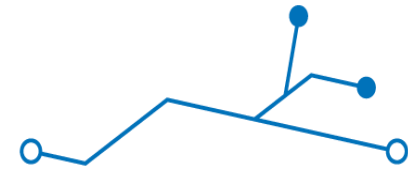# Webinar for Turkish applicants
Xecs introduction (Call 2)

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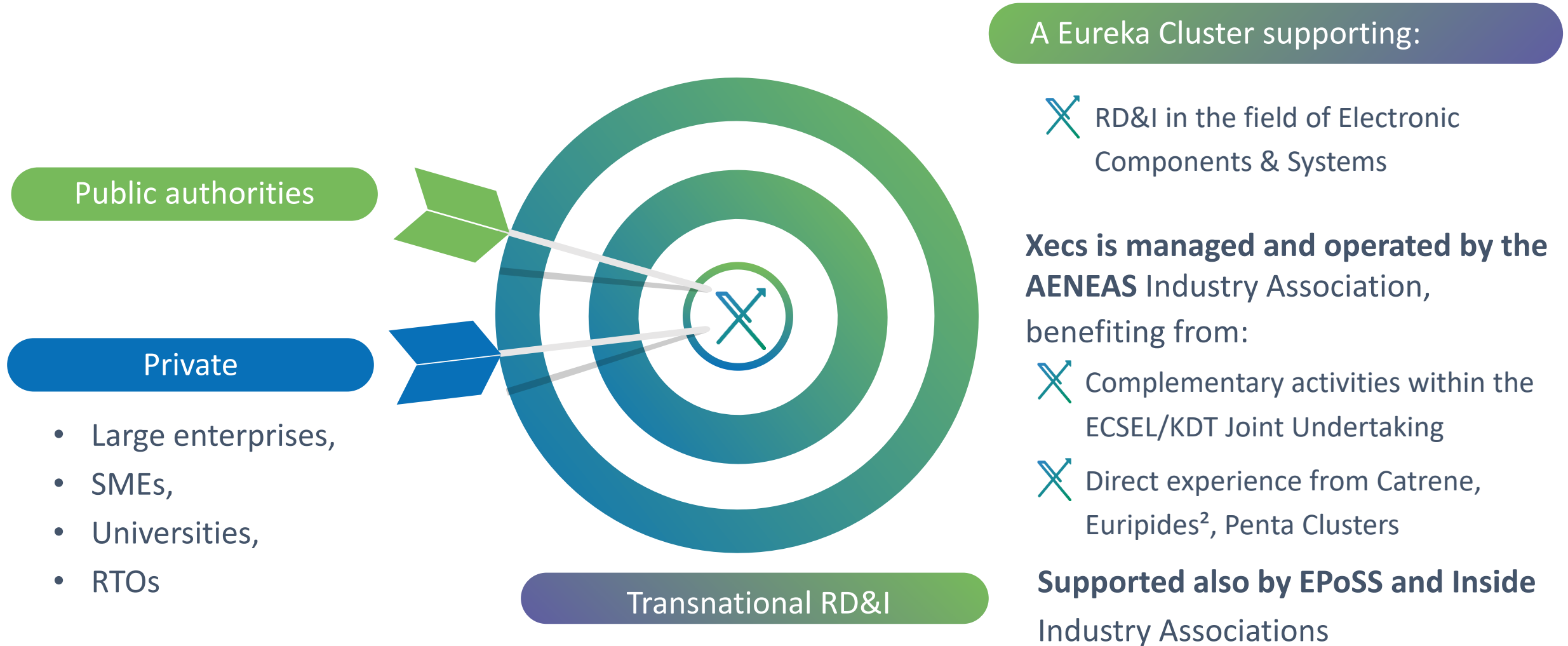
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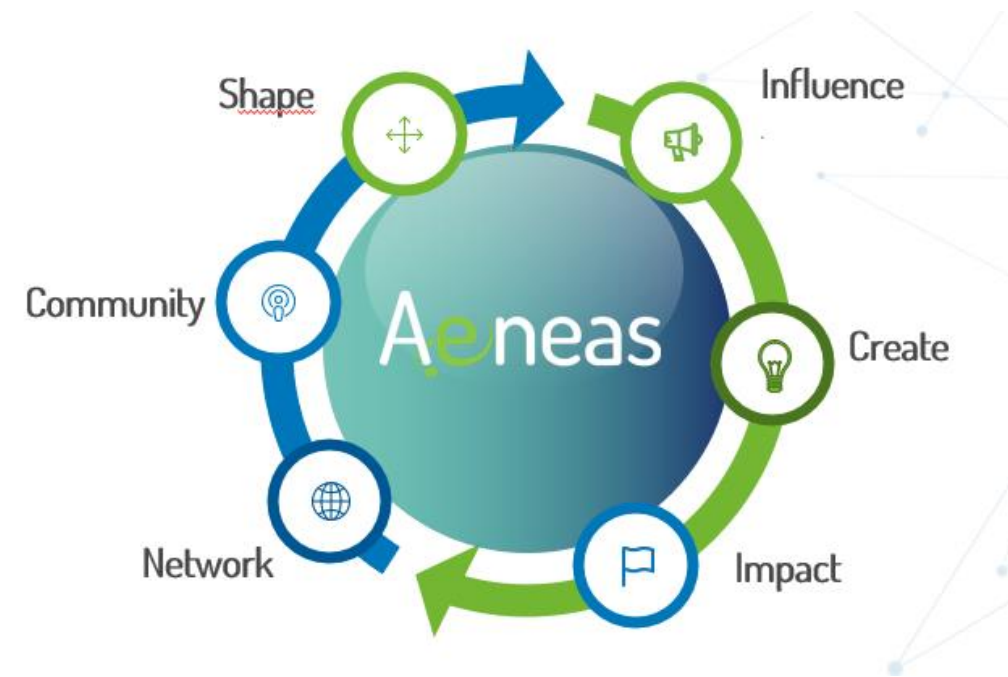# Xecs - A Eureka Cluster

