

OVERVIEW

International Cooperation with Brazil on Information and Communication Technologies is a coordinated call between the European Commission (EC), MCTIC/CTIC and RNP aimed at stimulating the EU-BR research and innovation actors in developing innovative technologies products and services.



International Cooperation with Brazil on Information and Communication Technology (EUB-2017)

This is a coordinated call between the European Union and the Ministry of Science, Technology, Innovation and Communications and the National Network of Research and Education to fund collaborative research projects in Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs).

There are three calls open for applications covering 3 different topics for international cooperation:

- Cloud Computing;
- Internet of Things (IoT);
- 5G Networks.

Parties in the EC and in Brazil will interact and, if interested, they will prepare one identical proposal to be submitted in English both to the EC and RNP. However, the proposals must include different annexes in both side as budget in EU (euro) and Brazil (reais). There will be the same number of EU and Brazilian evaluators to assess project's proposals and a Consortium Agreement shall be submitted along with the proposal.

International Cooperation with Brazil on ICT (EU)

Cloud Computing

Topic Identifier: EUB-01-2017

Type of action: RIA, Research and Innovation Action

Deadline: 14 March 2017

Budget: 2,500,000€

Nº of projects: 2

Link H2020: <https://goo.gl/zU9iv2>

Internet of Things (IoT)

Topic Identifier: EUB-02-2017

Type of action: RIA, Research and Innovation Action

Deadline: 14 March 2017

Budget: 4,500,000€

Nº of projects: 3

Link H2020: <https://goo.gl/BthKQM>

5G Networks

Topic Identifier: EUB-03-2017

Type of action: RIA, Research and Innovation Action

Deadline: 14 March 2017

Budget: 1,000,000€

Nº of projects: 1

Link H2020: <https://goo.gl/wBRIL5>

Eligibility conditions and admissibility criteria

- Proposals submitted to this call which do not include coordination with a Brazilian proposal submitted to RNP for evaluation will be considered ineligible;
- The proposed project duration shall not exceed 36 months;
- Proposals will only be selected on the condition that their corresponding coordinated Brazilian project will be funded by the RNP;
- Participants in the EU collaborative projects are required to conclude a coordination agreement with the participants in the coordinated project funded by the RNP (Rede Nacional de Ensino e Pesquisa - Brazilian National Research and Education Network). A draft of this agreement has to be provided with the proposal.



4th Coordinated Call EU-Brazil on ICT (BR)

Type of action: Coordinated Call
Deadline: 14 March 2017
Budget: 8,000,000€
Nº of projects: 6
Maximum project duration: 36 months
Link RNP: <https://goo.gl/AjEuQR>

RNP eligibility part conditions:

- The Brazilian budget should be destined in a minimum of 44,45% for centers, research institutes or Brazilian education entities established or that have a main business representation located in the regions of Sudam, Sudene and Midwest development bank;
- Only eligible research institutions accredited by CATI (IT Area Committee) can get funding and only enterprises incubated in CATI accredited centres can get the project funding. Link to CATI eligible institutions: <https://goo.gl/KnpXn2>
- Proposals shall foresee up to 10% of the project budget as administrative fees.

Frequent Asked Questions—FAQs

The Brazilian partners need to be included in the H2020 proposal?

The BR partners do not need to be included as partners in the H2020 proposal, but as member of the consortium. Thus, in the part A of the H2020 form it is only to include the Europeans. The BR partners can be included in the description of involved partners (Part B - section 4) and at the implementation description (Part B – section 3), which should be drawn jointly for two consortia with respective allocated PM for EU and BR partners.

What are the criteria for Brazilian States participation?

It is mandatory that at least 45,44% of the allocated BR budget for the project is destined for centers, research institutes or educational institutions with headquarters or main establishment located in the regions of influence of the Superintendents of the Development of the Amazon (Sudam) and the Northeast (Sudene), and the Center-West region. This new restriction aims at meeting the rules imposed by the fund of origin of the resources that will finance the projects. For the same reason, all Brazilian institutions must be registered in Cati to receive resources from the call. With the exception of the incubated companies, which will be intermediated by the incubators accredited in Cati.

What is CATI?

The [Information Technology Area Committee \(CATI\)](#), is part of the Ministry of Science Technology, Innovation and Communication (MCTIC) and its activities are related to the management of resources destined to R&D activities in information technology, coming from the investments, made by companies developing or producing goods and services of computer science and automation entitled to tax benefits provided by the Information Technology Law.

The total amount of the budget informed in H2020 includes the Brazilian counterpart?

No. The Brazilian budget is the equivalent of the EU budget in reais (usually they use the exchange rate from the day the BR call is launched). BR partners should present and report their costs to RNP and EU partners to the EC. Different files should be submitted, one for the EC with the European partners budget and another for RNP with the resources to Brazilian partners.



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What is the content of the Coordination Agreement? Does it need to be signed at the submission?

A Coordination Agreement draft needs to be agreed by the coordinators for each part and should be attached to the proposal delivered. The agreement should state that both partners agree in coordinate the work within the respective project to be developed. A document with instructions for preparing the Coordination Agreement will be available. Only a draft is required at the submission. If the proposal is selected, a final version signed will be necessary.

Can the Brazilian proposal be exactly the same as the one for H2020?

The proposal submitted to RNP should be exactly the same of the one submitted to H2020. It is mandatory to have one single description of work. A joint evaluation of proposals will follow same criteria.

Can any private company in Brazilian receive funding from RNP?

No. Only companies intermediated by the incubators accredited in Cati. Start-up Brazil has its own selection criteria. For this call, the primary restriction is to be in a Cati accredited incubator.

Can the same institution take part in more than one consortium?

Institutions can submit 3 proposals for the 3 calls in question. Of course, they must be different proposals, with different project ideas. Considering the extreme competitiveness of H2020 calls and the excellence needed to prepare a competitive proposal, it is recommended to focus on a single call.

Is there any requirement of the project stage for submission?

The focus is mainly on applied research. In the IoT call for example it is explicitly mentioned that pilots are encouraged to exploit the previous work where applicable.

Can other budgets be included in the Brazilian side?

No. The budget from the Brazilian side should refer only to the resources available at the RNP call.

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