



Advancing circular economy in process industries through innovation and funding programmes

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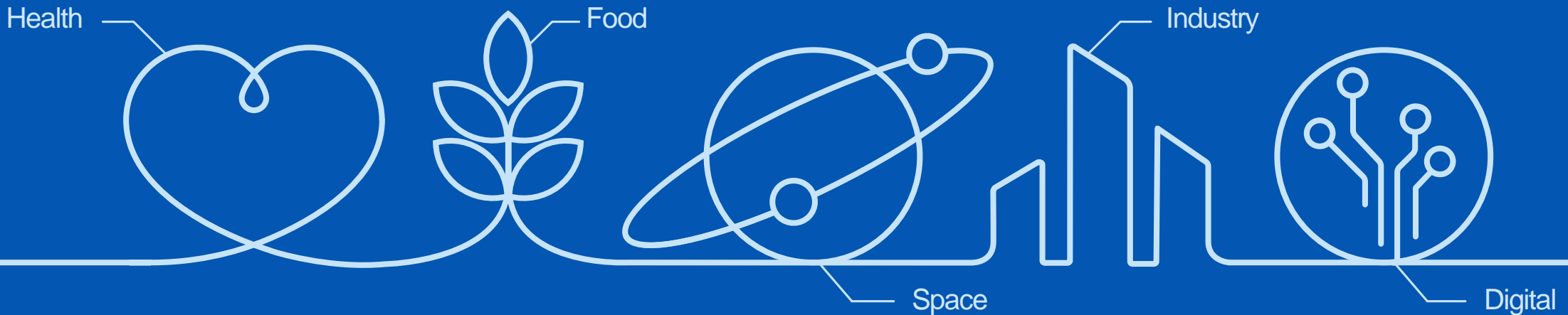
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Who we are

Our Agency

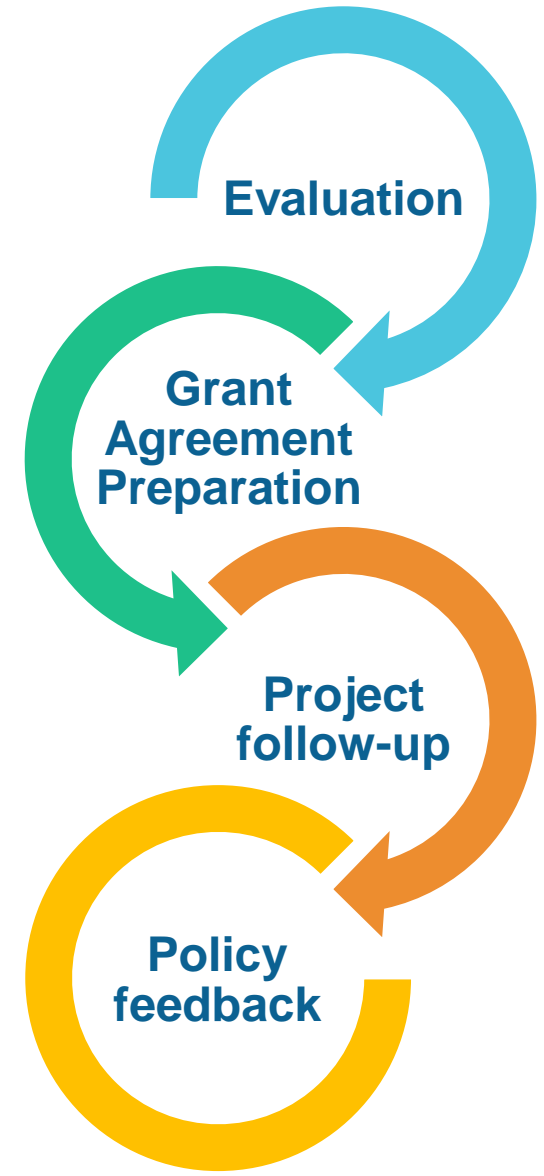
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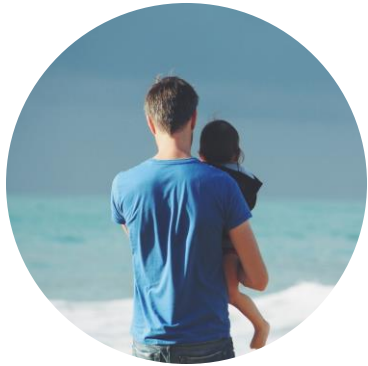
What we do

