



## Questions & Answers

Call for proposals 2022  
HORIZON-ER-JU-2022-02

Date of publication: 6/10/2022

Document History		
1	27/09/2022	First publication: Q 1-6
2	06/10/2022	Second publication: Q7-11

1	<p>Dear team,</p> <p>I've seen that in call EU-RAIL JU Call Proposals 2022-02 (HORIZON-ER-JU-2022-02), in comparison to all other ERJU calls this has a big difference between first number (2.3M) partners budget and "Overall Indicative budget" (23M). What does this mean exactly? Is it expected that the non-partners fund that part with private resources? What would be considered eligible costs in that case? This is important for consortia creation.</p> <p><a href="https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/horizon-er-ju-2022-fa7-03;callCode=HORIZON-ER-JU-2022-02;freeTextSearchKeyword=;matchWholeText=true;typeCodes=1;statusCodes=31094501,31094502,31094503;programmePeriod=2021%20-%202027;programCcm2Id=43108390;programDivisionCode=null;focusAreaCode=null;destination=null;mission=null;geographicalZoneCode=null;programmeDivisionProspect=null;startDateLte=null;startDateGte=null;crossCuttingPriorityCode=null;cpvCode=null;performanceOfDelivery=null;sortQuery=sortStatus;orderBy=asc;onlyTenders=false;topicListKey=topicSearchTablePageState">https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/horizon-er-ju-2022-fa7-03;callCode=HORIZON-ER-JU-2022-02;freeTextSearchKeyword=;matchWholeText=true;typeCodes=1;statusCodes=31094501,31094502,31094503;programmePeriod=2021%20-%202027;programCcm2Id=43108390;programDivisionCode=null;focusAreaCode=null;destination=null;mission=null;geographicalZoneCode=null;programmeDivisionProspect=null;startDateLte=null;startDateGte=null;crossCuttingPriorityCode=null;cpvCode=null;performanceOfDelivery=null;sortQuery=sortStatus;orderBy=asc;onlyTenders=false;topicListKey=topicSearchTablePageState</a></p>	<p>For topic hyperloop industrial roadmap and pilots Topic ID HORIZON-ER-JU-2022-FA7-03, EU-Rail estimates that an <i>EU contribution</i> of EUR 2.3 million would allow these outcomes to be addressed appropriately. Nonetheless, this does not preclude submission and selection of a proposal requesting different amounts.</p> <p>The <i>total indicative budget</i> in term of Total Project Costs for the project stemming from this topic is EUR 23 million, which is built from the requirement to create <b>leverage effect at 10x</b>. This is expected to result from the assets, HR and know-how brought inside the project by the entities participating to the consortium. It may also result from possible external investments – e.g. national funding in the form of in-kind contributions, against activities that may contribute to achieve the project objectives.</p> <p>This leverage effect shall result from the consortia, independently from the requirement applicable to the private Founding Members of EU-Rail participating to consortia submitting any proposal.</p> <p>To answer your question regarding eligibility, the costs that will be funded by EU-Rail, i.e. EUR 2.3 million shall meet the eligibility conditions set out in Art 6 of the HE MGA.</p> <p>Eligible costs will take the form of a lump sum as defined in the Decision of 7 July 2021 authorising the use of lump sum contributions under the Horizon Europe Programme – the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2021- 2027) – and in actions under the Research and Training Programme of the European Atomic Energy Community (2021-2025). [[This decision is available on the Funding and Tenders Portal, in the reference</p>
---	-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------

