Potential funders for achieving 'World's smoothest cross-border mobility and daily life through digitalisation'



How the list of potential funders was formulated?

- Based on publicly available information:
 - Funder's work programmes (also drafts)
 - Policy papers establishing funding programmes
 - Funder's websites
- Discussions with experts divided according to project work packages: "Studies", "Health" and "Legal"
- Presented in order:
 - 1. Relevance (for all WPs)
 - 2. Relevance for individual WPs
 - 3. Size of project funding
 - 4. Coverage of countries that can be funded within a specific project





List of potential funders

	Studies in other Nordic and Baltic countries	2. The use of health services in other Nordic and Baltic countries	3. The versatile use of Nordic and Baltic legal databases
Nordic Council of Ministers: <u>Cross Border Digital</u> <u>Services (CBDS) Programme</u>	✓		✓
<u>Digital Europe Programme</u> , 2021-2027	lacktriangledown	lacksquare	lacksquare
Connecting Europe Facility (CEF): Digital, 2021-2027			✓
Recovery and Resilience Facility (through national programmes), 2021-2026			☑
Horizon Europe: Pillar 2, Cluster 1: Health, 2021-2027	⊗	$oxed{artheta}$	⊗
Erasmus+: Key action 2 & 3, 2021-2027	\square	⊗	⊗
EU4Health Programme, 2021-2027	⊗		\otimes
Justice Programme, 2021-2027	⊗	\otimes	$\overline{\checkmark}$
Internal Security Fund (ISF), 2021-2027	⊗	⊗	
European Regional Development Fund, 2021-2027			
Interreg: Central Baltic Programme, 2021-2027			lacksquare
Interreg: Baltic Sea Region, 2021-2027	\square	$\overline{\checkmark}$	\square
Interreg Europe, 2021-2027			

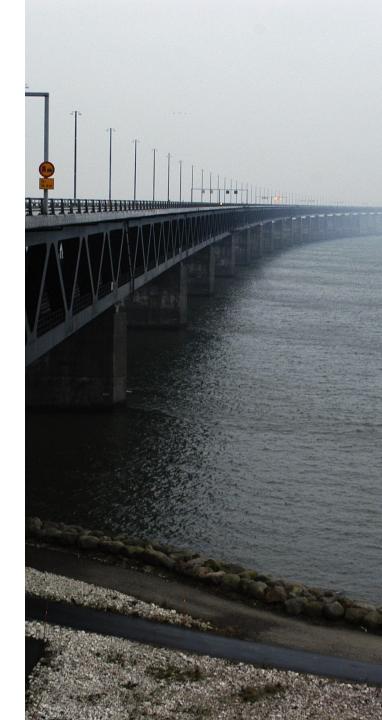
Funders: Eligibility criteria and noteworthy characteristics

	Funding type	Eligible organizations	Eligible countries	Own organization funding required	
Nordic Council of Ministers: <u>Cross Border Digital Services</u> (<u>CBDS</u>) <u>Programme</u>	Tender	Public authorities	Nordic-Baltic region	No, since it's a tender	
Digital Europe Programme, 2021-2027	Grant and tender	All legal entities	EU Member States and third countries associated to the Programme	No (although exceptions because of different funding types)	
Connecting Europe Facility (CEF): Digital, 2021-2027	Grant and tender	All legal entities	EU Member States and third countries associated to the Programme	No	
Recovery and Resilience Facility (through national programmes), 2021-2026	Depends on the public authority granting the funding as well as individual calls – eligibility criteria vary significantly				
Horizon Europe: Pillar 2, Cluster 1: Health, 2021-2027	Grant	All legal entities	EU Member States and third countries associated to the Programme	No	
Erasmus+: Key action 2 & 3, 2021-2027	Grant	"Any public or private body active in the fields of education, training, youth and sport"	EU Member States and third countries associated to the Programme	No	
EU4Health Programme, 2021-2027	Grant and tender	All legal entities	EU Member States and third countries associated to the Programme	No	
Justice Programme, 2021-2027	Grant	All legal entities	EU Member States (excluding Denmark) and third countries associated to the Programme	No	
Internal Security Fund (ISF), 2021-2027	Funds are granted through Member states' own programmes as well as through the European Commission. Thus, eligibility criteria varies.				
European Regional Development Fund, 2021-2027	Grant	"Organizations that can benefit from regional funding include public bodies, some private sector organizations (especially small businesses), universities, associations, NGOs and voluntary organizations."	Funding is applied for locally at a Member state.	No	
Interreg: Central Baltic Programme, 2021-2027	Grant	Public sector organizations on local, regional, and national levels.	The participating regions in the Central Baltic Programme 2021-2027 are situated in Estonia, Finland including Åland, Latvia and Sweden.	Yes, 20%	
Interreg: Baltic Sea Region, 2021-2027	Grant	"Public and private organizations"	Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany (parts of), Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Sweden, Norway	Yes, 20%	
Interreg Europe, 2021-2027	Grant	"Public authorities and organizations relevant for regional development policies"	EU Member States as well as Norway and Switzerland	Yes, 20%	

