Call for Proposals: EIT Climate-KIC RIS EduEx 2021

Information session

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THE CALL: RIS EduEx 2021
What is the purpose of RIS EduEx 2021?

We are seeking experimental and novel approaches to support or enable the development of the skills, mindsets and imagination needed for resilient, just and inclusive futures and for tackling complex problems like climate change.
Our Vision
A prosperous, inclusive, climate resilient society with a circular net-zero emissions economy by 2050

Our Mission
To catalyse systemic change for climate action

Our Promise
Transformation in time, through innovation
EIT CLIMATE-KIC LEARNING COMMUNITY

• Europe is striving for net-zero emissions by 2050 and a radical increase in 2030 ambitions triggered by a European Green New Deal.

• Reaching these targets will require transformation of whole systems, and importantly, demands new skills, different mindsets, changes to norms and ways of thinking.

• Our community aims to prepare, support and empower both youth and adults to engage in education and lifelong learning in order for them to be resilient and adaptable in an ever-changing society characterised by climate change, complexity and technological advances.
EIT REGIONAL INNOVATION SCHEME (RIS)

• Introduced by EIT in 2014
• The objective of the EIT RIS is to **contribute to the advancement of the innovation performance** of targeted countries across Europe
• These are **countries with moderate or modest innovation scores** as defined by the European Innovation Scoreboard
• Focus is on **strengthening the capacity of their innovation enablers and actors** and linkages among them.
EIT REGIONAL INNOVATION SCHEME (RIS) COUNTRIES

- **EU Member States**: Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain.

- **Outermost Regions**: Guadeloupe, French Guiana, Réunion, Martinique, Mayotte and Saint-Martin (France), the Azores and Madeira (Portugal), and the Canary Islands (Spain).

- **Horizon Europe Associated Countries***: Montenegro, Republic of North Macedonia, Serbia, Turkey, Ukraine.

*These third countries, which are all listed in the European Innovation Scoreboard, will be eligible for the EIT RIS, following the successful conclusion of individual Horizon Europe Association Agreements.
RIS EduEx 2021 ELIGIBILITY

- Only RIS eligible entities should submit proposals to RIS EduEx 2021
- Entities may be NGOs, civil society organisations, SMEs, research labs or incubators, regions and cities, education institutions (schools, vocational training institutes, higher education institutions etc)
- Only legal entities are eligible to apply, it is not open to natural persons/individuals.
- Both EIT Climate-KIC partners and non-partner organizations can apply
- **Important**: Successful proposals are expected to be funded by the upcoming Horizon Europe funding framework in 2021. For EIT Climate-KIC partners to be eligible for funding they **will be required** to accede to the Horizon Europe Model Grant Agreement.
- EIT Climate-KIC will not fund more than one experiment by the same organisation, research group or city.
RIS EduEx 2021 OBJECTIVES

Join our learning community!

We want to bring fresh voices and new thinking from EIT RIS regions into our community, and to learn together.

And we want to develop the learnings and outputs from the experiments within existing or new EIT Climate-KIC programmes, and with our community – both in RIS and beyond.

Local, regional or global scope – you decide

- Experiments should respond to a challenge in learning, skills development and/or education
- They may address challenges or needs identified in particular EIT RIS locations
- Or they can be focused on cutting-edge learning approaches more generally

Broaden our horizons and learn something new

The experiments should provoke change and inspire new ways of thinking about learning, skills and education for climate action and systems change.
## DEFINING AN EXPERIMENT

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<td>Short project that tests novel ways of responding to a challenge (within education, learning, skills development, and green systemic transition)</td>
<td>Should draw out new learnings as a part of the implementation of the experiment</td>
<td>NOT an extension to an already existing project</td>
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<td>Specific topics for experimentation are not set – it is up to you to decide based on your expertise and experience</td>
<td>You also define your audience(s)</td>
<td>Be bold and think outside the box!</td>
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OUTPUTS AND DELIVERABLES

• Outputs:
  • Can take different forms, depending on the challenge being addressed.
  • They must include something tangible as defined by the experimenter and agreed by EIT Climate-KIC
  • Examples could include: a workshop methodology, lab format, artifact, manuals, platform, website etc.

• 2 Deliverables:
  • A mid-project progress report (3–5 pages)
  • A final report (5–10 pages)
AWARD & BUDGET SCOPE

• Up to 5 successful applicants will go on to contracting stage
• The maximum amount to apply at the project level is 12,000 EUR with a Reimbursement Rate of 100%
HOW TO APPLY
Review the Call for Proposals document, paying attention to the eligibility and selection requirements.

Fill in the Proposal Form including the detailed budget (available as a Word document from the Call for Proposals website)

- Any other than the Proposal Form will not be accepted

Submit the Form by email to eduex@climate-kic.org on or before 11 July 2021 at 00:00 CEST.

- only applications submitted to eduex@climate-kic.org before the deadline will be reviewed
## KEY DATES

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<td>Opening date for applications</td>
<td>14 June 2021</td>
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<td>Submission deadline</td>
<td>11 July 2021, 00:00 CEST</td>
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<td>Evaluation period</td>
<td>12 July – 23 July 2021</td>
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<td>Evaluation results to successful applicants</td>
<td>26 July 2021</td>
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<td>Successful applicants’ deadline for accepting RIS EduEx 2021²</td>
<td>30 July 2021</td>
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<td>Evaluation results to unsuccessful applicants</td>
<td>6 August 2021</td>
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² RIS EduEx 2021 refers to the Renewable Energy Schools and Innovation (RIS EduEx) program.
PROPOSAL REVIEW AND SELECTION
• One-stage full proposal submission with one-phase assessment process
• Proposals will be assessed according to the following criteria (see next slide):
## PROPOSAL ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

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| **Systems change for the future of education**     | The experiment aligns with and contributes to the EIT Climate-KIC strategy 'Transformation, In Time' and aligns with EIT Climate-KICs Learning Community goals as set out in the Background section, and thereby supports innovative and experimental learning approaches for a net-zero carbon future.  
The strength of the argument for how the experiment takes an innovative or radical new approach within the context defined by the experimenter will be assessed. | 20%             |
| **Challenge-led experiments**                      | The challenge addressed by the experiment is explicit and clearly articulated and is relevant either to needs identified in a specific EIT RIS location/s, or is targeted at developing pioneering and future-ready learning/skills/mindsets/behaviours that will be needed more generally for a just transition and sustainable future. | 30%             |
| **Scaling and Experiment Impact**                  | The experiment has strong potential to live on after 2021 - either financially or resource-wise, can be upscaled or learning outcomes can be integrated into larger established collaborations in society and/or in other EIT Climate-KIC programme activities. | 20%             |
| **Transparency and value for money**               | Transparency of budget and clarity on the costs included is provided. Value for money is clearly articulated and justified in the budget.                                                                        | 20%             |
| **Project plan and clarity of outputs and deliverables** | Plan for delivery of the experiment’s outputs and deliverables is clearly stated.  
Key assumptions and risks are presented clearly.  
The proposed project plan is reasonable for the duration of the project and the grant amount requested. | 10%             |
If you are selected:

• Informed on 26 July by email
• You will have until 30 July to accept/decline the invitation to join RIS EduEx 2021
• Successful proponents who do accept by 30 July will forfeit the invitation, and the next highest scoring proposal will be invited to participate
• Should a successful proponent decline their invitation to participate, we will invite the next highest scoring proposal to participate

If you are not selected:

• Informed on 6th August by email
• Feedback and full evaluation results for your application will not be provided
Contact details

For any further information and questions, please contact

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Thank you for joining! Questions?