The role of HaDEA

- Managing EU programmes
- Feeding into the policy-making process the project's outcome & success stories
- In charge of the whole project life:
 - **Evaluation** of Proposals
 - **Grant Agreement** Preparation
 - Scientific/Technical and Financial **monitoring** of projects
 - Supporting **exploitation and dissemination** of project results (policy feedback)



The programmes we manage



Health

EU4Health
Horizon Europe –
Health



Food

Single Market
Programme
(SMP): Food
Safety



Digital

Horizon Europe –
Digital
Connecting Europe
Facility – Digital
Digital Europe
Programme



Industry

Horizon Europe
– Industry

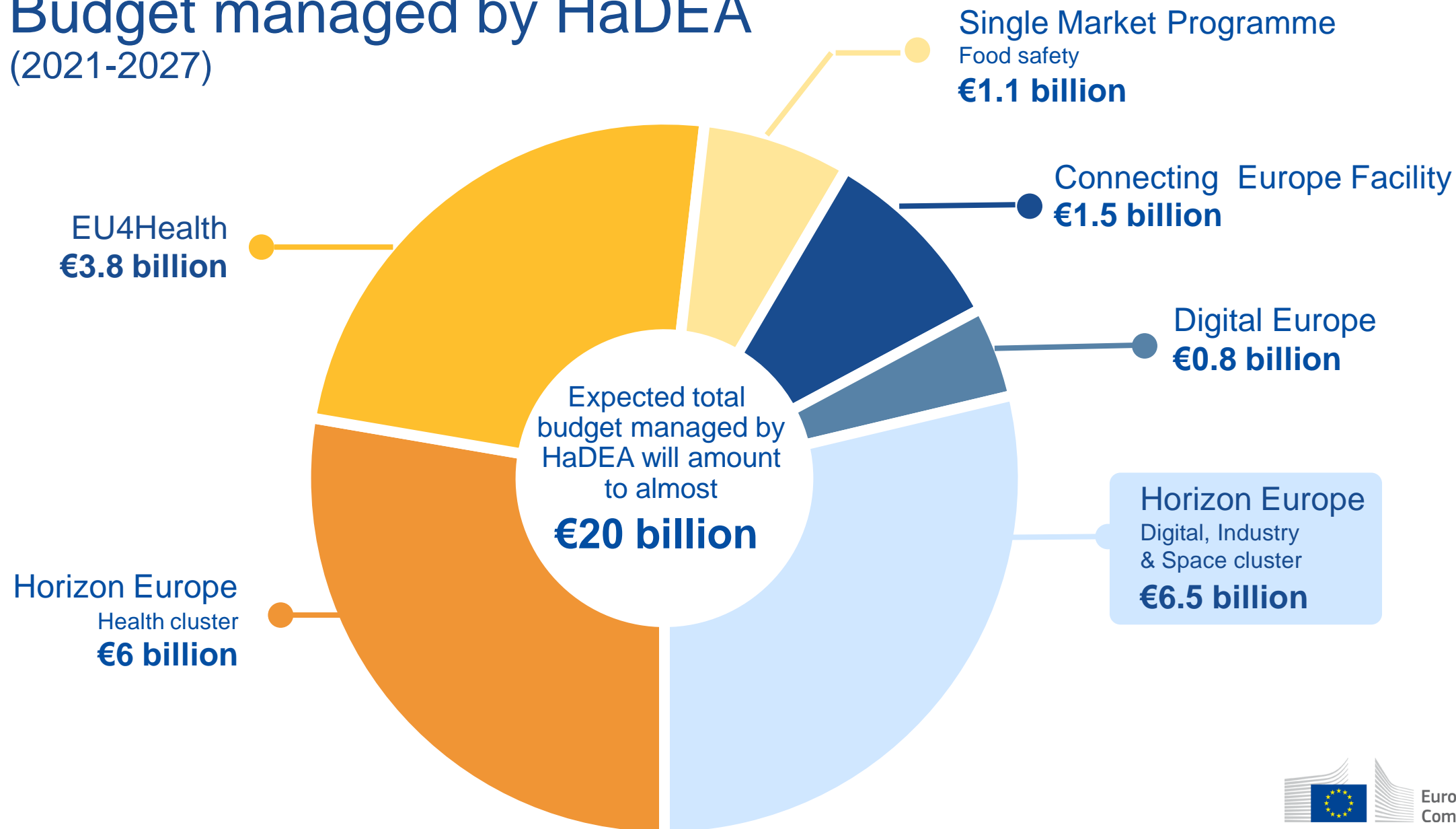


Space

Horizon Europe –
Space

Budget managed by HaDEA

(2021-2027)





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HORIZON EUROPE

THE EU
RESEARCH &
INNOVATION
PROGRAMME 2021 – 27



This presentation is based on the political agreement of 11 December 2020 on the Horizon Europe. Information on some parts is pending revision.

