

# An introduction to CELTIC-NEXT, the Eureka ICT cluster for a secure, trusted, and sustainable digital society



The **ICT** Eureka cluster for **next-generation communications** is celebrating **22** years of successful innovative projects!



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# CELTIC-NEXT


Σeureka Cluster

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# Eureka



The world's biggest public network - over 46 countries, including Brazil, Canada, Chile, Israel, Singapore, South Africa and South Korea

International RD&I collaboration enables Eureka countries to tackle global challenge and increase competitiveness

A transnational network facilitating the coordination of national priorities on innovation and providing access to national funding

More on: [www.eurekanetwork.org/](http://www.eurekanetwork.org/)

## Since 1985 (40 years !):

- 48.4+ billion euro public-private investment
- 7,000+ R&D projects
- 35,000+ organisations supported





# Eureka programmes



supports innovative SMEs conducting international R&D projects



supports research and business ventures in new markets



drives companies towards private investment or strategic partnerships



eases access to the EIC Accelerator

EUROPEAN  
PARTNERSHIP



Co-funded by  
the European Union



Connects innovators with thematic industry-led communities



offers flexibility for international R&D projects



offers flexibility for international R&D projects with non-Eureka countries

15.884

Total participants

3.466

Total projects

6.894

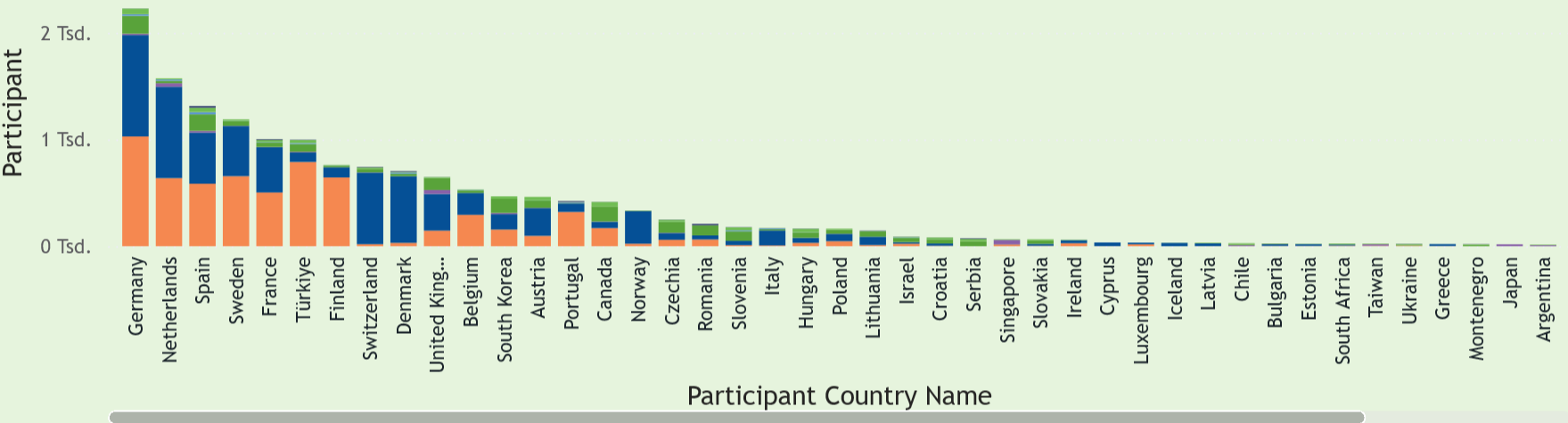
Total public-private invested  
(mio Eur)

50

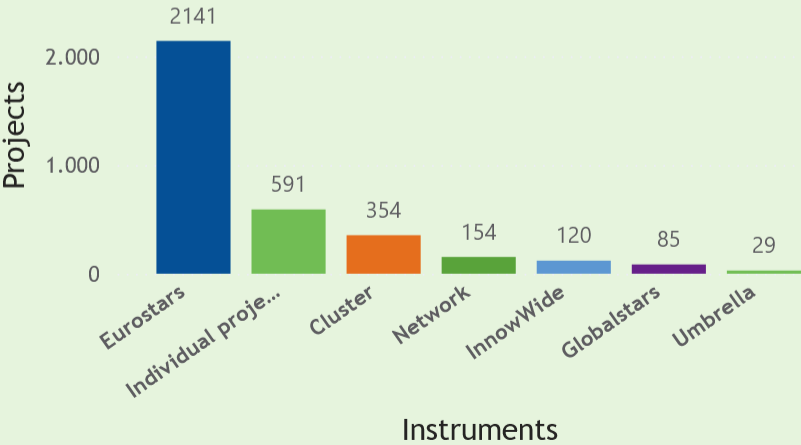
Total countries

Participants by Programme and by Country of origin

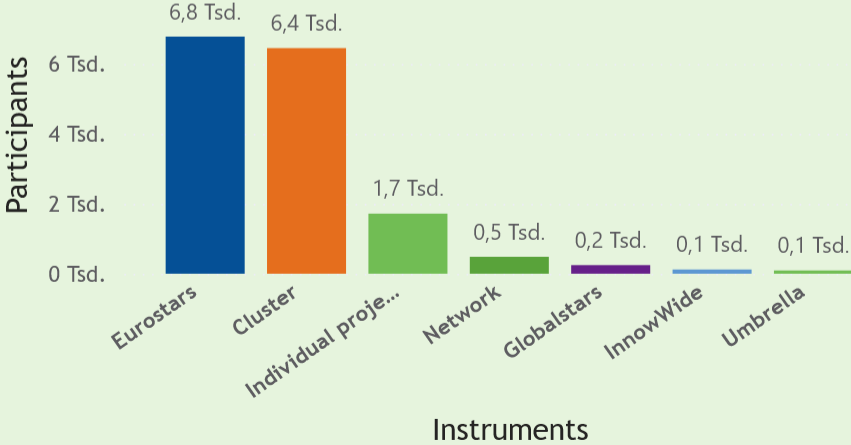
Instruments Cluster Eurostars Globalstars Individual projects InnowWide Network Umbrella



Projects by Programme



Participants by Programme





# Clusters

- Industry-led communities consisting of leading companies, knowledge institutes and end-user organisations
- Strategic technology areas
- Market-oriented, aiming to solve economic, technological and societal challenges
- Large mid-sized projects

## Who is CELTIC-NEXT?



[www.celticnext.eu](http://www.celticnext.eu)



**CELTIC-NEXT is the world industry-driven ECP\* ICT\*\* not-for-profit **cluster** involving all the major ICT\*\* industry players, service providers, many SMEs, and research institutions & academia to enable a secure, trusted, and sustainable digital society.**

\*Eureka Clusters Program, launched on 17/6/2021, CELTIC-NEXT was launched earlier in 2003