Examples of potential calls from listed funders

- Nordic Council of Ministers: <u>Cross Border Digital Services (CBDS) Programme</u>
 - Yearly call for tender
 - Call type: Tender
 - Geographical coverage: Nordics and Baltic states
- Digital Europe Programme (Example: GovTech Incubator call)
 - The GovTech incubator aims to ensure cross-border collaboration between digitalisation agencies in the different Member States and countries associated to the Programme, involving also GovTech actors from the private sector and academia.
 - Deadline: 2022
 - Call type: Grant (in Funding & tenders portal)
 - Budget and duration: 3 M€, 24 months
 - Geographical coverage: All EU member states





- Recovery and Resilience Facility (Elpymis- ja palautumissuunnitelma) (Example: Virtual Finland -platform under Pillar 2, Digitalisation and a digital economy...)
 - Creating a Virtual Finland service platform to improve Finland's competitiveness, enabling integrated digital service paths to be created combining public and private services for clients arriving in Finland enterprises, employees, university students and tourists
 - Funding: 2,5-3,5M€ (total for all projects, if several) per year for 2022-2024
- **Horizon Europe** (Example: HORIZON-HLTH-2023-CARE-04-01: Maintaining access to regular health and care services in case of cross-border emergencies) Note! Draft.
 - Call type: Grant
 - Deadline: 13.4.2023
 - Budget: 4-6 M€
- <u>Erasmus+ Key actions 2 & 3 (Example: Key action 2, Forward looking projects)</u>
 - Budget: 0,9-1,5 M€





- EU4Health (Example: <u>DI-g-22-22.01 Direct grant to Member States:</u> for setting up services by Health Data Access Bodies - Secondary use of health data)
 - Direct grant to Member States' authorities
- Justice Programme (Example: <u>Call for proposals for action grants to support transnational e-Justice projects (JUST-2022-EJUSTICE)</u>
 - Duration: 24 months
 - Budget: 2,8 M€
 - Deadline: 15.3.2022

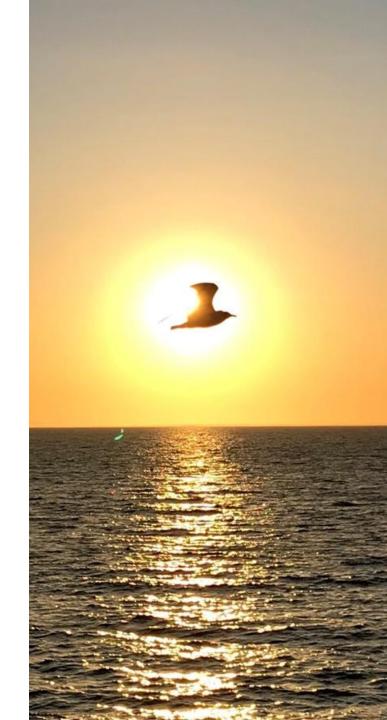
— Interreg Europe

- The programme is structured around one single cross-cutting priority, the Interreg-specific objective 'a better cooperation governance'. This means that beneficiaries can cooperate on any topics of shared relevance in line with their regional needs, as long as this falls within the scope of cohesion policy.
- Deadline: Once per year
- Budget: 1-2 M€ per project (+20% own funding)
- Eligibility: At least 3 EU countries





- <u>Interreg: Baltic Sea Region</u> (Core projects)
 - The Programme supports actions that implement and strengthen governance and communication activities in the EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region (EUSBSR). These actions may facilitate policy discussions and trigger policy changes, build up networks to develop projects and other initiatives in line with the EUSBSR Action Plan...
 - Eligibility: At least three countries in the Baltic Sea region
 - Duration: Up to 36 months
 - Budget: No limitation
 - Deadline: 14.3.2023





Final analysis

- Several potential funders to cover the entire project were recognized
- Nordic Council of Ministers: CBDS most relevant and potential
- Other funders are more WP specific, and would require three funders to cover the entire project
 - Cons: Impossible to time all "WPs" to proceed simultaneously no synergy benefits
 - Pros: WPs and the data they cover differ substantially logical to proceed on different timelines
- A combination of CBDS, Interreg Europe and possible WP-specific funding would offer adequate, long-term funding



Thank you.

