

# Webinar | IMI2 - Call 10

## Topic 3 Improving the care of patients suffering from acute or chronic pain

# Today's webinar

- **Will cover all aspects of the Call topic**
  - Objectives of the project
  - Need for public-private collaborative research
  - Structure of the project
  - Expected contribution of the applicants
  - Contribution of industry consortium
  - Key deliverables
- **Will not cover rules and procedures**
  - A webinar on rules and procedures will take place on 09.01.2017 at 14:00.
  - Register at [bit.ly/IMI2C10webinars](http://bit.ly/IMI2C10webinars)

# IMI – Europe's partnership for health

## IMI mission

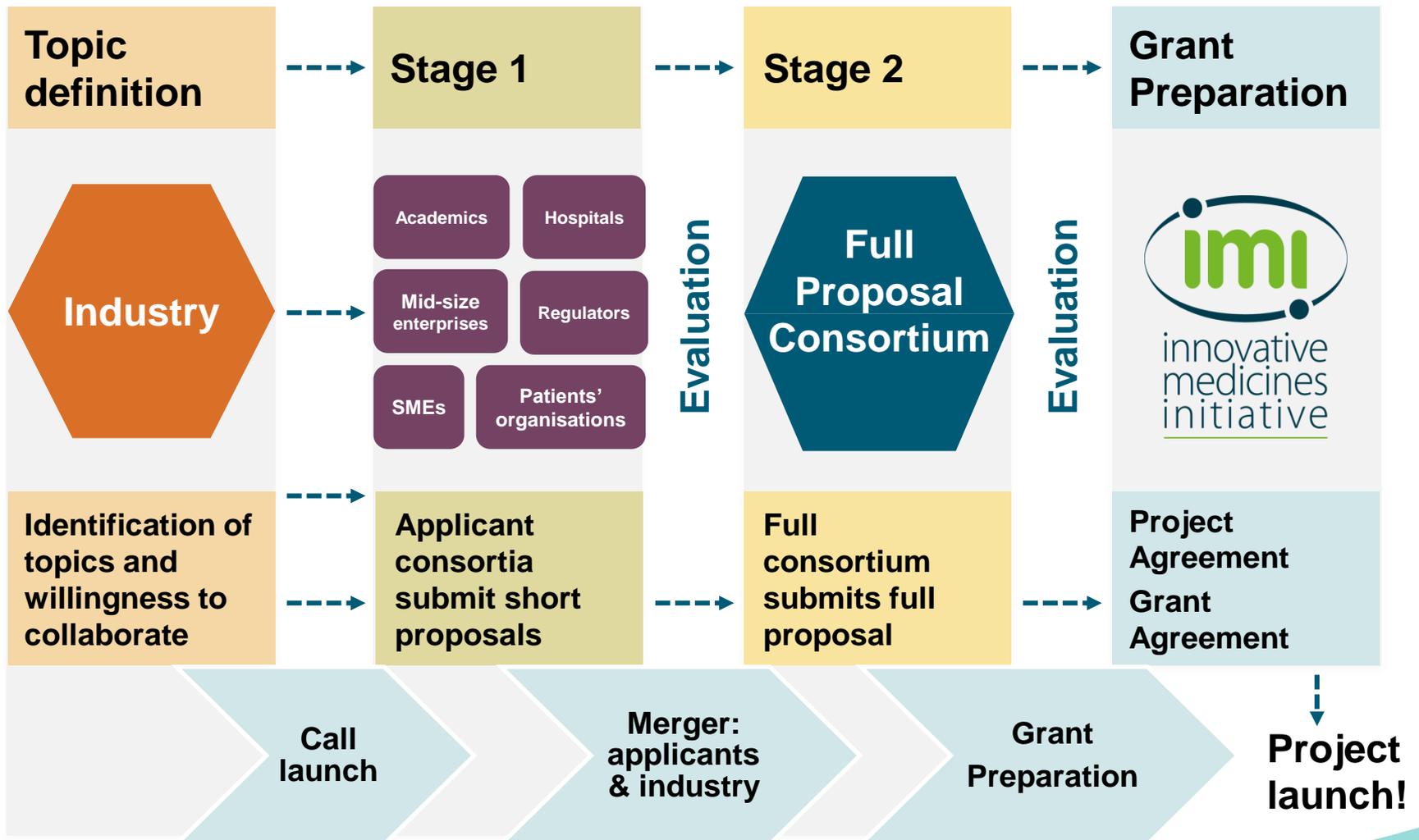
IMI facilitates open collaboration in research to advance the development of, and accelerate patient access to, personalised medicines for the health and wellbeing of all, especially in areas of unmet medical need.