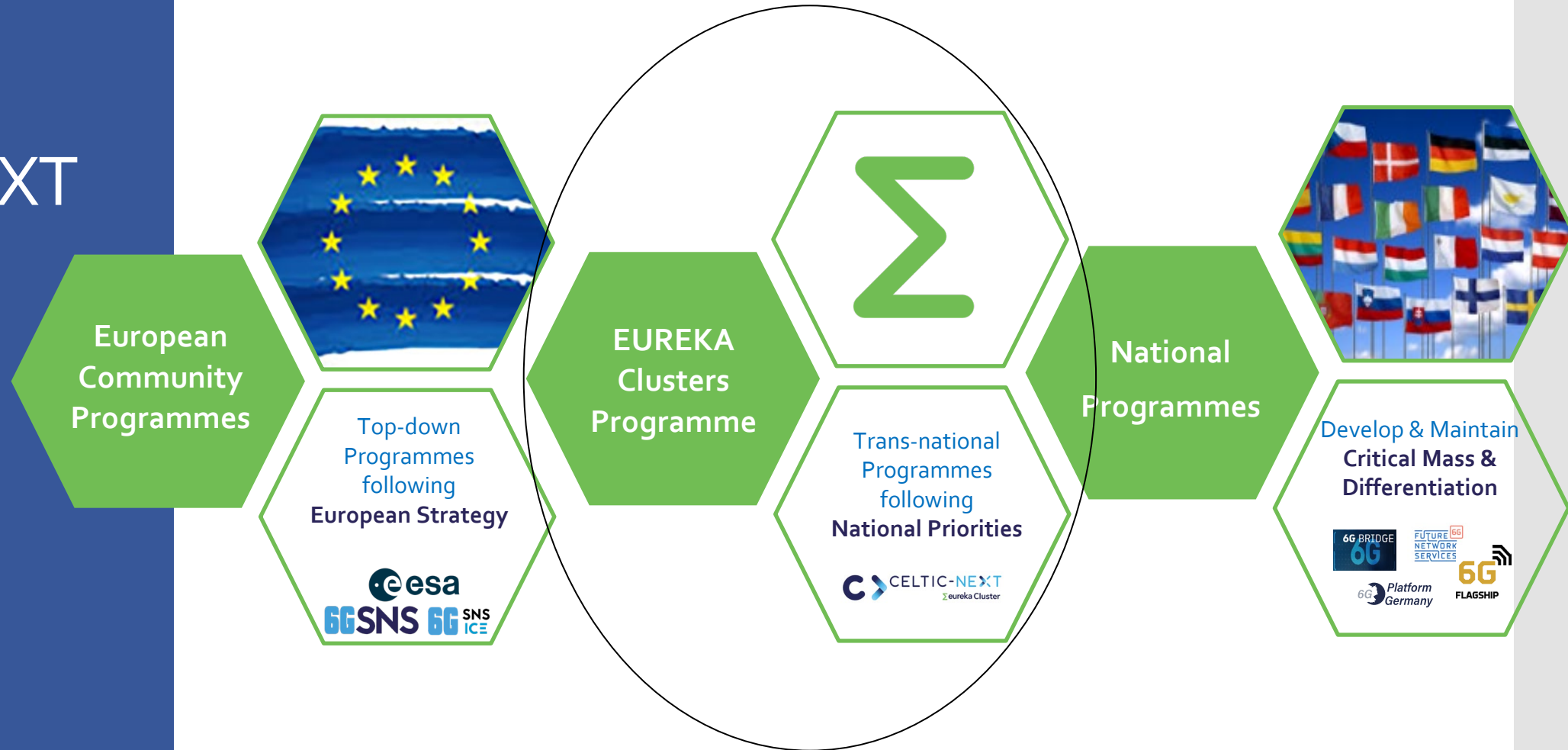
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\*\* Information & Communications Technologies

\*\*\* Research, Development & Innovation



# CELTIC-NEXT in the European Funding Landscape



# Overview, mission & vision



## About CELTIC-NEXT since 2003:

- The ICT Cluster under ΣEUREKA (since 2003 and member of ECP since 2021), focused on Next-Generation Communications for the **Digital Society**
- Community of **1250+ private/public entities**, including industry leaders, SMEs, and research institutions
- Organizes **biannual project calls** (Spring/Autumn) and larger Flagship Calls
- **Supported by public and private funding** for transnational RD&I cooperation
- Open to any organization contributing to **European/global ICT research initiatives**.

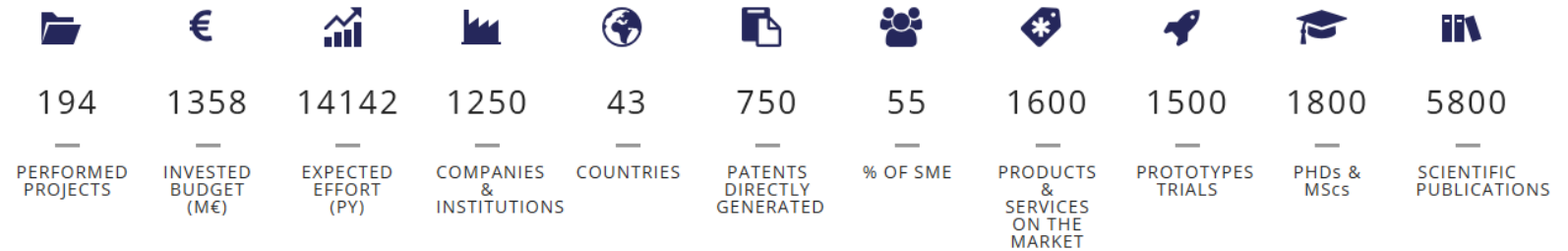
## The mission & vision of CELTIC-NEXT is to:

- Foster ΣEUREKA **collaborative RD&I program** for the ICT community
- Accelerate the **deployment and uptake of advanced ICT** services
- Employ the new network concepts of **5G and beyond**, and lead to the **innovation ownership and implementation of 6G** in ΣEUREKA countries

# Achievements since 2003

## Key Numbers (2024):

### CELTIC-NEXT IN FEW FIGURES



## Key last events:

Berlin, 2/07/2024:  
CELTIC-NEXT Awards  
Ceremony at the  
6G Berlin Conference



Berlin, 2/07/2024:  
CELTIC-NEXT 21<sup>st</sup>  
Anniversary Celebration  
the 6G Berlin Conference  
2024



Porto, 22/11/2021.:  
Eureka, CELTIC-NEXT & ESA signed a  
Memorandum of Intent for Connecting  
Terrestrial ICT with Space ICT



Paris, 17/03/2023:  
CELTIC-NEXT Proposers' Brokerage Day at  
BPIFrance Le Hub



London, 18/09/2024:  
CELTIC-NEXT Proposers' Brokerage Day  
at Digital Catapult



# A recognised success and a renewed trust from the EUREKA Nations

CELTIC-NEXT, is pleased to announce the renewal of its license for another seven years under the Eureka Clusters Programme (ECP).

The decision was formalised during the third Eureka Network Meeting, 10-13 July 2025, CA/Montréal, held under the Canadian-German Co-Presidency.

**where 31 countries voiced their support for CELTIC-NEXT's mission and achievements.**



**2003 ... 2025-> 2032**





# What CELTIC-NEXT does ...

CELTIC-NEXT manages an international Quality Label that enables international consortia to apply more successfully to National Funding schemes and assemble them to fund international cooperative innovation.

