

Opportunities for Researchers from the Social Sciences and Humanities (SSH) in Horizon Europe

Analysis of SSH-relevant Topics
in Work Programme 2023-2025

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Introduction

This document is designed to help potential proposers find SSH-related topics across the different parts of Horizon Europe Work Programme 2023-25.

Social Sciences and Humanities (SSH) in Horizon Europe

Horizon Europe aims at fully integrating Social Sciences and Humanities (SSH) in each of its pillars. In particular, under the pillar 'Global Challenges and European Industrial Competitiveness', SSH should be fully integrated across all clusters. SSH is therefore a cross-cutting issue and integrated in the whole Framework Programme. While SSH research aspects are particularly present in Cluster 2 'Culture, Creativity and Inclusive Society', they are also present in all other clusters and in other parts of Horizon Europe.

Horizon Europe requires applicants to submit proposals and build consortia that transcend disciplinary and sectorial boundaries, bringing together scholars from SSH and from life and physical sciences, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM), as well as researchers and practitioners across these fields.

The SSH encompass a wide range of disciplines such as sociology and economics, psychology and political science, history and cultural sciences, law and ethics. Contributions from these research and activity fields are needed under Horizon Europe to generate new knowledge, support evidence-based policymaking, develop key competences and produce multidisciplinary solutions to both societal and technological issues.

SSH-flagged topics across Horizon Europe

To assist SSH researchers in identifying funding opportunities, the European Commission (EC) has established a search engine within its online [Funding & Tender Opportunities Portal](#). Certain topics with substantial SSH aspects have been "flagged" by the EC as SSH-relevant, and the search engine offers the option to quickly search for the specific priority 'Socio-economic science and humanities'. It also allows for keyword and full-text search.

This document compiles the "SSH-flagged topics" listed on the [Funding & Tender Opportunities Portal](#) and is based on the analysis of SSH-relevant topics carried out jointly by the thematic services and Unit D.3 Health & Societal Transitions of the EC Directorate-General for Research and Innovation. The document also includes a few additional topics that, while not flagged, may require the contribution of Social Sciences and Humanities researchers.

Researchers are strongly encouraged to screen the Work Programme themselves, in order not to lose out on research opportunities offered on their specific interest. In any case, all Work Programme parts need to be read in detail, in order to become familiar with the overall approach of the theme, the context of the topics, rules for participation, and other specific requirements. Of special importance are the "type of action" and the eligibility criteria connected to it. This and any other relevant information can be found in the specific Work Programme part and the specific call document. All relevant documents can be downloaded from the Funding & Tender Opportunities Portal. The specific links are provided for each topic in the respective chapters.

Structure of the document

The structure of this document is determined by the degree of anticipated SSH integration in the different Horizon Europe Programme parts. Instead of following the numerical order of the Horizon Europe Pillars (I. Excellent science, II. Global Challenges & European Industrial Competitiveness, III. Innovative Europe), the document starts with the part that includes “top down” topics and the greatest amount of SSH research dimensions: the thematic Clusters under the second Pillar. The document continues with the Excellent Science programming areas (mostly “bottom up” opportunities), followed by relevant topics located in the Innovative Europe programming area. In the last two chapters, the SSH-relevant topics in Widening Participation & Strengthening the European Research Area and in the Missions are presented.

DISCLAIMER

This document includes information on open and forthcoming topics for 2023-25 as of May 2024.

An important feature of this guide is a “main keywords” reference section that is included as part of each listed topic. This feature is a short-hand reference naming the type of social scientific or humanistic science-related research know-how, methodology, or disciplinary framing technique required for successful project implementation. These keywords are an adaptation of the [Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions \(MSCA\) Keywords](#) and the Social Sciences and Humanities categories used by the European Commission in the Monitoring reports on the [Integration of Social Sciences and Humanities in Horizon 2020](#). The use of “main keywords” serves to help clarify how to locate one’s research discipline in the context of a topic’s research requirements.

Information on calls might be subject to change. To receive the latest information on calls, researchers/users of this guide need to consult the Funding & Tender opportunities Portal to inform themselves of any updates.

Net4SocietyHE has made every attempt to ensure the accuracy and reliability of the information provided in this document. However, the information is provided “as is”, without warranty of any kind, including the reference to keywords, as the writing of topics across Clusters varies to different degrees and this is reflected in how SSH research is referred to (e.g. (generic example) “this topic requires the involvement of SSH researchers and expertise” to “this topic requires the active involvement political scientists, legal scholars, and international relations experts”).

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Cluster 1
Health



Call - Tackling disease (Single stage - 2024)

Deadline: 26 November 2024

| Topic | SSH aspects |
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| <p>HORIZON-HLTH-2024-DISEASE-13-01 Implementation research for management of multiple long-term conditions in the context of non-communicable diseases (Global Alliance for Chronic Diseases - GACD)</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>The topic is focused on implementation research for management of multiple long-term conditions in the context of NCDs (MLTC NCD) in LMICs and/or disadvantaged populations in HICs. Proposals should focus on implementation science around interventions that will generate evidence about when, for whom, and under what circumstances, patient-centred approaches can improve integrated care for patients with MLTC NCD.</p> <p>Applicants must explore the implementation of proposed intervention(s) for a selected study population(s) taking into account the unique social, political, economic, and cultural context(s) in which the study will take place.</p> <p>Main keywords: Sociology, Political Science, Economics</p> |

Cluster 2

**Culture, Creativity and Inclusive
Societies**



Call - A European Collaborative Cloud for Cultural Heritage

Deadline: 22 January 2025

| Topic | SSH aspects |
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| <p>HORIZON-CL2-2024-HERITAGE-ECCCH-01-01</p> <p>A European Collaborative Cloud for Cultural Heritage – Innovative tools for digitisation and analysis of dynamic processes, objects and complex combined data</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>This topic aims at developing and implementing a set of innovative tools and methods on the European Collaborative Cloud for Cultural Heritage (ECCCH) for digitisation and analysis of dynamic processes, objects and complex combined data. Concrete applications of these tools and methods should be provided for at least the following uses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Digitising dynamic objects, processes and practices • Monitoring the evolving status of cultural heritage objects over time • Interacting with, cross-mixing and re-mixing different data types <p>Main keywords: Cultural heritage, Media studies</p> |
| <p>HORIZON-CL2-2024-HERITAGE-ECCCH-01-02</p> <p>A European Collaborative Cloud for Cultural Heritage – Innovative tools for documenting, interlinking and organising data</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>This topic aims at developing and implementing a set of innovative tools and methods on the European Collaborative Cloud for Cultural Heritage (ECCCH) for documenting, interlinking and organising data. Concrete applications of these tools and methods should be provided for at least the following uses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creating, enriching and refining annotated bibliographies • Documenting the results of fieldwork such as archaeological or paleontological excavations or other collection processes and studies <p>Main keywords: Cultural heritage, Library science, Archaeology</p> |
| <p>HORIZON-CL2-2024-HERITAGE-ECCCH-01-04</p> <p>A European Collaborative Cloud for Cultural Heritage – Innovative tools for high-value interactions with visitors and heritage objects</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>This topic aims at developing and implementing a set of innovative tools and methods on the European Collaborative Cloud for Cultural Heritage (ECCCH) for high-quality interactions with visitors and cultural heritage objects. Concrete applications of these tools and methods should be provided for at least the following uses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creating, sharing and re-using interactive content • Analysing, designing and testing interactions with visitors <p>Main keywords: Cultural heritage, Graphic and audio-visual arts, Cultural and creative industries, Sociology</p> |
| <p>HORIZON-CL2-2024-HERITAGE-ECCCH-01-05</p> <p>A European Collaborative Cloud for Cultural Heritage – Innovative tools for the study, conservation and restoration of heritage objects</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>This topic aims at developing and implementing a set of innovative tools and methods on the European Collaborative Cloud for Cultural Heritage (ECCCH) based on the digital twins of cultural heritage objects stored in the ECCCH, for the study, conservation and restoration of cultural heritage objects. Concrete applications of these tools and methods should be provided for at least the following uses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supporting the study of cultural heritage objects • Supporting conservation and restoration works <p>Main keywords: Cultural heritage</p> |

