



# Special Edition:

Networking and building projects at the C2Lab

**1 March 2023**

**08:30-09:30 CET**

**online**

#SingleMarket30

# Agenda

1. Introduction from the European Commission: Why a C2Lab?  
**Benoit Esmanne**, Policy Officer, DG GROW, European Commission
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**Carolina Garcés**, Project Manager, Mobile Heights / Clusters of Sweden
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**Jorge López Conde**, Architect, Clusters4NEB  
**Douglas Almquist**, Project Manager, Livsmedelsakademin  
**Francisco Vigalondo**, Brussels Delegate, Aragón Exterior
6. Q&A

# Housekeeping rules

Chris Burns, presenter

- Please use the **Q&A function to ask questions**, and the **chat function** to comment or share links
- We invite you to **speak**: Please **raise your hand** and we will give you the floor.
- Please **unmute yourself** and **activate your camera** when you take the floor.
- Please note that the session is being **recorded**.

# Why a C2Lab?

**Benoit Esmanne**, Policy Officer, DG GROW, European Commission

# ABOUT THE C2LAB

# Event format & agenda

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## 21 March

Duration	Description	Location
9:30 – 11:00	<p><b>Tech Safari:</b> Visits to companies and technology parks to learn more about the Swedish innovation system</p> <p><i>organised by Clusters of Sweden and national association of science parks</i></p>	<p>Bus transfer to site visits or walking distance</p> <p>Meeting point: Restaurant &amp; Café Inspira, Scheelevägen 2, 223 63 Lund (Medicon Village)</p>
11:30 – 13:00	<b>Networking lunch</b>	Restaurant & Café Inspira
13:00 – 14:40	<p><b>Opening</b> of Sweden's Innovation Ecosystem Summit</p> <p><i>in-person event in Lund under the Sweden Innovation Days</i></p>	Medicon Village, Scheelevägen 2, 223 63 Lund
14:40 – 15:00	<b>Coffee break</b> and switching rooms	
15:00 – 15:30	<p><b>Welcome</b> to the C2Lab</p> <p>Introduction to the idea and methodology</p>	The Spark - Room Sharience (Medicon Village), Scheeletorget 1, 223 63 Lund
15:30 – 16:00	Introduction of the <b>participants and their project ideas</b>	
16:00 – 17:00	<p>Inspirational Talks on <b>investments:</b></p> <p>Martin Backlund, Business Development Manager, Tech - Invest Skåne</p>	
17:00 – 17:45	Initiation of the <b>working group phase</b>	
17:45	End of Day 1	
18:00	<b>Dinner</b> for participants: Networking with Swedish innovation actors	

## 22 March

Duration	Description	Location
8:15 – 8:30	Welcome to day 2 and initial remarks	Elite Hotel Ideon, second floor, Room: TERA
8:30 – 9:30	Breakfast & <b>EU Clusters Talk</b> on “Interregional Collaboration”	
9:30 – 12:30	<b>Working group phase</b>  <i>Moderated discussions to mature project ideas and build the business case</i>	Scheelevägen 27, 223 63 Lund
12:30 – 13:30	<b>Lunch</b>	
13:30 – 14:30	<b>Working group phase</b>  <i>Moderated discussions to mature project ideas and build the business case</i>	
14:30 – 15:30	Presentation of <b>results</b>	
15:30 – 16:00	Recap of the C2Lab and <b>next steps</b>	
16:00	End of Day 2	



# Working groups

- **Get to know** each other
- Discover **synergies** among them and **common opportunities**
- Suggest the **different options** to achieve their common goals
- Discuss the **market opportunities** and return of investment
- Select the idea and **determine the activities** to achieve the business objectives
- Determine **resources** and **involvement** of partners
- Determine the **milestones** of the project
- Discuss the **desired financing source**
- Define the **next steps** for the development of the project after the workshop

