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EVOLVE2CARE

Open Call

Timeline and Cut-off Periods

Project Website: www.evolve2care.eu

Open Call platform: <https://accelup.eu/home>



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1. Timeline and Information

Please find below significant information related to the Open Call summarised:

- **Project Acronym:** EVOLVE2CARE
- **Full name of the EU funded project:** Engaging the Value Of Living Labs to Innovate Care And Regulatory Environments
- **Project number:** 101158152
- **Granting authority:** European Innovation Council and SMEs Executive Agency
- **Topic:** HORIZON-EIE-2023-CONNECT-02-01
- **Programme:** Horizon Europe (HORIZON)
- **Call title:** EVOLVE2CARE Open Call
- **Open Call Abbreviation:** EVOLVE2CARE_OC
- **Opening date:** 17 March 2025
- **Closing date:** 06 November 2025 17:00h (Brussels time/CEST) - unless the available budget is fully allocated earlier.
 - 1st Cut-OFF: 26 May 2025 – 17:00 CEST – Brussels time
 - 2nd Cut-OFF: 28 July 2025 – 17:00 CEST – Brussels time
 - Last Cut-OFF: 06 November 2025 – 17:00 CEST – Brussels time
- **Expected duration of participation:** A maximum of 6 months. The expected duration of participation will depend mostly on the complexity of each awarded project, but it **cannot exceed** 6 months from the agreement's signature.
- **Evaluation and Notification Period:** Following the cut-off periods.
- **Awards Principle:** Subject to meeting eligibility and quality thresholds.
- **Maximum amount for the whole of services agreements:** EUR 50,000
- **Maximum amount for services agreement(s) per proposal:** Maximum of EUR 5,000
- **Language in which application should be submitted:** English
- **Project Website:** <https://evolve2care.eu/open-call/> (OC guidelines, application complementary forms, FAQ included)

- **Application link:** <https://accelup.eu/home>
- **Dedicated email helpline for Open Call:** helpdesk@evolve2care.eu
- **Project email:** info@evolve2care.eu

1.1. Cut-off Periods

As illustrated in Figure 1. Open Call CUT-OFF Periods, there are three CUT-OFF periods for the EVOLVE2CARE Open Call. Please consider the following:

- The orange section in the figure represents the Accelup Platform.
- The blue section in the figure represents the Sploro's Platform.

Registration on Accelup platform		
1st CUT-OFF 26 May – 17:00 CET	2nd CUT-OFF 28 Jul – 17:00 CET	Last CUT-OFF 6 Nov – 17:00 CET
Sploro's Platform		
Sploro's Platform Registration until 2 Jun – 17:00 CET	Sploro's Platform Registration until 25 Aug – 17:00 CET	Sploro's Platform Registration until 10 Nov – 17:00 CET
Eligibility Check 03 – 06 Jun 2025	Eligibility Check 26 – 29 Aug 2025	Eligibility Check 11 – 14 Nov 2025
Technical Evaluation 09 – 13 Jun 2025	Technical Evaluation 01 – 05 Sept 2025	Technical Evaluation 17 – 21 Nov 2025
Ethical Evaluation 16 – 20 Jun 2025	Ethical Evaluation 08 – 12 Sept 2025	Ethical Evaluation 24 – 28 Nov 2025
Legal Validation 23 – 27 Jun 2025	Legal Validation 15 – 19 Sept 2025	Legal Validation 01 – 05 Dec 2025
Awardees & Agreement Signing 30 Jun – 11 Jul 2025	Awardees & Agreement Signing 22 Sept – 03 Oct 2025	Awardees & Agreement Signing 08 Dec – 19 Dec 2025
Onboarding Day 16 Jul 2025	Onboarding Day 08 Oct 2025	Onboarding Day 05 Jan 2026
Project Implementation Starting on 21 Jul	Project Implementation Starting on 13 Oct	Project Implementation Starting on 12 Jan 2026

Figure 1. Open Call CUT-OFF Periods

1. Registration on the Accelup Platform: Starting on 3 March, 2025 for both Innovators and Living Labs.

2. Matchmaking Process (Accelup Platform)

- First CUT-OFF: **26 May 2025, 17:00, CEST Time**
- Second CUT-OFF: **28 July 2025, 17:00, CEST Time**
- Last CUT-OFF: **06 November 2025, 17:00, CEST Time**

