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Multi-actor approach

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Evaluation of the Multi-Actor Approach in Horizon Europe Cluster 6

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Key topic information

Topic text

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Multi-Actor Approach definition p. 21-23

Eligibility criterion &
integral part of the topic text

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Horizon Europe

Work Programme 2023-2024

9. Food, Bioeconomy, Natural Resources, Agriculture and Environment

(European Commission Decision C(2022)7550 of 6 December 2022)

Horizon Europe Work Programme 2023-2024:

wp-9-food-bioeconomy-natural-resources-agriculture-and-environment_horizon-2023-2024_en.pdf (europa.eu)

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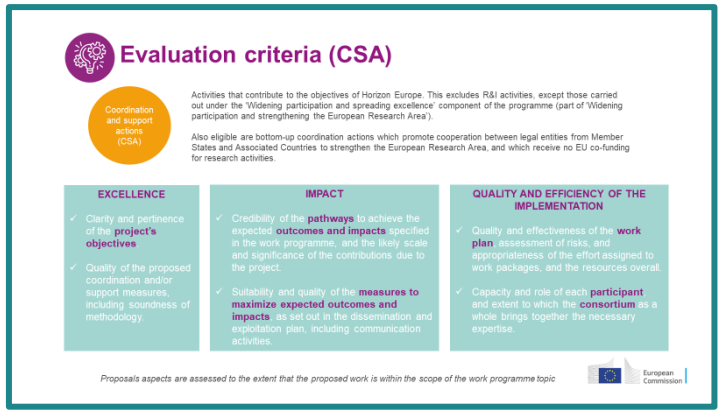
Evaluation documents



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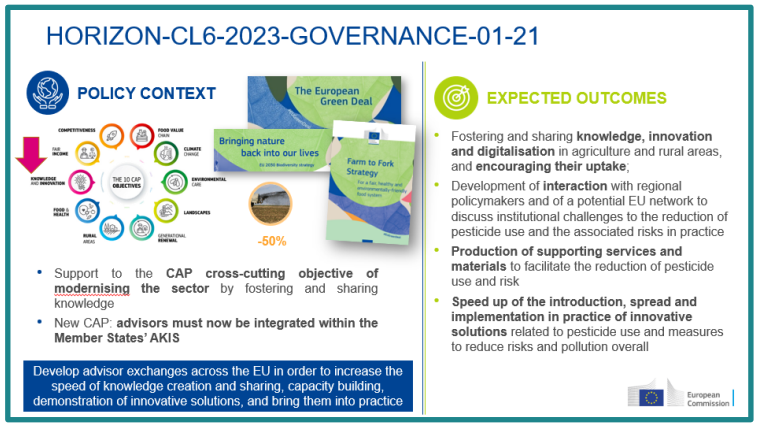

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EVALUATION CRITERIA

- See standard evaluation forms on the F&T portal > Reference Documents > HORIZON EUROPE
- Check applicable evaluation criteria depending on the topic type of action:
  - CSA
  - IA
  - RIA

TOPIC TEXT

- Expected impact & expected outcomes (IMPACT criterion)
- Scope: range of activities (EXCELLENCE CRITERION)
- Applicable requirements
- Indicative budget (IMPLEMENTATION)

Proposal template

- Check applicable template depending on the type of action:
  - CSA
  - IA
  - RIA

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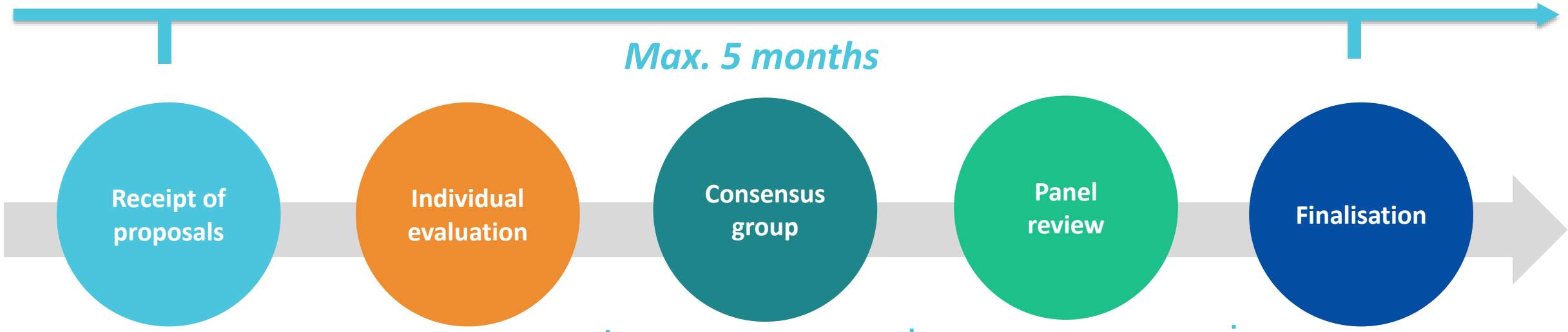
Standard evaluation process



