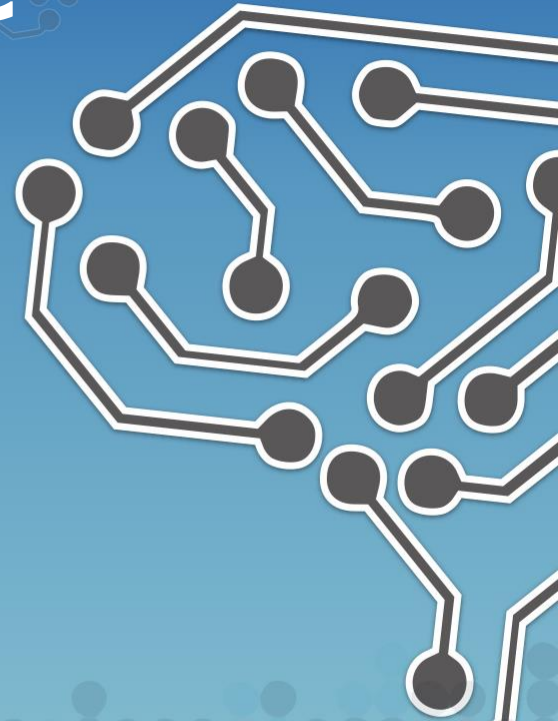




# Artificial Intelligence strategy for Europe

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# OUTLINE

- 1. AI strategy for Europe**
- 2. European AI Alliance**
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  - Future Calls
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### 1. Be part of it!

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# Maximising benefits from AI



**Economic impact**



**Contribution to societal challenges**



Healthcare



Energy  
efficiency



Road safety



Cybersecurity



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Commission

# EU CHALLENGES

**Staying at the forefront of in S&T**

**Access to Data**

**Inclusive: AI available/Usable for All**

**Evolution of the Labour landscape & Skill gaps**

**Acceptance/Ethical issues**

**Safety/Liability issues**

**Scattered Effort vs. Fierce International competition**

# EU strengths

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Excellent research centres



World-leading position in robotics



Strong business-to-business domain



Strong industrial and services sectors: automotive, healthcare, agrifood



Industrial data

# EU strategy for AI

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## A STRATEGY FOR EUROPE TO LEAD THE WAY

**Boost  
technological  
and industrial  
capacity & AI  
uptake**

**Prepare for  
socio-  
economic  
changes**

**Ensure an  
appropriate  
ethical & legal  
framework**

## AI FOR GOOD AND FOR ALL

# EU investments in AI

2018-2020: €1.5 billion in = 70%+ of annual investment



R&D and  
excellence  
centers



AI-on-  
demand  
platform



Digital  
Innovation  
Hubs



Industrial data  
platforms

Goal beyond 2020: Increasing investments from  
€4-5 billion / year today to €20 billion / year



# Preparing for socio-economic challenges



Anticipating changes in  
the labour market



Re-skilling the  
workforce



Developing,  
Attracting & retaining talent  
(EIT, Digital Opportunity  
Traineeships, Digital Europe  
Programme)

# Ethical and legal framework



High level group of experts



Ethical priorities by early 2019

# Joining forces



All Member States and Norway signed the Declaration of cooperation on AI

Coordinated plan with Member States by end of 2018  
Interaction with Member States via the European platform on national initiatives to digitise industry

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# THE EUROPEAN AI ALLIANCE

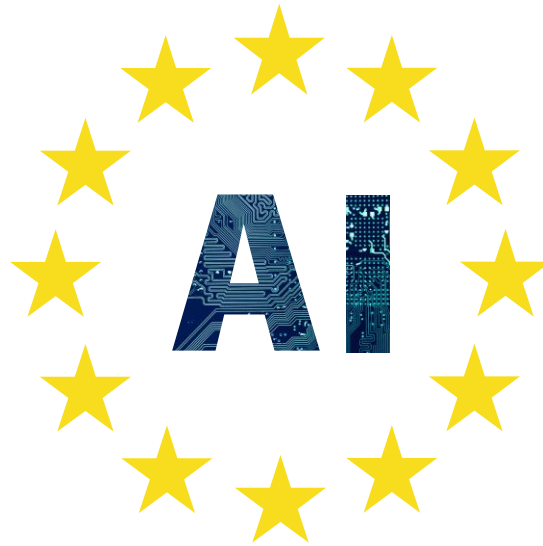
Joint reflection on  
the future of AI in  
Europe

Full mobilisation  
of all stakeholders  
needed: industry,  
academia, civil  
society

Supported by  
high-level expert  
group on AI and  
an online platform

Goal: Making it the world-wide  
reference platform for thinking and  
reflecting on AI

# The European AI Alliance



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And contribute to the debate

# The European AI Alliance

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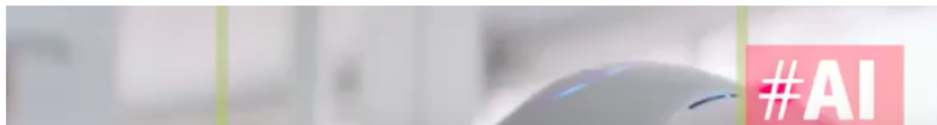
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- (1) It will prepare draft AI ethics guidelines, which will offer guidance on how to implement ethical principles when developing and deploying AI, building on the work of the [European Group on Ethics in Science and New Technologies](#) and the [European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights](#); and
- (2) It will make mid- and long-term policy recommendations on AI-related challenges and opportunities, which will feed into the policy development process, the legislative evaluation process and the development of a next-generation digital strategy.



### Blog

BLOG POST

#### Which themes should the High-Level Expert Group on AI (AI HLG) tackle?

On 27 June, the AI HLG will meet for the first time and discuss (1) the main ethical principles to focus on when preparing the draft AI ethics guidelines, and (2) the main AI-related challenges to...



Lucilla Sioli

14 June 2018 - last

comment 17 hours



6 (18 new)

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BLOG POST

#### Welcome to the European AI Alliance!

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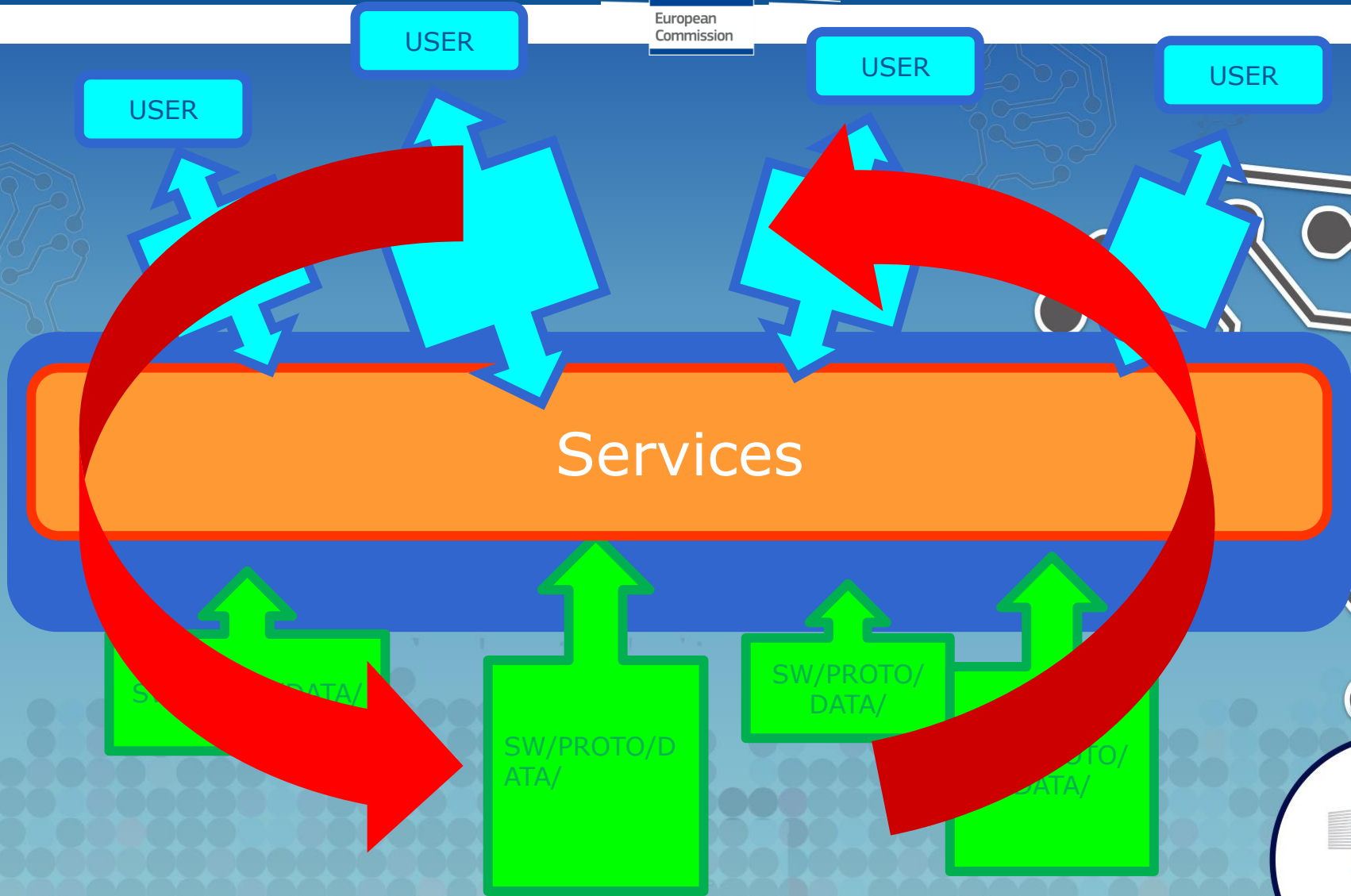
4. After H2020

