SUCCESSFUL ETC PROJECT APPLICATIONS

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1. Call Objectives Match Your Objectives

- Deliver the Call/Programme Objectives
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- 4. Clear Rationale for Project Partner Involvement
- 5. Innovative and Builds on Existing Knowledge/Projects/Initiatives
- 6. Capacity to be Replicated









CALL OBJECTIVES MATCH YOUR OBJECTIVES

- Articulate in one sentence your objective what it is you want to achieve?
- Undertake a search to find EU funding Calls that align with this objective.
- Do not embark on an EU Funding application that does not achieve your objective
- When your objective matches the EU Funding Call objective both the project and your organisation will reap the benefits.

Ell Funding works best where there is alignment between your objectives — What it is you want and need to do — and the objectives of the Ell Call. For Example — If you advise you will co create something. Then you must design the project to create opportunities for partners to co-create within work packages. This co-creation must then also lead to the delivery of a call objective. It must follow through in your application and make sense as a deliverable under the project.



DELIVER THE CALL AND PROGRAMME OBJECTIVES

- Read all the call documents and guidance notes.
- Attend information days and liaise with your National Contact Point for the particular EU Programme.
- Ensure you meet each of the objectives of the call/programme – This is what you application will be scored on.
- Does it make sense? advising you will achieve an objective is not sufficient you must demonstrate this in the design and delivery of work packages and partner interaction.
- Are you objectives SMART? In particular are these realistic and achievable within the timeframe of the project? If not your application will be scored down.



EASY TO UNDERSTAND

- Remember your audience are evaluators who will have many applications to evaluate.
- Evaluators cannot be specialists in everything

 Technical aspects of your applications must
 be understandable.
- Get someone else in your organisation who is not a technical expert to read your application.
- Explain any acronyms you are using.
- Use clear language with short sentences.
 Start each paragraph with specific point you wish to make.
- Make sure that the application has a logical flow.



CLEAR RATIONALE FOR PROJECT PARTNER INVOLVEMENT

Ensure you meet the partner consortium minimum requirements for the specific call. However, this is only the eligibility requirement for the application.

 You must justify each project partner selection based on their expertise and capacity to deliver on the call objectives.

Budget and assignment of tasks throughout work packages must be justified, balanced and fair for each project partner.

If you cannot justify the need for all project partners and link this to the tasks they will undertake and the budget assigned to them the application will be scored down.

Ensure you have all the partners needed to deliver the project for example if you need SME's to demonstrate a technology/process they must be included in the consortium.



INNOVATIVE AND BUILDS ON EXISTING KNOWLEDGE, PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES

- Every application should include innovation through approach, process, technology or design.
- However, it should also build on what is affectly there – you "Don't have to reinvent the wheel"
- Check the CORDIS Website for past and ongoing EU-funded project to ensure your project has not already been funded or to build on past projects - https://cordis.europa.eu/





CAPACITY TO BE REPLICATED

- Applications should demonstrate not only how the project will benefit project partners but also their regions and citizens.
- Explain in your application how the deliverables under the project can be further disseminated outside the immediate project partner local area
- Detail how learnings and knowledge can be transferred across Europe and how easily the project positive results could be replicated.

THANK YOU

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But all together, we will be one team that works in the common European interest... My message is simple: Let us get to work.

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Remember - Take your time, prepare well in advance, do not leave your submission to the last minute. Good Luck!!!