



## COSMOS2020 NEWSLETTER #09

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### Horizon 2020 Space Calls 2016 – 2017 are published!



The European Commission has published the Work Programmes 2016 – 2017 with a total budget of almost €16 billion. Two Space Calls on 'Earth Observation' and 'Competitiveness of European Space Sector' will open on 10 November 2015. The dedicated budget for the two calls 2016 is roughly 87 Mio €.

The Space Work Programme is published and the calls will be open for submission until 3 March 2016.

<b>Earth Observation</b>	<b>Instrument</b>	<b>Budget (Mio €)</b>
EO-1-2016 Downstream applications	IA	9.85
EO-2-2016 Downstream services for public authorities	PCP	3.0
EO-3-2016 Evolution of Copernicus services	RIA	9.0

<b>Competitiveness of European Space Sector: Technology and Science</b>	<b>Instrument</b>	<b>Budget (Mio €)</b>
COMPET-1-2016 Technologies for European non-dependence and competitiveness	RIA	14.85
COMPET-2-2016 Maturing satellite communication technologies	RIA	7
COMPET-3-2016-a SRC - In-Space electrical propulsion and station keeping - Incremental Technologies	IA	18
COMPET-3-2016-b SRC - In-Space electrical propulsion and station keeping - Incremental Technologies - Disruptive Technologies	RIA	5
COMPET-4-2016 SRC - Space Robotics Technologies	RIA	18
COMPET-5-2016 Scientific Instrumentation	RIA	5

IA Innovation Actions | RIA Research and Innovation Action | PCP Pre-Commercial Procurement (PCP)

The recently published Work Programme covers 2016 and 2017. The parts of the Work Programme that relate to 2017 are provided at this stage on an indicative basis. Such Work Programme parts will be decided during 2016.

[H2020 Space Calls](#)



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## **Portugal Space Day 2015 11 November 2015, Brussels**

**The Portugal Space Day 2015 will focus on building partnerships towards future European cooperation projects. This will be a unique opportunity to become acquainted with the strengths, expertise and capabilities of the highly innovative Portuguese academic, research and industrial Space players, and plan future cooperation activities.**

The morning session starts with presentations from representatives of the European institutions in charge of Space policy, who will share their perspectives on how the European programmes are contributing to the growth of the European space sector and opportunities for cooperation among stakeholders. Then, the main Portuguese stakeholders will present the country's achievements and added-value contributions to the European Space arena.

In the afternoon participants will have the opportunity to meet the key Portuguese space players in the parallel sessions, learn about their project ideas for developing Space Technologies, Space Science and COPERNICUS/GALILEO applications and discuss collaboration opportunities at the Speed Networking supported by Enterprise Europe Network.

Please register soon as the number of participants is limited.

[Agenda & Registration](#)



## **First TEDxESA Event Science Beyond Fiction 11 November 2015, Noordwijk (NL)**

**The TEDxESA 2015 event will take you out of this world and lift you into new heights. Let us take you on a space journey where ideas are worth spreading, and where science takes you beyond fiction.**

What seemed impossible yesterday, is reality today. Dreams become ideas. Ideas become concepts. And concepts develop into real opportunities. The future holds no boundaries – we need to stimulate our creativity and think beyond typical patterns and approaches. Be inspired, explore and challenge yourself to take the next step into a new world.

In the spirit of TED – sharing ideas – TEDxESA aims at reaching out to new audiences, bringing up fresh ideas and challenging topics. TEDxESA will be a long-term communication platform, aiming to continuously reach out across Europe.

[Further Information & Registration](#)



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## Experts wanted

**Join the database of independent experts for European research and innovation! The European Commission appoints independent experts to assist with research and innovation assignments including the evaluation of proposals, monitoring of projects, and evaluation of programmes, and design of policy.**

You have a chance of being selected as an expert if you have a high-level of expertise in the relevant fields of research and innovation and if you can be available for occasional, short-term assignments.

Anyone can register their interest in being an expert, but please note that most of the experts selected are expected to come from Member States of the European Union and Associated Countries.

Experts, as peer reviewers, assist in the evaluation of proposals and the monitoring of actions. In addition, experts assist in the preparation, implementation or evaluation of programmes and design of policies.

[Register as Expert](#)



## H2020 Simplification Survey

**The Commission has launched an online survey to gather opinions from stakeholders on the impact of the simplification measures introduced in Horizon 2020 and to ask for new ideas on future simplification. One version of the survey targets actual participants in ongoing Horizon 2020 projects (by personal invitation), the other version is open for all types of stakeholders.**

Horizon 2020's design and rules have been simplified to make them more user-friendly. The implementing procedures are also simpler now. 18 months into the programme, the survey is designed to find out what researchers think about the impact of the existing simplification measures and to gather any ideas for further simplification.

**The survey closes on 23 October 2015 – contribute now!**

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