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## Societal Challenge 2: Food Security, Sustainable Agriculture and Forestry, Marine and Maritime and Inland Water Research and the Bioeconomy



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# The Multiannual Financial Framework 2014-2020: European Council conclusions, 8 February 2013

**Key challenge:** stabilise the financial and economic system while taking measures to create economic opportunities

## 1. Smart & inclusive growth (€451 billion)



## 2. Sustainable growth, natural resources (€373 billion)

### 3. Security and citizenship (€16 billion)

### 4. Global Europe (€58 billion)

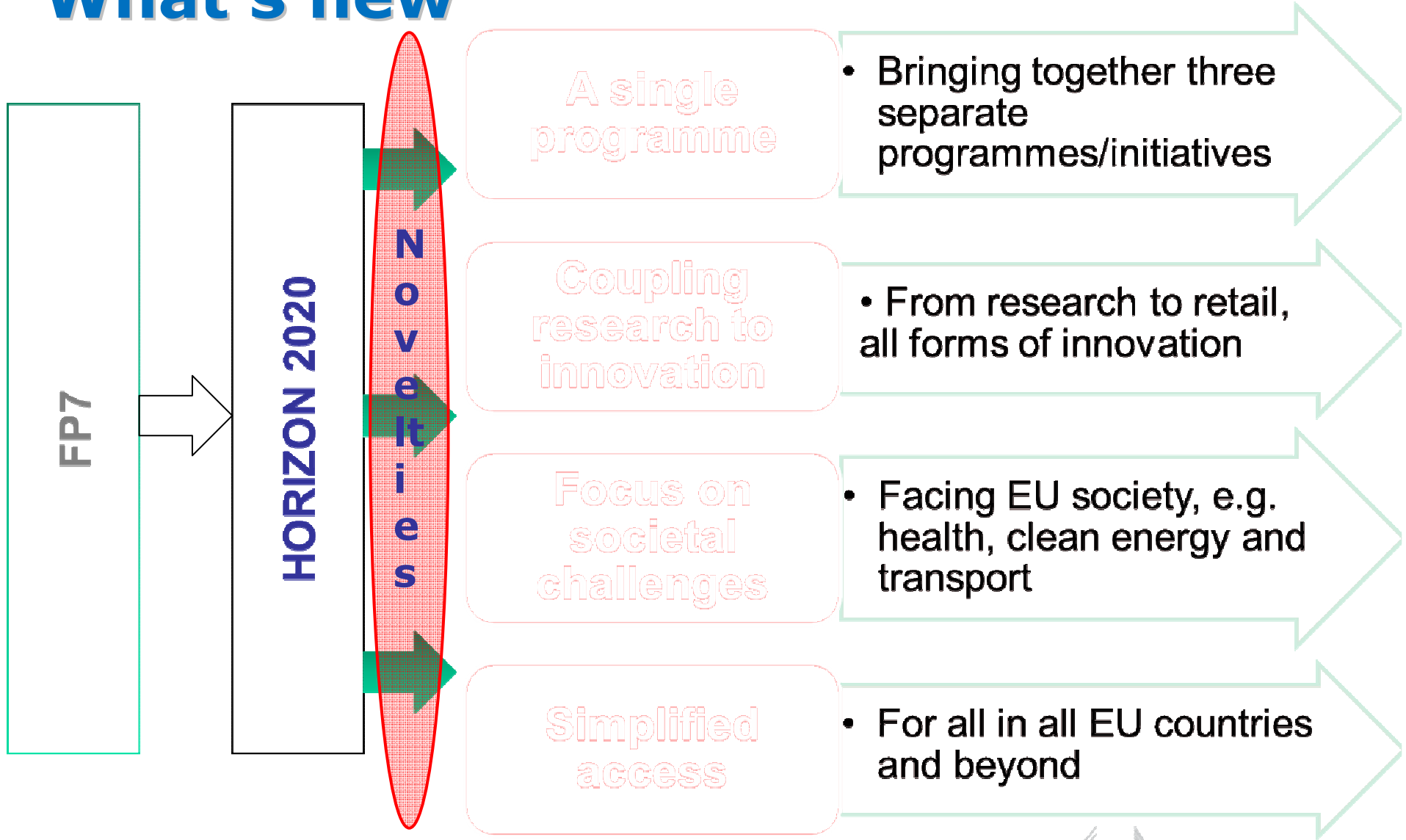
### 5. Administration (€61.6 billion)



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# What's new



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# Three priorities:



1. Health, demographic change and wellbeing

2. Food security, sustainable agriculture and forestry, marine and maritime and inland water research, and the bioeconomy

3. Secure, clean and efficient energy

4. Smart, green and integrated transport

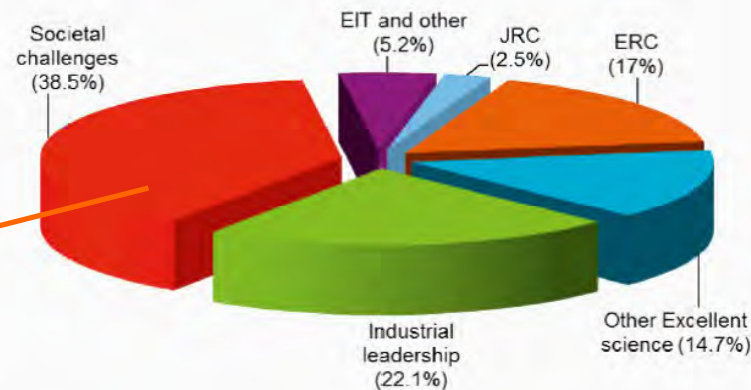
5. Climate action, resource efficiency and raw materials

