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# OPPORTUNITIES FOR WIDENING COUNTRIES IN HORIZON EUROPE, SERVICES OF WIDERA NCP NETWORK TO APPLICANTS

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*„The Technology Centre Prague supports the participation of the Czech Republic in the European Research Area, prepares analytical and conceptual studies for research and development, performs international technology transfers and supports the creation and development of innovation businesses.“*

## WHAT WE DO



WE ARE THE NATIONAL  
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EUROPEAN RESEARCH

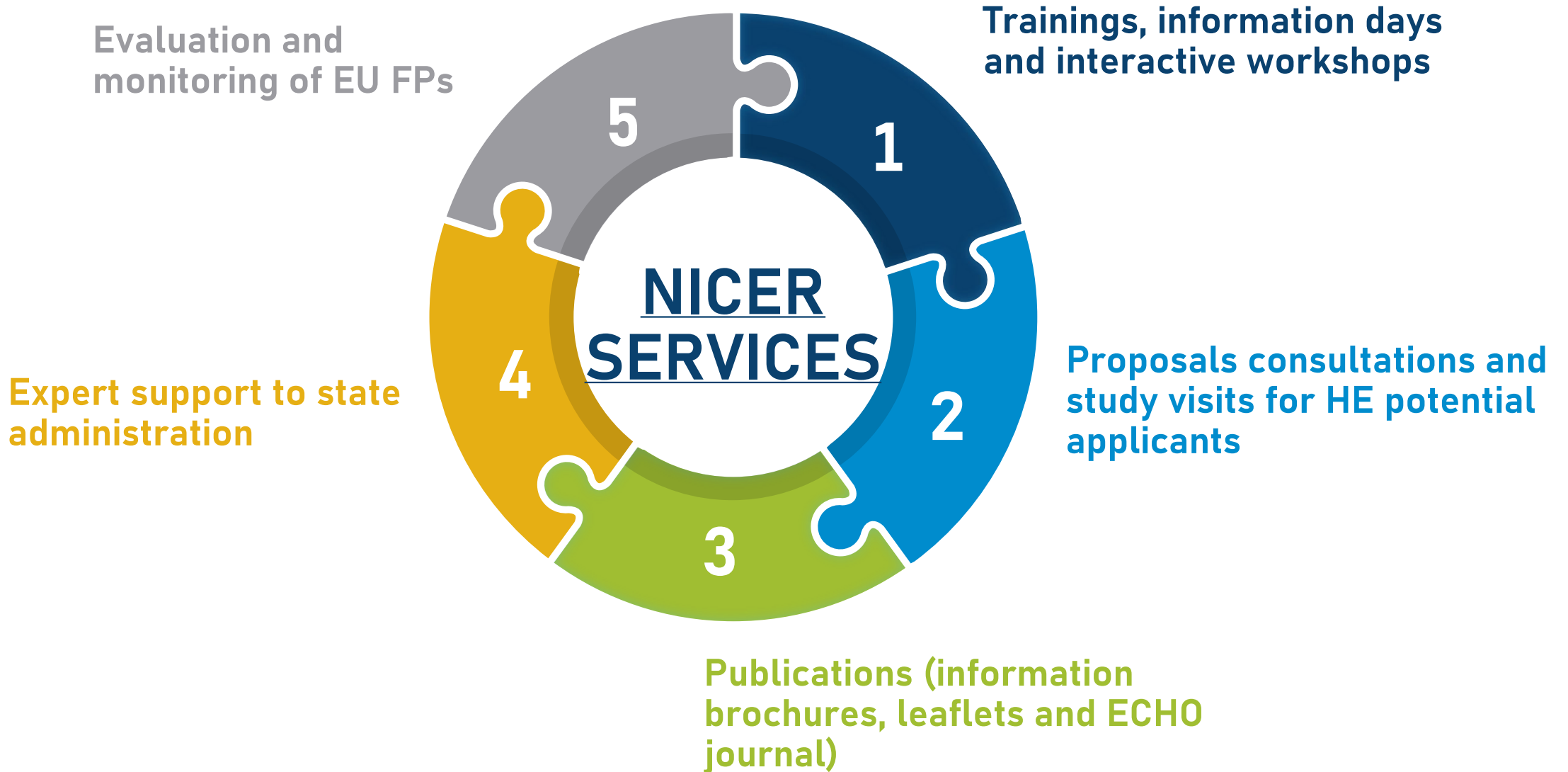


WE PREPARE STRATEGIC STUDIES  
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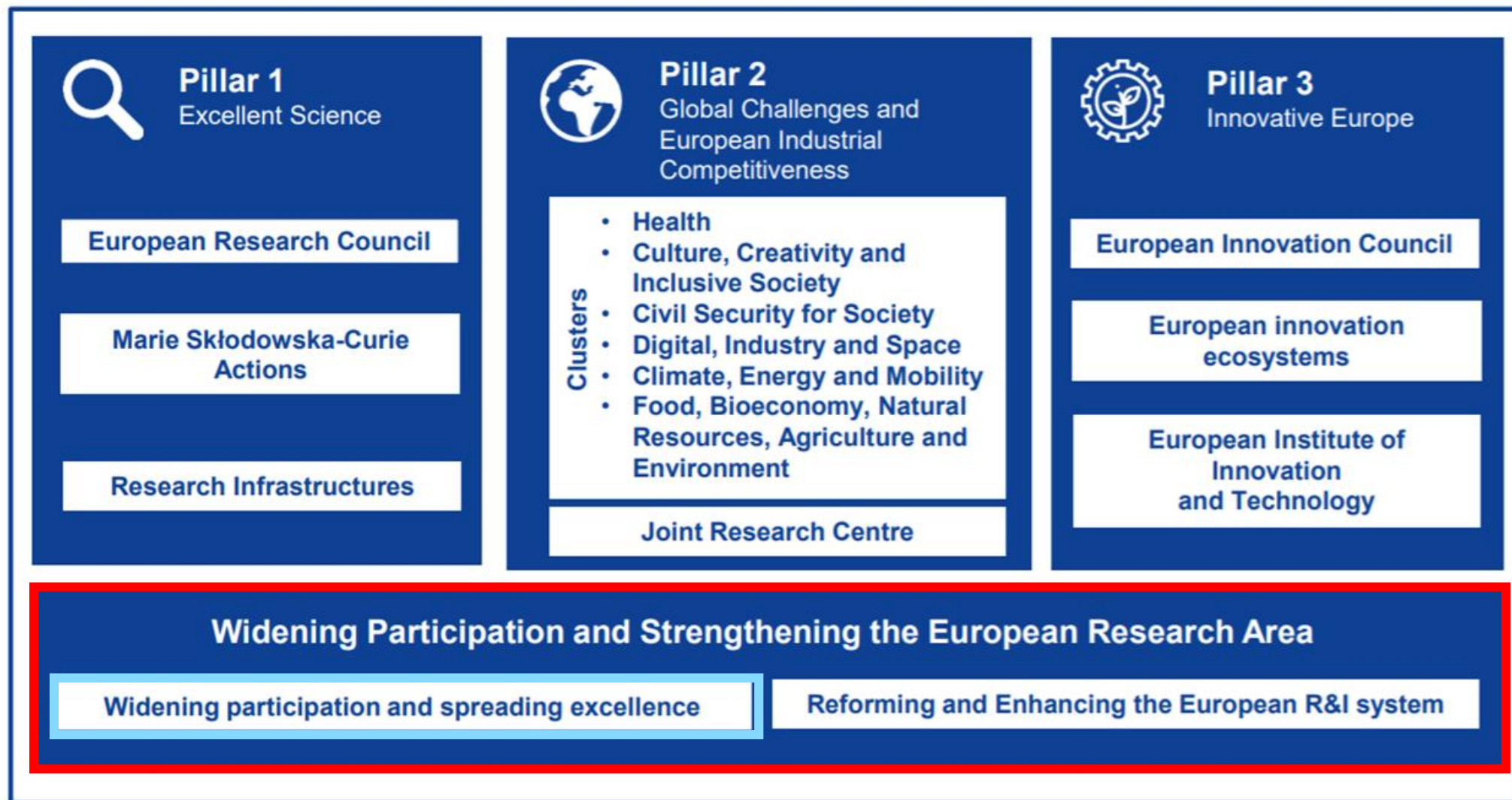