## OUR FACILITATORS



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# Industries and topics

Energy transition	
Circular economy	
New European Bauhaus	Telecommunications / Data Privacy
Wood / Furniture	Blue economy / Water
Agri-food / Plant growth / Soil	Waste to energy
Manufacturing	Mobility & Transport

# Swedish innovation ecosystem

- Sweden an Innovation leader in Europe
- Sweden's strategic location within the Baltic Sea region
- Cluster organisations play a central role in innovation ecosystems



MAX IV Lund, Sweden

# Swedish Innovation Ecosystem Summit

- An annual meeting arena connecting the Swedish innovation ecosystem.
- Organized by Swedish Incubators & Science Parks (SISP) - Ideon Science Park
- Brings together Sweden's national and regional actors from innovation environments, policy-makers, business, academia and civil society.
- Exchange experience and knowledge in business development, innovation management and policy-making.



# Welcome to Lund!

- Lund Innovation District
- Lund University
- Long history of promoting entrepreneurship and innovation
- Birthplace of innovation game changers
- Ideon Science Park, Mobile Heights, Packbridge, Livsmedelakademin
- It's easy to reach Lund:  
Fly into Copenhagen and take the train



# Tech Safari

- Ideon Science Park
- ESS
- Max IV
- Tetra Pak
- Volvo Cars
- Alfa Laval
- Ericsson
- E.ON ectogrid
- Cognibotics
- Brainlit
- Elon Road
- Bosch R&D Center Lund
- X-lab
- Axis

# Funding opportunities

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# Funding opportunities

A galaxy worth to explore !

Many programmes but different rules & funding mechanisms

*No one size fits all* approach





# Funding opportunities - Interreg

**Interreg**  
Baltic Sea Region

<https://interreg-baltic.eu/>

**Interreg**  
South Baltic

<https://southbaltic.eu/>

## PRIORITY 1 - Innovative Societies

- 1.1 Resilient economies and communities
- 1.2 Responsive public services

## PRIORITY 2 – Water -smart Societies

- 2.1 Sustainable waters
- 2.2 Blue economy

## PRIORITY 3 – Climate -neutral Societies

- 3.1 Circular economy
- 3.2 Energy transition
- 3.3 Smart green mobility

## PRIORITY 4 – Cooperation Governance

- 4.1 Project platform
- 4.2 Macro-regional governance

1<sup>st</sup> call closed on 14 March 2023 but others coming

## PRIORITY 1 - Innovative South Baltic

- 1.1 Digitalising the region
- 1.2 Building connectivity of the region through internationalisation

## PRIORITY 2 - Sustainable South Baltic

- 2.1 Supporting transition towards green energy
- 2.2 Promoting sustainable use of water
- 2.3 Supporting a circular and more resource efficient development

## PRIORITY 3 - Attractive South Baltic

- 3.1 Developing sustainable, resilient, and innovative tourism

## PRIORITY 4 - Active South Baltic

- 4.1 Strengthen the cooperation capacity of actors based within the South Baltic Area (including civil society)

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# Funding opportunities – Single Market Programme (SMP)

## Strengthening the competitiveness & sustainability of SMEs + achieving additionality at Union level

- (i) provide various forms of support to SMEs as well as clusters and other business network organisation fostering the **growth, scale-up and creation of SMEs**
- (ii) facilitate **access to markets** including the **internationalisation** of SMEs
- (iii) promote **entrepreneurship and entrepreneurial skills**
- (iv) promote a **favorable business environment** for SMEs, support **digital transformation** and promote new business opportunities for SMEs
- (v) support the **competitiveness of industrial ecosystems** and sectors as well as the development of industrial value chains
- (vi) promote the **modernisation of industry**, contributing to a green, digital and resilient economy





Single Market Programme  
**SME Pillar** - supporting Europe's SME community  
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**NEW**