- CELTIC Bottom-up calls
- CELTIC Flagship projects & open calls
- EUREKA ECP Joint Calls


**CELTIC-NEXT**  
 Σeureka Cluster



Next-generation Communications for a secured, trusted, and sustainable digital society

**SUBMIT YOUR PROPOSAL**  
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 Σeureka Cluster

**Key dates**

 **Proposers Brokerage Day:**  
17 March 2023 in Paris

 **Deadline for Proposals:**  
24 May 2023

 **Labels Notification:**  
June 2023


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**SPRING CALL 2023**  
Open for submission



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**Σeureka Clusters**  
**Sustainability Call 2022**







# CELTIC-NEXT offers...



- Opportunities to fund transnational RD&I consortia



- Access to the best companies and knowledge institutes



- Projects initiated by industry in line with national priorities



- Global and trusted cooperation in the communities



- Support of experts with an industrial viewpoint

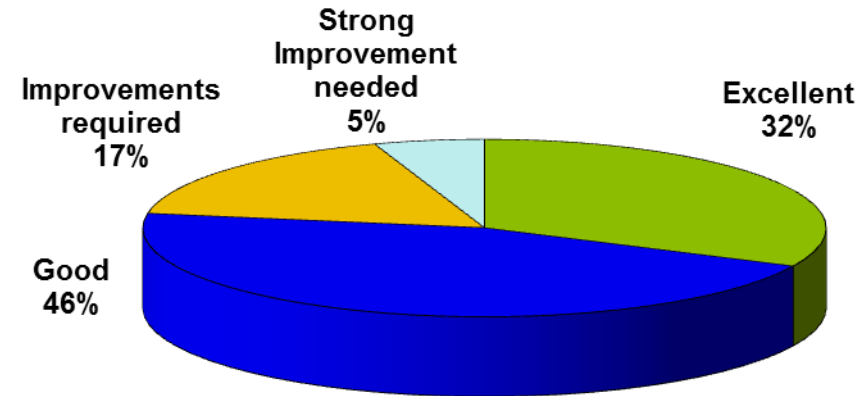
*“Are you looking to collaborate on an international and industry-driven RD&I project that covers a whole value chain?”*



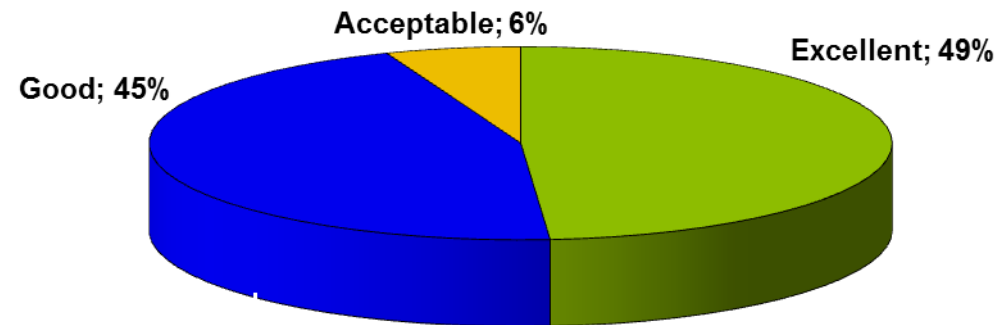
# CELTIC NEXT

The value of the CELTIC-NEXT Programme lies not only in the administrative management of Calls and Projects but also in the high-quality expertise and recommendations provided by its Experts and Reviewers.

**CELTIC Projects Mid Term Review Results**



**CELTIC Projects Final Review Results**



Recommendations  
from Experts

# CELTIC-NEXT Services & Fees

- **Hosted as a not-for-profit Division of EURESCOM GmbH, member of the Core Group, Heidelberg, Germany**
- **Major Expenses:**
  - Office Staff costs (including travel) and daily operational management
  - Travel costs for Experts
  - Calls, Events, Marketing & Dissemination
  - IT tooling & hosting
- **Costs are exclusively balanced through projects' fees, as 1.5% of the eligible budget!**
  - **see “Fees” website page:**  
<https://www.celticnext.eu/celtic-next-fee-invoicing-and-payment-procedure/>

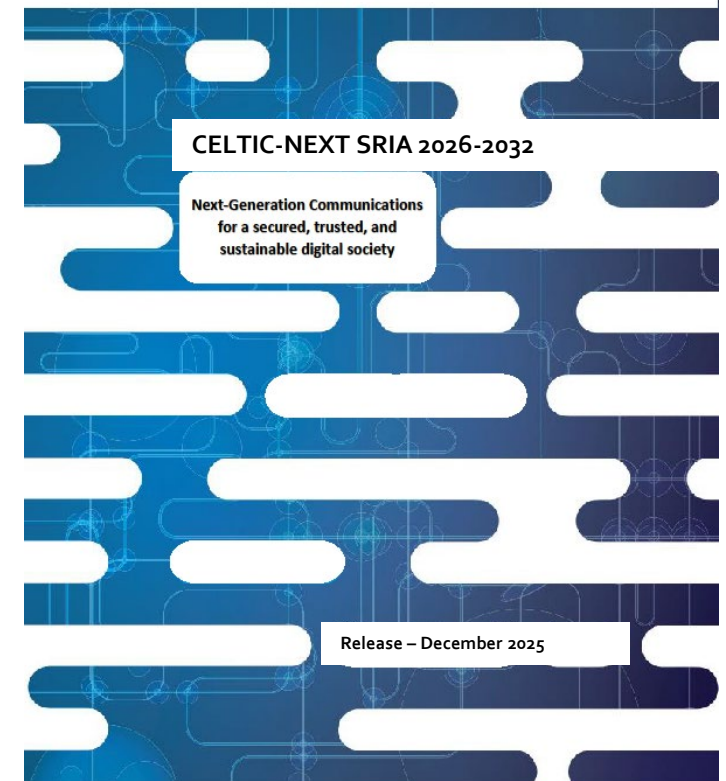


# CELTIC's Community



with over 1250  
community members  
across 43 countries  
(Europe & beyond)

CELTIC's Community builds its  
Mission Vision & Roadmap



Collaboration and Complementarity are vital.

Innovation drives progress.

Impact is our measure of success.



Memorandum of Understanding with 6G-IA signed



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On 4th April 2022, Eureka Cluster CELTIC-NEXT and the 6G Smart Networks and Services Industry Association (6G-IA) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU), which aims at establishing synergies and complementary activities in collaborative ICT research. The MoU will help foster economic growth and jobs through coordinated R&D activities and the commercial exploitation of generated results. The collaboration aims to leverage the complementarity of 6G-IA and CELTIC-NEXT and build on synergies to maximise the return on investment and to support achieving the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

ICT has become, more than ever, a pillar of sovereignty and resiliency in the rapidly changing social, political and economic environment of today and in regional battlefields. The future now appears bleak as well as the measures against the COVID-19 pandemic have shown how critical it is to count on both terrestrial and non-terrestrial ICT services as together they constitute one of the critical infrastructures of a society, especially considering the digitalisation of the society and the environmental challenges.