Cluster 3

Civil Security for Society

Call - Fighting Crime and Terrorism 2024

Deadline: 20 November 2024

| Topic | SSH aspects |
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| <p>HORIZON-CL3-2024-FCT-01-03 Lawful evidence collection in online child sexual abuse investigations, including undercover</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>Research in this area should tackle legislative frameworks to collecting evidence in online, including undercover, investigations of child sexual abuse, leading to guidelines and manuals that would make the capability available across the EU to target these offenders more effectively.</p> <p>Special care needs to be given to ethics and fundamental rights protection throughout the research and the solutions proposed. This topic requires the effective contribution of SSH disciplines and the involvement of SSH experts, institutions as well as the inclusion of relevant SSH expertise, in order to produce meaningful and significant effects enhancing the societal impact of the related innovation activities.</p> <p>Main keywords: Law, Criminology, Ethics</p> |
| <p>HORIZON-CL3-2024-FCT-01-04 Radicalisation and gender</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>In order to improve understandings of radicalization and gender we need to study how and why gender norms appear as an increasingly contested area of politics with strong mobilizing power. What role gender norms and equality policies play in stabilizing and destabilizing social and political order, and how ideas and norms about gender equality make people react, mobilize and engage politically, at present, in the past and in the future. Proposals should recognise not only the cultural, social and economic diversity of the milieus, but as mentioned above also be gender sensitive.</p> <p>This topic requires the effective contribution of SSH disciplines and the involvement of SSH experts, institutions as well as the inclusion of relevant SSH expertise, in order to produce meaningful and significant effects enhancing the societal impact of the related innovation activities.</p> <p>Main keywords: Political Science, Social and Cultural studies, Economics, Ethics, Gender studies</p> |
| <p>HORIZON-CL3-2024-FCT-01-05 Combating hate speech online and offline</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>The successful proposal is expected to reinforce hate crime training and capacity building for Police Authorities and other relevant security practitioners, in particular to enhance their tools and methods for lawful detection, reporting and data/evidence collection and analysis of the hate speech related activities that are considered as crime or could lead to a crime. Activities proposed within this topic should address, in a balanced way, both technological and societal dimensions of the issue under consideration.</p> <p>This topic requires the effective contribution of SSH disciplines and the involvement of SSH experts, institutions as well as the inclusion of relevant SSH expertise, in order to produce meaningful and significant effects enhancing the societal impact of the related innovation activities.</p> <p>Main keywords: Law, Sociology, Education, Communication studies</p> |

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| <p>HORIZON-CL3-2024-FCT-01-06 Open Topic</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>Under the Open Topic, proposals are welcome to address both existing and upcoming challenges in fighting crimes strongly influenced by cultural and/or societal issues that are not covered by the other topics of Horizon Europe Calls Fighting Crime and Terrorism 2021 -2022, Fighting Crime and Terrorism 2023 and Fighting Crime and Terrorism 2024.</p> <p>Activities proposed within this topic should address, in a balanced way, both technological and societal dimensions of the issue under consideration.</p> <p>This topic requires the effective contribution of SSH disciplines and the involvement of SSH experts, institutions as well as the inclusion of relevant SSH expertise, in order to produce meaningful and significant effects enhancing the societal impact of the related innovation activities.</p> <p>Main keywords: Social and Behavioural studies, Law</p> |
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Call - Resilient Infrastructure 2024

Deadline: 20 November 2024

| Topic | SSH aspects |
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| <p>HORIZON-CL3-2024-INFRA-01-02 Resilient and secure urban planning and new tools for EU territorial entities</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>Projects' results are expected to contribute to all of the following outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evaluation of the resilience of an urban and peri-urban environment, identification of weaknesses and recommendations for changes to organizational processes; • Creation of new tools and cost-efficient security upgrades of urban infrastructures with possibilities of pooling and sharing of complex security systems, taking into account limited budgets of local authorities; • Improved efficiency of the security forces and emergency services (police, firefighters, paramedics ...) for the benefit of the European citizens and residents; • Promotion of best practices, creation of EU sovereign trusted decision support tool/solution and spreading of effective tools and capabilities across entities in different EU territories despite their size and location. <p>This topic requires the effective contribution of SSH disciplines and the involvement of SSH experts, institutions as well as the inclusion of relevant SSH expertise, in order to produce meaningful and significant effects enhancing the societal impact of the related innovation activities.</p> <p>Main keywords: Urban Geography, Social sciences and Humanities</p> |
| <p>HORIZON-CL3-2024-INFRA-01-03 Advanced real-time data analysis used for infrastructure resilience</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>This topic requires the effective contribution of SSH disciplines and the involvement of SSH experts, institutions as well as the inclusion of relevant SSH expertise, in order to produce meaningful and significant effects enhancing the societal impact of the related innovation activities.</p> <p>Main keywords: Social sciences and Humanities</p> |

Call - Disaster-Resilient Society 2024

Deadline: 20 November 2024

| Topic | SSH aspects |
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| <p>HORIZON-CL3-2024-DRS-01-01 Prevention, detection, response and mitigation of chemical, biological and radiological threats to agricultural production, feed and food processing, distribution and consumption</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>This topic requires the effective contribution of SSH disciplines and the involvement of SSH experts, institutions as well as the inclusion of relevant SSH expertise, in order to produce meaningful and significant effects enhancing the societal impact of the related research activities.</p> <p>Main keywords: Psychology, Sociology</p> |
| <p>HORIZON-CL3-2024-DRS-01-03 Harmonised / Standard protocols for the implementation of alert and impact forecasting systems as well as transnational emergency management in the areas of high-impact weather / climatic and geological disasters</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>This topic requires the effective contribution of SSH disciplines and the involvement of SSH experts, institutions as well as the inclusion of relevant SSH expertise, in order to produce meaningful and significant effects enhancing the societal impact of the related research/innovation activities</p> <p>Main keywords: Psychology, Sociology, Political Science</p> |
| <p>HORIZON-CL3-2024-DRS-01-04 Hi-tech capacities for crisis response and recovery after a natural-technological (NaTech) disaster</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>This topic requires the effective contribution of SSH disciplines and the involvement of SSH experts, institutions as well as the inclusion of relevant SSH expertise, in order to produce meaningful and significant effects enhancing the societal impact of the related research/innovation activities.</p> <p>Main keywords: Psychology, Sociology</p> |
| <p>HORIZON-CL3-2024-DRS-01-05 Cost-effective sustainable technologies and crisis management strategies for RN large-scale protection of population and infrastructures after a nuclear blast or nuclear facility incident</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>This topic requires the effective contribution of SSH disciplines and the involvement of SSH experts, institutions as well as the inclusion of relevant SSH expertise, in order to produce meaningful and significant effects enhancing the societal impact of the related research/innovation activities.</p> <p>Main keywords: Psychology, Sociology, Political Science, Economics</p> |

Cluster 4

Digital, Industry and Space

Call - A human-centred and ethical development of digital and industrial technologies

