



# OPEN CALL #2

## FAQs

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### Frequently asked questions.

#### Which is the intended audience of the Open Call?

- *The intended audience of this Open Call is any legal entity in the form of a Small and Medium-sized Enterprise (SME / start-up), which is working in any mobility-related vertical (i.e., automotive / industry 4.0 / aviation / robotics / etc.), and which is already developing or is interested in developing or testing a product / service / functionality that leverages 5G capabilities through the 5G-IANA platform. The scope of this Open Call is to help SMEs develop and integrate their innovative idea using the 5G-IANA platform.*

#### Who can apply to the Open Call?

- *The call is open to SMEs and start-ups 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. Only one entity per proposal is allowed (no consortia are allowed).*

#### How can I apply to the Open Call? Is there a deadline?

- *The Application Form shall be completed and submitted online any time after the launch of the Open Call (20 January 2024). Applications will be received and evaluated until the available funding has been exhausted.*

*Nevertheless, applicants are strongly recommended to submit their applications as soon as possible after the Open Call launch. All experiments will need to be concluded by October 2024, regardless their complexity. Therefore, the application date needs to leave sufficient time for planning and conducting the experiments.*

#### What should I expect after applying?

- *Your application will be evaluated within 1-2 weeks in terms of eligibility and feasibility. If your proposed experiment can be supported by the 5G-IANA platform and consortium expertise, then, you will be engaged in discussions with the 5G-IANA Mentors to support you in the design and execution of your experiment. Continuous, on demand support from the Mentors will be ensured. The experiments need to be concluded until October 2024. However, the duration of each experiment will depend on its complexity solely, and thus, there is no time restriction (it could, for example, range from 2 to 9 months).*

**How much is the available funding and for how many SMEs?**

- *A maximum of 5 SMEs' experiments will be accommodated on a First Come First Served basis, leading to a funding of 20000 euros to each one. The procedure for releasing the funding will be initiated immediately after the completion of the evaluation process and the signing of the micro-project agreement. Thus, for the SMEs that have been selected to participate in the Open Call, 30% of the budget will be provided to them at this stage (approx. M1 of the experiment). Then, all successfully conducted experiments (i.e., having successfully collaborated with 5G-IANA partners and delivered the final report and dissemination material) will be handed the rest of the funding (70% of the funding).*

**What if the 5 SMEs have been already selected when I apply?**

- *In case that more than 5 SMEs apply to the Open Call, the ones that apply later can still experiment with the project but without any financing (unless some budget becomes available due to non-accomplishment of the experiment by a previously accepted proposal).*





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