

LIST OF NATIONAL CONTACT POINTS

Fund Name	Horizon Europe
Programming Period	2021-2027
Basic Description	Horizon Europe is the EU's key funding programme for research and innovation with a budget of €95.5 billion. It tackles climate change, helps to achieve the UN's Sustainable Development Goals and boosts the EU's competitiveness and growth. The programme facilitates collaboration and strengthens the impact of research and innovation in developing, supporting and implementing EU policies while tackling global challenges. It supports creating and better dispersing of excellent knowledge and technologies.
Eligible Applicants	Legal entities established in a Member State or associated country.
Target Sectors	Research and Innovation
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Details on Open Calls	https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/programmes/horizon
Official Website/s	https://mcst.gov.mt/horizon-europe/

Fund Name	Digital Europe Programme
Programming Period	2021-2027
Basic Description	The general objectives of the Programme shall be to support and accelerate the digital transformation of the European economy, industry and society, to bring its benefits to citizens, public administrations and businesses across the Union, and to improve the competitiveness of Europe in the global digital economy while contributing to bridging the digital divide across the Union. The Programme shall have five interrelated specific objectives: High Performance Computing; Artificial Intelligence; Cybersecurity and Trust; Advanced Digital Skills; Deployment and Best Use of Digital Capacity and Interoperability
Eligible Applicants	Legal entities established in a MS; Natural persons can only apply under objective 'Advanced Digital Skills'
Target Sectors	Digital Economy and Society
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Details on Open Calls	https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/programmes/digital
Official Website/s	https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/programmes/digital

Fund Name	Connecting Europe Facility - Digital
Programming Period	2021-2027
Basic Description	To support infrastructure projects connecting regions within the EU (the trans-European networks), in particular cross-border ones with high added value. To improve digital connectivity by creating very high capacity broadband networks as a basis for better digital services. It could finance projects that aim at providing 5G networks along important transport axes, Gigabit connectivity to institutions like hospitals or schools, and wireless connectivity to local communities.
Eligible Applicants	Legal entities established in a Member State; (b) legal entities established in a third country associated to the Programme; (c) legal entities created under Union law and international organisations where provided for in the work programmes.
Target Sectors	Digital Economy and Society
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Details on Open Calls	
Official Website/s	https://hadea.ec.europa.eu/programmes/connecting-europe-facility_en

Fund Name	Connecting Europe Facility - Energy
Programming Period	2021-2027
Basic Description	To support infrastructure projects connecting regions within the EU (the trans-European networks), in particular cross-border ones with high added value. The focus is on the transition towards clean energy and complete the Energy Union, making the EU energy systems more interconnected, smarter and digitalised. The focus is also on cross-border renewable energy projects, interoperability of networks and better integration of the internal energy market.
Eligible Applicants	Legal entities established in a Member State; (b) legal entities established in a third country associated to the Programme; (c) legal entities created under Union law and international organisations where provided for in the work programmes.
Target Sectors	Energy, Climate and the Environment
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Details on Open Calls	https://cinea.ec.europa.eu/calls-proposals_en
Official Website/s	https://cinea.ec.europa.eu/connecting-europe-facility/energy-infrastructure-connecting-europe-facility_en

Fund Name	Connecting Europe Facility - Transport
Programming Period	2021-2027
Basic Description	To support infrastructure projects connecting regions within the EU (the trans-European networks), in particular cross-border ones with high added value. For transport, CEF aims at contributing to the completion of both layers of the TEN-T: the strategic backbone (i.e. the core network) by 2030 and its more extensive layer (i.e. the comprehensive network) by 2050. It also supports the deployment of European traffic management systems for all traffic modes, in particular for air transport and railways, and helps the EU transition towards smart, sustainable, inclusive, safe and secure mobility (for example by establishing a European network of charging infrastructure for alternative fuels). In addition, Union funding for the implementation of the civilian-military dual-use transport projects should be implemented through the CEF.
Eligible Applicants	Legal entities established in a Member State; (b) legal entities established in a third country associated to the Programme; (c) legal entities created under Union law and international organisations where provided for in the work programmes.
Target Sectors	Transport
National Contact Point	Ms. Donna Borg Micallef, Ministry for Transport, Infrastructure and Capital Projects donna.borg-micallef@gov.mt ; +356 22927862
Details on Open Calls	https://cinea.ec.europa.eu/calls-proposals_en
Official Website/s	https://cinea.ec.europa.eu/calls-proposals_en