6. Inclusive, innovative and reflective societies

7. Secure societies

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H2020 budget € 77 billion



**Budget for SC2: < €3,8 billion = More than double of budget under FP7**

## Biggest EU investment in Research and Innovation

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→ Making the best from our biological resources

## Objectives:

- Sufficient supplies of safe and high quality food and bio-based products,
- productive and resource-efficient primary production systems,
- competitive and low carbon supply chains.

to accelerate the transition to a sustainable European bioeconomy

→ Bioeconomy Strategy

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## Activities:



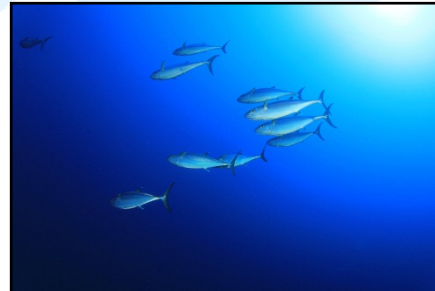
**Agriculture and forestry**

**Agri-food sector for a safe and healthy diet**

**Aquatic living resources**

**Bio-based industries and bioeconomy**

**Marine and maritime research**



# Activity 2.1. Sustainable Agriculture and Forestry

- 2.1.1. Increasing **production** efficiency, coping with **climate change**, while ensuring **sustainability and resilience**
- 2.1.2. Providing **ecosystem services** and public goods
- 2.1.3. Empowerment of **rural areas**, support to policies and rural innovation
- 2.1.4. Sustainable **Forestry**



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# Activity 2.2 Sustainable and competitive agri-food sector for a safe and healthy diet

- 2.2.1. Informed **consumer choices**
- 2.2.2. **Healthy and safe foods** and diets for all
- 2.2.3. A sustainable and competitive **agri-food industry**

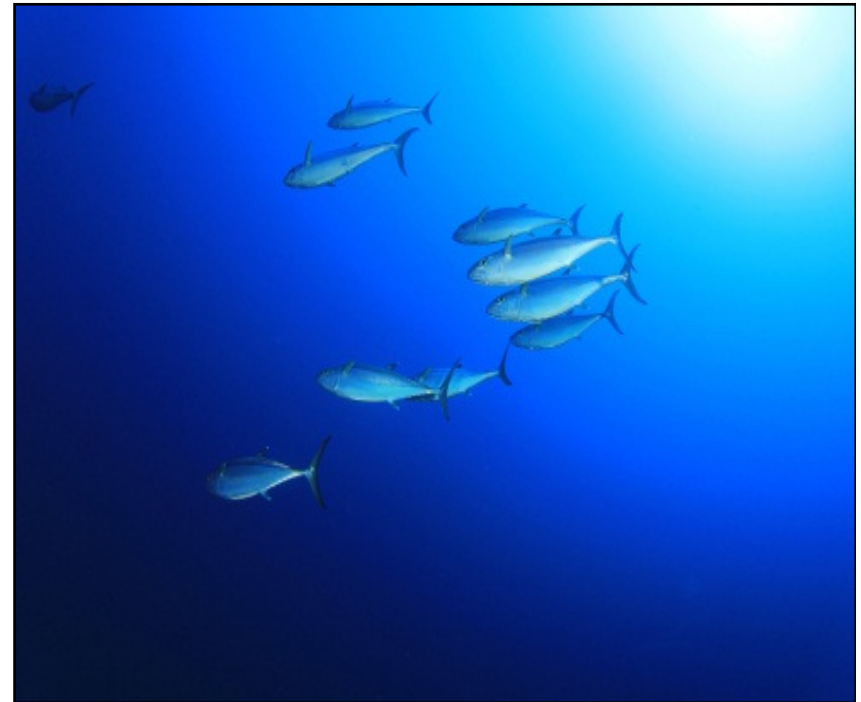


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# Activity 2.3. Unlocking the potential of aquatic living resources

- 2.3.1. Developing sustainable and environmentally-friendly **fisheries**
- 2.3.2. Developing competitive and environmentally-friendly **European aquaculture**
- 2.3.3. Boosting **marine and maritime innovation** through biotechnology



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# Activity 2.4. Sustainable and competitive bio-based industries and (...) bioeconomy

Full title: Activity 2.4. Sustainable and competitive bio-based industries and supporting the development of a European bioeconomy

2.4.1. Fostering the **bioeconomy** for **bio-based industries**

2.4.2. Developing integrated **biorefineries**

2.4.3. Supporting **market development** for bio-based products and processes

*\*Most activities related to sustainable and competitive bio-based industries as defined in the Horizon 2020 Specific Programme will be implemented through the Joint Technology Initiative (JTI) on Bio-based Industries.*



