

Radboud Innovation Science - Overview Funding Information

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General funding programmes (with deadline)

- **NWO KIC – Internationale partners in collaboratieve samenstellingen** ([read, Dutch only](#))
In preparation: opening date 2ND quarter of 2025. Budget unknown
- 10.07.2025 **INTERREG CALL5 Deadline step 2** ([read](#))
- 28.08.2025 **ERC Advanced Grants** ([read](#)) ([read](#))
- 02.09.2025 **NWO Talent Programme Veni Science 2025 pre-proposal** ([read](#))
- 09.09.2025 **NWO Take off phase 1 - Feasibility studies WO Autumn 2025** ([read](#))
Enterprising scientists who want to investigate whether it is feasible to commercially apply an innovative research result can apply for funding via Take-off phase 1 - Feasibility studies WO. This program is aimed at stimulating and supporting economic activity and entrepreneurship on the basis of science.
- 09.09.2025 **NWO Talent programme Vici Science 2025 full proposal** ([read](#))
- 10.09.2025 **MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships 2025** ([read](#))
- 16.09.2025 **NWO ENW XS 25-3** ([read](#)) *In preparation*
- 16.09.2025 **MSCA4Ukraine Fellowships 2025** ([read](#))
- 16.09.2025 **NWO Large-Scale Research Infrastructure (LSRI) - Upgrade 2025 – full application** ([read](#))
Via LSRI-upgrade 2025, NWO strategically invests into upgrades of operational LSRI's related to the national Roadmap LSRI, which are embedded in the applying research organisations. By means of this, the LSRI are brought to (beyond) state-of-the-art with the aim of extending the operational lifetime of this LSRI. Upgrading concerns investments in renewal of LSRI's and/or investments in (joint) strategic linking of LSRI's. Greening of the LSRI can be part of the investments.
- 16.09.2025 **NWO Open Competition Domain Science (ENW) – XL round 2025–2026 – Letter of intent** ([read](#))
The Open Competition Domain Science (ENW) is the funding line for curiosity-driven fundamental research in or overlapping the fields of Earth and environmental sciences, astronomy, chemistry, computer science, life sciences, physics, and mathematics. ENW–XL grants are intended for consortia where consolidation of strengths and expertise creates added value compared to smaller, individual projects.
- 17.09.2025 **EIC Transition Open opening date 22 April 2025** ([read](#))
- 18.09.2025 **ERC Proof of Concept Grants Horizon Lump Sum Grant** ([read](#))
- 08.10.2025 **MSCA Staff Exchanges 2025 (HORIZON-MSCA-2025-SE)** ([read](#))
- 14.10.2025 **NWO KIC Long-Term Programmes (LTP) 2025** ([read](#))
For consortiums to conduct innovative research and develop solutions for societal issues, while realizing economic potential, in a long-term (10 year) project. NWO is looking to fund long-term programmes to facilitate the development of strategic consortia consisting of researchers,

public, and private partners, that will set out or continue their collaboration. The deadline for submission of an (obligatory) initiative is 15 April 2025. Minimum funding is €9MIO and maximum funding is €25MIO, NWO funds max 30% and the other 70% is contributed in joint funding by the consortium partners. *Closing date letter of intent 15 April 2025*

- 22.10.2025 **HORIZON-MSCA-2025-CITIZENS-01-01 European Researchers' Night and Researchers at Schools 2026-2027** *Opening date 17 June 2025* ([read](#))
- 25.11.2025 **MSCA Doctoral Networks 2025** ([read](#))
- 03.12.2025 **HORIZON-MSCA-2025-COFUND-02 Choose Europe for Science 2025** ([read](#)) *Opening date 1 October 2025*
- 18.12.2025 **EIC Accelerator 2025 – Short application Horizon EIC 2025 01** ([read](#))
- 03.02.2026 **NWO Dutch Research Agenda - Research along Routes by Consortia 2025 (NWA-ORC 2025)** ([read](#))

The aim of this call is to encourage research that is set up and carried out by interdisciplinary consortia that include representatives from the full breadth of the knowledge chain as well as relevant societal (public and/or private) partners, including citizens. The research will address so called wicked problems, focused on themes that are proposed by NWA-route networks and based on one or more of the 140 cluster questions. Project duration should be 4-8 years, and maximum available budget is €6.750.000. *Call in preparation.*

