



## Multi-lateral Call for Proposals for Joint R&D Projects

### Eligibility Criteria

The project application submitted within the *Multi-lateral Call for Proposals for Joint R&D Projects* must meet all the **General eligibility criteria** or it will not be put forward for assessment and evaluation.

#### General Eligibility Criteria:

1. Does the project proposed meet the criteria set by EUREKA\*?
2. Is there at least one participant from another EUREKA / Eurostars member country in the consortium?
3. Is the project consortium well balanced? Is there no participant or country responsible for more than 75% of the declared project costs?
4. Are all participants legal entities?

#### Eligible costs

The rules applying to eligible costs vary from one member country to another. Your EUREKA National Project Coordinator (NPC) can address your specific questions either by telephone or email. Contact details for all NPCs are provided at:  
<http://www.eurostarseureka.eu/where.do>.

#### Additional specific criteria - *only applicable to Eurostars applications*

These criteria only apply to consortium wishing to be considered for the Eurostars programme.

1. Is the main participant a research-performing SME, according to the EUREKA / Eurostars criteria (10% of full-time equivalent or 10% of turnover dedicated to R&D activities and established in a EUREKA / Eurostars member country)?
2. Do all the SME participants fulfil the European Union-adopted definition of an SME?  
See: [http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/enterprise\\_policy/sme\\_definition/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/enterprise_policy/sme_definition/index_en.htm)
3. Is at least 50% of the total project costs related to R&D activities to be carried out by the R&D performing SME participants? (This percentage can, however, include minor sub-contracting.)
4. Is the planned duration of the project no more than 36 months?
5. Within two years of project completion, is it foreseen that the product of the research be ready for launch onto the market? In the case of biotechnology, medical or biomedical projects, will clinical trials start within two years of project completion?

\* According to EUREKA criteria, a project can address any technological area, but must have a civilian purpose and be aimed at the development of a new product, process or service.