



Regulation

Article 1 Scope

- 1.1. FuEL is an initiative promoted by INL (International Iberian Laboratory of Nanotechnology), IPN (Instituto Pedro Nunes) and CeNTI (Centro de Nanotecnologia e Materiais Técnicos, Funcionais e Inteligentes), co-financed by PT2020 Program under the reference POCI-02-0651-FEDER-026773, with the objective of promoting new business and encouraging the generation of new ideas, supporting qualified and creative entrepreneurship, promote design based thinking, and support pilot validation of the ideas in the national and international entrepreneurship ecosystem.

Article 2 Stages and Timeline

2.1. The FuEL initiative has three (3) cut off calls for entrepreneurs, with the following provisional calendar:

- 1st Cut Off:
 - 11/05/2018 to 25/05/2018: Call for proposals
 - 28/05/2018 to 01/06/2018: Evaluation of proposals
 - 04/06/2018: Communication of results
- 2nd Cut Off
 - 27/08/2018 to 21/09/2018: Call for proposals
 - 22/09/2018 to 27/09/2018: Evaluation of proposals
 - 28/09/2018: Communication of results
- 3rd Cut Off
 - 02/01/2019 to 18/01/2019: Call for proposals
 - 19/01/2019 to 24/01/2019: Evaluation of proposals
 - 25/01/2019: Communication of results

2.2 The partnership might decide to change the provisional dates and include or exclude cut-offs.

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2.3. Each cut-off is subject to a prior selection process upon receipt application forms available online at <https://fuelyourambition.eu/>. Participation at each stage is free of charge.

2.4. Dates and complete timelines for each cut-off and detailed acceleration program are available online: <https://fuelyourambition.eu/>

Article 3 Eligibility Criteria

- 3.1. The initiative is open to the following participants:
Individuals (age higher than 18 years), from any nationality, as individuals or as teams. A team entering the program must designate one person as the representative, which will be the sole proxy with FuEL regarding the project and team, and each individual of the Team must agree to these Rules.
- 3.2. Teams and individuals should not have already a legal company created for the proposed idea/technology.
- 3.3. Ideas or projects submitted will be considered eligible for support based on the following criteria:
- Shall integrate solutions that can merge science and creativity, using KET (Key Enabling Technologies)
 - The participant should have full rights to explore the technology for the proposed application.
- 3.4 Each participant may only submit one project idea per cut off call.

Article 4 Selection Criteria

- 4.1. The selection process will be made by a jury comprising one representative of each FuEL promoter, and based on the following criteria:
- Participant profile and, if applicable, composition and quality of the team.
 - Project quality and innovation potential.
 - Technological readiness level.
 - Market potential and scalability.
 - Fit to the program ecosystem and network.

Article 5 Supporting Services

5.1. The selected ideas/projects will be invited to join the acceleration program comprising the following support:

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- Proof of Concept - FuEL ROOM Labs;
- Mentoring & Coaching;
- Pitch Support;
- Branding, website, social media development;
- Monetary prize for projects that will create their own company;
- Prize for the 3 best projects chosen by the Jury in the Final Pitch session

5.2. The supporting services during the acceleration program will be subjected to a work plan definition and the support will be established according to each project needs and maturity.

5.2. During the acceleration process participants may be required to provide additional documents, technical requirements or other information that help the partners' organizations to provide the needed support to the project ideas.

5.3. Projects will be evaluated permanently by the partnership and in case of lack of performance, partners might decide to exclude participants/teams.

5.4. Commitment and participation of at least one team member during the acceleration stage is mandatory.

Article 6 Acceleration Program

6.1. The support given to the participants in the acceleration program can last until december 2019.

6.2. Final Pitch Prizes will be set by the project partners and the awarding rules will be set and previously disclosed to participants. Those participants who will be unable to participate in the Final Pitch won't be eligible for the prize by other means.

Article 7 Communication with participants

7.1. Communication of the results will be made electronically, in written form, to all participants through the e-mail address indicated on the application form. Participants are required to reply this communication. Reply failure may lead to exclusion of FuEL program.

