

The Connecting Europe Facility 2015 Call on Public Open Data

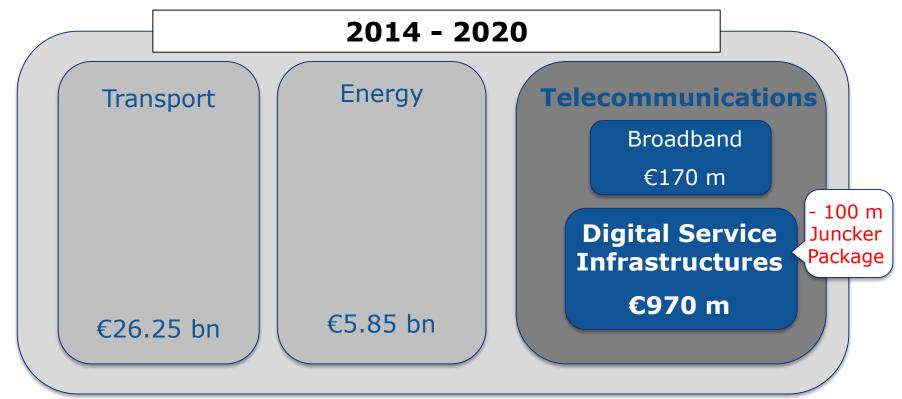
Share-PSI Workshop Maximising interoperability: core vocabularies, location-aware data and more Berlin, 25-26 November 2015

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Connecting Europe Facility (CEF)

Infrastructure programme to support the establishment of trans-European networks to <u>reinforce an interconnected Europe</u>





Why Digital Service Infrastructures?

The deployment of **Digital Service Infrastructures** supports the development and smooth functioning of the **Digital Single Market** by making it work in practice:

- enabling the delivery of networked trans-European interoperable services for citizens, businesses and/or governments
- while supporting the vision of public services being not only <u>digital by default</u> but also <u>cross-border by default</u>



Which Digital Service Infrastructures?

> Building block DSIs provide basic functionality and are reusable by sector-specific DSIs

Examples are: eID, eInvoicing, Automated Translation



Sector-specific DSIs provide trans-European interoperable online services for citizens, business and public administrations

Examples are: Safer internet, eProcurement, **Public Open Data**, Online Dispute Resolution





How do they work?

Financial incentive: procurement Digital Service Infrastructures

Financial incentive: grants

Core Service Platform

Central hubs of digital service infrastructures aiming to ensure trans-European connectivity, access and interoperability ...

(procurement)

Generic Services

Gateway services linking one or more national infrastructures to core service platforms

(grants)



CEF Telecom

Support the completion of the Digital Single Market by connecting Europe through digital bridges across borders to the benefits of citizens, businesses and public administrations



and makes Europe grow further together through service delivery based on an eco-system of architecturally coherent building blocks



2015 CEF Telecom calls

Call	Indicative budget	Launch date	Deadline
CEF-TC-2015-1 eDelivery eInvoicing, Safer Internet Public Open Data	€1 million €7 million €16.2 million €4.5 million	30 October 2015	19 January 2016
CEF-TC-2015-2 eID eHealth eProcurement Online Dispute Resolution	€7 million €7.5 million €1.4 million €1 million	17 November 2015	15 March 2016



CEF-TC-2015-1: Public Open Data

The overall objective of the Open Data service infrastructure is to help boost the development of information products and services based on the re-use and combination of open public data, across the EU

2015 call:

- Open between 30/11/2015 and 19/1/2016
- **Budget**: 4,5 M€
- Co-funding rate: 50%
- Indicative duration of the actions: up to 24 months



Public Open Data: Legal framework

 Commission communication on Open Data (COM(2011) 882 of 12 December 2011) – Open Data: an engine for innovation, growth and transparent governance

"The Commission will work together with Member States, public sector bodies and regional aggregators to establish a pan-European data portal that will give direct access to a range of datasets from across the EU (including the data available through the Commission portal). Where possible, the work will build on existing structures and developments, and the portal will gradually expand its content to cover key datasets from all the Member States."

