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European Innovation Council and European Innovation
Ecosystems

H2020-INNOSUP-1 results & other funding opportunities for SMEs

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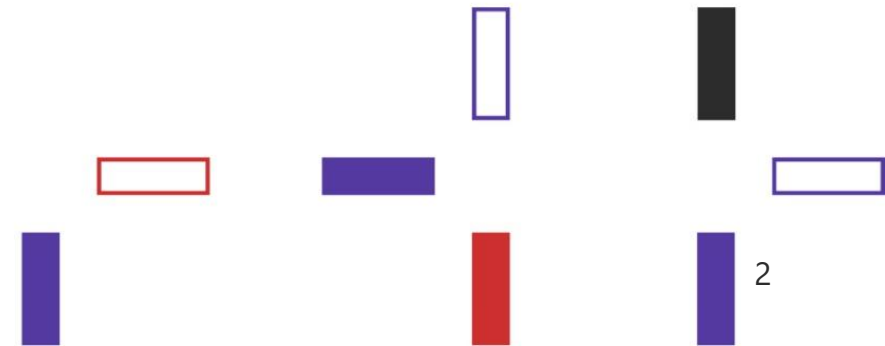
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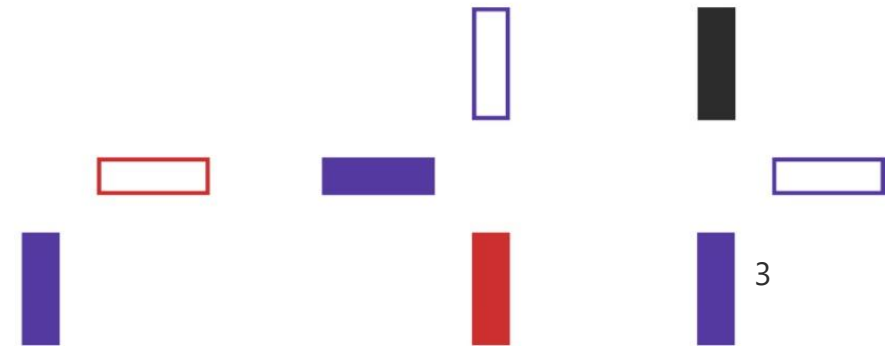
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Overview of the H2020-INNOSUP-1 action: presentation and results



H2020-INNOSUP-01 projects overview

« Cluster facilitated projects for new industrial value chains »



Specific challenge:

- to develop new industrial value chains, by fostering the collaboration & integration of different innovation actors (especially SMEs), across different sectors.
- to support the development of emerging industries.

Scope:

- **Cross-border & cross-sectoral collaboration**, innovation & entrepreneurship across different regions & value chains.