- 28.02.2026 **EFRO Oost Innovatieprojecten** ([read](#)) Open as long as a budget is available. Applications will be processed in order of receipt.
- 10.03.2026 **NWO KIC Demand-driven Research by Consortia (V4C) - XL** ([read](#))
V4C-XL focuses on large-scale public-private partnerships that tackle societal challenges and create economic opportunities through impact-driven, interdisciplinary research. Co-creation, co-design and co-funding are essential.
In preparation: opening date 3RD quarter of 2025. Pre-proposal 10 March 2026; Full application 21 January 2026. Budget: 14.000.000 EUR
- 09.06.2026 **NWO Open Competition Domain Science – XL 2025/2026 – full proposal** ([read](#)) The Open Competition Domain Science (ENW) is the funding line for curiosity-driven fundamental research in or overlapping the fields of Earth and environmental sciences, astronomy, chemistry, computer science, life sciences, physics, and mathematics. ENW–XL grants are intended for consortia where consolidation of strengths and expertise creates added value compared to smaller, individual projects.
- 22.01.2026 **NWO KIC Societal Earning Capacity: Connection, Synthesis and Knowledge Utilisation** ([read](#))
This call is only open for current or completed projects from the following programmes: Mission-Driven Innovation Systems in a Regional Context KIC (2020); Collaboration in Mission-Driven Innovation KIC (2021); Realisation, Acceleration and Scaling-up of Mission-Driven Innovation KIC (2022) Closing date 21.01.2027, 334.000 EUR
- 27.01.2026 **NWO Talent Programme Veni Science 2025 full application** ([read](#))

General funding programmes – continuous application

- **NWO Scientific Meetings and Consultations** ([read](#))
Full, associate and assistant professors, other researchers with a doctorate, postdocs and PhD

candidates with an appointment for the duration of the meeting can submit an application for support for the organisation of scientific meetings or consultations. This funding instrument is open for applications with a research question within or that overlaps with the earth sciences, astronomy, chemistry, computer science, life sciences, physics and mathematics.

- **NWO Impact Explorer** ([read](#))
A small top-up, for ongoing research projects in the open competition or talent line, to explore an unforeseen opportunity for impact. Researchers with a running project in one of NWO or ZonMw's open competitions or talent line programmes can submit.
- **NWO Kennisbenutting Plus** ([read](#))
Kennisbenutting Plus stimuleert uitvoerders van NRO-projecten om de kennis, inzichten en resultaten uit hun projecten maximaal te laten benutten en verspreiden. Daarnaast heeft Kennisbenutting Plus tot doel gebruikers te betrekken bij het benutten van wetenschappelijk onderwijsonderzoek.
- **NWO TTW Open Technology Programme** ([read](#))
Researchers from all disciplines can submit proposals for application-oriented, technical-scientific research to realise knowledge transfer between technical sciences and users through continuous application. *Continuous application (until 12 December 2025).*
- **NWO Open Competition Domain Science (ENW) – M 2024/2025** ([read](#)) *formerly known as KLEIN*;
Scientific position (M-1, max 400,000 EUR), scientific positions in collaboration (M-2, max 800,000 EUR) or investments (M-invest, 150,000-500,000 EUR) to realize curiosity-driven, fundamental research of high quality and/or scientific urgency. *Continuous application (until 31 July 2025).*
- **NWO Open Competition Domain Science (ENW) - M 2025/2026** ([read](#))
In preparation: opening date 3RD quarter of 2025. Budget: 40.000.000 EUR
- **Weave with NWO 2025/2026** ([read](#))
As part of the NWO Open Competition Domain Science ENW-M, researchers from the Netherlands can be involved in a bilateral research proposal that is submitted to DFG or FWO (a.k.a. Weave). Together with partners from Germany or Flanders they can submit a Weave proposal. This foreign research funder will act as lead agency and is responsible for the scientific evaluation. In such case, NWO will act as partner agency.
In preparation: opening date 3RD quarter of 2025. Budget: 11.000.000 EUR
- **NWO Scientific Meetings and Consultations Domain Science** ([read](#))
Support for the organisation of scientific meetings as well as consultations for the formation of consortia. *Continuous application.*
- **NWO Open Access Books** ([read](#))
Project leaders or co-applicants of awarded NWO research projects can apply for max. 10,000 EUR for Open Access publishing of academic books that result from NWO funding. *Continuous application.*
- **NWO Cooperation Germany – von Humboldt Stiftung (VHS)** ([read](#))
Researchers (preferably professors) at Dutch institutions can nominate German candidates for a Von Humboldt Prize to NWO. *Continuous application.*

- **NWO Computing Time on National Computer Facilities 2025** ([read](#))
Researchers can request computing time on national computer systems and associated data services and expertise for their research.
- **INTERREG Deutschland – Nederland** ([read](#)) ([read](#))
Interregional projects between Germany and the Netherlands with a cross-border character. Projects should focus on product and/or process innovations with SMEs or on energy and low carbon economy. *Continuous application, applications must be in German or Dutch.*
- **EFRO Oost grant for innovation projects** ([read](#))
Open as long as a budget is available. Applications will be processed in order of receipt.
- **EFRO Oost grant for test and demonstration projects** ([read](#))
Open as long as a budget is available. Applications will be processed in order of receipt.
Doel is om met test- of demonstratieprojecten (TRL -niveau 6-8) te zorgen voor een versnelde marktintroductie van producten of diensten.

