

Priložnosti v okviru delovnega programa 2025 WIDERA

**STRENGTHENING THE EUROPEAN
RESEARCH AREA**

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HORIZON EUROPE

SPECIFIC PROGRAMME: EUROPEAN DEFENCE FUND

*Exclusive focus on
defence research
& development*

Research
actions

Development
actions

SPECIFIC PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTING HORIZON EUROPE & EIT*

Exclusive focus on civil applications



Pillar I EXCELLENT SCIENCE

European Research Council

Marie Skłodowska-Curie

Research Infrastructures



Pillar II GLOBAL CHALLENGES & EUROPEAN INDUSTRIAL COMPETITIVENESS

Clusters

- Health
- Culture, Creativity & Inclusive Society
- Civil Security for Society
- Digital, Industry & Space
- Climate, Energy & Mobility
- Food, Bioeconomy, Natural Resources, Agriculture & Environment

Joint Research Centre



Pillar III INNOVATIVE EUROPE

European Innovation
Council

European innovation
ecosystems

European Institute of
Innovation & Technology*

WIDENING PARTICIPATION AND STRENGTHENING THE EUROPEAN RESEARCH AREA

Widening participation & spreading excellence

Reforming & Enhancing the European R&I system

EURATOM

Fusion

Fission

Joint
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Center

* The European Institute of Innovation & Technology (EIT) is not part of the Specific Programme





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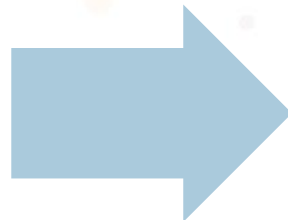


The **Council Conclusions** define the **governance and implementation** framework, the **Pact for R&I** sets the **strategic direction and values**, and the **ERA Policy Agenda** serves as the **practical roadmap** to achieve the goals of the renewed ERA.

HORIZON EUROPE STRATEGIC PLANS

The strategic plan sets out 3 strategic orientations for research and innovation investment under Horizon Europe for the years 2025-2027:

- **Green transition**
- **Digital transition**
- A more **resilient, competitive, inclusive and democratic** Europe



WORK PROGRAMMES

Work programmes set out funding opportunities under Horizon Europe.

• **The main work programme**

Marie Skłodowska-Curie
research infrastructures under Pillar I
all clusters under Pillar II
European innovation ecosystems under Pillar III
Widening participation and **Strengthening the European Research Area**

• **Other work programmes cover**

European Research Council (ERC)
Joint Research Centre (JRC)
European Innovation Council (EIC)



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Work Programme 2021-2022

11. Widening participation and strengthening the European Research Area

(European Commission Decision C(2022)2975 of 10 May 2022)



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DESTINATION 3:

Reforming and enhancing the EU research and innovation system

The **new ERA** calls for deepening existing priorities and initiatives through new and stronger approaches.

The green and digital transitions and the recovery call for cooperation between the Commission and the Member States.

They require the setting of **new priorities**, **launching ambitious joint initiatives** and developing **common approaches between policies**.



STRAND 1

Recognises the **importance of prioritising investments and reforms to accelerate the green and digital transformation** and to increase competitiveness as well as the speed and depth of the recovery.

It offers **support for policy makers** and addresses the need for better analysis and evidence, including simplifying and facilitating the inter-play between national and European R&I systems.

STRAND 2

Addresses the need to **improve access to excellence** and to increase the performance of R&I systems,

building on dedicated Horizon Europe measures as well as **complementarities** with smart specialisation strategies under the Cohesion Policy.

STRAND 3

Addresses the **importance of translating R&I results into the economy.**

R&I policies should aim to boost the **resilience and competitiveness** of our economies and societies.

STRAND 4

Addresses the challenge of **deepening** the ERA and includes **Open Science, Higher Education and Researchers, Citizen Science, Science Education, Gender and Ethics.**

It aims at underpinning a new ERA benefiting from knowledge creation, circulation and use.

