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# EIC ACCESS+

## OPEN CALL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

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# 1. Applicants must be:

**EIC Awardees** (Horizon 2020 and Horizon Europe):

- EIC Pathfinder
- EIC Transition
- EIC Accelerator

**Seal of Excellence holders** under the Horizon Europe

**Spin-offs from the EIC Awardees**, provable with legal documents. In this case, the project coordinator must provide consent through a written declaration confirming the connection between the spin-off and the project.

# 2. Legal entity:

The company applying for the EIC ACCESS+ grant must be registered in one of the **EU or Associated countries**. [The list of Associated countries can be found on the EC website.](#)

# 3. Double funding:

The 50% services cost to be funded through the EIC ACCESS+ project need not have been previously funded by other European, national, or similar initiatives. The remaining 50% of the service costs can be covered by other means.

# 4. Grant amount:

The total grant amount to be received by a beneficiary under the EIC ACCESS+ project must remain below or equal to 60.000 EUR. It can cover one or multiple packages, [detailed on the EIC ACCESS+ website.](#)

# 5. Selected service:

The applicant must select a service provider from the [EIC Service Catalogue](#) and **include a clear and detailed description of the requested service** in the application, outlining the expected results and impact. Learn to select a service provider from the EIC Service Catalogue on the EIC ACCESS+ website.

## 6. Service completion:

The beneficiary must **ensure service completion by June 30, 2026**. Services that don't comply with this timeline can be partially funded to cover only the services provided by this date. This will be discussed and agreed on individually.

## 7. Affiliation:

The applicant company must clearly **describe the link between itself and the project** that would benefit from the services, including its role and executed activities. Only technological, business, research or similar activities can receive funding. The EIC ACCESS+ grants can not be used to fund project management or similar activities.

## How to apply:

1. Once you read the eligibility criteria and know you can apply, [join the EIC ACCESS+ Community hub](#) by creating a profile for your company or project.
2. Download and prepare the needed documents [found on the project website](#).
3. Submit your application via the form provided inside the EIC ACCESS+ Community hub.

## Next steps:

### Selection process

A selection committee will review the applications every two weeks and announce the results to the applicants afterwards. Once a project is approved to be funded, an FSTP agreement must be signed detailing every aspect. Projects will be funded on a first-come, first-served basis. A total of 180 companies are expected to receive EIC BAS grants through the EIC ACCESS+ project.

### Reporting and payments

The programme will provide grant payments in one or two instalments, depending on the grant amount:

– for grants of up to 10.000 EUR: one instalment, at the end of the service implementation, upon providing an invoice from the service provider:

– for grants over 10.000 EUR: two instalments, a 50% pre-financing and 50% payment after the service completion, upon providing an invoice from the service provider.

Applicants must submit a short report describing the service they obtained and the results they achieved before receiving the last payment. As part of the reporting, beneficiaries must also complete a satisfaction questionnaire on the service quality.