Specific topics – DCN

- **02.07.2024 NWO Venture Challenge Fall 2024** ([read](#))
The Venture Challenge helps starting entrepreneurs in life sciences to bring their service or product to the market.
- **22.08.2024 NWO Take-off phase 1 – Feasibility studies WO – Commit2Data** ([read](#), in Dutch)
Het programma Take-off richt zich op het faciliteren en stimuleren van bedrijvigheid en ondernemerschap vanuit de Nederlandse universiteiten, voor het creëren van innovatieve nieuwe bedrijvigheid die volgt op kennisontwikkeling en –benutting. Middelen zijn beschikbaar voor haalbaarheidsstudies voor starters voortkomend uit het meerjarig nationaal onderzoeksprogramma Commit2Data met als thema Big Data en analytics vanuit alle Commit2Data onderzoekssectoren. De haalbaarheidsstudies van het Commit2Data cluster kunnen zowel een maatschappelijk als een economisch perspectief hebben en er dient bereidheid te bestaan de ontwikkelde kennis over te dragen.
Closing date pre-registration 22.08.2024, 14:00 hrs., and closing date full application 19.09.2024, 14:00 hrs.
- **03.10.2024 ZonMw Impact Explorer Dementie** – up to €30k to turn ideas from ongoing ZonMw projects into societal impact ([read](#)) (first come first served basis, call has been opened on 03.10.2024)

Specific topics – iCIS

- **Announced: End 2025 NWO-KIC Public-Private Partnership – Five new thematic calls** ([read](#))
 - Digital Twins: multidisciplinary simulation for better and up-to-date insight
 - Early detection and impact forecasts of infectious disease outbreaks
 - Societal impact of cooling needs in the built environment
 - Adaptability in transitions
 - Robust and resilient space infrastructure for security in the Netherlands
- **09.09.2025 Unconventional information processing technologies: Cooperation Japan – The Netherlands** ([read](#))

This Call for proposals aims to strengthen the relationship between Japan and the Netherlands in the high-tech sector and stimulate the formation of transnational networks in the fields of semiconductors, photonics, quantum and neuromorphic technologies. This call focuses on the development of unconventional information technologies for the advancement of computer science.
- **11.09.2025 NGF: Stenghtening the knowledge base for the high tech equipment sector** ([read](#))

To stimulate the development of a new generation of hightech equipment, 10.6 million euros is available for research. The future-proof hightech equipment is targeting sustainability, digitisation, healthcare and technology sovereignty of The Netherlands. This Call is the second call of the NXTGEN Hightech programme, which is financed in the context of the National Growth Fund.
- **18.11.2025 NWO KIC Data Spaces for the Energy Transition** ([read](#))

In the power grid of the future, there are more interactions than ever before between energy systems of different scales. The success of the energy transition depends on managing complex energy flows and the associated data flow. The aim of this call is to investigate how to set up digitalised data exchange for efficient and real-time management.
In preparation: opening date 2ND quarter of 2025. Budget: 6.000.000 EUR
- **Continuous Stitpro** (Overview: [read](#)) (Projecteisen: [read](#))

STITPRO ondersteunt educatieve en maatschappelijk relevante ICT-projecten. Voorwaarden daarbij zijn dat het resultaat wetenschappelijk onderbouwd is, de software zoveel mogelijk “open source” is, het gebruik voor derden in principe kosteloos is en verder rijkt dan alleen de initiële doelgroepen en de operationele ondersteuning van een project voor langere tijd is gewaarborgd. Project sizes: A) upto €10.000. B) Upto €50.000. C) From €50.000.
- **24.06.2026 NWO knowledge security** ([read](#))

On April 30 there is an online information session.

Promotes research into developments around knowledge security and inherent dilemmas in the context of an evolving geopolitical landscape. The programme aims to contribute to the development of a conceptual framework for the study of knowledge security and yield insights into the international context and threats, the organisation and vulnerability of the knowledge sector, and the balance between opportunities and risks in knowledge security policies.
- **23.09.2025 HE HORIZON-CL4-INDUSTRY-2025-01-TWIN-TRANSITION-33 Integrated use of renewable energy carriers in industrial sites (Processes4Planet partnership)** ([read](#))

One of the topics within the call: Demonstrate full integration and use of advanced digital technologies from fields of distributed process control strategies, and data driven AI based optimisation and the application of model-based technologies for the improved, safe and

efficient operation of industrial plants and sites, including the interaction with different grids; Activities are expected to achieve TRL 5-6 by the end of the project.