Therefore, it is mandatory to increase and leverage to its maximum the European and allied countries' funding to reach a critical mass of R&D and a faster time-to-market for the European countries and their other ICT industry.

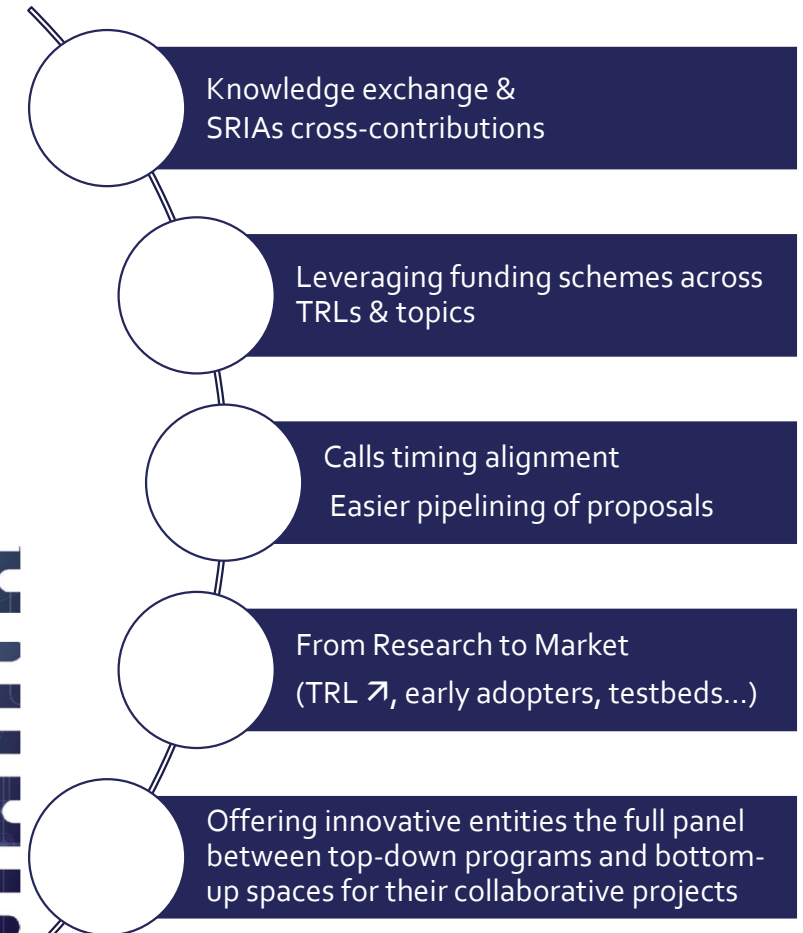
This Memorandum of Understanding provides the platform for leveraging on each signatory's strengths and competences, to support, synergise and reinforce for Europe and allied countries.

The purpose of this MoU is to set a single framework where the signatories can identify the complementary nature of their respective objectives and to identify and implement shared activities that benefit both initiatives and contribute to the achievement of their goals.

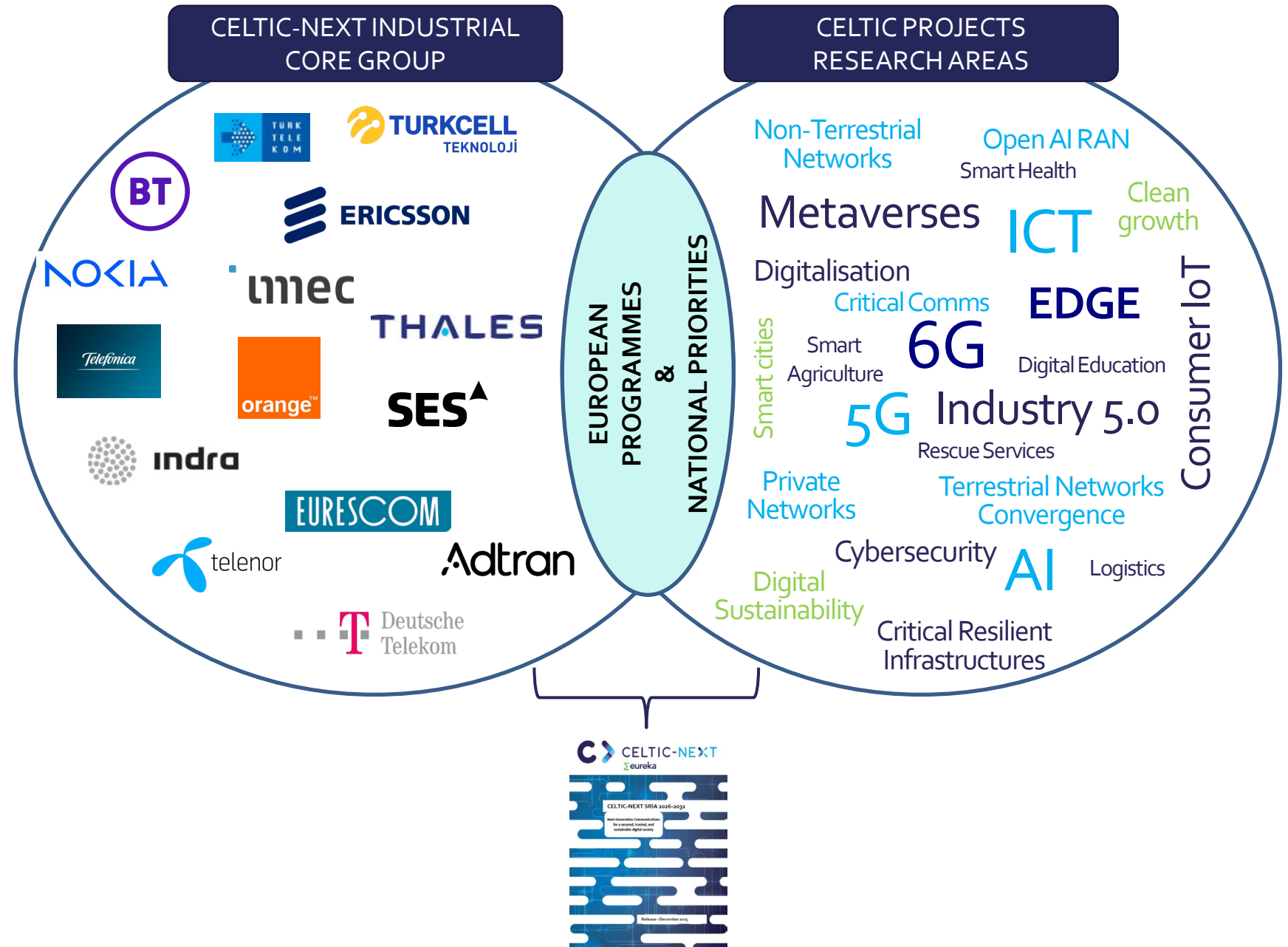
The signatories aim to leverage the diversity of 6G-IA and CELTIC-NEXT as well as the fact that their projects are somewhat sequential in terms of their Technology Readiness Levels (TRLs), to maximise the return on the respective investments and to increase the impact on the Sustainable Development Goals.

