



UK Research Office (UKRO) Brussels

Supporting the UK research and innovation community from the heart of Brussels

UKRO delivers a subscription-based service for UK universities and research organisations. Anyone based at subscribing organisations can access our services. We provide our users with news, insight and advice to help them engage with EU-funded research. Based in Brussels, we are a [UKRI team](#) supporting the UK's involvement in the EU's key research and innovation programme, Horizon Europe. With UKRI, we work with partners across government and our stakeholders to maximise UK engagement in Horizon Europe. We are also appointed by the UK government to give free, impartial advice on [European Research Council](#) and [Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions](#) programmes. These are part of the Excellent Science Pillar I of Horizon Europe. This service is free to use and UKRO subscription is not required to access this advice.

Our services

For our subscribers:

Our European advisors give expert advice on applying for Horizon Europe funding and managing successful projects. We also give research managers specialist support.

For all:

We deliver UK National Contact Point services for those interested in Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA) and European Research Council (ERC) programmes. We provide a dedicated helpdesk, regularly updated information on our website and specialised information and training events.



Our mission

We maximise UK engagement in EU-funded research, innovation and higher education activities by:

- Enabling UKRI and subscribers to confidently navigate and make informed decisions about participating in EU programmes, while helping them to fully exploit all available opportunities.
- Supporting continued UK engagement with European research, innovation and higher education policy developments by informing, advising and liaising with the appropriate bodies both in the UK and the EU.
- Delivering a set of unique, specialised and agile services which meet the evolving needs of our UK subscribers, we provide continuity and a home in Brussels for them and their international colleagues.

“ I would recommend UKRO subscription because of the collective services that they provide and the close relationship that UKRO has with EU officials. The fact that they are based in Brussels helps a lot. ”

Richard Mole, Moredun Foundation

Subscription benefits

For Research Managers:

Subscribe to UKRO and unlock the wide range of benefits which can support you and your colleagues in your research projects, including:

- A dedicated enquiry service, individual support and advice, all year round: All subscribers have a European advisor at UKRO to provide guidance, information, and advice on EU policies, programmes and funding opportunities.
- Early Horizon Europe funding insights direct to your inbox
- A tailored annual event for your organisation: UK-based subscribers can benefit from a complimentary annual event organised by their UKRO European advisor, who will work with you to provide expert training, information, and one-to-one sessions tailored to the requirements of your institution.
- Events for research managers, specialist training courses, webinars and focus groups providing in-depth insight, practical support and opportunities to exchange best practice.

For all users in your organisation:

- Access to the UKRO Portal, to keep you informed. Register to receive tailored news articles on the latest EU funding and policy developments, as well as factsheets on different strands and aspects of EU research, innovation and higher education activities.
- Regular Horizon Europe training and information events
- A place to meet and work in Brussels. Use our dedicated workspaces for European project meetings or as part of your trip to Brussels. We are located within easy walking distance of most European Commission buildings, the European Parliament and the Council of Ministers.

Find out how your organisation can subscribe to UKRO's services on the [UKRO Portal](#).

“UKRO is a key source of information and intelligence at all stages of programme and project planning for EU-funded activity.”

Martin Gregory, University of Strathclyde

Read more subscriber feedback from subscribers on the [UKRO Portal](#).

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Our objectives

- Keep subscribers regularly up to date with funding opportunities and policy developments to inform their decision-making, reduce barriers to participation in Horizon Europe, and support them on every step of their funding journey.
- Regularly listen to subscribers and UKRI colleagues to ensure our services address their needs and deliver clear added value to the UK research community.
- Maintain our excellent reputation as a provider of advice and information on EU's research, innovation and higher education programming and policy, and as a leading facilitator of dialogue between the UK research funding and performing community, UK Government, EU institutions and Brussels-based stakeholder organisations.
- Keep up to date with relevant EU policy, working in collaboration with colleagues across UKRI. Use this intelligence to inform UKRI priorities and enable dialogue to reach rapid, effective responses to emerging policy and programming issues.
- Deliver high quality ERC and MSCA National Contact Point services for the UK research community, on behalf of the UK Government.



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