# WP18-20

## EUROPEAN AI-ON-DEMAND PLATFORM

### Central access point:

- **integrating tools and resources**
- offering **solutions and support to all users of AI** to integrate such technology into **application, products and services**



# DIGITAL INNOVATION HUBS (DIH) ?

*Commissioner Oettinger:*

*"My objective is to have at least one world class **digital innovation hub** in every region in Europe."*

## **Objective:**

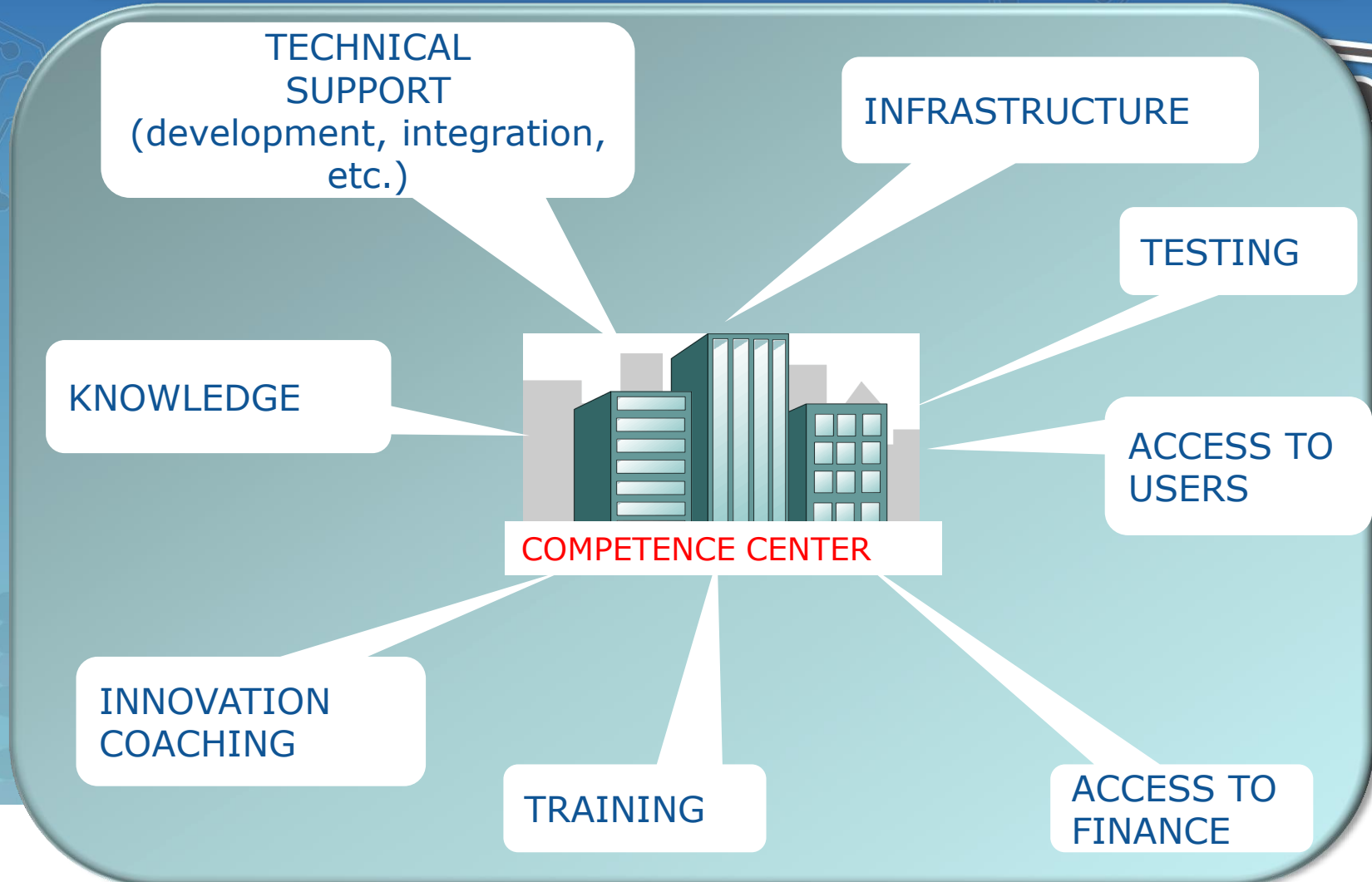
***Access to digital technologies and expertise within "working distance" for any industry in Europe, especially SMEs, mid-caps, non-tech***

- Regions and local authorities have a key role to play***
- EU funding: at least 500 million € in H2020***



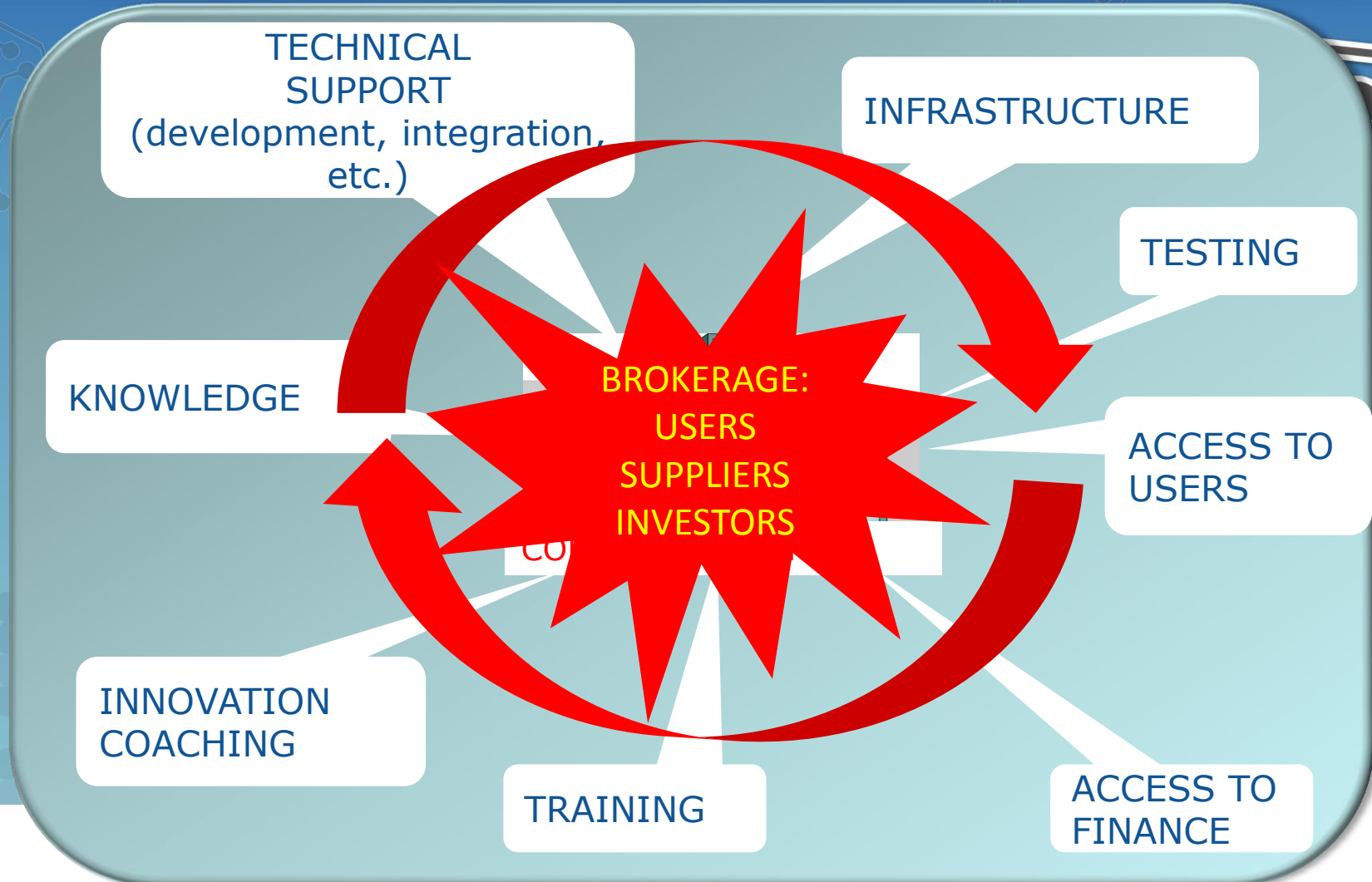
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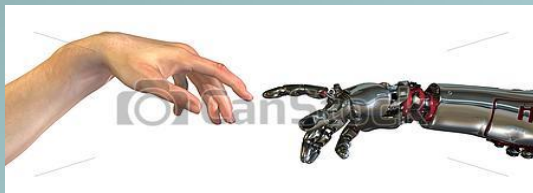
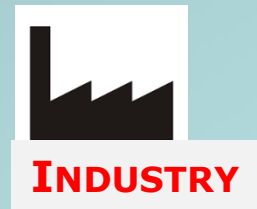