This empowers higher education institutions and research organisations to embrace a **transformative** process; where a highly skilled workforce **circulate** freely; where research outputs are **shared**; where gender equality is **assured**; where the outcomes of R&I are **understood**, trusted and increasingly used, by educated informed scientists and citizens to the **benefit of society.**

EXPECTED IMPACT

1. Reform and **enhance** of the European R&I system;
2. Prioritisation of investments and reforms, accomplish the recovery and the twin transitions;
3. Improved **access to excellence**;
4. High quality scientific production and stronger translation of R&I results into the economy;
5. **Deepen the ERA**;
6. Coordinated national and regional R&I programmes by pooling national resources and contributing to the alignment of national research and innovation policies;
7. Improved knowledge for policy making about the networking patterns of research support staff and research management;
8. **Synergies between research & innovation and higher education policies and programmes**;
9. Modernised higher education sector, addressing higher education, research, and innovation;
10. Increased number of interconnected knowledge ecosystems, strong in knowledge creation, circulation and use;
11. **Researchers benefitting from attractive careers**;
12. Inclusive gender equality is promoted in the European research and innovation system;
13. A more open and inclusive research and innovation system;
14. **Increased capacity in the EU R&I system to conduct open science and to set it as a modus operandi of modern science**;
15. Increased engagement of citizens with research and innovation;
16. Increased alignment of strategic research with societal needs, expectations and values;
17. Identify synergies between second and third level education, and between education and business;
18. Increased trust in science and R&I outcomes, and greater two-way communication between science and society;
19. **Knowledge and a highly skilled workforce circulate freely**;
20. Improved capacities within the EU R&I system to conduct open science.

CALLs & TOPICs - 2023

Topics	Type of Action	Budgets (EUR million)	Expected EU contribution per project (EUR million) ⁵⁵	Indicative number of projects expected to be funded		
		2023				
Opening: 06 Dec 2022 Deadline(s): 09 Mar 2023					Call	Strand
HORIZON-WIDERA-2023-ERA-01-01	CSA	6.00	Around 2.00	3	Programme level collaboration between national R&I policy-makers	PRIORITISING INVESTMENTS AND REFORMS (Strand 1)
HORIZON-WIDERA-2023-ERA-01-02	CSA	2.00	Around 2.00	1	A strong European R&I Foresight Community to better inform R&I policy decisions in the European Research Area about potential futures	
HORIZON-WIDERA-2023-ERA-01-03	CSA	3.00	Around 1.00	3	Experimentation and exchange of good practices for value creation	TRANSLATING R&I RESULTS INTO THE ECONOMY (Strand 3)
HORIZON-WIDERA-2023-ERA-01-04	CSA	1.00	Around 1.00	1	Development of new approaches to the macroeconomic modelling of research and innovation	
HORIZON-WIDERA-2023-ERA-01-05	CSA	2.20	Around 2.20	1	Exploitation and valorisation of results relevant for the ERA Policy Agenda	DEEPENING THE EUROPEAN RESEARCH AREA (general) (Strand 4)
HORIZON-WIDERA-2023-ERA-01-06	CSA	2.50	Around 2.50	1	Building a virtual European Info Platform on Contemporary China	
HORIZON-WIDERA-2023-ERA-01-07	CSA	5.00	Around 5.00	1	Support to reforms of research assessment in the European Research Area	DEEPENING THE EUROPEAN RESEARCH AREA - OPEN SCIENCE (Strand 4)
HORIZON-WIDERA-2023-ERA-01-08	CSA	3.00	Around 1.50	2	Laying the groundwork towards Europe-wide citizen science campaigns	DEEPENING THE EUROPEAN RESEARCH AREA - CITIZEN SCIENCE (Strand 4)
HORIZON-WIDERA-2023-ERA-01-09	CSA	2.00	Around 2.00	1	Policy support to facilitate the implementation of a zero-tolerance approach towards gender-based violence in the ERA	DEEPENING THE EUROPEAN RESEARCH AREA - GENDER (Strand 4)
HORIZON-WIDERA-2023-ERA-01-10	CSA	2.00	Around 2.00	1	Support to the implementation of an EU Manifesto for STE(A)M education and research and innovation career paths to tackle gender inequalities in the ERA	
HORIZON-WIDERA-2023-ERA-01-11	CSA	3.00	Around 3.00	1	Research ethics for environmental and climate technologies	DEEPENING THE EUROPEAN RESEARCH AREA - ETHICS (Strand 4)
HORIZON-WIDERA-2023-ERA-01-12	CSA	3.00	Around 3.00	1	The future of research ethics review in the changing research environments	