- 23.09.2025 **HE HORIZON-CL4-INDUSTRY-2025-01-DIGITAL-61 AI Foundation models in science (GenAI4EU)** ([read](#))

A foundation model can integrate information from various modalities of data. This model can then be adapted to a wide range of downstream, more specialized tasks. To build downstream applications, the foundation model is fine-tuned with additional training and task-specific examples. Therefore, a foundation model is itself incomplete but serves as the common basis from which many task-specific models can be built via adaptation. In science, such foundation models could be trained on data from a specific scientific field and then be fine-tuned for a variety of tasks and used by a wider community in the field. Proposals should address one of the following scientific domains: (A) Materials science, (B) Climate change science, (C) Environmental pollution sciences, (D) Agricultural sciences

- 23.09.2025 **HE HORIZON-CL4-INDUSTRY-2025-01-DIGITAL-62 Facilitated cooperation for AI in Science (CSA)** ([read](#))

The project should develop a Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda for AI in Science by mobilising large groups of domain and AI researchers in different fields to identify key long-term research challenges in a diverse range of scientific areas where AI can make a meaningful difference for scientific breakthroughs, which are compelling to the EU competitive, environmental and social policy agenda. The project should come up with pilot areas from across Horizon Europe Pillar II Clusters, building on Europe's competitive advantages in science and AI technologies. The research challenges should be related to prediction and design problems in the different scientific fields identified that could be solved with AI.

- 02.10.2025 **HE HORIZON-CL4-2025-04-DATA-02 Empowering AI/generative AI along the Cognitive Computing continuum** ([read](#))

The aim is to develop generic and AI-enabled cloud-edge technologies encompassing the whole computing continuum to empower the development of AI/generative AI technologies and applications. The proposals should demonstrate the generic applicability of the proposed technological solutions across various application domains such as but not limited to, manufacturing, healthcare, robotics, transportation and smart cities.

- 02.10.2025 **HE HORIZON-CL4-2025-03-DATA-08 Large-scale pilots for supply end-to-end infrastructures integrating device, network computing and communication capabilities for Telco Edge Cloud deployments, as a basis for Connected Collaborative Computing Networks (3C networks)** ([read](#))

One of the points in scope: Exploration of novel approaches for cybersecurity by design and sustainability in advanced communication infrastructure.

- 18.11.2025 **NWO KIC Data Spaces for the Energy Transition** ([read](#))

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Specific topics – IMAPP

- 09.2025 **HORIZON-CL4-2025-04-DATA-02: Empowering AI/generative AI along the Cognitive Computing continuum (RIA)** – ([Read pp. 106](#))
The aim is to develop generic and AI-enabled cloud-edge technologies encompassing the whole computing continuum to empower the development of AI/generative AI technologies and applications. From TRL 3 and achieve TRL 6-7. The official call text is to be published with the exact submission date.
- 09.2025 **HORIZON-CL4-INDUSTRY-2025-01-DIGITAL-61: AI Foundation models in materials science (RIA)** - ([Read pp. 136](#))
The objective of this topic is to advance the development of AI technology for materials design and discovery and for predicting materials properties. The call also aligns with the GenAI4EU initiative of the European Commission. Activities are expected to achieve TRL 4-6 by the end of the project. The official call text is to be published with the exact submission date.
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Specific topics – IMM + HFML-FELIX

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 - Robust and resilient space infrastructure for security in the Netherlands
- Announced: the **QuantERA 2025 call** ([read](#)) *will be published on 4 September* with two topics:
 - Quantum Phenomena and Resources (QPR)
 - Applied Quantum Science (AQS)
- Announced: End 2025 **Third call NWO QuantumDelta NL** ([read](#))
- 03.07.2025 **NGF GroenvermogenNL: Hydrogen and green electrons for nitrogen-based chemistry – pre-proposals** ([read](#))

This call is part of the National Growth Fund programme GroenvermogenNL. The use of hydrogen and green electrons for nitrogen-based chemistry is necessary for making the Dutch chemical industry more sustainable. Researchers and companies must form a consortium to conduct research into new production methods for nitrogen-based chemicals.

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- **16.09.2025 NWO Technology development for circular batteries** ([read](#))

This call contributes to the National Growth Fund Programme 'Material Independence & Circular Batteries'. It aims at advancing the knowledge and technology development in the battery production and value chain - including recycling, new battery materials and battery systems for Long Duration Energy Storage applications. Within this call there are three programme lines:

1. Recovery of materials from lithium iron phosphate (LFP) batteries.
2. Development of sodium-ion batteries.
3. Development of bulk battery technologies suitable for Long Duration Energy Storage (LDES).

- **16.09.2025 NWO KIC Future plastics – full application** ([read](#))

The call Future Plastics (working title) aims to provide scientific solutions for reducing harmful leakage of plastic material. Research within this call can focus on creating structural (material) engineering solutions (such as creating bio-based materials and making (micro-)plastics biodegradable), on ways to prevent (micro-)plastics from leaking into and contaminating the environment during plastic use and on shaping the associated socio-economic transition needed to reduce leakage and bring new materials into use. *Call in preparation.*

- **16.09.2025 Three ChemistryNL calls for public-private partnership projects** ([read](#))

- Water quality
- Biobased raw materials
- Carbon capture and utilisation (CCU)

Available budget: €5 million (€1.666 million per call), Maximum subsidy per project: €150,000

- **09.10.2025 CETPartnership Joint Call 2025 – pre-proposal** ([read](#))

Full, associate and assistant professors, lectors and other researchers with a comparable appointment can submit an application to conduct research on hydrogen and renewable fuels and multi-vector interactions between the integrated energy system and industrial frameworks.