# Activity 2.5. Cross-cutting marine and maritime research

2.5.1. **Climate change impact** on marine ecosystems and maritime economy

2.5.2. Developing the potential of **marine resources** through an integrated approach

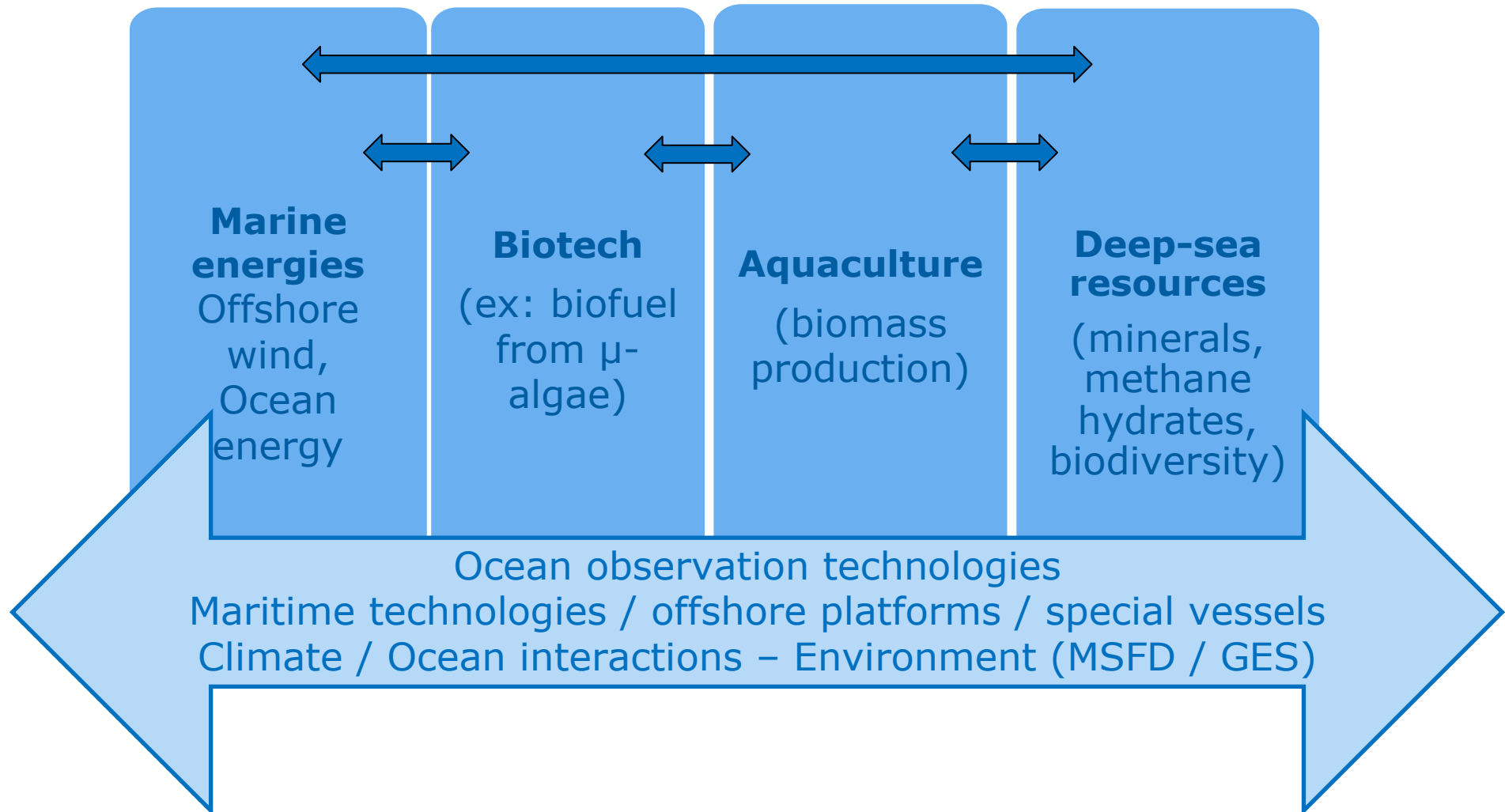
2.5.3. Cross-cutting concepts and technologies **enabling maritime growth**

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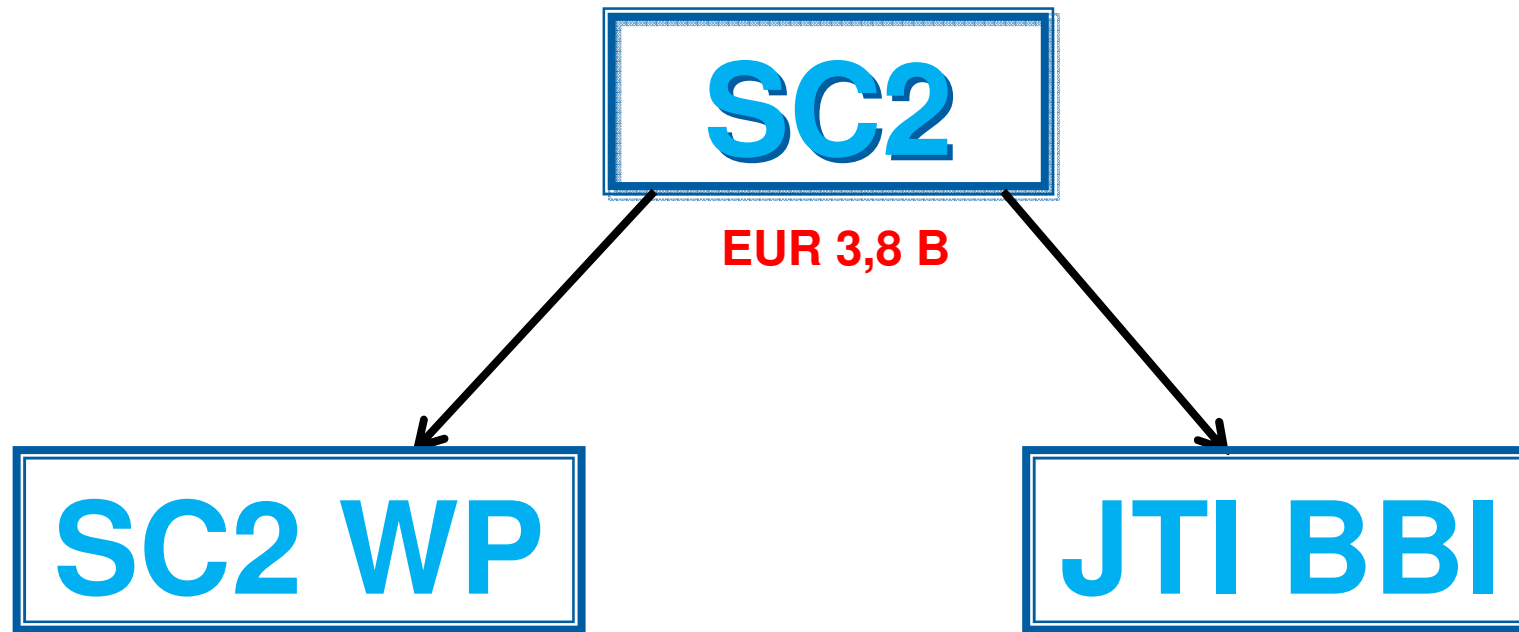


