



Innovative Medicines Initiative

IMI's Call procedures

From theme/topic definition to project launch

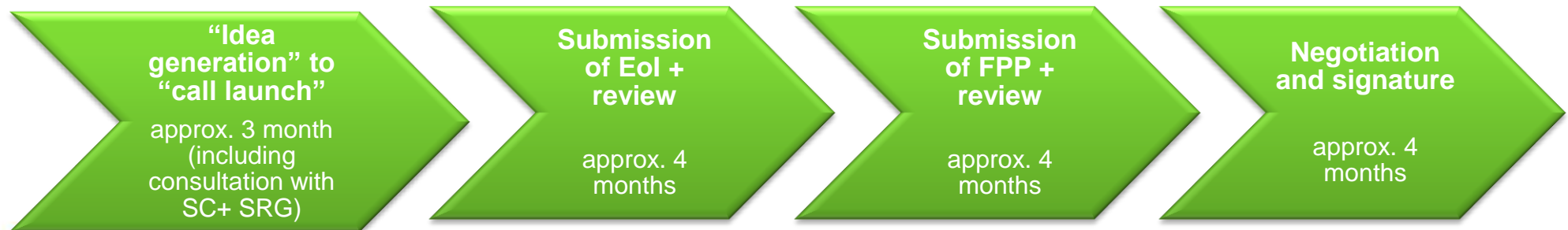
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IMI Call procedure



- Streamlined Call procedures
- Faster time to grant
- Streamlined peer review process without compromising on quality of evaluation
- Upgraded submission tool
- Simplified application forms (administrative + scientific)
- Improved guidances/templates to help applicants



IMI Call procedure: Overview



Call Definition



- Research topics definition initiated by EFPIA companies
based on the *Strategic Research Agenda and the Annual Scientific Priorities*

- Consultative workshop with Experts, Scientific Committee
- Formal consultation of States Representatives Group, Scientific Committee, European Commission on Call documents (incl budget)
- Approval by IMI Governing Board