# DIGITAL INNOVATION HUB: ACTORS



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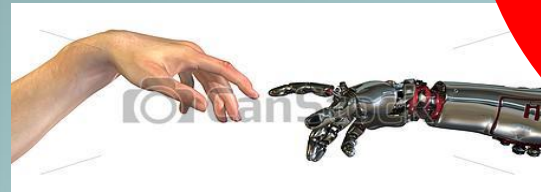
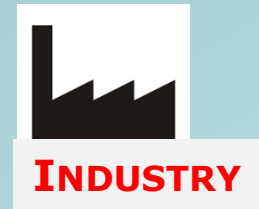
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# THE HUB = CENTER OF A NETWORK EXPLOIT COMPLEMENTARITIES (LOCAL AND EUROPEAN)

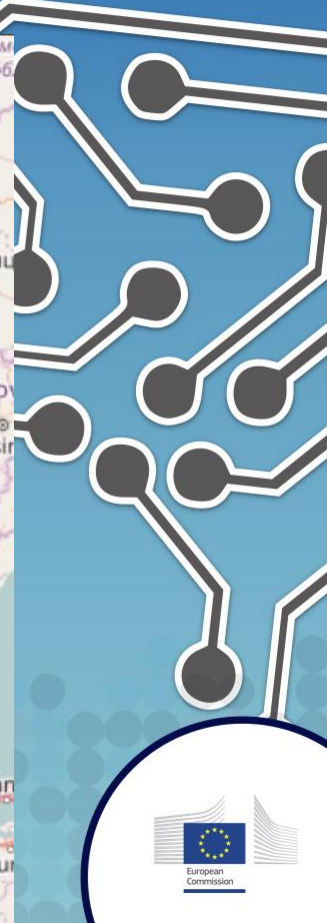
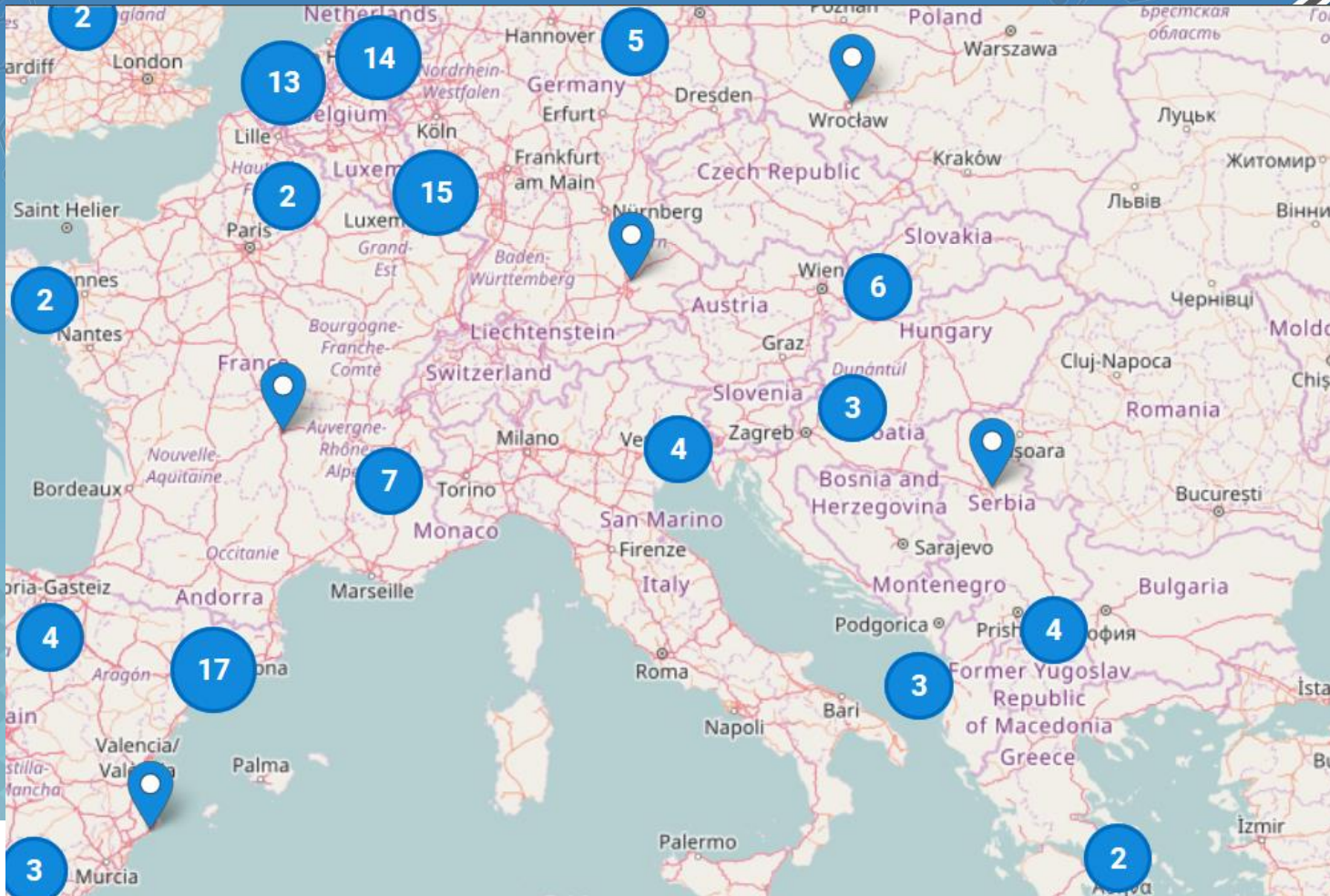