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Research and
Innovation

SPECIFIC PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTING HORIZON EUROPE & EIT*

Exclusive focus on civil applications



Pillar I EXCELLENT SCIENCE

European Research Council

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Research Infrastructures



Pillar II GLOBAL CHALLENGES & EUROPEAN INDUSTRIAL COMPETITIVENESS

Clusters

- Health
- Culture, Creativity & Inclusive Society
- Civil Security for Society
- **Digital, Industry & Space**
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- Food, Bioeconomy, Natural Resources, Agriculture & Environment

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Pillar III INNOVATIVE EUROPE

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European innovation ecosystems

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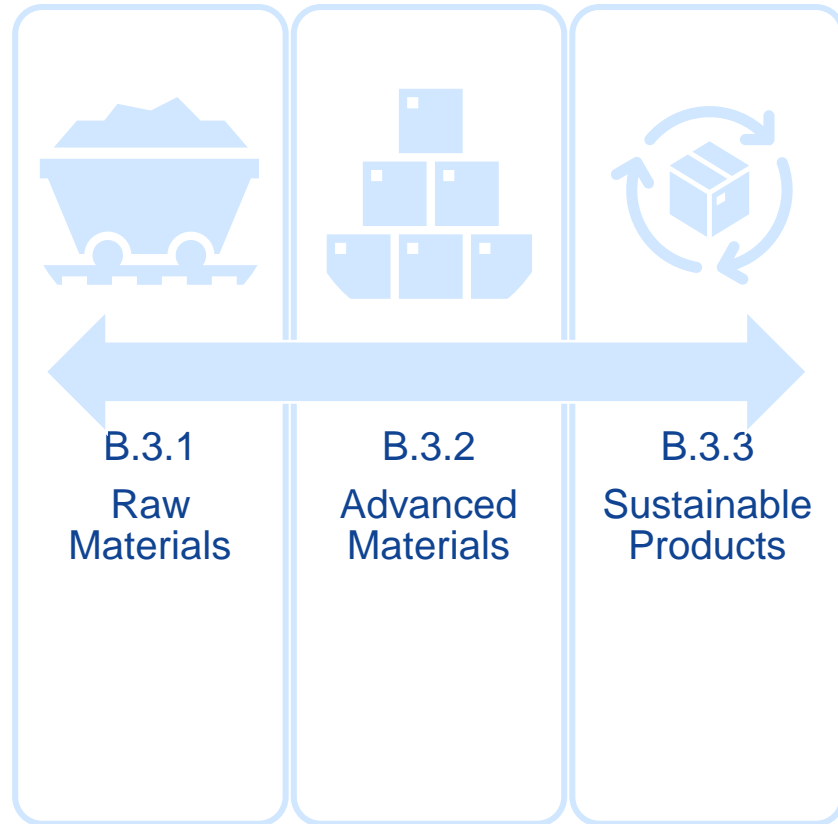
WIDENING PARTICIPATION AND STRENGTHENING THE EUROPEAN RESEARCH AREA

Widening participation & spreading excellence

Reforming & Enhancing the European R&I system

* The European Institute of Innovation & Technology (EIT) is not part of the Specific Programme

HaDEA implements the Horizon Europe Cluster 4



1. Funds projects

2. Provides Feedback to Policy

HaDEA also manages the Horizon 2020 legacy program

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Preserving fresh water: recycling industrial waters industry

SCOPE:

Aim at near-zero discharge using closed-loop systems in combination with recovery of energy and/or substances through the development of integrated water-smart strategies for industrial processes.

- Better characterising the water usage and production in the industrial processes;
- Defining recycling options with a combined water, waste and energy approach
- Future production demand through design, control options, and technologies integration that reduce water consumption, recycle water, and reduce the use of fresh water resources.

Preserving fresh water: recycling industrial waters industry

Reprogramming of water resources and optimisation of water management in industrial processes applying the principles of waste - water - energy design in a circular context.

Development new technologies and approaches at a large scale, combining:

- Real time smart monitoring and management systems with innovative digital solutions for sensors and actuators (e.g. modelling and artificial intelligence) and;
- Recycling technologies such as highly selective separation or extraction processes and new solutions for water treatment to prevent fouling and corrosion.