Call Launched

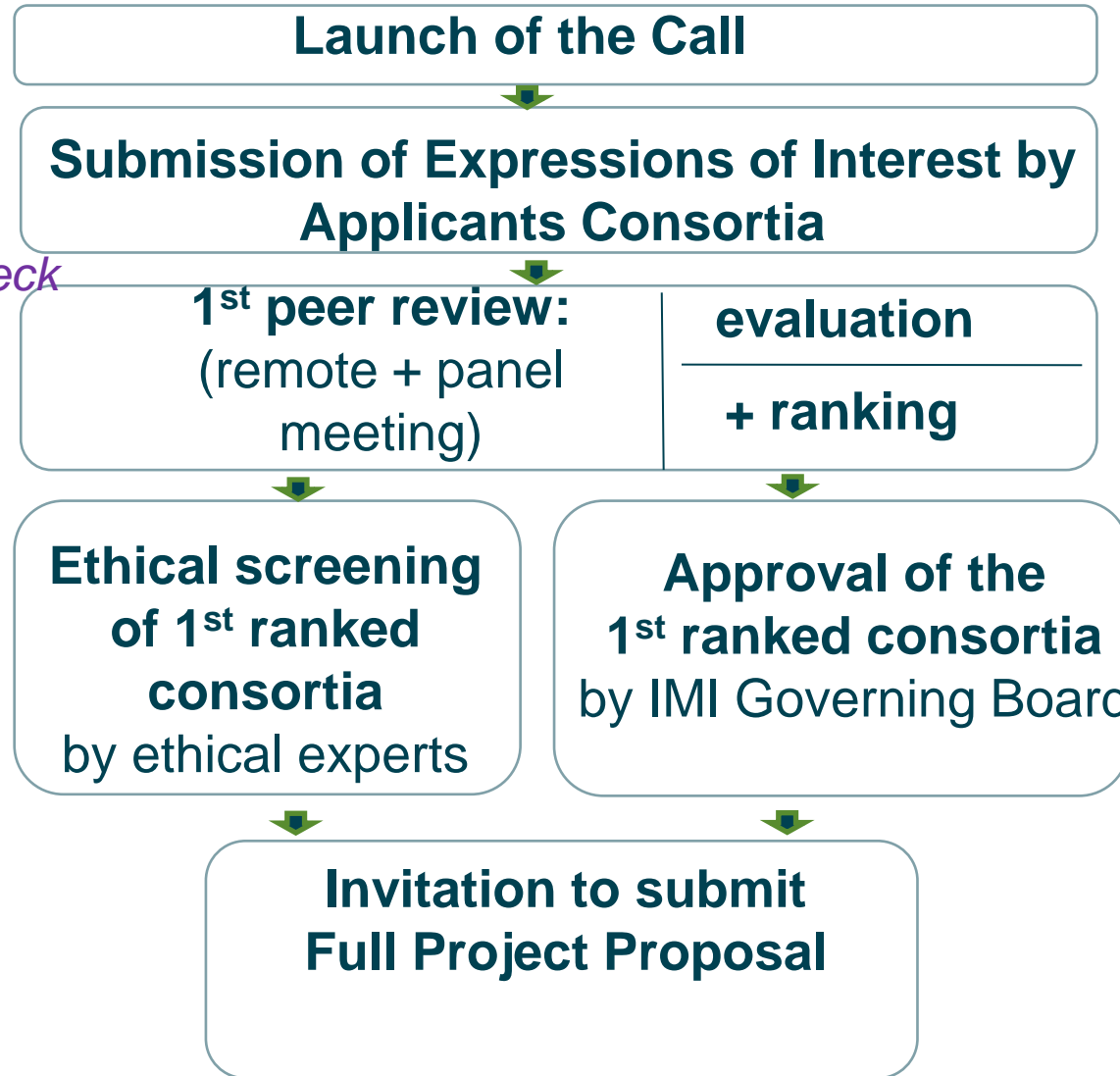


Call procedure: Stage 1



Approx 12 weeks

Eligibility check



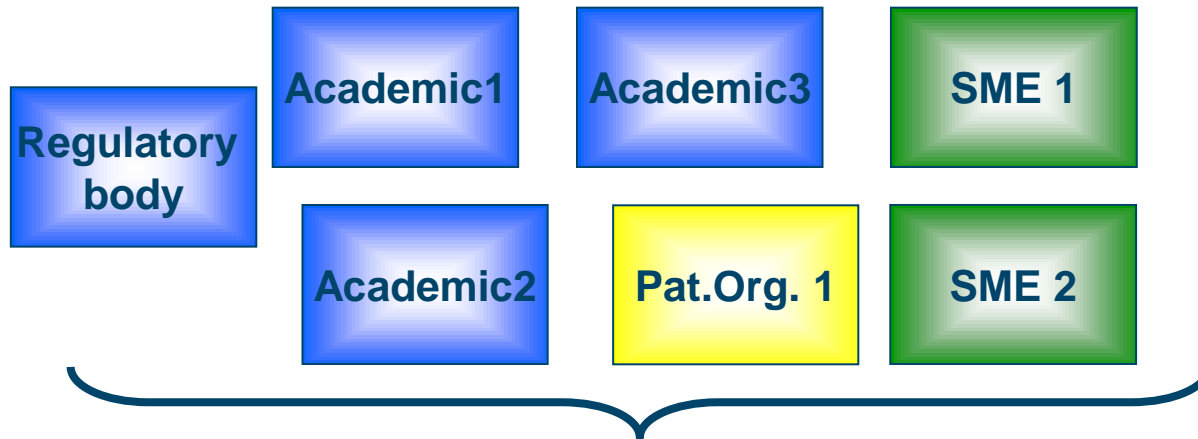
Stage 1: Objectives



- Competition between Applicants consortia
- To **select** and **rank** the best expressions of interest (Eols)
- To provide each applicant with **fair and clear** feedback in the Consensus Evaluation Report



Who are Applicants Consortium...



IMI beneficiaries

Finding partners?

- IMI infoday
- IMI Partner Search Tool <http://www.imi.europa.eu/content/partner-search>
- local IMI contact point www.imi.europa.eu/content/states-representatives-groups
- FP7 Health National Contact Point (NCP)

Stage 1: Submission of an EoI



- Call documents
 - Rules for submission evaluation and selection of expressions of interest and full project proposals
 - Rules for participation
 - Evaluation form
- Guidance notes for the preparation of Expression of interest + Template
- Submission within deadline in the electronic submission tool : SOFIA



SOFIA: EoI Submission



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SOFIApplication

- Public Area
- Expert Review
- IMI-JU-6-2012
 - EoI Submission Overview**
 - FPP Submission Overview

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EoI SUBMISSION OVERVIEW OF JOHN TESTER

EoI Number	EoI Acronym	Call Identifier	Call Topic	Pillar	Add new EoI
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Stage 1 review: Key aspects



- Minimum of 5 independent experts
- Focus on:
 - science and technological excellence
 - partnership
 - Work plan outline (incl budget, timelines deliverables)
 - Ethical issue
- Hearing up to 4 highest scored Eols if necessary
- Participation of EFPIA consortium coordinators to the discussion but not to the final scoring and final ranking

Outcome: Consensus Evaluation Report



Evaluation principles



- Excellence (science, management)
- Transparency
- Fairness and Impartiality (CoI)
- Confidentiality

Process Monitored by Independent Observers



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For the best –ranked EoI

- Ethical screening carried out by ethical experts
- Aim: to identify any ethical issue that would need to be addressed in the full project proposal
- Feedback to the Applicant Consortium : ethical screening form