The signatories will focus on cross-programme discussions on potential technology and solutions, with a view to pipeline of new projects for both and sharing regional scientific efforts. Strategic Research and Agenda (SRA) documents.

The focus of the signatories is to leverage the respective competences and resources to develop a holistic end-to-end perspective of 6G technologies, taking into account the environmental, social, and economic benefits.



# Strategic Roadmap & Key research Areas



# CELTIC-NEXT's DNA

## ➤ Bottom-up

Proposers are free to define their project proposal according to their own research interests

## ➤ Close to the market

So far projects have led to more than 1500 new or improved products and services

## ➤ High Success Rate

High-quality proposals have a good chance of receiving funding.  
Average success rate 60 %

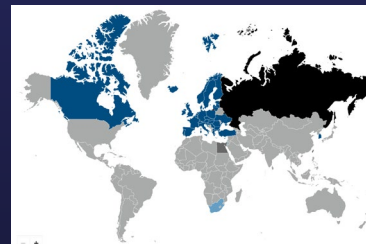
## ➤ Flexibility

Project focus can be adjusted to new technological developments in the field

# FOR YOUR SUCCESS

By participating, you will get

- The award of a Globally Recognised Label
- Professional coaching and mentoring
- Easy access for SMEs
- Access to SMEs for Large industry & vice-versa
- Access to partners from more than 45 countries
- Access to national funding (while having international co-innovation)
- Transnational RD&I cooperation



Expectable benefits for you

- Boosting your competitiveness
- Accelerating your growth
- Shortening time to market
- Accessing new markets
- Increasing your international visibility
- Exposing your know-how to the eco-system
- Receiving guidance, coaching and monitoring of your project by the CELTIC Office,
- flexible project coaching process where you can adapt your project plan, consortium and other aspects, in agile way, using CELTIC's Project Change Requests



Your opportunities are

- Immerge yourself into a rich ecosystem covering the technology and business whole value chains (Large Industry, SMEs, Startups, RTOs, Academia, end-users)
- Build RD&I consortia during brokerage and other events
- Lead or be part of an industry-led project
- Create and foster collaborative innovation
- Stimulate disruptive and/or sustainable ideas
- Run and manage your collaborative project with the Office's support
- Adapt to internal and external circumstances
- Generate high economic impact
- Grow and collaborate beyond borders
- Deliver high social and economic impacts
- Support U.N. SDGs



# Opportunities to collaborate globally

 Europe (large)

 UK

 Canada

 Chile

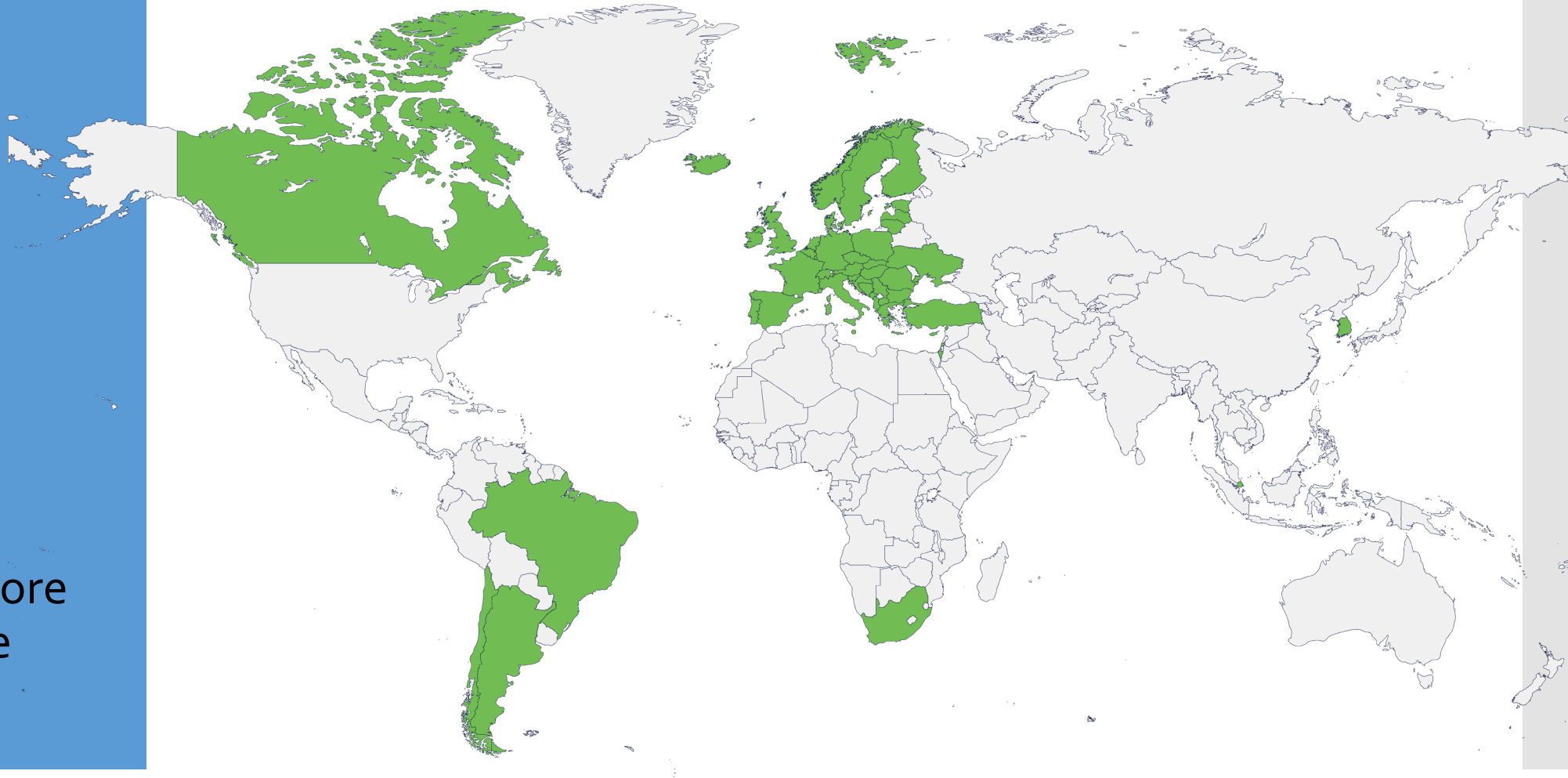
 South-Korea

 South-Africa




 Singapore

 Brazil

and potentially more  
countries in the  
future...



