



EIC - Fast Track to Innovation (FTI) 2018-2020

- *Close-to-market projects of consortia* with **three** to **five** partners from at least three different EU Member States or Horizon 2020 associated countries
- Industry participation is required



An Roinn Post, Fiontar agus Nuálaíochta
Department of Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation



Horizon 2020 national support network led by Enterprise Ireland





Fast Track to Innovation

- Mandatory industry involvement can consist of the following...:
 - ... either 60% of the overall budget of the proposal must be allocated to consortium partner(s) from industry
 - ... or the minimum number of industry participants must be 2 in a consortium of 3 or 4 partners, and 3 in a consortium of 5 partners
- Proposals should include a business plan (market development strategy)



An Roinn Post, Fiontar agus Nuálaíochta
Department of Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation



Horizon 2020 national support network led by Enterprise Ireland





Objectives of FTI

- **Reduce time from idea to market ('last push')**
- **Increase participation of industry**, particularly first-time applicants and SMEs
- **Stimulate private sector investment in Innovation**
- **Test new business models for successful Commercialisation**



An Roinn Post, Fiontar agus Nuálaíochta
Department of Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation



Horizon 2020 national support network led by Enterprise Ireland





Main Features

- There are no topics, the call is completely bottom-up
- Disruptive innovative technology should be central to the project
- Complementary and multidisciplinary projects are encouraged
- FTI projects should have a high level of advancement (TRL6 - TRL8).
- Commercialisation should be achieved within 3 years of receiving the grant
- Impact on sustainability, climate change or other objectives of H2020 should be highlighted



An Roinn Post, Fiontar agus Nuálaíochta
Department of Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation



Horizon 2020 national support network led by Enterprise Ireland





Fast Track to Innovation

- One common call, permanently open, 3 cut-offs per year –
- Funds innovation actions (70%), grants up to €3M

Cut-Off dates 2020

19 February

9 June

27 October



An Roinn Post, Fiontar agus Nuálaíochta
Department of Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation



Horizon 2020 national support network led by Enterprise Ireland





ENTERPRISE IRELAND
where innovation means business

HORIZON 2020
SCIENCE | INDUSTRY | SOCIETY



<https://fti.easme-web.eu/>

Link Interactive map to view companies, budgets, abstracts, locations



An Roinn Post, Fiontar agus Nuálaíochta
Department of Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation



Horizon 2020 national support network led by Enterprise Ireland





Projects are most likely to succeed

- Clearly demonstrate a cohesive relationship between the partners
- Clearly show the innovative step and how each partner contributes
- Each partner has a meaningful role
- Clear business plan that takes the project output to market in under 3 years
- Demonstrate how the project satisfies an unmet market need
- Detailed and fully costed project work plan for all partners



An Roinn Post, Fiontar agus Nuálaíochta
Department of Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation



Horizon 2020 national support network led by Enterprise Ireland





Notification and payments

- 3 Months to notification of success
- 3 months for grant preparation
- 90% up front payment

Horizon 2020 national support network led by Enterprise Ireland



An Roinn Post, Fiontar agus Nuálaíochta
Department of Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation





ENTERPRISE IRELAND
where innovation means business

HORIZON 2020
SCIENCE | INDUSTRY | SOCIETY

SME National Contact Points:



Jill Leonard

Enterprise Ireland

 087 9141439

Email Jill Leonard

Tel: 01-7272751



Sean Burke

SME Financial Assistance

 087 9534606

Email Sean Burke

Tel: 061-777048

Jill.leonard@enterprise-Ireland.com

Sean.burke@enterprise-Ireland.com



An Roinn Post, Fiontar agus Nuálaíochta
Department of Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation



Horizon 2020 national support network led by Enterprise Ireland

