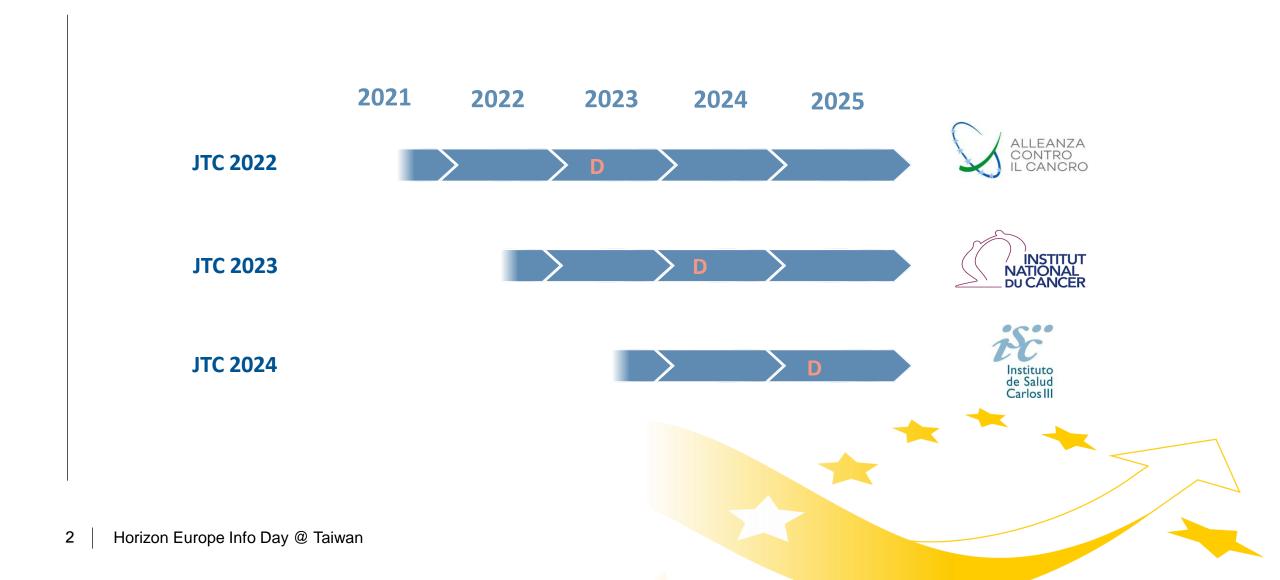


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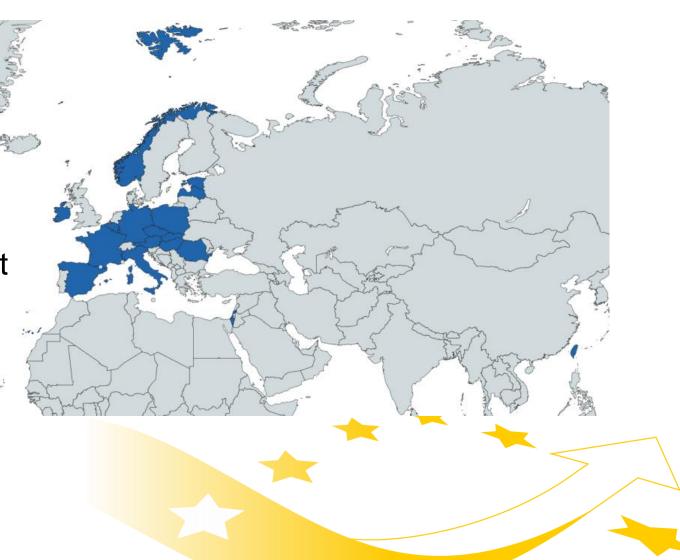
JTC 2022 Partners



• 24 funding organisations

• 17 countries

• 18 Mio EUR earmarked budget







Novel translational approaches to tackle the challenges of hard-to-treat cancers

from early diagnosis to therapy

	5-year survival rate	Absolute change
	(2017)	2006-2017
Glioblastoma	5.7%	0.1
Pancreas	10.9%	0.6
Mesothelioma	11.5%	0.3
Gallbladder	19.4%	0.4
Oesophagus	19.9%	0.4
Liver and bile ducts	20.3%	0.7
Lung/bronchus	21.7%	0.5

Source: https://seer.cancer.gov

JTC2022 Topic



Novel translational approaches to tackle the challenges of hard-to-treat cancers from early diagnosis to therapy

