



Eurostars-3

What's new and how to apply

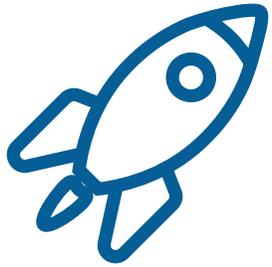
When to apply?

2 September



4 November
14:00 CET

Innovative SMEs at the centre of Eurostars-3



A company is considered as an innovative SME if it:

1. Complies with the SME definition as laid out in [EU Recommendation 2003/361](#)
2. Has the **ambition** to collaborate on R&D and innovation with international partners, to develop innovation that can be rapidly commercialised.

To be considered as “innovative,” an SME does not need a proven track record of R&D activities, or a minimum number/percentage of FTEs or turnover dedicated to R&D activities.

Eurostars-3 projects are...



...collaborative and international
(at least two partners from two different countries).



...in any technological and market areas.



...market-driven:
they must lead to a new product, process or service that can be rapidly commercialised.*

*In the case of biotechnology, biomedical or medical projects, clinical trials is foreseen to start rapidly after the end of the project.

Who can participate in Eurostars-3?

Eurostars is open to both:

Organisations based in Eurostars
countries

Eurostars funding available

Organisations not based in
Eurostars countries

Eurostars funding not available
(self-funding declaration must be provided)

All types of organisations: SMEs, large companies, research institutes, universities etc.

Projects must meet 7 eligibility criteria



The project is led by an **innovative SME** from a Eurostars country*.

*37 Eurostars countries, with Singapore as our new entry!



The consortium includes at least two entities that are independent of one another.



The project involves at least two Eurostars countries, with at least one being an EU or Horizon Europe Associated country.**

**All Eurostars countries are either EU Member States or Horizon Europe Associated Countries except for Canada, Republic of Korea, Singapore, South Africa, and Switzerland.



The budget of the **SMEs** from Eurostars countries (excluding subcontracting) must be at least **50%** of the total project budget.



No single participant or country is responsible for more than **70%** of the total project budget.



The project duration is 36 months or less.



The project has an exclusively civilian purpose.

Who can receive Eurostars funding?

Organisations based in Eurostars countries can receive Eurostars funding.

Organisations not based in Eurostars countries self-fund their participation (self-funding declaration to be provided).

Important note:

Eurostars funding will not cover all your project costs. You must be able to fund the remaining costs yourself.

Each partner receives funds from their own national funding body who have independent rules on:

- organisations that can be funded,
- activities that can be funded,
- funding rates and thresholds.

Before applying, each project partner should check the funding rules in their country on our website and contact their national funding body for more information.*

*For the first call of Eurostars-3, no Eurostars funding is available for organisations based in Israel and Romania.

What is the legal and financial viability check?

All project partners are checked by their national funding body

- The organisation has provided a valid commitment and signature form as part of the application form.
- The organisation who declared itself an SME complies with the EU definition of SME.
- The organisation is a legal entity in the host country.
- The organisation has not been convicted for fraudulent behaviour.
- If the organisation is located in the European Union or the European Economic Area, it is not an undertaking in difficulty based on article 2, no 18 of COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) No 651/2014 of June 2014; or if located elsewhere it is not in a difficult financial situation rendering it ineligible for funding according to national regulations.
- The organisation is compliant with the national rules to receive Eurostars public funding. Should it not be compliant, the NFB will inform the organisation and request a self-funding declaration by a deadline.
- The organisation has the financial capacity to support their part of the project costs. The assessment of the financial capacity is based on national criteria established by each NFB.

If one or more of the organisations in your consortium do not pass the legal and financial viability check, your project application will be rejected.

How to prepare for the legal and financial viability check?

Before applying, make sure that:

- Your commitment and signature form is signed by someone who can act as legal representative for your organisation.
- You understand the definition of “SME” and what it means to be undertaking in difficulty or being in a difficult financial situation.
- You understand the funding rules in your country.
- You are aware of the criteria used by your national funding body to assess your financial capacity to support your part of the project costs.