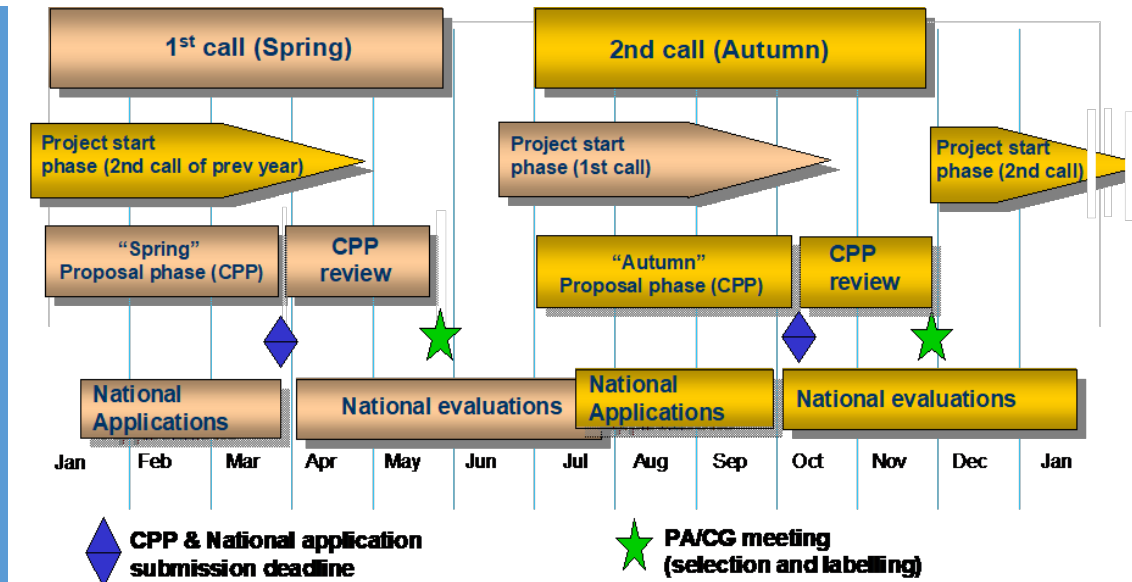
# Spring Call 2026 supporting countries\*

 Austria Finland Lithuania Singapore Sweden Canada Germany Poland Slovakia Türkiye Czech Republic Ireland Portugal Spain United Kingdom

\* In addition to those, Chile is supporting this call. Some other countries may also assist, but on a case-by-case basis. This needs to be checked before the application is submitted to CELTIC-NEXT. Contact details are available on our website.

# Call process and timelines

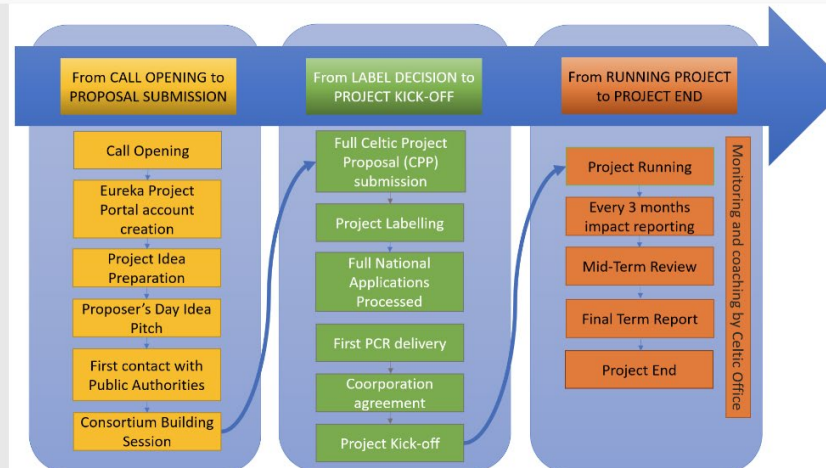
CELTIC offers 2 bottom-up calls per year and additional flagship calls



## ➔ Call Process

Interactive map of Celtic-Next calls and projects

Click on the map to guide you through the cluster project process and navigate the website.



## Spring Call 2026 dates:

- ❑ Opening  
01 December 2025
- ❑ Launch Event  
01 December 2025
- ❑ Proposers Brokerage Day  
30 January 2026, Vienna
- ❑ Deadline for proposals  
24 April 2026
- ❑ Label notification  
June 2026

<https://www.celticnext.eu/call-information/>  
<https://www.celticnext.eu/proposers-days/>  
<https://www.celticnext.eu/call-calendar/>  
<https://www.celticnext.eu/brokerage-tool/>



**Important: please contact the Public Authorities before Projects submission:**

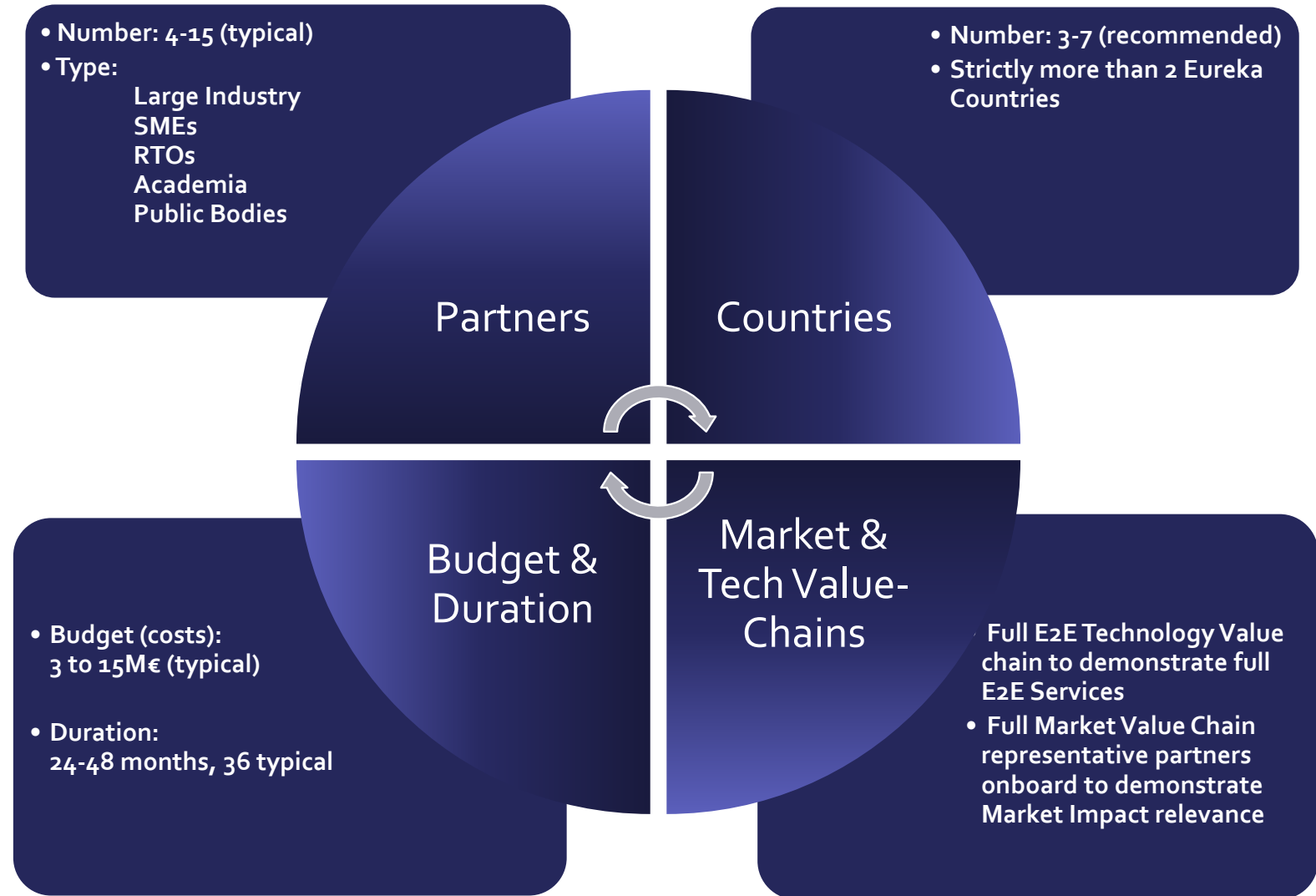
<https://www.celticnext.eu/national-public-contacts-funding-schemes/>