Fund Name	Innovation Fund
Programming Period	2021-2027
Basic Description	The Innovation Fund is one of the world's largest funding programmes for the demonstration of innovative low-carbon technologies. It focuses on mature, highly innovative technologies and big flagship projects with European value added that can bring on significant emission reductions. The target areas include innovative renewable energy generation, energy storage, carbon capture and utilisation, carbon capture and storage as well as low-carbon processes in energy intensive industries.
Eligible Applicants	Legal entities (public and private bodies)
Target Sectors	Energy, Climate and the Environment
National Contact Point	Mr. Carmel Vella, Funds and Programmes Division, Parliamentary Secretariat for EU Funds (MEFL), carmel.i.vella@gov.mt , +356 25552618.
Details on Open Calls	https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/programmes/innovfund
Official Website/s	https://ec.europa.eu/clima/policies/innovation-fund_en

Fund Name	Creative Europe
Programming Period	2021-2027
Basic Description	<p>The Creative Europe Programme is the European Commission's framework programme for support to the culture and audio-visual sectors.</p> <p>The programme is divided into three categories:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Culture sub-programme supports initiatives in the cultural sector, such as those promoting cross-border cooperation, platforms, networking, and literary translation. 2. The MEDIA sub-programme supports initiatives in the audio-visual sector such as those promoting the development, distribution, or access to audio-visual works. 3. A Cross-sector strand including a Guarantee Facility and transnational policy cooperation.
Eligible Applicants	The Creative Europe programme is open to cultural and creative organisations from EU Member States, as well as non-EU countries. Subject to certain conditions EEA (European Economic Area), candidate/potential candidate and ENP (European Neighbourhood Policy) countries can also participate in the programme on an equal footing with Member States.
Target Sectors	Culture and Creative
National Contact Point	Dr. Joseph Lia, Creative Europe Desk – Ministry for the National Heritage, the Arts & Local Government, joseph.c.lia@ewropakreattiva.mt , +356 23347215
Details on Open Calls	https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/programmes/crea2027
Official Website/s	https://ec.europa.eu/culture/creative-europe

Fund Name	Erasmus + (Direct Calls)
Programming Period	2021-2027
Basic Description	<p>Erasmus+ is the EU's programme to support education, training, youth and sport in Europe. The 2021-2027 programme places a strong focus on social inclusion, the green and digital transitions, and promoting young people's participation in democratic life.</p> <p>It supports priorities and activities set out in the European Education Area, Digital Education Action Plan and the European Skills Agenda. The programme also:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supports the European Pillar of Social Rights • Implements the EU Youth Strategy 2019-2027 • Develops the European dimension in sport
Eligible Applicants	Erasmus+ is open to many individuals and organisations, although eligibility varies from one action to another and from one country to another.
Target Sectors	Education Youth Sport

National Contact Point	The European Union Programmes Agency (EUPA) – Mr. Thomas Cassar Ruggier - thomas-oliver.cassar-ruggier@gov.mt and Mr. Clifford Debattista clifford.debattista@gov.mt
Details on Open Calls	https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/programmes/erasmus2027
Official Website/s	https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/node_en

Fund Name	European solidarity corps
Programming Period	2021-2027
Basic Description	<p>The European Solidarity Corps is an EU funding programme for young people wishing to engage in solidarity activities in a variety of areas. These range from helping the disadvantaged to humanitarian aid, as well as contributing to health and environmental action across the EU and beyond.</p> <p>The programme offers an opportunity for young people not only to make a meaningful contribution to society, but also to gain invaluable experience and develop new skills. It is open to people aged between 18 and 30 for solidarity activities addressing societal challenges, and between 18 and 35 for humanitarian aid activities. The programme also addresses organisations active in the solidarity sector looking to involve young people in their activities.</p>
Eligible Applicants	People aged between 18 and 35
Target Sectors	Volunteering
National Contact Point	The European Union Programmes Agency (EUPA) – Mr. Thomas Cassar Ruggier - thomas-oliver.cassar-ruggier@gov.mt and Mr. Clifford Debattista clifford.debattista@gov.mt
Details on Open Calls	https://europa.eu/youth/go-abroad/volunteering/opportunities_en
Official Website/s	https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/node_en
Fund Name	Justice Programme
Programming Period	2021-2027
Basic Description	<p>The Justice Programme provides funding to support judicial cooperation in civil and criminal matters such as training to judges and other legal practitioners and effective access to justice for citizens and businesses.</p> <p>It contributes to the further development of a European area of justice based on the rule of law, including independence and impartiality of the judiciary, on mutual recognition, mutual trust and judicial cooperation. It is strengthening democracy, rule of law and fundamental rights.</p>
Eligible Applicants	Legal entities (public or private bodies) established in one of the eligible countries, i.e.: EU Member State (including overseas countries and territories (OCTs), excluding Denmark) and non-EU countries associated to the Justice Programme
Target Sectors	Legal, Judicial and Justice
National Contact Point	Ms. Joanne Battistino, joanne.battistino@gov.mt Tel: +356 23279413 Department for Justice