Public authorities

Private

- Large enterprises,
- SMEs,
- Universities,
- RTOs

Transnational RD&I

A Eureka Cluster supporting:

RD&I in the field of Electronic Components & Systems

Xecs is managed and operated by the AENEAS Industry Association, benefiting from:

Complementary activities within the ECSEL/KDT Joint Undertaking

Direct experience from Catrene, Euripides², Penta Clusters

**Supported also by EPoSS and Inside** Industry Associations

Who is AENEAS?

- **AENEAS is a not-for-profit Industry Association, with members from Large industries, Small and Medium Enterprises, Research institutes, academia, that catalyses RD&I collaborative activity in the Electronic Components & Systems value chain supporting the development of the digital economy**

- **AENEAS membership is free of charge**

- **Successful participants are asked a small contribution based on the funding received**

Adressing all ECS-SRIA domains

Strategic directions from the AENEAS, EPoSS and Inside Industry Associations
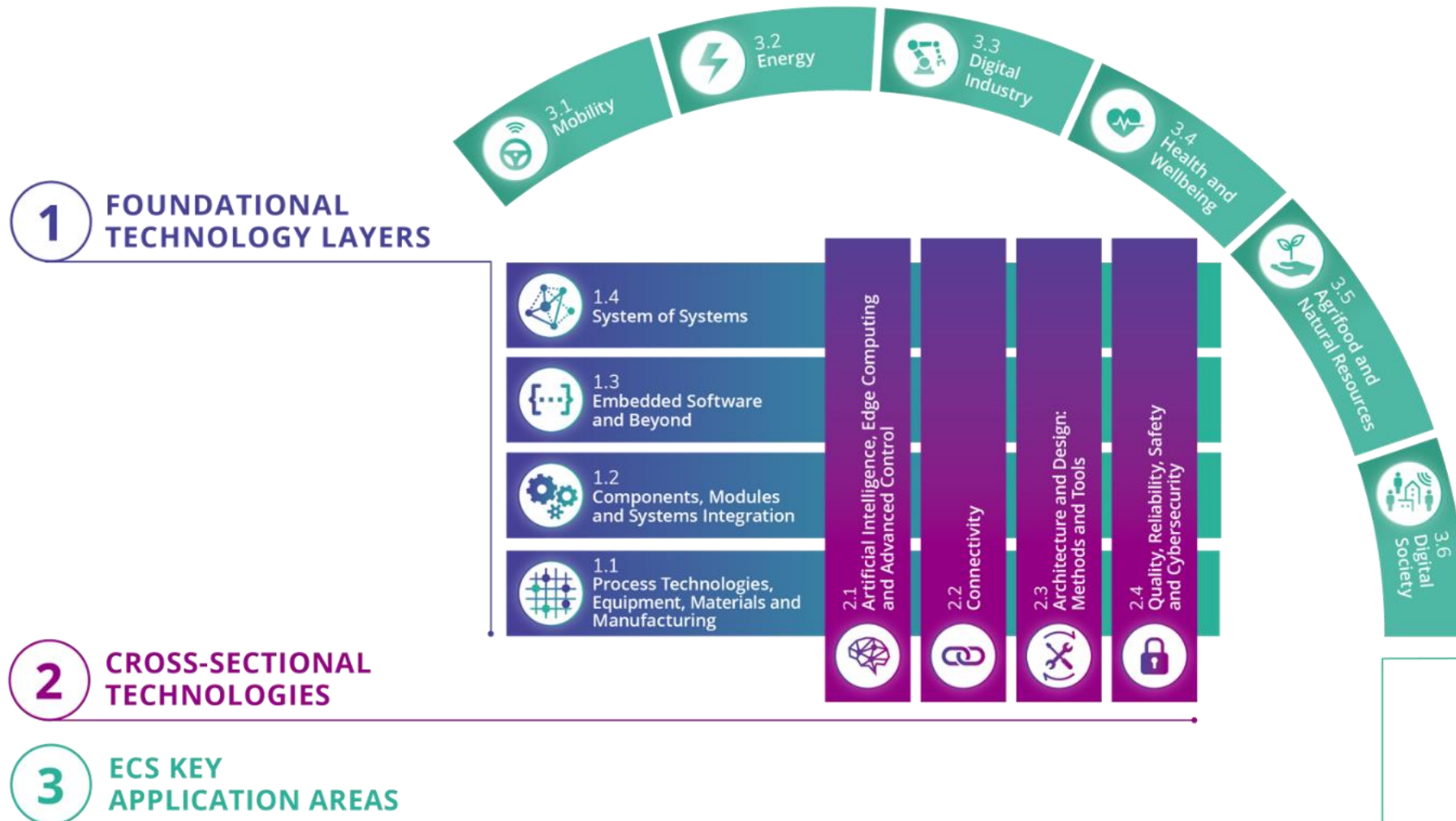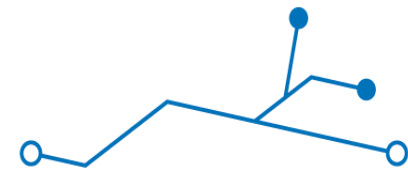

Source ECS SRIA 2021

Why Xecs?

Xecs, a programme for the Electronic Components and Systems (ECS) community, helps you to:

- Create collaborative innovation
- Be part of an ecosystem
- Build a RD&I consortium
- Manage your collaborative project
- Access to national RD&I Funding
- Generate high economic impact

Why participate? 1/2

To take advantage of trans-national RD&I cooperation and related national funding in a broad range of countries

To benefit from multiple and diversified partnership opportunities from the ECS community, from the research to the end applications and create impactful collaborative ecosystems

To lead, or be part of industry-led projects, open to Large Enterprises, SMEs, Research and Technology Organisations and Universities