Admissibility/eligibility check

Allocation of proposals to evaluators

Expert Briefing on Horizon Europe proposal evaluations

Experts assess proposals **individually**.

Minimum of three experts per proposal (but often more than three).

All individual experts discuss together to agree on a **common position**, including comments and scores for each proposal.

The experts panel reach an **agreement** on scores and comments for all proposals, checking **consistency across the evaluations**.

Resolve possible cases where evaluators could not agree.

Rank proposals with total equal score.

The Commission/Agency reviews the results of the experts' evaluation and puts together the **final ranking list**.

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Evaluation criteria

EXCELLENCE

IMPACT

QUALITY AND EFFICIENCY OF THE IMPLEMENTATION

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Evaluation criteria

EXCELLENCE

1.1: **Clarity and pertinence of the project's objectives:**
> Project objectives must be targeting **the needs and opportunities of end-users of results** → Check the topic description

1.2: **Soundness of the proposed methodology**,
> Genuine and sufficient involvement of such actors should take place all over the **whole course of the project**
→ How will the proposed methodology deliver on the project's objectives?

Evaluation criteria

IMPACT

2.1 **Pathways to achieve expected outcomes and impacts**

- **Expected outcomes** => set at topic level
- **Expected Impacts** => set at destination level

→ Check the topic description

- Do not confuse expected **outputs** (= project results) with expected **outcomes**
- Estimate scale and significance and identify potential barriers

2.2 **Communication, Dissemination & Exploitation**

→ **Use dissemination channels** most consulted by the (end-) users of the project results in countries and regions.

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Evaluation criteria

QUALITY AND EFFICIENCY OF THE IMPLEMENTATION

3.1 **Quality and effectiveness of the work plan**, assessment of risks, and appropriateness of the effort assigned to work packages, and the resources overall
→ Precise & active roles of the different non-scientific actors in the work

3.2 **Capacity and role of each participant**, and the extent to which the consortium as a whole brings together the necessary expertise.

> Composition of the consortium reflects a balanced choice of relevant key actors who have complementary types of knowledge (scientific, practical, etc.)

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For more information…

… check past events:

- **Cluster 6 Info Day (27- 28/09/2023):** The research and innovation community platform (europa.eu)

→ Check Day 2 session's dedicated slides on the Multi-Actor Approach: '**Key to success': the essentials for submitting a successful proposal**

- **Agriresearch conference (31/05-01/06/2023):** The 2023 EU AgriResearch Conference (europa.eu)

→ Check break-out session 7: **Tools and skills** with tips on the Multi-Actor Approach

- **Cluster 6 Coordinators Day (22/09/2022):** Coordinator's day (europa.eu)

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https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/home

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Success story: LIVESEED

Launched in 2017, the project brought together 48 organisations from 18 European countries, including:

- plant researchers,
- crop breeders,
- seed producers,
- organic associations and
- retailers

https://www.liveseed.eu/

The LIVESEED project investigated how **crop breeders and seed producers** can combine best practices from across the industry to increase the availability and quality of organic seeds.

> **800 organic farmers** consulted on plant breeding and seed markets; LIVESEED contributed to the expansion of the Organic Farm Knowledge Platform with a dedicated section on these themes: increased transparency of the organic seed market; recommendations for EU Organic Regulation

Seeds of change: a systems-based approach to plant breeding | LIVESEED Project | Results in brief | H2020 | CORDIS | European Commission (europa.eu)

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All information on the brokerage event is available on the event webpage:

https://eu-cap-network.ec.europa.eu/events/eu-cap-network-brokerage-event-accelerating-innovation-process-through-horizon-europe_en