



European Innovation Ecosystems

Work Programme Overview

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In a nutshell

- **Objective:** create more connected and efficient innovation ecosystems to support the scaling of companies, encourage innovation and stimulate cooperation among national, regional and local innovation actors
- **Target Groups:** all ecosystem actors
- **Expected impacts:**
 - Interconnected, inclusive and more efficient innovation ecosystems across Europe
 - elevating the scalability potential of business
 - help innovative SMEs to grow and successfully access European and international markets and to embed in global value chains
- **How:** Mostly CSAs and Cofund actions, biannual WPs
- **Budget:** EUR 527 million (2021-2027)

Destinations



- **CONNECT**

- Actions under this destination will foster more robust, inclusive, gender diverse, and connected innovation ecosystems, via co-creation, co-planning and co-investments around European strategic priority areas to foster innovation deployment and to allow bringing ideas to the market and enable innovation to be scaled up at EU level

- **SCALEUP**

- Actions under this destination will contributing to the enhanced competitiveness and global potential of the pan-European ecosystem, support deep tech, promote female entrepreneurship, improve entrepreneurial education, and increase access to capital and investments of local start-ups in less connected innovation ecosystems

- **INNOVSMEs**

- This destination will support the continuation of the European Partnership on Innovative SMEs

CONNECT



Topic	Timeline	Budget
Preparatory action for setting up joint programmes among innovation ecosystems actors	Closed	EUR 4 M (8 grants)
Building capabilities in innovation procurement	Closed	EUR 4 M (8 grants)
Towards more inclusive networks and initiatives in European innovation ecosystems	Closed	EUR 4 M (8 grants)
Integration of social innovation actors in innovation ecosystems	Closed	EUR 3 M (6 grants)
Implementing co-funded action plans for interconnection of innovation ecosystems	Opening date: 14/06/22 Closing date: 27/09/22	EUR 8 M (4 grants)
Stimulating innovation procurement		EUR 4,5 M (3 grants)

SCALEUP



Topic	Timeline	Budget
Expanding Acceleration Ecosystems	Closed	EUR 5 M (5 grants)
Scaling up deep tech ecosystems	Closed	EUR 5 M (1 grants)
Women TechEU	Closed	EUR 3,75 M (50 grants)
Expanding Entrepreneurial Ecosystems	Closed	EUR 5 M (1 grants)
HORIZON-EIE-2022-SCALEUP-02-01: Expanding Investments Ecosystems	Opening date: 21/06/22 Closing date: 04/10/22	EUR 5 M (5 grants)

INNOVSMEs



- Innovative SMEs Partnership (co-funded European Partnership)

Other Actions



Action	Budget
Intellectual Property Helpdesk	EUR 3 M (1 contract)
Mapping and scoping of frugal and reverse innovation	EUR 0.3 M (1 contract)
Innovative practices in legislation around emerging tech	EUR 0.3 M (1 contract)

EIE WP 2023-2024

- **Policy context/political priorities:**
 - [European Innovation Agenda Communication](#) (open for stakeholder feedback until 10 May 2022)
 - Stakeholder inputs
- **Lessons learned** from the implementation of the 2021-2022 WP
- **Continuity** between the EIE WP 2021-2022 and 2023-2024
- Compliance with the **legal base** and **Horizon Europe Strategic Plan 2021-2024**
- **Synergies** with other relevant programmes

