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Open Call for SMEs in the automotive vertical sector | 5G-IANA

The project organises an Open Call for the involvement and engagement of “third parties” with the 5G-IANA “Automotive Open Experimental Platform (AOEP)”.

5G-IANA project

5G-IANA started in June 2021 and is funded by the European Union’s Horizon 2020 Research and Innovation programme under Grant Agreement No 101016427. The project aims at providing an open 5G experimentation platform, on top of which third party experimenters, i.e., Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) in the Automotive vertical sector will have the opportunity to develop, deploy and test their services. An Automotive Open Experimentation Platform (AOEP) will be specified, as the whole set of hardware and software resources that provides the computational and communication/transport infrastructure as well as the management and orchestration components, coupled with an enhanced Networked Application (nApp) Toolkit tailored to the Automotive sector, for simplifying the design and onboarding of new nApps.

More information about the project is available at <https://www.5g-iana.eu/>.

5G-IANA Open Call #1

5G-IANA project is calling for SMEs and start-ups from Europe to apply to the project’s first Open Call that will allow them to run their automotive network applications on top of the platform provided by the 5G-IANA project making use of 5G connectivity. The 5G-IANA consortium will support its participants to develop and integrate their innovative idea using the 5G-IANA platform, facilitating in parallel the developed Repository of Virtual Network Functions (VNFs).

The program starts in June 2023 and ends in October 2023. Applications are already open!

- Application period: 22nd February-22nd May 2023
- Evaluation period: 22nd May-31st May 2023
- Pre-testing phase: June-July 2023
- Validation & testing phase: July-October 2023
- Reporting period: November 2023
- Award phase: December 2023

Who can participate?

The call is open to SMEs and start-ups working with the concept of Network Applications (nApps) in the automotive vertical, and which are already developing or are willing to develop a product or service or functionality that leverages 5G capabilities through the 5G-IANA platform. SMEs and start-

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ups should be legally established in an eligible country. Legal entities must be established in the Member States of the European Union and associated countries according to the Horizon Europe rules

Why to participate?

Selected participants will reap the following benefits:

- Access to the “AOEP” platform to develop, deploy and test their services.
- Access to a “canvas” to develop new functions and services in the automotive 5G landscape.
- Test and validate their existing or new services in real-time with 5G connectivity.
- Access to real-life 5G resources (vehicles, OBUs, RSUs, edge server/MEC).
- Continuous mentorship and support from the project’s extended network and automotive experts.
- Explore/Build new business models within the 5G ecosystem.
- Visibility towards the EU, and the 5G and automotive communities.
- Four monetary awards to the best performing experimenters in the order of 10-15K euros

How to apply?

The Open Call conditions and the procedure for the submission of applications is available in the “Guide for Applicants” on the project’s website [here](#).

The project will organise an Info Day on March 14th 2023 to inform potential applicants about the Open Call. Participants will get the opportunity to learn more about the 5G-IANA project, the offerings of the 5G-IANA experimental platform, the deployment of Network Applications and the Open Call application procedure for SMEs and Start-Ups.

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