-HERITAGE-06

Call - Culture, Creativity and Inclusive Society 2026 (HORIZON-CL2-2026-01)

Call website

Deadline date 23 September 2026 17:00:00

Description Expected Outcome:

Projects should contribute to all the following expected outcomes:

- Enhanced understanding, accompanied by documented good practices, showing what works to encourage multilingualism in society and what type of practices have led to safeguarding linguistic heritage, including lesser used, endangered and historically marginalised languages.
- Rigorous policy-relevant evidence, strategies and policy recommendations for promoting multilingualism and safeguarding linguistic diversity are available to policy makers, and users are involved in their development, especially the younger generation. Non-linguistic benefits of language maintenance and revitalisation are well documented, communicated and understood by different stakeholders.
- Citizens are empowered and engaged in the sustainable management of their own linguistic heritage and resources, with a focus on intergenerational dialogue and education activities, with particular attention to communities where oral transmission is the primary mode of language preservation.
- Maps and visual presentations showing the linguistic diversity in Europe are available, including a variety of existing languages (regional and minority languages, indigenous languages, low resources languages etc.) and offering suited terminology and explanations.

The impact of the use of digital tools outside school and for communication on educational outcomes and mental health

HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-TRANSFO-04

Call - Culture, Creativity and Inclusive Society 2026 (HORIZON-CL2-2026-01)

Call website

Deadline date 23 September 2026 17:00:00

Description Expected Outcome:

Projects should contribute to all of the following expected outcomes:

- Provide policymakers, education practitioners and citizens with a solid understanding of how social media, video gaming and other leisure uses of digital tools relate to the educational outcomes of young people, including through their impact on well-being and mental health.

- Generate rigorous, policy-relevant evidence about policies and practices aiming to inform and regulate young people's use of digital tools for non-educational purposes, such as smartphones, at school.
- Develop actionable advice for policymakers and citizens about how to promote young people's healthy use of digital tools for leisure, both at school and outside school.
- Describe and quantify the relationships of using digital tools for leisure and communication with students' motivation, study habits, attention span and concentration, time management, engagement, social integration and overall well-being.

Fostering cooperation and integration between SSH and STEM research and innovation in the EU
HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-TRANSFO-10

Call - Culture, Creativity and Inclusive Society 2026 (HORIZON-CL2-2026-01)

Call website

Deadline date 23 September 2026 17:00:00

Description Expected Outcome:

Projects should contribute to all of the following expected outcomes:

- Greater integration of SSH and STEM[1] research and innovation in R&I initiatives funded at EU level, national and/or regional level, as well as in R&I policies by promoting dialogue, mutual learning and strategic cooperation among research funders and policy makers in the EU.
- Developing and maintaining a new, common, comprehensive 'Monitoring and Impact Evaluation Framework' for SSH integration in current and future EU R&I initiatives.

Enhanced facilitation of knowledge exploitation and support to the cooperation between projects and stakeholders, as well as R&I policies involved in projects and other types of cross-border networks dealing with SSH and STEM research and innovation.

[1] SSH integration involves actively supporting interdisciplinary research and innovation that combines SSH with Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) to better address complex challenges such as climate change, public health issues, and technological innovation.

Advanced border surveillance and situational awareness
HORIZON-CL3-2026-01-BM-01

Call - Civil Security for Society 2026 (HORIZON-CL3-2026-01)

Call website

Deadline date 05 November 2026 17:00:00

Description Expected Outcome:

Project results are expected to contribute to some or all of the following expected outcomes:

- Improved detection, localization, characterization and, when applicable, neutralisation, of unmanned vehicles alone or in swarms, involved in trafficking or smuggling activities across external borders, while complying with legal and ethical guidelines;
- Improved border situational awareness, especially in the context of large-scale movements of people across borders, including from potential instrumentalisation of irregular migration, conflicts, social, economic, environmental and climate stress;
- Better safeguard and promotion of fundamental rights thanks to enhanced situational awareness;

- Reliable, redundant detection and reaction capacities without putting staff and society at risk.

