**Travel Grant to facilitate participation in the**

**Horizon Europe Brokerage Event for Cluster 6 - Calls 2025**

**27th May 2025, Warsaw**

**Guidelines for Applicants**

**Eligibility criteria**

The following criteria **must be met** to be eligible to receive a travel grant for participation in the brokerage event.

* Carry out research in the fields of Cluster 6 Horizon Europe.
* Be a member or an employee of a R&I institution/organisation and/or of a network of organisations and/or of a higher education institution and/or of an SME active in the area of R&I.
* Institution/organisation/SME must be based in one of the Horizon Europe Widening Countries[[1]](#footnote-1).
* Give a Flash Presentation at the CARE4BIO Brokerage Event.
* Ability to communicate fluently in English.
* Willingness to cooperate with European partners and to participate in relevant Horizon Europe Cluster 6 calls 2025.
* Submit a completed application form along with all the required documentation and the flash presentation until **18 April 2025**.

## Evaluation criteria

* Scientific excellence/Research performance (publications, patents, project, etc.) (30% of the score)
* Quality of flash presentation (reference to specific topic in cluster 6 calls 2024) (50% of score)
* Motivation statement (20% of the score)
* Coordinators will be ranked above potential partners looking for a consortium, all else being equal

**Deadline for submission: 18th April 2025**

# Selection Process

## Formality and eligibility check

The CARE4BIO Task Force Brokerage-Team will be responsible for the formality and eligibility check. Applications which do not comply with the eligibility criteria will not be considered within the evaluation process. Applications must be submitted before the deadline.

## Evaluation

The evaluation, based on a specified scoring matrix (see below) will be carried out by CARE4BIO. Applications will be ranked based on the total score achieved in the evaluation. The CARE4BIO coordinator will decide in controversial cases. Successful applicants will be informed by the CARE4BIO organisers.

## Scoring Matrix

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| **Evaluation Criteria** | **Scoring** |
| Be a member or an employee of a R&I institution/organisation and/or of a network of organisations and/or of a higher education institution and/or of an SME active in the area of R&I based in one of the Horizon Europe Widening Countries | Yes or No |
| Sufficient knowledge of English (language exam, or self-estimation) | Yes or No |
| Thematic area of R&I (Cluster6 Horizon Europe) | Yes or No |
| Is looking to coordinate | Yes or No |
| Research performance/scientific excellence:   * 5 most important publications or patents, relevant to the event * total number of publications * participation in projects related to the topic of the brokerage event (Cluster 6) | max: 9 points  min: 6 points |
| Quality of flash presentation (reference to specific topic in Cluster 6 calls 2024)   * Well-described project idea * Project idea fits the chosen topic * Precise description of the expertise offered / sought | max: 15 points  min: 10 points |
| Motivation statement:  Concrete plans for cooperation (become a coordinator or member of a Horizon Europe Cluster 6 consortium, deepen already existing international contacts etc.) | max: 6 points  min: 4 points |

1. page 8 Widening WP 2023/24: According to the Horizon Europe regulation in this programme component the less advanced countries eligible for hosting the co-ordinator of widening actions are Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Estonia, Greece, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and all Associated Countries with equivalent characteristics in terms of R&I performance (Albania, Armenia, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Faroe Islands, Georgia, Kosovo (This designation is without prejudice to positions on status and is in line with UNSCR 1244/1999 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo declaration of independence), Moldova, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Serbia, Tunisia, Türkiye, Ukraine, and once associated Morocco), as well as the Outermost Regions (defined in Art. 349 TFEU). <https://research-and-innovation.ec.europa.eu/document/download/ef809905-2a82-4530-897d-03bdac8f40a3_en> [↑](#footnote-ref-1)