- **16.10.2025 NWO High performance materials for Defence and Safety – full proposal** ([read](#))

To stimulate the development of high-performance materials for Defence and Safety, seven million euros of research funding is available. This Call for Proposals addresses the major

challenges facing the Ministry of Defence in the modernisation of their defence equipment. This Call was developed within the KIA Safety of the KIC Mission.

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In preparation: opening date 2ND quarter of 2025. Budget: 6.000.000 EUR
- **16.01.2026 NWO KIC Mission 24/27 Medicines from medicines** ([read](#))
The focus is on knowledge development for raw material substitution, high-value processing, lifecycle extension, including laws and regulations and business cases for producing medicines from circular raw materials and/or redistribution of unused medicines. Such a transformation requires interdisciplinary and cross-sectoral knowledge development.
In preparation: opening date 2ND quarter of 2025. Budget: 7.000.000 EUR
- **22.01.2025 NGF GroenvermogenNL: Hydrogen and green electrons for nitrogen-based chemistry – full application** ([read](#))
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- **27.01.2026 NWA Opportunities and value chains for side streams in the protein transition** ([read](#))
This Call for proposals calls on knowledge institutions and societal parties to jointly develop scientific and practice-oriented research proposals aimed at using plant-based side streams as a source of protein for human consumption. This can contribute to a more sustainable and circular food system.
- **12.02.2026 NWO KIC Biochemical diversity** ([read](#))
The objectives are twofold: 1) To unravel biosynthetic processes, such as the structure-function relationship of biochemical molecules, for a better understanding of their biological roles and specific applications, and 2) To apply this biosynthetic knowledge to make products available on a sufficiently large scale via biotechnology. To realize this potential, it is essential to develop and implement new technologies. This requires technological advancements in four key areas to address scientific questions more efficiently: Effective sampling; Structure determination; Function analysis; and Biosynthesis research.
In preparation: opening date 3RD quarter of 2025. Budget: 7.000.000 EUR
- **12.03.2026 CETPartnership Joint Call 2025 – full application** ([read](#))
Full, associate and assistant professors, lectors and other researchers with a comparable appointment can submit an application to conduct research on hydrogen and renewable fuels and multi-vector interactions between the integrated energy system and industrial frameworks.
- **Quantum Delta NL Visitor's programme - continuous application** ([read](#))
The Quantum Delta NL visitor programme is designed to support the exchange of people, ideas and knowledge in the field of quantum technology within the domains of science, education, market and society.
- **Horizon Europe Pillar 2 Cluster 4 'Digital, Industry and Space' draft work programmes 2026/2027** are available upon request

Specific topics – ISiS

- **14.07.2025 NWO Long-term Europe – Africa WEF Nexus (LEAWEF) Multilateral Research Programme** ([read](#)) - *Submission of full proposals*
After registering your idea (deadline was 11.02.2025), you can prepare and submit a full proposal. Total budget for the whole program: EUR 2,800,000.
- **09.09.2025 NWO SSH Open Competition L 2025** ([read](#)) - *Submission of pre-proposals*
The SSH Open Competition L funding instrument for thematically free research focuses on research projects with a primary social and/or humanities research question. Proposals with an interdisciplinary or cross-domain character can also be submitted to this instrument, provided they contain a clear social and/or humanities component. Budget per project: EUR 800,000.
- **18.09.2025 NWO KIC Nature-inclusive decision making in business** ([read](#)) - *Submission of full proposals*
After registering your idea (deadline was 06.02.2025), you can prepare and submit a full proposal. Budget per project: EUR 750,000 - 1,750,000. Funding rate: 90%.
- **13.10.2025 NWO KIC Smart Tech for Everyone, Everywhere** ([read](#)) - *Submission of full proposals*
After registering your idea (deadline was 03.06.2025), you can prepare and submit a full proposal. Total budget for the whole program: EUR 7,000,000.
- **11.11.2025 NWO KIC Consumer behaviour for a Circular System Transition** ([read](#))
The aim of this Call for proposals is to gain insight into effective interventions, measures and strategies that promote circular consumer behaviour, based on state-of-the-art research on systemic transitions, behavioural change and the circular economy. This Call for proposals focuses on research that analyses, designs and applies interventions. The interaction between behavioural, systemic and cultural factors is central to this.
In preparation: opening date 3RD quarter of 2025. Budget: 7.000.000 EUR
- **03.02.2026 NWO SSH Open Competition L 2025** ([read](#)) - *Submission of full proposals*
After submitting a pre-proposal (deadline was 09.09.2025), you can prepare and submit a full proposal. Budget per project: EUR 800,000.

Topics in Horizon Europe's Pillar II (with a deadline for submission in 2025)

Cluster 5: Climate, Energy and Mobility – [link for the publication of the WP](#)

- **02.09.2025 HORIZON-CL5-2025-02-D2-08: Coordinated call with India on waste to renewable hydrogen**
Research and Innovation Action – Budget per project: around EUR 5 million – Expected projects to be funded: 2.