7.2. Any communication to FuEL should be made to info@fuelyourambition.eu

Article 8 Obligations and responsibilities of the participants

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- 8.1. Participants must comply with all provisions laid down in this regulation.
- 8.2. Participants must provide all the information requested and shall take full responsibility if such information provided is false or incorrect.
- 8.3. Participants undertake to collaborate with the FuEL promoters, namely in communicating all relevant activities and developments regarding their participation in the different stages of this initiative, and to actively participate in the events organised by the FuEL promoters.
- 8.4. Participants undertake to use their best efforts in the full development of their project.
- 8.5. Participants shall respect all hygiene and safety rules applicable to the activities developed in the facilities made available for their projects.
- 8.6. Participants are entirely responsible for managing the office space and/or individual laboratories and also for maintaining them in good working order.
- 8.7. Participants undertake to provide information, technical input, as well as to comply with agreed deliverables and deadlines, attend meetings with project Mentors and workshops, and to be available for any presentations required by the FuEL promoters.
- 8.8. Participants represent and warrant that all authorizations or legal permissions for the development of their project and for the participation in the FuEL initiative have been granted prior to the submission of their application. Participants furthermore represent and warrant that the performance of their obligations under this regulation does not infringe any patent, trade secret or other proprietary rights of third parties.
- 8.9. Participants accept and agree that failure to comply with any official requests by the FuEL promoters may lead to their exclusion, including, but not limited to, the provision of any additional support activities or funding.
- 8.10. Participants accept and agree to be contacted by the FuEL promoters or one of its representatives for follow-up activities related to this Program.

Article 9

Duty of Confidentiality

- 9.1. All information, in whatever form or mode of communication, whether in tangible or intangible form, which is disclosed by the FuEL promoters or representatives and by the participants in connection with the execution and participation in the FuEL initiative, and which has been explicitly marked as “confidential” at the time of disclosure shall be considered “confidential information” of the

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disclosing party. When such information is disclosed orally and has been identified as confidential at the time of disclosure and, has been confirmed and designated in writing within fifteen calendar days from oral disclosure at latest, as confidential information, shall be considered “confidential information” of the disclosing party.

- 9.2. During the duration of the FuEL initiative, the FuEL promoters and its representatives and the participants undertake:
- a) Not to disclose confidential information otherwise than for the purpose for which it was disclosed.
 - b) Not to disclose confidential information to any third party without the prior written consent of the disclosing party.
 - c) To ensure that internal distribution of confidential information by a recipient party shall take place on a strict need-to-know basis.
- 9.3. The above shall not apply for disclosure or use of confidential information if, and in so far the recipient party can show that:
- a) The confidential information becomes publicly available by means other than a breach of the recipient confidentiality obligation.
 - b) The disclosing party subsequently informs the recipient that the confidential information is no longer confidential;
 - c) The confidential information is communicated to the recipient without any obligation of confidence by a third party who is to the best knowledge of the recipients in lawful possession thereof and under no obligation of confidence to the disclosing party;
 - d) The confidential information was already known to the recipient prior to disclosure has evidenced by written documentation.

Article 10 Intellectual Property Rights

- 10.1. The intellectual property rights concerning technology and applications belong to the respective(s) owners(s).
- 10.2. Ownership of intellectual property that results from development efforts beyond provided technology consultancy, mentoring, technical services and access to labs of FuEL promoters is defined case by case before engagement in such activities, in order to protect possible existing intellectual property from each side, and the contribution of each party in the result from that collaboration.

Article 11 Data Protection

- 11.1. Participants agree that personal data, including, but not limited to, name, email address and phone number may be collected, processed, stored and otherwise

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used by FuEL promoters, or any party authorized by the promoters for the purposes of conducting and administering the initiative, including its partners.

- 11.2. FuEL promoters may also use personal information or any party authorized by them, including its affiliates, to verify a participant's identity, postal address and telephone number in the event a participant qualifies for having the project support.
- 11.3. The participants are informed that its data shall be included on a filing system controlled by the FuEL promoters which purpose is to maintain, control and perform the provisions of the regulations under which such data have been provided.
- 11.4. Participants may at any time exercise its right to access, rectify, cancel and object to the data processing, where appropriate, by sending an e-mail to FuEL promoters.
- 11.5. FuEL promoters shall be relieved of any liability that may arise as a result of an infringement by the participants of any applicable data protection regulation.

Article 12 Financial Participation

- 12.1. FuEL promoters do not take any financial participation, revenue share or fee of any kind beyond those defined as regular services outside the scope of the project.

Article 13 Amendments to Regulations

- 13.1. FuEL Promoters reserve the right to change, at any time, these rules notifying such changes on the official website.

Article 14 Final Provisions

- 14.1. FuEL Promoters reserve the right, at its sole discretion, to disqualify participants that violate these rules, misrepresent themselves or provide misleading information.

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14.2. FuEL promoters reserve the right to, at its sole discretion, decide what promoters shall be supported.

14.3. FuEL promoters reserve the right to change the number of ideas accepted into each cut off, at their sole discretion, or change any of the deadlines of submission and application.

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