Deadline: 18 September 2024

| Topic | SSH aspects |
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| <p>HORIZON-CL4-2024-HUMAN-03-02 Explainable and Robust AI (AI Data and Robotics Partnership)</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>Multidisciplinary research activities should address all of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposals should involve appropriate expertise in all the relevant sector specific use cases and disciplines, and where appropriate Social Sciences and Humanities (SSH), including gender and intersectional knowledge to address concerns around gender, racial or other biases, etc. Proposals are expected to dedicate tasks and resources to collaborate with and provide input to the open innovation challenge under HORIZON-CL4-2023-HUMAN-01-04 addressing explainability and robustness. Research teams involved in the proposals are expected to participate in the respective Innovation Challenges. Contribute to making AI and robotics solutions meet the requirements of Trustworthy AI, based on the respect of the ethical principles, the fundamental rights including critical aspects such as robustness, safety, reliability, in line with the European Approach to AI. Ethics principles needs to be adopted from early stages of development and design. <p>Main keywords: Sociology, Gender studies, Ethics</p> |
| <p>HORIZON-CL4-2024-HUMAN-03-03 Digital Humanism - Putting people at the centre of the digital transformation</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>The topic requires intense, cross-disciplinary work of computer (and technology) sciences with legal, economic, sociological, philosophical and other kinds of expertise as a co-development exercise.</p> <p>To support in-depth, early-on collaboration between computer sciences and the whole wealth of humanities and social sciences to put new algorithms and models into a broader context, proposals under this topic should support the development of an active network and cross disciplinary communities on digital humanism bringing together ICT experts, ethnologists, sociologists and experts in fundamental rights.</p> <p>Main keywords: Law, Economics, Sociology, Philosophy, Ethnology, Political Science</p> |
| <p>HORIZON-CL4-2024-HUMAN-03-04 Facilitate the engagement in global ICT standardisation development</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>The aim of the topic is to reinforce the presence of EU and associated states experts in the global ICT standardisation scene, by setting up an ICT standardisation observatory and a facility supporting the participation of key European specialists (especially from SMEs, societal stakeholders and Academia) in key international and global Standard Developing Organisations.</p> <p>Topic with minor SSH relevance</p> |

Call - Coordination and support

Deadline: 10 September 2024

| Topic | SSH aspects |
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| <p>HORIZON-CL4-2024-HUMAN-02-35 Intellectual asset management support for public research organisations, academic institutions and their spin-offs (CSA)</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>The aim of the action is to ensure the highest level of support for public research organisations in Europe including universities and their entrepreneurial agendas in order to improve access to and use of the knowledge assets very often created by public research funding.</p> <p>Encouraging entrepreneurship and providing the necessary intellectual asset management support, can help bridge the gap between the laboratory and the marketplace. This action will support the implementation of the Council Recommendation on the Guiding principles for Knowledge Valorisation in Europe and will demonstrate how the Code of Practice on the management of intellectual assets for knowledge valorisation in the European Research Area and the Code of practice for Standardisation can be used amongst other tools to support early stage academic entrepreneurs.</p> <p>Main keywords: Business, Education</p> |

Cluster 5

Climate, Energy and Mobility



Call - Sustainable, secure and competitive energy supply

Deadline: 21 January 2025

| Topic | SSH aspects |
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| <p>HORIZON-CL5-2024-D3-02-06 Innovative, Community-Integrated PV systems</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>This topic requires the effective contribution of Social Science and Humanities (SSH) disciplines and the involvement of SSH experts, institutions as well as the inclusion of relevant SSH expertise, in order to produce meaningful and significant effects enhancing the societal impact of the related research activities. Social innovations should also be considered, notably as new tools, ideas and methods leading to active citizen engagement and as drivers of social change, social ownership, and new social practices.</p> <p>Main keywords: Social innovation</p> |
| <p>HORIZON-CL5-2024-D3-02-10 Market Uptake Measures of renewable energy systems</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>The complexity of the challenges and of the related market uptake barriers may call for multi-disciplinary approaches, which requires contributions from the social sciences and humanities. Where relevant, local, regional specificities, socio-economic, gender-related, spatial and environmental aspects will be considered from a life-cycle perspective. Proposals are encouraged to address social acceptability through the assessment of the environmental economic and social impacts associated with the development of these renewable energies and through the adequate involvement of stakeholders in decision-making processes.</p> <p>This topic requires the effective contribution of SSH disciplines and the involvement of SSH experts, institutions as well as the inclusion of relevant SSH expertise, in order to produce meaningful and significant effects for understanding and addressing societal barriers to the uptake of renewable energy systems. Where relevant, proposals are expected to also assess the legal, institutional, and political frameworks at local, national and European level and examine how, why and under what conditions these could act as a barrier or an enabler.</p> <p>Main keywords: Sociology, Economics, Human Geography, Gender studies, Law, Political Science</p> |
| <p>HORIZON-CL5-2024-D3-02-11 CCU for the production of fuels</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>Proposals will aim at the development of energy-efficient and economically and environmentally viable CO₂ conversion technologies, including energy storage and/or displacement of fossil fuels that allow for upscaling in the short to medium term.</p> <p>Technology development has to be balanced by an assessment of the societal readiness towards the proposed innovations. Relevant end users and societal stakeholders (such as civil society organisations, non-governmental organisations, and local associations) will be identified in the proposal, and involved in deliberative activities, so as understand and address their concerns and needs. This will be analysed during the project using appropriate techniques and methods from the social sciences and humanities, in order to create awareness, gain feedback on societal impact and advancing society's readiness for the proposed solutions. Projects, therefore, could consider the inclusion of relevant SSH expertise in order to enhance the societal impact of the related research activities.</p> |

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| | <p>Projects should also explore the socio-economic and political barriers to acceptability and awareness with a view to regulatory or policy initiatives and include aspects of circularity and best use of resources.</p> <p>Main keywords: Sociology, Economics, Political Science, Law</p> |
| <p>HORIZON-CL5-2024-D3-02-12 DACCS and BECCS for CO2 removal/negative emissions</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>The objective of this topic is to further the technological development of DACCS and BECCS, and addressing the environmental, social and economic challenges and benefits with the view of establishing this concept as a viable technology to fight climate change.</p> <p>Technology development has to be balanced by an assessment of the societal readiness towards the proposed innovations. Relevant end users and societal stakeholders (such as civil society organisations, non-governmental organisations, and local associations) will be identified in the proposal and involved in deliberative activities to understand and address their concerns and needs. This will be analysed during the project using appropriate techniques and methods from the social sciences and humanities, in order to create awareness, gain feedback on societal impact and advancing society's readiness for the proposed solutions. Projects, therefore, could consider the inclusion of relevant SSH expertise in order to enhance the societal impact of the related research activities. Projects should also explore the socio-economic and political barriers to acceptability and awareness with a view to regulatory or policy initiatives and include aspects of circularity and best use of resources.</p> <p>Main keywords: Sociology, Economics, Political Science, Law</p> |
| <p>HORIZON-CL5-2024-D3-02-13 Support to the activities of the SET Plan Key Action area Renewable fuels and bioenergy</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>Proposals will support the update and the execution/realisation of the Implementation Plan launched in 2018 by the Implementation Working Group (IWG) in renewable fuels and bioenergy, taking into account the DNSH (do-not-significant-harm-principle). This IWG needs to update the targets included in its implementation plan to comply with the new policy framework.</p> <p>This topic requires the effective contribution of SSH disciplines and the involvement of SSH experts, institutions as well as the inclusion of relevant SSH expertise, to produce meaningful and significant effects enhancing the societal impact of the related research activities.</p> <p>Main keywords: Social sciences and Humanities</p> |

