

# GUIDE FOR APPLICANTS

## TARGET-X

### 1<sup>st</sup> Open Call

*Submission of applications starts on  
the 9<sup>th</sup> of May 2023 at 13:00 Brussels Time*

*Submission deadline:  
the 26<sup>th</sup> of July 2023 at 17:00 Brussels Time*



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## 1. Basic Info about TARGET-X

TARGET-X is a project the European Commission co-funded from the HORIZON EUROPE programme. It is coordinated by FRAUNHOFER Gesellschaft Zur Forderung Der Angewandten Forschung Ev with the participation of 14 Consortium Partners from 6 countries (see details at <https://target-x.eu>).

The total TARGET-X budget of cascade funding (Financial Support to Third Parties - FSTP) is €6 000 000 of which approximately €3 000 000 will be distributed under the 1<sup>st</sup> TARGET-X Open Call: Testing and development of devices/solutions.

### VISION

TARGET-X 's Vision is to strengthen important economic sectors in Europe by integrating 5G and 6G, accelerating the digital transformation.

TARGET-X aims at that vision by providing testbeds for different verticals, developing new 5G/6G features, intuitive usage of 5G/6G and new business models. TARGET-X brings together information technology providers, operational technology providers and SMEs.

### AMBITION

The main ambition of TARGET-X is to advance the state of the art of 5G technology with technical elements "beyond 5G", integrate those elements in testbeds operated in the project, and validate them in several use cases in four different verticals.

The fifth generation of wireless technology (5G) has arrived and is being rolled out globally. First industrial sectors such as manufacturing are testing the capabilities of 5G showing great potential for ubiquitous connectivity. With the sixth generation (6G), wireless communication will bring several industrial sectors new features, improved performance, and functional benefits.

The TARGET-X project envisions accelerating the digital transformation of key verticals:

- Energy;
- Construction;
- Automotive;
- Manufacturing & robotics.

using large-scale trials in multiple testbeds.

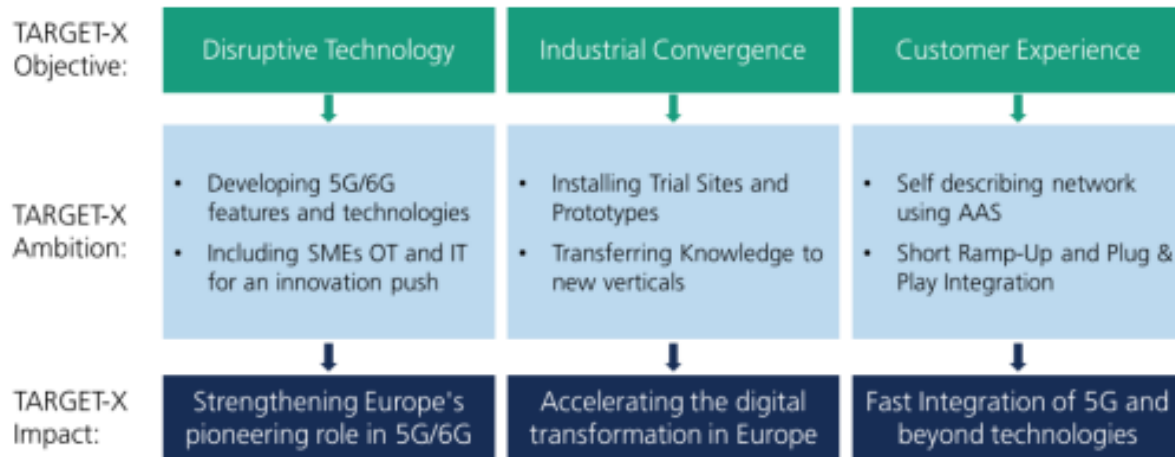


Figure 1 Motivation and ambition of TARGET-X

**Disruptive Technology:** One key objective is the technical evolution of 5G towards 6G. In the TARGET-X project, new 5G/6G features and key enablers for 6G will be defined, implemented, and validated for the whole value chain (devices, connectivity, service delivery). Features such as localization, real-time communication, and digital twinning will be tested as prototypes in the trial sites. Enablers such as native AI/ML integration, high-performance computing, and IoT solutions will be included in the design of the 5G/6G ecosystem at each trial site. The integration of edge and cloud clusters with GPU capabilities for AI/ML or the large-scale distribution of several IoT devices will give important input towards 6G and the subsequent SNS phases.

**Industrial Convergence:** TARGET-X aims at large-scale testbeds for trial and pilot implementations and identification of KPIs and KVs of the verticals. The verticals targeted in the project are energy, automotive, construction, manufacturing & robotics. With the 5G-Industry Campus Europe and the IDIADA trial site, the TARGET-X project starts with existing, fully operational 5G-infrastructures and can focus from day one on integrating new elements. Without ramp-up time, new use cases, verticals, and new features can directly be integrated, and the 5G-infrastructure can be extended by enabling technologies for 6G. Furthermore, the experiences already made at the trial sites are directly transferred to the other verticals, enabling rapid integration.

**Customer Experience:** To reduce the ramp-up and integration time of new 5G/6G systems and enabling technologies, TARGET-X aims at developing a self-describing network, enabling plug & play integration of new components. By evolving the 5G/6G infrastructure to a self-describing network, the integration of new hardware and software components can be done easily on all levels of the value chain.

## 2. 1<sup>st</sup> Open Call - what do we offer?

The exact amount of financial support to be granted to each selected entity under the 1<sup>st</sup> TARGET-X Open Call is a fixed lump sum of up to €60 000 per entity. If you apply as a Consortium composed of 2 entities, you can get up to €120 000 (max €60 000 per entity).

**NOTE!** In case of for-profit companies maximum grant amount is 70% of the eligible costs needed to execute the project.

During the 1<sup>st</sup> Open Call **approximately 50 entities** will be selected.

## 3. Admissibility and eligibility criteria

We will check the admissibility and eligibility of all proposals submitted before the deadline (26<sup>th</sup> of July 2023 at 17:00 Brussels Time) via our online application form here: <https://target-x.fundingbox.com/>. The projects that do not comply with the criteria presented in this section will be excluded and marked as ineligible. We will check the admissibility and eligibility criteria based on the information provided in your application during the whole evaluation process.

### 3.1 Who are we looking for?

**We are looking exclusively for SMEs<sup>1</sup>.** The projects must be proposed by an individual legal entity or micro-consortium of 2 SMEs (consortium must be composed of one entity acting as technology provider and one entity acting as end-user **or** both entities acting as end users), registered prior to the launch of the TARGET-X 1<sup>st</sup> Open Call (9<sup>th</sup> of May 2023).

The entities have to be established in any of the:

- The Member States of the European Union<sup>2</sup> and its Overseas Countries and Territories (OCT) or;
- Associated Countries (AC)<sup>3</sup> to Horizon Europe.

Consortium members applying for this Open Call cannot be entities related by capital.

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<sup>1</sup> An **SME** will be considered as such if it complies with the European Commission's Recommendation 2003/361/EC. As a summary, the criteria defining an SME are:

- Headcount in Annual Work Unit (AWU) less than 250;
- Annual turnover less or equal to €50 million OR annual balance sheet total less or equal to €43 million.

Note that the figures of partners and linked enterprises should also be considered as stated in the SME user guide. For detailed information check the EU recommendation:

[https://ec.europa.eu/growth/smes/business-friendly-environment/sme-definition\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/growth/smes/business-friendly-environment/sme-definition_en)

<sup>2</sup> Following the Council Implementing Decision (EU) 2022/2506, as of 16th December 2022, no legal commitments can be signed with Hungarian public interest trusts established under Hungarian Act IX of 2021 or any entity they maintain. Affected entities may continue to apply to calls for proposals. However, in case the Council measures are not lifted, such entities are not eligible to participate in the TARGET-X 1st open call. In case of consortium, co-applicants will be invited to remove or replace that entity. Tasks and budget may be redistributed accordingly.

<sup>3</sup> **AC as of (14.04.2023):** Albania, Armenia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Faroe Islands, Georgia, Iceland, Israel, Kosovo, Moldova, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Norway, Serbia, Türkiye, Tunisia, Ukraine, for the most up-to-date list please first part of this [document](#).

The applicants who are subject to EU restrictive measures under Article 29 of the Treaty on the European Union (TEU) and Article 215 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the EU (TFEU)<sup>4</sup> are not eligible to participate in this open call.

The TARGET-X Partners are not eligible to act as applicants and CANNOT be involved in the grantees' projects, neither their affiliates nor employees or permanent collaborators.

### 3.2 What types of activities can be funded?

The proposed activities must:

1. address Performance testing or development of devices or solutions oriented to technology providers and use cases applicable to only **one** topic in one of the following verticals: Manufacturing, Energy, Automotive, Construction and other topics for the development of new devices/ solutions and other topics for evaluation with KPI&KVI-based methodological assessment framework. For more details please check available in [Annex 1](#) and [our website](#);
2. aim to reach Technology Readiness Level (TRL) 7 during the Support Programme, starting from TRL 3-4, preferably. TARGET-X counts on the participation of European innovative SMEs with a clear commercial ambition and a potential for high growth and internationalisation.

The results obtained by the selected projects will be integrated into the TARGET-X project's repository. The technology developed by the projects must be available in Open-Source Code and with open interfaces for further reutilisation in the subsequent phase (i.e. beneficiaries of the 2nd TARGET-X Open Call). More details on Access Rights will be included in the SubGrant Agreement.

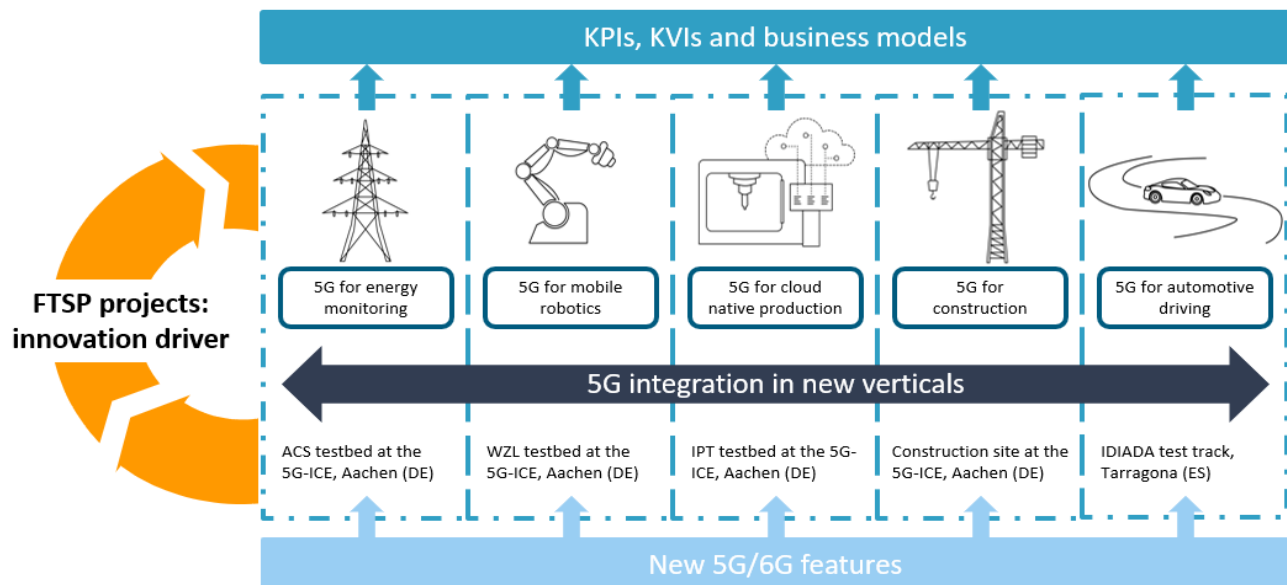


Figure 2 Overall concept of TARGET-X

<sup>4</sup> Please note that the EU Official Journal contains the official list and, in case of conflict, its content prevails over that of the EU Sanctions Map.

### 3.3 How to apply?

Proposals must be submitted through the TARGET-X Open Call microsite:

<https://target-x.fundingbox.com/>

- **Be on time and use our system**

Make sure you submit your proposal through the online form before the deadline on the 26<sup>th</sup> of July 2023 at 17:00 Brussels Time (admissibility criteria). If you submit the form correctly, the system will send you a confirmation of your submission. Get in touch with us if it is not the case. We will not be evaluating any proposal sent after the deadline and submitted outside the dedicated form.

- **English Language**

Your proposal must be written in English in all mandatory parts in order to be eligible. Only parts written in English will be evaluated. If the mandatory parts of the proposal are in any other language, the entire proposal will be rejected (admissibility criterion).

- **Every question deserves your attention**

All mandatory sections of your proposal - generally marked with an asterisk - must be completed (admissibility criterion). The data provided should be actual, true, and complete and should allow assessment of the proposal. Additional material, not specifically requested in the online application form, will **not** be considered for the evaluation.

- **European dimension**

Your proposal should have a clear European Dimension (fostering the projects that generate a substantial positive impact for European citizens).

- **Be exhaustive & precise**

You have to verify the completeness of the form, as it won't be possible to add any further information after the deadline. After the proposal is submitted, you will be able to modify the form until the deadline.

- **Multiple submissions?**

Though applicants can submit multiple applications, each team member or any legal entity can be funded only once per TARGET-X Open Call. If several selected proposals in one TARGET-X Open call have the same team member(s) and/or the same organisation(s), it is only the proposal with the highest number of points that will be funded.

- **Absence of conflict of interest**

We will take into consideration the existence of the potential conflict of interest between you and one or more TARGET-X Consortium Partners. Indeed, the Consortium Partners, their affiliated entities, employees, and permanent collaborators cannot take part in the TARGET-X support programme. All cases of potential conflict of interest will be assessed on a case-by-case basis.



- **It is your proposal**

Your project should be based on your original work, if the project is not based on your original work, your right to use the IPR must be clearly defined (you must have a licence agreement or the IPR (Intellectual Property Rights) must be transferred to you from somebody who created the work). In particular, any work related to the implementation of the project described in the application may not violate the IPR of third parties, and the IPR to the application project may not be the subject of a dispute or proceedings for infringement of third party IPR.

- **Healthy finances and a clean sheet are a must**

We don't accept entities that are under liquidation or enterprises in difficulty according to Commission Regulation No 651/2014, art. 2.18. Neither will we accept proposals from entities that are excluded from the possibility of obtaining EU funding under the provisions of both national and EU law or by a decision of both national or EU authorities. We also don't accept entities that are meeting national regulations regarding bankruptcy.

- **Acceptance of the open-call rules**

To apply for this Open Call you have to accept its rules and regulations detailed in this Guide for Applicants.

- **Limit on the FSTP**

As a beneficiary, you cannot receive more than €60 000 per entity taking into consideration one TARGET-X Open Call.

TARGET-X is planning a certain number of online webinars about this Open Call. They will be announced at the [TARGET-X Open Call microsite](#) and [Community Space](#).

## **4. How will we evaluate your proposal?**

Our evaluation process is transparent, fair and equal to all our participants. We will evaluate the projects in a few phases. For this call, we are looking for the best fit for our project and we expect a high number of applications. Since we are much more concerned with quality than quantity, we suggest putting more effort into the project's presentation, providing as much detail as possible.

### **4.1 Step 1: Admissibility and Eligibility Check**

Once the Open Call is closed, we will check whether the proposals meet the admissibility and eligibility conditions set up in section 3. We will do it on the basis of the statements included in the proposals.

At this stage, the eligibility criteria are checked against a Declaration of Honour or self-declarations included in the application form. Later on, the above criteria will be verified during the whole evaluation process (including the final formal check).

The projects that do not comply with these criteria will be rejected. As a result of the checking, an 'List of Eligible Applications' will be produced.



## 4.2 Step 2: In/Out Scope Screening

The In/Out Scope Screening will be done by the 'Selection Committee' members (TARGET- X Consortium Partners).

The 'Selection Committee' will review the proposal in terms of the general objectives of all proposals assessing the following aspects:

- **Scope.** The objectives of the proposal must fit within the scope of the project;
- **European Dimension.** The project should have a European dimension;

The 'Selection Committee' members will provide reasoning in the cases where no compliance evidence is found.

Be aware that proposals that do not comply with any of the aspects described above will be rejected. The ones complying with all of them will move on to the experts' independent individual evaluation phase.

We will inform the applicants about the results of the admissibility and eligibility check and the IN/OUT SCOPE SCREENING.

## 4.3 Step 3: Independent Individual Evaluation

Independent Individual Evaluation will be done for all 'In Scope' proposals.

In this phase, each project will be evaluated by two Independent Experts. They will be appointed according to the specific characteristics of the applicants from the pool of External Experts.

The projects will be evaluated within the following awarding criteria:

### (1). EXCELLENCE will evaluate:

- **Ambition.** The applicants have to demonstrate to what extent the proposed third party project contributes to the project scope, have an European dimension and are beyond the State of the Art. The third party project has to describe the innovative approach behind it (e.g. ground-breaking objectives, novel concepts and approaches, new products, services or business and organisational models);
- **Innovation.** The applicants should provide information about the level of innovation within their market and about the degree of differentiation that this project will bring;
- **Soundness of the approach** and credibility of the proposed methodology.

### (2). IMPACT will analyse:

- **Market opportunity.** The applicants have to demonstrate a clear idea of what they want to do and whether the new/improved product has market potential, e.g. because it solves a problem for a specific target customer.

- **Competition.** The applicants have to provide information about the degree of competition for their particular product/service and if the idea is disruptive and breaks the market. i.e. the products/services to be brought to market can be clearly differentiated from the competition.
- **Commercial Strategy and Scalability.** The applicants have to demonstrate the level of scalability of the new/improved product meaning by not addressing a specific problem but able to be commercialised to solve a structural problem in a specific sector/process/etc.
- **Environmental and social impact.** The applicants have to demonstrate the project contribution towards environmental, social and economic impacts to contribute to sustainable development, Green Deal and other European policies.

### (3). IMPLEMENTATION will consider:

- **Team.** The applicants have to demonstrate their management and leadership qualities, their ability to take a concept from ideas to market, and their capacity to carry through their ideas and understand the dynamics of the market they are trying to tap into. The team should be a cross-functional team, with a strong background and skills base and taking into account its gender balance (at all levels of personnel assigned to the action, including at the supervisory and managerial levels); the team should take all reasonable measures to promote equal opportunities between men and women in the implementation of the action..
- **Resources.** Demonstrate the quality and effectiveness of the resources assigned in order to get the objectives/deliverables proposed. In the case of for-profit entities, the compromise of 30% self-financing of activities should be secured by each for-profit entities.

The evaluators will score each criterion on a scale from 0 to 5:

- 0 = Proposal fails to address the criterion or cannot be assessed due to missing or incomplete information
- 1 = Poor – criterion is inadequately addressed or there are serious inherent weaknesses
- 2 = Fair – proposal broadly addresses the criterion, but there are significant weaknesses
- 3 = Good – proposal addresses the criterion well, but a number of shortcomings are present
- 4 = Very good – proposal addresses the criterion very well, but a small number of shortcomings are present
- 5 = Excellent – proposal successfully addresses all relevant aspects of the criterion. Any shortcomings are minor.

Each evaluator will produce an ‘**Individual Evaluation Report**’. The final score for each individual criteria will be calculated as an average of the scores’ provided by each evaluator.

If scores on a project show significant divergence between the two reviewers, a third external reviewer will be involved to provide an additional independent assessment of this proposal.

The final score per application will be calculated as the sum of the score for each individual criteria. The threshold for individual criteria will be 3. The overall threshold, applying to the sum of the three individual scores, is 10 points.

#### **4.4. Step 4 Evaluation Consensus Group**

After carrying out the 'Independent Individual Evaluation', experts who have evaluated the proposals will join a Consensus Group, to agree on a common position, including comments and scores for all evaluated proposals.

The Consensus Group will specially discuss the cases where there is a significant divergence between the evaluators' scoring. In case no consensus is reached between the evaluators, an additional evaluator will be included to provide an extra evaluation.

In case of ties, the following criteria will be used to rank the projects, in order:

- The highest score in the Impact Section;
- Gender balance among the personnel responsible for carrying out the activities.

As a result of the Independent Evaluation, a 'Ranking List' will be produced.

All proposals obtaining a score above the threshold will pass to the next phase. Please note that we need time to process through all the proposals in this phase, so you probably won't hear back from us for a while.

#### **4.5 Step 5 Consensus Meeting**

The 'Selection Committee' and two external experts and the external ethics expert will decide, by Consensus, the 'Provisional List of FSTP recipients' and a 'Reserve List'.

The decision will be based on the 'Ranking List' obtained as a result of the previous step. 'Selection Committee' will make sure (in order to ensure a balanced portfolio of supported activities in the different Verticals) that at least the highest ranked proposal per vertical will be funded provided that it attains all thresholds.

Whilst normally the highest ranked proposals will be selected for funding, the 'Selection Committee' might have fair reasons for objecting to a specific third party project, like the alignment with TARGET-X goals and scope, the ability to achieve the highest impact possible, commercial competition, as well as the existence of significant ethical concerns or a potential conflict of interest. In this case, the choice may pass to the next-ranked proposal.

The exact number of proposals approved will be decided based on the overall quality of the proposals.

## 4.6 Step 6 Ethics Review

The 'Ethics Review' will be done for all selected proposals, considering possible scenarios with ethics issues.

These will be mainly related to the handling of Private Data:

- Person-related data: camera surveillance, image processing in the context of manufacturing, construction and automotive;
- Industrial data: industrial data generally need specific protection;
- Artificial intelligence: no specific developments of AI are expected, but some tools for human-robot collaboration could deploy AI tools.

## 5. What's next? SubGrant Agreement Preparation and Signature

Before the beneficiary gets started with the TARGET-X programme, they need to sign the SubGrant Agreement with the TARGET-X Consortium. In the case of consortia, the SGA will be signed by each third party.

Prior to signing the SubGrant Agreement, you should provide documents regarding your formal status. The TARGET-X Consortium will verify them, to prove your eligibility (for the details please check our ['Frequently Asked Questions'](#)). Please do it within the deadlines that will be communicated to you.

Be extremely vigilant with respect to:

- 1. The nature of the documents we request.**

If the documents you provide do not prove your eligibility, the process will end here for you.

- 2. The deadlines that we will give you to hand us these documents.**

If you do not deliver the requested documents on time, without a clear and reasonable justification, we will have to exclude you from further formal assessment. Another applicant from the 'Reserve List' will then replace you.

## 6. Our Support Programme and Payment Arrangements

Once your eligibility has been confirmed following the formal check and the SubGrant Agreement signed, you will become an official beneficiary of the TARGET-X Programme.

As a selected grantee, you will receive a fixed lump sum of up to €60 000 (for a single applicant) or up to €120 000 (for a micro-consortium of 2 applicants, but no more than €60 000 per entity). The Support Programme will last 7 months.

**NOTE!** When you apply as a micro-consortium, your application form must include information on how the grant will be distributed between consortium members.

The lump sum is a simplified method of settling expenses in projects financed from Horizon Europe funds. It means that you as a beneficiary are not required to present strictly defined accounting documents to prove the cost incurred (e.g. invoices).

However, you are obliged to demonstrate the implementation of the project in line with the milestones set for it. Simply speaking it means that we will carefully assess your progress and the quality of your work during Interim Reviews, not your accountancy.

The milestones (deliverables, KPIs and ethical recommendations) will be fixed in the **'Individual Mentoring Plan'** elaborated at the beginning of the programme.

The lump sum does not release you from the obligation to collect documentation to confirm the costs under fiscal regulation.

## 6.1 Payment Arrangements

For the sake of simplicity and transparency, the Financial Support will be paid against the achievement of certain milestones or KPIs (which will be included in the 'Individual Mentoring Plan' annexed to the SGA and based on the results of the Milestone Reviews). As a beneficiary, you will receive funding as follows:

Payment Milestones	Deliverable	Delivery Date	Payment Milestone (instalments)
Stage 1	'Individual Mentoring Plan'	M1	Up to 5 000 EUR
Stage 2	Project development report	M3	Up to 35 000 EUR
Stage 3	Market uptake report	M7	Up to 20 000 EUR
TOTAL			<b>UP TO 60 000 EUR</b>

*Table 1 Payment Milestones*

### Milestone review process

A Milestone Review will be organised in each payment milestone established at the project level, namely:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Milestone Review: Individual Mentoring Plan;
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Milestone Review: Interim progress review;
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Milestone Review: Final review.

The evaluation of the third party projects' performance at the 'Milestone Review' will be done by the mentors assigned to each project and, if specified in the Individual Mentoring Plan, also by the ethics expert.

The evaluation will be done based on the following criteria:

- Deliverable quality (30%);
- Technical performance indicators (60%);
- Deadline Compliance (10%).

Each criterion will be scored from 0 to 10 and, based on the weight of each criteria, the final score will be calculated. The threshold to continue in the programme is 7 points.

The 'Selection Committee' will review and validate the evaluations from mentors, putting special attention to the 'under threshold' cases, if any, by taking into consideration all possible objective reasons for underperformance (i.e. external factors which might have influenced the beneficiaries' performance). The 'Selection Committee' will take the final decision, and approve the payments or invite third party projects which have not reached the threshold to leave the programme.

A delayed payment mechanism might be applied to the payments. The final payment (up to 15% of the total grant amount awarded to one beneficiary) might be done after the TARGET-X project ends (which is 30.06.2025). In the case of for-profit legal entities, the grant cannot exceed 70% of the costs estimated for the execution of the project.

## 7. Contact us

How can we help you?

If you have extra questions regarding our Open Call process, you can post your questions at:

- ✓ Ask your question in the [HELPDESK](#).
- ✓ Send us an email to the following address: [contact.target-x@ipt.fraunhofer.de](mailto:contact.target-x@ipt.fraunhofer.de).

In case of any technical issues or problems, please include the following information in your message:

- ✓ Your username, telephone number and your email address;
- ✓ The details of the specific problem (error messages that appeared, bug descriptions such as a dropdown list that isn't working, etc.);
- ✓ Screenshots of the problem.

### Complaints

If, after receiving the results of one of the evaluation phases (when foreseen), you consider that a mistake has been made, you can send us your complaint. To do so please send us your complaint in English by email to [contact.target-x@ipt.fraunhofer.de](mailto:contact.target-x@ipt.fraunhofer.de), including the following information:

- ✓ Your contact details (including email address);
- ✓ The subject of the complaint;
- ✓ Information and evidence regarding the alleged mistake.

Important note regarding the timeline:

You have **3 calendar days** to submit your complaint starting from the day after the communication was sent. On our side, we will review them within no more than 14 calendar days from its reception.

If we need more time to assess your complaint, we will inform you by email about the extension. We will not review anonymous complaints as well as complaints with incomplete information.

Please take into account that the evaluation is run by experts in the field, and we do not interfere with their assessment, therefore we will not evaluate complaints related to the results of the evaluation other than related to the mistakes in the evaluation of the eligibility criteria.

## 8. Last but not least - final provisions

Any matters not covered by this Guide will be governed by Polish law and rules related to the Horizon Europe programme and European Union grants regulations.

Please take into account that we make our best effort to keep all provided data confidential; however, for the avoidance of doubt, you are solely responsible to indicate your confidential information as such.

Your IPR will remain your property. Further contracts may be needed in case of IPR generated from work carried out jointly by you and one or more TARGET-X Partners. TARGET-X project has received funding under the Smart Networks and Services Joint Undertaking (hereinafter **SNS JU**) actions and therefore may undergo additional requirements when it comes to granting access rights of the TARGET-X funded project results to the TARGET-X consortium partners, SNS JU members and contributing partners and the European Commission. The additional requirements for the access rights to results include but are not limited to: Access for Key Performance Indicators (KPI) and Key Value Indicators (KVI) evaluation, data generated within the TARGET-X funded project, access to results of the TARGET-X funded project, Open-source energy data anonymized for further scientific use.

Please note that TARGET-X beneficiaries must enable a potential assessment of their project based on a methodological assessment framework that is being developed as part of TARGET-X. The framework is currently being developed to evaluate implemented 5G use cases and assess their technical, economic and societal impact. Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) and Key Value Indicators (KVIs) are defined for the assessment to make the impact of 5G use cases measurable in a variety of categories. Examples of assessment include calculating the return on investment (RoI) of 5G use cases or calculating the greenhouse gas reduction potential from the use of 5G, etc.

For the selected beneficiaries, the SubGrant Agreement will include a set of obligations towards the European Commission (for example: promoting the project and giving visibility to the EU funding, maintaining confidentiality, IPR, understanding potential controls by the EC/ECA, EPPO and OLAF).

The TARGET-X Consortium might cancel the call at any time, change its provisions or extend it. In such a case we will inform all applicants about such change. The signature of the SubGrant Agreement is an initial



condition to establish any obligations among applicants and any X-Target Consortium Partners (with respect to the obligation of confidentiality of the application).

You didn't find what you were looking for? You may want to check our ['Frequently Asked Questions'](#) section.

## 9. Extra hints before submitting your proposal

A proposal takes time and effort and we know it. Here are a few crucial points you should read before submitting your proposal in order to maximise your chances of success:

- ✓ Is your project in line with what TARGET-X is looking for? Not 100% sure? You can consult this [section 3.2](#) as well as the [website](#).
- ✓ Did you present your project in a way that will convince evaluators? Not sure if you did? Go back to [section 4.3](#) if you have any doubts.
- ✓ Is your project fulfilling all the admissibility and eligibility requirements described in the Guide for Applicants? Check again [section 3](#).
- ✓ Are you sure you are able to cope with our process of the SubGrant Agreement signature and payment arrangements for selected proposals? You may want to go over [this section](#).
- ✓ Did you check our SubGrant Agreement Template? You didn't? Check it out [here](#).
- ✓ Do you need extra help? [Get in touch!](#)

You can read our [R.E.C.I.P.E. for an outstanding European Funding Opportunity application](#) for additional advice. Good luck!