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| Hungary - Israel 7th Call for Proposals for Joint R&D Projects Deadline for Submission – June 12th, 2019 Scope Following the signing and ratification of the bilateral cooperation agreement in joint R&D between Hungary and the State of Israel, the two parties are pleased to launch the seventh Call for Proposals for joint R&D projects.This call aims at developing innovative products and applications. Applicants are expected to develop ready to market solutions or projects which have strong market potential for both Hungary and Israel. Although this call invites projects in all thematic areas, our special focus would be given to the following suggested domains:* Sustainable and clean technologies
* Agriculture and food technologies

ICT, in particular Artificial Intelligence (AI) based development and cyber securityBiotech, health-related technologies and medical devicesIntelligent transport systems including autonomous driving and related fields.ISERD and NRDIO provide access to public funding for joint projects provided by the Innovation Authority and NRDI respectively. The call is announced within the framework of the Agreement between the Government of Hungary and the Government of the State of Israel on bilateral cooperation in private sector industrial research and development. Linkage will also be ensured with other supportive networks to which both countries participate with a special mention to Eureka-Eurostars programs and the EEN network.The budget of the call is 6 Million Euro in total and Hungary and Israel will earmark three Million Euros to fund their participants respectively. However, each country may decide to exceed this level of financing. ISERD and NRDIO will provide all necessary assistance to project partners during project proposal, evaluation and monitoring phase. In addition, both parties will facilitate EUREKA/Eurostars application process and acquisition of the EUREKA/Eurostars label for accepted proposals. Call Launch and Structure The Call is launched on February 14th, 2019 by NRDIO and ISERD. Eligible participants from both countries are invited to submit joint project proposals for industrial R&D projects according to the following procedures: Qualifications The partners should include at least one Israeli and one Hungarian R&D performing commercial company. Participation of research institutes/universities is welcome as additional participants or subcontractors according to each country’s funding regulations. Companies from other countries may also participate, but they will not be funded by the Innovation Authority or by NRDIO. The project should evidence an obvious advantage and added value resulting from the cooperation between the participants from the two countries (e.g. increased knowledge base, commercial leads, access to R&D infrastructure etc.). The project should be equally significant to both participants.The participants are encouraged to conclude a preliminarily signed a partnership agreement on the commercialization of the product, process or service once the phase of research and development has been completed and the ownership and use of knowhow and IPR settlements (“Partnership Agreement”).Any partner whose cooperative R&D project is consistent with the aforesaid criteria can apply to the present announcement in accordance with the national Laws, Rules, Regulations and Procedures in effect. Submission procedureSubmission and the approval procedures consist of one phase. This announcement invites partners to present joint proposals for R&D projects using Eureka forms no later than June 12th 2019.Partners will be asked to present a short project outline via the following [*Eureka Project Application Form*](http://www.eurekanetwork.org/download-project-application-form)The completed electronic form (the Eureka Project Application Form) must be submitted simultaneously to the Innovation Authority and NRDIO by June 12th, 2019.The forms have to be legally signed by all participating companies.The signatures must be scanned and sent together with the form as an integral part of the application. The forms must be filled in English, signed by both project partners and sent to the program managers. * In ISRAEL: Israeli partners will be invited to submit in **addition and at the same time** as the short project outline their funding applications to the Innovation Authority using this link: [הגשת בקשה](https://my.innovationisrael.org.il/messages).

A provisional consortium agreement among project partners is needed at the moment of proposal submission in this phase.Submission to the Innovation Authority: June 12th, 2019.* In HUNGARY: Hungarian partners should submit their Application form

 (**2019-2.1.10-TÉT-IL)** through the Electronic Portal for Proposals, Information and Communication (EPTK): * the EUREKA Project application form (in English),
* some additional documents indicated in the call for proposals and in the Application guideline must be submitted to the NRDIO. The call for proposals document the Application guideline and the templates are available using the following link:

http://nkfih.gov.hu/palyazoknak/nkfi-alap/magyar-izraeli-ipari-kf-egyuttmukodesi-palyazat/2019-2110-tet-ilSubmission to NRDIO: April 15th, 2019 (17:00 h. local time).Projects starts are foreseen in Q4 2019.Companies should contact ISERD and NRDIO before submission in order to receive further information on the submission (see contact information at the end of the document).Financing Projects in the frame of this announcement will be financed by the respective national authorities in Hungary & Israel, in accordance with the national laws, rules, regulations & procedures in effect. Hungary : Applications should involve at least one Hungarian for-profit organization. Participation of research institutes/universities is welcome as additional participants or subcontractors. If a project has more than one participant from either partner country, the number of consortium members may not exceed five per countries. Applications may be submitted by the following entities:* business companies with registered seat in Hungary or Hungarian branches of business companies with registered seat in the EEA, having at least one full financial year closed, applying double-entry bookkeeping, not belonging to the scope of simplified entrepreneurial tax (EVA) or small taxpayers’ itemized lump sum tax (KATA);
* non-profit organisations not engaged in any market influencing activity and qualifying as research centres and knowledge dissemination organisations under EU law;
* Hungarian budgetary organs or their institutions with legal personality, not engaged in any market influencing activity.

Further conditions for applicants and general terms and conditions for consortia are provided in the Application Guidelines.Israel : An Israeli R&D performing company which initiates a single or multi-year program to provide know-how, processes or methods for the manufacture of a new product, application, technology base service or process. The product must have a sizeable potential for export sales. Research institutes or other participants may apply as a subcontractor to a company. The support is in the form of a conditional grant amounting generally up to 50% (+ regional incentives for companies located in designated "development zones") of the eligible R&D budget. Further details regarding grants and payment of royalties are available at the Innovation Authority web site. Publicity of the Results Project partners whose projects have been funded by its own authorities in accordance with the national regulations and procedures will be informed by means of email by the contact person mentioned below. For further information and partner search requests Hungary (NRDIO): Mr. Gergely Mészáros, Phone: +36 1 896 3741, E-mail: gergely.meszaros@nkfih.gov.hu Israel (ISERD):  Mr. Uzi Bar-Sadeh, +972-3-5118185, e-mail: uzi@iserd.org.il  |
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