To access expertise and get professional guidance coaching and mentoring from industrial experts and the Xecs team
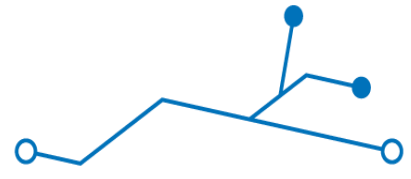
Why participate? 2/2

To stimulate disruptive ideas

To increase international visibility

To boost competitiveness and accelerate growth

To shorten time-to-market

How Xecs works

Stage 1 (green):
- ✗ Idea Generation
- ✗ Brokerage
- ✗ Consortium Building
- ✗ Project Outline submission

Stage 2 (teal):
- ✗ Two step review process
- ✗ Full Project Proposal submission
- ✗ Labelling & Funding decisions

Stage 3 (blue):
- ✗ Change Request Process
- ✗ Project Start
- ✗ Project Monitoring
- ✗ Final Review
- ✗ Long-term impact analysis

Xecs Call 2 timeline

29 Sept 2022	24-25 Nov 2022	23 Feb 2023	25 May 2023	June 2023	Sept 2023
XECS CALL 2 LAUNCH	EFECS BROKERAGE	PO SUBMISSION	FPP SUBMISSION	LABELLING	FUNDING

Project Ideas Generation

Consortium Building

Project Submission

Xecs typical project

01

4 to 15 participants*

SMEs
Large companies
Research Institutes
Academia

02

3 to 5 EUREKA*
members countries

Minimum 2 countries

04

2 to 30M€
project costs*

Duration: max. 36
months

03

ECS Value chain
ECS SRIA

* Figures represent a range of a typical project and are not limits

Supporting countries

23 countries active in Xecs project submissions

☐ *Austria*

☐ *Belgium*

☐ *Canada*

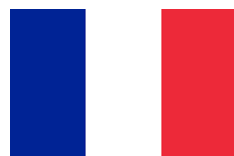☐ *Czech Republic*

☐ *Denmark*

☐ *Finland*

☐ *France*

☐ *Germany*

☐ *Hungary*

☐ *Ireland*

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☐ *Latvia*

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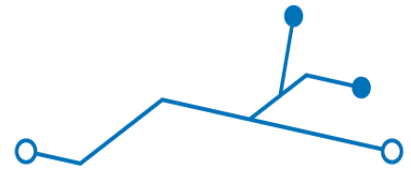☐ *Switzerland*

☐ *The Netherlands*

☐ *Turkey*

☐ *United Kingdom*

Supporting countries

What is new

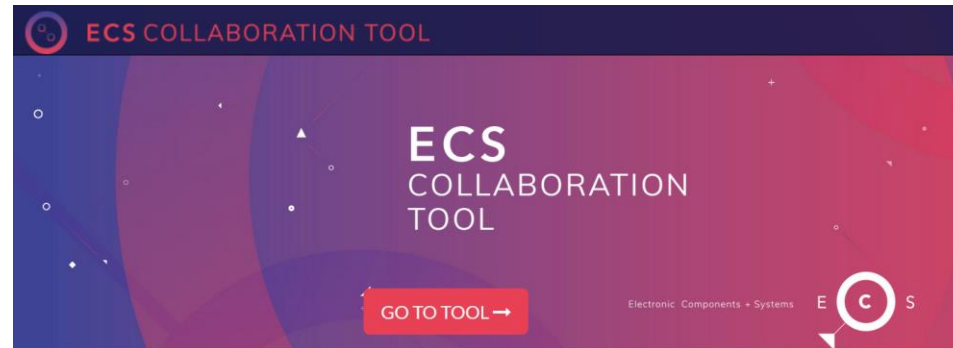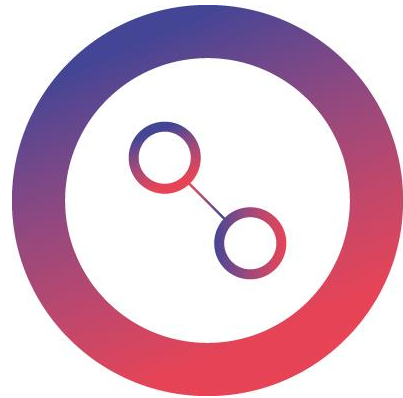| France | • iDemo offers a grant under certain prerequisites |
Luxembourg	• now supports Xecs
United Kingdom	• Dedicated budget: 5 Mio pounds per call
Monaco	• Any partner can be funded

Networking

Idea Generation-Consortium Development-Project Preparation

ECS Collaboration Tool

https://ecscollaborationtool.eu/

Warning: Not the same as the Xecs Project Zone account !