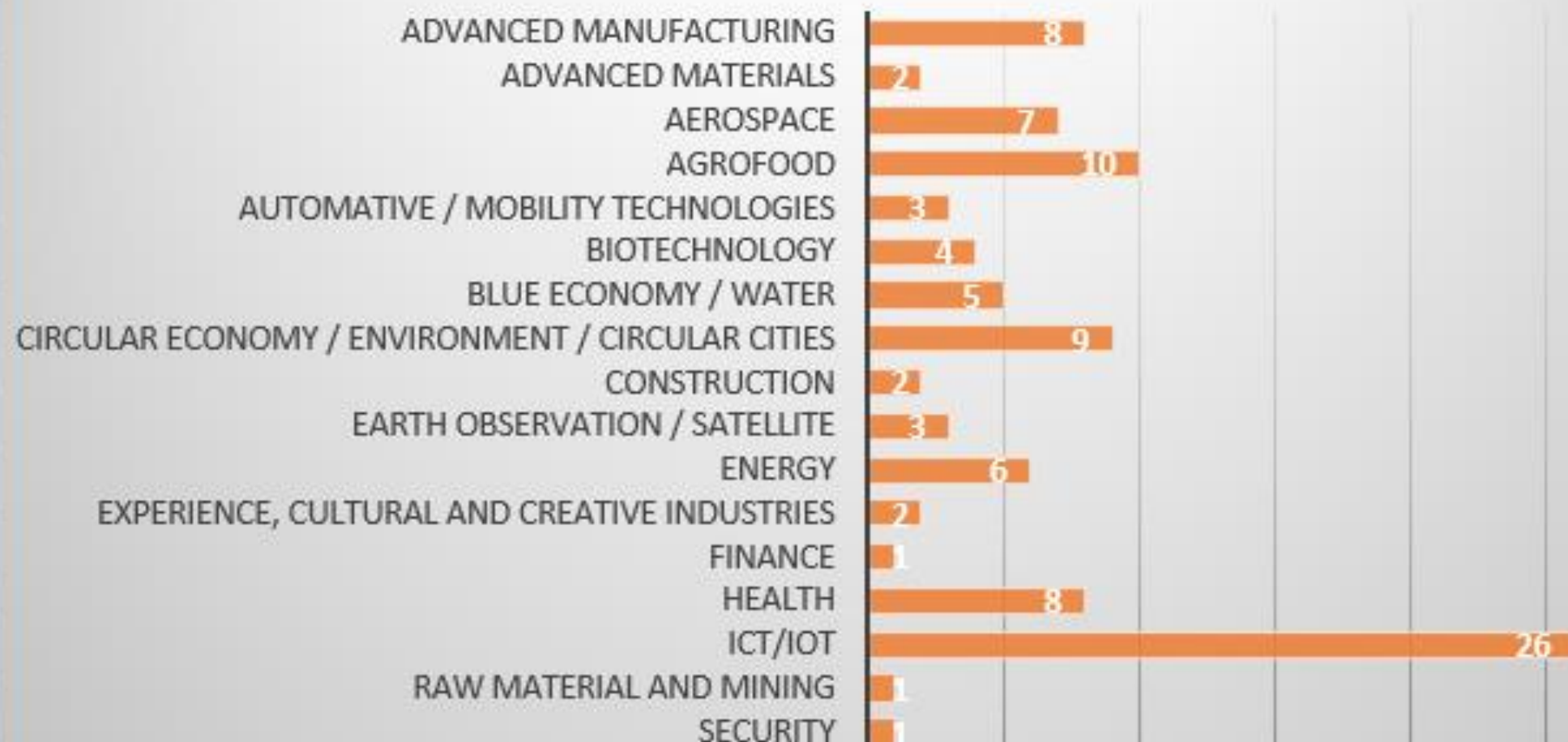
Projects:

- Total EU budget for the action 2015-2020: 130M euros
- 29 projects funded
- budget: +- 5M € per project
- to support innovation activities & channel a mix of different targeted entrepreneurial and innovation support measures directly to the innovation actors. **At least 75% of the total budget shall be allocated to support innovation in SMEs directly.**

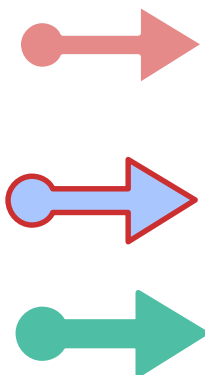
Open Calls for vouchers / grants for up to 60 000 EUR per SME

Sectors covered by the 29 INNOSUP-1 projects

(for each sector, the number of projects adresssing it is mentioned)



