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# “LUKE JOINT CALL COLLABORATIVE PARTNER MATCHMAKING EVENT”

Collaborative Partner Matchmaking Event  
25 March 2026

12:50 – 16:00 CET  
13:50 – 17:00 EET

Horizon Europe project LUKE  
“Linking Ukraine to the European  
Research Area – Joint Funding and  
Capacity Building Platform  
for Enhanced Research and Innovation  
Cooperation”



About project

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# LUKE initiative (Horizon Europe project)



- Management of the LUKE Joint Call
- Capacity building activities and linking Ukraine to the ERA



# LUKE partners:



## Project coordinator



Germany

## Responsible for implementation of the capacity building



Austria



Denmark



Ukraine  
Lithuania



Ukraine



Ukraine



Ukraine

## R&I Funding Agencies



Ukraine



Czechia



Austria



Austria



Latvian Council of Science

Latvia



Estonia



Romania



Poland



Moldova



Georgia



Türkiye

Ministries



MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SCIENCE OF UKRAINE

Ukraine



Federal Ministry of Research, Technology and Space

Germany

## Associated partners



Germany



Switzerland



Finland



Georgia



Romania





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*We support the European Research Area aimed at creating a single, borderless market for research, innovation and technology in the EU.*

LUKE Knowledge Hub is served to support quadruple innovation helix stakeholders - academia & research, industry & business, government & public sector and civil society in shaping Europe's R&I ecosystem and shared future for the better.

Main activities of the LUKE Knowledge Hub:

1. Capacity building workshops and trainings
2. Matchmaking events to promote science-business collaboration
3. Explore joint resources to inspire and implement best practices for R&I

The Knowledge Hub connects you to relevant, up-to-date professional development opportunities and resources - including:

- Disseminating EU policies
- Capacity building for technology foresight
- Training in research management
- Accelerating market uptake
- Public engagement methods

Please follow the updates about upcoming events.

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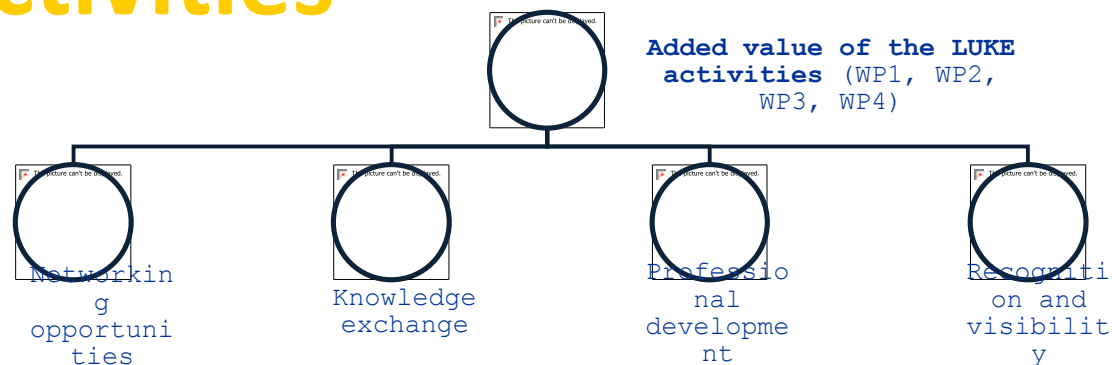
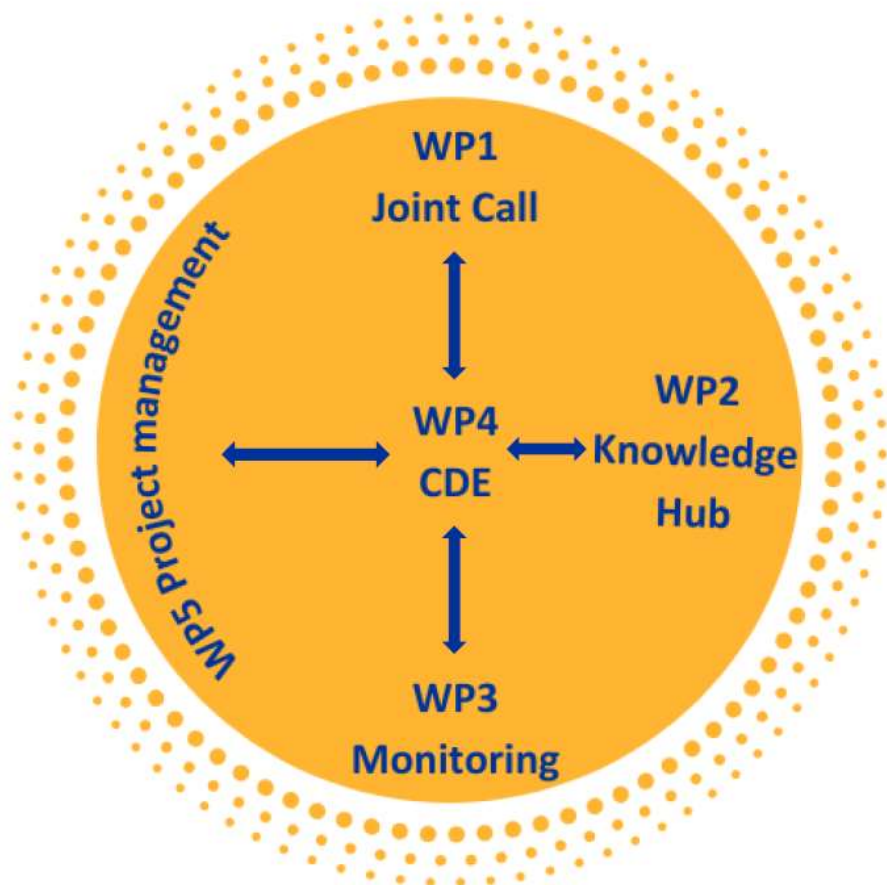
[Knowledge hub](https://horizon-europe.org.ua/en/luke/)