Road Safety and resilience of rural areas

HORIZON-CL5-2026-10-D6-09

Call - *BATTERIES and MOBILITY (HORIZON-CL5-2026-10)*

Call website

Deadline date 08 October 2026 17:00:00

Description

Expected Outcome:

Project results are expected to contribute to all of the following expected outcomes:

- Implementation of the [NWRSA methodology](#) for secondary rural roads;
- Innovative and effective enforcement strategies, incentive mechanisms and measures raising risk awareness for fostering safer behaviour;
- Prevention strategies for reducing road fatalities and serious road traffic injuries on rural roads along with the respective implementation guidelines and policy measures tailored to the responsible stakeholders (regional authorities, police, healthcare professionals, national governments, etc.);
- GIS-based application to assist local and regional authorities in identifying and mapping the impact of extreme weather phenomena and other natural disasters (such as floods, fires, storms, heavy snowfall etc.) on the safety and resilience of the road network in their jurisdiction.

Open topic on driving innovation uptake of disaster risk solutions

HORIZON-CL3-2026-01-DRS-04

Call - *Civil Security for Society 2026 (HORIZON-CL3-2026-01)*

Call website

Deadline date 05 November 2026 17:00:00

Description

Expected Outcome:

Project results are expected to contribute to some or all of the following expected outcomes:

- Accelerated adoption of high-TRL (Technology Readiness Level) disaster risk solutions across diverse sectors;
- Facilitated integration of innovative technologies into existing disaster prevention, preparedness, response, and recovery frameworks;
- Promoted collaboration among stakeholders to scale proven solutions and enhance resilience;
- Addressed barriers to deployment, ensuring accessibility and usability of advanced DRS technologies;
- Strengthened evidence-based decision-making through demonstration and validation of high-TRL solutions in real-world scenarios;
- Promoted visibility of civil security research results.

Joint demonstration of solutions to build soil resilience to extreme weather events and support food security

HORIZON-MISS-2026-06-CLIMA-SOIL

Call - *Joint Call between the Soil Deal for Europe Mission and the Adaptation to Climate Change Mission (HORIZON-MISS-2026-06)*

Call website

Deadline date 23 September 2026 17:00:00

Description

Expected Outcome:

Activities under this topic will support the EU Vision for Agriculture and Food, the EU Soil Strategy for 2030, including the implementation of the EU Soil Monitoring and Resilience Directive, the EU Adaptation Strategy, the EU Water Resilience Strategy, and the forthcoming European Climate Adaptation Plan.

Project results are expected to contribute to all the following expected outcomes:

- enhanced monitoring of soils at subnational level (e.g. regions and municipalities) leading to an overall improved soil resilience against extreme weather events, particularly in terms of soils' capacity to withstand and recover from floods, droughts, heatwaves and broader temperature fluctuations;
- tailored soil management practices and solutions that improve soil health are adopted, promoting sustainable land management, enhancing food system resilience, including food security[1], and strengthening the overall resilience of agricultural systems to current and future climate extreme events.

[1] Food security exists when all people, at all times, have physical and economic access to sufficient safe and nutritious food that meets their dietary needs and food preferences for an active and healthy life (FAO, 1996)

R&I in Support of the Clean Industrial Deal: Clean Technologies for Climate Action
HORIZON-CID-2026-01-02

Call - R&I in Support of the Clean Industrial Deal (HORIZON-CID-2026-01)
Call website

Deadline date	15 September 2026 17:00:00
Description	Expected Outcome: Proposals are expected to contribute to all the following expected outcomes: • Strengthen the competitiveness, sustainability (including biodiversity) and resilience of an innovative clean tech solution by clearly demonstrating the capability to, significantly: ◦ increase its circular material use rate, based on a sound and realistic baseline; ◦ reduce the levelized cost of energy (LCOE) delivered to end-users - including, where relevant, production, distribution, and storage costs, based on a sound and realistic baseline and considering different geographic scenarios; and ◦ contribute to Europe's industrial leadership and competitiveness, in line with the objectives of Net-Zero Industry Act (NZIA)^[1] for the EU manufacturing capacity of net-zero technologies^{[2],[3]}. • Bring this innovative clean tech solution to full technological maturity and close to market-readiness with a view to accelerating its market deployment and/or integration in key industrial sectors in Europe (e.g. manufacturing, energy and transport).

