

Preparing demonstration missions for Earth Observation and Satellite telecommunication for Space solutions (Space Partnership)

Horizon Europe

CODE	SCOPE
HORIZON-CL4-2026-SPACE-03-32	International
LOCATION	STATUS
Europe	Open
PROGRAM	CURATED BY
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Financial Details

SUPPORT TYPE	MAXIMUM FUNDING RATE
Non-Refundable	100%
BUDGET	ELIGIBLE PROJECT VALUE
26M€	Up to 10M€

Dates & Deadlines

PUBLICATION DATE	OPENING DATE
June 15, 2026	March 10, 2026

Application Phases

- Fase única: September 3, 2026 at 03:00 PM (77 days left)

Objectives

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This Horizon Europe Innovation Action (IA) , implemented under the European Partnership on Globally Competitive Space Systems (Space Partnership) , aims to prepare and demonstrate advanced Earth Observation (EO) and Satellite Communications (SatCom) missions that strengthen the competitiveness, resilience and technological autonomy of the European space sector. The call supports the development of end-to-end space solutions integrating digital technologies, artificial intelligence, advanced payloads and secure communications to enable more flexible, reactive and commercially attractive space-based services.

Funding

The topic is funded as a Horizon Europe Innovation Action (IA) with an indicative budget of €26 million . The European Commission expects to support approximately four projects , with indicative EU contributions generally ranging between €5 million and €10 million per project . The call is designed to support large-scale demonstration activities and accelerate the market deployment of innovative European space technologies.

Eligible Expenses

- Personnel Costs
- Travel and Subsistence
- Equipment costs
- Other goods, works and services costs
- Subcontracting
- Indirect Costs

Eligibility

Eligible Sectors

- Aerospace & Defense
- ICT & Software

Company Sizes

- Micro
- Sme
- Small Mid-Cap
- Mid-Cap
- Large
- Private non-profit entities
- Public entities

Application Mode

- Consortium / Copromotion

Action Types

- Innovation Action

EU Programme Details

CALL ID

HORIZON-CL4-2026-SPACE-03-32

CLUSTER

Digital, Industry and Space (Cluster 4)

DESTINATION

D4. Open Strategic Autonomy in Developing, Deploying and Using Global Space-Based Infrastructure, Services, Applications and Data

SUBMISSION MODE

Single-stage

EU CONTRIBUTION

Around €5,000,000.00 to €10,000,000.00 per project

EXPECTED PROJECTS

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FUNDING RATE RULE

Up to 100% funding for non-profit entities, up to 70% for commercial entities, according to Horizon Europe rules.

Official Links

Official Regulation:

<https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/HORIZON-CL4-2026-SPACE-03-32?order=DESC&pageNumber=1&pageSize=50&sortBy=relevance&keywords=HORIZON-CL4-2026-SPACE-03-32&isExactMatch=true>

Grantavia page: <https://grantavia.com/en/incentives/preparing-demonstration-missions-for-earth-observation-and-satellite-telecommunication-for-space-solutions-space-partnership>

Schedule a meeting: <https://calendly.com/ines-carreira-fi-group/reuniao>