Key Outcomes Until June 2022



€ 86.1 million
given to SMEs in funding and
services to date

4,265
SMEs
supported

including
447
SME-led
consortia

across 40
countries

covering all
27
EU member
states

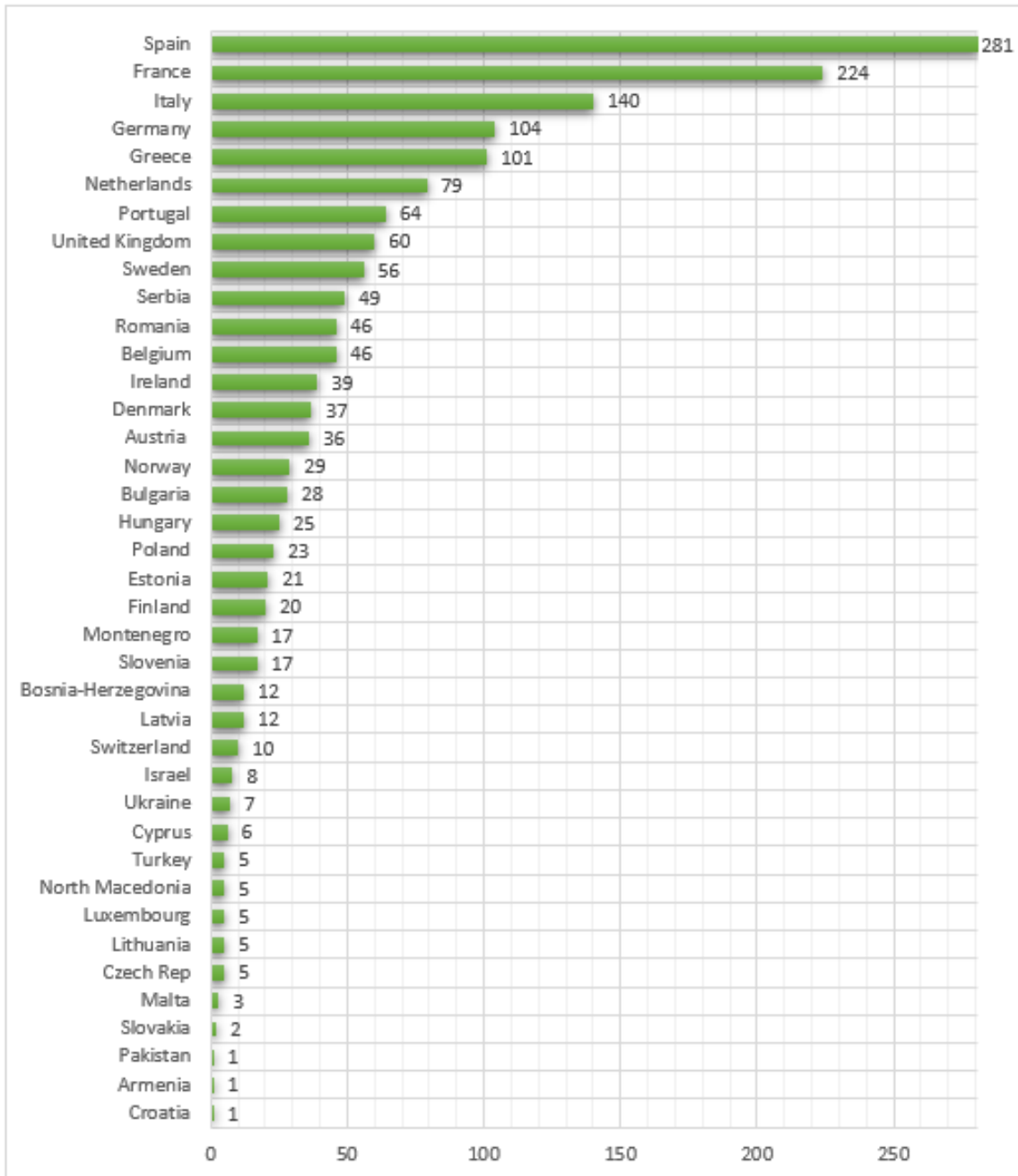
and 13
H2020
associated
countries

1,896 SMEs
received
direct
funding for