Introducing circular economy models in the construction sector, from buildings to city scale
HORIZON-MISS-2026-04-CIT-NEB-B4P-CCRI-03

Call - Supporting the implementation of the Climate-Neutral and Smart Cities Mission (HORIZON-MISS-2026-04)
Call website

Deadline date	08 October 2026 17:00:00
Description	Expected Outcome: Project results are expected to contribute to all of the following expected outcomes: • Measurable increase in the number of tools and solutions at district or city level that are supporting the application of circular economy models by public and private stakeholders active in the construction sector; • Measurable reduction of material use and an increase of reuse and recycling in the construction sector as a result of the introduction of new and replicable business models; • Measurable reduction in the energy and other resources use and the whole life-cycle GHG emissions of buildings[1] and building stock (residential and non-

residential) by introducing circular economy activities at building, district and city level.

Increasing competitiveness and resilience of multimodal freight transport and logistics for competitive supply chains
HORIZON-CL5-2026-10-D6-06

Call - *BATTERIES and MOBILITY (HORIZON-CL5-2026-10)*

Call website

Deadline date 08 October 2026 17:00:00

Description Expected Outcome:

Project results are expected to contribute to all the following expected outcomes:

- Advanced tools and solutions are developed and demonstrated to enhance the competitiveness of European multimodal freight transport networks, ensuring sustainability, resilience, security and increased freight transport capacity;
- Solutions provide real-time visibility, tracking and predictive analytics for multimodal services, performance, and network status (e.g., disruptions, maintenance) to support better planning and increase shippers' adoption of multimodal transport;
- Strengthened integration of multimodal (e.g. rail, inland waterway transport and short sea shipping) data, along with improved synchromodal solutions, enabling more agile, flexible, responsive and resilient multimodal transport logistic systems.

Designing new ways of risk awareness and enhanced disaster preparedness
HORIZON-CL3-2026-01-DRS-01

Call - *Civil Security for Society 2026 (HORIZON-CL3-2026-01)*

Call website

Deadline date 05 November 2026 17:00:00

Description Expected Outcome:

Project results are expected to contribute to **some or all** of the following expected outcomes:

- Development of innovative tools and methodologies to monitor and improve risk awareness across society, integrating diverse community perspectives and leveraging advanced technologies;
- Development and uptake solutions and tools for the successful increase of safety culture and societal resilience of communities with concrete material, while considering also the inclusion and protection of marginalized populations in disaster scenarios;
- Creation of comprehensive, inclusive preparedness plans that involve all societal sectors and governance levels, ensuring coordinated and effective responses to disasters (such as from early warning to early action), including scarcity of resources;
- Establishment of a resilient, adaptive response framework that enhances collaboration between public authorities, communities, and private sectors, improving overall disaster resilience.

RAISE Doctoral Networks for AI in Science (RAISE pilot)
HORIZON-RAISE-2026-01-03

Call - *RAISE Doctoral Networks for AI in Science (HORIZON-RAISE-2026-01-MSCA)*

Call website

Deadline date 24 November 2026 17:00:00

Description Expected Outcome:

This action builds on the MSCA Doctoral Networks 2026 call (HORIZON-MSCA-DN-2026).

The project results are expected to contribute to the following outcomes:

For supported doctoral candidates:

- New research and transferable skills and competences in the application of AI in science, leading to improved employability and career prospects within and outside academia;
- New knowledge allowing the conversion of ideas into products and services, where relevant;
- Enhanced networking and communication capacities with scientific peers, as well as with the general public that will increase and broaden the research and innovation impact.