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# LUKE structure and activities



LUKE target groups
Policymakers: ministries, national and regional public authorities and funding agencies
Other EU and international R&I programmes
Academic research institutions and universities
R&I community: scientists / innovators
Technology transfer organisations, tech parks, science parks, venture capitalists, business angels
Business: companies, associations, chambers, MSMEs, early innovators/start-ups
Civil Society: NGOs, consumer associations
General public

# LUKE Joint Call



The LUKE Joint Call is now open

Submission deadline

**15 May 2026** at 23:59 CET / 00:59 EET (+1).



[LUKE Joint Call](#)

# LUKE Joint Call: Topics

1. **Energy:** Sustainable and renewable energy and energy security
2. **Cybersecurity:** Cyber resilience of critical infrastructures and adaptive cybersecurity systems
3. **Medical and health research:** Telemedicine, biomedical research
4. **Social sciences and humanities:** Social reconciliation, sustainable social development and human capital restoration

Interested in how the Call topics were defined?



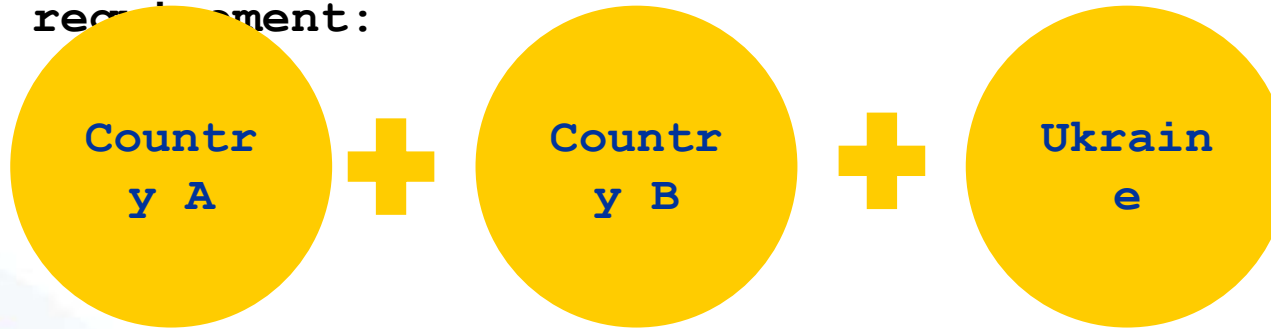
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[Research and innovation  
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# Consortium building basics

Minimum LUKE Joint Call Consortium requirement:



Eligible applicants vary by funding organisation:

## Universities

Research and innovation networks

Local authorities

## Research performing organisations

Accredited laboratories

R&D intermediaries

SMEs

Higher education institutions

Large enterprises

NGOs

NASU entities

Others

Eligible applicants: legal entities, including institutions, organisations and enterprises.

*The partner eligibility criteria vary depending on the national rules of the funding parties from 11 countries.*

- Austria
- Czech Republic
- Estonia
- Finland
- Germany
- Latvia
- Republic of Moldova
- Poland
- Romania
- Türkiye
- Ukraine



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# LUKE Joint Call - eligibility



## Who can apply and how consortia should be organised?

- Legal entities of partner countries
- Important: Partner eligibility criteria (ToR, Annex A)

# LUKE Joint Call - eligibility



## Further eligibility criteria:

- Applications in English language
- Thematic focus of the call
- Comply with the allowed duration
- Submitted through the online submission system  
PT-Outline
- Meet the submission deadline 15 May 2026
- **See Terms of Reference, chapter 3**



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# LUKE Joint Call – proposal submission



## Proposal submission via PT-Outline submission tool

- <https://ptoutline.eu/app/LUKE>
- **See ‘Guidelines for applicants’**



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# LUKE Joint Call – proposal submission



## Proposal description via PT-Outline text boxes

1. Scientific and/or technological objectives (*20,000 characters*)
  2. Background and state-of-the-art in this field (*10,000 characters*)
  3. Novelty of your project (*7,500 characters*)
  4. Science and innovation communication (*7,500 characters*)
  5. Impact of the project (*10,000 characters*)
  6. Project management, team information and risk mitigation (*10,000 characters*)
- You can upload one pdf file with five pages (figures/schemes/tables) and a reference list of three pages (*max. 5 MB*)



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# LUKE Joint Call – evaluation



## Process of evaluation and selection

- Eligibility check (central and ‘national’)
- Evaluation by three experts
- Scientific Evaluation Committee (SEC)
- Agreement on shortlist by Group of Funding Parties
- Approval by individual Funding Parties

## Evaluation criteria

I. Quality of the research planned; scientific relevance and originality of the project

**Weight: 30%**

II. Quality of the consortium, research track record of project team **Weight: 30%**

III. Quality and feasibility of the proposed project implementation plan **Weight: 20%**

IV. Alignment with call topics and potential impact of the project on further development of science / engineering / technologies / society **Weight: 20%**



# LUKE Joint Call – duration and reporting



## Duration of projects

- up to 24 months
- NRFU funding: 2 x 9 months (in 2027 and 2028)

## Reporting duties towards the Joint Call Secretariat

- Interim report (after 12 months)
- Final report (one month before the project end)



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# THANK YOU!

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sustainable future together!

<https://community.eufficient.eu/>

*Transformation. Renewal. Impact.*  
Our butterfly symbolises  
innovation and research for  
Ukraine's recovery.



About project

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