**Announcement:**

# **Cyprus - Israel Call for Proposals for Joint R&D Projects**

# Submission by October 30, 2024

## **Scope**

The Cyprus Research and Innovation Foundation and the Israel Innovation Authority are jointly announcing a new Call for Proposalsfor joint R&D projects, focusing on developing innovative products and applications in the following topics/subtopics:

**1. Digital Technologies**

**2. Advanced Materials**

**3. Agrifood**

**4. Maritime and Shipping Ecosystems**

**5. Renewable energy**

**6. Space Ecosystem**

**7. Health**

**8. Environment**

This call is announced within the framework of the Agreement signed between the two countries for cooperation in the field of industrial research and development.

## **Call Launch and Structure**

The Call is launched on 21st May 2024. The call invites partners to present joint proposals for R&D projects. The call submission deadline is on **October 30, 2024, 12:00** and the project starting dates are anticipated in Q2/25.

Eligible applicants are invited, according to their national criteria, to submit joint proposals for industrial R&D projects.

## **Partnering Opportunities**

For partner search requests contact details are given below.

## **Project content and evaluation**

Expected project results will have to contribute to the development of new or substantially improved high added value products / services / production methods with prospects of commercial exploitation. The proposals should comply with the following guidelines:

* **The partners should include at least one Israeli and one Cypriot enterprise** (though participation of other organizations is welcome as additional participants or subcontractors, according to each country’s funding regulations).
* The project should have 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 demonstrate the contribution of the participants from both countries.

## **Submission and evaluation procedures:**

## **For Israeli participants:**

## Submission and the approval procedures consist of one phase with the following steps:

Partners will be asked to present a **short project outline** via the following

[Project Application Form](https://innovationisrael.org.il/sites/default/files/Bilateral%20Application%20Form_%D7%98%D7%95%D7%A4%D7%A1%20%D7%91%D7%99%D7%9C%D7%98%D7%A8%D7%90%D7%9C%D7%99.docx)

* Israeli partners will be invited to submit **in addition** and **at the same time as the short project outline** their funding applications to the Authority using the online system.
* A provisional consortium agreement among project partners is needed at the moment of proposal submission in this phase.
* **Submission to the Innovation Authority 30**th **October 2024 till 12:00.**

**Companies should contact IIA before submission in order to receive the submission guidelines.**

## **For Cypriot participants:**

As for Cypriot participants, participating organizations are invited to submit their full national application via the [IRIS Portal](https://iris.research.org.cy/#!/) to the [Research and Innovation Foundation](https://www.research.org.cy/) by **October 30th, 2024, time 12:00**. Please consult the national Call for Proposals as announced on the IRIS Portal for more information.

## **Financing**

## Funding support will be given to each partner by its own Implementing Organisation (IIA for partners from Israel and RIF for partners from Cyprus), in accordance with each country’s national laws, rules, regulations and procedures in effect.

## **The Cypriot side has agreed to earmark a budget of € 900,000 for the Call. The total public funding per project by the Cypriot side, cannot exceed € 200.000.**

## **Project Duration**

12-24 Months

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