**Receiving their opinion early can avoid mistakes in your proposal, and will improve your chances to get the label by aligning with National Priorities and Schemes**

<https://www.celticnext.eu/call-information/>



# CELTIC-NEXT's typical BOTTOM-UP call projects



CELTIC-NEXT's  
SRIA 2026-2032  
sets out  
a comprehensive  
roadmap for  
EUREKA  
Countries'  
leadership in ICT,  
beyond 6G itself,  
expanding to  
vertical industry  
sectors.

The CELTIC-NEXT SRIA 2026–2032 builds on CELTIC-NEXT's holistic, bottom-up approach, considering the European 6G Vision (6G-IA), the SNS-JU SRIA, and vendor perspectives, in a topical and, over time, TRL & MRL-staged manner.

Key messages:

- AI-native networks must be designed from inception. Networks shall use AI, but also provide services to other industries' AI applications, in a mutually beneficial collaboration.
- Sustainability and energy efficiency must be both system intrinsic properties and societal enablers.
- Beyond communication services (sensing, positioning, computing) will define 6G, supporting the always increasing convergence of digital, physical and biological worlds.
- Eureka Countries' sovereignty in ICT value chains is critical.
- Societal responsibility (ethics, privacy, inclusion, trust) must be embedded.

# CELTIC-NEXT Perspectives for 2026-2032

- End-to-End Connectivity and Networks
- Digital Transformation of Vertical Sectors
- Advanced ICT Technologies
- Sustainability and Societal Impact
- Innovation Ecosystem

# Zooming on Advanced ICT Technologies

- Spectrum and Wireless Technologies:
  - Exploration and harmonisation of new spectrum bands, including sub-THz and optical frequencies.
  - Development of advanced radio technologies for ultra-high capacity and reliability.
- AI-Native Networks:
  - Integration of AI and machine learning at every layer of the network stack for adaptive, self-optimising systems.
  - Research into explainable and trustworthy AI in network management and orchestration.
- Network Architecture and Edge Computing:
  - Design of decentralised, cloud-native architectures with seamless edge-to-core integration.
  - Support for ultra-dense networks and multi-access edge computing.
- Security, Privacy, and Trust:
  - Development of end-to-end security frameworks, zero-trust models, and quantum-resistant cryptography.
  - Privacy-preserving mechanisms for data and AI-driven applications.
- Sustainability and Energy Efficiency:
  - Innovative approaches to reduce network energy consumption and enable circular economy principles.
  - Research into the combination of materials, hardware, and software for green communications.
- Integration with Vertical Industries:
  - Tailored solutions for sectors such as healthcare, manufacturing, transportation, and agriculture.
  - Co-design of network capabilities with industry-specific requirements.



# Future needs of the end users: High level fields of applications

## Human Centred Technologies and Services, for an Augmented Life Experience

- Digital divide elimination
- Digital support for Inclusive Education (incl. Remote)
- Smart Regions/Cities/Buildings/Homes
- Smart Transportation
- Smart Tourism
- Sustainability & Efficiency of Smart Energy Grids
- Public Safety & Crowd Control
- E-Health & Care
- Users in Control and Trust of offered services
- Digital (Media, Gaming, Sports, Culture and Entertainment)
- Remote and Nomadic Working (Digital Nomads)

## Full industrial digitization and support of vertical industries

- Digital Enterprises
- Private Networks for Smart Manufacturing (Indus. 5.0)
- Smart Logistics (geolocation IOT networks)
- Smart Agriculture
- Future Financial and Fin-Tech
- ICT support to third party AI based applications
- Connectivity Grid / Telecom Infra as 4<sup>th</sup> Utility, like Energy

## Sustainable, Sovereign, Secure Futuristic use cases

- Holographic "Teleportation"
- "World" Real-time Synchronous Digital Twin

# Future needs of the end users: Main technical areas of research

Ubiquity / Pervasiveness	Dynamic capacity following people seamless mobility	Automation, Reliability, Transparency: Cognitive operations	Sustainability, Protection and Trust	Holographic "transportation" & Real-time Synchronous Digital Twin
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Urban, sub-urban down to rural</li> <li>•Into the home for education and remote working</li> <li>•Stationary and in move</li> <li>•One Identity for seamless experience</li> <li>•Smart Regions/Cities/Buildings/Homes</li> <li>•Dynamic, Composable, and Multi-Tenant Infrastructures</li> <li>•Integration of All Network Domains</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•In "normality"</li> <li>•In "crisis" (pandemics, major climate events)</li> <li>•Highly Precise Positioning</li> <li>•Edge Computing</li> <li>•Open-RAN / vRAN</li> <li>•Slicing</li> <li>•Deep virtualization</li> <li>•Integration of All Network Domains</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•AI-native Networks, incl. AI-RAN</li> <li>•ICT supporting large and intense Ai/ML deployment for verticals (connectivity, processing, data storage...)</li> <li>•Extensive Monitoring</li> <li>•Big Data Analytics</li> <li>•Artificial Intelligence</li> <li>•Transparency or the Imperceptible latency</li> <li>•Deterministic Networking</li> <li>•Programmability and Controllability</li> <li>•Advanced Governance and Service Customisation</li> <li>•Integration of All Network Domains</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Cyber-security (incl. Post-Quantum)</li> <li>•Identity management</li> <li>•System Sustainability and Efficiency</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Holographic media teleport</li> <li>•Multi-sense networks</li> <li>•Time engineered applications</li> <li>•Integrated Sensing and Communications (ISAC)</li> </ul>

