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# EIT WATER

**Upcoming Call for a new EIT  
Knowledge and Innovation  
Community for water, marine  
and maritime sectors and  
ecosystems**

#EITWater





# **ABOUT EIT**

## DISCOVER THE EUROPEAN INSTITUTE OF INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY



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# MAKING INNOVATION HAPPEN

As Europe's largest innovation ecosystem, the EIT strengthens Europe's ability to innovate by powering solutions to pressing global challenges and by nurturing entrepreneurial talent to boost Europe's competitiveness and sustainable growth across Europe.

The Institute supports multi-disciplinary and pan-European partnerships, EIT Knowledge and Innovation Communities (KICs) that bring leading organisations from business, education and research together to drive innovation forward.

The EIT is an EU body and an integral part of Horizon Europe, the EU Framework Programme for Research and Innovation 2021-2027.



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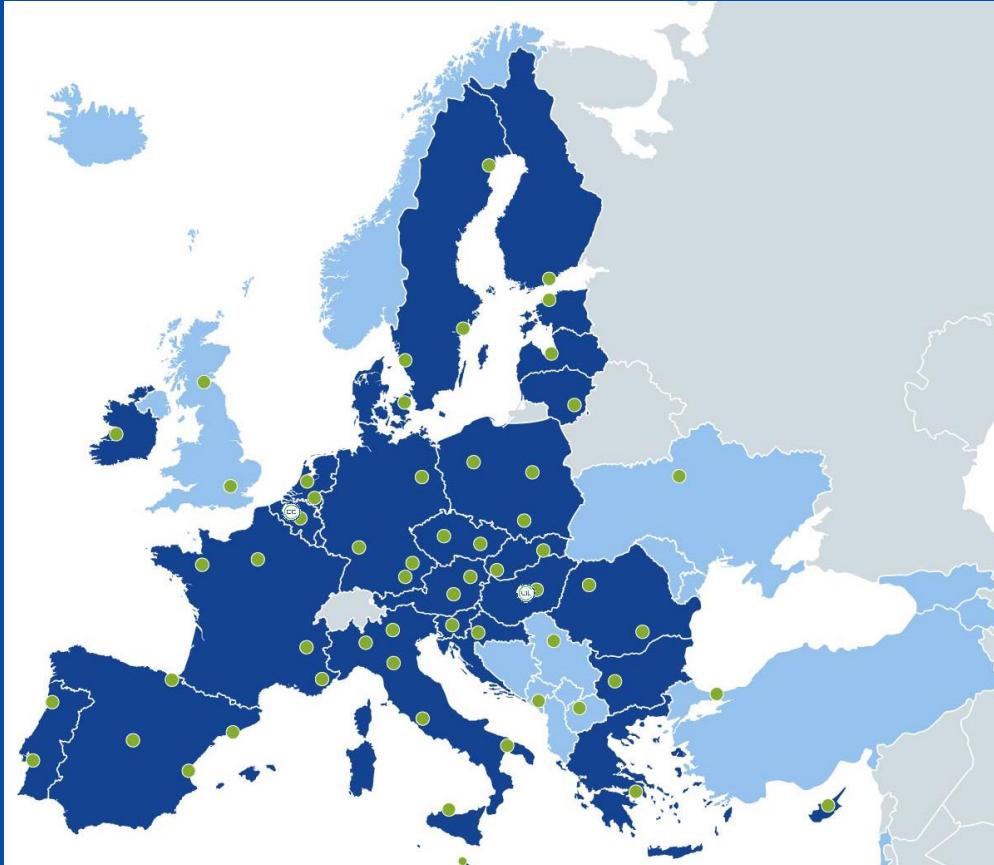


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# EIT COMMUNITY: EUROPE'S LARGEST INNOVATION NETWORK



Together with their leading partners, the EIT KICs offer a wide range of impactful innovation and entrepreneurship activities across Europe.

The ecosystem nurtured by the EIT and its KICs constitutes the largest innovation network of Europe, present in every EU Member State and beyond.



# EIT KNOWLEDGE & INNOVATION COMMUNITIES



# EIT INNOVATION PIPELINE



## EDUCATION & SKILLS

The EIT Community trains Europe's next generation of entrepreneurs focusing on leadership and innovation skills. The [EIT Campus](#) includes Master's and PhD programmes, online and professional courses, deep tech skilling, courses for young women in STEM as well as opportunities for higher education institutions.



## INNOVATION DRIVEN RESEARCH

The EIT Community accelerates the transition from lab to market by developing break-through innovations. Innovators from diverse industries and backgrounds dedicated to solving global challenges come together and connect with industry partners and the EU market to focus on commercialisation, co-creation and working together on market adaptability and responsiveness to market and social trends.



## BUSINESS CREATION

The EIT offers a wide range of business creation services: from tailored business coaching & mentoring, to new markets and customers, as well as access to finance.



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# UPCOMING CALL FOR PROPOSALS

A NEW EIT KIC FOR THE WATER, MARINE AND  
MARITIME SECTORS AND ECOSYSTEMS



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# INNOVATE WITH THE EIT

Joining the EIT Community is unlike any endeavor you'll have embarked on before!

In line with the EIT's strategy for 2021-2027, a Call for a new KIC on water, marine and maritime sectors and ecosystems will be launched in Q1 2025.

