

<b>Call title:</b>	<b>WOODWISDOM-NET+ - PACING INNOVATION IN THE FOREST-BASED SECTOR</b>
<b>ERA-Initiative/ Programme title:</b>	<b>WoodWisdom-Net ERANET+ Project</b>
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<b>Short Call Abstract:</b>	<p><i>The overarching aim of this call is to support the innovative transformation of the European forest-based sector and to enable it to increase its resource efficiency and to develop an innovative products scope, while adapting to and mitigating the impacts of climate change and securing biodiversity.</i></p> <p><i>The initiative is intended to facilitate collaboration between industry, SMEs, stakeholder associations, research organisations, leading-edge scientists from the wider range of disciplines covering wood material, construction, natural, biological, social, economic and other relevant sciences who will bring their broad expertise to support the transformation of the European forest-based sector and to secure its competitiveness.</i></p> <p><i>Importantly, the call will also aim to encourage and make best use of interdisciplinary, systems approaches, and improve the impact and integration of social research and economics in this area.</i></p>
<b>SSH aspects:</b>	<p><i>Theme 1. Sustainable management of forest resources</i></p> <p><i>Theme 2. Industrial processes</i></p> <p><i>Theme 4. Competitive customer solutions</i></p>
<b>Specific participation requirements:</b>	<p><b>PLEASE SEE THE CALL TEXT FOR DETAILS!</b></p> <p><i>The call invites proposals for collaborative research and development from transnational consortia of industry, SMEs, stakeholder associations and research organisations.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>• Consortia must include at least three independent legal entities from three different countries from the list of participating countries (see Chapter 3 of Call Text) and should be of a manageable size. The total number of partners is not limited; however, efficient consortia of typically 5-12 partners for medium-sized projects are expected.</i></li> <li><i>• Consortia also need to be balanced between countries both in terms of number of partners and distribution of budget. Each partner's budget should be typical for the respective national project volumes.</i></li> <li><i>• Consortia may cover basic and/or applied research and/or industrial research and development.</i></li> <li><i>• Interdisciplinary collaboration and involvement of stakeholders are highly welcome.</i></li> </ul> <p><i>Wherever possible and eligible, the participation of industrial partners – especially small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) – is strongly recommended to ensure the relevance of the research to technological development and to the needs of society.</i></p> <p><i>The participation of young scientists in the research teams is encouraged.</i></p>