

# Education - Young Innovators

The purpose of this call to action is to identify partners and organisations that co-create and test new methods and approaches on how to foster new skills that are needed for climate action and whole systems transformation.

#### **Background**

The following decade will be crucial in preparing future generations of professionals to lead us to a prosperous, inclusive, resilient society based on a net-zero carbon circular economy. Our education programmes are at the core of systems transformation. Young people, empowered by education, are effective system thinkers and innovators capable of triggering unique paths to change.

The Young Innovators programme empowers younger generations to pursue solutions aimed at addressing climate challenges through innovation. We aim to plant a seed and a desire to work on climate change challenges – bridging from theory to practice – at schools, hackathons and through multiple youth networks. Young Innovators is a learning experience that allows younger generations to explore the world around them and transcends throughout adulthood.

EIT Climate-KIC is seeking to create a movement of empowered climate champions to innovate and activate the systems change needed to address the societal challenge of climate change.

Therefore, we would like to engage with partners from different locations and countries that are willing to:

- Co-design innovative and digital learning approaches appropriate to the geographical and educational environments.
- Co-design visual canvases and material to foster systems and creative thinking and problem-solving skills for young people.
- Actively participate in the Young Innovators programme and deliver all parts of the programme aligned to the material developed.
- Look for alignment with EIT Climate-KIC Deep Demonstrations and our portfolio.
- Identify and recruit key stakeholders (i.e. higher education, subject matter experts, cities and local industry/businesses) that will work alongside schools.
- Develop a funding model including validation of funding potentials (sponsorship).
- Engage with other organisations active in the field of sustainability and entrepreneurial education.
- Participate in relevant trainings on the usage of the tools and methodology.
- Evaluate learning activities
- Please not there is no funding available for the Young Climathon event, this needs to be fundraised externally.
- Start in January 2020.

We particularly would like to see proposals that have experience in working with schools, teachers, youth.



## Eligibility

Project Type	MAX. DURATI ON	MAX. EIT REQUEST Per annum	MAX. EIT REIMBURSEME NT RATE	MIN. CO- FUNDIN G (total project costs)	OTHER
Young Innovators	1-3 years	Maximum 40k EIT Request per annum	75%	25%	

#### **Specific Application Process**

- There will be a **one stage application process**, where applicants must submit a full proposal in PLAZA for the deadline otherwise it will not be considered for funding.
- Please refer to the <u>proposal guidelines</u> when preparing and submitting a proposal.

#### **Timeline**

- The deadline for submitting a proposal in PLAZA is October 31, 2019 1800hrs CET.
- The final outcomes and feedback will be communicated by 22 November 2019

### **Assessment Criteria**

CRITERIA	DESCRIPTION
Project Partner and strategic fit	<ul> <li>Does the project partner have the appropriate skills, capabilities and networks to successfully deliver the programme or can they add concrete value to the programme that is missing so far?</li> <li>Does the proposal convey an understanding and commitment to the EIT Climate-KIC Young Innovators Visual Toolbox?</li> <li>Does the partner express a clear understanding and link to EIT Climate-KIC's strategy paper and priorities, including the Deep Demonstrations?</li> </ul>
Project Plan & Clarity of Outputs	<ul> <li>Are the work plan and work packages clearly explained and relevant to support the project objectives and expected impact?</li> <li>Are the project outputs, deliverables and KPIs clearly stated and linked to the different work packages/project stages identified in the work plan?</li> <li>Is the work plan, work packages, outputs, deliverables and KPIs targeted reasonable for the duration of the project and the grant amount requested?</li> <li>Is consideration given to how the results and learnings inform further action?</li> <li>Are key assumptions and risks presented clearly?</li> <li>Does the project encourage diversity and gender equity?</li> </ul>
Value for Money	<ul> <li>How well is the funding spent on activities directly linked to achieving the project objectives, deliverables and KPIs?</li> <li>How appropriate is the funding request in relation to the anticipated benefits?</li> </ul>



- How much co-funding is offered to match the EIT funding? (Note: Baseline is the minimum programme-specific co-funding requirement.)
- Does the partner show effort in attracting further funds / capital/ investment (beyond EIT-funding)?
- Does the partner have the capacity and willingness to create a sustainable model of delivery outside EIT Climate-KIC funding?