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Cluster 1 Health and EU Cancer Mission



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Key objectives of Cluster 1 Health

☐ Promotion of social cohesion and inclusiveness, as well as the health and well-being of citizens



- ☐ Promote health, improve disease prevention, and ensure high-quality healthcare
- ☐ Generate new knowledge and develop innovative solutions for prevention, diagnosis and treatment
- Develop health technologies and mitigate health risks
- ☐ Strengthen public health systems to be cost-effective, equitable, and sustainable





Cluster 1 Health – Work Programme







Destinations

Staying healthy in a rapidly changing society

Living and working in a healthpromoting environment

Tackling diseases and reducing disease burden

Ensuring equal access to innovative, sustainable, and high-quality healthcare

Developing and using new tools, technologies and digital solutions for a healthy society

Maintaining an innovative, sustainable, and competitive EU health industry



Work Programme 2026 – 2027

- ☐ Cluster 1 Health draft Work Programme for 2026 2027 available at the <u>European Comission Comitology</u> Register
- □ Publication December 2025.
- ☐ Opening of the 2026 calls February 2026
- □ 2026 21 topics
- □ 2027 17 topics

Horizon Europe - Work Programme 2026-2027 Health

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EU Mission Cancer



CHALLENGES

- ☐ Each year in Europe, **2.7 million** people are diagnosed with cancer
- □ 1.3 million lives are lost to the disease
- ☐ By 2040, the number of cancer diagnoses is projected to surpass **3.24 million**

MAIN GOAL

Improving the lives of more than 3 million people by 2030 through prevention, cure and for those affected by cancer including their families, to live longer and better.

4 key objectives

- 1. Understanding cancer
- 2. Prevention and early detection
- 3. Diagnosis and treatment
- 4. Improving quality of life

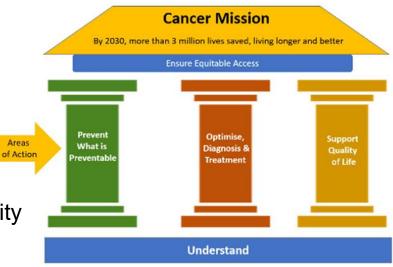






EU Mission Cancer Goals

- ➤ Improve cancer control across Europe
- > Place citizens, especially patients, at the center of research and innovation
- > Ensure integration of research and innovation into policy, supporting Europe's Beating Cancer Plan
- > Implement a strategic research and innovation plan to better understand cancer
- > Design effective prevention strategies
- > Develop **new screening methods** for early detection
- > Enable optimized diagnosis and better treatment
- > Improve quality of life for patients and families
- > Provide **tailored support** to countries, regions and communities
- > Establish a **high level of cooperation** within the cancer patient community







Work Programme 2026 – 2027

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 <u>Register</u>
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- **□** 2026 7 topics
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Who can apply and types of projects

RIA
Research and
Innovation
Action

At least 3 partner organisations*

IA Innovation Action

100% of the project costs

70% of the project costs100% for non-profit organizations



- **□** EU Member States
- □ Associated countries
- □ Third countries



^{*} from 3 different EU or associated countries



EU Funding and Tenders Portal



European Commission

EU Funding & Tenders Portal







Discover the funding & tenders opportunities

Find out how to participate by following these key steps.

Find calls for proposals

Explore the available EU funding opportunities by searching for calls for proposals within your topics of interest, find partners and submit a proposal.

View projects and results

Browse through EU funded projects and learn about the results. Invest in opportunities and get inspired by the highlights and success stories.

Find calls for tenders

Find business opportunities in the calls for tenders managed by EU institutions, bodies and agencies.

Work as an expert

Proposals and projects need evaluations, monitoring and domain-specific knowledge advice from experts.





National Contact Point (NCP) support and services

- ☐ Informing and awareness raising: circulate general and specific information on HE; organise informational and promotional activities; raise awareness of HE funding opportunities
- □ Assisting, advising and training: assist researchers and organisations with a view of increasing and improving their participation in HE; advise on administrative procedures rules and issues; organise courses and training seminars
- ☐ Transnational co-operation between NCPs and EC





Important dates and useful links

- ☐ Publication of Work Programme 2026 2027 **December 2025**
- ☐ Opening of the 2026 calls **February 2026**
- ☐ Cluster 1 Info Day 10 February 2026
- □ Cluster 1 Health International Brokerage Event 26 30 January 2026
- ☐ Horizon Europe InfoDays EU Missions 21 22 January 2026
- □ <u>EU Cancer Mission Conference</u> 4 <u>December 2025</u>, <u>Copenhagen</u>
- ☐ Horizon Europe Programme Guide
- ☐ Cluster 1: Health
- EU Mission: Cancer
- Cancer Mission implementation
- Europe's Beating Cancer Plan
- ☐ Health-NCP-Net 3.0 (HNN 3.0)









Thank you for your attention!

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