innovation

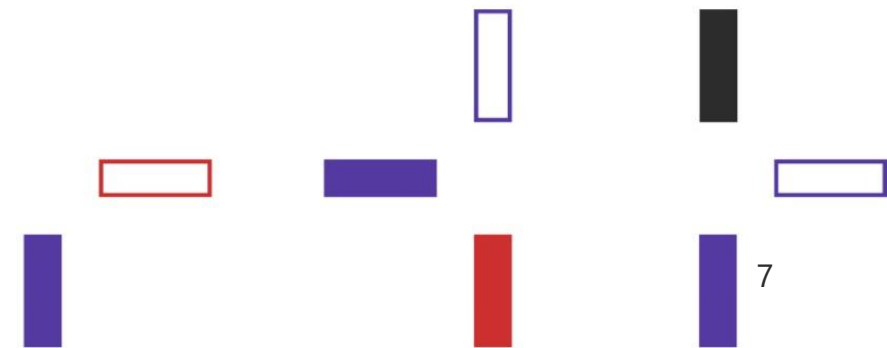
out of 6,947
applicants

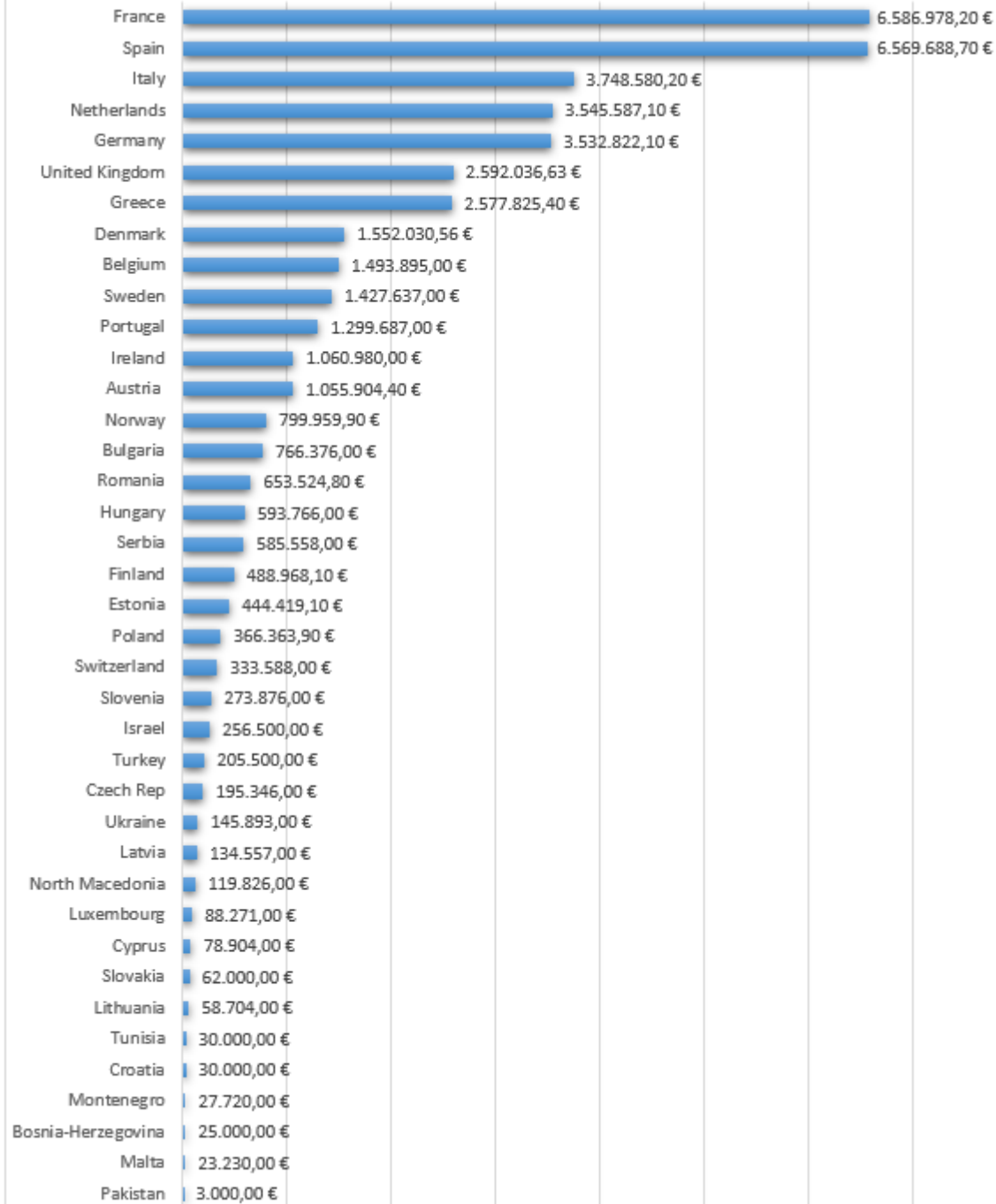
under the
supervision of
318 project
Partners

Full **INNOSUP-1 Impact Report 2022**
available on [OPOCE website](#)



Number of SMEs with funded proposals per country (until June 2022)