		<p>documents section for Horizon Europe, under 'Simplified costs decisions' or through this link: <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/docs/2021-2027/horizon/guidance/ls-decision_he_en.pdf">https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/docs/2021-2027/horizon/guidance/ls-decision_he_en.pdf</a>].</p>
2	<p>We are a group of cities and railways and we'd like to apply for the Call: New railway station concept for green and socially inclusive smart cities We have some basic questions:</p> <p>we cannot find the "specific conditions" for this call. When clicking on the link into the Call, it redirects to a general page with the list of all the calls. So, it seems there is not a Call Manual specific for this call. We can find only the general manuals and annexes, but they concern ALL the calls. So, not a specific one for this call. Is it normal??</p> <p>idem for the budget. we cannot find the budget for this call. Is it normal? Where can we find it?</p> <p>We look forward to hearing from you soon, as without all this info we cannot proceed on developing a proposal.</p>	<p>Thank you for your email. Please note that when clicking on the topic ID New railway station concept for green and socially inclusive smart cities: HORIZON-ER-JU-2022-ExpIR-01, the following link appears, containing the specific topic description and conditions and documents:</p> <p><a href="https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/horizon-er-ju-2022-explr-01;callCode=HORIZON-ER-JU-2022-02;freeTextSearchKeyword=rail;matchWholeText=true;typeCodes=0,1,2,8;statusCodes=31094501,31094502,31094503;programmePeriod=null;programCcm2Id=43108390;programDivisionCode=null;focusAreaCode=null;destination=null;mission=null;geographicalZonesCode=null;programmeDivisionProspect=null;startDateLte=null;startDateGte=null;crossCuttingPriorityCode=null;cpvCode=null;performanceOfDelivery=null;sortQuery=sortStatus;orderBy=asc;onlyTenders=false;topicListKey=topicSearchTablePageState">https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/horizon-er-ju-2022-explr-01;callCode=HORIZON-ER-JU-2022-02;freeTextSearchKeyword=rail;matchWholeText=true;typeCodes=0,1,2,8;statusCodes=31094501,31094502,31094503;programmePeriod=null;programCcm2Id=43108390;programDivisionCode=null;focusAreaCode=null;destination=null;mission=null;geographicalZonesCode=null;programmeDivisionProspect=null;startDateLte=null;startDateGte=null;crossCuttingPriorityCode=null;cpvCode=null;performanceOfDelivery=null;sortQuery=sortStatus;orderBy=asc;onlyTenders=false;topicListKey=topicSearchTablePageState</a></p> <p>Please note that there was an IT issue with the budget figures, which has now been fixed. When clicking on the button „see budget overview“, the relevant budgetary figures appear for each call topic. For call topic HORIZON-ER-JU-2022-ExpIR-01, the budget year 2022 is 700,000 Eur.</p> <p>This is also indicated on p. 196 of the AWP 2022-2024:</p>

		<p><b>HORIZON-ER-JU-2022-EXPLR-01: NEW RAILWAY STATION CONCE GREEN AND SOCIALLY INCLUSIVE SMART CITIES</b></p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Topics</th> <th>Type of Action</th> <th>Expected EU contribution per project (EUR million)<sup>131</sup></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td colspan="3" style="text-align: center;">Opening: 13 September 2022 Deadline(s): 14 December 2022</td> </tr> <tr> <td>HORIZON-ER-JU-2022-ExplR-01</td> <td>RIA</td> <td style="text-align: center;">0.7</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Overall indicative budget</td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: center;">0.7</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The total indicative budget for the topic is EUR 0.7 million. Applicant Private Members of the EU-Rail part of consortia responding to this topic should provide in-kind contributions to additional activities to be declared via the template model available on the F&amp;T portal. The amount of total in-kind contributions (i.e. in-kind contributions for operational activities and in-kind contributions for additional activities) should be no less than 1.263133 times the funding request, in aggregate, of these applicant Private Members. Any discrepancy shall be well and duly justified.</p> <p>In this respect, the grant agreements will set, in principle, annual deliverable on in-kind contributions for the projects selected under this topic, as well as mandatory reporting requirements, for those applicants who are Private Members of EU-Rail.</p>	Topics	Type of Action	Expected EU contribution per project (EUR million) <sup>131</sup>	Opening: 13 September 2022 Deadline(s): 14 December 2022			HORIZON-ER-JU-2022-ExplR-01	RIA	0.7	Overall indicative budget		0.7
Topics	Type of Action	Expected EU contribution per project (EUR million) <sup>131</sup>												
Opening: 13 September 2022 Deadline(s): 14 December 2022														
HORIZON-ER-JU-2022-ExplR-01	RIA	0.7												
Overall indicative budget		0.7												
3	<p>Good afternoon, We have another question for you:</p> <p>The consortium, when submitting the application, would like to subcontract the task of Procurement of Innovative Solutions (PCP/PPI), in procuring the innovations for developing the Living Labs in the 4 stations.</p> <p>Our question is the following: Is it possible to outline in the proposal that we will subcontract for this specific task? As each Living Lab would get 50.000 euros for a pilot of an</p>	<p>Thank you for your question.</p> <p>There is no maximum treshold for subcontracting.</p> <p>However, please note that only limited parts of the action may be subcontracted.</p> <p>Limited parts means that subcontracting remains proportionate both in terms of share of subcontracted action tasks as well as in terms of share in the eligible cost.</p>												