Details on Open Calls	https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/programmes/just2027
Official Website/s	https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/programmes/just2027

Fund Name	LIFE Programme
Programming Period	2021-2027
Basic Description	The LIFE programme targets projects that test and demonstrate environmental solutions or bridge the gap between EU research and innovation programmes and those financing large-scale deployment. LIFE's main impact is indirect through its catalytic role to support small-scale projects by facilitating their development and mobilising funding from other sources. To date, more than 5 000 projects have been co-financed.
Eligible Applicants	Anyone registered in the EU: private entities, public bodies and NGOs
Target Sectors	Environment
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Details on Open Calls	https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/home
Official Website/s	https://wayback.archive-it.org/12090/20210412124812/https://ec.europa.eu/easme/en/life

Fund Name	Customs Programme
Programming Period	2021-2027
Basic Description	The general objective of the Programme is to support the customs union and customs authorities working together and acting as one to protect the financial and economic interests of the Union and its Member States, to ensure security and safety within the Union and to protect the Union from unfair and illegal trade, while facilitating legitimate business activity.
Eligible Applicants	Customs Authorities
Target Sectors	Customs
National Contact Point	Mr. Mario Borg, Customs Department – EU Affairs, Ministry for Finance and Employment, mario.m.borg@gov.mt , +356 25685150
Details on Open Calls	N/A
Official Website/s	https://ec.europa.eu/taxation_customs/national-authorities/customs-2021-2027_en

Fund Name	Customs Control Equipment Instrument
Programming Period	2021-2027
Basic Description	The specific objective of the Instrument is to contribute to adequate and equivalent results of customs controls through the transparent purchase, maintenance and upgrading of relevant and reliable state-of-the-art customs control equipment that is secure, safe and environmental-friendly, thereby helping the customs authorities act as one to protect the interests of the Union.
Eligible Applicants	Customs Authorities
Target Sectors	Customs
National Contact Point	Mr. Karlos Valentino Farrugia at Customs Department – EU Programmes, Ministry for Finance and Employment, karlos-valentino.a.farrugia@gov.mt ,+356 25685174
Details on Open Calls	N/A
Official Website/s	https://ec.europa.eu/taxation_customs/national-authorities/customs-control-equipment-instrument_en

Fund Name	FISCALIS Programme
Programming Period	2021-2027
Basic Description	The general objectives of the Programme are to support tax authorities and taxation in order to enhance the functioning of the internal market, to foster the competitiveness of the Union and fair competition in the Union, to protect the financial and economic interests of the Union and its Member States, including protecting those interests from tax fraud, tax evasion and tax avoidance, and to improve tax collection.
Eligible Applicants	Officials working in tax administration in the Member States.
Target Sectors	Taxation
National Contact Point	Mr. Claude Cuschieri, Projects Management - Office of the Permanent Secretary, Ministry for Finance and Employment, claudio.g.cuschieri@gov.mt , +356 25998317 .
Details on Open Calls	N/A
Official Website/s	https://ec.europa.eu/taxation_customs/taxation-1/tax-co-operation-and-control/fiscalis-programme_en

Fund Name	European Globalisation Adjustment Fund for Displaced Workers
Programming Period	2021-2027
Basic Description	The EGF shall support socioeconomic transformations that are the result of globalisation and of technological and environmental changes by helping displaced workers and self-employed persons whose activity has ceased to adapt to structural change. The EGF shall constitute an emergency fund that operates reactively. As such, the EGF shall contribute to the implementation of the principles set out in the European Pillar of Social Rights and shall enhance social and economic cohesion among regions and Member States.
Eligible Applicants	Member State
Target Sectors	Special EU instrument to express EU solidarity
National Contact Point	Ing. Anthony Camilleri, Funds and Programmes Division, Parliamentary Secretariat for EU Funds (MEFL), anthony.c.camilleri@gov.mt , +356 22001476 .
Details on Open Calls	N/A
Official Website/s	https://ec.europa.eu/social/main.jsp?catId=326

Fund Name	EU Solidarity Fund
Programming Period	2021-2027
Basic Description	The European Union Solidarity Fund (EUSF) was set up to respond to major natural disasters and express European solidarity to disaster-stricken regions within Europe.
Eligible Applicants	Member State
Target Sectors	Special EU instrument to express EU solidarity.
National Contact Point	Ing. Anthony Camilleri, Funds and Programmes Division, Parliamentary Secretariat for EU Funds (MEFL), anthony.c.camilleri@gov.mt , +356 22001476.
Details on Open Calls	N/A
Official Website/s	https://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/en/funding/solidarity-fund/

