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SMART EUREKA CLUSTER LAUNCHES ITS 3RD CALL FOR PROJECTS

SMART, EUREKA Cluster on Advanced Manufacturing, has launched its 3rd Call for Projects on 9th September 2019. SMART Call has a two-step approach, to maximize the chances for success and avoid unnecessary efforts during project set-up. The deadline for Project Outline (PO) phase is 11th November.

The PO provides a short overview of the concept, the objectives of the project and the partnership even if they are not entirely settled. This document allows early advice and feedback from the evaluation team. This step is highly recommended, but participants may submit a Full Project Proposal straightforward.

The PO is used for the pre-selection of proposals, preliminary information and budget discussions between the SMART organisation and the respective Public Authorities and for general information exchange within the SMART organisation. It enables an initial selection among the different submitted ideas, while keeping the workload of consortia to a minimum.

Partners involved in SMART projects are funded directly by their National Funding Agencies, according to national funding procedures.

SMART strongly advises project participants to contact their NPCs (National Project Coordinators) to increase the chances of a successful proposal. Funding rates, eligibility rules and national consortia for each country are also available.



More information about Call process can be found at this link.





PO Proposers' Day will take place in Leuven on the 3rd of October 2019

SMART EUREKA Cluster invites all interested organizations to participate in the PO Proposers' Day, that will be held on Thursday 3rd of October, 09:30-17:00 CEST, at Sirris' facilities (Gaston Geenlaan 8, B-3001 Leuven, BELGIUM).

Attendants will be able to meet people from Industry (Large Companies & SMEs), Academia, and Research Centres that will help them form the perfect consortium to submit a successful project proposal.

Interested organizations can sign up for the event and find more information at this <u>link</u>.

About SMART

SMART is a flexible industry-driven EUREKA Cluster program in Advanced Manufacturing. Its goal is to define, perform and fund collaborative, international & close-to-market R&D&I projects.

Manufacturing is a vital sector in Europe, fundamental to European development towards a competitive sustainable globalization. Advanced manufacturing is strongly addressed in most political agendas as a key enabler that will lead European society towards a higher industrial competitiveness, sustainable growth and job creation.

SMART promotes advanced manufacturing projects among large companies, SMEs, associations, RTOs & Academia. As a EUREKA Cluster, SMART is grounded in Europe and open to participants worldwide.