Call - Efficient, sustainable and inclusive energy use

Deadline: 21 January 2025

| Topic | SSH aspects |
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| <p>HORIZON-CL5-2024-D4-02 04 Design for adaptability, re-use and deconstruction of buildings, in line with the principles of circular economy (Built4People Partnership)</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>Proposals should ensure solutions are rooted in local and regional value chains, based on participative approaches for social acceptability of innovation, in particular with regard to the workforce's practices and skills .</p> <p>This topic requires the effective contribution of SSH disciplines and the involvement of SSH experts, institutions as well as the inclusion of relevant SSH expertise, in order to produce meaningful and significant effects enhancing the societal impact of the related research activities.</p> <p>Main keywords: Sociology, Urban studies, Law</p> |
| <p>HORIZON-CL5-2024-D4-02-05 Digital solutions to foster participative design, planning and management of buildings, neighbourhoods and urban districts (Built4People Partnership)</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>Proposals are expected to address the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engage citizens (seeking coverage of different genders and social characteristics), end users of the tools and other relevant stakeholders involved in the design, planning and management of urban development projects in the development process of the digital solution. • Ensure the digital solution offers different means to exchange information and provide input that are tailored to the specific needs of laypersons, including vulnerable, minority and disadvantaged groups as well as persons with disabilities and older persons. <p>This topic requires the effective contribution of SSH disciplines and the involvement of SSH experts, institutions as well as the inclusion of relevant SSH expertise (including social innovation), in order to produce meaningful and significant effects enhancing the societal impact of the related research activities.</p> <p>Main keywords: Sociology, Urban studies, Social innovation</p> |

Call - Safe, Resilient Transport and Smart Mobility services for passengers and goods

Deadline: 05 Sep 2024

| Topic | SSH aspects |
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| <p>HORIZON-CL5-2024-D6-01-04 AI for advanced and collective perception and decision making for CCAM applications (CCAM Partnership)</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>Project results are expected to contribute to all of the following expected outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approaches for resilient collective awareness, which can eventually be used in e.g. complex models of collective behaviour. • Advanced collective awareness, decision making and triggering of actions for CCAM applications, enabled by new concepts and tools built on advancements in Artificial Intelligence (AI), including Hybrid Intelligence (HI). • CCAM solutions evolving from reactive into predictive system state awareness (including driver state and road user diversity), decision making and actuation, enhancing road safety. • Understanding of AI-related ethical issues and user needs, together with capabilities, limitations and potential conflicts of AI based systems for CCAM, including a definition and a measure of human-like control. • Increased user acceptability and societal benefit of CCAM solutions, based on explainable, trustworthy and human-centric AI. Interactions with AI-based vehicles are understandable, human-like and reflect human psychological capabilities. <p>This topic requires the effective contribution of SSH disciplines including ethics and the involvement of SSH experts, institutions as well as the inclusion of relevant SSH expertise, in order to produce meaningful and significant effects enhancing the societal impact of the related research activities.</p> <p>Main keywords: Sociology, Psychology, Ethics</p> |
| <p>HORIZON-CL5-2024-D6-01-09 Policies and governance shaping the future transport and mobility systems</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>A 'social optimum' balance should be included to developing research knowledge within new governance models from several perspectives (e.g. socio-economic, environmental, health, accessibility, gender and inclusion, safety and security aspects).</p> <p>This topic requires the effective contribution of SSH disciplines and the involvement of SSH experts, institutions as well as the inclusion of relevant SSH expertise, in order to produce meaningful and significant effects enhancing the societal impact of the related research.</p> <p>Main keywords: Sociology, Economics, Political Science, Law, Gender studies</p> |
| <p>HORIZON-CL5-2024-D6-01-11 Effects of disruptive changes in transport: towards resilient, safe and energy efficient mobility</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>In order to provide safe and resilient transport for all, many aspects are expected to be considered in a clearly multidisciplinary approach. Proposed actions are expected to address at least three out of the following aspects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scenarios of disruptive changes that can make a transport system unstable should be identified, the consequences on transport safety be analysed, and solutions to tackle them developed. This includes safety |

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| | <p>implications of rapid changes / new incentives (sometimes contradictory to previous ones, e.g. regarding the use of public transport in a pandemic situation).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Analysis of how socio-economic differences may affect the safety of individuals in case of disruptive changes • Study of how the concept of resilience at the system level can be applied and used for the improvement of transport safety. • Evaluation of the potential and development of recommendations on how to improve transport safety and resilience through suburban planning and future housing developments with their effects on the demand for transport and through the design of transport infrastructure networks. <p>A solid foundation for this research is the Safe System Approach. It requires the inclusion of relevant expertise in social sciences and humanities (SSH) and will benefit from international cooperation.</p> <p>Main keywords: Sociology, Economics, Psychology, Urban studies</p> |
| <p>HORIZON-CL5-2024-D6-01-12 A new framework to improve traffic safety culture in the EU</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>Actions should contribute to establishing a framework for cultural transformation in road safety across the EU and thereby address the following aspects (among others):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Better understanding of the link between road safety outcomes and safety culture, i.e. of sociocultural factors like values, beliefs, attitudes, and norms and their effects on actual behaviour of road users (including subjective perception of safety as well as implications of value of time and institutionalised travel costs) – and the ways how these factors can be sustainably transformed. • Consideration in particular - but not exclusively - of traffic behaviour with high safety impacts, such as inadequate speed choice, distraction by communication or control devices, driving or riding under the influence of alcohol or drugs, non-use of protective devices, and risks triggered by professional drivers' requirements to multitask and report while driving. • Assessment of safety cultures and respective activities from other transport modes such as aviation and rail and their potential for road safety. <p>Integration of relevant expertise from social sciences and humanities (SSH) is encouraged.</p> <p>Main keywords: Sociology, Psychology, Education</p> |

Cluster 6

**Food, Bioeconomy, Natural Resources,
Agriculture and Environment**



Call - Land, ocean and water for climate action

Deadline: 24 September 2024

| Topic | SSH aspects |
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| <p>HORIZON-CL6-2024-CLIMATE-02-3 Overcoming barriers and delivering innovative solutions to enable the green transition</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>Proposals funded under this topic should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • identify barriers to the uptake by end users of new knowledge and innovation for the green transition on aspects of water resilience, circular economy, biodiversity, zero pollution, and climate change; • address factors (socio-economic, cultural, etc.) that differ across the EU and play a fundamental role in determining the acceptance of technological and social innovation solutions designed to foster the green transition; • develop solutions to overcome identified barriers, including by taking advantage of technological and digital tools as well as innovative dissemination strategies, organisational models and educational activities. The involvement of actors as appropriate, based on the elements of the multi-actor approach, is encouraged. <p>This topic requires the effective contribution of SSH disciplines and the involvement of SSH experts, institutions as well as the inclusion of relevant SSH expertise, in order to produce meaningful and significant effects enhancing the societal impact of the related innovation activities.</p> <p>Main keywords: Sociology, Economics, Social innovation</p> |

Excellent science

European Research Council

European Research Council (ERC)

The ERC's frontier research grants operate on a 'bottom-up' basis without predetermined priorities.

The fundamental activity of the ERC is to provide attractive, long-term funding to support excellent investigators and their research teams to pursue ground-breaking, high-gain/high-risk research. Research funded by the ERC is expected to lead to advances at the frontiers of knowledge and to set a clear and inspirational target for frontier research across Europe.

The ERC puts particular emphasis on the frontiers of science, scholarship, and engineering. It encourages proposals of a multi- or interdisciplinary nature, which cross the boundaries between different fields of research, pioneering proposals addressing new and emerging fields of research, or proposals introducing unconventional, innovative approaches and scientific inventions. ERC funding may also enable new ways of working in the scientific world, with the potential to create breakthrough results and facilitate commercial and social innovation potential of funded research.