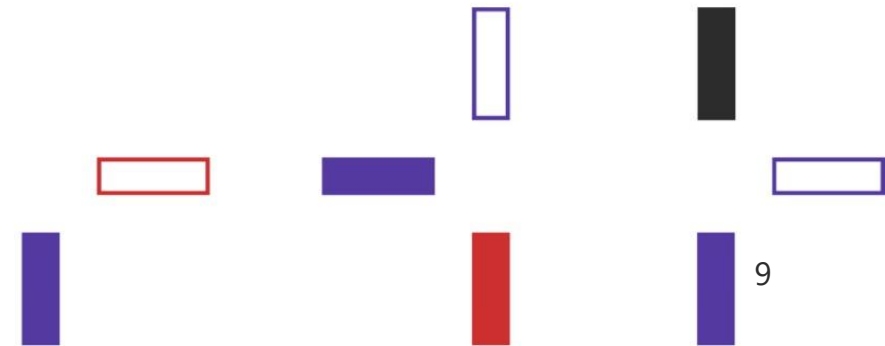


**Amount of direct
funding to SMEs per
country**
(until June 2022)



Cascade funding opportunities for SMEs

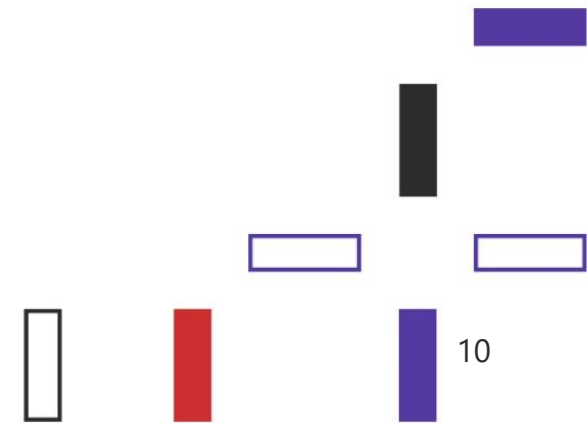
« *Financial Support to Third Parties (FSTP)* »





Main features of cascade funding

- Direct funding of intermediaries
- Organisation of sub-calls for third parties
- Less competition than direct funding
- Less formalities / administrative burden
 - *Faster access to financial support*
- Max EUR 60K per third party





How to find open calls for FSTP ?

All calls for FSTP published by EU projects announced on the [EC F&T Portal](#):

European Commission | EU Funding & Tenders Portal

Home > Funding > Calls for proposals

Participant register

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Programming period

Programme

Call

Submission status

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TYPE OF GRANTS CALLS

☐ Direct calls for proposals (issued by the EU)

☐ EU External Actions

☒ Calls for funding in cascade (issued by funded projects)

PROGRAMMING PERIOD

PROGRAMME

CALL

SUBMISSION STATUS

☒ Forthcoming

☒ Open for submission

☐ Closed

OPENING DATE

dd / mm / yyyy - dd / mm / yyyy

DEADLINE DATE

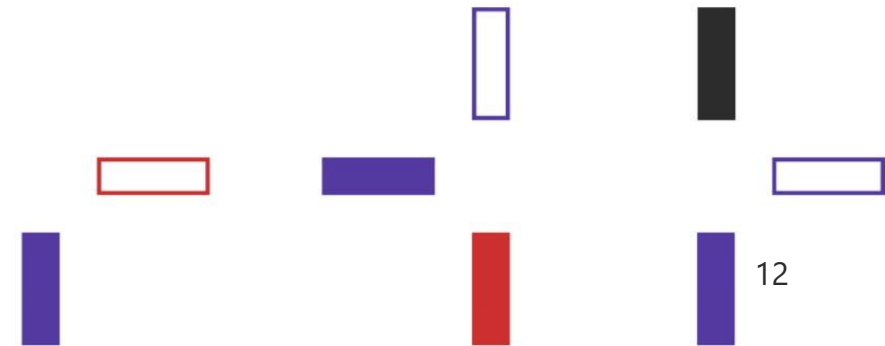
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Examples of actions with FSTP



European Innovation Ecosystems



1. [Women TechEU](#) is an EU scheme funded under the Horizon European Innovation Ecosystems (EIE) Work Programme and supporting early stage, deep tech startups founded and led by women
 - In two years, the consortium will launch 4 calls for women led startups, the first call closed on 20 May. The second one should be open 01/08/2024-30/09/2024. The consortium will allocate € 12 M to support 160 startups with € 75k grants. Besides financial support, each beneficiary will profit from a personalised business development programme which includes mentoring, coaching and targeted training among other options
2. [ADMA TranS4MErs](#) aims at delivering assistance with **digital competencies and training in advanced skills in digital technologies to manufacturing SMEs**. The objective is to offer support to **up to 1000 SMEs** to boost their digitalisation journey.

Open Call: Design vouchers for manufacturing SMEs

Are you a European SME active in the field of Advanced Manufacturing? Discover the ADMA TranS4MErs Acceleration Programme and apply to our first Open Call to get fast and flexible innovation support to boost your digital transformation.

What do we offer?

You will have the chance to receive one voucher for up to 8 hours of 1-on-1 support from your dedicated TranS4MEr, one of our certified expert and trusted service brokers for SMEs. Together, you will

- Review the results of the ADMA Scan, identifying strengths and development opportunities across 7 Advanced Manufacturing Transformation Areas
- Co-design your very own Transformation Plan tailored to your specific technological and business needs
- Create your wishlist of services and tools most suitable for your individual Transformation Journey, that you will be able to purchase at the second phase of the Acceleration Programme (second Open Call in April 2023).