Fund Name	EU4Health Programme
Programming Period	2021-2027
Basic Description	EU4Health is the EU's ambitious response to COVID-19. The pandemic has a major impact on patients, medical and healthcare staff, and health systems in Europe. The new EU4Health programme will go beyond crisis response to address healthcare systems' resilience.
Eligible Applicants	Legal Entities

Target Sectors	Health
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Details on Open Calls	https://hadea.ec.europa.eu/calls-proposals_en
Official Website/s	https://ec.europa.eu/health/funding/eu4health_en

Fund Name	Citizens, Equality, Right and Values Programme
Programming Period	2021-2027
Basic Description	The general objective of the Programme is to protect and promote rights and values as enshrined in the Treaties, the Charter and the applicable international human rights conventions, in particular by supporting civil society organisations and other stakeholders active at local, regional, national and transnational level, and by encouraging civic and democratic participation, in order to sustain and further develop open, rights-based, democratic, equal and inclusive societies which are based on the rule of law.
Eligible Applicants	Legal Entities
Target Sectors	Citizenship, equality, rights, values and citizens' engagement and participation
National Contact Point	
Details on Open Calls	https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/programmes/cerv
Official Website/s	https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/programmes/cerv

Fund Name	Union Civil Protection Mechanism
Programming Period	2021-2027
Basic Description	The Mechanism aims to strengthen cooperation between the EU Member States and 6 Participating States on civil protection to improve prevention, preparedness and response to disasters.
Eligible Applicants	Eligible applicants depend on the specific call for proposal.
Target Sectors	Civil Protection
National Contact Point	Mr. Peter Paul Coleiro, Civil Protection Department, Ministry for Home Affairs, Security, Reforms and Equality, peter-paul.coleiro@gov.mt , +356 23931130
Details on Open Calls	https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/programmes/ucpm2027
Official Website/s	https://ec.europa.eu/echo/what/civil-protection/mechanism_en

Fund Name	Grants to information provision and promotion measures concerning agricultural products implemented in the internal market and in third countries in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 1144/2014 – MULTI PROGRAMMES (AGRIP)
Programming Period	2021-2027
Basic Description	<p>The general objective of the information provision and promotion measures is to enhance the competitiveness of the Union agricultural sector. These co-financed promotion programmes target either markets in the EU Member States or third countries with promising prospects for increasing imports of EU agricultural products.</p> <p>Campaigns may be designed to promote the EU quality schemes and labels (organic, protected designation of origin PDO, protected geographical indication PGI, traditional speciality guaranteed TSG, product of EU's outermost regions) or national quality schemes. They can also promote specific features of agricultural production methods in the Union, particularly in terms of food safety, traceability, authenticity, labelling, nutritional and health aspects, animal welfare, respect for the environment and sustainability.</p>
Eligible Applicants	Eligible applications are referred to in Article 7(1) of Regulation (EU) No 1144/2014.
Target Sectors	Agriculture
National Contact Point	Mr. Darren Cassar; (darren.cassar@gov.mt ; +356 22924559) Agriculture Directorate Rural Affairs Department, MAFA
Details on Open Calls	https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/programmes/agrip2027
Official Website/s	https://ec.europa.eu/chafea/agri/en/funding-opportunities/calls-for-proposals

Fund Name	Single Market Programme – High Quality European Statistics
Programming Period	2021-2027
Basic Description	The Single Market Programme aims to provide financial support for the development, production and dissemination of high-quality European statistics by the European Statistical System in a timely, impartial and cost-efficient manner.
Eligible Applicants	National Statistics Institutes and other National Statistical Authorities
Target Sectors	Statistics
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Details on Open Calls	https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/programmes/smp
Official Website/s	https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/find-funding/eu-funding-programmes/single-market-programme/overview/high-quality-european-statistics_en

Other:

Fund Name	URBACT IV
Programming Period	2021-2027
Basic Description	<p>For over 15 years, the URBACT programme has been the European Territorial Cooperation programme aiming to foster sustainable integrated urban development in cities across Europe. It is an instrument of the Cohesion Policy, co-financed by the European Regional Development Fund, the 27 Member States, Norway & Switzerland.</p> <p>URBACT's mission is to enable cities to work together and develop integrated solutions to common urban challenges, by networking, learning from one another's experiences, drawing lessons and identifying good practices to improve urban policies.</p> <p>URBACT is a European exchange and learning programme promoting sustainable urban development. It enables cities to work together to develop solutions to major urban challenges, reaffirming the key role they play in facing increasingly complex societal changes.</p>
Eligible Applicants	Municipalities
Target Sectors	Urban Planning
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Details on Open Calls	https://urbact.eu/open-calls-networks
Official Website/s	https://urbact.eu/