Indicative summary of calls from the 2024 budget

| | Starting Grant | Consolidator Grant | Advanced Grant | Synergy Grant |
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| Call identifier | ERC-2024-StG | ERC-2024-CoG | ERC-2024-AdG | ERC-2024-SyG |
| Call deadline | 24/10/2023 CLOSED | 12/12/2023 CLOSED | 29/08/2024 | 08/11/2023 CLOSED |

ERC - Advanced Grants

Deadline: 29 August 2024

| Topic | SSH aspects |
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| ERC-2024-ADG ERC - Advanced Grant <i>Forthcoming</i> | ERC Advanced Grant are designed to support excellent Principal Investigators at the career stage at which they are already established research leaders with a recognised track record of research achievements. Principal Investigators must demonstrate the ground-breaking nature, ambition and feasibility of their research proposal. Main keywords: Social Sciences and Humanities |

Excellent science

**MSCA - Marie Skłodowska-Curie
Actions**

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA)

The MSCA are open to **all domains of research and innovation**, chosen freely by the applicants in a fully bottom-up manner, addressed under the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union. All MSCA will complement top-down collaborative research activities, notably contributing to the EU Missions.

The different MSCA in a nutshell

The **MSCA Doctoral Networks** aim to train creative, entrepreneurial, innovative and resilient doctoral candidates, able to face current and future challenges and to convert knowledge and ideas into products and services for economic and social benefit. The MSCA Doctoral Networks will raise the attractiveness and excellence of doctoral training in Europe. They will equip researchers with the right combination of research-related and transferable competences and provide them with enhanced career perspectives in both the academic and non-academic sectors through international, inter-sectoral and interdisciplinary mobility combined with an innovation-oriented mind-set.

The goal of **MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships** is to enhance the creative and innovative potential of researchers holding a PhD, wishing to acquire new skills through advanced training, international, inter-sectoral and interdisciplinary mobility. MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships are open to excellent researchers of any nationality, including researchers wishing to reintegrate in Europe, researchers who are displaced by conflict as well as researchers with high potential aiming for a career restart in research. The scheme also encourages researchers to work on research and innovation projects in the non-academic sector.

MSCA Staff Exchanges promote innovative international, inter-sectoral and interdisciplinary collaboration in research and innovation through exchanging staff and sharing knowledge and ideas at all stages of the innovation chain. The scheme fosters a shared culture of research and innovation that welcomes and rewards creativity and entrepreneurship and helps turn ideas into innovative products, services or processes. It is open to research, technical, administrative and managerial staff.

MSCA COFUND co-finances new or existing doctoral programmes and postdoctoral fellowship schemes at national, regional or international level with the aim to spread the best practices of the MSCA including international, inter-sectoral and interdisciplinary research training, as well as international and cross-sectoral mobility of researchers at all stages of their career.

MSCA and Citizens, through the European Researchers' Night, aims to bring research and researchers closer to the public at large, to increase awareness of research and innovation activities and to boost public recognition of science and research education. It will also show the role of the researcher for the society and economy, as well as the impact of researchers' work on citizens' daily lives, and aim at raising young people's interest for research and scientific careers.

Call - MSCA Doctoral Networks

Deadline: 27 November 2024

| Topic | SSH aspects |
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| HORIZON-MSCA-2024-DN-01-01 MSCA Doctoral Networks 2024 Link | MSCA Doctoral Networks will implement doctoral programmes, by partnerships of universities, research institutions and research infrastructures, businesses including SMEs, and other socio-economic actors from different countries across Europe and beyond. MSCA Doctoral Networks are indeed open to the participation of organisations from third countries, in view of fostering strategic international partnerships for the training and exchange of researchers. Main keywords: Social sciences and Humanities |

Deadline: 25 November 2025

| Topic | SSH aspects |
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| HORIZON-MSCA-2025-DN-01-01 MSCA Doctoral Networks 2025 <i>Forthcoming</i> | MSCA Doctoral Networks will implement doctoral programmes, by partnerships of universities, research institutions and research infrastructures, businesses including SMEs, and other socio-economic actors from different countries across Europe and beyond. MSCA Doctoral Networks are indeed open to the participation of organisations from third countries, in view of fostering strategic international partnerships for the training and exchange of researchers. Main keywords: Social sciences and Humanities |

Call - MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships

Deadline: 11 September 2024

| Topic | SSH aspects |
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| HORIZON-MSCA-2024-PF-01-01 MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships 2024 Link | Fellowships will be provided to excellent researchers undertaking international mobility. Applications will be made jointly by the researcher and a beneficiary in the academic or non-academic sector. Postdoctoral Fellowships either can take place in Europe (i.e. in an EU Member State or a Horizon Europe Associated Country) or in a Third Country not associated to Horizon Europe. Main keywords: Social sciences and Humanities |

Deadline: 10 September 2025

| Topic | SSH aspects |
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| HORIZON-MSCA-2025-PF-01-01 MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships 2025 <i>Forthcoming</i> | Fellowships will be provided to excellent researchers undertaking international mobility. Applications will be made jointly by the researcher and a beneficiary in the academic or non-academic sector. Postdoctoral Fellowships either can take place in Europe (i.e. in an EU Member State or a Horizon Europe Associated Country) or in a Third Country not associated to Horizon Europe. Main keywords: Social sciences and Humanities |

Call - MSCA Staff Exchanges

Deadline: 05 February 2025

| Topic | SSH aspects |
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| HORIZON-MSCA-2024-SE-01-01 MSCA Staff Exchanges 2024 Link | MSCA Staff Exchanges involve organisations from the academic and non-academic sectors (including SMEs) from across the globe. Support is provided for international, inter-sectoral and interdisciplinary mobility of R&I staff leading to knowledge transfer between participating organisations. Main keywords: Social sciences and Humanities |

Deadline: 08 October 2025

| Topic | SSH aspects |
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| HORIZON-MSCA-2025-SE-01-01 MSCA Staff Exchanges 2025 <i>Forthcoming</i> | MSCA Staff Exchanges involve organisations from the academic and non-academic sectors (including SMEs) from across the globe. Support is provided for international, inter-sectoral and interdisciplinary mobility of R&I staff leading to knowledge transfer between participating organisations. Main keywords: Social sciences and Humanities |

Call - MSCA Co-funding of regional, national and international programmes

Deadline: 26 September 2024

| Topic | SSH aspects |
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| HORIZON-MSCA-2024-COFUND-01-01 MSCA COFUND 2024 Link | <p>Applicants submit proposals for new or existing doctoral or postdoctoral programmes with an impact on the enhancement of human resources in R&I at regional, national or international level. Proposed programmes can cover any research disciplines ("bottom-up"), but exceptionally can also focus on specific disciplines, notably when they are based on national or regional Research and Innovation Strategies for Smart Specialisation (RIS3 strategies).</p> <p>Main keywords: Social sciences and Humanities</p> |

Deadline: 24 June 2025

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| HORIZON-MSCA-2025-COFUND-01-01 MSCA COFUND 2025 <i>Forthcoming</i> | <p>Applicants submit proposals for new or existing doctoral or postdoctoral programmes with an impact on the enhancement of human resources in R&I at regional, national or international level. Proposed programmes can cover any research disciplines ("bottom-up"), but exceptionally can also focus on specific disciplines, notably when they are based on national or regional Research and Innovation Strategies for Smart Specialisation (RIS3 strategies).</p> <p>Main keywords: Social sciences and Humanities</p> |

