

ANNEX 1. INNOMATCH APPLICATION FORM

(READ ONLY FILE)

This is an <u>offline version</u> of the full InnoMatch Application Form available on the <u>F6S</u> <u>platform</u>. The InnoMatch Application Form can only be filled in and submitted online <u>here</u>.

A Buyer (applicant):

- Can submit up to one application (unmet innovation need) for this open call representing a group of Buyers,
- Can submit up to one application (unmet innovation need) as a single applicant
- There are no restrictions on the number of applications where the buyer is part of a group application where the buyer is not the one submitting the application on behalf of the group.

In order to submit a proposal under the InnoMatch Open Call 2 for Buyers, the applicants need to:

- Be registered on the F6S platform.
- Answer all mandatory application form questions in English (online, on the F6S platform.
- Fill in English and attach the corresponding annexes / documents, as described in the InnoMatch Guidelines for applicants and as further indicated in the online application form.

The InnoMatch Open Call for Buyers full documentation is available on the <u>InnoMatch</u> website.

All questions below marked with * are mandatory!





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SECTION 1: APPLICANT LEGAL DATA

Q1: Type of applicant (select one of the two options) *

- Buyer applying individually
- Buyer representing a group of several Buyers sharing same or similar unmet innovation need.

Explanatory text. The Buyer who applies on behalf of the group or as a single applicant is considered the applicant for this open call.

Q2: Applicant Legal Name *

Explanatory text. Legal Name of the public or private company / organisation applying to this open call.

Q3: VAT Number (or equivalent) of the applicant *

Q4: Type of organisation of the applicant *

- Public Buyer
 - If public, please select the type of public organisation (only possible to select one option).*
 - National, regional or local authority
 - Body governed by public law
 - Associations formed by one or more such authorities or one or more such bodies governed by public law.
 - Other (please describe).
- Private Buyer

Q5: Sector of Activity of the applicant *

Dropdown list:

- Agriculture, Food & Beverages
- Construction, Infrastructure, Manufacturing
- Digital Transformation (Digital and ICT), Next Generation Computing, Al, Blockchain, Security, Firefighting and First Respondings
- Energy, Environment, Sustainability, Mobility
- Health and Life Sciences
- Other: Explain.





Q6: Country of Headquarters of the applicant *

Dropdown list of eligible countries

Q7: Website of the applicant

SECTION 2: CONTACT DETAILS

Q8: Full name of the contact person of the applicant *

Q9: Position of the contact person *

Q10: Email of the contact person *

Q11: Name of the unit / department (if applicable)

Q12: Phone of the contact person (include prefix)

SECTION 3: APPLICATION INFORMATION

Q13: Title of the unmet innovation need. *

Expected length: 150 characters without spaces.

Q14: Thematic area of the unmet innovation need *

Dropdown list:

- Agriculture, Food & Beverages
- Construction, Infrastructure, Manufacturing
- Digital Transformation (Digital and ICT), Next Generation Computing, Al, Blockchain, Security, Firefighting and First Respondings
- Energy, Environment, Sustainability, Mobility
- Health and Life Sciences

Q15: Summary of the unmet innovation need. *

Explanatory text. Briefly describe your need, why you are struggling to find a solution in the market and why finding a solution is essential for your organisation.

Expected length: 1.500 characters without spaces.





Q16: Are you applying together in a group with other buyer(s)? *

Yes / No answer

 If yes, please list those organisations / companies, and briefly explain to what extent they share the same need.

SECTION 4: COMMITMENT

Explanatory text: If the group of Buyers / Buyer is selected, an EIC Awardee will develop a tailored solution to solve the Buyer(s)' unmet innovation need. The Buyer(s) will have to commit to support the innovators during the deployment phase (in-kind).

Q17: Please describe what in-kind contributions (e.g., team capacity, infrastructure, facilities) will your organisation provide to support the pilot / PoC deployment? *

Expected length: 250 characters without spaces.

Q18: Please describe the roles and responsibilities of your team members who will be involved in this program. *

Expected length: 250 characters without spaces.