CALLs & TOPICs – 2024/1

Topics	Type of Action	Budgets (EUR million)	Expected EU contribution per project (EUR million) ¹¹¹	Indicative number of projects expected to be funded
		2024		
Opening: 06 Dec 2023 Deadline(s): 12 Mar 2024				
HORIZON-WIDERA-2024-ERA-01-01	CSA	6.00	Around 2.00	3
HORIZON-WIDERA-2024-ERA-01-03	CSA	1.00	Around 1.00	1
HORIZON-WIDERA-2024-ERA-01-04	CSA	0.50	Around 0.50	1
HORIZON-WIDERA-2024-ERA-01-05	CSA		Around 1.00	2
HORIZON-WIDERA-2024-ERA-01-07	CSA	2.00	Around 2.00	1
HORIZON-WIDERA-2024-ERA-01-08	CSA	2.50	Around 2.50	1
HORIZON-WIDERA-2024-ERA-01-09	CSA	2.00	Around 2.00	1
HORIZON-WIDERA-2024-ERA-01-10	CSA	3.50	Around 3.50	1
HORIZON-WIDERA-2024-ERA-01-11	CSA	3.00	0.50 to 1.00	4
HORIZON-WIDERA-2024-ERA-01-12	CSA	3.00	Around 3.00	1

Calls	Strand
Programme level collaboration between national R&I policy-makers	PRIORITISING INVESTMENTS AND REFORMS (Strand 1)
Support for the professionalisation of research management	IMPROVING ACCESS TO EXCELLENCE (Strand 2)
Strengthening researchers' skills for better careers – leveraging the European Competence Framework for Researchers	
Experimentation and exchange of good practices for value creation	TRANSLATING R&I RESULTS INTO THE ECONOMY (Strand 3)
Capacity building on Intellectual Property (IP) management to support open science	DEEPENING THE EUROPEAN RESEARCH AREA - OPEN SCIENCE (Strand 4)
Global cooperation in not-for-profit open access publishing	
Support to the development and implementation of policies and practices for reproducibility of scientific results	
Policy coordination to support all aspects of inclusive Gender Equality Plans and policies in the ERA	DEEPENING THE EUROPEAN RESEARCH AREA - GENDER (Strand 4)
Support to the implementation of inclusive gender equality plans	
Next generation AI and Human Behaviour: promoting an ethical approach	DEEPENING THE EUROPEAN RESEARCH AREA - ETHICS (Strand 4)

CALLs & TOPICs – 2024/2

Topics	Type of Action	Budgets (EUR million)	Expected EU contribution per project (EUR million) ¹³¹	Indicative number of projects expected to be
		2024		
				funded
Opening: 15 May 2024 Deadline(s): 25 Sep 2024				
HORIZON-WIDERA-2024-ERA-02-01	CSA	2.00	Around 1.00	2
HORIZON-WIDERA-2024-ERA-02-02	CSA	6.00	Around 6.00	1
HORIZON-WIDERA-2024-ERA-02-03	CSA	20.00	1.00 to 2.00	15
Overall indicative budget		28.00		

Call	Strand
Experimentation and exchange of good practices for value creation	DEEPENING THE EUROPEAN RESEARCH AREA (Strand 4)
Science comes to town	
Talent ecosystems for attractive early research careers – pilot	

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- Ohranja se osnovno poslanstvo: **focuses on building R&I capacities at the level of R&I institutions and ecosystems.**
- Ohranjajo se **4 področja**, ki se neposredno navezujejo na 20 ERA Ukrepov:
 - ✓ **Priority area I** (Deepening a truly functioning internal market for knowledge) = **ERA Actions 1-7**
 - ✓ **Priority area II** (Taking up together the green transition and digital transformation and other challenges with impact on society and increasing society's participation in the ERA) = **ERA Action 14**
 - ✓ **Priority area III** (Enhancing access to research and innovation excellence across the Union and enhancing interconnections between innovation ecosystems across the Union) = **ERA Action 17**
 - ✓ **Priority area IV** (Advancing concerted research and innovation investments and reforms) = **ERA Actions 19 and 20**
 - + Contributions to Pact for R&I principles
- Ohranjajo se pričakovani učinki: credible pathway to **contributing to reforming and enhancing the EU research and innovation system**, and more specifically to one or several of the following impacts across the four priority areas.