This new EIT KIC will pioneer cutting edge solutions to pressing challenges facing the water, marine and maritime sectors and ecosystems.

Now is the time to unite and tackle European challenges together. Join the creation of the pan-European innovation ecosystem dedicated to the water, marine and maritime sectors and ecosystems.



**ARE YOU READY FOR  
THE CHALLENGE?**



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## INDICATIVE MILESTONES FOR A NEW EIT KNOWLEDGE & INNOVATION COMMUNITY FOR WATER, MARINE AND MARITIME SECTORS AND ECOSYSTEMS

**27 JUNE 2024**

European Commission  
ex-ante analysis  
confirms new EIT KIC

**25 September**

Info  
session

**Q1 2025**

Launch of  
the Call

**Q2 2025**

Call  
closes

**Q4 2025**

Hearing and  
designation

**Q3 2026**

New KIC Business  
Plan submission

**2025**

**2026**

**18 September**

Info  
session

**2 October**

Info  
session

**Q1 2025**

Call Info  
Day

**Q3 2025**

Expert  
assessment

**Q1 2026**

Start-up Grant  
Agreement  
signature



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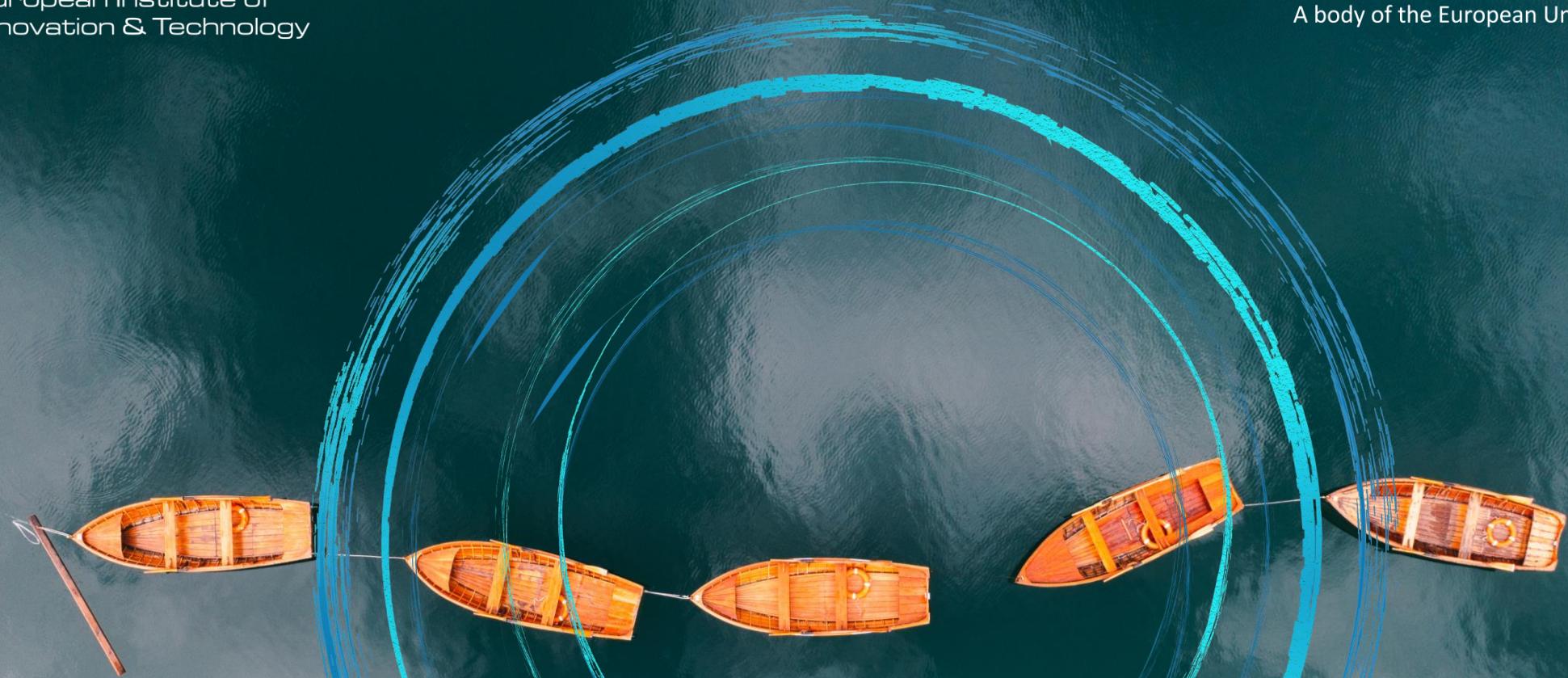
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# NEXT STEPS

# FIND OUT MORE

## ONLINE INFO SESSIONS IN AUTUMN 2024

18 September 2024 (10:30 – 12:00 CET):  
Innovating with the EIT and creating a new partnership

25 September 2024 (10:30 – 12:00 CET):  
Key EIT activities

2 October 2024 (10:30 – 12:00 CET):  
Nuts and bolts of the EIT granting model



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# USEFUL LINKS

- [Dedicated section on the EIT website](#)
- [EIT Water factsheet](#)
- [Press release](#)
- [European Commission Study](#)
- [European Commission Staff Working Document](#)
- [EIT Strategy 2021-2027](#)

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