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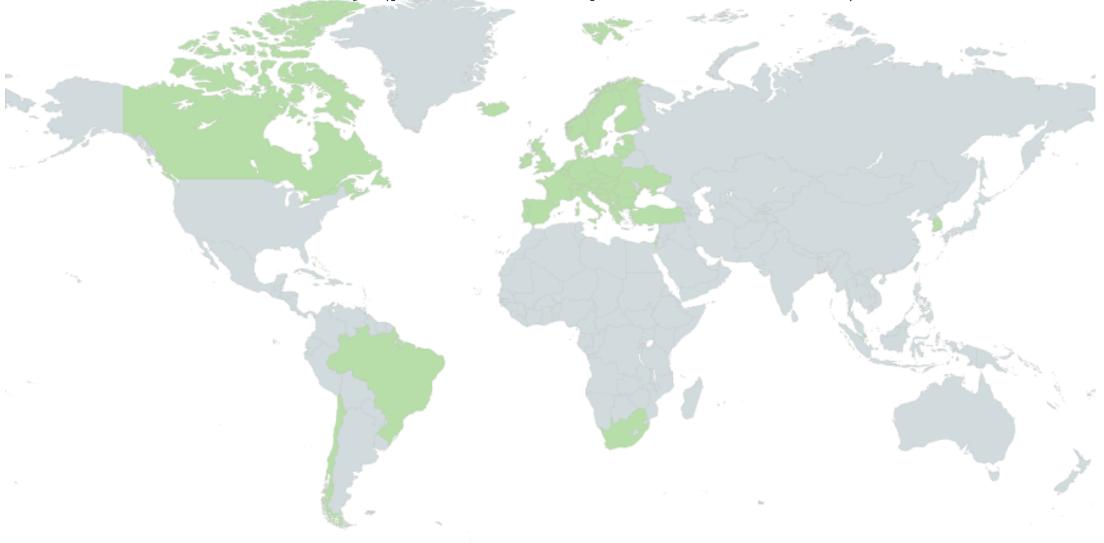




Eureka: the world's biggest network for international cooperation in R&D and innovation



From 18 European countries in 1985 to over 47 countries worldwide today (plus the European Commission)



Since 1985:

+49 billion euro

of public-private investment mobilised

+7000

groundbreaking projects in ICT, healthcare, transport, environment, energy, biotech and agrifood...

- **Jobs** created
- **Economies** boosted
- More competitive industries
- = Enriching lives **locally** and **globally**



Easily accessible programmes

- Eureka wants to offer the best funding conditions
- While parts of the operations are centralised, the beneficiaries' main contacts are in ministries and funding agencies in Eureka countries





In practical terms:

- Organisations apply to our programmes to conduct international projects
- Organisations receive funding from national funding agencies and/or the European Commission



Project characteristics



International collaboration between organisations based in Eureka countries



R&D of a new product, process or service - focus on higher TRLs



Bottom-up and market-oriented, where participating organisations decide the focus of their research