WE SUPPORT THE INTERNATIONAL  
COMPETITIVENESS OF CZECH  
COMPANIES





# HORIZON EUROPE STRUCTURE



# PROPOSALS SUBMITTED IN SEPTEMBER 2023

## TWINNING

Proposals submitted 848  
 Projects to be funded 100  
 Evaluation results 1/2024

## Hop-on facility

Proposals submitted 87  
 Projects to be funded 80  
 Evaluation results 3/2024

## ERA Fellowships

Proposals submitted 805  
 Projects to be funded 50  
 Evaluation results 2/2024

## Pathways to synergies

Proposals submitted 33  
 Projects to be funded 20  
 Evaluation results 12/2023

## D&E Support Facility

Proposals submitted 13  
 Projects to be funded 1  
 Evaluation results 12/2023



# CALLS AND DEADLINES 2023 - 2024

## DESTINATION 1 (ACCESS)

<a href="#">HORIZON-WIDERA-2023-ACCESS-01</a> TEAMING FOR EXCELLENCE	12 Apr 2023 (1st stage) <b>07 Mar 2024 (2nd stage)</b>
<a href="#">HORIZON-WIDERA-2023-ACCESS-02</a> TWINNING	28 Sep 2023
<a href="#">HORIZON-WIDERA-2023-ACCESS-03</a> EUROPEAN EXCELENCE INITIATIVE	12 Apr 2023
<a href="#">HORIZON-WIDERA-2023-ACCESS-04</a> PATHWAYS TO SYNERGIES	28 Sep 2023
<a href="#">HORIZON-WIDERA-2023-ACCESS-05</a> DISSEMINATION AND EXPLOITATION SUPPORT FACILITY	28 Sep 2023
<a href="#">HORIZON-WIDERA-2023-ACCESS-06</a> HOP-ON FACILITY	28 Sep 2023 <b>26 Sep 2024</b>
<a href="#">HORIZON-WIDERA-2023-ACCESS-07</a> EXCELLENCE HUBS	<b>07 Mar 2024</b>

## DESTINATION 2 (TALENTS)

<a href="#">HORIZON-WIDERA-2023-TALENTS-01</a> ERA CHAIRS	<b>07 Mar 2024</b>
<a href="#">HORIZON-WIDERA-2023-TALENTS-02</a> ERA FELLOWSHIPS (MSCA)	13 Sep 2023
<a href="#">HORIZON-WIDERA-2024-TALENTS-03</a> ERA FELLOWSHIPS (MSCA)	<b>11 Sep 2024</b>
<a href="#">HORIZON-WIDERA-2024-TALENTS-04</a> ERA TALENTS	<b>26 Sep 2024</b>

## DESTINATION 3 (ERA)

<a href="#">HORIZON-WIDERA-2024-ERA-01</a> 10 topics	<b>12 Mar 2024</b>
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# WORK PROGRAMME WIDERA 2023 – 2025

Date of publication: 6 December 2022

Overall budget: M€ 900,48

## WP parts:

- ➔ – Introduction: Overall description of common policy objectives and rationale based on the specific programme and strategic plan (**description of key objectives**)
- ➔ – **Destination 1: Improved access to excellence (ACCESS)**
  - Introduction including **Expected impacts**
  - Calls (instruments) description
- ➔ – **Destination 2: Attracting and mobilising the best talents (TALENTS)**
  - Introduction including **Expected impacts**
  - Calls (instruments) description
- Destination 3: Reforming and enhancing the EU research and innovation system (ERA)
  - Introduction including 4 strands and Expected impacts
  - Call topics description
- Other actions not subject to calls for proposals (grants to identified beneficiaries, **prizes**, experts contracts, public procurement, indirect management)