3. Registration on Sploro's Platform

- First CUT-OFF: **02 June 2025, 17:00, CEST Time**
- Second CUT-OFF: **25 August 2025, 17:00, CEST Time**
- Last CUT-OFF: **10 November 2025, 17:00, CEST Time**

4. Evaluation Phases (Sploro's Platform)

- **Eligibility Check**
For the First CUT-OFF: **From 03 to 06 June 2025**
For the second CUT-OFF: **From 26 to 29 August 2025**
For the third CUT-OFF: **From 11 to 14 November 2025**
- **Technical Evaluation and Score Normalisation**
For the First CUT-OFF: **From 09 to 13 June 2025**
For the second CUT-OFF: **From 01 to 05 September 2025**
For the third CUT-OFF: **From 17 to 21 November 2025**
- **Ethics Evaluation**
For the First CUT-OFF: **From 16 to 20 June 2025**
For the second CUT-OFF: **From 08 to 12 September 2025**
For the third CUT-OFF: **From 24 to 28 November 2025**

5. Communication of Results to Applicants

- For the First CUT-OFF: **Around 20 June 2025**
- For the second CUT-OFF: **Around 12 September 2025**
- For the third CUT-OFF: **Around 28 November 2025**

6. Legal Validation

- For the First CUT-OFF: **From 23 to 27 June 2025**
- For the second CUT-OFF: **From 15 to 19 September 2025**
- For the third CUT-OFF: **From 01 to 05 December 2025**

7. Awarded Mini-Consortia & Agreement Signing

- For the First CUT-OFF: **From 30 June to 11 July 2025**
- For the second CUT-OFF: **From 22 September to 03 October 2025**
- For the third CUT-OFF: **From 08 to 19 December 2025**

8. Onboarding Day

- For the First CUT-OFF: **16 July 2025 11:00 am CEST**
- For the second CUT-OFF: **08 October 2025 11:00 am CEST**
- For the third CUT-OFF: **05 January 2026 11:00 am CEST**

9. Project Implementation Start Date

- For the First CUT-OFF: **21 July 2025** – for maximum of 6 months
- For the second CUT-OFF: **13 October 2025** – for maximum of 6 months
- For the third CUT-OFF: **12 January 2026** – for maximum of 6 months

Project implementations may begin at any time within the periods outlines above. Mini-consortia are advised to plan carefully to ensure that enough time is allotted to successfully finish the experimentation process.

1.2. Important Notes for Applicants

Please find below significant information related to the Open Call:

- If the available budget is fully allocated within the earlier CUT-OFF periods, the call may close before the official closing date.
- The EVOLVE2CARE consortium strongly encourages participants to submit their applications as early as possible to enhance their chances of selection.
- The deadline for submission is as stated in this Guidelines document. Please note that the platform for submission's time depends on the user's configured time zone and may or may not coincide with the correct time (this depends on the user, not the platform for submission). Any discrepancies in system time will not be grounds for deadline extension.
- The Accelup Platform is used for the matchmaking process.
- The Sploro Platform is used for the projects' information submission and evaluation phases.
- Mini-consortia teams can be formed by 1 innovator and 1 Living Lab or by 1 innovator and 2 or more Living Labs, depending on the complexity of the innovator's project.
- The matchmaking has no geographical limitations, and partners in the mini-consortium can be based in different locations.

- The maximum support per proposal is EUR 5,000. The amount can be less but will not exceed this limit. This amount will be paid only to Living labs. If a project exceeds this amount, it can be covered by their own funds.
- Living Labs need to provide detailed descriptions of the facilities, resources, and capabilities that are required to fulfill the needs of the innovator. These descriptions will be used during the matchmaking and evaluation phases to ensure optimal project matching and should be included on both platforms (Accelup and Sploro).
- If a proposal does not pass one of the evaluation phases in the first cut-off period, there is an opportunity to revise the proposal and apply for the second or final cut-off period. Only the matched teams (i.e., mini-consortia) will proceed to the Sploro Platform for evaluation.
- Single Funding Rule: A Living Lab may participate in multiple proposals and can receive funding for more than one project, provided each voucher is matched with a different innovator each time. Additional matched projects may proceed without EVOLVE2CARE funding if desired.
- No country restrictions for innovators, except for countries under sanction or other restrictive measures as specified by the European Commission. However, Living Labs must be located in EU member states or associated countries, as specified by the European Commission.
- EVOLVE2CARE recommends to the mini-consortia teams that the application on the Sploro's Platform to be open by the innovators in the teams.