	<p>Innovative Solution, we would therefore subcontract the 200.000 euros so then they can manage the entire process of procurement (PCP/PPI) and its management. Is it possible? Or 200.000 euros is over the limit of subcontracting?</p> <p>Thank you very much</p>	<p>Please also note that according to Art 6.2.B of the HE annotated model grant agreement (<a href="https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/docs/2021-2027/common/guidance/aga_en.pdf">https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/docs/2021-2027/common/guidance/aga_en.pdf</a>), the subcontracting costs must comply with the following eligibility conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– fulfil the general conditions for costs to be eligible (i.e. incurred/used during the action duration, necessary, linked to the action, etc; see Article 6.1(a))</li> <li>– be based either on the best value for money (considering the quality of the service, good or work proposed, i.e. the best price-quality ratio) or on the lowest price</li> <li>– not be subject to conflict of interest (see Article 12).</li> </ul> <p>The tasks to be subcontracted and the estimated cost for each subcontract must be set out in Annex 1 and the total estimated costs of subcontracting per beneficiary must be set out in Annex 2</p>
4	<p>We have 2 questions concerning the call HORIZON-ER-JU-2022-FA7-03</p> <p>1. Specific conditions. It concerns the following sentence: "Applicant Private[[As defined in Article 2(5) of Council Regulation (EU) 2021/2085.]] Members of the EU-Rail part of consortia responding to this topic should provide <u>in-kind contributions to additional activities to be declared via the template model available on the F&amp;T portal</u>".</p> <p>Can you please explain what you mean with the 'template model available on the F&amp;T portal'? Is this the template available when you start a proposal in the F&amp;T portal, called "MembersContribution_AnnexI_PartB_perFA_A_final.xlsx"?</p> <p>2. Can you please confirm if funding from the</p>	<p>1. There are two annexes to the part B template</p> <p>1- The detailed budget table_he_Ju_er_Is- euratom_en_final –(this is the so called LS budget table)</p> <p>2- The membersContribution_AnnexI_PartB_perFA_final</p> <p>The two annexes are offered in Excel in SEP and are part of the proposal.</p> <p>1. Please be informed that the funding from the Europe's Rail is considered as public funding.</p> <p>The joint undertakings are public-private partnerships in the specific sectors established under Article 187 of the Treaty on the</p>

	<p>EU-RAILJU is private of public funding? Please could you add to your explanation any reference to legal text / document?</p> <p>Functioning of the European Union. The legal basis for establishment of the Europe's Rail Joint Undertaking is the Council Regulation (EU) 2021/2085 of 19 November 2021 (available under the link - <a href="#">EUR-Lex - 32021R0695 - EN - EUR-Lex (europa.eu)</a>). The objective of Europe's Rail is to deliver Research and Innovation Programme under the rules of the Regulation (EU) 2021/695 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 28 April 2021 establishing Horizon Europe – the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation, laying down its rules for participation and dissemination (“Horizon Europe Regulation”), available under the link - <a href="#">Publications Office (europa.eu)</a>. The implementation of the budget of the Europe's Rail is strictly regulated by the JU Financial Rules available under the link - <a href="#">S2R-JU-Financial-Rules.pdf (europa.eu)</a> (cf. Chapter 7).</p> <p>The funding from the Europe's Rail Joint Undertaking is, in vast majority of cases, distributed in a form of grants, which are awarded based on the open calls for proposals. The ongoing calls for proposals are available at the Europe's Rail's website (<a href="https://rail-research.europa.eu/participate/call-for-proposals/ongoing-call-for-proposals/">https://rail-research.europa.eu/participate/call-for-proposals/ongoing-call-for-proposals/</a>).</p> <p>You will find information on new calls on the Funding &amp; Tender Opportunities Portal (under the link - <a href="#">Funding &amp; tenders (europa.eu)</a>). In addition, the legal and financial set-up is defined in Europe's Rail AWP 2022-2024 (section 2.3.8.1), referencing essentially to the HE Work Programme General Annexes.</p>
<p>5. What is the proposed budget for proposals under the topic HORIZON-ER-JU-2022-FA7-02. Where can this info be found?</p>	<p>Please note that there was an IT issue with the budget figures, which has now been fixed. When clicking on the button „see budget overview“, the relevant budgetary figures appear for each call topic.</p> <p>The budget for topic HORIZON-ER-JU-2022-FA7-02 can be found on the Funding and</p>