Vouchers are awarded on a first-come-first-serve basis. Registrations are open from 3 April 2023 with bi-weekly Selection dates until 5 June 2024.

Don't miss the opportunity, all you need are your enterprise details and the recommendation from a TranS4MEr. Apply now on the [F6S Portal!](#)

More information on the application process is available on our [website](#).



- 30 **Euroclusters** projects launched in 09/2022 (budget of **€42 million**)
- **€1.5 M** per project; at least 75% to be distributed through FSTP
- Several open calls published

- **6 specific objectives:**
 - **Network**
 - **Innovate**
 - **Adopt processes and technologies**
 - **Train** to foster **up- and re-skilling** of the workforce
 - **Go international** to boost access to global supply and value chains.
 - **Outreach** to attract economic actors, mainly SMEs, beyond Euroclusters' locations



Euroclusters



- **14 industrial ecosystems**
- 20 Euroclusters focus on specific industrial ecosystems
- 10 Euroclusters work across several industrial ecosystems

Interregional Innovation Investments (I3) Instrument

Cohesion Policy - 490 M euros (2021-2027)



INTERREGIONAL

- Creating links between EU regions around **shared or complementary smart specialisation (S3)** areas and involving all components of the regional or national innovation ecosystems
- Supporting the development of value chains in less developed regions



INNOVATION

- Testing, demonstration, piloting, large-scale product validation and market replication, adaptation of existing prototypes
- Accelerating innovation, bringing innovative solutions and new products in:
 - **Digital transition**
 - **Green transition**
 - **Smart manufacturing**