# IMI – Ecosystem for innovative collaborations

- Allow engagement in a cross-sector, multi-disciplinary consortium at the forefront of cutting-edge research
- Provide the necessary scale by combining funding, expertise, knowledge, skills and resources
- Build a collaboration based on trust, creativity and innovative and critical thinking
- Learn from each other - new knowledge, skills, ways of working
- Take part in transformative research that will make a difference in drug development and ultimately patients' lives

IMI is a **neutral platform** where **all involved** in drug development can engage in **open collaboration** on **shared challenges**.

# Typical IMI project life cycle



# Submitting a proposal

- <https://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/index.html>

The screenshot displays the 'Participant Portal' for 'RESEARCH & INNOVATION' by the European Commission. The main navigation bar includes 'HOME', 'FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES', 'HOW TO PARTICIPATE', 'EXPERTS', and 'SUPPORT'. A search bar and 'LOGIN'/'REGISTER' buttons are also present. The left sidebar lists 'EU Programmes 2014-2020' with categories like 'Search Topics', 'Updates', and 'Calls', where 'H2020' is highlighted. The main content area is titled 'Calls for Proposals' and features a 'Horizon 2020' section. This section includes a list of topics with checkboxes: 'Excellent Science' (with sub-topics: European Research Council (ERC), Future and Emerging Technologies (FET), Marie-Sklodowska-Curie Actions, Research Infrastructures) and 'Industrial Leadership' (with sub-topics: Leadership in enabling and industrial technologies (LEIT), Information and Communication Technologies). Below the list are filters for 'Status' (Calls with forthcoming topics, Calls with open topics, Calls with only closed topics) and 'Sort by' (Call title, Call identifier, Publication date). A search filter 'IMI2' is entered in the 'Sort by' field.

# Topic 3 Stage 1 process: subtopics

- The Topic consists of three Subtopics, each of which addresses a specific aspect and scientific challenge:
- **Subtopic 3A:** using Patient Reported Outcome Measures to improve the management of acute and chronic pain (PROMs).
- **Subtopic 3B:** improving the translatability of pharmacodynamic biomarkers in pain pathways of healthy subjects and preclinical species (BIOM).
- **Subtopic 3C:** improving translation in chronic pelvic pain (CPP).

# Topic 3 Stage 1 process: subtopics

- Short Stage 1 proposals from Applicants should address **only one** Subtopic.
- The financial contribution of IMI2 for each Subtopic is:
  - **Subtopic 3A PROMs:** a maximum of EUR 4 250 000.
  - **Subtopic 3B BIOM:** a maximum of EUR 4 140 000.
  - **Subtopic 3C CPP:** a maximum of EUR 2 840 000.
- If Applicants wish to submit for more than one Subtopic, then separate short proposals should be submitted.
- The winning consortia from each subtopic + EFPIA consortium will be invited at stage 2 to merge in a consolidated consortium and submit a single full proposal

# Proposal Template

- Available on IMI website & H2020 submission tool
- For first stage proposals, the page limit is **30 pages**.