### European Agrifood Sustainability Cluster Partnerships



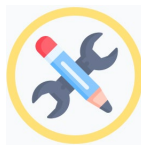
- support the development of new agrifood cluster organisations in EU regions where none are registered on the ECCP
- develop a common strategic agenda & roadmap for the implementation of the **EU Code of Conduct on Responsible Food Business and Marketing Practices**
- mobilise and support their SMEs to engage into resource -efficiency and sustainability improvements

### Actions in the context of the EU Pact for Skills for the Textiles Ecosystem



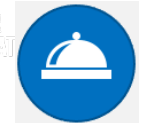
**Proximity and social economy industrial ecosystem: boosting the digital transition of social economy enterprises and SMEs**

### Affordable Housing Initiative European Partnership



### European Solar Academy

### Empowering tourism SMEs



# SMP WP2023 call

## Support to Ukrainian companies to integrate into the Single Market – **OPEN – deadline 28/4**

Objective	For whom	How	How much
The main aim is to support the integration of UA SMEs into the EU Single Market	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• EEN Members</li><li>• ECCP member - National cluster association or metaclusters and clusters network</li><li>• Ukrainian Cluster Alliance member</li><li>• EYE member</li></ul>	Via a consortium that will financially support up to 1500 UA SMEs with up to 2500 euro for: market research, legal advice, trade fairs, IPRs advce, adaptation to EU standards, etc.	Total call budet of 4 500 000 to select 1 consortium to manage a «Support Office» (max 750 000 for the SO).  Maximum support per SME of 2500 euro

More information on: [Funding & tenders \(europa.eu\)](https://europa.eu)

# Interregional Innovation Investment (I3) Instrument – 1 open call and 2 upcoming

What	For whom	How	How much
Commercialisation and scaling up of <b>innovation projects</b> for the development of <b>European value chains</b>	<b>Interregional Q-Helix ecosystems:</b> Researchers Businesses Civic society & public administrations	Focus on 3 Thematic priorities 3 different strands So far: 2 steps approach	<b>Cohesion Policy</b> <b>ERDF</b> (Art. 13) <b>€ 570 million</b> (current prices) For 3 calls in 2023: <b>€ 80 million</b>

More information on: [Interregional Innovation Investments \(I3\) Instrument \(europa.eu\)](https://europa.eu)

## THEMATIC AREAS



**DIGITAL  
TRANSITION**



**GREEN  
TRANSITION**



**SMART  
MANU-  
FACTURING**

## STRANDS

**Strand 1** | support for investments in interregional innovation projects in shared smart specialisation areas

**Strand 2a** | support for investments in interregional innovation projects for the development of value chains in less developed regions

**Strand 2b** | Capacity building for the development of value chains in less developed regions

Technical assistance & experimentation

**€ 570 million**



# European Innovation Ecosystems

Funding for deep tech scale-ups



Improving policy making tools



Fostering, attracting and retaining deep tech talent  
- *Organisation of the Women TechEU Scheme*



Enabling deep tech innovation through experimentation spaces and public procurement

- *Stimulating Experimentation Practices*

- *Specialist Advisory Services to build capacities on innovation procurement*

Accelerating and strengthening innovation in European Innovation Ecosystems across the EU and addressing the innovation divide

- *Preparatory action for setting up joint programmes among innovation ecosystems actors*

# European Innovation Ecosystems

## Topic: Stimulating Experimentation Practices – 1 call upcoming in June 2023

What	For whom	How	How much
Efficient testing of disruptive innovations and improve innovation framework conditions	Public innovation authorities EIT KICs Private actors (innovators, SMEs, Start-ups) NGOs	Identify an area where Innovative solutions emerge Propose action plan Implement experimentation space	<b>Total of € 4 million</b> Around € <b>1 million</b> per project Lump sums

More information on: [European Innovation Ecosystems \(europa.eu\)](https://europa.eu)