- Directive 2003/98/EC and its revision 2013/37/EU on the reuse of public sector information (PSI)
- Commission notice 2014/C 240/01 Guidelines on recommended standard licences, datasets and charging for the reuse of documents



Public Open Data: Objectives

In order to support a <u>cross-border harmonisation</u> process, the call addresses the aggregation/harmonisation of datasets covering cross-border areas in <u>priority domains</u>. While this data harmonisation, for cost-benefit reasons, may not be worth to be extensively applied at the EU level for every domain and geographic coverage, it can be beneficial for specific geographic areas and/or domains.



Public Open Data: Objectives

- 1. Facilitate the re-use of datasets belonging to the same domain and generated by different authorities in cross-border areas, e.g. by harmonising their metadata beyond the use of the same metadata and possibly the data themselves, e.g. through their aggregation, as well as by improving their overall quality.
- Address both <u>technical</u> and <u>legal</u> issues, therefore including the adoption of harmonised conditions for re-use (through direct access or a provided service) and ensuring maximum interoperability of licensing conditions (ideally one single standardised license) for public data open for re-use, taking into account the recommendations of the PSI guidelines, section 2



Public Open Data: Objectives

- 3. Give priority to the domains defined in the PSI guidelines at section 3.1 (i.e. <u>geospatial data</u>, <u>earth observation and</u> <u>environment</u>, <u>transport</u>, <u>statistics</u>, <u>company and business</u> <u>registers</u>; other categories may be considered `core' or `high-value' data, depending on the circumstances (relevance to strategic goals, market developments, social tendencies, etc.) to be extensively justified)
- 4. Streamline the metadata/data production process in view of a <u>sustainable process</u> to ensure long-term maintenance
- Liaise with ongoing activities (both at the EU and Nattional level) already providing assistance for fostering uptake on public open data supply



Public Open Data: Eligibility (1)

- Minimum of two public administrations from two different Member States, directly or indirectly representing the data providers
- Public administration: see definition at Art. 2.1 and 2.2 of the PSI Directive
 - public sector body' means the State, regional or local authorities, bodies governed by public law and associations formed by one or several such authorities or one or several such bodies governed by public law and the subsequent definition of a "body governed by public law"



Public Open Data: Eligibility (2)

- Consortia may also involve data users and/or private sector organisations (e.g. for providing technical support) in addition to the requirement above
- Type of applicants established in:
 - EU 28
 - Norway and Iceland
 - International organisations, joint undertakings, or public or private undertakings or bodies established in Member States with the agreement of the Member States or EEA countries concerned



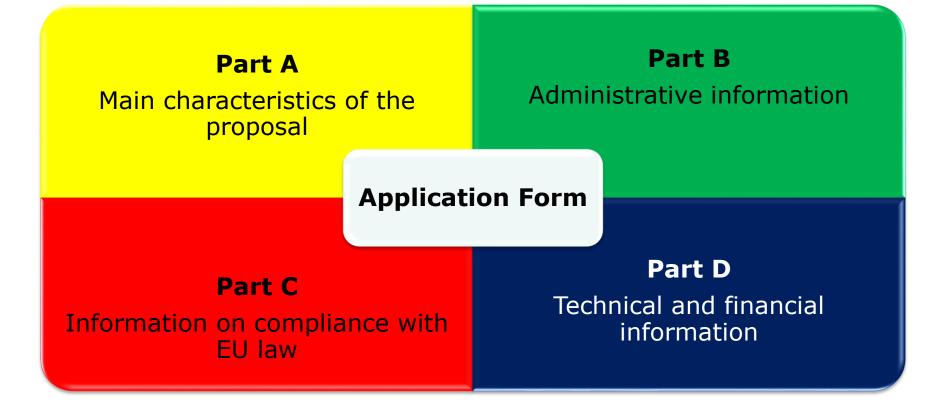
Before you get started...