		<p>Tenders portal in the section „budget overview“:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="837 425 1380 571"> <thead> <tr> <th>Topic</th> <th>Budget (EUR) - Year : 2022</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>HORIZON-ER-JU-2022-FA7-02 - HORIZON-JU-RIA HORIZON JU Research and Innovation Actions</td> <td>1 500 000</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The information relative to the budget can also be found in the AWP 2022-2024 on page 188: <a href="https://rail-research.europa.eu/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/AWP_2022_AMEM_DMENT_final_20220909.pdf">https://rail-research.europa.eu/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/AWP_2022_AMEM_DMENT_final_20220909.pdf</a></p> <p>The <i>total indicative budget</i> for the topic is EUR 1.5 million. Applicant PrivateMembers of the EU-Rail part of consortia responding to this topic should provide in-kind contributions to additional activities to be declared via the template model available on the F&amp;T portal. The amount of total in-kind contributions (i.e. in-kind contributions for operational activities and in-kind contributions for additional activities) should be no less than 1.263126 times the funding request, in aggregate, of these applicant Private Members. Any discrepancy shall be well and duly justified.</p>	Topic	Budget (EUR) - Year : 2022	HORIZON-ER-JU-2022-FA7-02 - HORIZON-JU-RIA HORIZON JU Research and Innovation Actions	1 500 000
Topic	Budget (EUR) - Year : 2022					
HORIZON-ER-JU-2022-FA7-02 - HORIZON-JU-RIA HORIZON JU Research and Innovation Actions	1 500 000					
6.	<p>Dear friends</p> <p>Where are the announced new calls available?</p> <p>Best regards</p>	<p>Dear Sir,</p> <p>The call 2022-2 is published on Europe Rail's website ( <a href="https://rail-research.europa.eu/participate/call-for-proposals/">https://rail-research.europa.eu/participate/call-for-proposals/</a>), as well as on the Funding and Tenders Portal (<a href="https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-search;callCode=null;freeTextSearchKeyword=HORIZON-ER-JU-2022-02;matchWholeText=true;typeCodes=0,1,2,8;">https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-search;callCode=null;freeTextSearchKeyword=HORIZON-ER-JU-2022-02;matchWholeText=true;typeCodes=0,1,2,8;</a></p>				

		<p><a href="#">statusCodes=31094501,31094502,31094503;programmePeriod=null;programCcm2Id=null;programDivisionCode=null;focusAreaCode=null;destination=null;mission=null;geographicalZonesCode=null;programmeDivisionProspect=null;startDateLte=null;startDateGte=null;crossCuttingPriorityCode=null;cpvCode=null;performanceOfDelivery=null;sortQuery=sortStatus;orderBy=asc;onlyTenders=false;topicListKey=topicSearchTablePageState)</a></p>		
7	<p>Pls. provide information on actual open calls.</p>	<p>Dear Sir,</p> <p>Please note that the Joint Undertaking has published on 13 September its second open call <a href="#">2022-02</a> covering exploratory research and other activities with a deadline of 14 December 2022.</p> <p>The call 2022-2 is published on Europe Rail's website ( <a href="https://rail-research.europa.eu/participate/call-for-proposals/">https://rail-research.europa.eu/participate/call-for-proposals/</a>), as well as on the Funding and Tenders Portal (<a 121="" 144="" 793="" 903"="" href="https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-search;callCode=null;freeTextSearchKeyword=HORIZON-ER-JU-2022-02;matchWholeText=true;typeCodes=0,1,2,8;statusCodes=31094501,31094502,31094503;programmePeriod=null;programCcm2Id=null;programDivisionCode=null;focusAreaCode=null;destination=null;mission=null;geographicalZonesCode=null;programmeDivisionProspect=null;startDateLte=null;startDateGte=null;crossCuttingPriorityCode=null;cpvCode=null;performanceOfDelivery=null;sortQuery=sortStatus;orderBy=asc;onlyTenders=false;topicListKey=topicSearchTablePageState)&lt;/a&gt;)&lt;/p&gt; &lt;/td&gt; &lt;/tr&gt; &lt;tr&gt; &lt;td data-bbox=">8</a></p>	<p>Good afternoon,</p> <p>I would like to confirm whether entities which are not members of EU-Rail can participate in the call for proposals 2022-2 (I understand they are open to any entity eligible under HE conditions, but just to be sure). And then I'd</p>	<p>Please note that all published call for proposals of EU-Rail are fully competitive and open to all eligible entities according to Horizon Europe rules for participation, including the call for proposals 2022-2.</p> <p>The liability regime for recoveries is indicated</p>