Thank you



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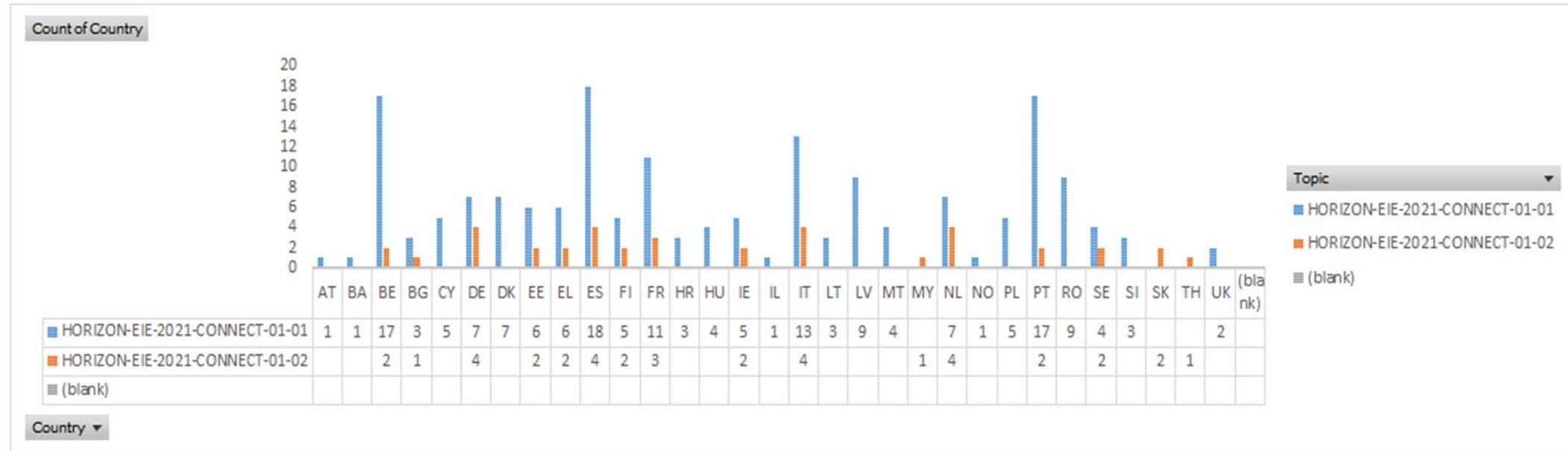
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EIE WP 2021 call statistics

EIE WP 2021 calls: Statistics (1)

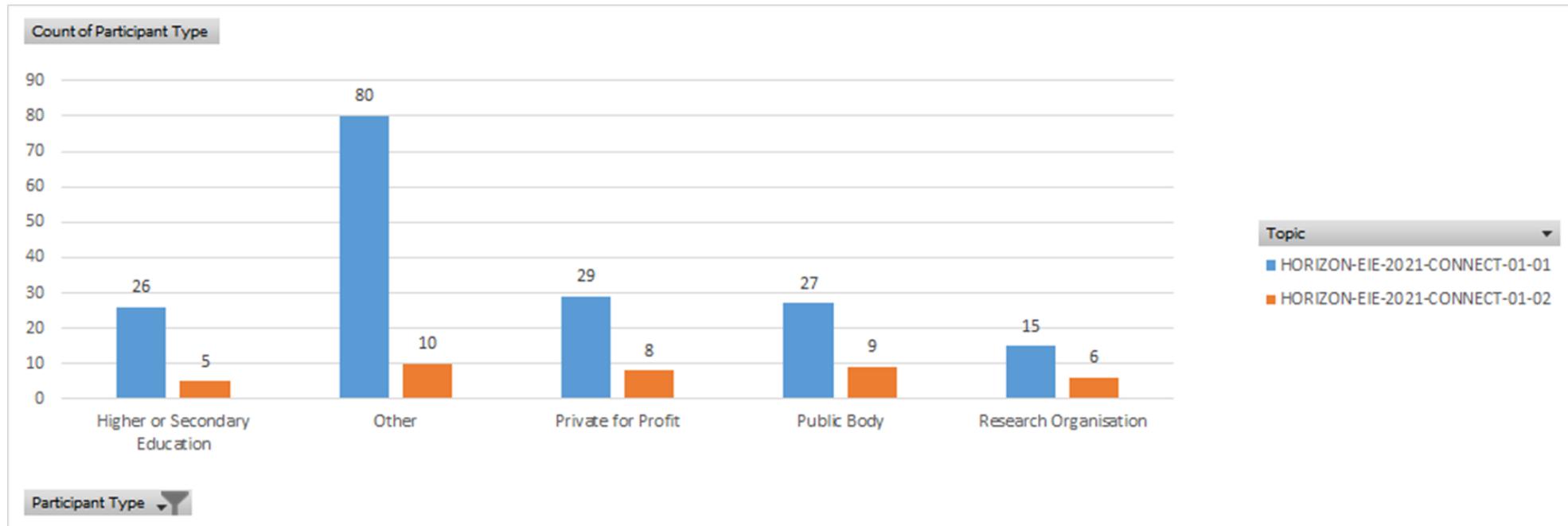
Table 1: Countries' participation per CONNECT topic (**proposals submission**)

