DIGITbrain
1st OPEN CALL

Open Call Document

1. Compliance of EC Standards regarding Open Call publication

Complying with EC standards, DIGITbrain 1st Open Call has been published via the corresponding distribution channels, including:

- DIGITbrain project Portal, link here.
- H2020 Participant Portal, link here.
- EFRA portal, link here.
- I4MS framework, link here.
- EGI portal, link here.

Besides, DIGITbrain 1st Open Call has been promoted by others organizations close to the project, like:

- **Innovation Place Portal**: This portal is being the internal communication platform for DIGITbrain partners, amongst other European projects, link here.

- **Funding Box** dissemination channels: Funding Box as the SW platform provider in DIGITbrain open call, will help to promote and disseminate the open calls through their newsletter, their Community Platform and their Social Media, in the upcoming weeks, link here.

- **CloudiFacturing** portal: DIGITbrain is being built over the results of CloudiFacturing, that's why this portal is promoting also DIGITbrain, link here.

- **CloudSME** website: As the partner leading the DIGITbrain strategy dissemination, has been promoting also the open calls, link here.

Furthermore, CloudSME as partner leading the dissemination and promotion is carrying out a dissemination plan to promote this first open call including:

- A strong social media strategy through Twitter account: @digitbrain_EU.
- Press release, launched in February 2021 in three different languages (English, German and Spanish), link here.
- An Open Call promotional video on YouTube, link here.
- A Call Announcement document published in DIGITbrain website three months before the launch of the 1st Open Call, link here.

In addition to all these promotional activities, DIGITbrain partners involved in open calls organization and execution have scheduled specific dissemination activities:

- **Two specific webinars for applicants** (QA and Support). First of them planned by 20th April. Further information here.
- **Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)** area included in the Open Call portal, link here.
- Other online events, with a regional coverage will be carry out lead by DIHs.

Finally, all DIGITbrain partners are broadly promoting the open calls through their own channels, like social media, newsletters, LinkedIn groups and other online channels.

2. Compliance of EC rules and recommendations regarding FSTP

The DIGITbrain 1ˢᵗ Open call has been organized following all EC rules and recommendations regarding Financial Support to third parties (FSTP).

According to the rules of H2020, especially **Article 15 — FSTP of the Model Grant Agreement** and **Annex K - Actions involving FSTP**, the open call documents provide clear and precise information about maximum amount of financial support for each third party and per experiment; the criteria for calculating the exact amount of the financial support; the different types of activity that qualify for financial support; the persons that may receive financial support; and the criteria for giving financial support. Besides, the open call documents provide information about the conditions for participation, the award criteria, the amount of the grant and the payment arrangements.

Furthermore, the 1ˢᵗ DIGITbrain Open call has been organized following the "**Good practices and templates for organizing open calls under the H2020 FSTP Parties scheme**", following the principles of excellence, transparency, fairness and impartiality, confidentiality, efficiency, and speed. The open call has been organized complying with all the requirements regarding the pre-announcement of the call details, the publication of full details, the proposals evaluation and selection process and the reporting, documentation and feedback to proposers.

The open call documents also have precise information about the main contents of the contract to be signed between Corporación Tecnológica de Andalucía (CTA), as DIGITbrain cascade funding manager, and Third Parties, including progress monitoring , pre-payments and IPR arrangements.

The contract signed will ensure, according to the above-mentioned Annex K, that the recipients of the financial support (the Third Parties) allow the European Commission, the European Anti-fraud Office (OLAF), and the Court of Auditors to exercise their powers of control on documents, information, even stored on electronic media, or on the final recipient's premises.