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IPCEI
Important Project
of Common
European Interest

EUROPEAN MATCHMAKING

Information paper



What is the IPCEI on health about ?

The **Important Project of Common European Interest (IPCEI)** is a European mechanism to promote innovation in strategic and future-oriented industrial fields through transnational European projects. This mechanism allows Member States to finance - under certain conditions - initiatives beyond the limits usually set by the European rules on State aid.

Launched in March 2022 by 16 Member States, the **IPCEI on Health** aims to :

- **Provide** an important contribution to the European Health Union, the New Industrial Strategy for Europe and its update, and their respective objectives
- **Contribute** to the first industrial deployment of fundamentally innovative production processes, in particular sustainable ones, that would be impossible without the aid granted
- **Foster** state-of-the-art, quality, and accessible healthcare through the development of new products and services with a high research and innovation content

A first wave of projects - called **Med4Cure** – focusing on the pharmaceutical sector and critical molecules has been presented to the European Commission in November 2022. **These pre-notified projects should now finalize the consolidation of their consortia with European partners.**

European collaboration and matchmaking

Among the validation criteria required for pre-notified projects (known as *direct partners*), they must be able to generate real sectoral effects within the EU, particularly through **partnerships with various European players** (CRO, startups, SME, etc.)

Thus, the IPCEI on Health consortia are composed of :

- **A Direct partner:** a company selected by a participating Member State and whose activities coordinate a consortium
- **Indirect partners:** an actor who carries out activities in partnership with a project leader

In order to facilitate the matchmaking between direct partners and potential indirect European partners interested in joining a consortium, **an online matchmaking session is organized between the 6th and the 10th of March**. This will offer the opportunity for many European players to join the IPCEI on Health as an indirect partner in a consortium

Who does the matchmaking target ?

Direct partner

« I am a project leader whose project has been prenotified and I am looking for partners »



Has been selected by a participating Member State



Will benefit from state aid in case of notification by the Commission



Must generate positive cross-border spillover, notably through partnerships

Indirect partner

« I am looking to build a partnership with one or more project leaders »



Is a private or public actor (CRO, startups, SME, etc.)



Does not benefit from notified funding, but can mobilize national or European sources of co-financing



Is not a subcontractor or supplier, but a partner in an innovation activity

Why participate in this matchmaking ?

Direct partner

« I am a project leader whose project has been prenotified and I am looking for partners »



Adding new expertise to the consortium's technology portfolio



Ensuring the dissemination of knowledge and fulfilling the spill-over condition



Increasing opportunities for partnership with actors from across Europe

Indirect partner

« I am looking to build a partnership with one or more project leaders »



Benefiting from the knowledge, network and know-how of a major player in the sector



Internationalising the business with EU-wide commercial opportunities



Participating in a major European project with significant media coverage

How participate in this matchmaking ?

Direct partner

*« I am a project leader whose
project has been prenotified and I
am looking for partners »*



I register on the
matchmaking platform
between the 26th of January
and the 3rd of February



I select my one-to-
one meetings from
the 13th of February



I reserve my days from the
6th to the 10th of March for
online matchmaking

Indirect partner

*« I am looking to build a
partnership with one or more
project leaders »*



I register on the
matchmaking platform
from the 13th of February



I select direct partners
by proposing them one-
to-one meetings



I am participating in my one-
to-one meetings scheduled
between the 6th to the 10th
of March

Steps towards the online matchmaking

From **26th** of January
to the **3st** of February

13th of February

6th of March

10th of March

Registration of the
direct partners on the
platform

Opening of the registration
of the **potential indirect**
partners on the platform

Opening of the
appointment booking

Kick-off event &
opening of
online
matchmaking

Closure of online
matchmaking

Practical information

Registration on the platform and booking of one-to-one meetings has to be done **on the following link**:

<https://eithealth.eventscase.com/EN/IPCEI-Matchmaking-Info-Days/Matchmaking>

For any **technical issue** on the platform, please send an email to :

Chloe.Renaud.Perret@eithealth.eu

For any **question on the matchmaking process**, please send an email to :

piiec-sante.dge@finances.gouv.fr

*The matchmaking platform has been provided by **EIT Health** as part of collaborative actions planned with the IPCEI on Health*