



FUNDING AND PARTNER SEARCH FOR EUROGIA PROJECTS IN AUSTRIA

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FFG FUNDING PROGRAMMES FOR EUROGIA PROJECTS

As part of the Austrian innovation ecosystem, FFG provides a wide range of funding programmes tailored to specific needs of Eurogia projects, e.g.:

- FFG General Programmes
- FFG Thematic Programmes

In addition, different (regional) funding programmes are available in Austria as well, and self-funded participation in Eurogia projects is an option.

FFG GENERAL PROGRAMME

Open Call, Open Budget

- All year bottom-up call for single-firm applicants
- Experimental development, TRL 5-7

Evaluation criteria

- Technical funding criteria include in particular the degree of innovation and the technical challenge
- The economic assessment focuses on the commercialization potential and the applicant's economic performance
- Ecological soundness and social aspects are considered



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FUNDING OUTLOOK IN FFG GENERAL PROGRAMME

Funding conditions for Austrian partners in Eurogia projects
(max. funding € 3 Mio. p.a.)

- **SME:** grant of up to 60% of eligible costs (60% for small companies, 50% for medium sized companies)
- **Large Company:** mixed funding of up to 50% (funding is composed of a grant and a loan part), or grant of up to 40% (tbc)
- **Universities and research organizations** a) can be subcontracted by a company partner from Austria, or b) can submit a partner application with a grant of up to 50% of eligible costs



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PROJECT PREPARATION FOR FFG GENERAL PROGRAMME

Project.Start for SMEs and Start-ups: attractive funding instrument to get support for preparation work for a concrete research project

- definition of project aims
- assessment of the state of the art and literature and patent research and technical risks
- execution of well-founded market and competitor analyses
- preparation of the project organization an project partners and cost plan with obtainment of offers

Submission of an application is possible at any time - swift approval processes



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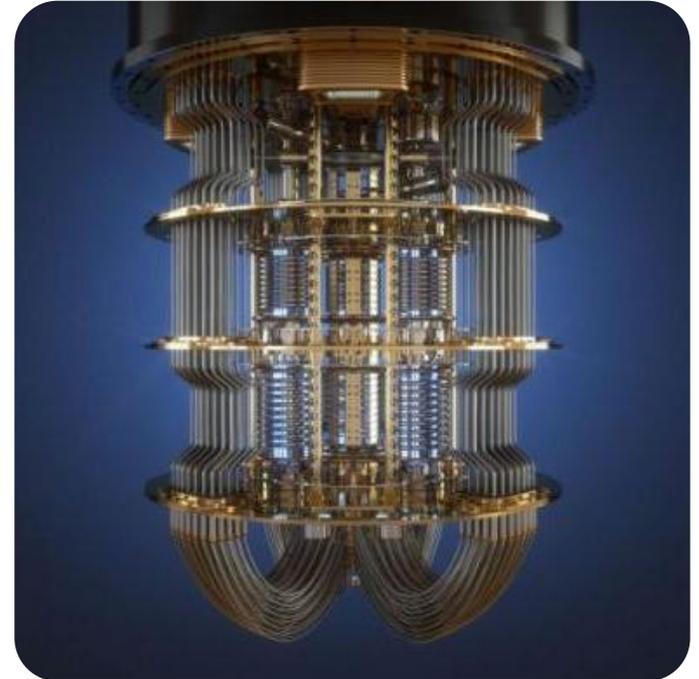
FFG THEMATIC PROGRAMMES

Thematic focus is expressed in calls for projects, e.g.,

- Resources 2025:
<https://www.ffg.at/rohstoffe2025>
National deadline: 05.03.2026
- New calls are published all year

Details may vary in each call, usually

- Industrial research & experimental development, TRL 2-7
- A balanced Austrian consortium is required
- Dedicated budget