Call - MSCA and Citizens 2025

Deadline: 22 October 2025

| Topic | SSH aspects |
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| <p>HORIZON-MSCA-2025-CITIZENS-01-01 European Researchers' Night and Researchers at Schools 2026-2027</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>Proposals should cover both the organisation of the European Researchers' Night and the implementation of the Researchers at Schools initiative</p> <p>The European Researchers' Night targets the general public, addressing and attracting people regardless of the level of their scientific background, with a special focus on young people and their families, pupils and students, and notably those who do not have easy access to, and thus are less inclined to engage in STEAM fields (science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics) or research activities.</p> <p>The Researchers at Schools initiative brings researchers to schools and other pedagogical and educational centres to interact with pupils on societal challenges and on the key role of research to address them. Pupils will thus also learn directly about research projects and initiatives related to EU main priorities.</p> <p>Main keywords: Social sciences and Humanities</p> |

Call - MSCA International Cooperation 2024

Deadline: 04 September 2024

| Topic | SSH aspects |
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| <p>HORIZON-MSCA-2024-INCO-01-01 MSCA International Cooperation 2024</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>The objective is to foster international cooperation in MSCA in Horizon Europe, through a dedicated support action to complement and ensure coordination between existing promotion channels at local level, and ensure consistency with formal R&I policy dialogues at bilateral and regional levels.</p> <p>Activities to be implemented should include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy support to bilateral/bi-regional cooperation • Promotion of MSCA cooperation opportunities • Cross cutting activities <p>Main keywords: Political Science</p> |

Call - MSCA for Researchers at Risk 2024

Deadline: 14 January 2025

| Topic | SSH aspects |
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| <p>HORIZON-MSCA-2024-RR-01-01 MSCA Researchers at Risk 2024</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>Further support is envisaged towards national and international organisations working with researchers at risk and aiming to enhance and professionalise their activities. It should further facilitate and strengthen cooperation and linkages between European, national and institutional initiatives and programmes, increasing awareness on why researchers are at risk, as well as identifying and delivering the best possible solutions to the challenges these researchers are confronted with.</p> <p>The support action should be aligned with the general objectives of the MSCA, in particular scientific excellence, skills and career development, inter-sectoral mobility, equal opportunities and inclusiveness, attractive working conditions, work/life balance, while fostering open science, innovation and entrepreneurship.</p> <p>Main keywords: Education</p> |

Call - MSCA Feedback To Policy 2024

Deadline: 03 September 2024

| Topic | SSH aspects |
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| <p>HORIZON-MSCA-2024-FTP-01-01 MSCA Feedback To Policy 2024</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>One of the objectives of this action is to support ongoing and planned Commission initiatives which focus on exploiting and assessing the impact of Horizon 2020 and Horizon Europe projects results in relation to thematic and cross-cutting priorities, including the EU Missions.</p> <p>It also aims to assess the extent to which MSCA projects achieve two of the core horizontal policy objectives of the programme: the development of researchers' training, skills and career and the related promotion of intersectoral collaboration.</p> <p>Activities should therefore include the contribution and impact of MSCA projects in relation to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The EU Missions and societal challenges they address; • Researchers' skills development, including but not limited to the skills needed to tackle the thematic areas of the Missions; • Cooperation between academic and non-academic organisations, with the emphasis on the business sector. <p>Main keywords: Education, Political Science, Business</p> |

Excellent science

Research Infrastructures



Call - Future Engagement Model for the EOSC Federation

Deadline: 19 September 2024

| Topic | SSH aspects |
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| <p>HORIZON-INFRA-2024-EOSC-02-01 Future Engagement Model for the EOSC Federation</p> <p>Forthcoming</p> | <p>The CSA should explore concrete use cases of federations of Research Infrastructures and data/service providers to the EOSC Core Platform (EU Node). The CSA should contribute to the further evolution of the Rules of Participation and Acceptable Use Policies based on the identification of specific commitments and needs of the different contributors of the EOSC federation, and contribute to the related development of guidelines and recommendations on various aspects (incl. interoperability framework), and with this further promote the EOSC Core Platform (EU Node).</p> <p>To this end, the CSA should engage with and further build the EOSC federation community, and assist in the development of a common framework on the various aspects of the federation, including the following dimensions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legal • Business model and incentive structure • Interoperability framework, including the support for FAIR principle and handling of PIDs across EOSC federation • EOSC Authentication and Authorization Infrastructure • EOSC Security Coordination • EOSC Rules of Participation. <p>Main keywords: Law, Business, Economics</p> |

Widening Participation and Strengthening the European Research Area

Call - Hop-on facility

Deadline: 26 September 2024

| Topic | SSH aspects |
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| <p>HORIZON-WIDERA-2023-ACCESS-06-01 Hop on Facility</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>The Hop On Facility integrates one additional participant from a Widening country to an ongoing project under Pillar 2 or the EIC pathfinder scheme while topping up a relevant task or work package and the cost incurred by the additional participant. This will happen on a voluntary basis without affecting the freedom of choice for the consortium and the principle of excellence. The Hop On Facility is <u>open to all topics under Pillar 2</u> and the EIC pathfinder. Applications with activities that contribute to the policy objective of the transition towards a green and digital economy are especially encouraged.</p> <p>Main keywords: Social sciences and Humanities</p> |

Call - ERA Talents

Deadline: 26 September 2024

| Topic | SSH aspects |
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| <p>HORIZON-WIDERA-2024-TALENTS-03-01 ERA Talents</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>ERA Talents scheme promotes inter-sectoral collaboration in R&I through cross-sectoral exchange of staff with a focus on Widening countries. The proposals should address one or both of following aspects related to improving training and lifelong learning opportunities for researchers, innovators, and other research and innovation talents. In particular:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • training in skills and competences following specific demand from other sectors (notably the business sector), leading to improved employability of individuals, increased access to knowledge for the host organisation, and overall strengthened interoperability of careers between the sectors involved; skills can particularly include entrepreneurship, • training to build R&I support capacity in both the academic and non-academic sectors, such as administrative, managerial, and technical staff supporting R&I activities and capacities in their organisations (e.g., data stewards, research managers and administrators, research infrastructure operators, knowledge valorisation officers). <p>Main keywords: Business, Economics, Education</p> |

Call - Enhancing the European R&I system

Deadline: 25 September 2024

| Topic | SSH aspects |
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| <p>HORIZON-WIDERA-2024-ERA-02-01 Experimentation and exchange of good practices for value creation</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>Europe needs to translate available scientific knowledge and research results to innovative solutions, including technological as well as non-technological and social innovations, in the market, in society and for better policy making. Proposals should address at least one of the following challenges:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Experimentation in knowledge valorisation, developing innovative ways to strengthen channels of valorising knowledge and research results, in particular targeting activities that engage citizens together with researchers in producing and taking up innovative solutions.. Within the scope of the topic are schemes and incentives for researchers to engage with society and for citizens and citizens' groups to engage in knowledge valorisation and promote the co-creation of new solutions and uptake of research results. 2. Transfer of best practices in knowledge valorisation, in the area of 'academia-industry/SME linkages' or 'quadruple helix-based innovation' (i.e., involving academia/research; industry/SMEs; public administration/policy-makers and society/citizens in an ecosystem approach). <p>Main keywords: Social innovation</p> |
| <p>HORIZON-WIDERA-2024-ERA-02-02 Science comes to town</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>This action supports ERA Policy Agenda (2022-2024) action 14 – 'Bring science closer to citizens' through broad and inclusive engagement of all relevant stakeholders in a range of activities with a view to increasing the understanding, acceptance, uptake and impact of R&I in society. The action supports a consortium involving cities to host a coordinated joint 1-year programme with focus on connecting citizens and scientists in the participating cities and beyond, including the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A year-long programme of various events and activities, such as lectures, workshops, exhibitions, competitions or prizes, in the spirit of the European Capital of Culture or the European Green Capital, that highlights the contribution of science to society and the results of R&I projects supported by national/regional/EU funds, including the Horizon Europe programme. <p>Main keywords: Social sciences and Humanities</p> |
| <p>HORIZON-WIDERA-2024-ERA-02-03 Talent ecosystems for attractive early research careers – pilot</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>The action supports consortia to create 'talent ecosystems' with a large pool of research and innovation positions operating under good training and working conditions in line with the new Charter for Researchers and the Council recommendation on a European framework for research careers, providing non-academic organisations, particularly businesses, with well-skilled researchers and other R&I talents, thereby increasing employability of early career researchers and improving interoperability of their careers between sectors.</p> <p>This action particularly supports whole organisations and innovation ecosystems to implement the standards for attractive research careers laid down in the Charter for Researchers. A special focus is placed on organisational change in support of early career researchers.</p> <p>Main keywords: Education</p> |