- 1. Identification/validation of novel early diagnostic approaches
- 2. Identification/validation of novel therapeutic approaches
- 3. Development of novel drug delivery strategies

JTC2022 Timeline



Pre-announcement	11 April 2022
Call Launch	23 May 2022
Opening of the online system	6 June 2022
Deadline for preproposal submission	18 July 2022
Invitation to second stage	3 November 2022
Opening of the online system	17 November 2022
Deadline for full proposals	15 December 2022
End of evaluation	2 January 2023
Final funding decision	April 2023
Project Start	September 2023

JTC Implementation



- Funding is made available by each national/regional funding organization, according to their specific regulations, for research groups in their country/region
- Each consortium must involve a minimum of 3 and a maximum of 6 partners eligible for funding from different countries whose funders participate in the call
- Partners must be from at least 3 different countries participating in the call
- A consortium must not involve more than 2 research groups from the same country
- One partner not eligible for funding (i.e. from non-funding countries or not fundable according to national/regional regulations) may participate in a proposal with its own funding



JTC Implementation



- Calls are implemented through a two-stage procedure; only successful applicants at the first (pre-proposal) stage will be invited to submit a full proposal
- A Scientific Evaluation Committee (SEC) composed of international experts is established at the call launch and will be in charge of the evaluation procedure
- Both submission of proposals and evaluation by SEC reviewers are implemented by an online system (PT-Outline)



JTC Scientific Evaluation Committee



- The Scientific Evaluation Committee (SEC) is a panel of internationally recognised scientific experts in charge of the evaluation of submitted pre- and full proposals
- Each pre-proposal is allocated to two different SEC members considering as first criterion the
 expertise of the evaluator; moreover, experts from the same country as the proposal
 coordinator (and if possible also as the partners) are excluded.
- Each full-proposal is allocated to at least three reviewers (chosen among the SEC, which will be expanded if necessary).
- SEC members are requested to sign a confidentiality and conflict of interest declaration



JTC Evaluation Criteria

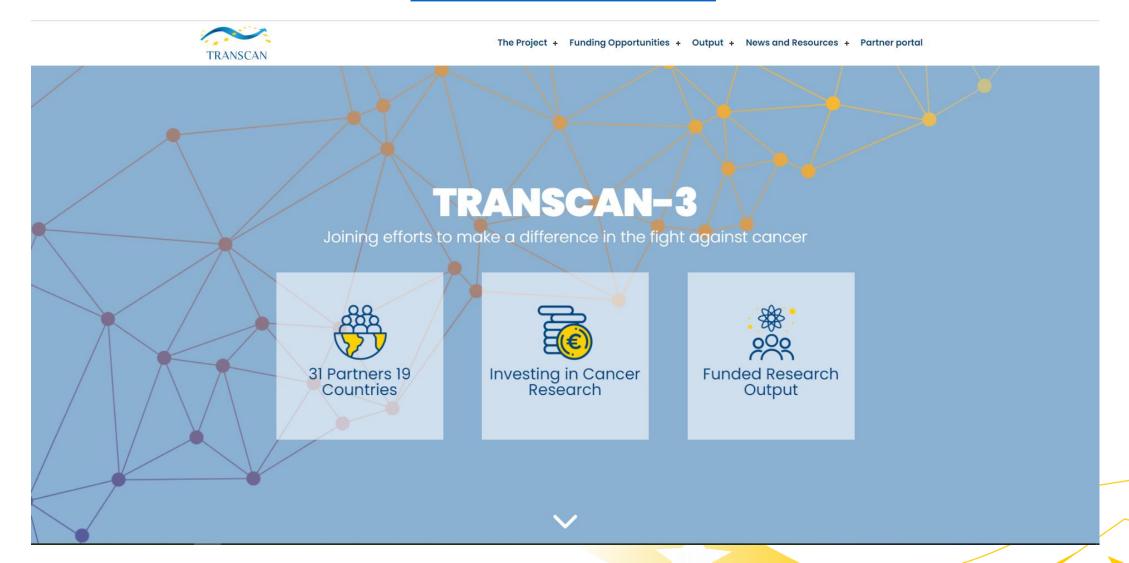


- 3 evaluation criteria:
 - Excellence
 - Impact
 - Quality and efficiency of the implementation
- A scoring system from 0 (very poor) to 5 (excellent) will be used to evaluate the proposal performance with respect to each evaluation criteria
- The threshold for individual criteria is 3. The overall threshold, applying to the sum of the individual scores, is 10