Preserving fresh water: recycling industrial waters industry

Advancing Sustainability of Process Industries through Digital and Circular Water Use Innovations	AquaSPICE
Smart innovative system for recycling wastewater and creating closed loops in textile manufacturing industrial processes	Waste2Fresh
Accelerating Water Circularity in Food and Beverage Industrial Areas around Europe	AccelWater
intelligent Water Treatment Technologies for water preservation combined with simultaneous energy production and material recovery in energy intensive industries	intelWATT
Innovative WAter recoverY Solutions through recycling of heat, materials and water across multiple sectors	iWAYS

Preserving fresh water: recycling industrial waters industry

Expected impacts:

- Significant reduction of the current use of fresh water resources;
- Significant steps towards near-zero discharge using closed-loop systems in industrial processes;
- Significant increase of the recovery of water, energy and/or substances and materials;
- Increase of resource and water efficiency by 30%
- Effective dissemination of major innovation outcomes to the current and next generation of employees
- Environmental gains in absolute figures
- Replication potential

PORTFOLIO OVERVIEW

Research & innovation will play a crucial role

- The present challenges and opportunities demand fundamental change in which **research and innovation** (R&I), enabled and reinforced by policymaking, plays **a crucial role**.
- R&I will contribute to **accelerate the necessary transitions**, deploying and demonstrating solutions, and engaging citizens in social innovation.
- R&I will help drive and navigate the **long-term systemic changes** required to create a cleaner, greener, fairer society.



Portfolio overview: H2020 and Horizon Europe

➤ SPIRE (H2020) and Processes4Planet (Horizon Europe) partnerships

Process industries refers to industries concerned with the processing of bulk resources into other products. It includes **resource & energy-intensive industries**.

Industrial sectors:



Cement



Ceramics



Chemicals



Engineering



Non-ferrous
metals



Minerals



Pulp & paper



Refining



Steel



Water

Objectives

- I. Circularity
- II. Climate neutrality
- III. Enhanced competitiveness

Horizon 2020: SPIRE partnership

- The H2020 public-private partnership **SPIRE “Sustainable Process Industry through Resource and Energy Efficiency”** had the aim of integrating, demonstrating and validating systems and technologies capable of achieving
 - a reduction in fossil energy intensity of up to 30%
 - a reduction of up to 20% in non-renewable, primary raw material intensity
 - a significant contribution to efficiency improvement in CO₂-equivalent of up to 40%
- Co-programmed partnership with **>90 H2020 projects** and **>620 million EUR funding**.

Processes4Planet Partnership (P4P)



PROCESSES4PLANET

*“Transforming the European **energy intensive process industries** to make them **circular** and achieve overall **climate neutrality** at EU level by 2050, while enhancing their competitiveness.”*

- Developing and deploying climate-neutral solutions
- Closing the energy and feedstock loops
- Achieving a global leadership in climate-neutral and circular solutions, accelerating innovation and unlocking public and private investment (competitiveness)

Partners: more than 150 members, represented by A.SPIRE. Including large industries, SME, RTOs, associations etc

Process industries in Horizon Europe



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Cluster 4 – Digital, industry and space

Destination 1 - Climate neutral, Circular and Digitised production

 Global leadership in clean, climate-neutral and resilient industrial value chains, circular economy and climate-neutral and human-centric digital systems and infrastructures

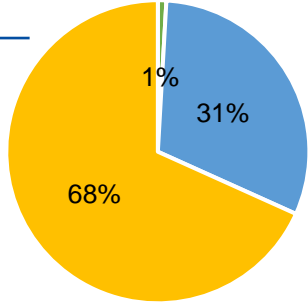
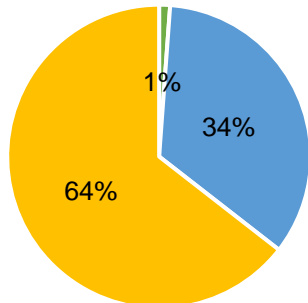
 Three co-programmed partnerships: Made in Europe, Clean Steel and **Processes4Planet**

European Partnerships in Cluster “Digital Industry, Space”

Name	Type	Scope/Aim
Made in Europe	Co-programmed	Green, digital and flexible manufacturing
Processes4Planet	Co-programmed	Climate-neutral, circular and competitive process industry
Clean Steel	Co-programmed	Carbon-neutral steel production
Photonics	Co-programmed	Maintain leadership in photonic technologies
AI, data and robotics	Co-programmed	Innovation and uptake of AI, data and robotics
Global Competitive Space Systems	Co-programmed	Reinforce EU capacity to access and use space
Metrology	Art.185	A world-class metrology system for EU
Key Digital Technologies	Art.187	Digital hardware and software development
Smart networks and Services	Art.187	Support European 5G and develop 6G
High Performance Computing	Art.187	Quantum/super-computing technologies