# Activity 2.5. Cross-cutting marine and maritime research

## Horizon 2020 – Blue Growth



# Implementing H2020 SC2



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# Implementing H2020 SC2

## A strategic programming approach

Work programme preparation based on strategic programming exercise for the next three years

To increase impact of the funding, and a more integrated approach

Leitmotiv of the first work programme is the economic crisis and the path to sustainable growth - Horizon 2020 can make a significant contribution to this effort

Identify 12 focus areas on which resources and effort will be concentrated for maximum impact

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# Implementing H2020 SC2

## Specificities of the new Framework Programme

**Challenge-based approach**

**Less prescription**

**Broader topics**

**Simplified list of possible types of action**

**Cross-cutting issues mainstreamed**

**Work programmes with a 2 year-duration**

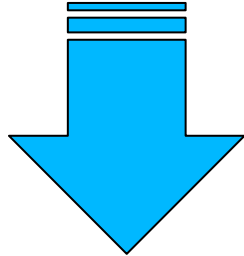
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# Implementing H2020 SC2

## Specificities of the new Work Programme



It reflects  
the challenge-based approach of H2020:

- **Specific Challenge**

- sets the context, the problem to be addressed, why intervention is necessary

- **Scope**

- delineates the problem, specifies the focus and the boundaries of the potential action BUT without overly describing specific approaches