Cluster 6: Food, Bioeconomy, Natural Resources, Agriculture and Environment – [link for the publication of the WP](#)

- **16.09.2025 HORIZON-CL6-2025-02-FARM2FORK-13: Raising citizen awareness on alternative proteins derived from biotechnology**
Coordination and Support Action – Budget per project: around EUR 2 million – Expected projects to be funded: 1.
- **17.09.2025 HORIZON-CL6-2025-01-BIODIV-02: Strengthening the capacity of citizen science in biodiversity observation**
Coordination and Support Action – Budget per project: around EUR 4 million – Expected projects to be funded: 1.
- **04.09.2025 (First Stage); 18.02.2026 (Second Stage) HORIZON-CL6-2025-01-BIODIV-01-twostage: Living labs co-creating innovative solutions for forests and freshwater ecosystems restoration**

Research and Innovation Action – Budget per project: around EUR 7 million – Expected projects to be funded: 2.

- 17.09.2025 **HORIZON-CL6-2025-01-BIODIV-08: Strengthening pathways to alternative socio-economic models for continuous improvement of biodiversity**
Research and Innovation Action – Budget per project: around EUR 7 million – Expected projects to be funded: 2.
- 17.09.2025 **HORIZON-CL6-2025-01-BIODIV-9: Understanding the perceptions of and improving communication on the biodiversity crisis and nature restoration benefits to sustain citizen engagement and democratic governance**
Research and Innovation Action – Budget per project: around EUR 3 million – Expected projects to be funded: 2.

Topics in Horizon Europe's Missions (with a deadline for submission in 2025) - [link for the publication of the WP](#)

Mission "A Soil Deal for Europe"

- 30.09.2025 **HORIZON-MISS-2025-05-SOIL-01: Living Labs for soil remediation and green redevelopment of brownfields**
Research and Innovation Action – Budget per project: around EUR 12 million – Expected projects to be funded: 1.
- 30.09.2025 **HORIZON-MISS-2025-05-SOIL-09: Citizen engagement for sustainable land management through local and regional authorities**
Coordination and Support Action – Budget per project: around EUR 5 million – Expected projects to be funded: 1.

Specific topics – RIBES

- 24.06.2025 **NWO KIC - Future Plastics 2024** ([read](#)) - *submission of letter of intent*
The call Future Plastics (working title) aims to provide scientific solutions for reducing harmful leakage of plastic material. Research within this call can focus on creating structural (material) engineering solutions (such as creating bio-based materials and making (micro-)plastics biodegradable), on ways to prevent (micro-)plastics from leaking into and contaminating the environment during plastic use and on shaping the associated socio-economic transition needed to reduce leakage and bring new materials into use. Total budget for the whole program: EUR 7,000,000.
- 14.07.2025 **NWO Long-term Europe – Africa WEF Nexus (LEAWEF) Multilateral Research Programme** ([read](#)) - *Submission of full proposals*
After registering your idea (deadline was 11.02.2025), you can prepare and submit a full proposal. Total budget for the whole program: EUR 2,800,000.
- 01.09.2025 **PPS-Oproep 2025 Kennis- en Innovatieagenda Landbouw, Water, Voedsel (Agriculture, Water and Food)** ([read](#))
The call is intended for research projects in which companies, industry organizations, NGOs, and public organizations collaborate with research organizations. In this call, the three Dutch top sectors ("Agri & Food, Tuinbouw & Uitgangsmaterialen en Water & Maritiem") work together to contribute to the joint knowledge and innovation agenda for Agriculture, Water, and Food. Budget per project: EUR 1,500,000.
- 11.09.2025 **NWA Knowledge development ecological effects of wind farms on sea** ([read](#))
Submission of the Full Proposal after conforming the Sandpit

Met opmerkingen [IR1]: Deze nog interessant? (meer water management) <https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/future-proof-large-rivers-in-the-netherlands>

After submitting your expression of interest (deadline for submission of the expression of interest to participate in the Sandpit was 6 May 2025), you elaborate the full proposal together with other partners in a consortium that is formed using a Sandpit. Total budget for the project: EUR 5,200,000.