# Examples upcoming sectoral calls

## Circular economy

- [Circular design of bio-based processes and products](#), HORIZON, opens in October 2023
- [Innovative circular solutions for furniture](#), HORIZON, opens in October 2023
- [Demonstrating the fair and just transition from GHG-intensive economies facing challenges towards circular bioeconomy model regions](#), HORIZON, opens in October 2023
- [Design for adaptability, re-use and deconstruction of buildings, in line with the principles of circular economy \(Built4People Partnership\)](#), HORIZON, opens in October 2023
- [Circular bioeconomy start-up villages](#), HORIZON, opens in October 2023



# Examples upcoming sectoral calls

## Energy transition

- [Turning CO2 emissions from the process industry to feedstock \(Processes4Planet partnership\)](#), HORIZON, opens in September 2023
- [Breakthroughs to improve process industry resource efficiency \(Processes4Planet partnership\) \(RIA\)](#), HORIZON, opens in September 2023

## Manufacturing

- [Bio-intelligent manufacturing industries \(Made in Europe Partnership\)](#), HORIZON, opens in September 2023
- [Technologies/solutions to support circularity for manufacturing \(Made in Europe Partnership\)](#), HORIZON, opens in September 2023

# Examples upcoming sectoral calls

## Construction

- [Digital solutions to foster participative design, planning and management of buildings, neighbourhoods and urban districts \(Built4People Partnership\)](#), HORIZON, opens in May 2024
- [Demonstrating the potential of Nature-based Solutions and the New European Bauhaus to contribute to sustainable, inclusive and resilient living spaces and communities](#), HORIZON, opens in October 2023
- [Climate-smart use of wood in the construction sector to support the New European Bauhaus](#), HORIZON, opens in October 2023
- [Unlock the potential of the New European Bauhaus in urban food system transformation](#), HORIZON, opens in October 2023
- [New European Bauhaus – Innovative solutions for greener and fairer ways of life through arts and culture, architecture and design for all](#), HORIZON, opens in October 2023

# Examples upcoming sectoral calls

## Agri-Food

- [Climate change and food safety: effects of climate change on food safety across food systems](#), HORIZON, opens in October 2023
- [Environmental impacts of food systems](#), HORIZON, opens in October 2023
- [New healthy and sustainable food products and processes](#), HORIZON, opens in October 2023
- [Regional ecosystems of innovation to foster food system transformation](#), HORIZON, opens in October 2023
- [Sustainable organic food innovation labs: reinforcing the entire value chain](#), HORIZON, opens in September 2023

# Project ideas

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**At the C2Lab, I would like to explore a collaboration with...**

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# Interior Cluster Sweden

- a non-profit organisation, 114 members, well-known brands associated with Swedish design, sub suppliers, institutions and municipalities,
- geographically located in the south part of Sweden, IKEA of Swedens development center is also located in the region,
- creating project and activities that can generate growth, sustainable profit and employees.