<p>have a question, which is the following: would they be somehow subjected to joint or several liability for enforced recoveries?</p> <p>The model GA gives different options (<i>for programmes with joint and several liability of beneficiaries; for programmes without joint and several liability of beneficiaries, etc.</i>), but we have not been able to find what the option for ERJU calls would be.</p> <p>Any response in this regard would be greatly appreciated.</p> <p>Thank you very much.</p>	<p>in Annex G of the HE Work Programme General Annexes: <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/docs/2021-2027/horizon/wp-call/2021-2022/wp-13-general-annexes_horizon-2021-2022_en.pdf">https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/docs/2021-2027/horizon/wp-call/2021-2022/wp-13-general-annexes_horizon-2021-2022_en.pdf</a> .</p> <p>The liability regime for recoveries is that of individual financial responsibility. Each beneficiary is liable only for their own debt, and those of its affiliated entities, if any (Data Sheet point 4.4 and article 22).</p> <p>However, please note that if during the Grant Agreement phase, the granting authority considers that the financial capacity is not satisfactory, they may require:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• further information;</li> <li>• or an enhanced financial responsibility regime, i.e. joint and several responsibility <i>of affiliated entities</i> (see Annex G);</li> <li>• or prefinancing paid in instalments;</li> <li>• or propose no prefinancing;</li> <li>• or request that the applicant concerned is replaced or, if needed, reject the entire proposal.</li> </ul> <p>If the granting authority requires joint and several liability of <i>affiliated entities</i> (see Data Sheet, Point 4.4), they must sign the declaration set out in Annex 3a and may be held liable in case of enforced recoveries against their beneficiaries (see Article 22.2 and 22.4).</p>
<p>9 Dear Madam/Sir,</p> <p>I have a question regarding to funding rates applied to the 2022-2 (Exploratory Research) call of Europe's Rail for IA, RIA and CSA topics.</p> <p>In the first call of Europe's Rail (2022-1), although it was stated that the funding rate was 60%, the Consortia could decide and apply internally different funding rates.</p> <p>In <a href="#">Europe's Rail Amended Annual Work Programme 2022-2024</a> document on page 19,</p>	<p>Dear Sir,</p> <p>Please be informed that in accordance with the amended Work Programme and Budget 2022-2024 of the Europe's Rail Joint Undertaking (cf p.19), the standard funding rates of Horizon Europe will apply to the call ID HORIZON-JU-ER-2022-02. Thus, the funding conditions of 60% are not applicable in this case.</p> <p>In accordance with Article 34 of the Horizon</p>