A shorter application form, the SDGs and the 'gender dimension'

5 sections:

PROJECT DETAILS	APPLICATION	YOUR ORGANISATION	DECLARATIONS	WORK PACKAGES
<p>Provide a summary of your project (participants, purpose, revenue generated).</p> <p>Indicate any individuals or entities you want to exclude from evaluating your application.</p>	<p>Impact: results, business case, commercialisation, market analysis, SDG-related impact.*</p> <p>Excellence: scientific method (including gender dimension**) and degree of innovation, technical state of the art, technical risks.</p> <p>Quality and efficiency of the implementation: main partner's management experience, benefits of collaboration, IPR.</p> <p>Ethics self-assessment.</p>	<p>Partner-specific section: project costs, financial information, funding requested, core business and expertise, contribution to the project, benefits of the participation, financial situation and how you intend to finance your participation.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• SME declaration (only SMEs)• Commitment and signature form (each partner)	<p>Describe each work package in detail (milestones and outcomes, go/no-go decision points, tasks, costs, etc.).</p> <p>Upload Gantt chart and/or technical annex, if relevant.</p>

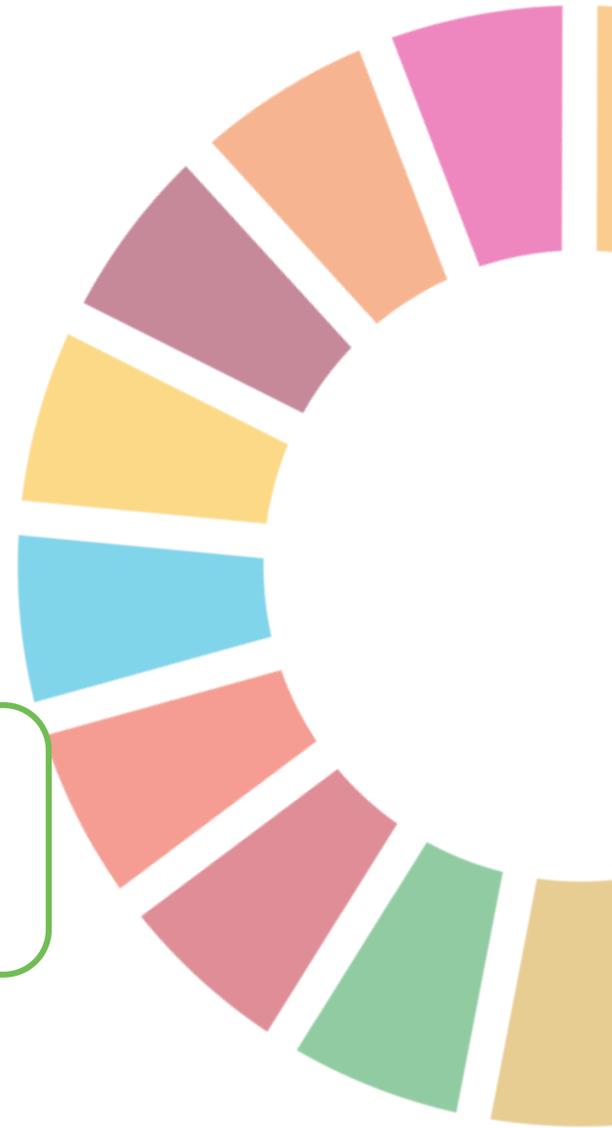
Sustainable development goals

- Does the resulting product, process or service address a specific set of SDGs and targets?
- What problem(s) will your project results help tackle? How could they be a solution to the problem(s)? Who will benefit from them?
- What might the short-term and long-term outcomes of the new product, process or service be?
- Use existing evidence and indicators to substantiate your statements.