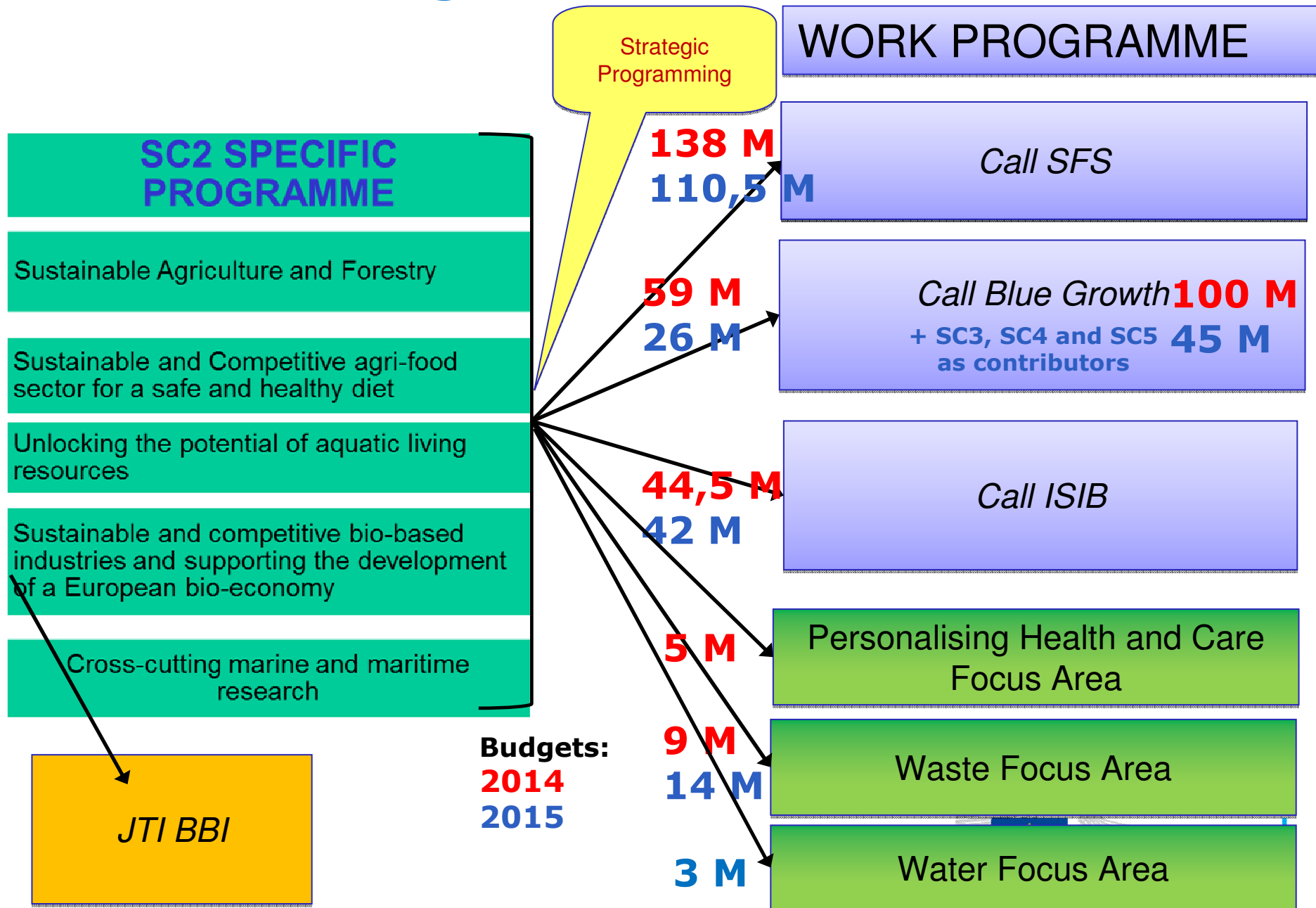
- **Expected Impact**

- describe the key elements of what is expected to be achieved in relation to the specific challenge

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# SC2 Work Programme 2014-2015



## SC2: Three calls

### Sustainable Food Security

- Sustainable food production systems
- *Safe food and healthy diets and sustainable consumption*
- Global drivers of food security

### Blue Growth

- Sustainably exploiting the diversity of marine life
- New offshore challenges
- Ocean observation technologies/systems
- Socio-economic dimension - engagement with society

### Innovative, Sustainable and Inclusive Bioeconomy

- Sustainable agriculture and forestry
- Sustainable and competitive bio-based industries
- Cross-cutting actions covering all the activities

# SC2: Sustainable Food Security Call

## Examples of topics:

### 1. Sustainable food production systems

- SFS-1-2014/2015: Sustainable terrestrial livestock production
- SFS-2-2014/2015: Sustainable crop production
- SFS-8-2014/2015: Resource-efficient eco-innovative food production and processing
- SFS-9-2014: Towards a gradual elimination of discards in European fisheries

### 2. Safe food and healthy diets and sustainable consumption

- SFS-12-2014: Assessing the health risks of combined human exposure to multiple food-related toxic substances
- SFS-13-2015: Biological contamination of crops and the food chain
- SFS-14-2014/2015: Authentication of food products
- SFS-15-2014: Proteins of the future
- SFS-16-2015: Tackling malnutrition in the elderly
- SFS-17-2014: Innovative solutions for sustainable novel food processing

### 3. Global drivers of food security

- SFS-19-2014: Sustainable food and nutrition security through evidence based EU agro-food policies

# SC2: Blue Growth Call

## Sustainably exploiting the diversity of marine life

- BG1-2015: Atlantic marine ecosystems
- BG2-2015: Effects of climate change on F&A
- BG3-2014: Novel marine biomolecules
- BG4-2014: Potential of marine derived enzymes

## New offshore challenges

- BG5-2014: Innovative offshore economy
- BG6-2014: Sub-sea technologies
- BG7-2015: Response capacities to oil spills and marine pollutions

## Ocean observation technologies/systems

- BG8-2014: Atlantic Ocean observation
- BG9-2014: Acoustic and imaging technologies

## Horizontal aspects

- BG10-2014: Competitiveness of Seafood markets
- BG11-2014: Monitoring, disseminating and valorizing research outputs
- BG12-2014/2015: SME instrument
- BG13-2014: Ocean literacy
- BG14-2014: Atlantic Ocean Cooperation Research Alliance
- BG15-2014: Polar research
- BG16: JPI Oceans CSA

# SC2: Innovative, Sustainable and Inclusive Bioeconomy Call

## Sustainable Agriculture and Forestry

- ISIB-1-2014: Provision of public goods by EU agriculture and forestry: Putting the concept into practice
- ISIB-2-2014/2015: Closing the research and innovation divide: the crucial role of innovation support services and knowledge exchange
- ISIB-3-2015: Unlocking the growth potential of rural areas through enhanced governance and social innovation
- ISIB-4-2014/2015: Improved data and management models for sustainable forestry

## Sustainable and competitive bio-based industries

- ISIB-5-2014: Renewable oil crops as a source of bio-based products
- ISIB-6-2015: Converting CO<sub>2</sub> into chemicals
- ISIB-7-2014: Public procurement networks on innovative bio-based products

## Cross-cutting actions covering all activities

- ISIB-8-2014: Towards a sustainable Bioeconomy (Communication and dissemination activities)
- ISIB-9-2014 to ISIB-14-2014/2015: Support to ERANETS and JPIS

# SC2: WP 2014-2015

## Types of actions:

- 29 Research and Innovation Actions
  - 2 Innovation actions
  - 13 Coordination and Support actions
  - 1 ERANET Cofund (*but 6 possible ERANETS*)
  - 2 SME instrument → *multiple deadlines*
- } → *Two-stage*
- } → *Single-stage*

## Budget and expected results:

- 2014: EUR 250 M → ~49 projects (average EUR 5,2M / project)
- 2015: EUR 200 M → ~36 projects (average EUR 5,5M / project)