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	H2020 (2014-2020)	Horizon Europe (2021-2022)	
Total EU funding [EUR]	624.0 M	314.6 M (out of 1,300 M)	<p>EU funding – H2020</p>  <p>CSA RIA IA</p>
Number of topics	32	10	
Number of projects	94	27	
Running projects	22	27 (+17 GAPs 2023)	<p>EU funding – Horizon Europe</p>  <p>CSA RIA IA</p>
Average project duration [months]	45	48	
Average no. participants per project	15	21	
Average EU funding per project [EUR]	6.6 M	11.6 M	

²³ Work programme 2023-2024 (estimated): 330.67 million EUR (11 topics, 27 projects)

P4P projects portfolio in HaDEA (2021-2024)



EU funding: EUR 680.4 Million



Call topics: 21



Projects: 57 (31 RIAs, 24 IAs, 2 CSAs)



EU funding per project: EUR 11.9 Million

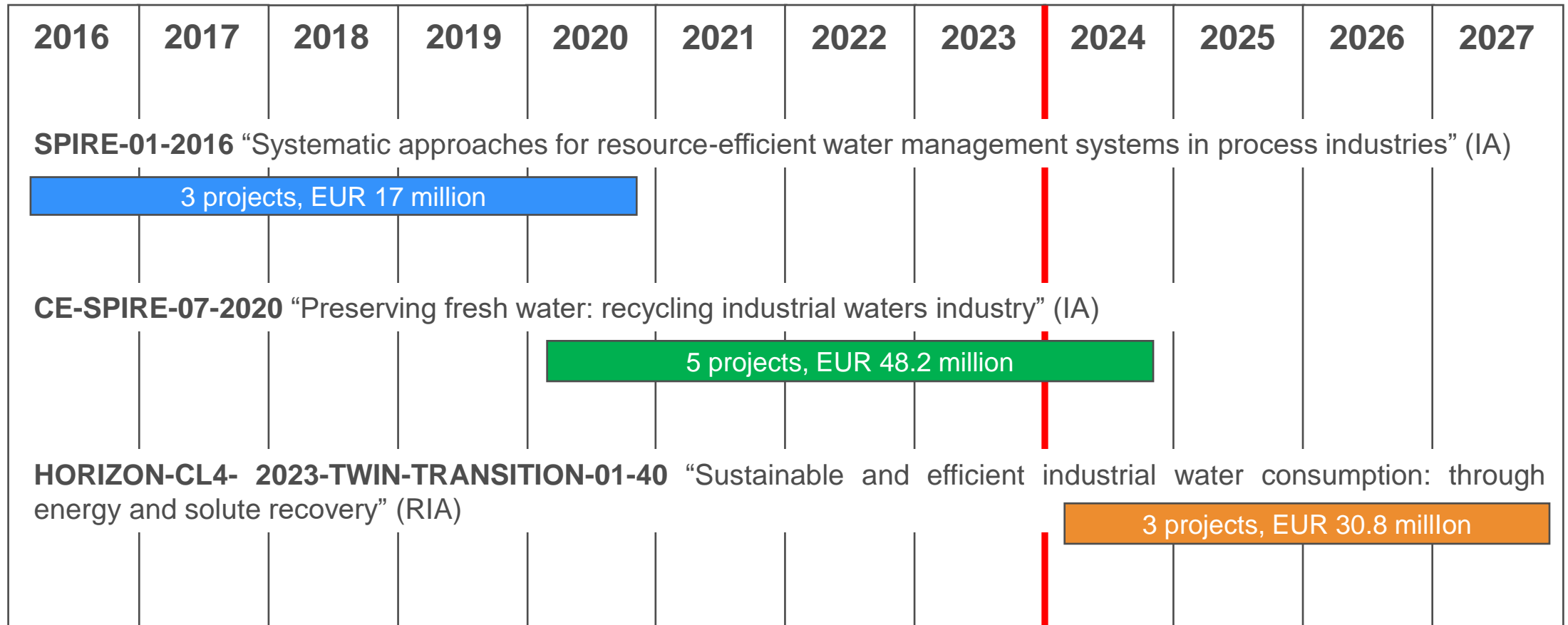
Key areas:



- Industrial decarbonisation
- Circularity and resource efficiency
- Industrial symbiosis
- Enhanced competitiveness

Networking & Synergies

Efficient water use in Process industries



What our subscribers do

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#circularity
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