EXCELLENCE HUBS 2023

ERA CHAIRS 2023

For all EU  
MS and ACs

## TRANSNATIONAL SEMINAR ON EXCELLENCE HUBS AND ERA CHAIRS

- Organised in the framework of the NCPs' project for the Widening and ERA part of Horizon Europe programme ([NCP\\_WIDERA.NET](https://www.ncp-widera.net)) by the Technology Centre Prague on 17 October 2023
- Participants received information on the outcomes of the previous Excellence Hubs and ERA Chairs 2022 calls and on 3 successful projects under each call directly from their coordinators
- Both 2023 calls were then presented in detail, including the positive evaluators' comments and most common mistakes that applicants should avoid during project preparation
- **PRESENTATIONS [HERE](#)**





# ERA TALENTS CALL 2024

- [HORIZON-WIDERA-2024-TALENTS-03-01](#)
- **Opening** **11 Apr 2024**
- **Deadline** **26 Sep 2024**
- Total budget M€ 41.69
- Project budget M€ 1.00 - 3.00
- Expected no. of grants 20
  
- **CALL TEXT WILL BE UPDATED IN JANUARY 2024**
  
- **WORKSHOP ON ERA TALENTS PROPOSAL PREPARATION – APRIL 2024 AT TC PRAGUE**



# TEAMING FOR EXCELLENCE 2025 - **NEW**

- **HORIZON-WIDERA-2025-ACCESS-01-01-two-stage**
- **Opening: 10 Jan 2025**
- **Deadline(s): 10 Apr 2025 (First Stage)**
- **20 Jan 2026 (Second Stage)**
- Total budget M€ 270.00
- Project budget M€ 8.00 - 15.00
- Complementary funding – at least the same as the requested budget from the EU
- No. of grants 18
- Project duration: up to six years



# ERA CALL 2024

- **Knowledge Day and Brokerage Event** on **9 November 2023 in Brussels** (only on site) organized by NCP\_WIDERA.NET project

Morning – ERA 2024 call topics

Afternoon – matchmaking

**DoubleTree by Hilton Brussels City**



- **TC Prague online ERA Call 2024 Infoday on 8 December 2023 (morning) – SDT**

# NEW ERA TOPICS 2024: HORIZON-WIDERA-2024-ERA-02

- **Opening** 15 May 2024
- **Deadline** 02 Oct 2024
- Type of Action CSA
- Overall budget (M€) 19.00

Text to be published in  
January 2024

Topic	Budget (M€)	Project budget (M€)	Funded projects
<b>WIDERA-2024-ERA-02-01</b> Experimentation and exchange of good practices for value creation	2.00	Around 1.00	2
<b>WIDERA-2024-ERA-02-02</b> Science comes to town	6.00	Around 6.00	1
<b>WIDERA-2024-ERA-02-03</b> Talent ecosystems for attractive early research careers – pilot	11.00	1.00 to 2.00	7



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# NCP\_WIDERA.NET project AT YOUR SERVICE

# NEW SERVICE FOR APPLICANTS



## Welcome to [wideraexperts.eu](https://www.ncpwideranet.eu/wideraexperts/)!

- It's a free-of-charge matchmaking portal for international experts and Widening countries applicants. The aim is to support the applicants (coordinators or WP leaders) from Widening countries who plan to submit proposals within the **Widening, ERA, Pillar II clusters and EIC Pathfinder schemes** under the Horizon Europe programme.
- The portal is created and managed by the NCP\_WIDERA.NET consortium of National Contact Points.
- **Fill in the proposal description and key words at least 2 months before call deadline**
- More information can be found on the project's web  
<https://www.ncpwideranet.eu/wideraexperts/>
- And on the Czech Horizon Europe web



# INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS



- Applicant – a representative of an institution/company who creates an account in [wideraexperts.eu](http://wideraexperts.eu) portal and submits an application in order to receive an information (provided by an expert selected through the portal) in case a modification of the documents is needed to increase the probability of success of the proposal for the Horizon Europe call.
- The applicant should therefore:
  1. Register in the wideraexperts.eu portal,
  2. Prepare the proposal,
  3. Receive the pre-screening service from the expert,
  4. Accepts the recommendation,
  5. Complete the service questionnaire, which enables the NCP to assess the compatibility of the expert's service in accordance with the contract agreed between the expert and the NCP overseeing the ongoing pre-screening process,
  6. Evaluate the expert so that the NCP can assess whether the expert's profile on the portal adequately reflects the level of the expert's services.