For participating organisations:

- Improved quality, relevance and sustainability of doctoral training programmes and supervision arrangements;
- Enhanced cooperation and transfer of knowledge between sectors and disciplines;
- Increased integration of training and research activities between participating organisations;
- Boosted R&I capacity and uptake of AI in science;
- Increased internationalisation and attractiveness;
- Regular feedback of research results into teaching and education at participating organisations.

Programme for the Environment and Climate Action (LIFE)

Environment governance

LIFE-2026-SAP-ENV-GOV

Call - *Circular Economy and Quality of Life - Standard Action Projects (SAP) (LIFE-2026-SAP-ENV)*

Call website

Deadline date 22 September 2026 17:00:00

Description Expected Impact:

Applicants are expected to define, calculate, explain and achieve the expected impacts as described in the **Award criterion ‘Impact’** (see **Call document section 2 and 9**).

Objective:

The aim is to facilitate the transition toward a sustainable, circular, energy-efficient and climate-resilient economy, a toxic-free environment and at protecting, restoring and improving the quality of the environment in line with the European Green Deal and recent policy developments.

The **specific objective** is to cover one or more of the topics as fully defined **in section 2 of the Call document (under the heading LIFE-2026-SAP-ENV-GOV)**.

Please note that the assessment of the extent to which the project is in line with the specific priorities of the call (part of Award criterion 1) will be done exclusively on the basis of the topics identified and described under section ‘Compliance with LIFE programme objectives and call topic’ of the Standard application form. Please also note that a maximum of two sub-topics shall be selected (e.g. “Activities in support of public administration (...) private sector” and “Behavioural change (...) initiatives”) and only those will be considered in the evaluation.

Climate Change Mitigation
LIFE-2026-SAP-CLIMA-CCM

Call - *LIFE Climate Action - Standard Action Projects (SAP) (LIFE-2026-SAP-CLIMA)*

Call website

Deadline date	22 September 2026 17:00:00
Description	Expected Outcome: Efficient delivery of the quantified objectives by the end of the project. Objective: Projects under the Climate Change Mitigation Priority Area will support the implementation of the European Green Deal by contributing to the objectives and targets set out in the EU Climate Law and to the intermediate Union climate target to reduce net greenhouse gas emissions by at least 55% compared to 1990 levels by 2030.

Energy renovation solutions – Boosting building renovation through effective markets and instruments
LIFE-2026-CET-BETTERRENO

Call - *LIFE Clean Energy Transition (LIFE-2026-CET)*

Call website

Deadline date	16 September 2026 17:00:00
Description	Expected Impact: Proposals should present the concrete results which will be delivered by the activities and demonstrate how these results will contribute to the topic-specific impacts. This demonstration should rely on a solid analysis of the current situation, realistic assumptions and baselines, and establish clear causality links between activities, results and impacts. For Scope A: In terms of qualitative impact, proposals under this topic should demonstrate how they will contribute to the following outcomes, as relevant: • Increased demand for energy renovation and increased energy renovation rates • Implementation of demand aggregation strategies • Viable business models for renovations with reduced costs and time, replicable at large scale • Improved capacity of companies in the building renovation sector to deliver high quality renovations. In terms of quantitative impact, proposals should quantify their results and impacts using the indicators provided for the topic, when they are relevant for the proposed activities. Proposals are not expected to address all the listed impacts and indicators. The results and impacts should be quantified for the end of the project and for 5 years after the end of the project. The quantitative indicators for this topic include: • Number of building units renovated and/or increased renovation rates in the territories targeted by the project • Number of building units that undergo a deep renovation and/or increased deep renovation rates • Percentage reduction in renovation costs compared to baseline, potentially detailed by building typology and type of intervention • Investments in building energy renovation triggered • Number of companies with improved technical, organisational and business capacity to deliver energy renovations through the uptake of new products, materials, services and processes under the scope of the topic. Proposals should also provide indicators which are specific to their proposed activities. For Scope B: In terms of qualitative impact, proposals under this topic should demonstrate how they will contribute to the following outcomes:

- Enhanced market uptake and effective use of advanced EPCs, SRIs, RPs, DBLs and IEQ
- Roll-out of existing schemes and tools allowing enhanced, integrated, cost-effective building assessments and staged renovation strategies
- Improved use of buildings performance data in actual renovations or building management by financial institutions, service providers and building owners/operators.