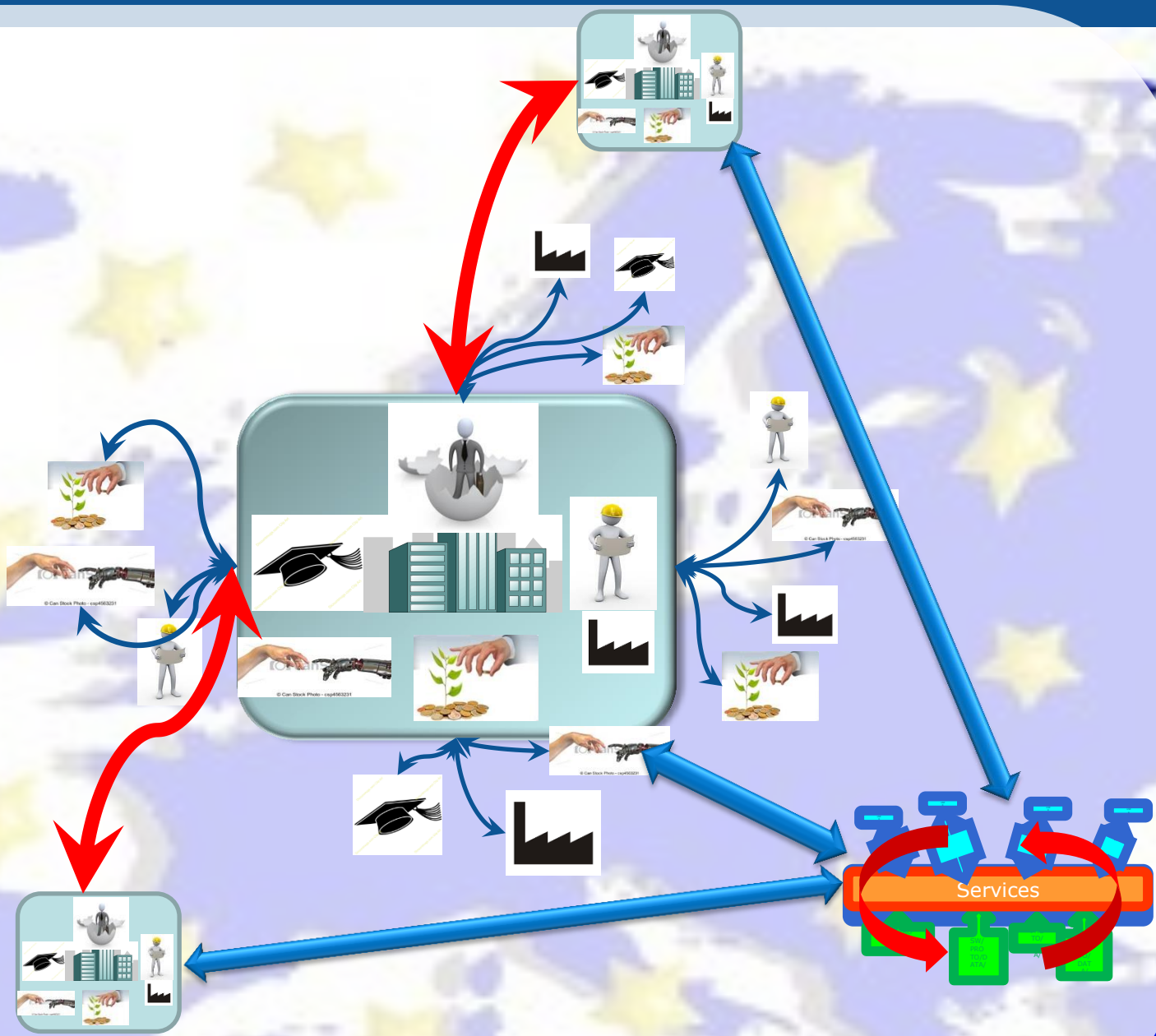


**COLLABORATION AND NETWORKING BETWEEN CENTRES**

**→ LOCAL ONE-STOP-SHOP FOR EXPERTISE, COMPLEMENTARITY & SPECIALISATION**

- AI and cognitive Systems, interaction technologies, data mining and big data, robotics and autonomous systems





# INCLUSIVE EU STRATEGY

-> TOOLBOX:

AI-on-demand Platform

+

Network of Digital Innovation Hubs

→ DISTRIBUTION CHANNEL FOR AI  
TO EMPOWER **ALL** LOCAL  
COMPANIES/USERS

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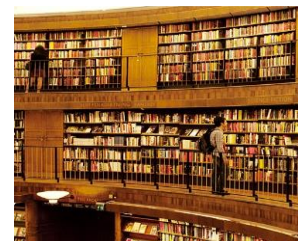
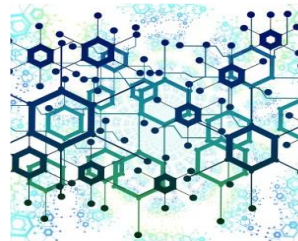
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- **Future Calls**

1. **After H2020**

# BOOSTING THE EU'S TECHNOLOGICAL AND INDUSTRIAL CAPACITY: WP 2018 - 2020



€1.5 billion EC investments into AI in 2018-20  
**BY 70% INCREASE OF ANNUAL INVESTMENT**



Basic and industrial research  
(health, transport, agriculture, manufacturing, etc.)

AI-on-demand platform

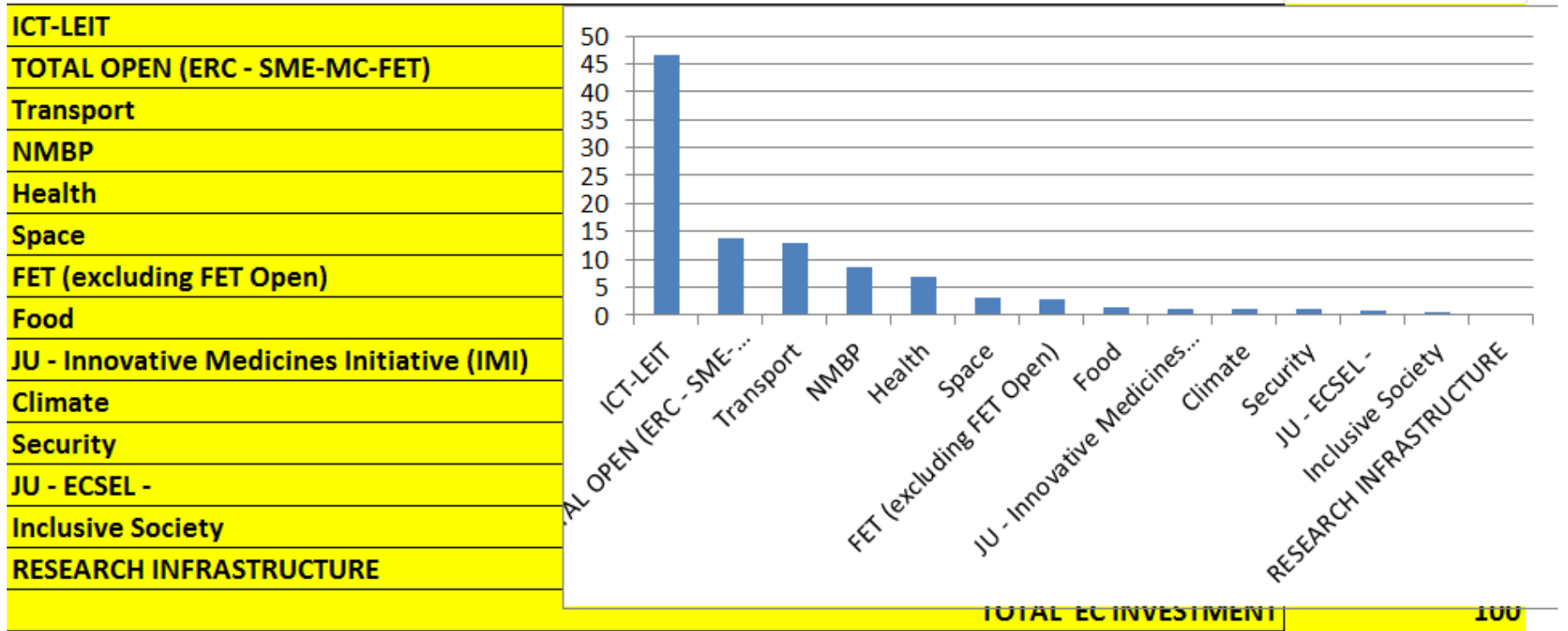
Network of AI-focused Digital Innovation Hubs (DIHs)

Strengthening AI excellence centres

Setting up an industrial data platform



### PERCENTAGE OF WP 2018-20 - Total AI-relevant spending



- **ICT-08-2019:** *Security and resilience for **collaborative manufacturing** environments*
- **ICT-09-2019-2020:** ***Robotics** in Application Areas*
- **ICT-10-2019-2020:** ***Robotics** Core Technology*
- **ICT-11-2018-2019:** ***HPC and Big Data** enabled **Large-scale Test-beds** and Applications*
- **ICT-12-2018-2020:** *Big Data technologies and extreme-scale analytics*
- **ICT-13-2018-2019:** *Supporting the emergence of **data markets and the data economy***
- **ICT-14-2019:** *Co-designing **Extreme Scale Demonstrators** (EsD)*
- **ICT-16-2018:** *Software Technologies*
- **ICT-24-2018-2019:** ***Next Generation Internet - An Open Internet Initiative***
- **ICT-25-2018-2020:** *Interactive Technologies*
- **ICT-26-2018-2020:** *Artificial Intelligence*
- **ICT-29-2018:** *A multilingual Next Generation Internet*
- **ICT-30-2020:** *An empowering, inclusive Next Generation Internet*
- **ICT-38-2020:** *Artificial intelligence for manufacturing*
- **ICT-39-2020:** *Digital advances for local/urban manufacturing*