State if your project or project results will have any negative social and/or environmental effects. Describe what risks you have identified and how you plan to mitigate them. If your project has no risks, state this in the text box.

Resources:

- Goals, targets and indicators: <https://sdgs.un.org/goals>
- 2019 UN Global Compact “[Framework for Breakthrough Impact on the SDGs through Innovation](#)”
- Project Breakthrough <https://breakthrough.unglobalcompact.org/> (how technologies can impact the SDGs, field-specific examples)



Gender dimension

Explain how you have integrated a gender dimension into your scientific methodology. If you consider gender dimension as non-relevant for the R&D content of your application, explain why.

Gender dimension

The integration of sex, gender and intersectional analysis into research and innovation

Resources:

- Report “[Gendered Innovations 2](#)” - General methods and field-specific methods + series of case studies on how to integrate gender dimension.
- Website [Gendered innovation](#)

How to apply

Submit your application through our project platform (www.myeureka.com)

- The new platform is collaborative (all partners complete the application form).
- The platform warns you if a mandatory field is incomplete.
- Your partners cannot see your confidential information.
- You can check the eligibility of your application against the 7 Eurostars criteria.

Eureka Project Management Platform

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Email address

Password

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Search for open and upcoming calls for projects.

Once you have chosen your call for projects, start a new application.



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Keywords

Innovation area
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Eurostars 3

Eurostars 3 open call for innovation projects to stimulate the new products and services of tomorrow

Call opens: Sunday 19 March 2023 Central European Time (CET)
Call closes: Wednesday 29 March 2023 12:00pm Central European Time (CET)

⚠ This call has not yet opened.

[Start new application](#)

Summary [Eligibility](#) [Scope](#) [Dates](#) [How to apply](#) [Supporting information](#)

Description Eurostars 3 open call for innovation projects to stimulate the new products and services of tomorrow

Funding type

Do you have an account?

Yes

Sign in to your Eureka Project Management Platform account.

Sign in

No

Create a new account to start your application.

Continue and create an account

The main partner in your project must register first.

After that, the main partner will be able to invite additional organisations in your consortium, so all partners can complete the application form.



Start new application

Choose your organisation type

This is the organisation that will lead the application.

- Large company
Large company
- Research Institute
Research Institute
- University
University
- Other
Other
- Innovative SME
An Innovative SME
- Association
An Association

Untitled application

Application overview

Application number:

81

Call:

Performance Test Open Call

12:00pm 01 April 2023 Central European Time (CET)

Application progress



Check eligibility

Project details

Please provide information about your project.

[Application team](#)

Incomplete

[Application details](#)

Incomplete

[What do you want to do?](#)

Incomplete

[Why do you want to do it?](#)

Incomplete

[How will you make money?](#)

Incomplete

Invite your project partners here.

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Untitled application

Application team

These are the organisations that will work together on the project. You can invite people from these organisations to help you with the application. They can invite other people from their own organisation.

[Redacted] (Main)

Organisation details

Type	Address	Country
Innovative SME	[Redacted]	BEL - Flemish Region

Phone number	Year of Registration
[Redacted]	2019

Organisation participants

Full name	Email	
[Redacted]	[Redacted]	Main applicant

[Add person to \[Redacted\]](#)

[Add a partner organisation](#)

You can add a person to a participating organisation. Once you have sent the invitation, they will receive an email inviting them to register to the platform.

Full name

Email

Invite to application

[Remove](#)

Untitled application

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Untitled application

Add a partner organisation

You must invite one person from the organisation.

Organisation name

Person's full name

Email

[Invite partner organisation](#)

[Cancel](#)

Click here to assign a question to another project partner.

Application questions
These are the questions which will be marked by the assessors.

1. Impact - Results of the project	Assigned to you	Incomplete
2. Impact - The Business Case	Assigned to you	
3. Impact - Time to market and commercialisation plan	Assigned to you	

If you are not the main partner, your answers will revert to the main partner for review.