<p>it is declared that “- a second Call for Proposals – to be launched in Q3 2022 – in relation to Exploratory Research and Others, whose conditions will be set in line with <b>Horizon Europe standard funding rates</b>, inter alia” .</p> <p>Whether it means that the funding rate for all RIA and CSA topics are %100 for all types of participants and 70% for IA topics for profit organizations in 2022-2 call <b>or</b> the 2022-1 rules of funding (60%) are applicable also for the second call.</p> <p>We are confused by the table on page 43 (2.3.8 Call for proposals section). In the corresponding columns of “Exploratory Research” row, “the maximum EU-Rail cofunding (14.7)” seems 40% of the “value of the actions (35.8)” .</p> <p>I will appreciate if you could enlighten us about the correct funding rates.</p> <p>Thanks in advance, Kind regards,</p>	<p>Europe Regulation (available under the link: <a href="https://publications-office.europa.eu">Publications Office (europa.eu)</a>), the funding rates for the Research and Innovation Actions (RIA) and Coordination and Support Action (CSA) are 100%. As per Article 34(2), point (b), the funding rates for Innovation Actions (IA) differ depending on the type of the legal entity. For non-profit legal entities, a funding rate of 100% applies whereas for the for-profit legal entities, a funding rate of 70% applies.</p> <p>We invite you to familiarize yourself with the types of actions available under the call ID HORIZON-JU-ER-2022-02 which you will find under the link: <a href="https://publications-office.europa.eu">Search Funding &amp; Tenders (europa.eu)</a>.</p>
<p>1 0 .</p> <p>Dear sirs,</p> <p>After the publication of the call for this topic “Hyperloop Industrial Roadmaps and Pilots” we are creating a consortium in which will participate different partners from industry, University and Inframangers. Some of them are Europe’s Rail Members and some other no.</p> <p>After the call publication we would like you to clarify the following questions:</p> <p><b>Question 1:</b> The call aims to have a leverage effect of 23M€ of a call of 2,3M€ (10x funding rate), but this seems in contradiction with the usual ~60% funding rate for non-members and the ~44% for ERJU members. What would be then the updated funding ratio if this 23M€ is</p>	<p>Thank you for your message and interest in the activities of the Europe’s Rail Joint Undertaking.</p> <p>Please be informed that in accordance with the amended Work Programme and Budget 2022-2024 of the Europe’s Rail Joint Undertaking, the standard funding rates of Horizon Europe will apply to the call ID HORIZON-JU-ER-2022-02. Thus, the funding conditions of 60% are not applicable in this case. Please refer to the question 9 for more information.</p> <p>Regarding your question concerning the in-kind contributions, if you are referring to additional activities in accordance with Article 2 (9) and (10) of the Council Regulation (EU) 2021/2085, please be aware that the Private Members of the Europe’s Rail Joint</p>

<p>achieved? Could you expand what is the ambition and what can be included or not in this 23M€ total funding? We have the following examples to understand:</p> <p>Example 1: One of the entities is a EU-RAIL member developing a project on hyperloop in the EU country in collaboration with a center for industrial development, but this initiative is still in the first steps and it will be an open competitive process which means that perhaps the final beneficiary of this initiative won't be any of the companies participating in this consortium. Therefore we cannot assure now that the current consortium will reach this high amount of investment (23 M€). Anyway this project could be included as in-kind contribution/leverage effect as part of the 23M€?</p> <p>Example 2: A non-EU-Rail member (but member of this consortium) is developing a test-track that will be ready by December and that has been funded by Eurostars-Eureka programme. Can this be included as in-kind contribution as part of the 23M€?</p> <p>Example 3: A non-EU-Rail member (but member of this consortium) has created a public-private programme with a budget in contributions from different organizations to do studies and works on hyperloop. Can this be included as in-kind contribution as part of the 23M€?</p> <p>Example 4: A member of the consortia (but member of this consortium) has a team of people who are assigned to this project but the man-hours are not paid by the EU budget. Can this be counted as part of the in-kind contribution of 23M€?</p> <p><b>Question 2:</b> On Work stream 2 it refers to "Full scale" and "all elements" need to reach TRL6. What is it referred with full scale (i.e.g, what tube diameter size, tube length, vehicle size,</p>	<p>Undertaking, as defined in the Article 2(5) of the same Regulation, would be requested to provide in-kind contributions to additional activities, if awarded a grant as part of a consortium. On the contrary, this rule does not apply to the non-JU Private Members.</p> <p>Additional activities can be accounted for as members' in-kind contributions to additional activities actually incurred when they contribute to the objectives of the joint undertaking and are directly linked to its activities, including non-eligible costs of indirect actions funded by the joint undertaking where this is provided for in the annual additional activities plan. That link can be established through the uptake of results from indirect actions funded by the joint undertaking or its preceding initiatives, or by demonstrating a significant Union added value.</p> <p>Regarding your first example, please note that changes to the grant which would call into question the decision awarding the grant are not possible.</p> <p>Concerning your second example, notwithstanding the general principle of non-cumulative funding, please be aware that the call topic for Hyperloop is classified as an Innovation Action (IA). In accordance with the HE Regulation, the funding rates for an IA are 70% (for-profit entities) and 100% (non-profit entities). If for example all entities in the consortium are for profit at 70%, this would imply that the candidates shall provide eligible costs for EUR 3.3 million (to expect a funding of 2.3M€) and EUR 19.7 million on additional leverage effect. In this case, the EUR 19.7 million could also originate from the investments funded in the past from the EU funds or combining funding from the EU and other sources. Those costs could be included in the eligible costs of the grant but not funded (with a reduction made by the applicant of the funding rate) and clarify the reason in the text</p>
----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------