- **17.09.2025 NWO KIC - Future Plastics 2024 ([read](#)) - submission of full proposals**
The call Future Plastics (working title) aims to provide scientific solutions for reducing harmful leakage of plastic material. Research within this call can focus on creating structural (material) engineering solutions (such as creating bio-based materials and making (micro-)plastics biodegradable), on ways to prevent (micro-)plastics from leaking into and contaminating the environment during plastic use and on shaping the associated socio-economic transition needed to reduce leakage and bring new materials into use. Total budget for the whole program: EUR 7,000,000.
- **18.09.2025 NWO KIC Nature-inclusive decision making in business ([read](#)) - Submission of full proposals**
After registering your idea (deadline was 06.02.2025), you can prepare and submit a full proposal. Budget per project: EUR 750,000 - 1,750,000. Funding rate: 90%.
- **30.10.2025 NWO Dutch Research Agenda (NWA) Biodiversity and Agriculture in Balance ([read](#))**
The biodiversity of the Brazilian Cerrado is threatened by increasing deforestation for agricultural production. This Call for proposals is a collaboration between NWO and the Brazilian science council CNPq. Dutch and Brazilian researchers are encouraged to submit inter- and transdisciplinary research proposals into balancing agriculture and nature conservation through strategies for sustainable land use practices in cooperation with societal partners. Proposals may focus both on land use planning and sustainable farming systems, as well as the economic, social and environmental dimensions and impacts of innovative solutions.
In preparation: opening date in July 2025. Budget: 2.865.000 EUR
- **13.11.2025 NWO & National Growth Fund Project Cellular Agriculture – Towards larger scale and lower costs ([read](#))**
Cellular Agriculture is a technology to produce animal products merely using animal cells and micro-organisms, without the actual animal. This call is part of the National Growth Fund Project Cellular Agriculture and aims to reduce costs and scale up this technology. Specifically, in the research lines precision fermentation and cultivated meat. Research proposals for this call should address advancements in process and/or product technology and biology.
In preparation: opening date 2ND quarter of 2025. Budget: unknown
- **Subsidies van de Hoogwaterbeschermingsprogramma (HwBP) ([read](#))**
Het HWBP is een programma met een lange Het Hoogwaterbeschermingsprogramma (HWBP) verstrekt subsidie voor dijkversterkingsprojecten. Houd er bij het aanvragen van deze regeling rekening mee dat de betrokkenheid van een waterschap als penvoerder en opdrachtgever bij het project nodig is. *Continuous application.*

Topics in Horizon Europe's Pillar II (with a deadline for submission in 2025)

Cluster 1: Health – [link for the publication of the WP](#)

- 16.09.2025 (First Stage); 16.04.2026 (Second Stage) **HORIZON-HLTH-2025-03-ENVHLTH-01- two-stage: The impact of pollution on the development and progression of brain diseases and disorders**
Research and Innovation Action – Budget per project: around EUR 6-7 million – Expected projects to be funded: 6.

- 16.09.2025 (First Stage); 16.04.2026 (Second Stage) **HORIZON-HLTH-2025-03-ENVHLTH-02- two-stage: Advancing knowledge on the impacts of micro- and nanoplastics on human health**
Research and Innovation Action – Budget per project: around EUR 7-8 million – Expected projects to be funded: 5.

Cluster 4: Digital, Industry and Space – [link for the publication of the WP](#)

- 23.09.2025 **HORIZON-CL4-INDUSTRY-2025-01-MATERIALS-52: Accelerate the uptake of life-cycle assessment (LCA) for Safe and Sustainable by Design (SSbD) chemicals and materials and resulting products**
Research and Innovation Action – Budget per project: around EUR 4-5 million – Expected projects to be funded: 3.
- 25.09.2025 **HORIZON-CL4-SPACE-2025-01-42: Copernicus Atmosphere Monitoring Service (CAMS) evolution: improved soil-vegetation-atmosphere modelling and data assimilation of atmospheric constituents**
Research and Innovation Action – Budget per project: around EUR 3 million – Expected projects to be funded: 1.
- 25.09.2025 **HORIZON-CL4-SPACE-2025-01-44: Copernicus Marine Environment Monitoring Service (CMEMS) evolution: new and innovative ocean data assimilation techniques**
Research and Innovation Action – Budget per project: around EUR 5 million – Expected projects to be funded: 1.

Cluster 5: Climate, Energy and Mobility – [link for the publication of the WP](#)

- 24.09.2025 **HORIZON-CL5-2025-03-D1-01: Climate simulations data and knowledge for optimal support of IPCC Assessments and International Policy**
Research and Innovation Action – Budget per project: around EUR 30 million – Expected projects to be funded: 1.

Cluster 6: Food, Bioeconomy, Natural Resources, Agriculture and Environment – [link for the publication of the WP](#)

- 04.09.2025 (First Stage); 18.02.2026 (Second Stage) **HORIZON-CL6-2025-02-FARM2FORK-01- two-stage: Emerging and future risks to plant health**
Research and Innovation Action – Budget per project: around EUR 6 million – Expected projects to be funded: 2.
- 16.09.2025 **HORIZON-CL6-2025-02-CLIMATE-01: The ocean-climate-biodiversity nexus and marine carbon dioxide removal (mCDR)**
Research and Innovation Action – Budget per project: around EUR 6 million – Expected projects to be funded: 2.
- 16.09.2025 **HORIZON-CL6-2025-02-CLIMATE-03: Understanding and managing medium and longer-term challenges and opportunities for agriculture stemming from shifting climatic zones and changing agroecological environments**
Research and Innovation Action – Budget per project: around EUR 5 million – Expected projects to be funded: 2.
- 16.09.2025 **HORIZON-CL6-2025-02-CLIMATE-04: Monitoring, reporting, verification and mitigation of non-CO2 greenhouse gas emissions and related air pollutants from agriculture**
Research and Innovation Action – Budget per project: around EUR 6 million – Expected projects to be funded: 2.