Missions

Call - Supporting the implementation of the EU Mission Adaptation to Climate Change

Deadline: 18 September 2024

| Topic | SSH aspects |
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| <p>HORIZON-MISS-2024-CLIMA-01-05 Improve design for transformative approaches and build local capacity for implementation of available solutions focused on climate adaptation</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>This topic aims to better integrate the Mission on adaptation to climate change into the regional socio-economic policies and the just transition. This should be also coupled with raising the awareness of local authorities for co-creation opportunities between adaptation and other investments.</p> <p>Aspects proposals should address include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand triggers for and barriers to behavioural changes from citizens and economic sectors in relation with just transformation and adaptation to climate change. • Assess the impacts on climate justice, equity, jobs and climate resilience for specific themes and adaptation programmes. <p>This topic requires the effective contribution of SSH disciplines and the involvement of SSH experts, institutions as well as the inclusion of relevant SSH expertise, in order to produce meaningful and significant effects enhancing the societal impact of the related research activities.</p> <p>Main keywords: Sociology, Psychology, Economics</p> |

Call - Research and Innovation actions supporting the implementation of the Mission on Cancer

Deadline: 18 September 2024

| Topic | SSH aspects |
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| <p>HORIZON-MISS-2024-CANCER-01-04 Support a pragmatic clinical trial programme by cancer charities</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>Aspects proposals should address include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Together, registered cancer charities and foundations across Europe, organise, fund and implement at least two transnational calls for proposals, resulting in grants to academic investigator-led third parties to conduct randomised multi-centre pragmatic clinical trials. Organise annual networking activities between charities, the successful academic investigators, citizen representatives and stakeholders across Member States and Associated Countries across Europe; With respect to the pragmatic trials. The chosen intervention(s) should take into account socio-economic and biological stratification. All data should be disaggregated by sex, gender, age and other relevant variables, such as by measures of socio-economic status. <p>This topic requires the effective contribution of SSH disciplines and the involvement of SSH experts, institutions as well as the inclusion of relevant SSH expertise in the successful proposal, to produce meaningful and significant effects enhancing the societal impact of the related research activities.</p> <p>Main keywords: Social sciences and Humanities</p> |
| <p>HORIZON-MISS-2024-CANCER-01-05 Improving the understanding and management of late-effects in adolescents and young adults (AYA) with cancer</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>Proposals should focus on one or more cancer types and address only one of the following interventions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Building on data from existing or newly established AYA patient cohorts, ensuring comparability of data across participating countries as appropriate, obtain a thorough assessment by cancer type of the prevalence, specific effect(s), severity, time of onset, relative risk, and risk factors associated to late effects in AYA cancer patients. Attention should be paid also to social and health determinants, including sex, gender, age and other relevant variables, including socio-economic status, living in rural or remote areas and education; Develop, test and scale up in real-life settings, innovative, holistic approaches and tools (including digital tools), optimising cancer treatment and follow-up regimens to prevent, reduce and/or effectively manage late-effects, including psycho-social aspects. Approaches could focus on education, sports, nutrition, medical follow-up and counselling. <p>This topic requires direct involvement of cancer patients and survivors, survivor representative organisations, caregivers, and the effective contribution of SSH disciplines and the involvement of SSH experts, institutions as well as the inclusion of relevant SSH expertise, in order to produce meaningful and significant results, enhancing the impact of the related research activities.</p> |

The use of participative research models, such as oncology-centred living labs or other approaches to deliver (social) innovation should be considered.

Main keywords: Psychology, Social innovation, Gender studies

Call - Actions for the implementation of the Mission

Restore our ocean and waters by 2030

Deadline: 18 September 2024

| Topic | SSH aspects |
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| <p>HORIZON-MISS-2024-OCEAN-01-05 Our Blue Future – Co-designing a future vision of a restored ocean and water system in the EU by 2030 and 2050</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>The action will support the co-creation of narratives, and innovative visualisation tools such as maps, related to different scenarios of what the EU and its ocean, seas and water spaces could look like by 2030 and 2050 if innovative solutions to restore our ocean and waters would be applied.</p> <p>These narratives must be supported by the co-design of different science-based transition pathways together with citizens including students and key stakeholders such as scientists, experts and decision-makers responsible for planning ocean and water spaces. The co-design process should be inclusive, participatory following transdisciplinary and structured science-policy-society interface methodologies and taking into consideration environmental, social, economic and political considerations.</p> <p>This topic should take into consideration contributions of social sciences and humanities (SSH) disciplines and the involvement of SSH experts, institutions as well as the inclusion of relevant SSH expertise, in order to produce meaningful and significant effects enhancing the societal impact of the related research activities.</p> <p>Main keywords: Sociology, Political Science, Economics</p> |

Call - Changing urban spaces and mindsets to accelerate the transition to climate neutrality

Deadline: 16 January 2025

| Topic | SSH aspects |
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| <p>HORIZON-MISS-2024-CIT-01-02 Zero-pollution cities</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>Applicants should propose projects that deliver better and innovative local measures against pollution through, among others, improved knowledge on the exposures of citizens to pollution and improved health impact assessments and strategies to reduce health impacts related to air, water, soil and/or noise pollution.</p> <p>All projects are required to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop methods and tools that can swiftly be deployed and used by cities and regional authorities. Once implemented they should help policy makers prioritise actions, and address social aspects of zero pollution policies, • Support implementation of zero pollution policies by overcoming barriers to behavioural change which natural science and evidence alone cannot overcome. New approaches to address these barriers should be explored from the angles of behavioural economics, psychology, communication and organisational behaviour, with a view to inform effective local and regional zero pollution policies. <p>Main keywords: Behavioural Economics, Psychology, Communication, Organisational behaviour, Urban studies</p> |
| <p>HORIZON-MISS-2024-CIT-01-03 Mobility Management Plans and Behavioural Change</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>The objective of this topic is to explore, analyse and evaluate the effectiveness of mobility management schemes (influencing behavioural change, travel demand and travel supply) in achieving a decarbonised and energy-efficient urban mobility system. To this end, projects should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Take stock of existing studies, analyse in a structured way and provide an overview of mobility managements schemes in the European urban area in both the public and the private domain, which seek to increase the use of sustainable transport modes infrastructure; • Identify, analyse and assess leverages as well as barriers in the uptake of mobility management schemes for the most important target groups; • Co-design with and engaging the organisations proposing the mobility schemes, identify and assess potential behaviour-related solutions to those barriers that ensure a successful uptake of mobility management systems. Those solutions should differentiate between specific target group. Identify user groups that are more motivated to change their behaviours and prepared to act as frontrunners, thus leading to a more rapid adoption; • Propose recommendations that support and incentivise the uptake of sustainable mobility choices by organisations and users. <p>This topic requires the effective contribution of social sciences and humanities (SSH) disciplines and the involvement of SSH experts, institutions as well as the inclusion of relevant SSH expertise, in order to produce meaningful and significant effects enhancing the societal impact of the related research activities.</p> <p>Main keywords: Behavioural Economics, Psychology, Urban studies</p> |