ECS Collaboration Tool

Features in the Tool

About the tool

The ECS Collaboration Tool - A networking tool for project ideas and potential partners.

Welcome to the ECS Collaboration Tool. This tool is a platform to create project proposals in the field of Electronic Components and Systems. With this tool we facilitate the ECS communities and collect all data and proposals together, making it easier for the ECS research community to find and create information and project proposals.

The ECS Collaboration Tool is a new Approach to inspiring innovation and is **open to all experts in Electronic Components and Systems** and available 24/7. The new tool is released in conjunction with the European Forum for Electronic Components and Systems (EFECS) 2017, but is available to support any related event, regardless of the funding instrument involved. It can also be used as a "stand-alone" project consortium building tool.

Users can initiate projects and invite partners, or use the messaging system to look for partners or projects. After forming consortia, project teams can assess the best mechanism for funding support for their project, be it a National, ECSEL-JU, European Commission or EUREKA type funding.

Features in the tool

Create a project idea

Initiate a project idea in the ECS Collaboration Tool and invite partners, and browse other project ideas.

Look for a partner

Use the partner search on ECS Collaboration Tool to look for possible partners based on their expertise, and invite them to join your project idea.

Look for other project ideas

Browse through the ECS Collaboration Tool to find project ideas and send out an online request to join in a consortium.

Message Board - Get noticed even more

Leave a message on the message board for possible partners or interesting project ideas.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

HAVE AN IDEA?

If you have a new project idea, you can enter your project idea in the tool. When finished with preparing your project idea you can look for partners for your project by using the Partner Search or the Message Board.
Not found what you need? Place a call for partners on the Message Board.

JOIN A CONSORTIUM?

If you are interested in joining a consortium, get to know the projects in the tool and decide if and which project best suits your organisation's interest. Via the Partner Search you can contact project leaders to get the conversation started or place a message on the public Message Board. Found an interesting idea? Join the discussion on the project page and share your view!

Submitting a successful application

X Well-defined problem statement: must be crystal clear, they are often too generic
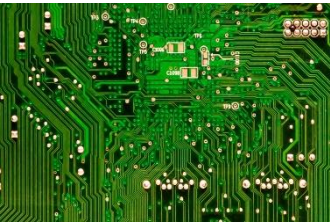
X Extending/defining the state of the art: how is your solution different from existing ones, show the uniqueness of your innovation

X Value chain ecosystem: explain clearly how the partners complement each other along the ECS value chain

X Commercial & other Impact: how and who will commercialise the solution(s), create new opportunities

Submitting a successful application

Meet national criteria: each national consortia must contact its national funding body

Country Impact: demonstrate the economic impact and other benefits for each country involved

Green Issues: Sustainability is important for all of us and should be demonstrated

Ambition: Your proposal should be unique & ambitious but realistic although with risk

Project submission

## What should you expect ?

Project submission is all via the Xecs PROJECT ZONE

https://projects.aeneas-office.org/community

Two complementary channels for providing information

- Directly in the Xecs PROJECT ZONE
- Complemented by uploading two files
    - Word document template
    - Excel cost file

The SOONER you start, the better !

The SOONER you contact your National Funding bodies, the better !
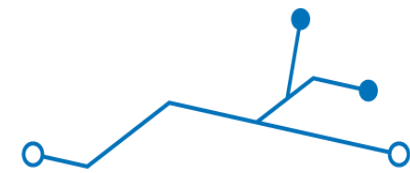
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PO submission: 23 February 2023
FPP submission: 25 May 2023

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