Untitled application

Impact - Results of the project

1. Impact - Results of the project

Describe individually each product, process and service that will be developed by the project, starting with the main results of the project.

▶ [What should I include in the results of the project section?](#)

Words remaining: 450

[Mark as complete](#)

There are tips in the platform about how to answer questions.

Keep an eye on your word count.

You can run an automatic check to check the eligibility of your project application.

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Application overview

Application number:
12

Call:
Eurostars 3 Open Call

Application deadline:
12:00pm 20 March 2023 Central European Time (CET)

Application progress

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[Check eligibility](#)

Project details

Please provide information about your project.

[Application team](#) Incomplete

Eurostars 3 Open Call

Eligibility criteria

The following is the eligibility criteria for call Eurostars 3 Open Call.

You must satisfy all of these conditions to be eligible for this call.

Budget: At least 50% of the total budget for SMEs from Eurostars countries (excluding subcontracting).	✘ Ineligible
Consortium leader: from a Eurostars country.	✔ Eligible
Civilian applications: project has an exclusive focus on civil purpose.	✔ Eligible
Budget: No single country is responsible for more than 70% of the budget.	✔ Eligible
Consortium: at least two Eurostars countries involved.	✔ Eligible
Consortium: at least two independent entities.	✔ Eligible
Consortium leader: Innovative SME.	✔ Eligible
Duration: the project duration is a maximum of 36 months or fewer.	✔ Eligible

Declarations

[Commitment and signature](#)

[SME declaration](#)

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SME declaration

SME declaration

Please complete and submit the SME declaration.



Download the SME declaration template

[test-sme-declaration-form.pdf](#)

Upload your completed SME declaration

Your upload must be no larger than 10MB

▶ [What is a SME declaration?](#)

No file currently uploaded.

Upload

Each organisation in your consortium must upload a Commitment and Signature form.

SMEs in your consortium must also upload an SME declaration.

These documents are confidential and cannot be seen by the other partners.

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Commitment and signature

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Please complete and submit the Commitment and signature form.



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Upload

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Work packages

Click here to assign a work package to another project partner.

Please add and complete the information about your work packages.

[Work package for testing purposes](#)

[Assigned to you](#)

[Remove](#)

[+ Add work package](#)

Only the main partner can create a work package. Once created, the work package can be assigned to another project partner.

Edit this work package

Work package name

Work package summary

Work package start time(Month)

Work package duration(Months)

Work package milestones and outcomes

Work package tasks

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Your project finances

Finances

i Only members from your organisation will be able to see a breakdown of your finances.

Please complete your project finances.

[Your project costs](#) 

[Your financial information](#)

[Your funding](#)

All partners must insert their own individual project costs in each work package.

Provide the project costs for 'Terrasen'

Only your organisation can see this level of detail. All members of your organisation can access and edit your project finances.

Work Package	Person Months	Personnel costs (€)	Overhead (€)	Travel (€)	Materials (€)	Other (€)	Sub contracting (€)	Total (€)
WP1 / Work package for testing purposes	<input type="text" value="0.0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>	0					
Total	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Each partner must provide their financial information. This is only visible to them.



Your financial information

Financial overview

i This information is mandatory for all organisations that are NOT 100% public funded.

Details relating to your organisation finances.

Section	Financial year 1		Financial year 2	
	Month	Year	Month	Year
Start date of the financial report	<input type="text" value="MM"/>	<input type="text" value="YYYY"/>	<input type="text" value="MM"/>	<input type="text" value="YYYY"/>
End date of financial report	<input type="text" value="MM"/>	<input type="text" value="YYYY"/>	<input type="text" value="MM"/>	<input type="text" value="YYYY"/>
Date the financial report was submitted to national authorities	<input type="text" value="MM"/>	<input type="text" value="YYYY"/>	<input type="text" value="MM"/>	<input type="text" value="YYYY"/>
Headcount (number of people)	<input type="text"/>		<input type="text"/>	
Number of FTEs	<input type="text"/>		<input type="text"/>	
Number of FTEs dedicated to R&D	<input type="text"/>		<input type="text"/>	
Annual turnover (in euros)	<input type="text"/>		<input type="text"/>	
Annual turnover dedicated to R&D (in euros)	<input type="text"/>		<input type="text"/>	
Balance sheet total (in euros)	<input type="text"/>		<input type="text"/>	

Application questions

These are the questions which will be marked by the assessors.