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Topics	Type of Action	Budgets (EUR million)	Expected EU contribution per project (EUR million)	Indicative number of projects expected to be funded	Priority area / ERA Action
HORIZON-WIDERA-2025-06-ERA-01: Rolling out the ERA Policy Agenda results	CSA	26.00	1.50 to 2.00	13	Priority I: Actions 1, 3, 4, 6, 7 Priority III: Action 17
HORIZON-WIDERA-2025-06-ERA-02: Enable sustained coordination and guidance at the European level on institutional non-profit open access publishing	CSA	2.00	Around 2.00	1	Priority I: Action 1
HORIZON-WIDERA-2025-06-ERA-03: Research and innovation to provide evidence that support reforms of research assessment	RIA	2.00	Around 2.00	1	Priority I: Action 3
HORIZON-WIDERA-2025-06-ERA-04: Investigating and addressing career barriers faced by underrepresented and marginalised researchers	RIA	2.00	Around 2.00	1	Priority I: Actions 5, 4
HORIZON-WIDERA-2025-06-ERA-05: Programme-level collaboration	CSA	4.00	Around 2.00	2	Pact for R&I principles Priority IV: Action 17, 20
HORIZON-WIDERA-2025-06-ERA-06: Strengthening of the European Science for Policy Ecosystem	CSA	2.00	Around 2.00	1	Pact for R&I principles Priority IV: Action 17, 19, 20
HORIZON-WIDERA-2025-06-ERA-07: Science comes to town 2027	CSA	6.00	Around 6.00	1	Priority 2: Action 14
Overall indicative budget		44.00			

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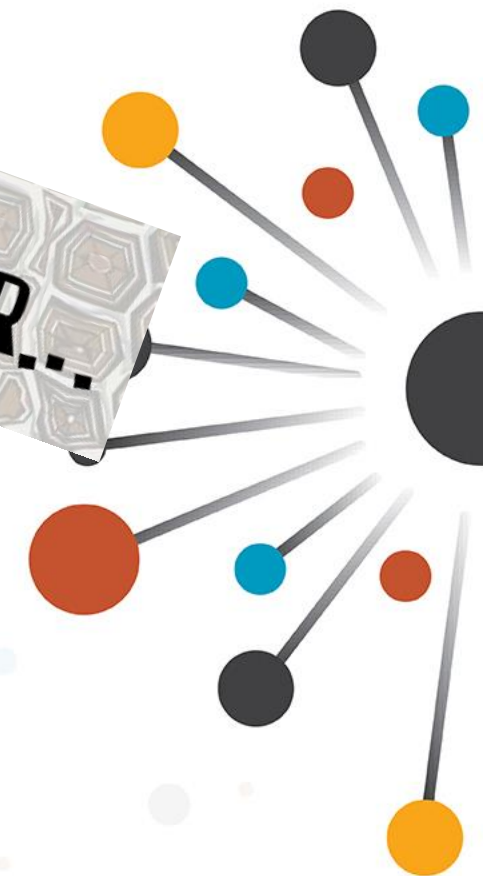
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- Delovni program 26-27 podpira implementacijo **NOVE(!) ERA Policy Agende 2025-2027**, ki se deli na **konkretne ukrepe** (*new, time-limited initiatives*) in **strukturne politike** (*long-term policies*) > *the destination will support the development of the ERA, fostering the fifth freedom of movement of researchers, scientific knowledge and technology, to be better able to address global challenges and boost Europe's competitiveness.*
- **Razpis 2026:** fokus na aktivnostih neposredno navezane na ERA **ukrepe in politike**, razdeljene na **4 stebre**:
 - ✓ **Pillar I:** Institutional changes in the ERA – CSA
 - ✓ **Pillar II:** ERA ecosystems - CSA
 - ✓ **Pillar III:** Citizens and science for ERA - CSA
 - ✓ **Pillar IV:** New knowledge for ERA - **RIA**
- **Razpis 2027:** „**bottom-up**“ aktivnosti, ki se navezujejo na **politike** > focus on collaborative action, capacity-building, and sharing knowledge on ERA achievements



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INSPIRING ERA PROJEKT

Our goal is to **raise awareness**, **share best practices** and **speed up the adoption of advancements made under the umbrella of the ERA** to benefit researchers and citizens across the countries involved.

ERA Community (AKA novičnik za vse zadeve povezane z ERA).

