EUREKA funding in Portugal

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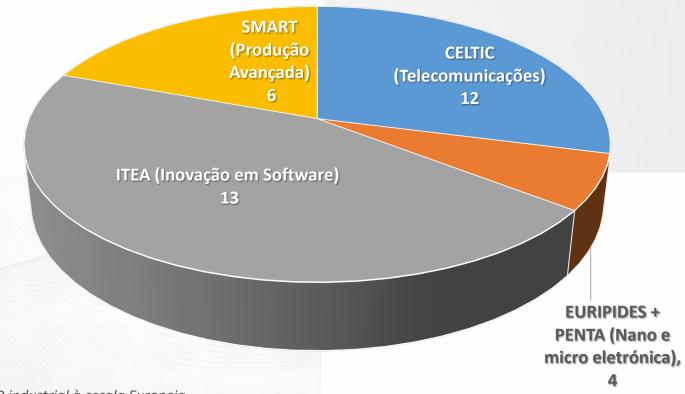






Cluster Figures Funded PT projects 2017 - 2020

EUREKA Clusters— Funded Projects* Total: 35



*Projetos de I&D industrial à escala Europeia, Avisos COMPETE 2020 SI/I&DT nº 25, 18, 16) − 2017 a 2020



EUREKA / Eurostars funding in Portugal (2016-2020)

EUREKA Network			Total
EUREKA Programme	EUROSTARS 2*	EUREKA**	
Total applications	26	36	62
Approved projects	26	35	61
Eligible investment (€)	7,791,446	24,672,832	32,464,278
Approved funding (€)	5,130,780	16,173,932	21,304,712
Average funding per project (€)	197,338	462,112	349,258

^{• *} Comprises state budget and ESIF funding through PT2020 - Projetos de I&D industrial à Escala Europeia (Avisos 18/2018 e 16/2019)

Source: Agência Nacional de Inovação, S.A.

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Projetos de I&D Industrial à Escala Europeia

1. Specific national rules (goals and priorities)

Portuguese entities participating in project applications that have been awarded the Eureka Label can apply to national funding via the notice "**Projetos de I&D Industrial à Escala Europeia**" - Aviso PT2030 (to be published in early 2022).

Projects covered:

- EUREKA projects, including "classic" Eureka Network Projects, Eureka Clusters, GLOBALSTARS and multilateral calls);
- EUROSTARS

Funded projects must include industrial research and/or experimental development activities, leading to the creation of new products, processes or systems or to the introduction of significant improvements in existing products, processes or systems.



Specific eligibility criteria (main highlights):

- 1) Fit into the priority areas of the research and innovation strategy for smart specialization National and/or Regional RIS3.
- 2) Present evidence of the approval of the project within the Eureka Programmes (Eureka label / Eureka cluster label / letter of approval in case of Eurostars projects).

- 3) The national component of the European project will only be funded if the investments of the international co-promoters are also executed.
- Verification of compliance with this condition will be carried out during the monitoring and closing of the project;



Specific eligibility criteria (cont.):

4) In the case of projects developed in co-promotion involving R&D entities, the national company(ies) must ensure the most relevant share of the investment.

- **5)** Beneficiaries must present a **balanced economic and financial situation** (entities should foresee the present terms established in ANNEX G of the RECI Specific Regulation in the Domain of Competitiveness and Internationalization).
- **6)** Submit with the application and attached to the form, a draft of the **international consortium agreement.**



Eligible entities, eligible costs, and funding rates:

Eligible participants: All companies, universities and research centres registered in Portugal are eligible for funding.

Form, amount and limits of the incentive (article 70° of "RECI – Regulamento Específico do domínio da Competitividade e a Internacionalização", - "Forma, montante e limites do incentivo ", page 5697).

The Portuguese entities can receive funding in the form of a **grant** for projects with eligible costs up to **1 million euros.** The exceeding amount over 1 million euros, takes the form of a grant in 75% and the 25% remaining amount will take the form of reimbursable funding.

For the participating **Portuguese research institutions**, the funding will always assume the form of **grant**.



Co-funding rates:

Please check the co-funding rates for eligible costs at **article 71º of RECI** - **Taxas de financiamento, (**page 5698):

In general, the co-funding rates are:

SMEs – up to 75% of the eligible costs,

Large companies - up to 65% of eligible costs

Universities or Research institutions – up to 75% of eligible costs

Co-funding bonus:

Basic rate of 25% of co-funding of eligible costs to which the following funding bonuses may be added:

Bonus "Industrial Research": 25% (covers TRL 2 to 4)

Bonus "Type of company": 10% if SME | 20% if micro or small company

Bonus "Cooperation between companies/R&D institutions" and "Wide dissemination of results": 15%

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Mandatory "financial autonomy racios":

The Portuguese companies receiving public funding within the framework of AVISO Portugal2020 need to comply with the following financial autonomy ratios (Annex G" of RECI):

If SME: 15%

If Large company: 20%

Companies that have been active for less than one year at the date of the application, must demonstrate the capacity to finance the project with equity, equal to or greater than 20% of eligible costs.

Additional documents required for the national application

After being awarded with the Eureka label, Portuguese entities must submit a separate national application complying with Aviso Portugal 2020 specific access conditions.

As annexes to the national application, the Portuguese entities must add the original EUREKA labelled application, the evaluation report from the EUREKA call experts and the actual label awarding document.



Application form must include:

- Upload copy of the original International Application
- Upload copy of the final international evaluation report;
- Upload copy of the awarded EUREKA label.
- Draft of the International Consortium Agreement
- Technical Annex



Fundamental in EUREKA projects:

- Contact the Eureka National Project Coordinator know in advance the national funding conditions
- Be awarded with the EUREKA label our Eurostars approval
- Submit a quality application showing the added value of the project to the participating national entities.

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