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Joint Call (JTC 2022)

Call for research proposals on "Novel translational approaches to tackle the challenges of hard-to-treat cancers from early diagnosis to therapy"

Funding Opportunities » Calls for Proposals

TRANSCAN-3 partners have agreed to focus their second Joint Transnational Call for proposals (JTC 2022) on:

"Novel translational approaches to tackle the challenges of hard-to-treat cancers from early diagnosis to therapy"

The following national/regional funding organisations have agreed to participate in the JTC 2022:

- Austrian Science Fund (FWF), Austria
- · Research Foundation Flanders (FWO), Belgium, Flanders
- · Fund for Scientific Research FNRS (F.R.S.-FNRS), Belgium, French speaking community
- Estonian Research Council (ETAg), Estonia
- · French National Cancer Institute (INCa), France
- ARC French Foundation for Cancer Research (ARC Foundation), France
- · Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF), Germany
- National Research, Development and Innovation Office (NKFIH), Hungary
- Health Research Board (HRB), Ireland
- . The Chief Scientist Office of the Ministry of Health (CSO-MOH), Israel
- Ministry of Health (IT-MOH), Italy
- Alliance Against Cancer (ACC), Italy
- Tuscany Region (TuscReg), Tuscany, Italy
- Fondazione Regionale per la Ricerca Biomedica (FRRB), Lombardy, Italy
- · Latvian Council of Science (LCS), Latvia
- National Research Fund (FNR), Luxembourg
- Research Council of Norway (RCN), Norway
- Norwegian Cancer Society (NCS), Norway
- · National Centre for Research and Development (NCBR), Poland
- Executive Agency for Higher Education, Research, Development and Innovation Funding (UEFISCDI), Romania

Explore

- > The Project
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Documents

- 🖺 Call Text
- Guidelines for Applicants
- National Contact Points
- Pre-proposal Application Form

Call Documents



The Call Text:

- includes motivation and aim of the call
- illustrates application and evaluation procedures (including planned deadlines)
- Indicates other financial and legal issues including regulations and contact persons for each participating funding agency.





Joint Transnational Call for Proposals 2022 (JTC 2022)

"Novel translational approaches to tackle the challenges of hard-to-treat cancers from early diagnosis to therapy"

Call Text

Submission deadlines

Pre-proposals: 18 July 2022 at 12:00 CEST Full proposals: 15 December 2022 at 12:00 CET

Electronic proposal submission system: https://ptoutline.eu/app/transcan2022
(Online submission will be possible from 6 June 2022)

For further information, please visit http://www.transcan.eu/ or

contact the Joint Call Secretariat (JCS) at:
Alliance Against Cancer, Italy
Valentina Trapani
E-mail: itc2022@transcan.eu

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The Guidelines for Applicants:

- include administrative details of the application procedure
- Illustrate specific rules and regulations for the different participating funding agencies





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Joint Transnational Call for Proposals 2022 (JTC 2022):

"Novel translational approaches to tackle the challenges of hard-to-treat cancers from early diagnosis to therapy"

Guidelines for Applicants

(Revised version published on 24 May 2022)

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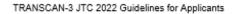
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Country	Italy (ACC)
Funding organisation	Alliance Against Cancer (ACC)
National contact persons	Valentina TRAPANI
	trapani@alleanzacontroilcancro.it
Funding commitment	0.3 M €
Anticipated number of	1-2
fundable project partners	
Maximum funding per grant awarded	Up to 150 000 € per project
to a project	
partner	Disease as feed a the Call Total
Eligibility of projects	Please refer to the Call Text.
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary	Based on the D.Legs 229/99, eligible partners will be public and private Scientific Institutes for Research,
institution	Hospitalization and Health Care, i.e. Istituti di Ricovero e Cura a Carattere Scientifico (IRCCS), that are
	members of ACC. The following will be not fundable: Universities, research institutions other than the
	aforementioned, companies.
Eligibility of principal investigator or	In full agreement with the procedures applied by the Italian Ministry of Health, Alliance Against Cancer will
other research team member	grant an eligibility clearance to applicants prior to pre-proposal submission. Applicants must fill out the dedicated form (available here) and submit it to ACC contact persons at least 10 working days before pre-
	proposal submission deadline. A written notification will be sent to clarify the applicant eligibility status.
Eligibility of costs, types and their	Only costs generated over the lifetime of the project will be considered eligible. Personnel (only temporary
caps	contracts) (50%); Consumables; Animals; Subcontractors (max 20%); Equipment (only on hire); Travels
- Capo	(max 10%); Overheads (max 10%); Publications (max 1%); Travel expenses and subsistence allowances
	related to training activities of the projects.
National phase	Once a definitive ranking list will be generated and endorsed by the Call Steering Committee, the
	coordinators and principal investigators of the projects granted for funding will enter the formal national
	negotiation (in agreement with the national regulation). Annual scientific and financial reports at the
	national level will be required.
Further guidance	Further details will be provided by the ACC contact person upon request.

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Call Documents



The Pre- or Full-Proposal Form:

- Contains the template in which the proposals must be written
- Allows the applicants to provide all relevant information in a standardized document that will be used by funding organisations and reviewers across the different evaluation steps

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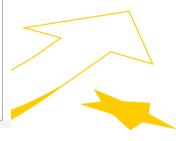
Pre-proposal Application Form

All fields must be filled in using Arial font, size 11, single-spaced.

Applications should be submitted as a PDF file, formatted in DIN-A4.

Please note that proposals either incomplete, using a different format or exceeding length limitations of any sections will be rejected without further review.

1a. Project title (maxim	um 150 characters, including spaces):
1b. Project acronym (n	naximum 10 characters):
2. Project duration (mo	onths):
3. Project coordinator	(research partner 1 in the consortium):
Name	
Country	
Position	
Institution/Department	
Address	
Phone + Fax	
E-mail address	
Type of entity (tick as appropriate)	□ Academia (universities or other higher education or research institutions) □ Clinical or Public Health Sector (hospitals/public health and/or other health care settings and health organizations) □ For-profit Private Organisation □ Nonprofit Private Organisation



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8. Adherence of the proposal to the scope, aims and specific topics of the call. Proposals should be centred on one or more of the HTTC subtypes listed in the Call Text, Chapter 2: Aim of the Call. Proposal will have to cover at least one of the undermentioned aims. Please select as appropriate.				
] <u>A</u>	Aim 1. Identification/v	alidation of novel early diagnostic a	<u>pproaches</u>	
] <u>A</u>	im 2. Identification/v	alidation of novel therapeutic targets	s and/or approaches	
] <u>A</u>	im 3: Development o	of novel drug delivery strategies		
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The Pre-Proposal Template



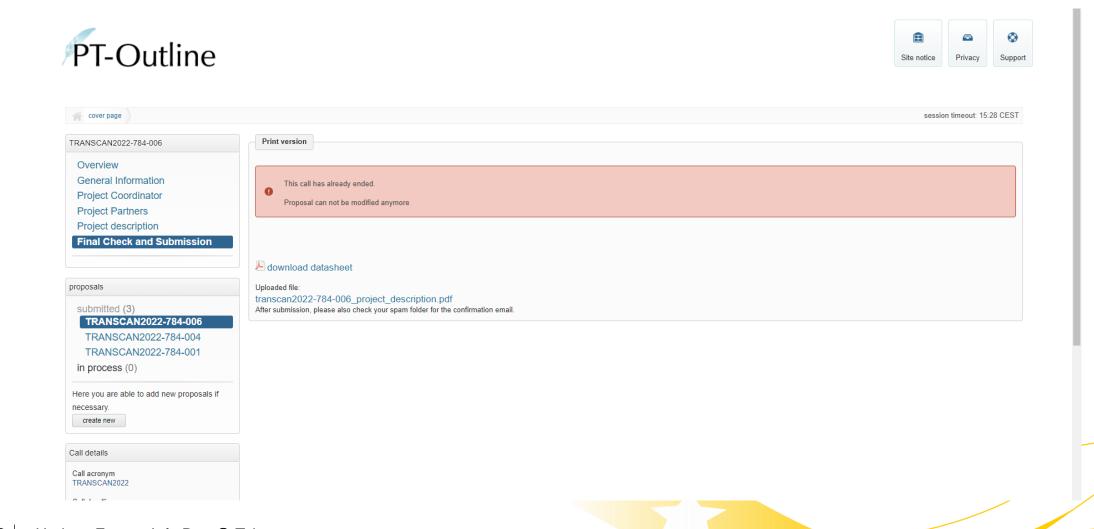
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Project Coordinator Partner (n.1) name:			
Funding organisation			
Country			
R	Requested budget	Justification	
Personnel (€)		Please indicate the number of PMs per type of personnel, indicating the p inclusion of that number of PMs	, , ,
Consumables (€)		Please identify the consumables to be included, and their importance with objectives	, , ,
Equipment (€)		Please indicate and justify the equipment to be acquired in accordance to Applicants should also check if equipment is eligible in accordance to their	project tasks and objectives. ir national regulations.
Study/Clinical trial (€)		Please indicate the concrete participation/work package(s) in the study/cli	nical trial
Travel (€)		Please give an estimate on the number and main reasons for the travels w	vithin the project
Capacity building (€)		Please indicate the type of capacity building and necessary efforts (PMs,	travel etc.).
Other direct costs (€)		May include subcontracting, fees, insurances, etc. Please justify each pre to project tasks and objectives	dicted expenditure with relation
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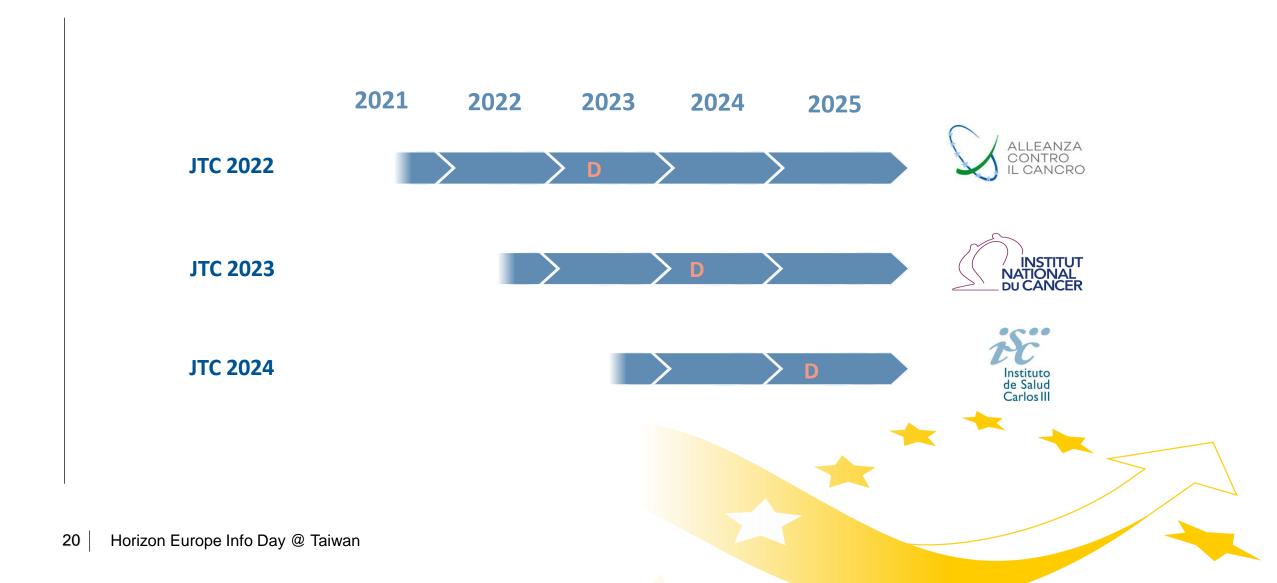
PT-Outline Submission System







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JTC Timeline



- A preliminary announcement is usually circulated about a month before the official JTC launch
- The call is usually launched in Spring
- Applicants have approx. 8 weeks to prepare and submit their pre-proposals
- Results of the first evaluation phase are usually communicated in Autumn
- Successful coordinators are invited to submit their full proposals in about 6 weeks
- Results of the second evaluation phase and final funding decisions are expected the following spring
- Awarded research projects will start by the following Autumn

Take-Home Messages



- Look out for the next JTC (preliminary announcement in Spring 2023)
- Detailed information on past, current and upcoming calls is available at <u>www.transcan.eu</u>
- Always refer to the official call documents available at <u>www.transcan.eu</u>
- National eligibility rules may restrict general eligibility
- When in doubt, always check with your national contact points
- Advisory service from the call secretariat is available via phone and e-mail throughout the entire call implementation period (for JTC 2022: jtc2022@transcan.eu)





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