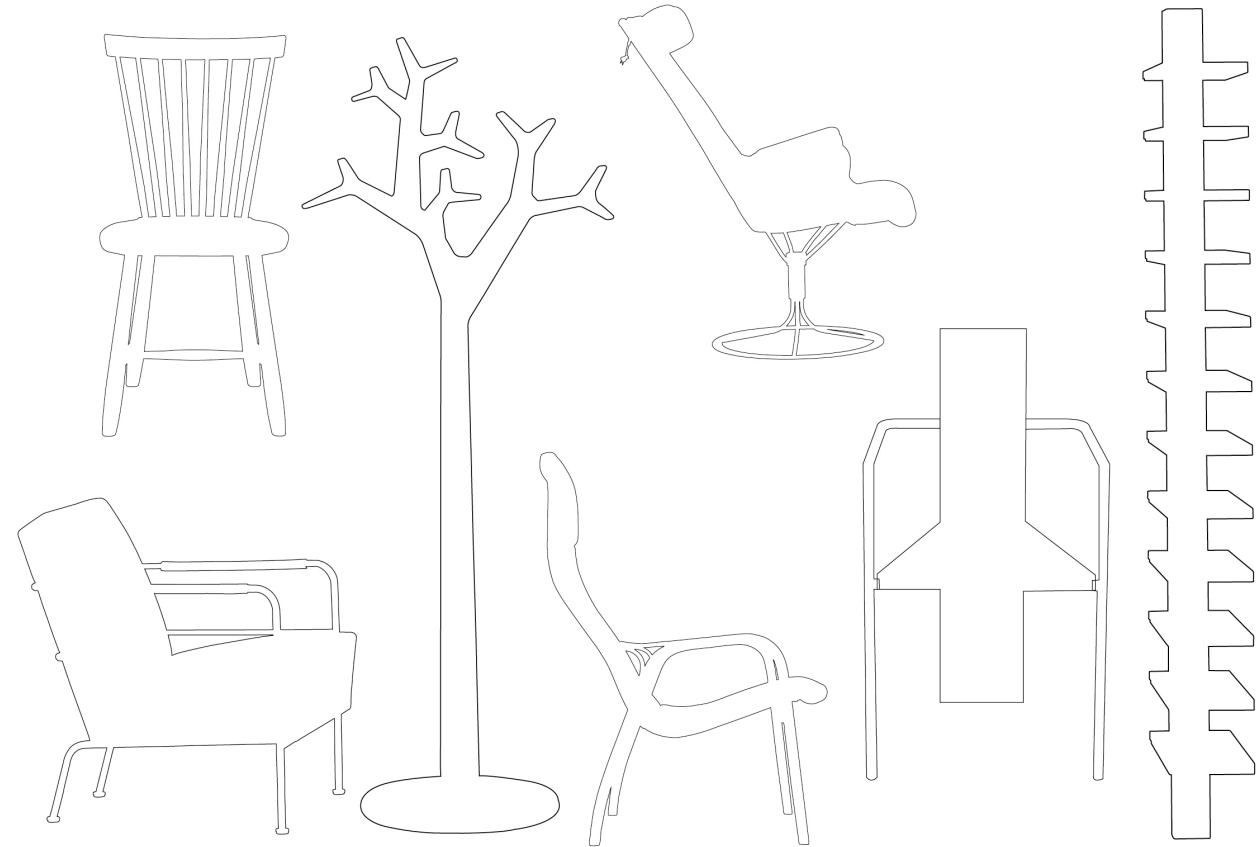
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# Furniture and Interior Design For the Future

- lead the EU furniture and interior design industry to become global competitive, green, digital and resilient - for Sweden to stay high performing.
- set knowledge in motion across subject boundaries and take a multifaceted approach to 4 societal challenges.
- knowledge environments that can support the furniture and interior design industry in various ways in the transformation journey.

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# The 4 societal challenges

**Green sustainable development** - the challenges with climate and environment are crucial for everyone's future.

**Digital transformation** - the challenges in the field are complex and affects almost all industrial activities.

**Advanced materials** - the challenge requires new thinking and needs to create durable and functional materials that meets the needs of the future.

**Business development, innovation and communication** - in order to have a furniture and interior design industry that is at the forefront, innovation and not least digital communication tools is needed.

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# Clusters4NEB Bio

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*Ex Norman Foster Foundation - I+D units coordinator*

# Clusters4NEB Organization

It is a *new association or consortium or working group* of Spanish clusters that work in a transversal way with the ***New European Bauhaus*** and the ***Circular Construction***.