In terms of quantitative impact, proposals should quantify their results and impacts using the indicators provided for the topic, when they are relevant for the proposed activities. Proposals are not expected to address all the listed impacts and indicators. The results and impacts should be quantified for the end of the project and for 5 years after the end of the project. The quantitative indicators for this topic include:

- Number of Renovation Passports issued and applied to actual renovation projects
- Number of renovations or building management projects making use of enhanced and integrated building assessment schemes (EPCs, SRI and IEQ) and data repositories (DBL)
- Number of relevant stakeholders (e.g. building owners, service providers, financial institutions, one-stop-shops) actively using improved building-related data and services.

Proposals should also provide indicators which are specific to their proposed activities.

For both scopes A and B

Proposals should also quantify their impacts related to the following common indicators for the LIFE Clean Energy Transition sub-programme:

- Primary energy savings triggered by the project in GWh/year
- Final energy savings triggered by the project in GWh/year
- Renewable energy generation triggered by the project (in GWh/year)
- Reduction of greenhouse gas emissions (in tCO₂-eq/year)
- Investments in sustainable energy (energy efficiency and renewable energy) triggered by the project (cumulative, in million Euro).

Supporting digitalisation of Distribution System Operators for a smart energy transition (Smart Grid Academy)

LIFE-2026-CET-DIGITAL

Call - LIFE Clean Energy Transition (LIFE-2026-CET)

Call website

Deadline date 16 September 2026 17:00:00

Description Expected Impact:

Proposals should present the concrete results which will be delivered by the activities and demonstrate how these results will contribute to the topic-specific impacts. This demonstration should rely on a solid analysis of the current situation, realistic assumptions and baselines, and establish clear causality links between proposed activities, results and impacts.

In terms of qualitative impact, proposals under this topic should demonstrate how they will contribute to:

- Enhanced operational efficiency, resilience and flexibility of distribution networks through accelerated and fit-for-purpose digitalisation of DSOs
- Strengthened institutional and human capacity of DSOs, in particular small/local DSOs, to plan, implement and govern digital transformation in line with EU energy and digital policy frameworks
- Improved integration of DERs and demand-side measures and participation of active consumers.

In terms of quantitative impact, proposals should quantify their results and impacts using the indicators provided for the topic, when they are relevant for the proposed activities. Proposals are not expected to address all the listed impacts and indicators. The results and impacts should be quantified for the end of the project and for 5 years after the end of the project. The quantitative indicators for this topic include:

- Number of Digitalisation Roadmaps developed
- Number of Digitalisation Roadmaps consequently embedded in the DNDPs^[1]
- Number of DSOs directly involved in trainings, workshops, etc.
- Number of follower/associated DSOs indirectly involved in capacity building activities (e.g. through networking, pairing)
- Number of trainings activities, and personnel involved in them
- Investments in digitalisation triggered by the implementation of investment plans developed thanks to the project (cumulative, in million Euro).

Proposals should also provide indicators which are specific to their proposed activities. Proposals should also quantify their impacts related to the following common indicators for the LIFE Clean Energy Transition sub-programme:

- Primary energy savings triggered by the project in GWh/year
- Final energy savings triggered by the project in GWh/year
- Renewable energy generation triggered by the project (in GWh/year)
- Reduction of greenhouse gas emissions (in tCO₂-eq/year)
- Investments in sustainable energy (energy efficiency and renewable energy) triggered by the project (cumulative, in million Euro).

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NEWS AND EVENTS



MSCA POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS

The [MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships](#) support individual, experienced researchers to enhance their research skills and career prospects through international mobility. The action funds fellowships of 1-3 years enabling researchers to work on excellent research projects, acquire new competences and benefit from high-quality training and supervision.

The 2026 call opened on 9 April with a deadline on 9 September 2026.

For more information go on the [NCP portal](#).

