

# Terms of reference – call for experts to create an Ethical committee within EU-funded project SecurIT

In the framework of the project SecurIT, we are looking for an experienced independent expert in ethics management and review.

## Context

The EU-funded SecurIT project aims at supporting innovative technological solutions in the field of security, developed by 60+ consortiums of European SMEs, that are granted with a prototype or demonstrator voucher, through a top-notch selective process of 2 Open Calls. In fine, the project will support collaborative projects that will create a new industrial value chain.

Since the SecurIT project will fund bottom-up projects for the development of security technology solutions, we are looking for experienced experts specialized in ethical issues related to the security domain, in order to be able to adequately address the ethical and social issues around the projects that will be funded.

The appointed experts will monitor the selected projects and report any potential ethical and social issues in the project, in order to ensure that the projects selected through open calls apply to Horizon 2020 ethical standards and guidelines.

## Mission

The assignment will consist in:

- creation of a general check-list/guidelines on what elements to monitor to ensure ethical compliance in the selected projects;
- review with consortium members of ethics self-assessment done by the SMEs (before Jury day – June 2022 and June 2023);
- guidance on what aspects to monitor during the 12-month support program for each project where a risk has been identified;
- monitoring of these risks during the project monitoring, with consortium members involved in the follow-up of the project where and if potential risks have been previously identified.

The Ethics committee will pay specific attention to the following elements:

- The use of data that is potentially traceable to a person,
- The use of, or interaction with, vulnerable individuals and groups,
- Potential physical or mental harm to operators, users and / or third parties,
- The development of systems liable to maintain or amplify societal disadvantage or discrimination based on race, gender, sexuality, social class or economic standing.

The funded-projects shall be compliant with:

- The Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data, and until valid, the repealing Directive 95/46/EC (General Data Protection Regulation),
- Directive 2002/58/EC on privacy and electronic communications,
- The Charter of Fundamental Rights of the EU (2000/c 364/01).

## Required expertise

At least 10-15 years of professional experience in security issues and or/knowledge of legal, social and ethical issues related to innovative technologies.

Good command of English mandatory.

## Conditions

The assignment consists in 10-12 days of expertise of remote and physical work between April 2022 to August 2024.

Contract according to the status of the expert.

## To apply

Please apply sending CV to [adeline.gleizal@safeccluster.com](mailto:adeline.gleizal@safeccluster.com) with:

- An estimated workday;
- A workday price;
- The methodology applied (no more than 1 page).