Call for proposals for EELISA@ BME communities

As part of the EELISA (the European Engineering Learning Innovation & Science Alliance) European University Initiative, the academic and non-academic staff of BME are invited to establish EELISA@BME Communities. Built to reflect the key challenges of sustainable development and the priorities of Horizon Europe, these communities are multidisciplinary groups that bring together members from academia and the scientific community with external partners to jointly seek solutions to important academic, scientific, economic and/or societal issues.

BME is a member of EELISA (European Engineering Learning Innovation & Science Alliance), a European university made up of 9 partners that share a common vision of a future European space for higher education and research. EELISA's aim is to rethink Europe's engineering programs, making them interdisciplinary, multilingual, and prepared to meet the major challenges of the 21st century. Alliance members seek concrete solutions to the societal and environmental challenges foreseen in the coming decades. To secure the participation of as many students, research professors, and external partners as possible, **EELISA Communities are multidisciplinary groups that will be formed around major academic, scientific, economic and/or societal challenges, based on the common interest and expertise of their participants.**

Purpose of the Call for Proposals

The call for proposals aims to support the BME-EELISA communities which are established by BME members targeting challenges related to sustainable development goals (SDGs) and the "Global challenges" priorities of the Horizon Europe programme. Through the resources of the EELISA initiative, BME shall support the winning communities in reaching their proposed objectives by financial support of their mobility actions and by providing them promotion and visibility through BME's and EELISA's channels until 31 October 2023.

EELISA Communities @ BME

EELISA communities are spaces for research, discussion and knowledge exchange formulated in relation with major scientific and societal challenges ("challenge-based communities") and may include teachers, researchers, administrative staff, students of BME and EELISA partner institutions as well as external partners (e.g.: representatives of NGOs, private companies, or public authorities). With the added value of inter- and cross-disciplinarity, these communities will foster the sharing of knowledge, expertise and good practices and the dissemination of knowledge, research and innovation while at the same time, facilitating activities and events in connection with their key discipline(s).

As a minimum key requirement to create an EELISA community, the initial membership needs to include at least two participants from EELISA partner universities from at least two different countries. Furthermore, they are encouraged to envision the possible expansion of the

community with further members of the EELISA network, with the support of the whole alliance.

The future networking activities of the EELISA Communities will be supported by the EELISA Innovation Platform, foreseen to be launched by early 2022. The platform will serve as a communication hub for all EELISA members and their networks, and provide an online environment for collaboration, communication, project development, and the implementation of activities and events within EELISA.

Minimum membership requirements for EELISA@BME Communities

Participants:

Each community should have at least 3 funding members.

Minimum 1 member should be a full-time employee of BME (teacher, researcher, administrative staff, etc.)

Minimum 2 members from 2 different EELISA partner institutions from 2 different countries are required. The BME EELISA office provides assistance in finding partners at EELISA institutions (please contact <u>eelisa@bme.hu</u>)

Minimum 1 member should be student of any EELISA institutes including BME

Lead member:

The Lead member of the community should be a full-time employee of BME (teacher, researcher, administrative staff, etc.).

The Lead member of the community will also be the person of first contact among the funding members of the community and will act as the main point of contact for the EELISA team.

The Lead member will be responsible for adequate communication and reporting with regards to the activities of the community.

Budget and funding arrangements

BME provides a maximum subsidy of **2.500.000 HUF** for each winner EELISA@BME Community, which can be used for supporting mobility related to the community activities. The actual subsidy will be based on the number and evaluation of the submitted proposals.

No equipment expenditures or compensation for working hours shall be eligible for reimbursement.

The organization and documentation of mobility activities related to the funding and implementation of EELISA@BME Communities shall be carried out by BME's Center for University-Industry Cooperation (FIEK).

Examples of activities eligible for funding (not exhaustive)

Support of participating in conferences, seminars or workshops organized by or with participation of community member(s) (travel & accommodation)

Support of participating in hackathons or European or international competitions organized by or with participation of community member(s) (travel & accommodation)

Support of participating in-person summer school(s) organized by or with participation of community member(s) (travel & accommodation)

Proposal format and content

Please indicate your interest at <u>eelisa@bme.hu</u> by **27/04/2022.**

To submit a proposal for an EELISA@BME Community, the proposal form should be downloaded from **eelisa.bme.hu**. The completed forms should be sent to <u>eelisa@bme.hu</u>

Submission deadline: 13/05/2022 23:59 CET.

Incomplete forms and form submitted after the deadline shall not be considered eligible for evaluation.

Evaluation criteria:

The submitted proposals will be evaluated with emphasis of the following:

- The mission of the community is relevant to the goals of the EELISA European university
- The profiles of the people involved are a good fit for the planned activities
- The requested budget matches the planned activities
- The sustainability of the community is clearly planned after the supported period
- Possible connections to other EELISA communities
- Inclusion of students is advantage

Submitted proposals will be evaluated by the EELISA steering committee of BME.

The viability and sustainability of the community shall be monitored upon the first completed year of operation, based on the completion of planned activities for the first 12 months.

Timeline for submission and evaluation:

Opening of Call for Proposals: 13/04/2022 Closing of Call for Proposals: 13/05/2022 Evaluation of submitted proposals: 16/05/2022 - 27/05/2022 Announcement of supported EELISA@BME Communities: 30/05/2022

Contact and further information

The completed form and any attachments should be submitted to <u>eelisa@bme.hu</u>.

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For information on EELISA, please visit <u>https://eelisa.eu/</u> and <u>https://eelisa.bme.hu/</u>.

For further details or any questions regarding the Call for proposals for EELISA@ BME communities, please contact <u>eelisa@bme.hu</u>.