A civilian purpose



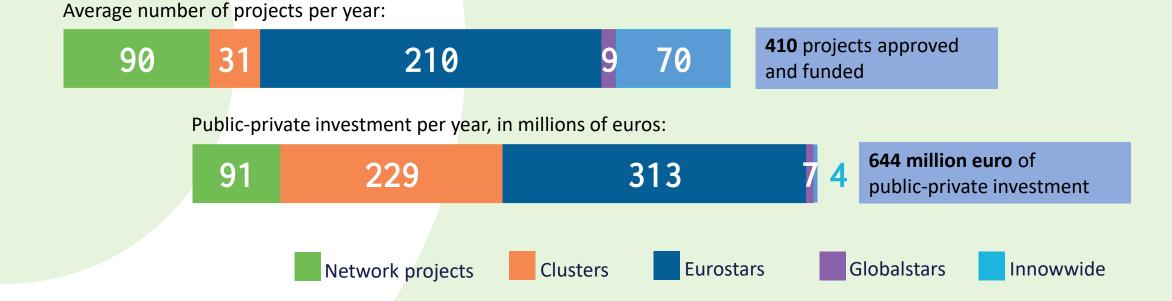
Our programmes



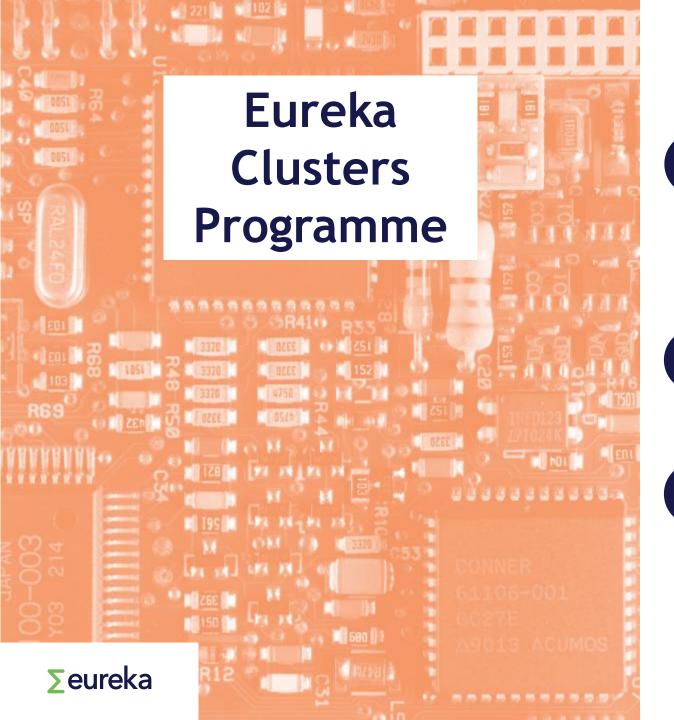


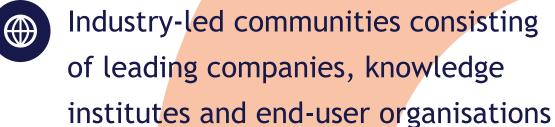
Project figures

Each year, across Eureka's programmes...





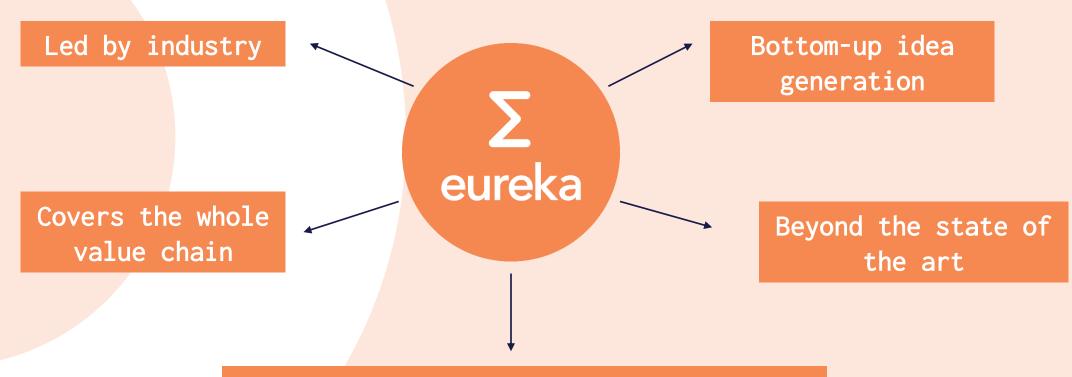




Strategic technology areas

Market-oriented, aiming to solve economic, technological and societal challenges

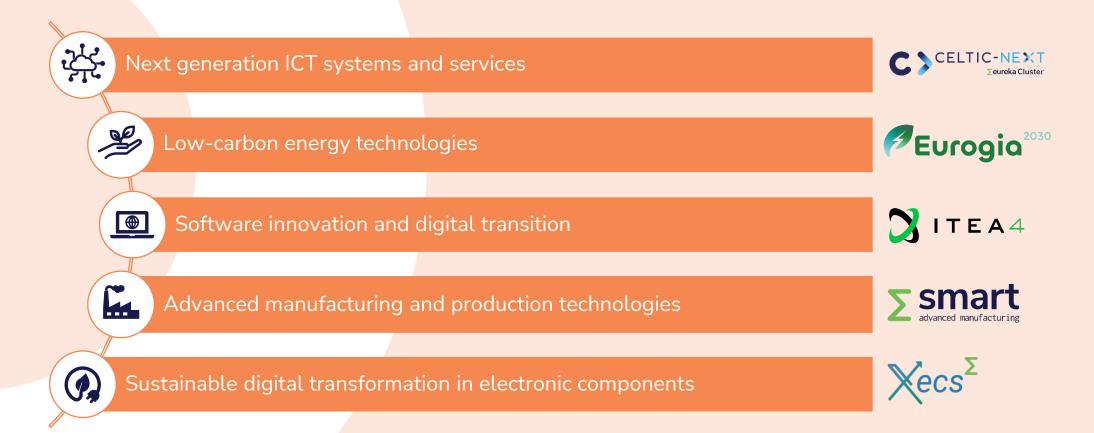
Main project characteristics



Close-to-market with wider impacts, closely aligned to national priorities



Strategic technology areas





Clusters communities

















































































































A typical Clusters project



Average figures



3-5 countries



Usual duration 36 months



3–14 participants



Usual project cost 2-20M€



Why participate?

- International Cooperation
- Privileged environment for RD&I
- Close to market approach
- OHigh success rate
- Industry-driven approach
- Agile project management
- Low administrative burden
- Cluster office coaching/ mentoring

Other reasons included:

- Networking and knowledge-sharing effects, leading to innovative project ideas
- Mid-sized projects, different from most other national and EU-funded programmes



Clusters create impact



Innovation impact

→ New technologies / IP standards / incremental and breakthrough innovation



Economic impact

→ New products / processes / materials / services in global markets



Societal impact

— Employment / education / addressing societal challenges



Ecosystem impact

→ New partnerships / supply chains / stronger communities



Increase speed and decrease risk

On innovation / new products



Amongst many successes, Eureka projects have brought us:



Special effects



Novel medical diagnostic tools



Treatments for paralysis and Alzheimer's



Passports and credit card chips



Sustainable meat alternatives



Renewable energy technologies



Solutions for reducing carbon emissions



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