Q19: What measures will your organisation take to ensure continuity in participation and avoid dropouts during the process? *

Expected length: 250 characters without spaces.

Q20: Does your organisation have preliminary plans for adopting the solution if successful?

Yes / No answer

 If yes, please describe them, including potential funding sources and expected departmental support. *

Expected length: 500 characters without spaces.





Q21: Have you been so far involved in any activities from the EIC Innovation Procurement Programme, including such in the context of the EIC Business Acceleration Services?

Yes / No answer

• If yes, please mention them briefly.

Expected length: 250 characters without spaces.

Q22: Letter of Commitment by the applicant (the Buyer submitting this application representing a group of Buyers or submitting the application as a single applicant). *

Explanatory text. Please, attach a Letter of Commitment signed by your company Legal Representative. The letter must be submitted only by the Buyer who applies on behalf of a group of Buyers or as a single applicant and is considered the applicant for this open call.

Attached file here. *

SECTION 5: IMPACT & BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY

Q23: How do you envision the situation improving if the unmet need is successfully addressed? Please outline the expected benefits, also in terms of new business opportunities, partnerships, or other forms of collaboration. *

Expected length: 250 characters without spaces.

Q24: What are the expected economic, social, and environmental impacts of solving this unmet need? *

Expected length: 250 characters without spaces.

Q25: How will a successful solution be measured? *

Explanatory text: The Buyer should define at least one main objective per each expected benefit explained above, with a measurable impact indicator (e.g. 10% cost reduction; 10% decrease in carbon footprint; 30% increased user satisfaction.





Expected length: 250 characters without spaces.

SECTION 6: ALIGNMENT

Q26: How does the unmet need align with the InnoMatch "Prepare, Deploy and Assess" Programme and the 6-month deployment phase of the pilot and the maximum budget provided per pilot (€60.000)? *

Expected length: 250 characters without spaces.

SECTION 7: INNOVATION & EXPERIENCE

Q27: Please explain why your unmet need requires an innovative solution that is not currently available or widely available on the market. *

Expected length: 250 characters without spaces.

Q28: Why do you believe that external support is essential to address this unmet need? What are the innovation components to justify the external support? * Expected length: 250 characters without spaces.

Q29: Has your organisation previously participated in innovation pilots or similar initiatives?

Yes / No answer

If yes, please provide examples and outcomes. *
 Expected length: 250 characters without spaces.

Q30: Do you have experience collaborating with other organisations (Buyers) in innovation projects?

Yes / No answer

If so, share key lessons or best practices from those experiences. *

Expected length: 250 characters without spaces.

SECTION 8: REFERRALS

Q31: How did you hear about this open call? *

Referral





please specify

Social media

please specify

News and media

please specify

F6S

Event

please specify

EC / EIC / EISMEA

EIC Innovation Procurement Programme newsletter

Other

please specify

SECTION 9: REQUIREMENTS TO JOIN THE PROGRAMME

A set of individual questions with one checkbox each, requesting that the applicant confirms the following (as applicable):

By clicking the following boxes, you:

- COMPLY with the definition of 'public organisation' or 'private organisation' as described in the Guidelines for Applicants.
- ACCEPT all conditions of the Terms and conditions of InnoMatch as outlined in the Open Call for Buyers - Guidelines for Applicants.
- DECLARE to be authorised to apply in your organisation's name, and confirm that the information submitted within this application is true.
- CONFIRM not to have nor foresee any conflict of interest with the InnoMatch consortium. You confirm that the team members involved in the proposal are not employees of any of the InnoMatch Consortium legal partners or their associated/linked entities.





- CONFIRM the applicant does not have convictions for fraudulent behaviour, other financial irregularities, or unethical or illegal practices as established in the Declaration of Honour, and that the applicant will provide this Declaration signed in case the proposal is accepted for further publication and pilot.
- ACCEPT the data privacy policy as described in the Guidelines for Applicants.
- ACCEPT that the information provided and submitted in this proposal can be shared by F6S with the project consortium and the external evaluators for the purposes of managing the programme.