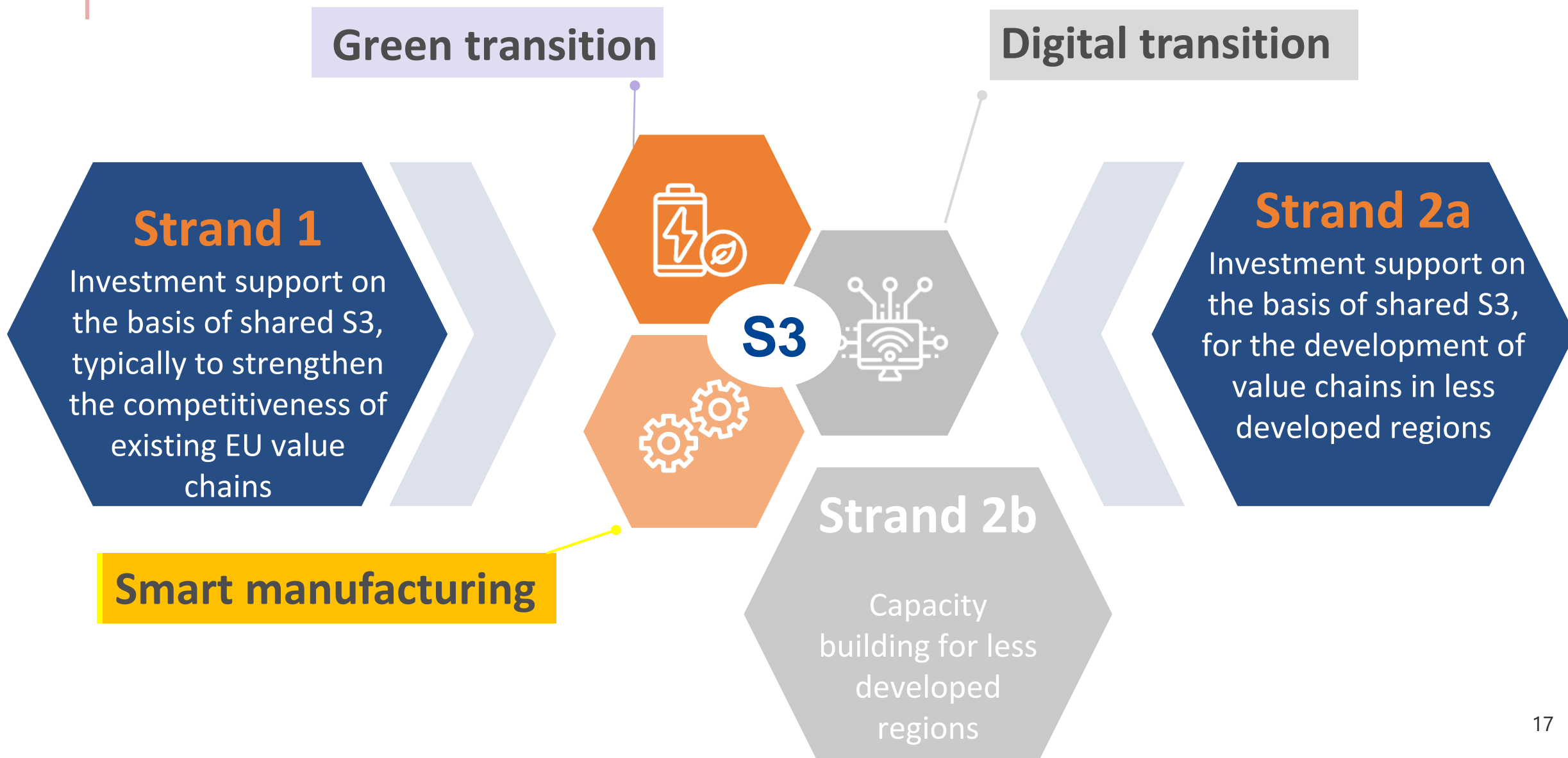
INVESTMENTS

- Financial and advisory support for joint innovation projects
- Smart economic transformation by moving from investment ideas to actual implementation
- Direct investment to companies (mainly SMEs)

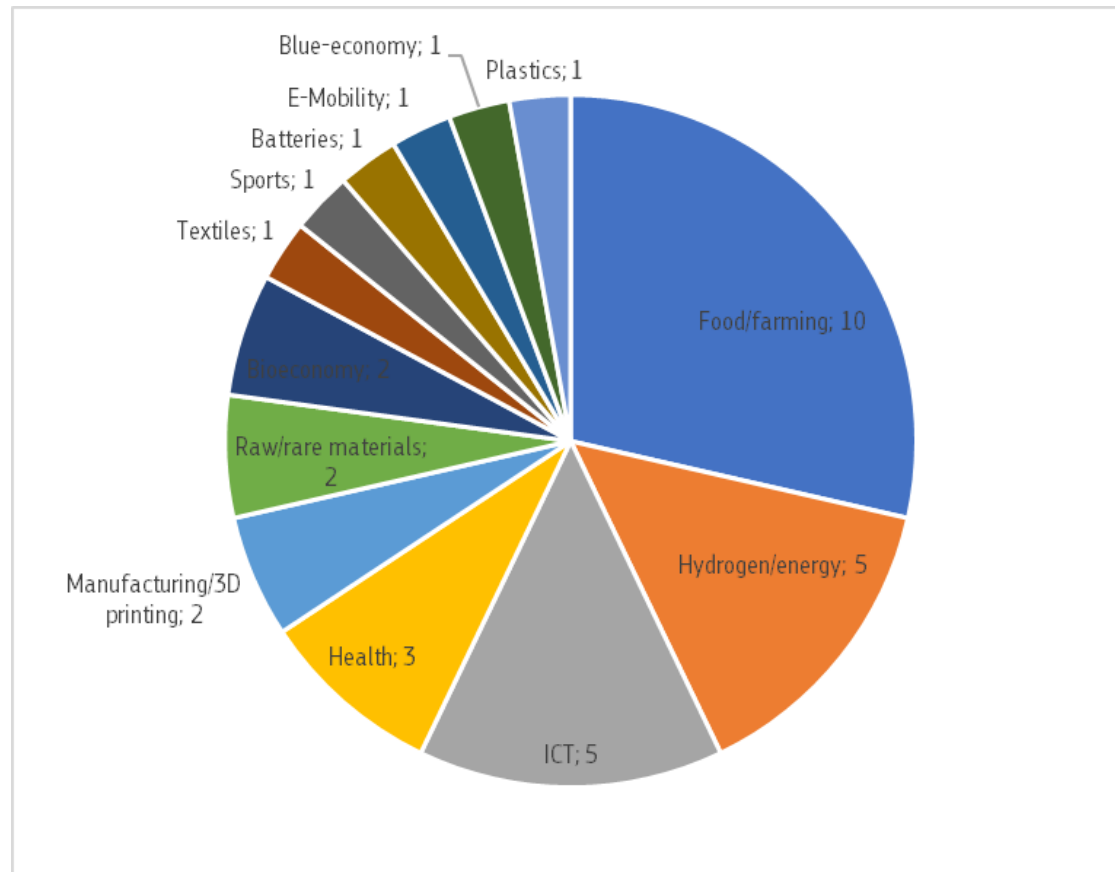
Thematic priorities

Website:

https://eismea.ec.europa.eu/programmes/interregional-innovation-investments-i3-instrument_en