1. Impact - Results of the project	✔ Complete
2. Impact - The Business Case	✔ Complete
3. Impact - Time to market and commercialisation plan	✔ Complete
4. Impact - Conditions of the market	✔ Complete
5. Impact - Sustainable Development Goals	✔ Complete
6. Impact - Social and environmental risks	✔ Complete
7. Excellence - Technical approach and degree of innovation	✔ Complete
8. Excellence - Technical state of the art	✔ Complete
9. Excellence - Technical risks	Assigned to you ✎ Incomplete
10. Quality and Efficiency - Project management experience	✔ Complete
11. Quality and Efficiency - Benefits of international collaboration	✔ Complete
12. Quality and Efficiency - Intellectual Property Rights	✔ Complete
13. Civilian purpose	✔ Complete

- ✔ The platform will validate your application. All fields must be marked as “complete” for you to be able to submit. You can edit a field even if you have already marked it as complete.
- ✔ You can see an overview of your application. Allow plenty of time to review it before submitting.
- ✔ Submit before the deadline: 4 November, 14:00 (CET).

Make sure all the information in the form is correct before submitting your application. Changes to the form will not be allowed after your application has been submitted.

 You will not be able to make changes to your application or resubmit after this point.

[Submit application](#)

Declarations	Open all
Commitment and signature	✔ Complete +
SME declaration	✔ Complete +

This is your final chance to make changes to the application.
You will not be able to access the application after this point. Are you sure you want to submit?

[Yes, I want to submit my application](#) [Cancel](#)

 You will not be able to make changes to your application or resubmit after this point.

[Submit application](#)

Eurostars Application Overview Test

Application status

Application submitted

Application number: 13
Your application for the competition 'Eurostars 3 Open Call' was submitted on 20 Apr 2021 at 3:32pm
Central European Time (CET)

[View application](#) [Print application](#)

What happens next?

Assessment process

Once the call submission deadline is reached your application will be sent for assessment. This is subject to the fulfilment of the eligibility criteria. The evaluation process follows these steps:

- All eligible applications will be assessed by at least 3 independent experts selected from the Eureka Expert Database. The evaluators will score each question and provide feedback to justify those scores
- The Legal and Financial Viability Check is performed by the National Funding Bodies on a participant basis to determine whether every consortium partner is eligible for funding. This Legal and Financial Check is performed in parallel to the technical evaluation.
- During this step, the National Funding Bodies maybe require additional information to their national applicants. Please check your email regularly.
- The Independent Evaluation Panel will evaluate the proposals and establish a Ranking List that will determine which projects are recommended for funding.
- The Ethics Panel does not give scores to projects, but elaborate an Ethics Report that might require you to submit additional documentation before or during the implementation of the project to ensure that you comply with the ethics standards set up under Horizon Europe.

The main project partner will receive an email to confirm that the application has been successfully submitted.

All partners may view or print your submitted application at any time.

You can access your application at any time by opening your dashboard.