- *DT-ICT-02-2018: Robotics - Digital Innovation Hubs*
- ***DT-ICT-03-2019: I4MS (phase 4) - uptake of digital game changers and digital manufacturing platforms***
- *DT-ICT-05-2020: Big Data Innovation Hubs*
- ***DT-ICT-07-2018-2019: Digital Manufacturing Platforms for Connected Smart Factories***
- ***DT-ICT-08-2019: Agricultural digital integration platforms***
- ***DT-ICT-10-2018-19: Interoperable and smart homes and grids***
- ***DT-ICT-11-2019: Big data solutions for energy***
- *DT-ICT-12-2020: The smart hospital of the future*
- *SU-ICT-01-2018: Dynamic countering of cyber-attacks*
- *EUK-01-2018: Cloud, IoT and AI technologies*
- *EUJ-01-2018: Advanced technologies (Security/Cloud/IoT/BigData) for a hyper-connected society in the context of Smart City*



- **SCI-DTH-01-2019:** *Big data and Artificial Intelligence for **monitoring health status and quality of life after the cancer treatment***
- *SCI-DTH-03-2018: Adaptive smart working and living environments supporting active and healthy ageing*
- **SCI-DTH-05-2019:** *Large scale implementation of digital innovation for **health and care in an ageing society***
- **SCI-DTH-11-2019:** *Large Scale pilots of **personalised & outcome based integrated care***
- **DT-TDS-01-2019:** ***Smart and healthy living at home***
- *SC1-DTH-04-2020: International cooperation in digital solutions and robotics for independent living*
- *SC1-DTH-02-2020: Personalised early risk prediction, prevention and intervention, RIA*
- *SC1-BHC-06-2020 : Digital diagnostics – developing tools for clinical decisions integrating in vitro and in vivo diagnostics*
- **Active and Assisted Living Programme** - [http://www.aal-europe.eu/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/AAL\\_Call-2018\\_29March.pdf](http://www.aal-europe.eu/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/AAL_Call-2018_29March.pdf)



- *DT-ART-01-2018: Testing, validation and certification procedures for highly automated driving functions under various traffic scenarios based on pilot test data*
- ***DT-ART-03-2019: Human centred design for the new driver role in highly automated vehicles***
- ***DT-ART-04-2019: Developing and testing shared, connected and cooperative automated vehicle fleets in urban areas for the mobility of all***
- *DT-ART-05-2020: Efficient and safe connected and automated heavy-duty vehicles in real logistics operations*
- *DT-ART-06-2020: Large-scale, cross-border demonstration of highly automated driving functions for passenger cars*

# TRANSPORT (2/2)



- *MG-3-2-2018: The autonomous ship*
- *MG-3-3-2018: "Driver" behaviour and acceptance of connected, cooperative and automated transport*
- *MG-BG-01-2018: Unmanned and autonomous survey activities at sea*
- *MG-2-1-2018: Human Factors in Transport Safety*
- **MG-2-6-2019: Moving freight by Water: Sustainable Infrastructure and Innovative Vessels**
- **MG-2-8-2019: Innovative applications of drones for ensuring safety in transport**
- *LC-GV-02-2018: Virtual product development and production of all types of electrified vehicles and components*
- **LC-MG-1-10-2019: Logistics solutions that deal with requirements of the 'on demand economy' and for shared-connected and low-emission logistics operations**
- *MG-3-1-2018: Multidisciplinary and collaborative aircraft design tools and processes*
- **MG-4-5-2019: An inclusive digitally interconnected transport system meeting citizens' needs**



- *DT-BG-04-2018-**2019**: Sustainable European **aquaculture** 4.0: nutrition and breeding*
- *RUR-13-2018: Enabling the farm advisor community to prepare farmers for the digital age*
- *DT-RUR-12-2018: ICT Innovation for agriculture – Digital Innovation Hubs for Agriculture*
- ***SFS-31-2019**: ERANETs in **agri-food** A. [2019] ICT-enabled agri-food systems*
- *RUR-04-2018-**2019**: Analytical tools and models to support policies related to **agriculture and food***
- *EU-China FAB Flagship initiative - **SFS-37-2019**: Integrated approaches to **food safety controls** across the food chain*

# SPACE



- *SPACE-12-TEC-2018: SRC–Space robotics technologies*
- *SPACE-27-TEC-2020: SRC -Space robotics technologies (continued in 2020)*
- *SPACE-20-SCI-2018: Scientific instrumentation and technologies enabling space science and exploration*
- ***DT-SPACE-EGNSS-2-2019-2020: EGNSS applications fostering digitisation***
- *DT-SPACE-25-EO-2020: Copernicus big data algorithm factory [EUR 10.00 million]*
- *SPACE-11-TEC-2018: Generic space technologies*





- *DT-FOF-02-2018: Effective Industrial Human-Robot Collaboration (RIA)*
- ***DT-FOF-12-2019: Handling systems for flexible materials (RIA)***
- ***DT-SPIRE-06-2019: Digital technologies for improved performance in cognitive production plants (IA)***
- *DT-NMBP-20 Plug & Produce Platform for Manufacturing*
- *DT-FOF-09-2020 Holistic energy-efficient factory management*
- *DT-FOF-11-2020 Quality control in smart manufacturing*
- *DT-NMBP-07-2018 Open Innovation Test Beds for characterisation(IA)*
- ***DT-NMBP-08-2019 Real-time nano-characterisation technologies (RIA)***
- ***DT-NMBP-10-2019 Adopting materials modelling in manufacturing processes (RIA)***
- *DT-NMBP-11-2020 Open Innovation Test Beds for Materials Modelling (IA)*
- *NMBP-14-2018 Nanoinformatics: from materials models to predictive (eco)toxicology (RIA)*

*\* Nanotechnologies, Advanced Materials, Advanced Manufacturing and processing, and Biotechnology*



- **SC5-10-2019-2020:** *Raw materials innovation actions: exploration and **Earth observation** in support of sustainable **mining***
- *SC5-11-2018: Digital solutions for water: linking the physical and digital world for water solutions*
- *CE-SC5-03-2018: Demonstrating systemic urban development for circular and regenerative cities*
- *SC5-17-2018: Towards operational forecasting of earthquakes and early warning capacity for more resilient societies*
- **SC5-14-2019:** *Visionary and integrated solutions to improve **well-being and health in cities***

# SECURITY



- ***SU-DRS02-2018-2019-2020: Technologies for **first responders*****
- ***SU-FCT02-2018-2019-2020: Technologies to enhance the fight against **crime and terrorism*****
- ***SU-BES03-2018-2019-2020: Demonstration of applied solutions to enhance **border and external security*****
- ***SU-FCT03-2018-2019-2020: Information and data stream management to fight against **(cyber)crime and terrorism*****



- *DT-TRANSFORMATIONS-02-2018-**2019**-2020: Transformative impact of disruptive technologies in **public services***
- ***TRANSFORMATIONS-13-2019**: Using **big data** approaches in research and innovation **policy making***
- ***DT-GOVERNANCE-12-2019-2020**: Pilot on using the European cloud infrastructure for **public administrations***
- ***8**. Expert support for big data for **R&I performance monitoring***

# JU (JOINT UNDERTAKING) (ECSEL/IMI)



- **JU – ECSEL (Electronic Components and Systems Joint Undertaking)**
- 9.3.2. Major challenge 2 Implementing AI and machine learning, to **detect anomalies** or **similarities** and to optimize parameters
- 7.3.6. Developing platforms for wearables/implants, data analytics, artificial intelligence for **precision medicine** and **personalized healthcare and well-being**
  
- **JU - Innovative Medicines Initiative (IMI)**
- 2018 - F. **Big data, digital health, clinical trials and regulatory research / 40. Big data in oncology.**



- *INFRAEDI-02-2018: HPC PPP - Centres of Excellence on **HPC***

# FET

# FUTURE AND EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES



- *FET PROACTIVE*
- *FET Flagship*
- *FET Open*

# OTHER OPEN SCHEMES



- *ERC (European Research Council)*
- *SMEInstrument*
- *Marie Curie*



## TOPIC NAME: ICT-01-2019

Computing technologies and engineering methods for **cyber-physical systems of systems**

- **Objectives of the topic:**

models, tools and methods for software and system design of dependable and physically-entangled systems of systems

- **AI Component:**

**AI** will be a core technology in most **cyber-physical systems**. The tools and methods developed have to deal with specific issues of **embodied AI** (e.g. safety, fault-tolerance, response time)

- **AI-stakeholders expected in the proposals:**

All stakeholders are impacted by AI technologies, mostly CNN (ambient recognition) and RNN (interfaces, control)

# KEY FACTS AND FIGURES

- Topic budget:
  - **RIA: 38M€**
  - **CSA: 2M€**
- Deadline of the call:
  - **28 March 2019**
- Link to the call text:
  - <http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/ict-01-2019.html>
- Contacts:
  - **cnect-A2@ec.europa.eu**

## TOPIC NAME: ICT-08-2019

Security and resilience for **collaborative manufacturing** environments

- **Objectives of the topic:**

tools and services for manufacturing guaranteeing high data security while allowing exchange of data on the factory floor and across the value chain

- **AI Component:**

The call encourages semi-autonomous or fully **autonomous** solutions, in which **AI is needed to guarantee a better response time and availability** compared to human experts

- **AI-stakeholders expected in the proposals:**

Industrial stakeholders as users of AI technologies, mainly those based on real-time big data analysis.