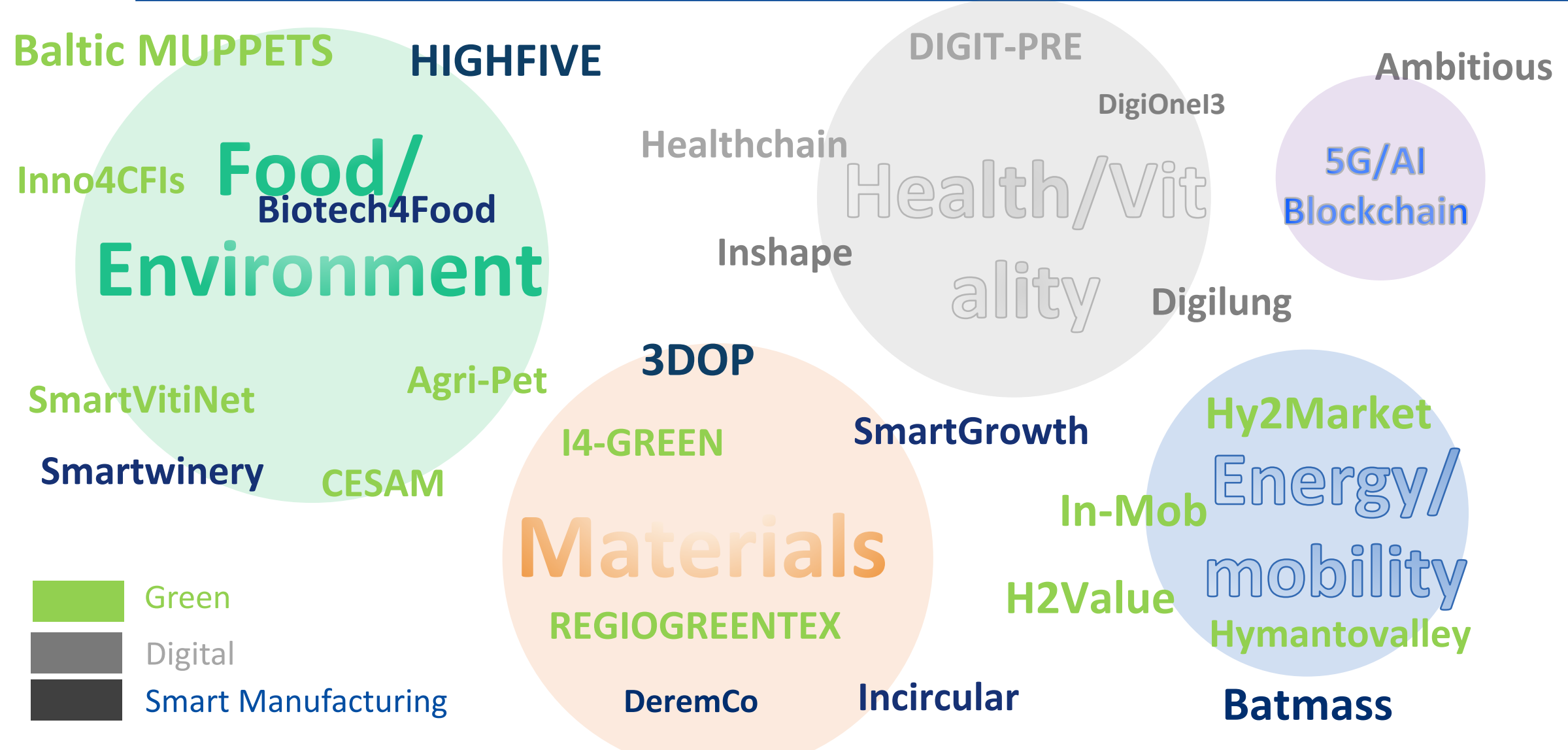
Value chains and S3 partnerships covered by 13 projects



- Smart sensors 4 Agrifood
- Sport & Vitality
- Hydrogen Valleys
- Smart Regional Investments in Textile Innovation
- High Performance Production through 3D-Printing
- Advanced materials for batteries
- Wireless ICT
- Personalised medicine
- Ingredients for a Circular Economy
- Efficient and Sustainable Manufacturing

13 Strand 1/2a projects, value chains and synergies
EU grant: EUR 1.5-10 million

Projects Abstracts [here](#)





Advice & support

How we help SMEs



Innovation



Sustainability



Resilience



Business
Partnering



Digitalisation



Internationalisation



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