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| <p>HORIZON-MISS-2024-CIT-01-04 Integrated peri-urban areas in the transition towards climate neutrality</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>This topic aims to foster the integration of green and smart mobility, energy, industry and governance solutions and measures within the current peri-urban development and planning practice to reduce these areas GHG emissions and to improve their liveability</p> <p>Focus on domains that are particularly pertinent in achieving progress in sustainable development, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vulnerability of peri-urban areas to environmental damage as most of the urban wastes (solid and liquid) and pollutant activities are pushed in the peripheries. • Governance, as peri-urban areas can be beyond the legal authority of cities, nor are they considered as part of the rural administrative units. Therefore, the capacity to regulate economic activities (and thus land-use and land coverage) is weak. • Social and cultural characteristics of peri-urban areas that are gaining on heterogeneity with continuous social dynamics. <p>This topic requires the effective contribution of SSH (Social Sciences and Humanities) disciplines including ethics and the involvement of SSH experts, institutions as well as the inclusion of relevant SSH expertise, in order to produce meaningful and significant effects enhancing the societal impact of the related research activities.</p> <p>Main keywords: Urban studies, Sociology, Economics, Ethics</p> |
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Call - Research and Innovation and other actions to support the implementation of mission A Soil Deal for Europe

Deadline: 08 October 2024

| Topic | SSH aspects |
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| <p>HORIZON-MISS-2024-SOIL-01-01 Co-creating solutions for soil health in Living Labs</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>Each funded project should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establish a detailed work plan with the activities to be undertaken in the living labs in an interdisciplinary way, ensuring the co-design, co-development, and co-implementation of locally adapted solutions for the selected soil health challenge(s). Proposed solutions should be adapted to the different environmental, socio-economic and cultural contexts in which the living labs are operating. Propose strategies (e.g., financial, organisational) to ensure long-term sustainability and continuity, impact and ambition of the established living labs beyond the Horizon Europe funding, including the identification of possible business models and actions involving local authorities, business communities, SMEs, investors, entrepreneurs including co-funding schemes. <p>Main keywords: Business, Economics, Sociology, Political Science</p> |
| <p>HORIZON-MISS-2024-SOIL-01-02 Living Labs in urban areas for healthy soils</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>Each funded project should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establish a detailed work plan with the activities to be undertaken in the living labs in an interdisciplinary way, ensuring the co-design, co-development, and co-implementation of locally adapted solutions for the selected soil health challenge(s). Proposed solutions should be adapted to the different environmental, socio-economic and cultural contexts in which the living labs are operating. Propose strategies (e.g., financial, organisational) to ensure long-term sustainability and continuity, impact and ambition of the established living labs beyond the Horizon Europe funding, including the identification of possible business models and actions involving local authorities, business communities, SMEs, investors, entrepreneurs including co-funding schemes. <p>Main keywords: Business, Economics, Sociology, Political Science</p> |

Call - Transforming neighbourhoods, making them beautiful, sustainable, and inclusive

Deadline: 19 September 2024

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| <p>HORIZON-MISS-2024-NEB-01-01 Exploiting the potential of secondary bio-based products</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>Proposals are expected to, for each secondary bio-based product covered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assess its properties, benefits, design and construction possibilities and aesthetic. This should cover at least the structural, thermal, acoustic, health-related and durability properties as well as the life cycle performance and environmental impact. This should also include the potential for deconstruction, re-use and recycling when buildings/public spaces undergo changes; • Validate it in a relevant environment; • Identify the sectors and applications where the chosen secondary bio-based material(s) could be embedded in construction processes and practices; • Evaluate its economic scalability, including pathways for setting up efficient circular value chain to collect the secondary source. • Contribute to the development of relevant European standards. <p>Cross-sectoral and cross-disciplinary collaboration is encouraged between profiles such as architects, artists, designers, engineers, biologists, urban planners, environmentalists, social scientists, and by extension the broader cultural and creative sector.</p> <p>Main keywords: Arts, Design, Urban Planning, Economics, Sociology, Cultural and creative sector</p> |
| <p>HORIZON-MISS-2024-NEB-01-02 New governance models for the co-design and co-construction of public spaces in neighbourhoods by communities</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>Proposals are expected to address all of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Study and refine engagement model(s) and methodology(ies) that enables the meaningful participation of concerned stakeholders and citizens in the co-design, refurbishment and development of public spaces in their neighbourhoods. • Demonstrate that the chosen engagement approach(es) (e.g. model, methodology, digital tools) can effectively and measurably foster openness, social cohesion, trust and acceptance within communities as well as promote the inclusion of marginalised communities and/or vulnerable groups in public space redevelopment projects. Proposals should demonstrate this in at least three neighbourhoods with differing local environmental, social and economic conditions, and each one located in a different Member State or Associated Country. • Monitor and evaluate all stages of the chosen engagement approach(es), using an appropriate methodology, and measure the success of projects in fostering openness, social cohesion, acceptance within communities as well as the inclusion of marginalised communities and vulnerable groups. • Assess how the above may impact future project design and decision-making in the construction of neighbourhoods as well as in the construction ecosystem. |

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| | <p>Cross-sectoral and cross-disciplinary collaboration between architects, engineers, designers, creative sectors, natural and social scientists, urban planners, environmentalists, and by extension the broader cultural and creative sector is encouraged.</p> <p>Main keywords: Arts, Design, Urban Planning, Sociology, Economics, Cultural and creative sector</p> |
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Call - Cross-cutting actions

Deadline: 25 September 2024

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| <p>HORIZON-MISS-2024-CROSS-01-01 A European Social Innovation Advisory Network in support of EU Mission Objectives</p> <p>Link</p> | <p>The action should undertake the following activities:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. create and animate a network of entities interested in scaling up social innovations to advance the EU Missions as well as entities interested in investing in social innovation ventures, for the purpose of raising awareness and facilitating information exchange; 2. create a favourable environment to upscale social innovation with the financial support of beneficiaries like entities interested in investing in such social innovation ventures; 3. offer advisory services and mentoring for 'social innovators' wishing to expand the geographic scope of their activities within the EU and countries associated to Horizon Europe or interested in taking up social innovation from abroad. Advisory and mentoring may go as far as assisting the preparation of upscaling plans and investment proposals, and matchmaking with social innovation funders. <p>Main keywords: Social innovation</p> |
| <p>HORIZON-MISS-2024-CROSS-02-01 Experimental local action for EU missions: knowledge institutions as focal points of transdisciplinary research and innovation activities with European outreach</p> <p>Forthcoming</p> | <p>Proposals should support transdisciplinary research and innovation activities by one or more higher education institution(s), university(-ies) or research institute(s) together with regional stakeholders in support of the objectives of one of the EU Missions.</p> <p>Higher education institutions, universities and research institutes are key players for these actions. They already provide diverse services to stakeholders in their local region, including: lifelong learning courses and applied research that take account of the specific needs and opportunities of businesses and industries; research activities in the social sciences and humanities investigate cultural preferences; start-up ecosystems build around them, complemented by citizens' science; and science outreach activities engage citizens of all ages.</p> <p>Main keywords: Social sciences and Humanities</p> |