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Applications

Applications in progress

Eurostars Application In Assessment 1 Application number: 30 Call: Eurostars 3 In Assessment Call	Awaiting assessment	Application submitted
Untitled application (start here) Application number: 80 Call: Performance Test Open Call	710 days left Deadline 1 Apr 2023	0% complete

Important

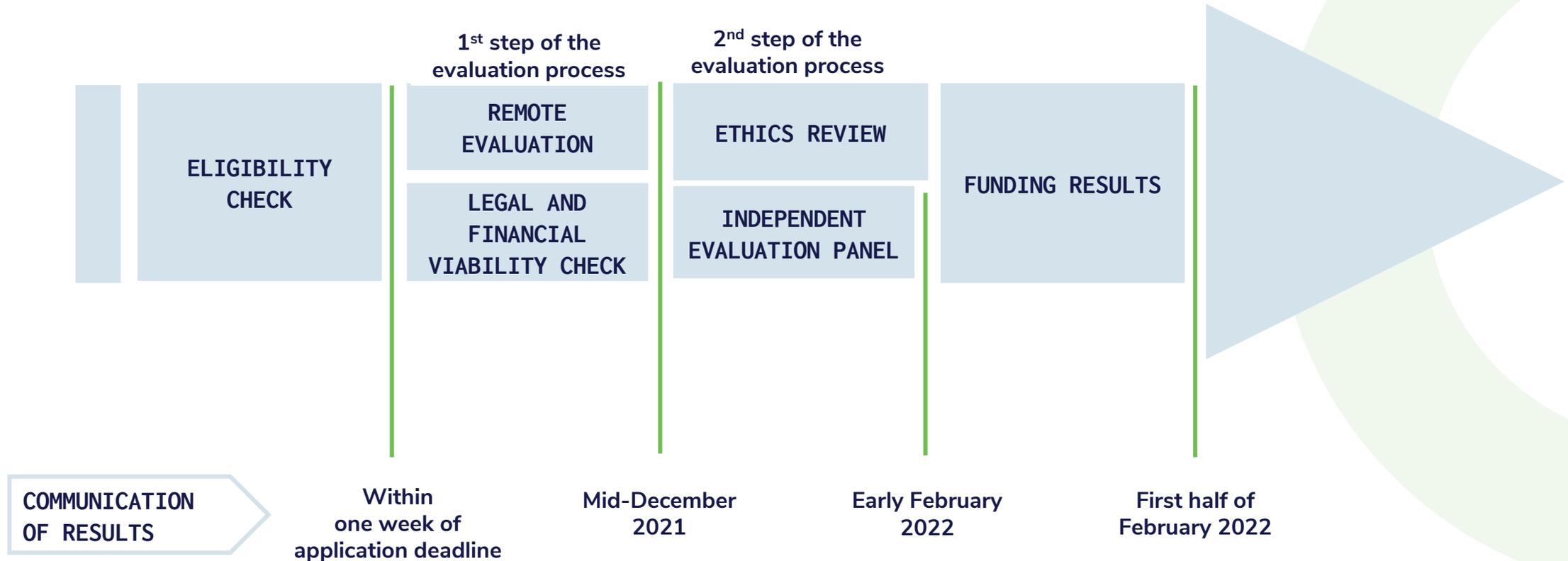
You cannot edit your application after you have submitted it. You can only edit contact details.

If, after having submitted your application, you realise you made a mistake:

1. Inform the Eureka Secretariat by emailing applications@eurostars-eureka.eu with the number and title of your application. We will remove your application.
2. After you have informed us, you will be able to submit a new application.

Please note: The content of your old application will not be automatically transferred to the new application; you will need to copy and paste it manually. Make sure you have downloaded your old application as a pdf before asking us to remove it from the system.

A shorter evaluation process



Redress requests

If your application was rejected and you believe this was due to a **procedural** mistake during the eligibility check, the legal and financial viability check or evaluation, you can submit a redress request.

A redress request can only be based on **procedural grounds**, with clear evidence of the reasons for complaint.

You can send a redress request **within 15 days** of receiving the results of:

- the eligibility check
- the first step of the evaluation process
- the second step of the evaluation process

Redress requests are accepted only when sent by registered mail. Redress requests sent by other means will be rejected.

When you send a redress request, please also inform the Eureka Secretariat by sending an email to applications@eurostars-eureka.eu.



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**Thank you for
your attention!**



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