

Il Programma Horizon 2020 - TIPS

Frequent mishaps – Eligibility / Admissibility

- Call deadline is unchangeable: use all advantages of the electronic submission system to make the deadline!
- Completeness: one section missing makes your proposal inadmissible
- Partnerships: remember the principle of 3 participants from MS or AC (check work programme for exceptions)
- Page limit of 50 pages for CSA, 70 for IA+RIA: applied strictly during the evaluation

Frequent mishaps – Excellence

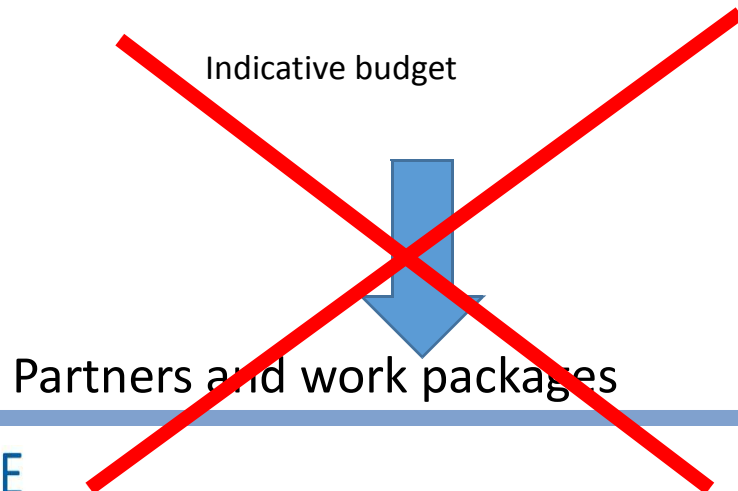
- Evaluation results: proposal often miss explanation of the concept and added value and innovation falls short.
- Be courageous – take choices, focus and innovate.
- “Explain the overall concept underpinning the project” -> do this not only from the perspective of the coordinator.. Input from your partners is key.
- Do not assume that evaluators know your specific context.
- Do not overcrowd objectives and show how you achieve them.
- You win by explaining!

Frequent mishaps – Impact and Implementation

- Evaluation results: ambition is not quantified / not realistic / not supported by action.
- Quantify! Describe in a concise, yet robust, manner your baseline, benchmarks and assumptions.
- Keep your challenge in mind!
- Plan activities to monitor your performance.
- The consortium of partners must be excellent and appropriate for the tasks.
- Be aware: keep the link to actual activities in your work plan!

Frequent mishaps – Resources

- Evaluation results: work plan not sufficiently detailed / budgets not justified / budgets seem top-down
- Make sure work description sufficiently detailed and clear
- Invest time into this: this is the opportunity to convince evaluators that you can materialize your vision
- Invest time into your resource planning bottom up:



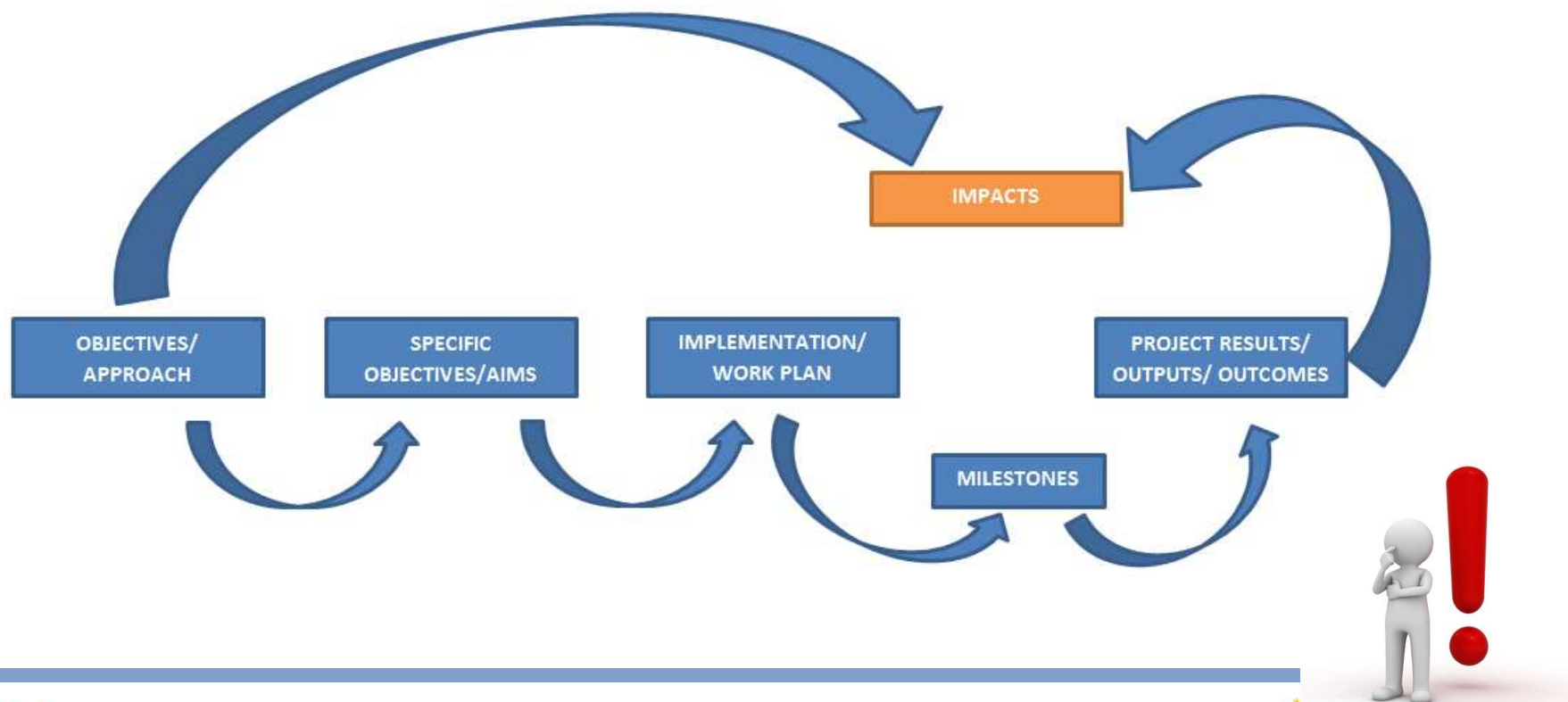
Tips for successful proposals

- Treat each section as if it is the most important section.
- Think about presentation and the layout of the proposal. Use diagrams to explain complex concepts.
- Ask an “informed outsider” for critical proof-reading and check for spelling mistakes (ask a native speaker check the English).
- Sell, don’t tell. Make the evaluator feel your passion. In addition to having an excellent idea which is the basis of any successful proposal, researchers must sell the concept to the evaluators.
- The Project has to serve the needs of the European Community / European Policies (Impact).

Tips for successful proposals

- Do not submit at the last minute!
- Do not hesitate to submit several versions.
- Read all the documents provided by the EC.
- Follow exactly the structure given in the guide for applicants.
- Be as concise and precise as possible. Avoid general statements.
- Have the evaluation criteria at the forefront when writing the proposal.

Coherence of the proposal



Consistency of the proposal

Description
of the
activities



Budget

Take care of the details

- Introduce (new) concepts at the beginning and explain (do not introduce new concepts afterwards)
- Use standard and concise English
- Make the text clear, well structured and fluent
- Use terminology relevant to the context of the Programme and the call (topic)
- Plan an index, use short paragraphs, point out key passages, schematise the concepts
- Refer to public data (statistics) if relevant
- Refer to previously funded projects



Structure and approach

Make the proposal readable.

Evaluator has few hours to read your proposal and evaluate it.

Write in **bold**, use *cursiv*, underline.

Better one table than thousand words...



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Eleven centres and research groups active in andrology and medical sexology have been selected: Leuven (B), Muenster (D), Leipzig (D), Barcelona (E), Rome (I), Florence (I) (these biomedical centres also have interdisciplinary connections with psychological and psychosexological research groups and inter sectorial connections with research groups in the sectors of sociology and science of communication; complementary training described in point B2.1 will be organised in these Centres); Malmoe (S), Manchester (UK), Giessen (D), Tartu (EE), Lodz (PL) (centres with clinical and bio-molecular facilities). See also point B3 with the individual Centres description.

As previously noted, these centres are already link able to make use of an already effective network

Also inserted in the Network will be the companies Serono, Organon, Ferring, Sigma Tau producing manufacturers of various type 5 phosphodiesterase inhibitors; the forthcoming selective inhibitor of the serotonin reuptake; manufacturers of new testosterone formulations for hypogonadism. Part of the complementary training

List of involved Centres

Malmö (S), University of Lund, Department of Urology

Manchester (UK), Department of Endocrinology, Manchester University

Tartu (EE), Department of Urology, Tartu University

Leuven (B), Department of Endocrinology, University of Leuven

Muenster (D), Institute of Reproductive Medicine, University of Muenster

Giessen (D), Department of Dermatology, Justus-Liebig University of Giessen, Chairman Prof. Andreas Meinhardt

Leipzig (D), Department of Andrology and Dermatology, University of Leipzig, Hans-Juergen Glander

Lodz (PL), Department of Andrology and Reproductive Endocrinology, Medical University of Lodz, Chairman Prof. Krzysztof Kula

Barcelona (E), Fundacion Puigvert Andrology Service, Clinica de la Santa Creu, Chairman Prof. Osvaldo Rajmil

Rome (I), Department of Medical Physiopathology, University of Rome "La Sapienza", Co-Chairmen Prof. Andrea Lenzi and Prof. Franco Dondero

.. This new research and training project will be


on products active in the andrological field: e.g. infertility, Eli Lilly, Pfizer, Bayer, and GSK, Johnson & Johnson, manufacturer of the drug for premature ejaculation, Schering and Solvay, products dedicated to age-related forms of hypogonadism. Experts from these pharmaceutical companies.



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centres	Competencies					
	Clinical	Laboratory	Sexological	Psychological	Ethical	Sociological
Rome	X	X	X	X	X	X
Malmo	X	X			X	-
Manchester	X	X			X	-
Tartu	X	X			-	-
Leuven	X	X			X	X
Muenster	X	X			X	X
Giessen	X	X			X	-
Leipzig	X	X	X	-	-	-
Lodz	X	X	X	-	-	-
Barcelona	X	X	X	X	X	X
Florence	x	X	X	x	x	X

.. The last tips!

- Your proposal must be written in order to resolve European problems identified in EU policies.. Never give the impression that you are writing a project because trying to get funding!
- Don't considerate only scientific aspects (it is not an scientific paper!) but also political, economical and social!
- Confront with the NCP the consistency of your project idea!



That's all Folks!