

PRESS RELEASE

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InnoMatch is funding 23 innovative solutions

The results for the open call dedicated to EIC Awardees and Buyers are out, it's time to meet the winners that will embark in the InnoMatch programme.

Committed to helping innovators deploy their solutions and buyers solve their unmet needs, InnoMatch launched its first open call, titled 'OCI EIC Awardee + Buyer'.

To fully support the winning pilots, the project offered financial support of up to €60,000. The selected applicants will now participate in the 12-month InnoMatch Programme, receiving expert guidance to implement their solutions and maximise their market impact.

Opened from 16 January to 17 April 2025, the call invited joint applications from an EIC Awardee and a buyer. The proposed solutions could be piloted across a wide range of sectors, including Agriculture, Food, and Beverage; Construction, Infrastructure, and Manufacturing; Digital Transformation; Energy, Water, Environment, Sustainability, and Mobility; Health and Life Sciences; and Security, Safety, and Dual-use Industries.

And the winners are...

A total of **64** applications were submitted, coming from innovative startups/SMEs based in **23** different countries. A panel of external experts evaluated all 42 eligible proposals. The process concluded with the selection of the **23** most innovative solutions.

Meet the EIC Awardee, the committed buyer and the title of their proposal:

1. **Enerpoly AB + Sonnen GmbH:** Supply-chain Stable, Safe, and Sustainable Proof-of-concept for Advanced Residential Kilowatt-hour Storage (SSSSPARKS)
2. **iLoF – Intelligent Lab on Fiber + Bluepharma – Indústria Farmacêutica, S.A:** MINT | Multiparameter INsight platform for Therapeutic nanoparticles

3. **INDRESMAT SL + INCASOL – CATALAN LAND INSTITUTE:** KLIMA–PUR Windows Pilots for Green Public Procurement Engagement for Heritage Buildings
4. **Magment GmbH + Holcim:** Testing MagPower™ solid-state transformer at Holcim facility
5. **Nico-lab B.V. + Regione Lombardia:** Lombardia Regional Cerebral Stroke project
6. **MYSOPHERA + HOSPITAL CLINIC UNIVERSITARI DE VALENCIA / INCLIVA:** Inno-PATHMAKER: Boosting surgical capacity through process optimisation using PATHMAKER
7. **BioSistemika, raziskave in razvoj d.o.o. + Ministry of Defence of the Republic of Slovenia:** DNA-Based Secure Storage for Critical Defence Data (DNAmmo)
8. **Contextflow GmbH + Universitair Ziekenhuis Leuven:** Aiding radiological thorax CT assessments in UZ Leuven using the contextflow AI-based algorithms
9. **ROKA FURADADA S.L. + COVEX, S.A.:** CIRCLE-LIGN. ENABLING A CIRCULAR MATERIALS SHIFT THROUGH ADVANCED LIGNIN TECHNOLOGY FOR PHARMA AND COSMETICS INDUSTRY
10. **Better Medicine OÜ + Universitätsmedizin der Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz:** BMVision Kidney AI pilot project
11. **Smart Farm Robotix + Bio Contact Ltd.:** GHveggieWeeder
12. **BEIT sp. z o.o. + Molecure SA:** Quantum-Accurate Virtual Screening and Docking for Selective Inhibition of Specific Mutant Kinase in Oncology
13. **Microfluidics Innovation Center + Inside Therapeutics:** Precision biochemistry via nextgen microflow control
14. **Followhealth SL + Maastricht UMC+ Comprehensive Cancer Center:** Enhancing Postoperative Recovery in DIEP Flap Patients Through Wearable Technology

15. **Deeploy + Health Sector Organisation:** AI Governance
16. **Alternative Energy Innovations SL (AEInnova) + COMPAÑÍA ESPAÑOLA DE LAMINACIÓN SA (CELSA):** NETZERO heat-powered and batteryless long-range wireless predictive maintenance IoT.
17. **CHARGE2C-NEWCAP + Patinter:** GO-START Battery- NextGen Battery Pilot
18. **Restored Hearing Ltd. trading as Lios + Kingspan Holdings (IRL) Limited:** SCOUT - SoundBounce Commercial Output and Use-case Testing
19. **Regeneration BV (resortecs) + Iturri SA:** Riturn
20. **DeepEn GmbH + Leibniz Institute for Neurobiology (LIN):** NeuroDeploy – Enabling Deep Brain Imaging In-Vivo for Neuroscience Applications
21. **Reblade + Geo-Structural Ltd.:** UK & Ireland Up Next
22. **SoundCell B.V. + Reinier Haga Medical Diagnostics Center B.V.: NANO FFAST:** Nanotechnology For Fast Antibiotic Susceptibility Testing
23. **Kasi Technologies AB + FAIV – Fordonsanpassning i Väst AB:** NESS Pilot vehicle – Commercial Customer Demo vehicle

About the programme

The winners will now embark on the InnoMatch Programme, where they will gain access to mentoring, innovation procurement resources, and a well-established network. The programme incorporates a three-stage process:

- Prepare phase (up to 2 months): Sub-Grant Agreement (SGA) and an Action Plan preparation. The Action Plan will be developed together with the Buyer.
- Deploy phase (up to 6 months): Official start of the pilot implementation: pilots will be conducted within the services or premises of the Buyer, and with the support of a dedicated team on the Buyer's side.
- Assess phase (up to 4 months): Preparation of a Validation Report: evaluation of the success of each pilot, the KPI fulfilment. With the involvement of the Buyer.

The program aims to produce validated, market-ready innovative solutions with the potential to be successfully commercialised and adopted.

About InnoMatch

InnoMatch is powered by the EIC Innovation Procurement Programme, an initiative of the European Innovation Council (EIC), which aims to facilitate access to procurement markets in Europe and globally, ensures increased market opportunities for innovative SMEs and start-ups while contributing, at the same time, to their scaling up.

Finding first customers is one of the main barriers that restricts access to market and commercialisation of innovative solutions developed by innovative SMEs. To facilitate the uptake of innovation procurement, InnoMatch will support the pilot testing of innovative solutions provided by the EIC Awardees for public and private procurement customers (Buyers). In total, €2.28M will be offered in the context of the InnoMatch to support at least 38 pilots, covering up to €60,000 per pilot.

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