# KEY FACTS AND FIGURES

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  - **RIA: 11M€**
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## TOPIC: ICT-09-2019-2020: **Robotics** in Application Areas

- **Objectives of the topic:**

- a) **Research and Innovation** boosting promising robotics applications (excluding the areas covered in c) )
- b) Large scale pilots in Robotics for **infrastructure inspection** and maintenance
- c) Robotic **competition in healthcare, inspection and maintenance of infrastructure, agri-food, and agile production**

- **AI Component:**

Research and deployment of advanced robotics capabilities, able to **cope with the uncertainties of the real-world**.

- **AI-stakeholders expected in the proposals:**

Academia and industry developing or using intelligent robots, and end-users. The involvement of end-users is particularly important in b) and c).

## KEY FACTS AND FIGURES

- Topic budget:
  - **RIA: 20€** - indicative size of project: **3-5M€**
  - **IA: 28M€** - indicative size of project: **7-9M€**
  - **CSA: 2M€** - indicative size of project: **2M€**
- Deadline of the call:
  - **28 March 2019**
- Link to the call text:
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- Events: (planned infodays, etc.)
  - **Brokerage event (tbc)** – check: <https://www.eu-robotics.net/>
- Contacts: [CNECT-A1@ec.europa.eu](mailto:CNECT-A1@ec.europa.eu)

# TOPIC :ICT-10-2019-2020: **Robotics Core Technology**

- **Objectives of the topic:**

**Increased autonomy** in robotics systems through research in: AI and Cognition, Cognitive Mechatronics, Socially cooperative human-robot interaction, Model-based design and configuration tools

- **AI Component:**

**Intelligent and adaptable robots**, Human-robot interaction, autonomous robots, AI and cognition in robotics, advanced perception & autonomous action.

- **AI-stakeholders expected in the proposals:**

Academia and industry developing or using intelligent robots.

## KEY FACTS AND FIGURES

- Topic budget:
  - **RIA: 42M€ - indicative size of project: 5-10M€**
- Deadline of the call:
  - **28 March 2019**
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# TOPIC: ICT-11b-2018-2019 **HPC and Big Data** enabled Large-scale Test-beds and Applications

- **Objectives of the topic:**

Large Scale Pilot Actions to demonstrate how effective integration of Big Data/Cloud/IoT technologies transform data intensive industrial sectors and stimulate the emergence of the data economy in Europe

- **AI Component:**

*Big data analytics, industrial transformation*

- **AI-stakeholders expected in the proposals:**

Key European industrial actors, big data analytics companies and research organisations

## KEY FACTS AND FIGURES

- Topic budget:
  - **IA 40M€ - indicative size of project: 15-18 M€**
- Deadline of the call:
  - **14 November 2018**
- Link to the call text:
  - <https://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portals/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/ict-11-2018-2019.html>
- Events: EBDVF, Vienna 12-14 November 2018  
<http://www.european-big-data-value-forum.eu/>
- Contacts: CNECT-G1@ec.europa.eu

# TOPIC: ICT-13a-2018-2019 Supporting the emergence of **data markets and the data economy**

- **Objectives of the topic:**

Set up and operate platforms of proprietary and/or personal data to preserve utility of such data for analysis, and to facilitate trusted and secure sharing and trading of data assets

- **AI Component:**

**Pooling and sharing of data for the training** of AI systems

- **AI-stakeholders expected in the proposals:**

Industrial actors, data analytics companies and research organisations

## KEY FACTS AND FIGURES

- Topic budget:
  - **IA 48M€ - indicative size of project: 15-18 M€**
- Deadline of the call:
  - **28 Mar 2019**
- Link to the call text:
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- Events: EBDVF, Vienna 12-14 November 2018  
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- Contacts: CNECT-G1@ec.europa.eu



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**TOPIC NAME: ICT-24-2018-2019**

## **Next Generation Internet – An Open Internet Initiative**

- **Objectives of the topic:**

- *3 RIAs with subgranting mechanisms to find internet innovators in the areas of **Privacy, Decentralized data and Search technologies.***
- *3 CSAs to support NGI Strategy and Policy actions, Harvest and Transfer technologies and to create an Outreach Office.*

- **AI Component:**

*AI is not directly researched, but subgrantees **may use AI components to enhance their research***

- **AI-stakeholders expected in the proposals:**

Academia and industry developing or using AI to improve search mechanisms, trust or decentralized data.

## KEY FACTS AND FIGURES

- Topic budget: 7M € for CSA and 21M € for RIA
- Deadline of the call: *17 April 2018*
- Link to the call  
text:<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/ict-24-2018-2019.html>
- Events: Further information in [NGI.eu](http://NGI.eu)
- Contacts: [CNECT-E3@ec.europa.eu](mailto:CNECT-E3@ec.europa.eu) or [CNECT-Next-Generation-Internet@ec.europa.eu](mailto:CNECT-Next-Generation-Internet@ec.europa.eu)

# TOPIC : H2020 - ICT-25-2018-2020

## Interactive Technologies

- **Objectives of the topic:**

Establish a sustainable competitive ecosystem of European technology and solution providers for **interactive technologies**.

- **AI Component:**

**Human-centred interactive technologies** such as: virtual and augmented reality, conversational systems

affective computing, AI are set to transform the ways in which people communicate, interact and share information on the internet and beyond.

- **AI-stakeholders expected in the proposals:**

Academia & industry & research centre.

## KEY FACTS AND FIGURES

- Topic budget:  
RIA: 20M€ - indicative size of project: 2-4M€
- Deadline of the call:  
14 November 2018 17:00:00
- Link to the call text:  
<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/ict-25-2018-2020.html>
- Contacts: [CNECT-G2@ec.europa.eu](mailto:CNECT-G2@ec.europa.eu)



## TOPIC : h2020 *ICT-30-2020* - An **empowering, inclusive Next Generation Internet**

- **Objectives of the topic:**

*The objective is to support actions on **smarter**, open, trusted and **personalised learning solutions** to optimise digital learning and to allow learners to engage and interact with content and with peers.*

- **AI Component:**

*The project will build on cross-links and advances in the various NGI technologies (such as **machine-learning**, AR/VR, **AI**) research fields and foster synergies between all the relevant market players, researchers and educational agents working on promising and innovative products.*

- **AI-stakeholders expected in the proposals:**

Academia & industry & research centre & Education.

## KEY FACTS AND FIGURES

- Topic budget:  
IA - CSA: 8 M€
- Deadline of the call:  
28 March 2019 17:00:00
- Link to the call text:  
<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/ict-30-2019-2020.html>
- Contacts: CNECT-G2@ec.europa.eu

## TOPIC NAME: DT-ICT-07-2019

### Digital **Manufacturing** Platforms for Connected Smart Factories

- **Objectives of the topic:**

Establish platforms for the **connected smart production** facilities of the future including their supply chains, targeting one of the grand challenges:

- The human factor: human competences in synergy with technological progress
- Sustainable Value Networks: manufacturing in a circular economy

- **AI Component:**

**Integration of AI, IoT, cloud, robotics, big data** and other technologies in platforms. **Data analytics** as a service.

- **AI-stakeholders expected in proposals:**

AI providers to integrated AI based analytics in platforms.  
Industrial stakeholders as users of AI technologies.

# KEY FACTS AND FIGURES

- Topic budget:
  - **RIA: 45 M€**
  - **CSA: 2 M€**
- Deadline of the call:
  - **2 April 2019**
- Link to the call text:
  - <http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/dt-ict-07-2018-2019.html>
- Events:
  - **Workshop "[Digital Manufacturing Platforms for Connected Smart Factories](#)", 19 Oct 2017**
  - **[ConnectedFactories dissemination event](#), 5-6 Feb 2018**
  - **[Webinar DT-ICT-07-2018](#) (2018 version)**
- Contacts:
  - **cnect-A2@ec.europa.eu**

# DT-ICT-08-2019-**Agricultural** Digital integration platforms

- **Objectives of the topic:**

- a) Building platforms integrating different technologies.
- b) Sharing **data** and generating **knowledge**.
- c) Developing **decision support** systems.