# Clusters4NEB Interest topics & tools

**NEW GREEN DEAL - NEW EUROPEAN BAUHAUS - CLIMATE CHANGE**

CIRCULAR & SOCIAL & SILVER ECONOMY

*SOCIAL INCLUSION - TERRITORIAL COHESION – DEPOPULATION*

**HEALTH**

**THE HOUSE OF THE FUTURE**

CIRCULAR CONSTRUCTION & FURNITURE

**LIVING LABS / INDOOR LIVING LABS / SANDBOX**

**WOOD** CONSTRUCTION - TYPOLOGIES: EDUCATION - HEALTH

NATURE - BIOBASED MATERIALS

PRODUCT INTELLIGENCE

**NEUROMARKETING**

**ROBOTICS**

CHILDREN

REVERSE LOGISTICS

LEVELS - CERTIFICATION - *NEB Label - SBC - Cradle2Cradle / Leed / BCorp / BREEAM / Verde*

IMPACT MEASUREMENT

DEPLOYMENT

**BIM**

TRAINING & EDUCATION

**UKRAINE**

# Clusters4NEB

What if we could use all this knowledge and the war in **Ukraine** to find an opportunity to design *The House of the future?*

**The New Experimental House of The New European Bauhaus  
1923-2023**

# Skåne Food Innovation Network

(Livsmedelsakademin)

We are a non-profit cluster association for the food sector in Southern Sweden. Our partners are businesses and organizations from the food sector and value chain, academia and public organizations.



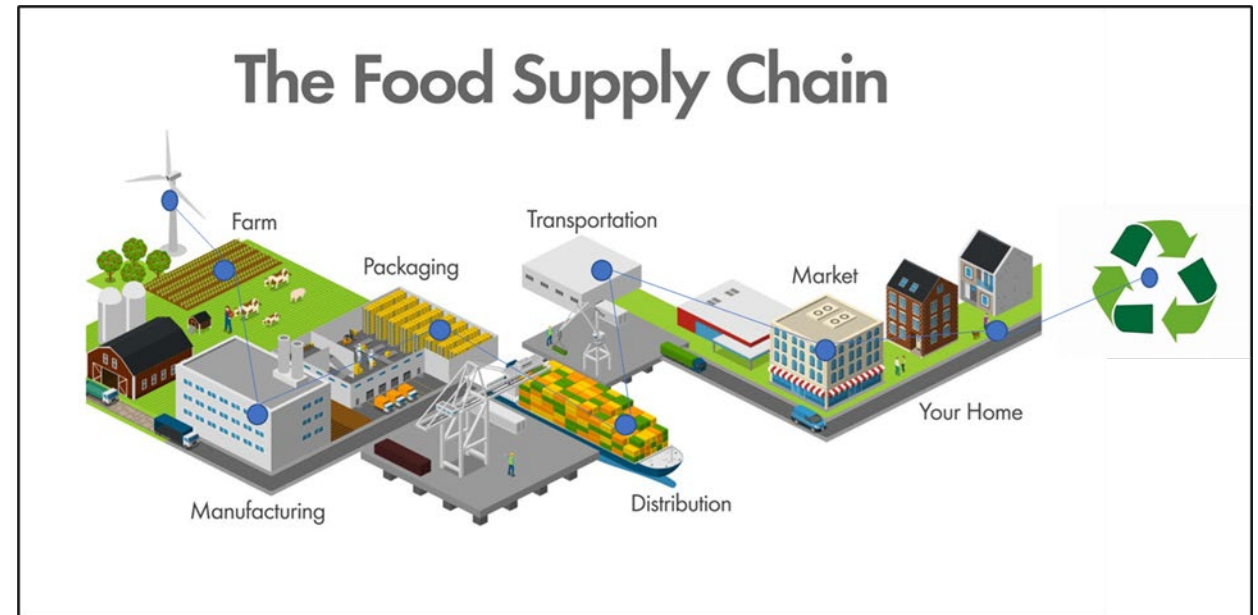
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# Connecting the dots

(Current initiatives)



- Vision Zero for malnutrition in the elderly (National)
- Preventive health through food (National)
- Green proteins (Regional)
- Baltic Sustainable Secure Food Chain (Baltic Region)



# Citizens' science as an opportunity to foster the transition to sustainable food systems

## (Calculating costs of not eating healthy foods)

By choosing nutritious foods and maintaining a healthy weight, you can reduce your risk of developing chronic conditions and their associated healthcare **costs**. Additionally, healthy eating habits can also improve your overall well-being, including energy levels, mood, and immune function, which can help prevent other health issues.