Title of Proposal

List of participants

Table of Contents

<b>1. EXCELLENCE</b>	<b>3. IMPLEMENTATION</b>
1.1 Objectives	3.1 Outline of project plan — Work packages, and major deliverables
1.2 Relation to the call topic text.	3.2 Management structure and procedures
1.3 Concept and approach	3.3 Consortium as a whole
1.4 Ambition	3.4 Table 3.1a: List of work packages
<b>2. IMPACT</b>	<b>4. PARTICIPANTS</b>
1 Expected impacts	4.1. Participants (applicants)

# Evaluation Criteria (1/2)

## ■ Excellence

- Clarity and pertinence of the proposal to meet all key objectives of the topic;
- Credibility of the proposed approach;
- Soundness of the concept, including trans-disciplinary considerations, where relevant;
- Extent that proposed work is ambitious, has innovation potential, and is beyond the state of the art;
- Mobilisation of the necessary expertise to achieve the objectives of the topic, ensure engagement of all relevant key stakeholders.

## ■ Impact

- The expected impacts of the proposed approach as mentioned in the Call for proposals;
- Added value from the public private partnership approach on R&D, regulatory, clinical and healthcare practice as relevant;
- Strengthening the competitiveness and industrial leadership and/or addressing specific societal challenges;
- Improving European citizens' health and wellbeing and contribute to the IMI2 objectives.

# Evaluation Criteria (2/2)

- **Quality and efficiency of the implementation**
  - Coherence and effectiveness of the outline of the project work plan, including appropriateness of the roles and allocation of tasks, resources, timelines and approximate budget;
  - Complementarity of the participants within the consortium (where relevant) and strategy to create a successful partnership with the industry consortium as mentioned in the topic description in the Call for proposal;
  - Appropriateness of the proposed management structures and procedures, including manageability of the consortium.

# Tips for writing a successful proposal

- Read **all the call-relevant material**:  
[www.imi.europa.eu](http://www.imi.europa.eu)
- Begin forming your consortium **early**  
Partner search tools & networking events
- Provide **reviewers** with all the information requested to allow them to evaluate your proposal
- **Finalise and submit your proposal early**
- Contact the **Programme Office** (**NOT** EFPIA topic writers):  
infodesk@imi.europa.eu

# Common mistakes

- Admissibility/Eligibility criteria not met:
  - submission **deadline** missed
  - minimum of **3 legal entities** from **3 member states** not met
- The proposal does **not address all the objectives** of the topic
- A proposal is **scientifically excellent** but will have **limited impact**
- **Complementarity** with Industry consortium not well described.

# Find project partners

- Network with **your contacts**
- **Network** with fellow webinar participants
- Use **Partner Search Tools**:
  - IMI <http://www.imi.europa.eu/content/partner-search>
  - German NCP version: <http://www.imi-partnering.eu>
  - Fit for health: <http://www.fitforhealth.eu/>
- Get in touch with your **local IMI contact point**:  
[www.imi.europa.eu/content/states-representatives-groups](http://www.imi.europa.eu/content/states-representatives-groups)
- Talk to your **Health National Contact Point** (NCP)
- Network on **social media** (e.g. IMI LinkedIn group)

# SME Participation

IMI encourages the participation of SMEs in applicant consortia as they can offer a complementary perspective to other organisations.

For example, being closer to the market, SMEs can drive the tangible outputs of the project, and help ensure these outputs are sustained beyond the project lifetime and therefore help lead to faster impact on healthcare.

In particular, in this topic, SMEs can participate in each of the 3 subtopics by contributing relevant experience and expertise in e.g. IT and technology platforms for the study of patient reported outcome measures, development of novel methodologies and advanced analysis techniques to identify specific target engagement in different compartments of pain pathways and for PK/PD analysis, assay development, proteomics and/or metabolomics, project management and professional communication expertise

# Patient Participation

Relevant for the subtopics 3A and 3C:

There are many ways you can improve project performance by working with your patient partners:

- input into clinical protocols
- input into operationalisation & monitoring of patient recruitment for clinical trials
- development of materials to encourage patient recruitment
- input into the wording of informed consents
- input into Patient Reported Outcomes tools
- input into benefit risk discussions
- community outreach and dissemination

***“The patient, doctor and researcher – each is a different kind of expert.”***



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