- Read through ALL of the call documents on your call webpage, especially:
 - Work Programme (Annex)
 - Call text
 - Take special note of the Priorities (section 3) and Results (section 4) which provide specific information on what is expected in the proposals
 - Carefully read the Award Criteria (section 10) which explain on what the proposal will be evaluated
 - Guide for Applicants





Application form: overview





Tips to improve your proposal: content

- Provide ALL relevant information on the application forms
- Be consistent in describing the objective, activities, duration and budget in your responses to different questions and parts of the application form
- Present a clear time table and planning overview, explain possible risks and delays and provide evidence that these are being addressed
- Show evidence that the proposed Action supports the objectives/aims of the call
- Justify why the financial support is needed

Use simple, clear language!



Tips to improve your proposal: process

- Start early (especially **for Member State endorsement** and multi-applicant proposals)
- Save your proposal often in the system
- Avoid upoading all supporting documents and information at the last minute
- Visit your call webpage regularly to check for updates, sign up for our Twitter feed for notifications



The section A2.3 !

A2.3 must be <u>completed</u>, <u>signed and</u> <u>stamped by the concerned EU Member</u> <u>State for each applicant</u> even if there is more than one applicant from the same country. It must be scanned and uploaded as a supporting document before proposal submission.

If section A2.3 is not signed by the concerned Member State the proposal will be considered not compliant with the eligibility criteria specified in the call text and will not be evaluated. In the case of a multi-applicant proposal, the applicant concerned may be excluded from the proposal.

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Contact Points for the Agreement of Applicants from the Member States on form A 2b



Award criteria

Relevance

- Alignment to DSI implementation objectives & activities (WP)
- Alignment to EU/national policies, strategies and activities

Quality & efficiency of implementation

- Maturity
- Coherence/effectivess with work plan
- Quality of consortium/consortium members
- Support from national authorities/industry/NGOs
- Attention to security/privacy/ inclusiveness/accessibility

Impact & sustainability

- Quality of the approach to facilitate wider deployment/take-up of the proposed actions
- Capability of long-term sustainability without EU funding



Guidance and help available

- Helpdesk: <u>INEA-CEF-Telecom-calls@ec.europa.eu</u>
- Where relevant for all applicants: answers published in FAQs (no individual responses!)
- Where too specific to a proposal and would provide a comparative advantage: not answered
- FAQ deadline: 5 January last FAQ update on 12 January
- Individual responses will be provided until the deadline on technical questions related to TENtec eSubmission module

The helpdesk will be closed from 23 December – 3 January!



Submitting the application

- Follow the steps as detailed in the Guide for Applicants
 - Part A must be filled in TENtec eSubmission module
 - Parts B, C and D can be completed in native applications and uploaded as attachments
- Upload all forms requiring signatures (e.g. A2.2, A2.3, Annexes B-I, B-II, B-III) – make them clearly identifiable by their title
- Don't forget any supporting documents
- Keep your originals they may be requested later
- Submit in TENtec before the deadline:

Call 1: Tuesday, 19 January 2016, 17h00 CET



Indicative timeline of the selection process

19 January 2016

• Closure of call

January-April 2016

- Eligibility Committee
- Technical evaluation with the support of external experts
- Evaluation Committee

May 2016

Consultation with CEF Coordination CommitteeAdoption of the Selection Decision

from May 2016

- Preparation of individual grant Agreements
- Signature of individual grant Agreements



Public Open Data : Other information

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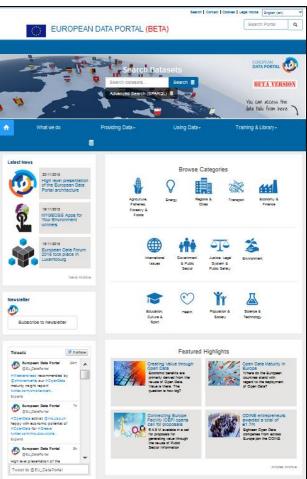
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 European legislation on reuse of public sector information (Communication on Open Data, PSI Directive, Guidelines): http://ec.europa.eu/digital-agenda/en/european-legislation

<u>http://ec.europa.eu/digital-agenda/en/european-legislation</u> <u>-reuse-public-sector-information</u>

• European data portal:

http://www.europeandataportal.eu/





More information on the calls...



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