



Horizon 2020 Work Programme for Research & Innovation 2018-2020

Energy Efficiency Call 2018/19 **Overview** 

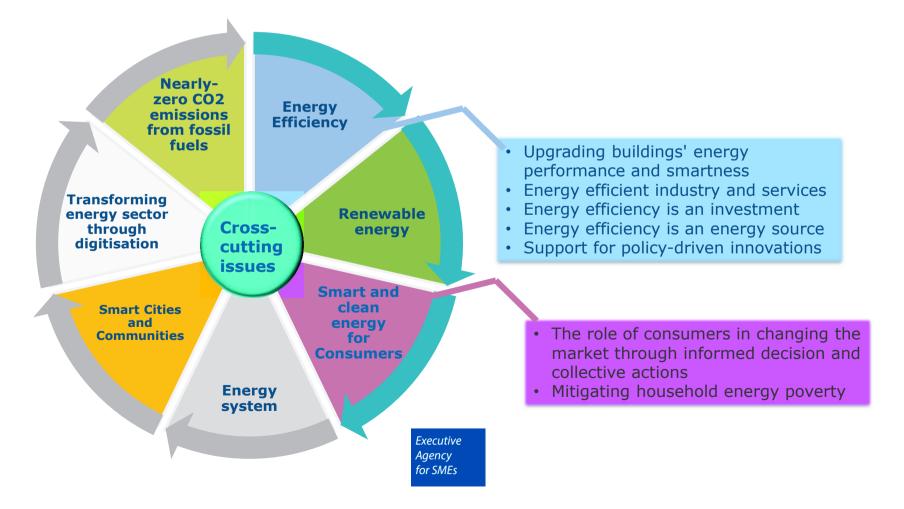
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Research and Innovation

- Overview of the H2020 Societal Challenge 3 Secure, clean and efficient energy
- Insights and guidance for your participation
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#### **Overview- H2020 Societal Challenge 3 Secure, clean and efficient energy**





### **Energy Efficiency – sub-areas**

Upgrading buildings' energy performance and smartness

Energy efficient industry and services

Energy efficiency is an investment

Energy efficiency is an energy source

Support for policy-driven innovations Smart and clean energy for consumers

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## H2020: Main type of actions in Call 2018/19

# RIA

#### **Research & innovation**

actions that establish new knowledge or develop more energy-efficient technologies and solutions.

EU funding rate: 100%.

#### 3 beneficiaries

# IA

#### Innovation

actions that demonstrate the viability of new technologies and solutions or support their first deployment in the market. *EU funding rate: 70%.* \* 100% for non-profit legal entities

#### 3 beneficiaries

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## CSA

#### **Coordination & support**

actions\* that improve skills, mobilise large-scale investments or facilitate EU policy implementation. *EU funding rate: 100%.* 

3 beneficiaries (except EE2-EE11-EE17)

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	Industry, Products & ServicesFinance for Sustainable EnergyPublic authorities	Consumers			
Energy Efficiency Call 2018	90.000.000 € Closing 4 September 2018				
City facility EE-17-2019	11.000.000 € Closing 13 November 2018				
Energy Efficiency Call 2019	111.000.000 € Closing 3 September 2019				



		European Commissio	on		
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	Buildings	Industry, Produc & Services	cts Finance for Sustainable Energy	Public authorities	Consumers
Energy Efficiency Call 2018	EE01 EE02* EE05	EE06 EE08 EE13 EE15	EE09 EE10 EE11*	EE14 EE16 EE17**	EC01 EC02
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		Executive Agency for SMEs	y ** Single beneficiaries eligible.		