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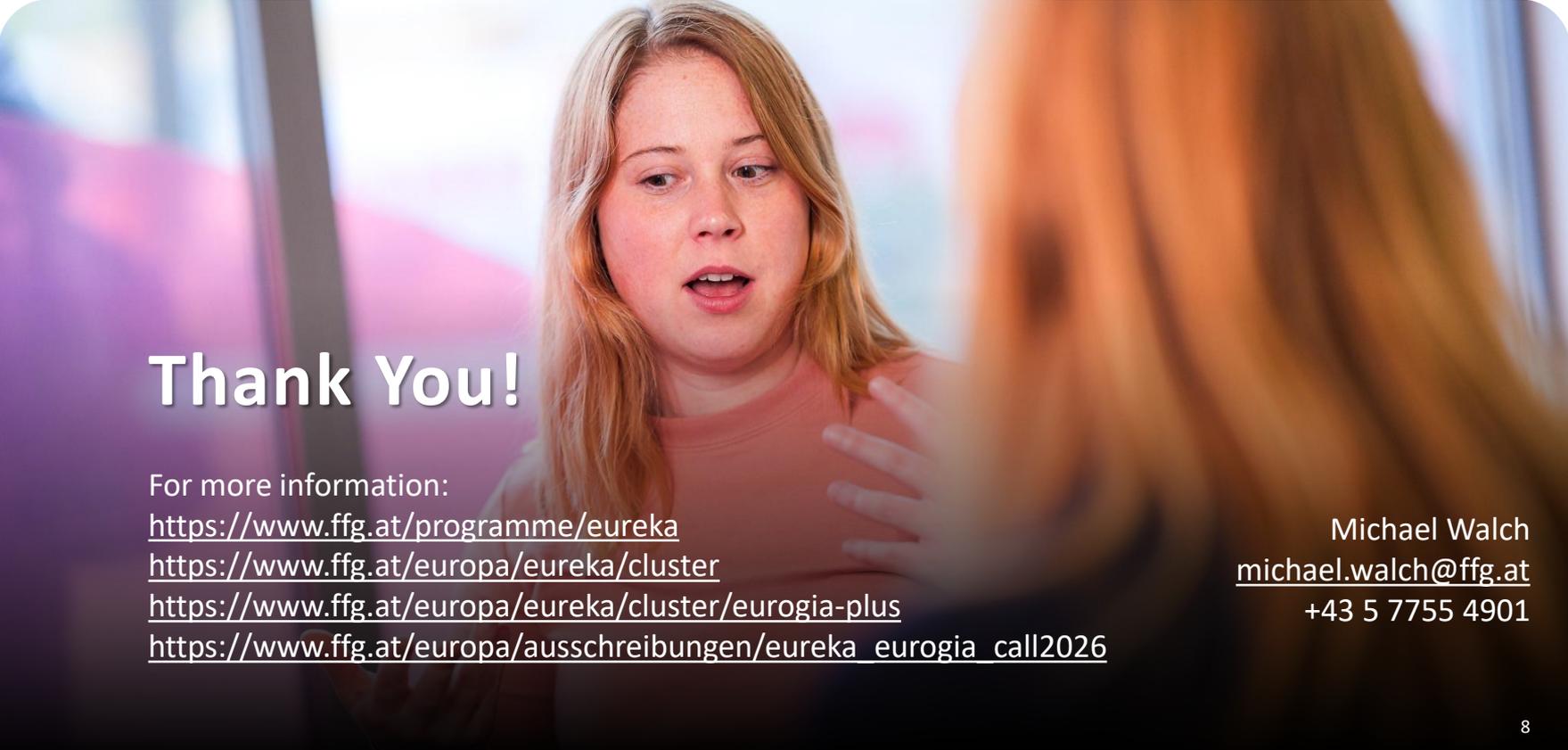


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MATCHMAKING

How to get in touch with partners from Austria?

- Via the ADVANTAGE AUSTRIA office in your country:
<https://www.advantageaustria.org/>
- Contact your local EEN node: <https://een.ec.europa.eu/>.
EEN is one of the largest online database for collaboration opportunities. Find a partner via EEN in three steps:
 1. Search the global partnership database based on your criteria
 2. Express your interest by telling your EEN representative about your company, project idea, and the type of partner you are looking for
 3. The EEN representatives put interested partners in touch



Thank You!

For more information:

<https://www.ffg.at/programme/eureka>

<https://www.ffg.at/europa/eureka/cluster>

<https://www.ffg.at/europa/eureka/cluster/eurogia-plus>

https://www.ffg.at/europa/ausschreibungen/eureka_eurogia_call2026

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