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# SC2: WP 2014-2015

## Cross-cutting issues mainstreamed

**SME: FP7:>15% H2020:>20%**

- 2 SME instrument topics (5% of budget)
- SME-friendly topics

**SSH integrated throughout the WP**

- SSH dedicated topics
- SSH encouraged in other topics

**Targeted International Cooperation**

- General opening of all topics

Open Access: participants can opt in the pilot projects on Open Access to Data



# Implementing H2020 SC2

## Characteristics of projects I

### Variety of type of actions

- But mainly Research and Innovation, though going more towards innovation

### Variety of type of beneficiaries

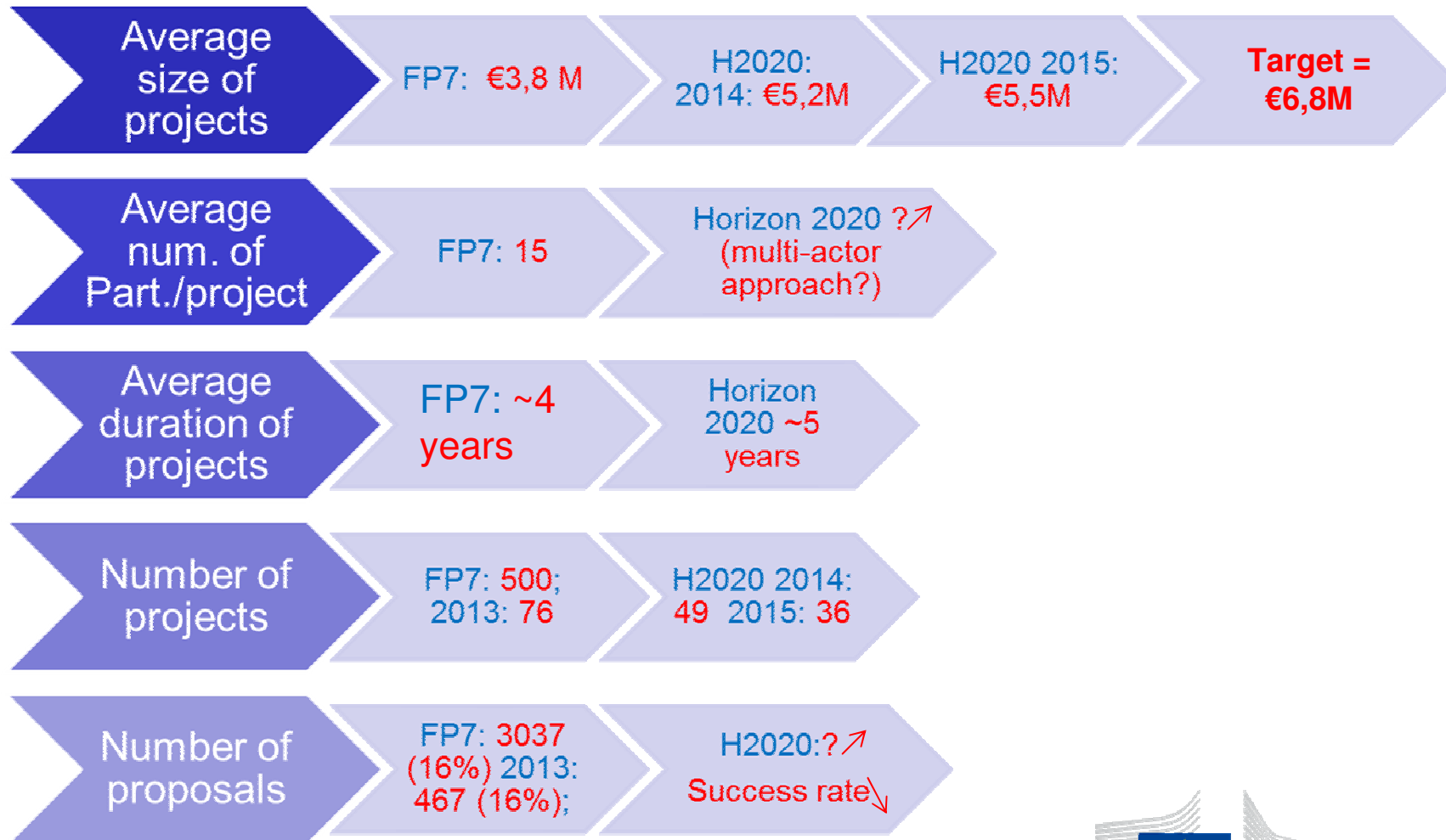
- From research institutions to industries and farmers, Multi-actor approach strengthened