- **AI Component:**

Use of AI To deliver **tailored advices to farmers**. **Data analytics** to enable low maintenance, robust and scalable **monitoring** of farm systems.

- **AI-stakeholders expected in the proposals:** Academia and industry applying AI in agriculture.

## KEY FACTS AND FIGURES

- Topic budget: *30 M€*
- Deadline of the call: *14th November 2018, 17.00*
- Link to the call text:  
<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/dt-ict-08-2019.html>
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# DT-ICT-10-2019- Interoperable and **smart homes and grids**

- **Objectives of the topic:**

- a) Novel services for more **comfortable, convenient and healthier living**
- b) The integration of renewable **energy** sources (RES) and promotion of energy efficiency.
- c) To match user needs with the **management** of distributed **energy** across the grid, and to gain access to benefits from Demand Response.

- **AI Component:**

**IoT** platforms that enable the integration of relevant digital technologies like **AI, cloud and big data services** and where applicable, combined with blockchain technologies.

- **AI-stakeholders expected in the proposals:** industry especially SMEs, start-ups applying AI for new apps, services .

# KEY FACTS AND FIGURES

- Topic budget: *30 M€*
- Deadline of the call: *14th November 2018, 17.00*
- Link to the call text:  
<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/dt-ict-10-2018-19.html>
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## TOPIC: DT-ICT-11-2019

# Big data solutions for energy

- **Objectives of the topic:**

Large-scale pilot test-beds using big data tools and architectures to **optimise the energy system management** in the challenging situation with an increasing number of small-scale and dispersed production (e.g. windmills, solar panels) and consumption sites generating huge amounts of data

- **AI Component:**

Big data **analytics**, industrial transformation

- **AI-stakeholders expected in the proposals:**

Energy network operators and suppliers, big data analytics companies and research organisations

## KEY FACTS AND FIGURES

- Topic budget:
  - **IA 30M€ - indicative size of project: 10 M€**
- Deadline of the call:
  - **2 April 2019**
- Link to the call text:
  - <http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/dt-ict-11-2019.html>
- Events: EBDVF, Vienna 12-14 November 2018  
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- **SCI-DTH-01-2019:** *Big data and Artificial Intelligence for monitoring health status and quality of life after the cancer treatment*
- **SCI-DTH-03-2018:** *Adaptive smart working and living environments supporting active and healthy ageing*
- **SCI-DTH-05-2019:** *Large scale implementation of digital innovation for health and care in an ageing society*
- **SCI-DTH-11-2019:** *Large Scale pilots of personalised & outcome based integrated care*
- **DT-TDS-01-2019:** *Smart and healthy living at home*
- **SC1-DTH-04-2020:** *International cooperation in digital solutions and robotics for independent living*
- **SC1-DTH-02-2020:** *Personalised early risk prediction, prevention and intervention, RIA*
- **SC1-BHC-06-2020 :** *Digital diagnostics – developing tools for clinical decisions integrating in vitro and in vivo diagnostics*
- **Active and Assisted Living Programme** - [http://www.aal-europe.eu/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/AAL\\_Call-2018\\_29March.pdf](http://www.aal-europe.eu/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/AAL_Call-2018_29March.pdf)

# SCI-DTH-01-2019: Big data and Artificial Intelligence for monitoring health status and quality of life after the cancer treatment

- **Objectives of the topic:**

*how to better acquire, manage, share, model, process and exploit big data using, if appropriate, high performance computing to effectively monitor health status of individual patients, provide overall actionable insights at the point of care and improve quality of life after the cancer treatment*

- **AI Component:**

*systems for determining and monitoring the combined effects of cancer treatment, environment, lifestyle and genetics on the quality of life, enabling early identification of effects that can cause development of new medical conditions and/or impair the quality of life*

- **AI-stakeholders expected in the proposals:**

tbc

## KEY FACTS AND FIGURES

- Topic budget: 35M€
- Deadline of the call: 24 April 2019
- **Link to the call text: tbc**
- Events: (planned infodays, etc.): 12 July 2018

## SCI-DTH-03-2018: Adaptive smart working and living environments supporting active and healthy ageing

- **Objectives of the topic:**

*Address the challenge of accelerating the translation of large scale data and knowledge to define balanced healthy conditions and to predict and prevent diseases through the development of personalised approaches and clinical tools. Focus on the clinical aspects of personalised prediction and prevention of disease*

- **AI Component:**

- *Integration and use of high quality microbiome, metabolome and other -omics data produced by large scale international initiatives*
- *Clinical tools for predicting and preventing diseases*

- **AI-stakeholders expected in the proposals:**

tbc

## KEY FACTS AND FIGURES

- Topic budget: 25M€
- Deadline of the call: 25 April 2019
- [Link to the call text:](#)
- Events: (planned infodays, etc.): 12 July 2019

## SC1-DTH-05-2019: Large scale implementation of digital innovation for health and care in an ageing society

### •Objectives of the topic:

*A PPI to specify, purchase and deploy ICT based solutions for active and healthy ageing through a common supply and demand side dialogue, which can deliver sustainable, new or improved health and care services promoting patient feedback in which public procurement approaches for innovative solutions lead to improved outcomes*

### •AI Component:

- *Digital solutions integrating health, social or community care and informal care*
- *IoT enabled independent living solutions that allow the citizens to live safely and independently at home therefore avoiding institutionalisation*
- *Tele-care solutions and tools supporting for self-care and person-centred care*

### •AI-stakeholders expected in the proposals:

tbc



## KEY FACTS AND FIGURES

- Topic budget: 10M€
- Deadline of the call: 24 April 2019
- [Link to the call text: tbc](#)
- Events: (planned infodays, etc.): 12 July 2019

## SCI-DTH-11-2019: Large Scale pilots of personalised & outcome based integrated care

- **Objectives of the topic:**

*Foster the large-scale pilots for deployment of trusted and personalised digital solutions dealing with Integrated Care, with a view to supporting and extending healthy and independent living for older individuals who are facing permanently or temporarily reduced functionality and capabilities*

- **AI Component:**

- *Scalable and robust digital solutions for integrated care*

- **AI-stakeholders expected in the proposals:**

tbc

## KEY FACTS AND FIGURES

- Topic budget: 20M€
- Deadline of the call: 24 April 2019
- **Link to the call text: tbc**
- Events: (planned infodays, etc.): 12 July 2019

## DT-TDS-01-2019: Smart and healthy living at home

- **Objectives of the topic:**

*Large-scale deployment of integrated digital solutions which will bring improved quality of life to citizens while demonstrating significant efficiency gains in health and care delivery across Europe*

- **AI Component:**

- *Advanced ICT ranging from biophotonics to robotics, from artificial intelligence to big data and from IoT to smart wearables*
- *Platform for smart living at home integrating technologies in an intelligent manner*

- **AI-stakeholders expected in the proposals:**

tbc

## KEY FACTS AND FIGURES

- Topic budget: 60M€
- Deadline of the call: 14 November 2018
- **Link to the call text: tbc**
- Events: (planned infodays, etc.): 12 July 2019



## Active and Assisted Living Programme -

[http://www.aal-europe.eu/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/AAL\\_Call-2018\\_29March.pdf](http://www.aal-europe.eu/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/AAL_Call-2018_29March.pdf)



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## TOPIC NAME: DT-NMBP-07-2018: Open Innovation Test Beds for **Characterisation**

- **Objectives of the topic:**

Establishing open user-driven characterisation test beds for novel materials characterisation techniques to accelerate uptake of new materials in new products.

- **AI Component:**

Test beds should include all aspects of novel multi-scale and multi-modal **characterisation** solutions management, **analytics and mining** of the resulting data (Materials Informatics).

- **AI-stakeholders expected in the proposals:**

Characterisation engineers and tool developers, data scientists, software and database engineers, modellers



# KEY FACTS AND FIGURES

- Topic budget: 9 M€ per project (44 M€ total together with topic DT-NMBP-09-2018: Accelerating the uptake of **materials modelling** software)
- Deadline of the call: 28 June 2018
- Link to the call text:  
<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/dt-nmbp-07-2018.html>

## TOPIC NAME: DT-NMBP-08-2019: Real-time **nano-characterisation** technologies (RIA)

- **Objectives of the topic:**

To advance and establish nano-scale, multimodal and multi-scale materials characterisation tools and methods, allowing rapid and reliable high-resolution analyses.