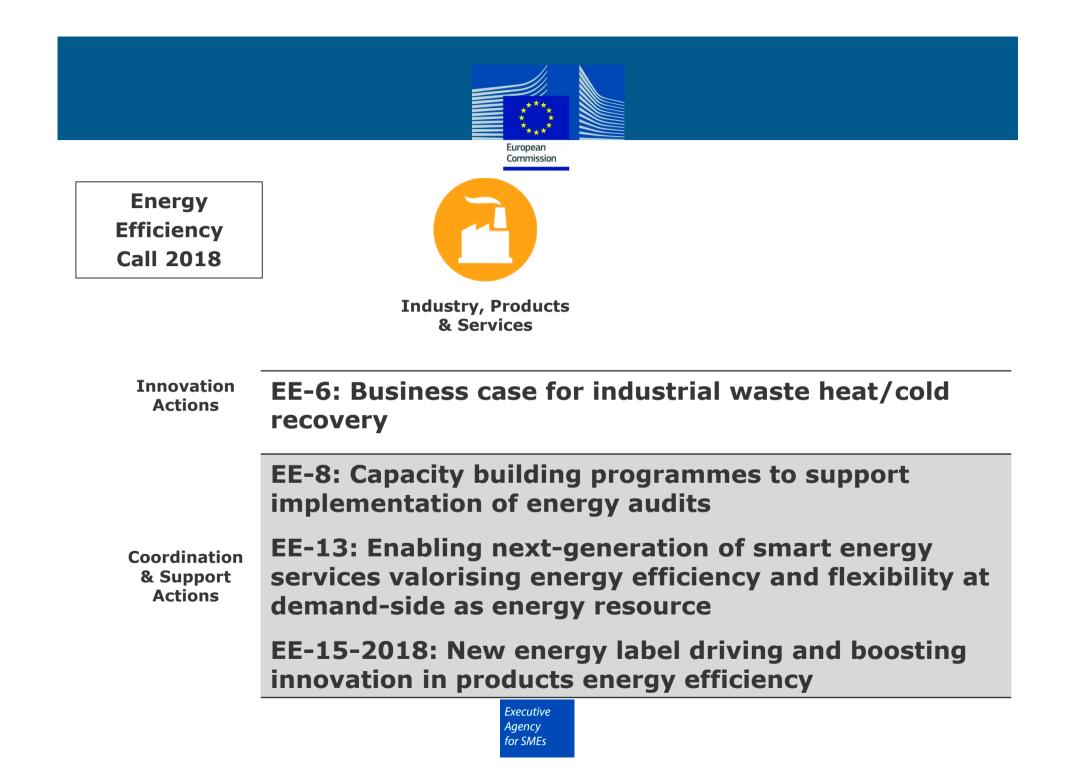
#### H2020 Energy Efficiency Call 2018 Info Day topic specific sessions available online (from 25 October):

https://ec.europa.eu/easme/en/horizon-2020secure-clean-and-efficient-energy-info-day

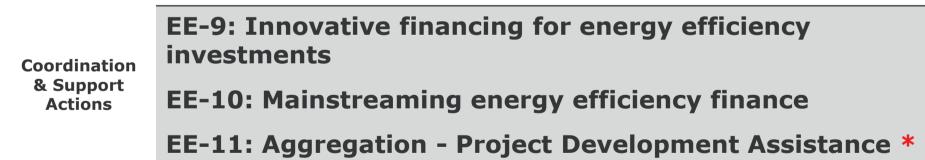




Innovation Actions	EE-1 - Decarbonisation of the EU building stock: innovative approaches and affordable solutions changing the market for buildings renovation					
Coordination & Support Actions	EE-2 - Integrated home renovation services * EE-5 - Next-generation of Energy Performance Assessment and Certification					
	* Single beneficiaries eligible Agency for SMEs					







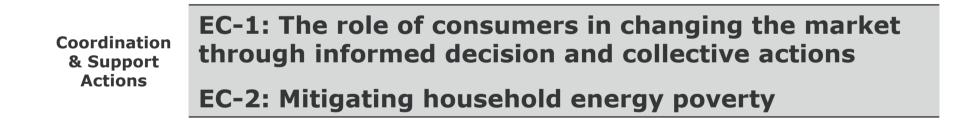


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	European Commission		
Energy Efficiency Call 2018			
	Public authorities		
Research and Innovation Actions	EE-14: Socio-economic research conceptualising and modelling energy efficiency and energy demand		
Coordination & Support Actions EE-16-2018-2019-2020: Supporting public authorities to implement the Energy Union EE-17: European City facility - European Cities as key innovation hubs to unlock finance for energy efficiency **			



Consumers







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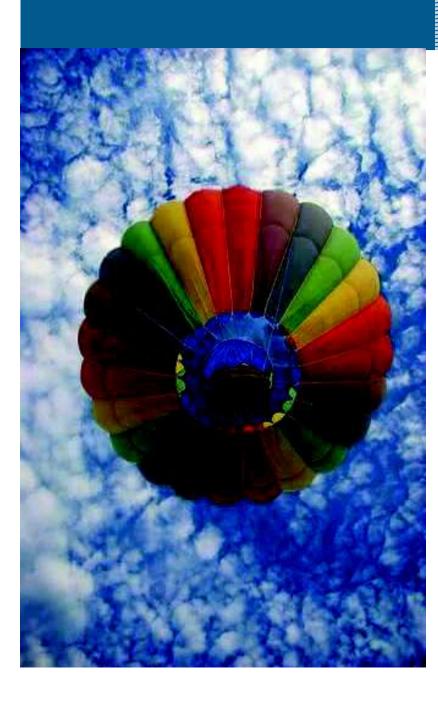




#### **H2020 – Some interesting elements**

- 2-year work programme + 2020 insight
- Challenge-based
- Technology Readiness Levels
- Indicative project budget for each topic
- A single funding rate per project
- A single time to grant of 8 months





# While perfect proposals do not exist...

- We are seeking excellent, well implemented, proposals
- Submitted by motivated and inspired project teams
- Aiming to deliver and make a "change"



European Commission





### **Start early ... start now!**

From today,

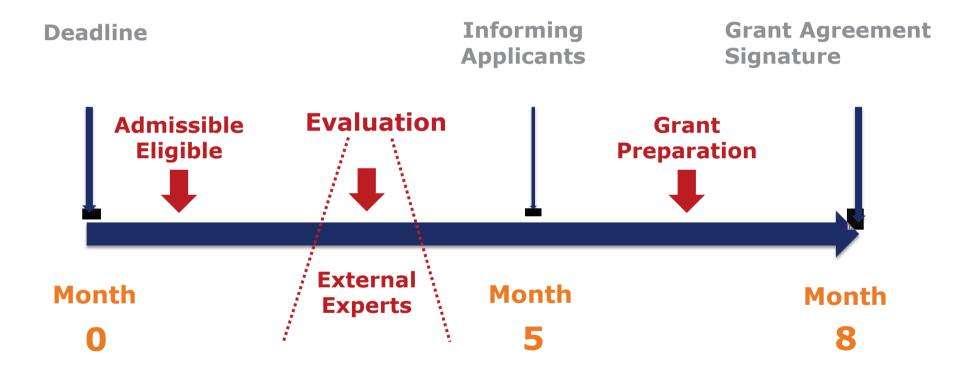
#### **11 months until the deadline**:

## 4 September 2018

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## H2020 evaluation process



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#### Eligible Countries: EU28

+ associated countries

+ third countries (under certain conditions)

General rule: Minimum of 3 legal entities from 3 EU28 or Associated Countries Except EE2-11-17 where single applicants are eligible

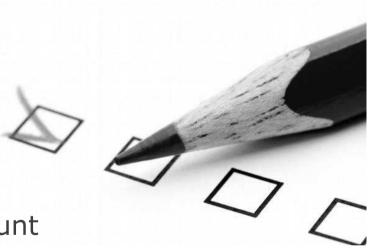
+ Tunisia, Georgia, Moldova, Turkey, Ukraine, Israel



#### **Evaluation – Award Criteria**

- Excellence
- Impact
- Quality & efficiency of implementation
  - Detailed aspects to be taken account of for each of the main criteria
  - Self-evaluation form available
  - No negotiation takes place -> only the very best are selected







### **Excellence – your selling point to the experts**

- Make choices, focus, have a clear direction
- Innovate
- Win by explaining. Experts are briefed (allowed) to only read your proposal, no other sources
- If you re-submit: use the feedback
- >160 proposals were successful until today in H2020 Energy Efficiency. Check them out: <u>http://cordis.europa.eu/</u>





# **Award criterion "Impact" – what convinces the experts?**

- Drive towards the indicators given in the work programme.
- Be ambitious. Quantify. Robust assumptions.
- Communication. Exploitation.
- Keep links to your actual work plan.
- Plan activities to monitor your performance.

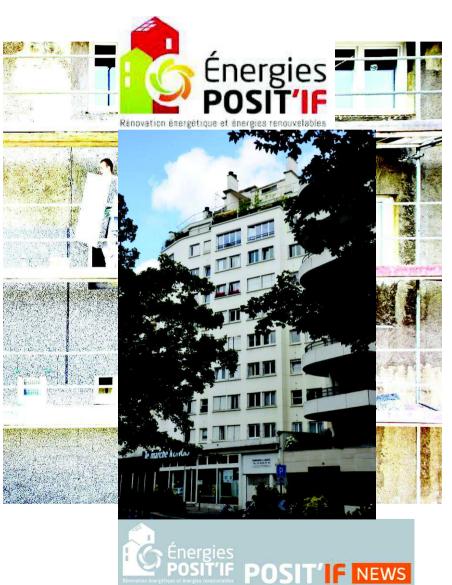


#### **Impacts - Examples**

## European Commission

#### Finance of energy efficiency:

- Pilot of energy performance contracting in condominiums
- All inclusive package: design, implement, finance, monitor
- As of June 2017, 26 contracts were signed with condominiums in the Ilede-France Region, and up to 5,300 are or will be renovated. In total, €38million of investment
- Law on energy transition August 2015
   + a reduced rate of VAT for energy retrofits made by a TPF provider
- EIB Loan for 100million€ signed backed by EFSI (Junker Plan)





Achieving near Zero and Positive Energy Settlements in Europe using Advanced Energy Technology

- Demonstrate components with increased energy efficiency
- Reduce system costs with efficient production and installation
- Reduce operational costs with better management of energy loads

#### www.zeroplus.org

#### Demonstration Innovation Action



## **Ethics**

- An ethical review is carried out to assess and address the ethical dimension of your activities
- The ethical review ensures that all activities under H2020 are conducted in compliance with fundamental ethical principles
- Specific issues are checked, e.g. humans cells, animals, environmental protection, protection of personal data,...
- Participants should conduct an Ethics Self-assessment
- All proposals considered for funding will undergo an Ethics Review carried out by independent ethics experts







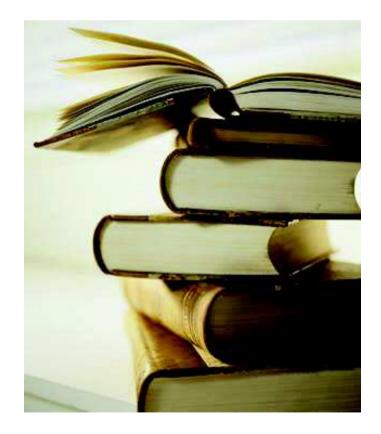
#### Learn the language ...

- Proposal: Your application
- Participants Portal: Commission's electronic submission tool – compulsory gateway for H2020 proposals
- **Consortium:** A <u>team</u> of organisations submitting the proposal – with one defined Coordinator





- 'Secure, clean and efficient Work Programme 2018/20': background, topics and budgets
- General annexes to the Work
   Programme: list of countries, eligibility
   and admissibility conditions, evaluation
   criteria and procedure, scoring and
   thresholds, etc.
- Submission forms and templates: essential forms and guides to draw up and submit your proposal
- Guide to the submission and evaluation process







# **Clearing the fog ... on the structure of your proposal**

Section 1-3 'Technical Annex' Your Proposal description • Excellence • Impact	<ul> <li>Section 4-5</li> <li>Description of your partnership &amp; CV's</li> <li>Ethics</li> </ul>	Online Forms • Admin. data	Optional Annexes: e.g. • Letters of Support
<ul> <li>Implementation</li> </ul>			

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#### Make your choices – before you start

- Start early a good proposal needs time and evolution
- Clear unique project objective?
- Clear unique (set of) target group(s)?
- Clear set of partners are they THE voice of the market?
- Clear path to make a difference?





## **Define your specific objective & target group**

- What would you like to achieve?
- Whom do you want to address?
- Make sure you know the current (market) situation and your starting point
- Check:
  - the IEE project database
  - the list of H2020 Energy Efficiency Call projects
- Take a reality check before you invest your time:
  - investigate the interest amongst target group and major stakeholders





## **Produce a first outline of your idea**

• Write a preliminary 2-3 pages about your:



- objectives
- target group
- major steps (work packages)
- intended consortium (countries, types of organisations)
- Internal reality check: Use it as first base to discuss with potential partners
- External reality check: Consult with market actors check their understanding and interest.





#### Your consortium

- Be consistent remain relative to your objective & target group
- Be adaptable be ready to renounce a country if you do not secure the right partner
- Do not cover the EU map artificially
- Involve partners in the preparation avoid surprises after submission
- Keep consortium motivated agree a working method for the proposal phase, make a plan for their contributions Executive





# Start writing the detailed proposal – Work Plan

- Fine-tune your aim objectives and your target group
- Take your time to decide the best methodology to be applied – can it deliver? Think impact!
- Define your main working steps
- Follow the guide on number of pages







## **Final polishing**

The technical annex must give a detailed description of the project idea and **work plan**, which:

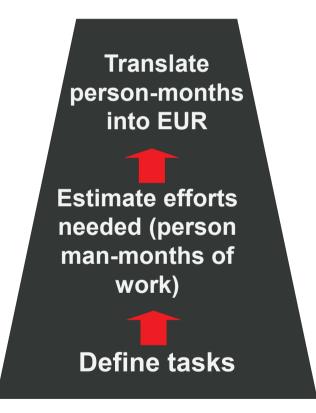
- divides the planned work into work packages,
- assigns the related responsibilities and resources within the consortium,
- sets out a project time schedule, main milestones and deliverables,
- describes the project management structure,
- describes the communication and exploitation plans.





#### **Create the budget**

- Design your budget "bottom-up"
- Wait until the tasks are sufficiently specified and agreed – then design define the budget
- Check consistency regularly while advancing on with your Work Plan share of resources, appropriate levels between partners, appropriate weight of person-months between major work steps







### Last check: consistency / language

- Ask an "informed outsider" for critical reading and feedback
- Check consistency of your description of activities and budget
- If you have the chance, have a native speaker check the English





## **Frequent mishaps – Eligibility / Admissibility**

- <u>Call deadline is unchangeable</u>: use all advantages of the electronic submission system to make the deadline!
- <u>Completeness</u>: one section missing makes your proposal inadmissible
- <u>Partnerships</u>: remember the principle of 3 participants from Member States or Associated Countries (check the Work Programme 2018/20 for exceptions)
- <u>Page limit</u>: 50 pages for CSA / 70 pages for IA+RIA: applied strictly during evaluation





## **Frequent mishaps – Excellence**

- Evaluation results: Proposal lacks an explanation of the concept and added value and innovation falls short
  - ✓ Focus and show how you innovate
  - Explain the overall concept underpinning the project not only from the perspective of the Coordinator... input from your partners is key
  - Don't assume that the evaluators know your specific context
  - Be clear you win by explaining!





## **Frequent mishaps – Impact**

- Evaluation results: Ambition is not quantified / not realistic / not supported by action
  - Quantify! Describe in a concise, yet robust, manner your baseline, benchmarks and assumptions
  - ✓ Keep your 'challenge' in mind!
  - Plan activities to monitor your performance
  - Be aware: maintain the link between your actual activities in your work plan and the impact that they will lead to!





## **Frequent mishaps – Resources**

- Evaluation results: Work plan not sufficiently detailed
   / Budgets not justified / Budgets seem top-down
  - Make sure work description sufficiently detailed and clear
  - Invest time into this: this is the opportunity to convince evaluators that you can materialise your vision
  - Invest time into your resource planning –bottom up





## How do we brief the experts?

- Experts are briefed to understand the Call text, the evaluation criteria - and their mandate
- Only the best proposals should be selected not requiring any negotiations
- Only evaluate the proposal, no other source
- Clear drive towards tangible impact (Topic in Work Programme, application form)
- Evaluate individually 7-9 proposals, half day per proposal





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## **Information Resources**

- H2020 Portal
  - Check the FAQs
  - Contact the Participant Portal H2020 Helpdesk
- National Contact Points
- Horizon2020 and FP7 projects
  - CORDIS database
- 300+ Intelligent Energy Europe (IEE II) projects, including various information platforms and portals
- Mailbox: <u>EASME-ENERGY@ec.europa.eu</u>
  - No pre-proposal checks







## "National Contact Points" – Energy Efficiency Main services



Guidance on choosing relevant H2020 topics and types of action



Training and assistance on proposal writing (including pre-proposal check)

Advice on administrative procedures and legal issues



Support in consortium building (Partner Search Tool and Brokerage events)







## **IEE Project database**

#### http://ec.europa.eu/energy/intelligent/projects/

#### Projects database

Search an item			Search
Browse by			
Sector		Date	
All	•	Start	
All	•	End	Apply

#### Last updated projects

Collaboration for Housing nearly zero-energy renovation (COHERENO) Start date 01/04/2013 - End date 31/03/2016 (Ongoing) Integrated Initiatives>EE + RES in Buildings

The objective of COHERENO is to strengthen collaboration of enterprises in innovative business models for realizing Nearly Zero Energy Building (NZEB) renovations in single family owner occupied...



Solar Thermal in Major Renovations and Protected Urban Areas (URBANSOLPLUS) Start date 01/06/2011 - End date 31/05/2014 (Closed) Small-scale applications>Renewable energy (ALTENER)>Heating and Cooling Article 13 of the 2009/28/EC Directive requires minimum share of renewables for new buildings and major

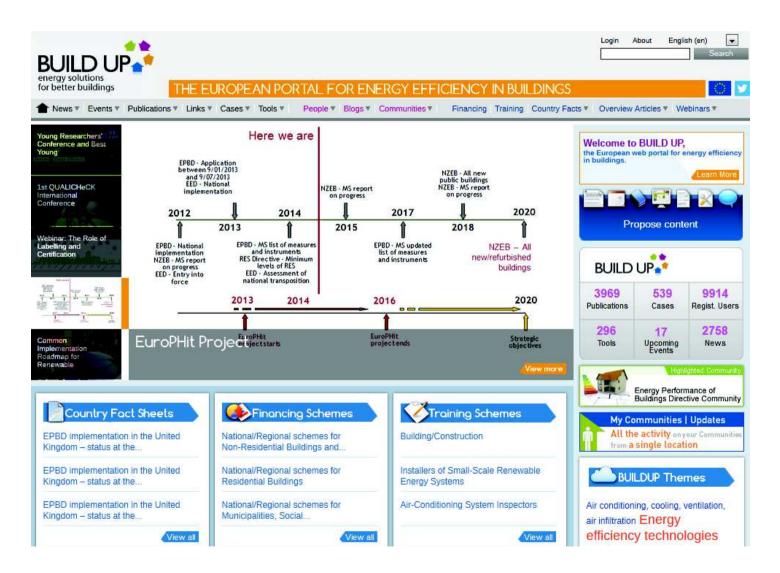
renovations. Given the current very low construction rate for new buildings, renovation play...

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## THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

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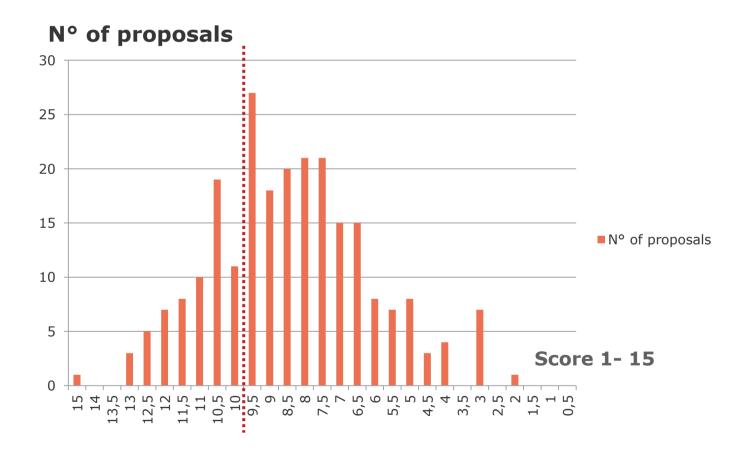
## It is a demanding competition: Call 2016 in numbers







## It is a demanding competition!\*



\*Example of 2015 Market Update proposals (CSA) Executive Agency for SMEs