# FREE PROPOSAL CHECK FOR COORDINATORS



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## Login

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Password

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NCP\_WIDERA.NET is funded by Horizon Europe, the European Union's Research and Innovation Programme, under Grant Agreement 101055286

A blue-themed graphic for the registration page. At the top right, there are four circular icons labeled "A+", "A", "A-", and a dark circle. Below these is a cluster of seven circular icons representing diverse people. The word "Register" is centered in a white sans-serif font. Below "Register" are three large circular buttons with white icons and text: "Expert" (with a checkmark icon), "Applicant" (with a person icon), and "NCP" (with a building icon).





# TRAVEL GRANTS TO BE



**Continuous call for applications for travel grants to support the participation of Czech entities in brokerage / matchmaking events of [Horizon Europe](#) Pillar 2 clusters**

Grants of maximum amount of €1,000 are awarded from the budget of the NCP\_WIDERA.NET project financed by the European Commission with the aim of supporting the participation of entities from the consortium partners' countries (including Czechia) in project proposals submitted to [Pillar 2 clusters](#) calls.



NCP\_WIDERA.NET Application for Brokerage Event participation

1. Applicant

First name:	
Surname:	
Organization:	
Position:	
Address of the organization:	
E-mail address:	

2. Event information

(please attach the confirmation / validation of your registration and the programme of the event)

Name of the event:	
Horizon Europe thematic area:	

Overview of upcoming eligible BE



## Come join us at the upcoming Pillar II clusters brokerage events

Are you interested in connecting with individuals and organizations who share your goals for collaborative partnerships? Look no further – join us at the upcoming brokerage events. Travel grants are available for attendees from eligible countries.



# NO. FOR CZECH APPLICANTS

- **Travel grants to BE - 80**
  - Reimbursement of travel abroad and accommodation (up to 1 000 EUR)
  - Already awarded - 11
- **Proposal checks - 70**
  - Contracting an expert for proposal screening
  - Already used - 12
- **Study visits - 5**
  - Researchers and/or project managers to non-Widening project partners (DE, ES, FI, IT)
  - In preparation

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## TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE SERVICES OFFERED TO CZECH APPLICANTS THROUGH HORIZON EUROPE NCP'S PROJECTS

 National Contact Point's projects pay special attention to potential Horizon Europe participants. The projects offer a variety of useful services.

Services offered: Annotated Templates, Proposal check, Brokering, Guidelines, Idea check, Visits, Assistance, E-learning

### Example of NCP\_WIDERA.NET project

 The Advancing Europe Package provides an extensive range of services aimed at enhancing the **COMPETITIVENESS** of applicants from **WIDENING** countries in Horizon Europe calls.

Service	Number of Grants/Checks/Visits
<b>TRAVEL GRANTS</b> Supporting the on-site participation of applicants to Clusters brokerage events. Grant up to 1000 EUR for travel and accommodation. TC Prague's budget may cover 80 travel grants.	80
<b>PROPOSAL CHECKS</b> Free-of-charge service for the Widening, ERA, Pillar II Clusters and EIC Pathfinder project coordinators or work package leaders to have their draft proposals checked by experts before submission. TC Prague may support up to 70 potential coordinators!	70
<b>STUDY VISITS</b> Allowing researchers and research managers to visit TOP research organizations. Up to 5 places are dedicated to Czech participants.	05

 TC Prague facilitates NCP\_WIDERA.NET services in the Czech Republic.

**PROMOTE THESE OPPORTUNITIES AS BROADLY AS POSSIBLE!**



# DO NOT HESITATE TO CONTACT ME

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