### Management mode:

- Programme defined by DG RTD and DG AGRI
- Project management shared RTD/REA

# Implementing H2020 SC2

## Characteristics of projects II

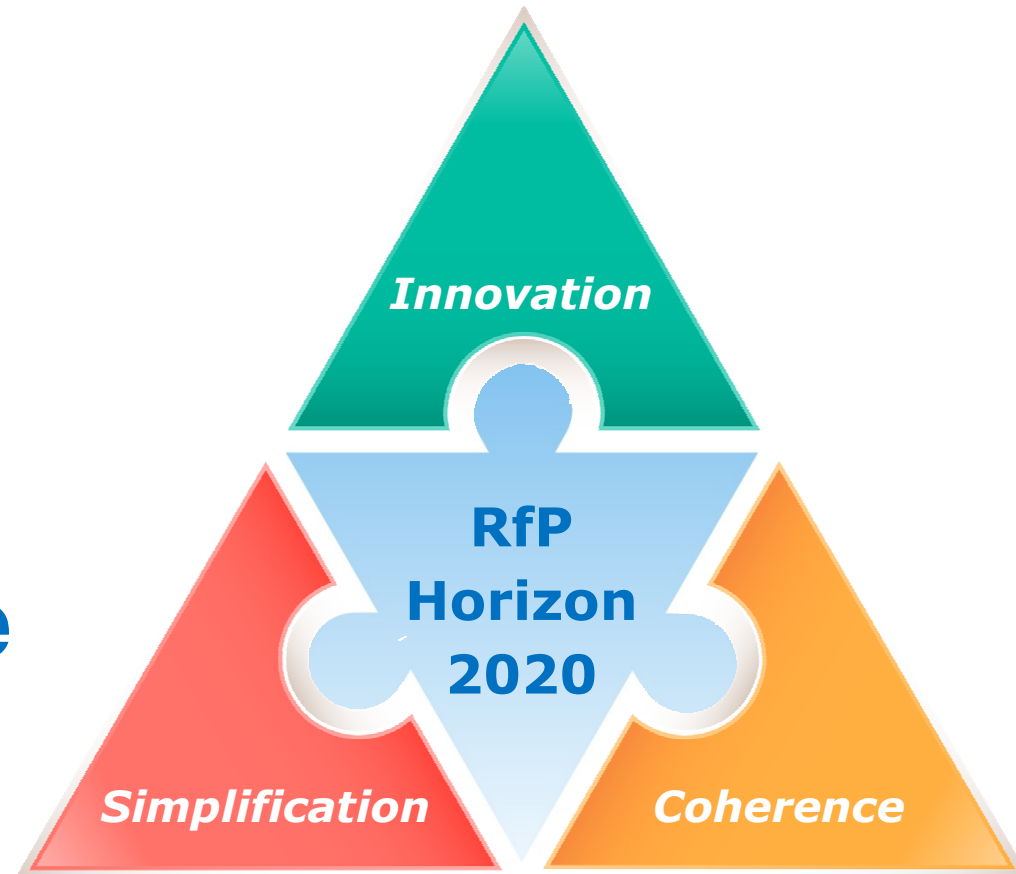


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# Horizon 2020: Rules for participation

Three main objectives

**Innovation,  
Simplification  
and Coherence**



# Horizon 2020: A single set of rules



- Covering all H2020 research and innovation actions
- Keeping flexibility where needed

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# Horizon 2020: Conditions for Participation

## Minimum conditions

### ✓ **Standard collaborative actions**

At least three legal entities each established in a different Member State or an Associated Country;

### ✓ **ERC, SME instrument, programme co-fund, coordination and support, training and mobility actions:**

One legal entity established in a Member State or in an Associated Country

## Additional Conditions

### ✓ **In the work programme or work plan**

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# Horizon 2020: Conditions for Participation

## Proposal Structure

### Based around evaluation criteria:

#### ✓ **Excellence**

Eg. Objectives, concept, progress beyond state-of-art...

#### ✓ **Impact**

Eg. Potential impact (*incl. with reference to WP*); measures to maximise impact (*dissemination, communication, exploitation*)

#### ✓ **Implementation**

Including work packages descriptions

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# Horizon 2020: Conditions for Participation

## Submission

- ✓ Full use of pre-registered data (PIC etc)
- ✓ Self check for SME status, financial viability
- ✓ Proposal “part B” structure closely matching criteria
- ✓ Aligned with Grant Agreement “Description of Work”
- ✓ Simpler but tougher page limits  
“warn and watermark” in first round of calls
- ✓ More 2-stage procedure; with simplified approaches for short proposals

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## HORIZON 2020 CALLS

66 results

Filter options

**Specific Programme:**

- Excellent Science
  - ↳ European Research Council
  - ↳ Future and Emerging Technologies
  - ↳ Marie Skłodowska-Curie actions
  - ↳ European research infrastructures (including eInfrastructures)
- Industrial Leadership
  - ↳ Leadership in enabling and industrial technologies
    - ↳ Information and communication technologies
    - ↳ Nanotechnologies, Advanced materials, Advanced manufacturing and processing, Biotechnology
    - ↳ Space
  - ↳ Access to risk finance
  - ↳ Innovation in SMEs
- Societal Challenges
  - ↳ Health, demographic change and wellbeing
  - ↳ Food security, sustainable agriculture and forestry, marine and maritime and inland water research and the bioeconomy
  - ↳ Secure, clean and efficient energy
  - ↳ Smart, green and integrated transport
  - ↳ Climate action, environment, resource efficiency and raw materials
  - ↳ Europe in a changing world – inclusive, innovative and reflective Societies
  - ↳ Secure societies – Protecting freedom and security of Europe and its citizens
  - ↳ Cross-challenge area
- Spreading excellence and widening participation
- Science with and for society

Type:

- Calls for proposal
- Calls for tender

Status:

- Open calls
- Closed calls
- Forthcoming calls

call for proposals  
DIETAL CHALLENGES  
ustainable Food Security  
20-SFS-2014/2015  
DATE 2013-12-11 DEADLINE 2014-03-18  
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call for proposals  
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Blue Growth: Unlocking the



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Search keywords:  Search

Horizon 2020 predefined criteria:

- [Cross-cutting Key-Enabling Technologies \(KETs\)](#)
- [International cooperation](#)
- [ERA-NET](#)
- [SME Instrument](#)
- [Gender](#)
- [Socio-economic science and Humanities](#)

3 results | Filter options:  Open calls  Closed calls  Forthcoming calls | Sort by:  Publication date  Title  Deadline  Call ID

**Topic: *SFS 7 - 2014: Optimising external nutrient inputs in intensive crop production systems in Europe***  
European crop production is facing more and more difficulties in remaining competitive in the global market for many reasons. One of these reasons is certainly the high cost of external nutrient inputs necessary  
[More...](#)  
Call title: Sustainable Food Security Status: **Open**  
Call identifier: [H2020-SFS-2014/2015](#) Deadline: **2014-03-18**

**Topic: *WATER 2 – 2014/2015: Integrated approaches to water and climate change***  
The rising demands of a growing world population for food, water, materials and energy will put increasing pressures on land use, water resources and ecosystems. Energy consumption is expected to increase, [More...](#)  
Call title: Water Innovation: Boosting its value for Europe Status: **Open**  
Call identifier: [H2020-WATER-2014/2015](#) Deadline: **2014-03-18**

**Topic: *WATER 5 – 2014/2015: Strengthening international R&I cooperation in the field of water***  
Developing countries, especially in Africa, are facing serious challenges for sustaining its development. Sustainable water supply and sanitation is fundamental to the food security, health, survival [More...](#)  
Call title: Water Innovation: Boosting its value for Europe Status: **Open**  
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**Call:** [Water innovation: boosting its value for Europe](#)

**Topic:** *Bridging the gap from innovative water solutions to market replication* **WATER 1 – 2014/2015**

[Topic Description](#) [Topic Conditions](#) [Call Documents](#) [Submission Service](#)

**Topic Conditions**

**Eligibility conditions** – The [standard eligibility conditions](#) apply. Please read carefully these provisions before the preparation of your application.

**Evaluation criteria** – The [standard evaluation criteria](#) apply. Please read carefully the provisions before the preparation of your application.

**Evaluation procedure** – Please read carefully the [standard evaluation procedure](#) provisions before the preparation of your application.

Proposal page limits and layout: **10 pages**

Applicants must ensure that proposals confirm to the **page limits and layout** given in the Guide for Applicants (see Call Documents) , and in the proposal part B template available through the electronic Submission Services of the Commission.

The Commission will instruct experts to disregard any pages exceeding these limits.

The minimum font size allowed is 11 points. The page size is A4, and all margins (top, bottom, left, right) should be at least 15mm (not including any footers or headers).

Topic	Evaluation results (single or first stage)	Evaluation results (second stage)	Indicative date for signing of grant agreements
Water 1		Maximum 6 months after the deadline	Maximum 9 months after the deadline

Should the call publication postponed, the dates in this table should be adjusted accordingly.

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# Horizon 2020: Evaluation of proposals



- ✓ **First phase** ➔ only EXCELLENCE and IMPACT
- ✓ **ERC frontier Research actions** ➔ only EXCELLENCE
- ✓ **Innovation actions** ➔ higher weighting for "IMPACT"

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# Horizon 2020: Evaluation of proposals

## Scoring/weights/thresholds

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### As in FP7:

Each criterion scored out of 5

Individual threshold of 3

Overall threshold of 10

### Unlike FP7, for Innovation Actions and SME instrument...

Impact criterion weighted by  
factor 1.5

Impact considered first when  
scores equal

For first phase:  
individual threshold of 4

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# Horizon 2020: Evaluation of proposals

## Evaluation Process

Chain of individual, consensus and panel review maintained. But **changes from FP7:**

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### Dealing with multi-disciplinary/sectoral proposals

- New expert profiles, new blood;
- Robust rules on expert turnover;
- More experts per proposal;
- Clear procedures for cases where experts disagree

Call for experts planned for November

### Dealing with 8 month TTG (details in next slide)

- Proposals strictly evaluated on their own merit
- More multi-step (stopping evaluation when threshold failed)
- Fast and simplified procedure for SME instrument

No recommendations for substantial changes

# Horizon 2020: Time to Grant Speeding up the process I

## A maximum TTG of 8 months



*Some exceptions apply*

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# Horizon 2020: Time to Grant Speeding up the process II

## How to speed up the process

### ✓ No more negotiations

each proposal evaluated 'as it is',  
not as 'what could be';

### ✓ Legal entity validated parallel

### ✓ No more paper

e-communication & e-signature of grants



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- search for funding opportunities
- download guidance and legal documents
- search for the participant identification code (PIC) of an organisation
- contact the FP7 support services and browse the FAQ for guidance on the Participant Portal tools

**As a registered user,** benefit from personalised services for proposal submission, negotiation, and project management.

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# Horizon 2020: Calendar

## Publication of first calls:

- Pre-published version already on-line on the Horizon 2020 website
- Prelaunch of Horizon 2020 first calls (2014-2015): **11 December 2013**
- Bio-NCP meeting: 16 January 2014
- Infoday: 17 January 2014

## Calendar of Deadlines in 2014 and 2015:

- **Single-stage** (CSAs, ERANETs):

**2014: 26/06/2014**

**2015: 11/06/2015**

- **Two-stage** (RIA, IA):

**2014: 12/03/2014      and      26/06/2014**

**2015: 24/02/2015      and      11/06/2015**

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**Bioeconomy Portal and Info Day:** <http://ec.europa.eu/research/bioeconomy/>

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