# Enabling technologies that have to be mastered

5G , B5G, 6G	Wired and Wireless Industrial ICT	ICT Critical Infrastructure as a Utility, The Critical Connectivity Grid	Space dimension enabled 5G/B5G/6G	Distributed & Smarter Networks
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enhanced overall architectures to support needed enablers</li> <li>End-to-end Horizontal and Vertical Network Convergence</li> <li>AI/ML for Digital Infrastructures</li> <li>End-to-end Network Automation</li> <li>Autonomous Systems and Networks</li> <li>Connectivity as a Shared Critical Utility</li> <li>Wireless and Wired Tera-Broadband technology:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wireless (electromagnetic and visual light waves):                   <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Larger massive MIMO systems</li> <li>No "Cell" Radio Networks with distributed smart mMIMO systems</li> <li>TeraHertz Communications</li> </ul> </li> <li>Wired optical:                   <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Photonics</li> <li>Optical smart networks</li> <li>Optical spectrum: Sliceable Optics, shared lambdas</li> <li>Increasing Bandwidth in Optical Network: use of additional bands, Higher modulation schemas</li> </ul> </li> <li>Quantum-based communications                   <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Advanced QKD Networking</li> <li>Entanglement</li> </ul> </li> <li>Integrated Sensing and Communications (ISAC)</li> <li>Native integration of diverse ICT resources, including AI/ML capabilities, at both infrastructure and platform levels</li> <li>Service function chaining</li> <li>Intent-based orchestration frameworks allow tenants to specify high-level intents (e.g., performance, security, sustainability goals)</li> <li><b>Core Network Evolution</b></li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Industrial features of 5G and beyond               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Time Sensitive Networks</li> <li>Precision Positioning incl. ISAC</li> <li>Private Networks</li> <li>More Indoor techs like Terahertz, Visible Light Coms,</li> <li>Non-3GPP convergence (like Wi-Fi, Industrial Networks Standards...)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Tera scale Internet of Things (IoT)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Macro/Micro Grids' concepts related technologies adapted to ICT as it exists for Energy</li> <li>Full end-to-end Slicing of physical networks and infrastructures (see Smarter Networks)</li> <li>Cyber-security               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Quantum QKD</li> <li>AI/ML &amp; Big Data Real Time Analytics based Security</li> <li>Reinforcement of Sovereignty</li> <li>Cyber-attack-based Disaster recovery</li> </ul> </li> <li>Trust enablers               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Security</li> <li>Auditability</li> <li>Transparency</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SAT enabled 5G/B5G/6G               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Moving ICT to SAT</li> <li>RAN in SAT (D2D/Space-RAN)</li> <li>CORE in SAT (Space-CORE?)</li> <li>MEC in SAT (Space-Edge Dc?)</li> <li>MBH in SAT (Space-Mobile Backhaul?)</li> <li>Value Added Services in SAT</li> </ul> </li> <li>Earth Meshed Network (including Oceans)               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SAT to Ground</li> <li>SAT to Sea</li> <li>SAT to Air Objects &amp; IOTs</li> <li>SAT to SAT</li> <li>=&gt; SAT to All</li> </ul> </li> <li>Multimodal SATs               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Combining GPS info with Network info</li> <li>Combining Observation modalities with Network info</li> </ul> </li> <li>Avionics communications               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Air to Ground</li> <li>Air to Air</li> <li>Drones / HAPS</li> <li>Balloons?</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Deeper "edge-ification" for Distributed, collaborative and hierarchical AI/ML</li> <li>AI-native Networks               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Distributed AI/ML                   <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consuming</li> <li>Producing</li> <li>Supporting</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>More Multi-Purpose Adaptable Networks:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Universal adaptive core</li> <li>Programmable network Operating System</li> </ul> </li> <li>Advanced very large-scale monitoring (for AI, ML, DI...)</li> <li>Intelligent and Automated Dynamic Spectrum Management :               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Electro-magnetic Spectrum: Horizontal &amp; Vertical Flexible Sharing CBRS, DSS, LSA, LAA, MultiFire, new enablers...</li> <li>Optical spectrum: Sliceable Optics, shared lambdas</li> </ul> </li> <li>Full Slicing               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Real End-to-End leading to:                   <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Multi-layered multi-tenancy</li> <li>Full neutral hosting</li> <li>Multi-Dimensions sliceable (incl. Spectrum and Time)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>Thanks to: Deeper Network Programmability</li> </ul>

# Conclusion

**Join the CELTIC-NEXT Community** and apply to trans-national funding for your next steps of development of your innovations, technologies and products & services, **and:**

- **Get a recognised international label** to your innovations
- **Don't be restraint** to specific limits to your innovation project (**bottom-up** vs top-down)
- **Get a larger visibility** for collaboration
- **Gain commercialisation channels** (mixing Large Industry with SMEs and RTOs) in near-to-market innovation collaborations
- **Accelerate your Time-To-Market by increasing your TRLs** in a near to market funding scheme
- **Collaborate easily outside of Europe** (Eureka Network of Countries) with the proven EUREKA Clusters mechanism, extending again your visibility and commercialisation channels





**Thank you for your attention!**

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# Events to prepare impactful projects:

## CELTIC-NEXT's

- Launch Days
- Proposers Days
- Annual Events
- Brokerage platform



### Autumn Call 2025 dates:

- ☐ Opening  
01 December 2025
- ☐ Launch Event  
01 December 2025
- ☐ Proposers Brokerage Day  
30 January 2026, Vienna
- ☐ Deadline for proposals  
24 April 2026
- ☐ Label notification  
June 2026

Start informing yourselves,  
use the Brokerage Tool

Pitch your original idea,  
meet potential partners!

Pitch your matured idea,  
meet additional partners!



<https://www.celticnext.eu/proposers-days/>  
<https://www.celticnext.eu/call-calendar/>  
<https://www.celticnext.eu/brokerage-tool/>



# 2026 Proposers' Brokerage Days : 3 important moments during those days



SPRING CALL 2023  
PROPOSERS' BROKERAGE DAY

## CONFERENCE

The Conference part organised in the morning will be the perfect occasion to learn more about the Public Authorities funding schemes and priorities, as well as the process of CELTIC Calls!

Keynote speakers will also present about innovative and cutting-edge ICT topics.

Hybrid registration both open for  
FREE! - only 100 places in-person



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## PITCHING SESSION

The Pitching Session organised in the afternoon is the perfect opportunity to give your new project idea the best visibility to recruit additional consortium partners and to prepare a full project proposal for the upcoming CELTIC Calls!

Please send your new project idea pitch presentation using the given PPT template by the **6th of March** to [event@celticnext.eu](mailto:event@celticnext.eu).

Presentations can not exceed 6 minutes & have to be in-person.

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## BROKERAGE & NETWORKING FORUM

The brokerage and networking forum session organised in the afternoon will be the perfect occasion to discuss with public authorities, interested proposers, and to build your consortium and consolidate your preparations for applying to CELTIC Calls!

Proposal writing support will also be offered by the CELTIC Director and the office team.

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<https://www.celticnext.eu/proposers-brokerage-day-30-january-2026-in-vienna/>





## Proposers Brokerage Day

*Join us & Present your innovative concepts on creating a Smart Connected World that drives a Trusted Digital Transformation!*

 **Friday 30 January 2026 in Vienna**

Supported by  **FFG**  **SNS**  
Promoting Innovation. IA

Register now for free at  
 [www.celticnext.eu](http://www.celticnext.eu)

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# International collaborative ICT R&D&I instrument

## Why CELTIC-NEXT?

- Fastest responding international collaborative ΣEUREKA ICT R&D&I program
- Allows topical and timely “**bottom-up**” proposals to reflect industry needs
- Matches Industry needs with **National Priorities**
- Can orchestrate **large-scale initiatives like flagships** (comparable to IPCEIs) when needed
- Provides **brokerage service and events** to help find projects and **partners**
- Provides **project management tools, reviews**, and help with **promotion**

### Brokerage Tools:

