

How to find and apply for funding opportunities

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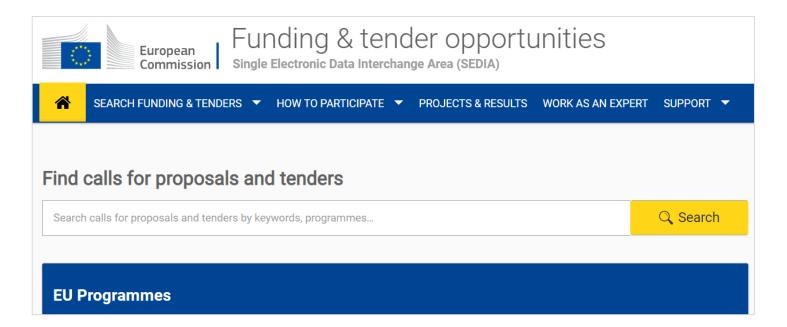
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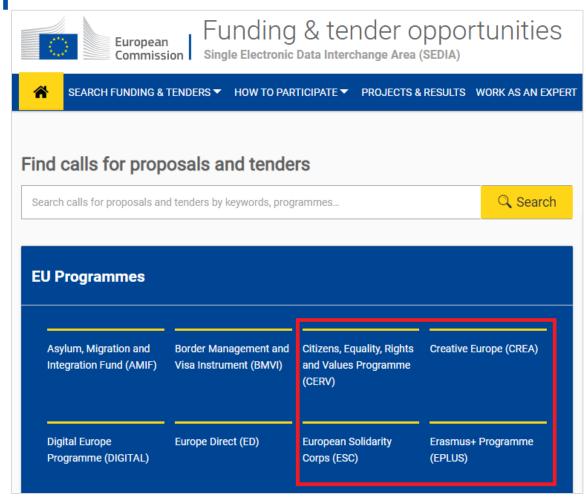


- EACEA's funding opportunities are published on the European Commission's Funding & Tender Opportunities Portal (F&TP) https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/home
- Funding opportunities are made available through 'calls for proposals'.





- Calls for proposals are listed by funding programme. EACEA's four funding programmes are:
 - Erasmus+
 - Creative Europe
 - the European Solidarity Corps
 - the Citizens, Equality, Rights and Values programme (CERV)
- You can find these on the F&TP homepage.



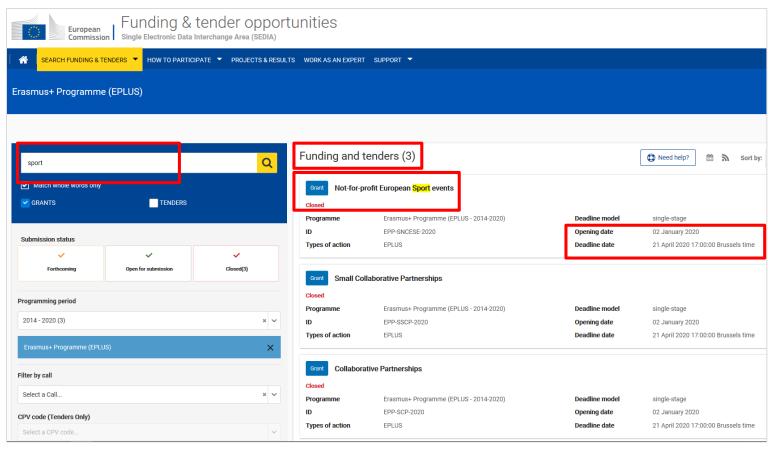


- Click on the programme that you are interested in, e.g. Erasmus+.
- This will take you to the 'programme page'.
- Scroll down to 'Find calls for proposals' and click on 'view' to see which funding opportunities are available.



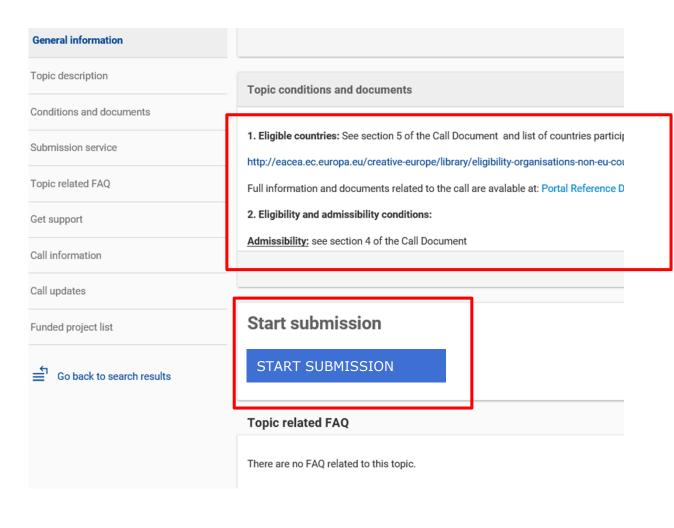


 You will now see a list of all the programme's calls for proposals listed under 'Funding and tenders'. Each call has an opening date and a deadline.



- You can enter keywords into the search bar to refine your search.
- Click on a call to find out more about it.





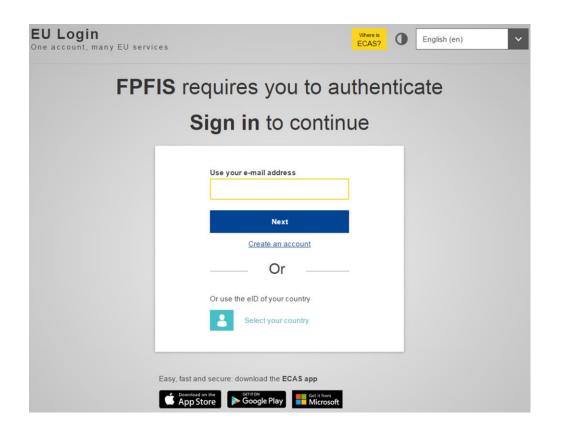
- Read all the information relating to the call. This should give you all the information you need in order to apply.
- If you are ready to apply, click on 'start submission'.



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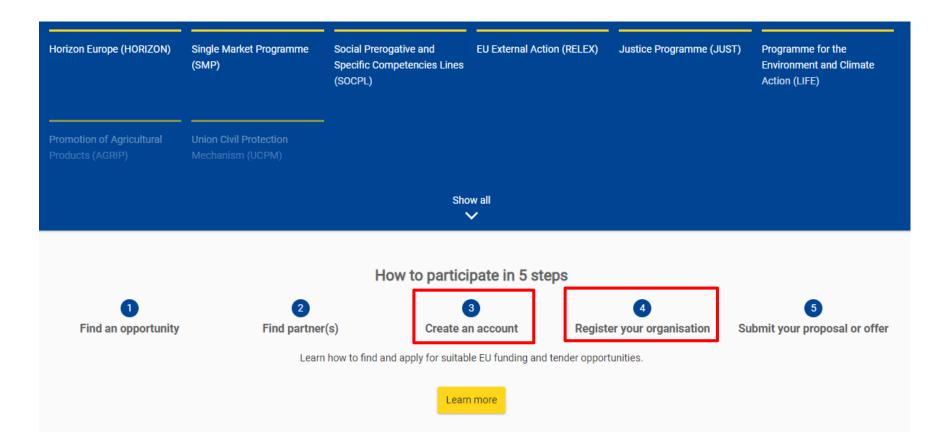


- To apply, you will need the following:
 - You, as the coordinator and organiser of the project, must have a valid EU Login account.
 - Your organisation must have a 9-digit
 PIC (Participant Identification Code).
 You receive this when you register your organization.
- You will be prompted to enter your EU Login details in order to start or update your application.

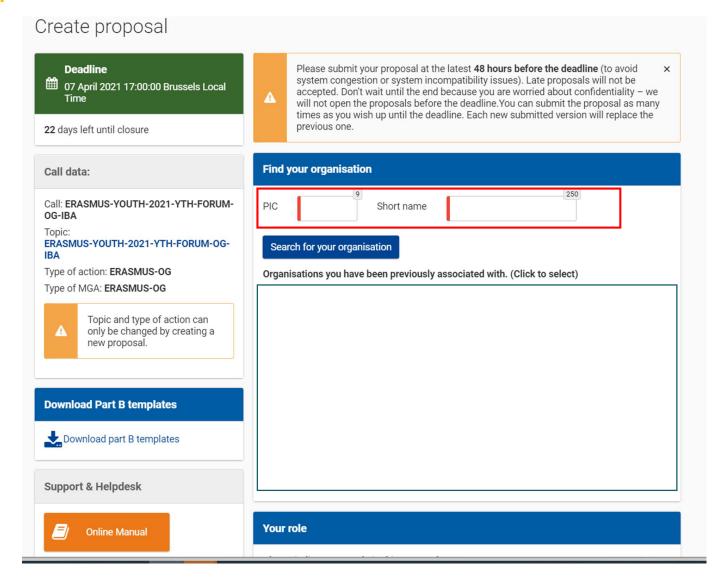




 To create your EU Login account and register your organisation, click on the steps 3 and 4 the EU programmes on the F&TP homepage.

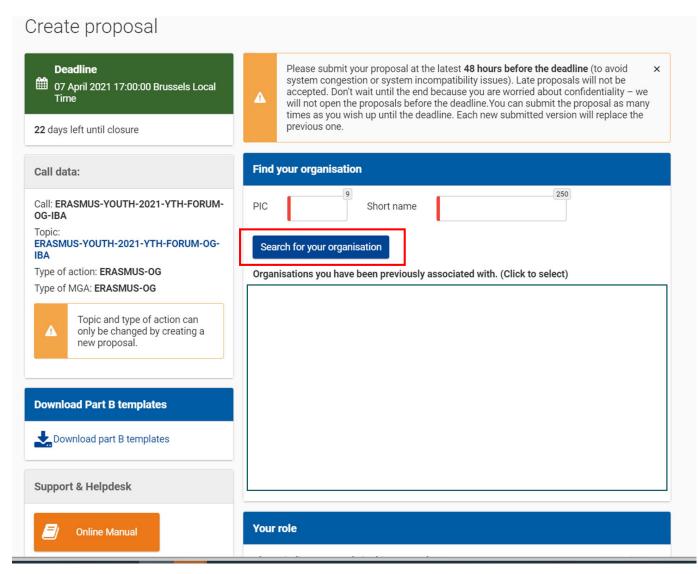






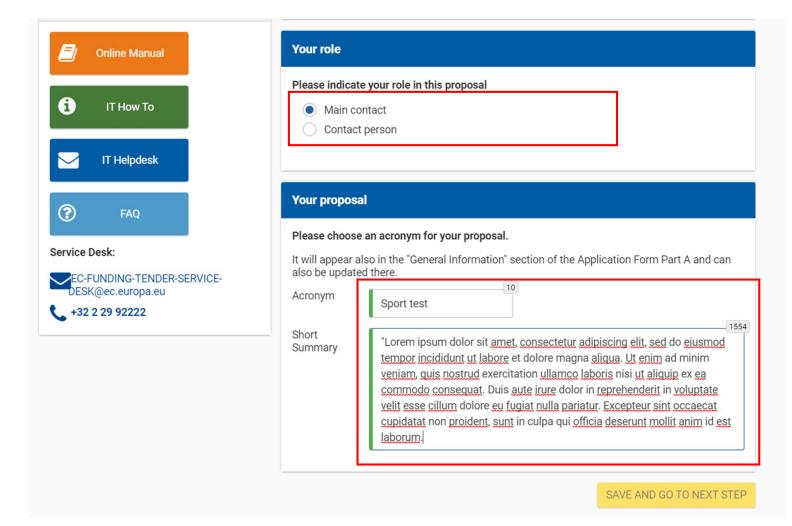
- You can now begin your application.
- You will need to enter your PIC in the box shown in red.





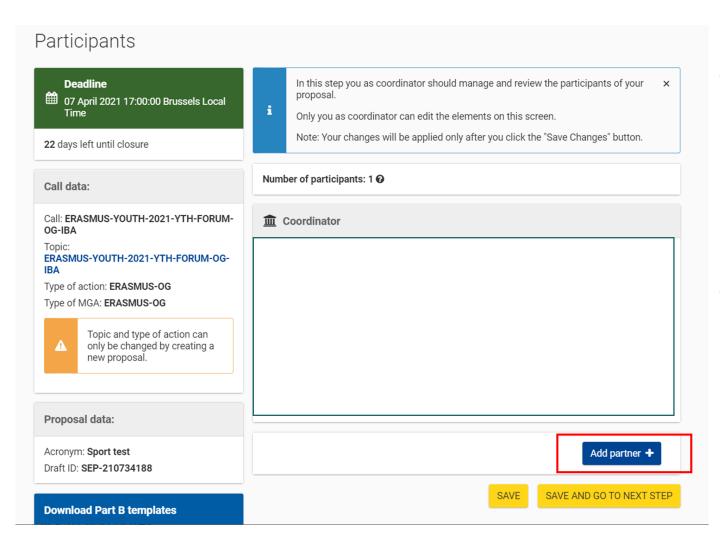
- Use the PIC to search for your organisation in the F&TP database.
- You can select your organisation from the search results that appear.





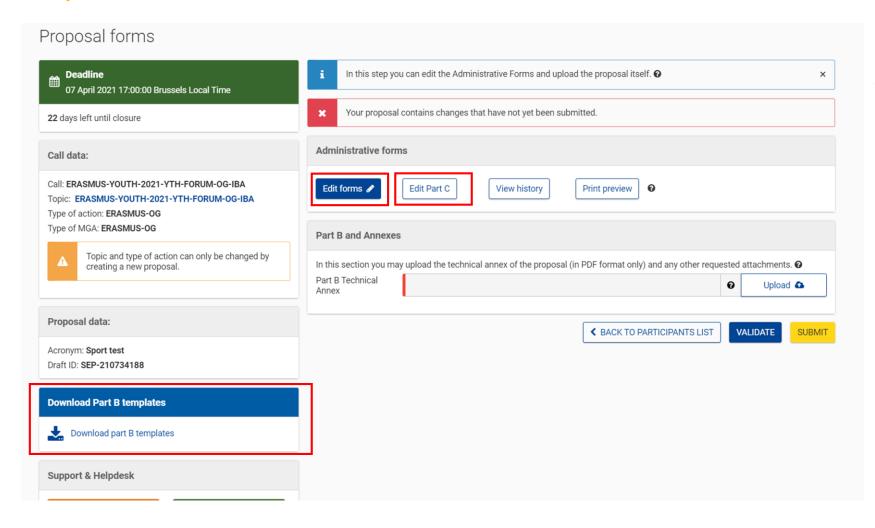
- First, indicate your role in the application process.
- Then fill in a summary of your proposal and move onto the next step.





- Add partners to the proposal if necessary. You will have to search for them using their PIC, and follow the same steps as before.
- If you do not need to add additional partners, you can move onto the next step.





- Depending on the call you are applying to, you will have to complete some or all of the following:
 - the eForm
 - Part C
 - the attachments

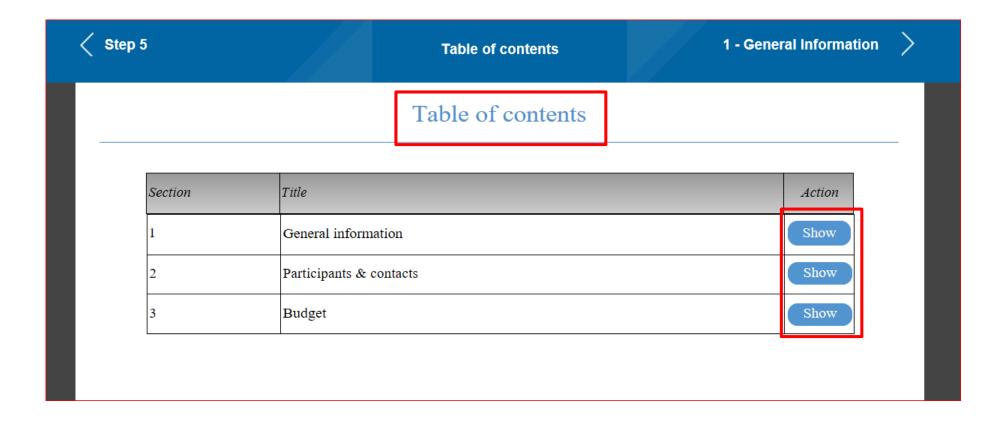




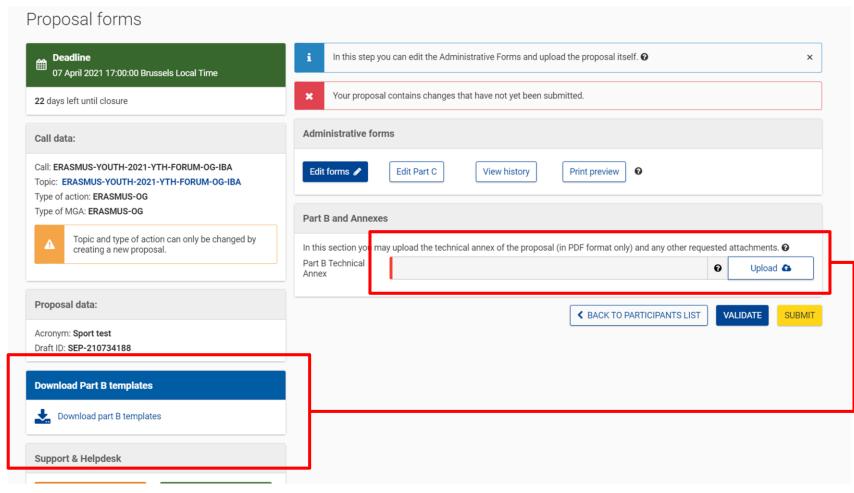
- Fill in the eForm.
- Click on 'Table of Contents' to see the parts that you need to complete.



• Edit the eForm, save it, and validate.

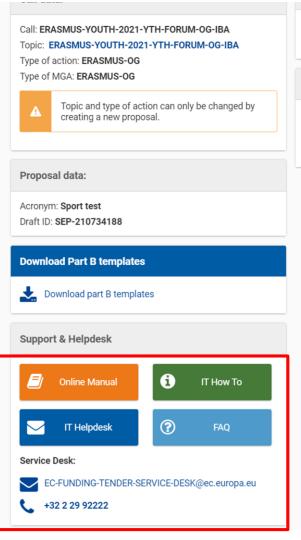


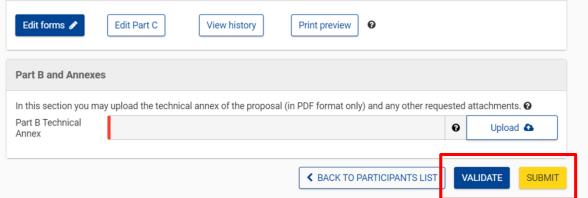




 To complete part B, you may need to download and complete the annex forms.







- When you are ready, you can validate and submit.
- If in doubt, you can access support resources at any moment.



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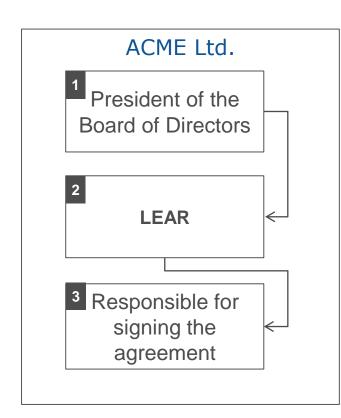
- To participate, your organisation will need to have a LEAR (legal entity appointed representative).
- For organisations (not individuals), the LEAR is a person formally appointed by the legal representative of the organisation to perform certain tasks on behalf of their organisation.



- The LEAR role is key. The LEAR is formally nominated to manage your organisation's use of the Portal and thus bears the final responsibility for all your actions in the Portal. Once validated, the LEAR will be responsible for:
 - keeping an overview of all the proposals/projects/contracts your organisation is involved in;
 - managing all the legal and financial information about your organization;
 - managing the access rights at organisation-level (and read-only access at project-level);
 - appointing the persons which will be able to electronically sign grants/contracts (Legal Signatories LSIGNs) and cost claims/invoices (Financial Signatories FSIGNs).

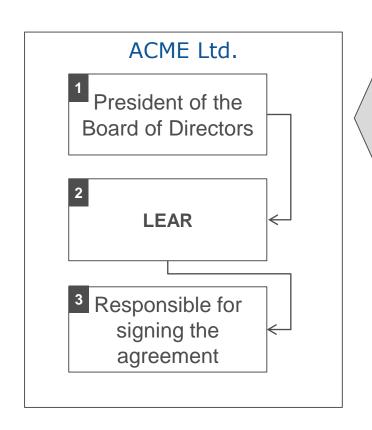


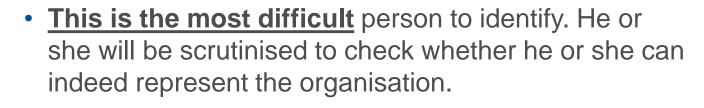
The LEAR allocates the role(s) of who signs the agreement in the system.



- I, in my capacity as *President of the Board of Directors* and authorised to legally represent my organisation, **have appointed** as our legal entity appointed representative (LEAR) Ms XXXX
- Ms XXXX enters and updates the names of the colleagues <u>authorised to act as legal representatives</u> and signatories for the organisation.
- Finally, this is the person who ultimately signs the Agreement.





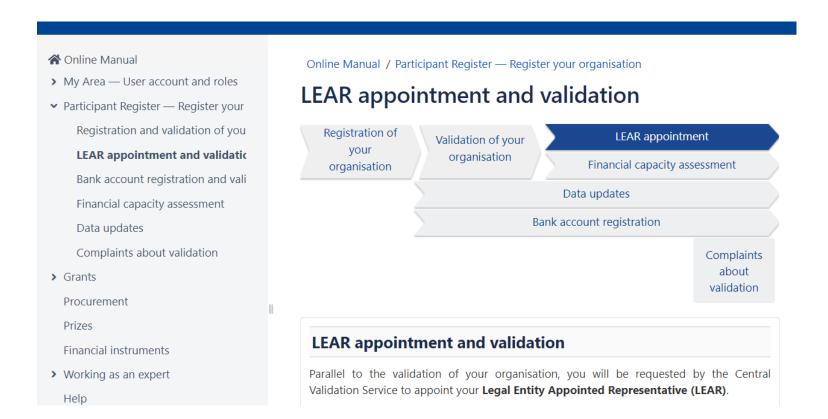


 Official documents will have to be provided to the European Commission's validation authority for verification.

Often, however, the same person has the 3 roles.



 You can find full details on appointing and validating the LEAR in the F&TP online manual here: https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/funding-tenders-opportunities/display/OM/LEAR+appointment+and+validation





Useful links

- F&TP online manual: https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/funding-tenders-opportunities/display/OM/Online+Manual
- How to participate: https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/how-to-participate/how-to-participate/1
- F&TP support section: https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/support/support
- EACEA website 'How to get a grant':
 https://www.eacea.ec.europa.eu/grants/how-get-grant_en



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