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Framework programme for research and innovation 2021–2027

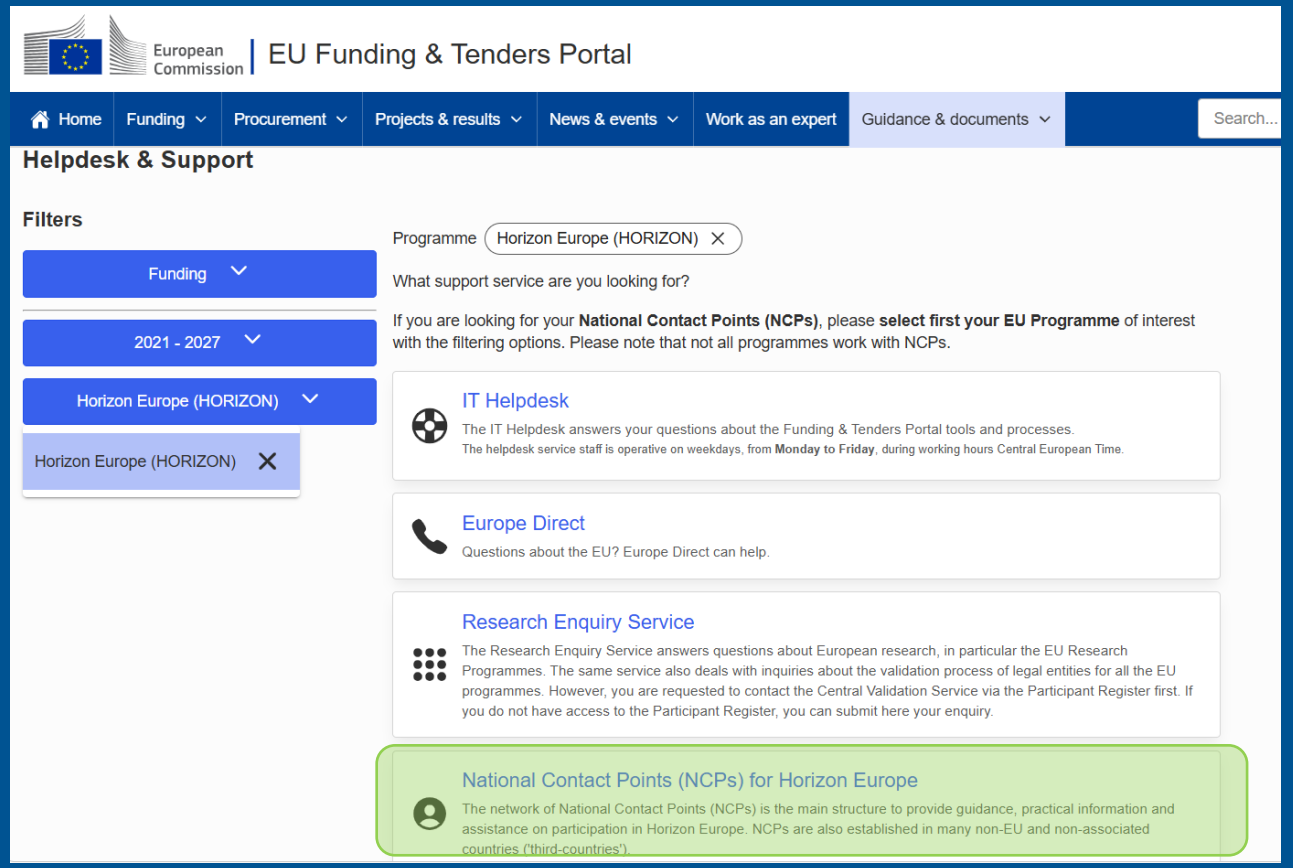
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National Contact Points NCP

- Support functions for applicants
- We spread information on calls, flagship events etc
  - Cluster specific mailing list e.g. cluster 4
  - Vinnova's newsletter on Horizon Europe
- We can be your sounding board
- Answers questions on Horizon Europe
- Helps to find matching calls and topics
- Give strategical advice
- Legal and financial advice
- You are the thematical expert

