



# Filtering the future: Funding opportunities for microplastics solutions

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# Who are we?



**Our goal is to make your innovative ideas fundable and your projects successful!**



## CONSULTING

Screening of suitable funds  
Compliance checks



## PROPOSAL PREPARATION

Technical assistance in application preparation and proposal submission



## REPORTING & QUALITY MANAGEMENT

Execution and monitoring of funded projects  
Stakeholder coordination  
Quality management



## DISSEMINATION & COMMUNICATION

Experienced and dedicated team for full support  
Effectively promoting actions to diverse audiences  
Creating a lasting impact

## Microplastics released into the environment



As part of the **European Green Deal**, the EU has taken measures to combat microplastic pollution on all fronts, aiming at **reducing microplastic releases to the environment by 30% by 2030**.

Source: European Commission: Directorate-General for Environment, EU action against microplastics, Publications Office of the European Union, 2023, <https://data.europa.eu/doi/10.2779/917472>

# Horizon Europe (HE)



Total budget of €95.5 billion for the period from 2021 to 2027



**HORIZON EUROPE**

**CLUSTER 6  
INFO DAYS**

COMING SOON

Horizon Europe info days - Cluster 6 Food, Bioeconomy, Natural Resources, Agriculture and Environment

📅 20 May 2025  
🕒 09:00 (GMT+02:00)

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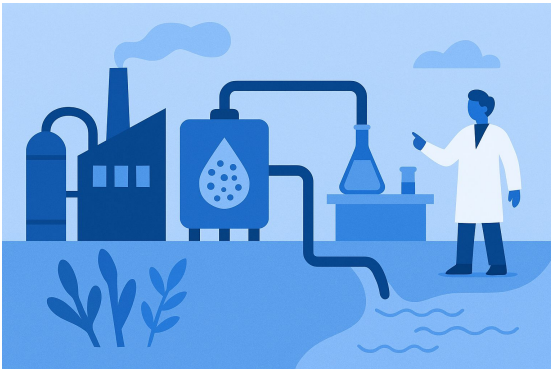
[link to the event](#)

**PILLAR 2  
GLOBAL CHALLENGES AND  
EUROPEAN INDUSTRIAL  
COMPETITIVENESS**

**CLUSTERS**

- HEALTH
- CULTURE, CREATIVITY AND INCLUSIVE SOCIETY
- CIVIL SECURITY FOR SOCIETY
- DIGITAL, INDUSTRY AND SPACE
- CLIMATE, ENERGY AND MOBILITY
- **FOOD, BIOECONOMY, NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT**

## Horizon EU – Pillar 2 - RIA and IA calls/actions



## Research and Innovation Action (RIA)

TRL 2–6 (early-stage  
research, expected  
outcome is a functional  
prototype)

100% funding rate



Requires international  
consortium (min. 3  
partners from 3 different  
EU/associated countries)

Focus: Exploratory  
research, knowledge  
gain

## Innovation Action (IA)

TRL 6–8 (technology  
closer to market)

70% funding rate  
for for-profits

100% for non-profits



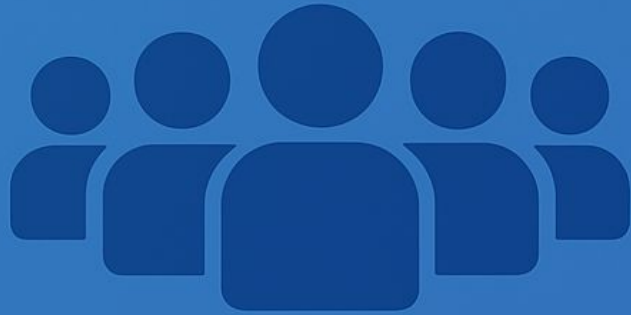
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Focus: Demonstration,  
validation, market  
readiness

# EU research and innovation support – successful stories

Project name	Topic	Funding programme
<b>EUROqCHARM</b>	Developing harmonised monitoring and assessment methods for nano-, micro- and macro-plastics pollution	Horizon Pillar 2 – research and innovation program
<b>TOPIOS</b>	Improving the understanding of how plastic litter moves through the oceans	Horizon Pillar 1 - ERC Starting Grant
<b>CUSP Cluster</b>	Five initiatives studying links between microplastics and human health	Horizon Pillar 2 – research and innovation program
<b>PAPILLONS</b>	Sustainability of agricultural plastics in relation to releases and impacts of microplastics and nanoplastics in soils	Horizon Pillar 2 – research and innovation program
<b>ChemFishPlast</b>	Novel microplastic detection in marine organisms - Identification of chemicals in edible fish containing microplastics as potential source for human exposure	Horizon Pillar 1 - Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions
<b>GREENLand</b>	The fight against microplastics moves to the cloud - New digital tools to increase efficiency in efforts to fight against microplastic.	HORIZON Coordination and Support Actions (Widening participation and spreading excellence)
<b>GoJelly</b>	Developing solutions to microplastics pollution via a filter made of jellyfish mucus	Horizon Pillar 2 – research and innovation program
<b>MIMBOX</b>	Novel filter to catch microplastics with every wash	Horizon Pillar 2 – research and innovation program
<b>EcoFLEXY</b>	A new biomaterial produced by biotech startup Cellugy replaces single-use plastic packaging with cellulose - a versatile, recyclable and fully compostable plastics replacement.	Horizon Pillar 3 – EIC Accelerator pilot - SME instrument

# CALL TO ACTION



**You**

2-3 project ideas  
as use-case scenarios



**We**

High-quality  
workshop



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