(*as coordinator, partner, or associated partner)



EIE WP 2021 calls: Statistics (2)

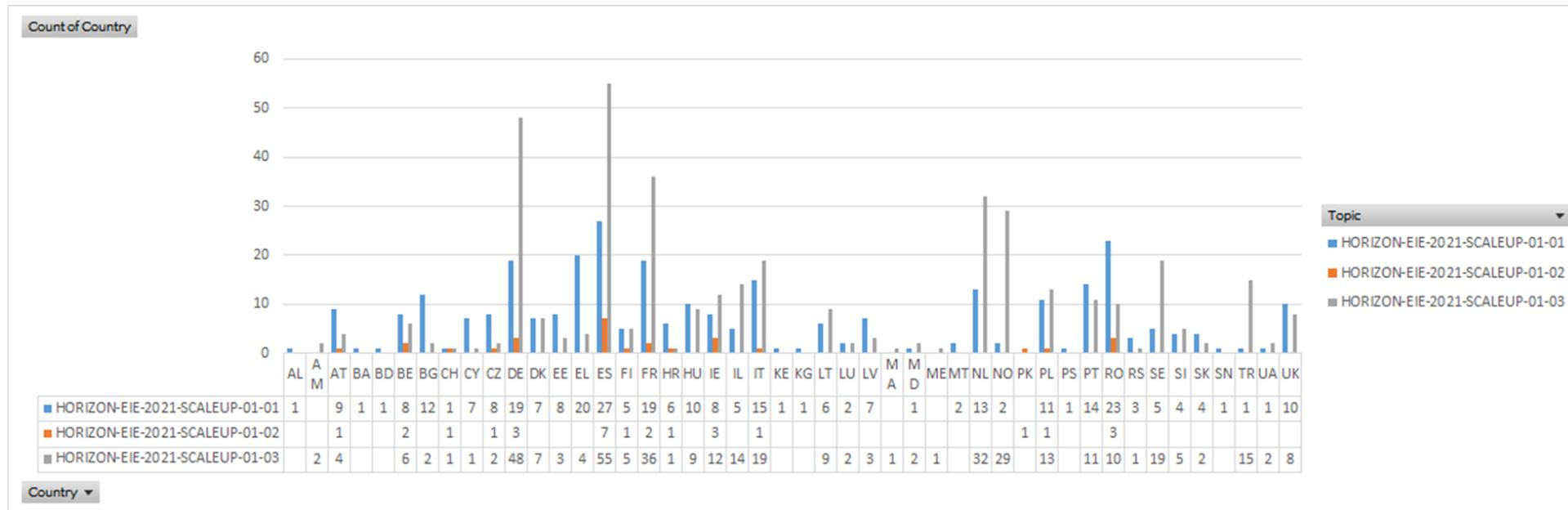
Table 2: Participant type of per CONNECT topic (**proposals submission**)



EIE WP 2021 calls: Statistics (3)

Table 3: Countries' participation per SCALE topic (**proposals submission**)

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EIE WP 2021 calls: Statistics (4)

Table 4: Participant type of per SCALE topic (**proposals submission**)

