

Towards a consolidated culture and creativity driven European innovation ecosystem

Horizon Europe

● PENDING

Code

HORIZON-CL2-2027-01-HERITAGE-01

Scope

International

Location

Europe

Curator

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FINANCIAL DETAILS

Support type

Non-Refundable

Maximum Funding Rate

100%

Budget

5M€

Eligible Project Value

Up to 5M€

Maximum Duration

60 months

DATES & DEADLINES

Publication Date

October 19, 2026

Opening Date

May 13, 2027

Phase 1

September 23, 2027 at 05:00 PM GMT+2

DESCRIPTION

Objectives

This incentive aims to foster a consolidated, culture- and creativity-driven European innovation ecosystem as a strategic imperative for Europe's societal resilience and competitiveness. The focus is on empowering the cultural and creative industries (CCIs), with projects expected to build on previous EU-funded research, networks, and platforms. Eligible entities are wide-ranging, including clusters of organisations, SMEs, micro-enterprises, and key stakeholders spanning most EU Member States and Associated Countries. Genuine long-term impact, active stakeholder engagement, and integration of local contexts within a common set of principles are required, all towards increasing the number and impact of CCI-driven innovations across Europe.

Funding

The action is supported by a call envelope of EUR 5,000,000, with the expected EU contribution per grant at EUR 4,500,000 to 5,000,000. Funding is provided as a lump sum grant under the Horizon Lump Sum Grant model. The co-financing rate follows Horizon Europe CSA rules—generally up to 100% for eligible direct costs. Only one project is expected to be funded under this topic. Support to third parties is possible in the form of grants.

ELIGIBLE EXPENSES

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

ELIGIBILITY

Eligible Sectors

Culture & Creative

Application Mode

Consortium / Copromotion

Company Typologies

- Micro
- SME
- Large
- Private non-profit entities
- Public entities

Action Types

- Coordination and Support Action
- Ecosystem development
- Networking
- Innovation support
- Knowledge exchange
- Assessment frameworks

EU PROGRAMME DETAILS

Call ID	Cluster
HORIZON-CL2-2027-01	Cluster 2. Culture, Creativity and Inclusive Society
Destination	Submission Mode
D2. Innovative Research on European Cultural Heritage and Cultural and Creative Industries	Single-stage
EU Contribution	Expected Projects
4,500,000€ to 5,000,000€	1
Funding Rate Rule	
100% for eligible direct costs under Horizon Europe Coordination and Support Actions (CSA) lump sum grant.	

OFFICIAL LINKS

Official Regulation

<https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/HORIZON-CL2-2027-01-HERITAGE-01?order=DESC&pageNumber=1&pageSize=50&sortBy=relevance&keywords=HORIZON-CL2-2027-01-HERITAGE-01&isExactMatch=true&status=31094501,31094502,31094503>

Grantavia page

<https://grantavia.com/en/incentives/towards-a-consolidated-culture-and-creativity-driven-european-innovation-ecosystem>

Schedule a meeting

<https://calendly.com/sandra-cardoso-epsa/reuniao>