Prijava:

<https://www.inspiring-era.eu/join-the-era-community/>

INSPIRING ERA EXCHANGE,

dogodki o posameznih ERA Ukrepih:

[Ukrep 4 \(kariere\), 4.12.2024](#)

[Ukrep 14 \(občanska znanost\), 3.12.2024 \(Berlin\)](#)

[Ukrep 3 \(reforma ocenjevanja\), 22.11.2024 \(online\)](#)

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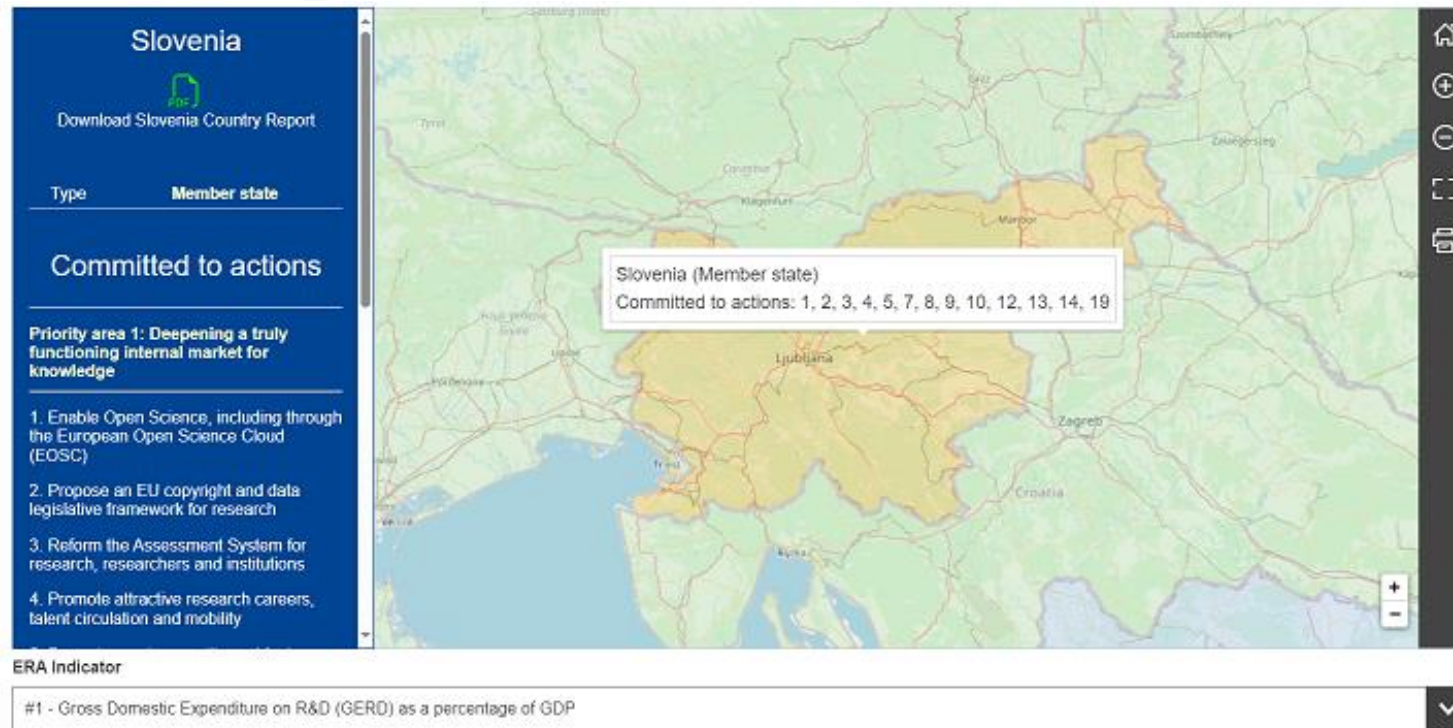
Resources, podpora in pomoč o posameznih ERA Ukrepih (zbiranje informacij in podajanje znanja)



ERA Platform

<https://european-research-area.ec.europa.eu/>

The European Research Area platform provides space for researchers, innovators, citizens, and policymakers to connect, collaborate, and access the **latest information, data and resources related to the European Research Area.**



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- Portal za sodelujoče v Obzorju Evropa (Funding & Tenders Portal):
<https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/programmes/horizon>
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