Call procedure: Stage 2



**Submission of Full Project Proposal
by Full Consortium**

**2nd peer review
(remote + panel meeting)
incl. ethical evaluation**

**Full Project Proposal
Go / no-go decision
IMI Gov. Board**

Incl. max IMI financial contribution

**Description of Work
(Annex I to Grant Agreement)
by Full Consortium
+ IMI Executive Office**

**Signature of Grant Agreement
by Full Consortium and IMI Executive
Office**

Preparation
of the Project
Agreement

by Full
Consortium

Signature
Project
Agreement

by Full
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Administrative
& financial
negotiations
Full Consortium
+ IMI Executive
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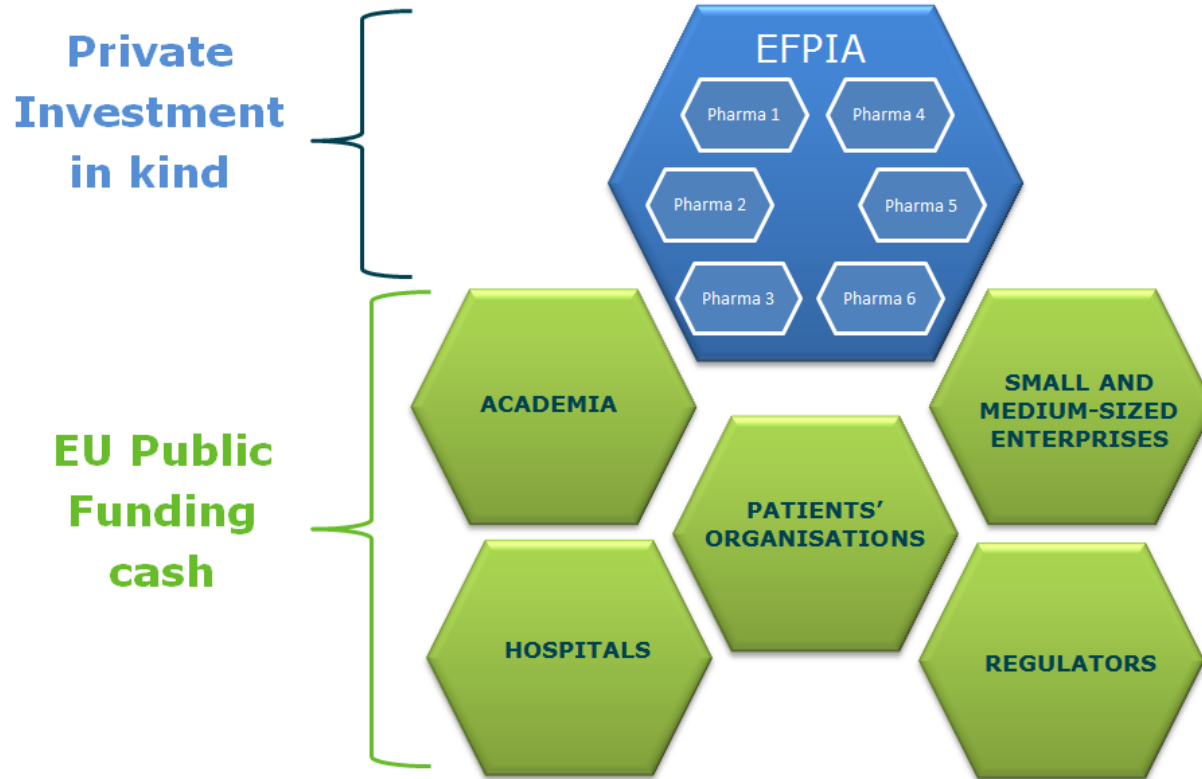
Stage 2: objectives



- Recommendation for funding for each full project proposal:
 - YES
 - YES WITH RECOMMENDATIONS
 - NO
- At the difference of Stage 1, no competition and EFPIA is now part of the Consortium
- Upon agreement Governing Board, Full Consortium invited to enter into final negotiations for a Grant Agreement with IMI JU



Now time for the Full Consortium...



Stage 2: Submission of a Full Project Proposal



- Call documents
 - Rules for submission evaluation and selection of expressions of interest and full project proposals
 - Rules for participation
 - Evaluation form (stage 2) + ethical review form
- Guidance notes for the preparation of Full Project Proposal + Template
- Submission within deadline in the electronic submission tool SOFIA



Stage 2 review: Key aspects



- Minimum of 5 independent experts + ethical experts
- Focus on:
 - Science and technological excellence
 - Project implementation plan
 - Consistency with Call topic and Stage 1
 - Potential impact of project results
- Hearing with Full Consortium
- Ethical review in parallel
- Outcome: consensus evaluation report + ethics review form