- 04.09.2025 (First Stage); 18.02.2026 (Second Stage) **HORIZON-CL6-2025-02-CLIMATE-05: Strengthening the resilience of water systems and water sector to climate and global socio-economic change impacts**
Innovation Action – Budget per project: around EUR 6 million – Expected projects to be funded: 3.
- 17.09.2025 **HORIZON-CL6-2025-01-BIODIV-04: Large-scale in situ biodiversity observations for better understanding of biodiversity state, drivers of its decline and impacts of policies**
Research and Innovation Action – Budget per project: around EUR 11 million – Expected projects to be funded: 2.
- 04.09.2025 (First Stage); 18.02.2026 (Second Stage) **HORIZON-CL6-2025-01-BIODIV-01-twostage: Living labs co-creating innovative solutions for forests and freshwater ecosystems restoration**
Research and Innovation Action – Budget per project: around EUR 7 million – Expected projects to be funded: 2.
- 04.09.2025 (First Stage); 18.02.2026 (Second Stage) **HORIZON-CL6-2025-01-BIODIV-02-twostage: Breeding for resilience: enhancing multi-stress tolerance in crops**
Research and Innovation Action – Budget per project: around EUR 7 million – Expected projects to be funded: 2.
- 17.09.2025 **HORIZON-CL6-2025-01-CIRC BIO-01: Novel circular business models to enable the just transition to a sustainable and circular economy**
Innovation Action – Budget per project: around EUR 5 million – Expected projects to be funded: 2.
- 17.09.2025 **HORIZON-CL6-2025-01-CIRC BIO-03: Product Environmental Footprint (PEF) of policy and market-relevant product groups**
Research and Innovation Action – Budget per project: around EUR 4 million – Expected projects to be funded: 2.
- 17.09.2025 **HORIZON-CL6-2025-01- CIRC BIO-06: Indicators for the transition to sustainable and circular economy**
Research and Innovation Action – Budget per project: around EUR 4 million – Expected projects to be funded: 2.
- 17.09.2025 **HORIZON-CL6-2025-01-ZEROPOLLUTION-02: Environmental impacts from the production of agricultural crops for bio-based industrial systems**
Coordination and Support Action – Budget per project: around EUR 2 million – Expected projects to be funded: 1.
- 04.09.2025 (First Stage); 18.02.2026 (Second Stage) **HORIZON-CL6-2025-01- ZEROPOLLUTION-01-two-stage: Substances of concern and emerging pollutants from biobased industries and products: mapping and replacement**
Innovation Action – Budget per project: around EUR 5 million – Expected projects to be funded: 2.
- 17.09.2025 **HORIZON-CL6-2025-01-ZEROPOLLUTION-03: Environmental biotechnology applications in service of remediation of polluted ecosystems**
Research and Innovation Action – Budget per project: around EUR 4 million – Expected projects to be funded: 2.
- 17.09.2025 **HORIZON-CL6-2025-01-ZEROPOLLUTION-04: Towards a comprehensive European strategy to assess and monitor aquatic litter including plastic and microplastic pollution**
Research and Innovation Action – Budget per project: around EUR 6 million – Expected projects to be funded: 1.

Topics in Horizon Europe's Missions (with a deadline for submission in 2025) - [link for the pre-publication of the WP](#)

Mission "A Soil Deal for Europe"

- 30.09.2025 **HORIZON-MISS-2025-05-SOIL-01: Living Labs for soil remediation and green redevelopment of brownfields**
Research and Innovation Action – Budget per project: around EUR 12 million – Expected projects to be funded: 1.
- 30.09.2025 **HORIZON-MISS-2025-05-SOIL-03: Increasing environmental resilience through a better knowledge and management of the soil-water nexus**
Research and Innovation Action – Budget per project: around EUR 6 million – Expected projects to be funded: 1.
- 30.09.2025 **HORIZON-MISS-2025-05-SOIL-05: EU global footprint on soils**
Research and Innovation Action – Budget per project: around EUR 6 million – Expected projects to be funded: 1.
- 30.09.2025 **HORIZON-MISS-2025-05-SOIL-06: Quantifying the impact of farming practices on soil health in arable lands**
Research and Innovation Action – Budget per project: around EUR 6 million – Expected projects to be funded: 1.
- 30.09.2025 **HORIZON-MISS-2025-05-SOIL-11: Soil Salinity in Europe: Drivers, indicators, current levels and temporal changes**
Research and Innovation Action – Budget per project: around EUR 6 million – Expected projects to be funded: 1.

Specific topics – RIMLS

- 06.05.2025 **KWF Open call 2025-3 / EXPLORATION** – ([read](#))

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