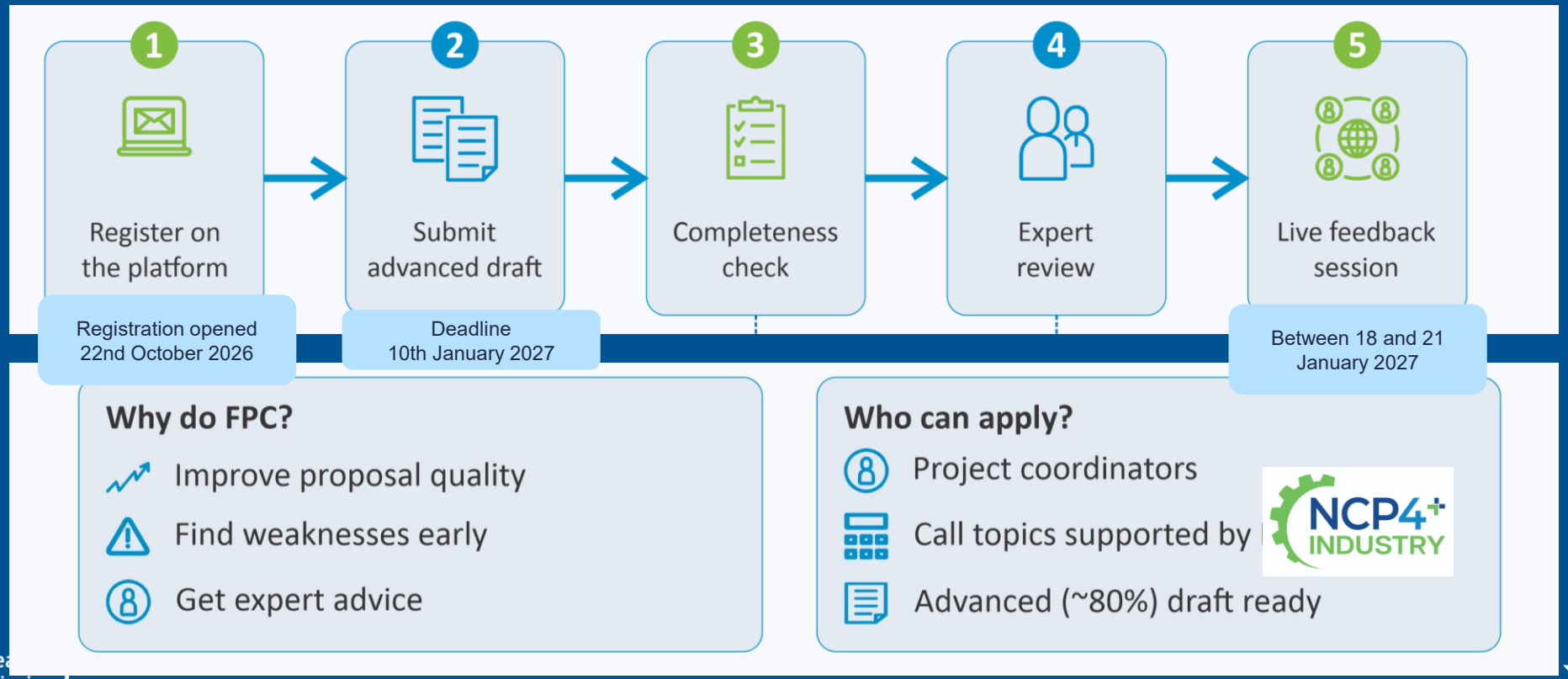


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Full Proposal Checks

- Let your proposal be reviewed by 2 expert evaluators, for free and confidential
- HORIZON-CL4-2027-01-MAT-PROD-06
- HORIZON-CL4-2027-01-MAT-PROD-08



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Do's

- Develop the application based on the call objectives and evaluation criteria.
- Position your work in relation to previous work and state-of-the-art, added value to Europe?
- Put effort into consortium building – partners. Consider project objectives!
- Use support peer reviews, EUSME Support, NCPs – but own your application!
- Identify EU agendas relevant to the call: strategies, policies, directives…

Dont's

- Write the application as if it is a journal paper - you must sell your proposal!
- Include partners only for volume - every partner must have a clear role, value, and purpose for participating.
- Underestimate competition - start early and put effort into the application, Submit at the last minute!
- Use generic references such as "better" "important" etc - quantify and specify! Don't overpromise

Not an exhaustive list!

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AI in proposal writing

OK to use!

Transparency is required!

Reviewers may <u>not</u> penalise use of AI!

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Watch out for:

Plagiarism

- Pictures and graphic material
- Text passages from existing journals without (proper) citations
- etc.

Correctness and completeness

- References
- Organisations/ partners
- Bias, hallucinations
- Are all statements you make sufficiently supported?
- Are all actions assigned to the correct entity? Do they know?

Double funding

IP

- Sharing input with an AI tool can compromise your possibility to register IPR

How can AI help:

Improvement of quality rather than speed

- Clarity
- Coherence
- Flow

Conceptual Fit

- Alignment with call texts, expected outcomes, and policy context
- Novelty

Reveal blind spots and gaps

- Check completeness of literature
- Identify missing perspectives
- Mapping the draft onto the state of the art

Summarizing