- **AI Component:**

Optimisation of existing or development of new technologies, characterisation equipment, data processing routes and data analysis strategies.

- **AI-stakeholders expected in the proposals:**

Characterisation engineers and tool developers, data scientists, software and database engineers, modellers

# KEY FACTS AND FIGURES

- **Topic budget:** Between 4-5 M€ per project (37,8 M€ total together with topic DT-NMBP-10-2018: Adopting **materials modelling** to challenges in manufacturing processes)
- **Deadline of the call:** 3 September 2019
- **Link to the call text:**  
<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/dt-nmbp-08-2019.html>

## TOPIC NAME: DT-NMBP-10-2019: Adopting **materials modelling** to challenges in manufacturing processes

- **Objectives of the topic:**

Develop an open translation environment to optimise decision making for materials producers and product manufacturers.

- **AI Component:**

A suite of integrated and interoperable apps that combine existing materials **models** and databases of materials properties. Develop apps to improve **decision making** and facilitate the building of the required workflows.

- **AI-stakeholders expected in the proposals:**

Materials scientists, modellers, manufacturing companies

# KEY FACTS AND FIGURES

- **Topic budget:** 5 M€ per project (37,8 M€ total together with topic DT-NMBP-08-2019: Real-time nano-characterisation technologies )
- **Deadline of the call:** 3 September 2019
- **Link to the call text:**  
<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/dt-nmbp-10-2019.html>



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# EUROPEAN RESEARCH COUNCIL

- **Objectives:**

*To support **excellence in frontier research** through a bottom-up, individual-based, pan-European competition*

- **AI Component:**

*The ERC does not prioritise any discipline or topic; **AI-oriented proposals in any basic or applied research domain are welcome.***

- **AI-stakeholders expected in the proposals:**

*Any researcher can apply individually, without the need to have a consortium*

## KEY FACTS AND FIGURES

- Budget:
  - **€ 13 billion (2014-2020) - 1.9 billion €/year**
  - **€ 7.5 billion (2007-2013) - 1.1 billion €/year**
- Deadline of the call:
  - **Calls are published every year**
- Link to the call text:
  - **<https://erc.europa.eu/>**
- Contact:
  - **<https://erc.europa.eu/national-contact-points/>**



# ERC GRANT SCHEMES

## Starting Grants

starters  
(2-7 years after PhD) up to €  
1.5 Mio  
for 5 years

## Consolidator Grants

consolidators  
(7-12 years after PhD) up to  
€ 2 Mio  
for 5 years

## Advanced Grants

track-record of  
significant research  
achievements in the  
last 10 years  
up to € 2.5 Mio  
for 5 years

## Proof-of-Concept

bridging gap between research - earliest  
stage of marketable innovation  
up to €150,000 for ERC grant holders

## Synergy Grants (re-launched 2018)

2 – 4 Principal Investigators  
up to € 10.0 Mio for 6 years

# OUTLINE

1. AI strategy for Europe

2. European AI Alliance

3. AI funding in H2020:

What is there for you?

- AI-on-Demand-Platform
- Digital Innovation Hubs
- Future Calls

4. **After H2020:**

4. **The next Multi-Annual Financial Framework (MFF)**

# DIGITAL IN THE NEXT MFF: OVERVIEW

## Digital Europe

1. High Performance Computing (HPC)
2. Artificial Intelligence (AI)
3. Cybersecurity
4. Advanced digital skills
5. Digital transformation and interoperability

€9.2 Bn

## Digital in Horizon Europe

1. Digital under "global challenges"
  - Digital and industry cluster
  - Digital in other clusters - health, mobility, energy, environment,..
2. FET Open under Open Innovation
3. Research Infra under O Science

€100 Bn  
with share  
to digital  
of 15Bn

## CEF - Digital

### Connectivity

- Synergies with Transport /Energy
- WIFI/BB 4EU
- 5G roll out

€3 Bn

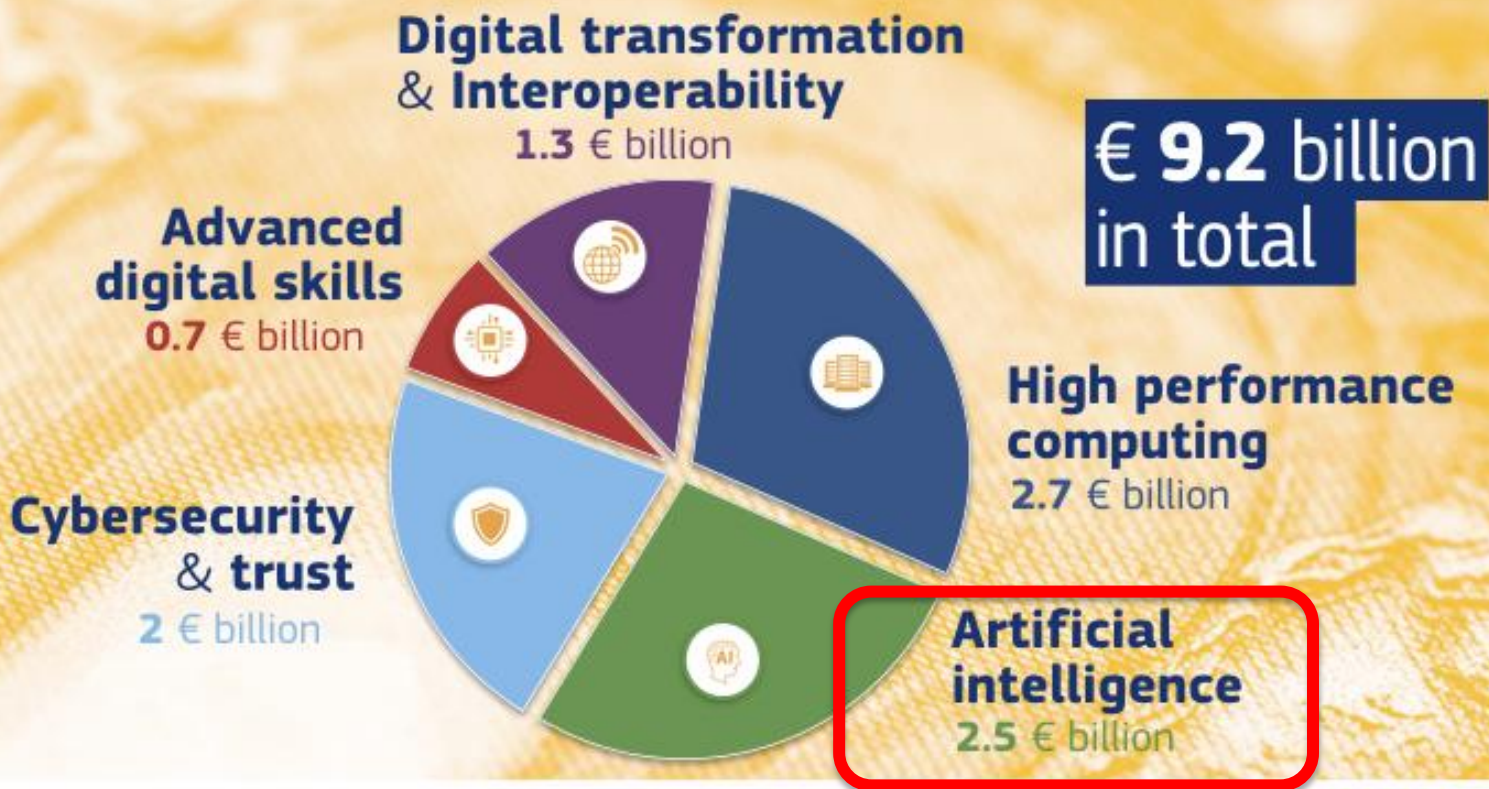
## MEDIA under Creative Europe within Cohesion and Values

- Distribution of works
- Creation

€1.1 Bn

# DIGITAL EUROPE PROGRAMME: CAPACITY BUILDING AND DEPLOYMENT

Investing in the future:  
**Digital Europe** Programme



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€2.5 billion for **Artificial intelligence**

Bring the power of the AI to  
**businesses & public  
administrations**

Strengthen **testing  
and experimentation**  
facilities across the EU



Facilitate safe **access**  
and **storage** of data  
and algorithms

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**Digital transformation  
& Interoperability**  
1.3 € billion

**Advanced  
digital skills**  
0.7 € billion

**€ 9.2 billion  
in total**

**High performance  
computing**  
2.7 € billion

**Cybersecurity  
& trust**  
2 € billion

**Artificial  
intelligence**  
2.5 € billion

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