Supporting women leading deep tech startups from Europe to grow into tomorrow's tech leaders and putting women at the forefront of deep tech in Europe

The **Women TechEU programme** continues to invest €12 million in equity-free grants between 2026 and 2028, which will support a new cohort of 160 women-led deep tech companies. Also, a holistic business support service programme to each beneficiary will be provided.

The Women TechEU scheme is an EU-funded project supporting women leading deep tech startup companies from Europe.

The official press-release [here](#)

Online InfoDays ([registration link here](#)) that are ideal for founders who want to understand the programme before applying:

- 06 August 2026, 12:00 CEST
- 15 September 2026, 16:00 CET

A dedicated email to support with all your questions: helpdesk@womentecheuropa.eu

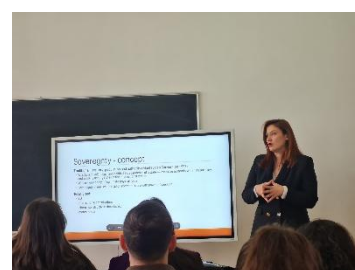


INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION – ACADEMIC EXCHANGE SUCCESSFULLY DELIVERED GUEST LECTURES BY THE ACADEMIC STAFF OF ISPJR – UKIM

Within the framework of the Erasmus+ project **“JoPScip – Development of a Joint Master Study Programme in Political Science”**, a series of academic mobility visits by the teaching and research staff of the Institute for Sociological, Political and Juridical Research (ISPJR) were successfully carried out during April and May 2026 at the partner public and private universities in Armenia and Georgia. ISPJR at UKIM realizes the project as the partner institution from the Republic of North Macedonia.

The guest lectures were aimed at strengthening academic cooperation in the fields of political science and European integration, while also providing students from the Caucasus with contextual knowledge of the Republic of North Macedonia, the other Balkan countries, and the European Union. Through a comparative approach, the lectures examined the political transformations and institutional development of the Western Balkan countries, focusing on contemporary democratic processes, regional experiences, and country-specific characteristics, simultaneously drawing attention to comparable developments in the countries of the Caucasus. The experience proved highly valuable both for the visiting lecturers and the host institutions, as it significantly broadened academic perspectives, particularly given that both regions are facing specific and important geopolitical challenges that directly influence their domestic political processes.

The lectures were conducted in a highly interactive atmosphere, with both students and academic staff actively participating in discussions and analyses of the topics addressed. The entire academic communication achieved during the visits of the UKIM professors, i.e. the exchange of perspectives and experiences, contributed to a deeper understanding of contemporary political processes and challenges across different national and regional contexts. This academic interaction also fostered conceptual and methodological advancement of various aspects of the educational process, encouraging further international academic cooperation while promoting the scientific and educational capacities of ISPJR at the international level.



Experience in Armenia (20–24 April 2026)

Prof. Dr. Natasha Gaber Damjanovska delivered lectures at Yerevan State University on the topic “Civil Society Vital Rights: Right to Assembly, Right to Association, Freedom of Speech”, while also providing a broader overview of the legal and political developments in North Macedonia.

Prof. Dr. Bojana Naumovska also delivered lectures to the students of Political Science and International Relations at Yerevan State University, elucidating the comparative topic “Electoral Systems in South-East Europe”.

Assist. Prof. Dr. Milka Dimitrovska delivered the guest lecture “Challenges and Opportunities of EU Enlargement through the Lens of Cohesion Policy and Accession Countries” at Eurasia International University in Yerevan, complemented by an overview of the developmental prospects of the Balkan and Caucasus countries.

Experience in Georgia (4–8 May 2026)

Prof. Dr. Aneta Cekikj delivered guest lectures at the Georgian Institute of Public Affairs (GIPA) on the topic “Lobbying in the EU: Mobilization and Representation of Interests at the Supranational Level,” presenting both the substantive content and the methodological and research dimensions on the matter.

Assist. Prof. Dr. Milka Dimitrovska delivered the current topic of “Contested Sovereignty: The Example of the Balkan Countries” at Tbilisi State University, presenting it through comparative and historical perspectives.