<p>passenger cabin yes/no, cargo cabin yes/no is expected)? Does this include vehicle and infrastructure? Would a full-scale (3-5 meters) tube of 20-30 meters length with a capsule that levitates and propel meet this criteria? We are surprised with the call request a TRL-6 for Hyperloop (a novel and not-yet-developed transport technology) while it is only TRL2/3 for the maglev call (an existing and proven technology) under HORIZON-ER-JU-2022-FA7-02? This seems contradictory. With the expected budget of 2.3 M€ funding is totally impossible to reach this TRL. Even with the extended budget of 23 M€ (although we do not know who will be committed to this investment) will be quite difficult too.</p> <p><b>Question 3:</b> Is there any problem of presenting a consortium with EU-Rail members and non members?</p> <p>We will strongly appreciate if you can give us a fast reply.</p> <p>Sincerely yours,</p>	<p>of the Part B.</p> <p>Examples 3 and 4 could be considered as contribution towards the 23 Million if it represents costs that do not receive financial support from the JU but contributes to its objectives, as indicated above.</p> <p>Concerning question 2, it is up to the applicant to consider they way to deliver a full-scale demonstration at TRL6 of the hyperloop technology, including its assessment, which are the elements needed for the possible implementation of the solution during the present decade.</p> <p>The JU considers that with possible external investments – e.g. national funding in the form of in kind contributions, against the EU expected contribution to the project of EUR 2.3 million, to reach the required leverage effect and a total value of the project of EUR 23 million, would allow these outcomes to be addressed appropriately. Nonetheless, this does not preclude submission and selection of a proposal of different amounts.</p> <p>Regarding your third question, there is no problem in submitting a proposal with JU members and non-members. Please note that the published call for proposals of EU-Rail is fully competitive and open to all eligible entities according to Horizon Europe rules for participation.</p>
<p>1 Hello, 1 We meet at the Innotrans 22, and I like to know if there are open calls for innovations? We have solutions to make the use on trams more accessible for passengers with reduced mobility.</p> <p>Best Regards,</p>	<p>Dear Sir,</p> <p>Please note that the Joint Undertaking has published on 13 September its second <a href="#">call 2022-02</a> covering exploratory research and other activities with a deadline of 14 December 2022.</p> <p>The call 2022-2 is published on Europe Rail's website and comprises three topics under Destination 7 (Innovation on New Approaches for Guided Transport Modes) and seven topics under Destination 8 (Exploratory Research and</p>

	<p>Other Activities)          ( <a href="https://rail-research.europa.eu/participate/call-for-proposals/">https://rail-research.europa.eu/participate/call-for-proposals/</a>), as well as on the Funding and Tenders Portal  <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-search;callCode=null;freeTextSearchKeyword=HORIZON-ER-JU-2022-02;matchWholeText=true;typeCodes=0,1,2,8;statusCodes=31094501,31094502,31094503;programmePeriod=null;programCcm2Id=null;programDivisionCode=null;focusAreaCode=null;destination=null;mission=null;geographicalZonesCode=null;programmeDivisionProspect=null;startDateLte=null;startDateGte=null;crossCuttingPriorityCode=null;cpvCode=null;performanceOfDelivery=null;sortQuery=sortStatus;orderBy=asc;onlyTenders=false;topicListKey=topicSearchTablePageState">https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-search;callCode=null;freeTextSearchKeyword=HORIZON-ER-JU-2022-02;matchWholeText=true;typeCodes=0,1,2,8;statusCodes=31094501,31094502,31094503;programmePeriod=null;programCcm2Id=null;programDivisionCode=null;focusAreaCode=null;destination=null;mission=null;geographicalZonesCode=null;programmeDivisionProspect=null;startDateLte=null;startDateGte=null;crossCuttingPriorityCode=null;cpvCode=null;performanceOfDelivery=null;sortQuery=sortStatus;orderBy=asc;onlyTenders=false;topicListKey=topicSearchTablePageState</a>)</p> <p>Your innovation should fit in one of the above topics, aligned with their scope and expected outcomes.</p>
--	------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------