- Healthcare costs: \$\$\$
- Lost productivity: \$\$\$
- Disability and mortality: \$\$\$
- Environmental impact: \$\$\$

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- Baseline
- Understanding and tools for the individual
- Understanding and tools for governments, healthcare etc.
- Understanding and tools for the food industry, businesses etc.
- TBD



# Water Smart Territories

## strengthening regional innovation capacity beyond resource efficiency

23 partner regions

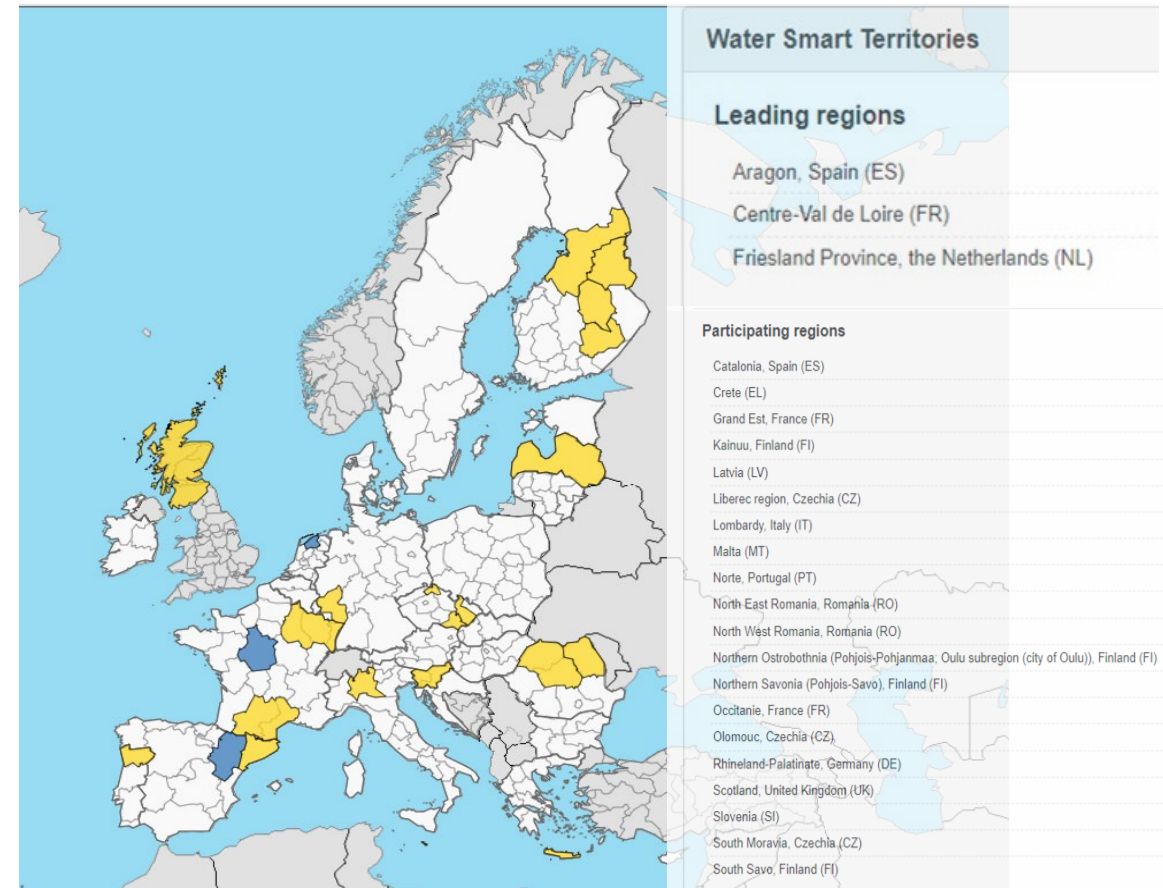
Led by 3 regional clusters:

**DREAM (FR)**

**WATER ALLIANCE (NL)**

**ZINNAE (ES)**

Focus on **sustainable water management** in regional innovation ecosystems



# A NEW EUROPEAN INNOVATION AGENDA LEADING THE NEW WAVE OF DEEP TECH INNOVATION

**Water Smart Territories**  
strengthening regional innovation capacity beyond resource efficiency

Partnerships for Regional Innovation  
A Multi-Level Perspective

*EU Mission Restore our Ocean and Waters*

How to create a synergistic funding landscape and stimulate the creation of funding measures that enable R&I policy alignment for increasing the impact of R&D results

The PRI Approach

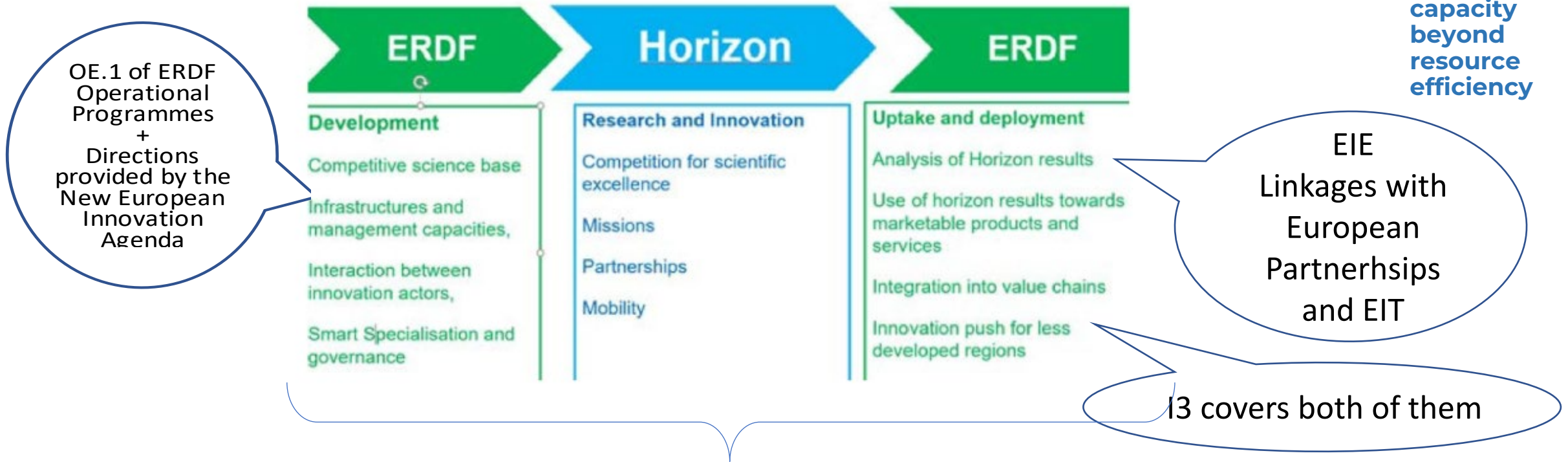


DEAL WITH A DIVERSITY OF NEEDS

# A NEW EUROPEAN INNOVATION AGENDA

## 2.3. Promoting innovation ecosystems and tackling the innovation divide across the EU

### Synergies between Horizon Europe and ERDF programmes



**DEAL WITH A DIVERSITY OF STAKEHOLDER'S NEEDS**

**Any questions?**

# Register now

## Registration:

[https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/C2Lab\\_Lund](https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/C2Lab_Lund)

## Check out the details:

<https://clustercollaboration.eu/event-calendar/c2lab-build-business-case-your-innovative-idea>

## Join the C2Lab Discussion Group:

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