



# **H2020-JTI-FCH-2016 call**

## **Evaluations and decision to start GAP**

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# Overview of the call

**Call identifier: H2020-JTI-FCH-2016-1**

**Publication date: 19 January 2016**

**Deadline: 03 May 2016**

**Total budget: EUR 117.5 million**

**Indicative budget per pillars:**

**1. TRANSPORT PILLAR**

- Research activities: **20 mill EUR**
- Innovation activities: **37 mill EUR**

**2. ENERGY PILLAR**

- Research activities: **16 mill EUR**
- Innovation activities: **40 mill EUR**

**3. OVERARCHING PROJECTS:**

- Research activities: **2 mill EUR**

**4. CROSS-CUTTING: 2.5 mill EUR**

# Proposals received/'Flash-Call Info'

A total of **81 proposals** were submitted in response to this call.

The number of proposals for each topic is shown below:

Transport – total 26 proposals

Energy – total 38 proposals

Overarching – total 7 proposals

Cross-cutting – total 6 proposals

4 proposals were withdrawn by the FCH2 JU services due to abusive submission.

The evaluation of the proposals is planned to start by end-May 2016 and will be closed by mid-July 2016.

Applicants will be informed on the outcome of the evaluations by the end of August 2016.

<u>Transport pillar: 26</u>	<u>Energy pillar: 38</u>	<u>Overarching: 7</u>	<u>Cross-cutting: 6</u>
Topic 01-1: 5	02-1: 2	03-1: 7	04-1: 4
01-2: 0	02-2: 8		04-2: 2
01-3: 2	02-3: 7		
01-4: 3	02-4: 3		
01-5: 6	02-5: 2		
01-6: 2	02-6: 4		
01-7: 2	02-7: 4		
01-8: 4	02-8: 1		
01-9: 1	02-9: 1		
01-10: 1	02-10: 2		
	02-11: 4		

# Before the evaluation

- 1 proposal found ineligible (*'out-of-scope'*)
- Total cost of the 76 eligible proposals amounts to EUR 455,160,472.25, with total requested FCH 2 JU contribution of EUR 300,569,911.63
- 76 proposals were received for the 24 topics called and distributed as follows:
  - 38 (50.0%) were received for 11 topics published in the Energy Pillar activities;
  - 25 (32.9%) were received for 10 topics published under the Transport Pillar activities;
  - 7 (9.2%) were received for 1 topic under Overarching activities;
  - 6 (7.9%) were received for the 2 topics under Cross-Cutting.

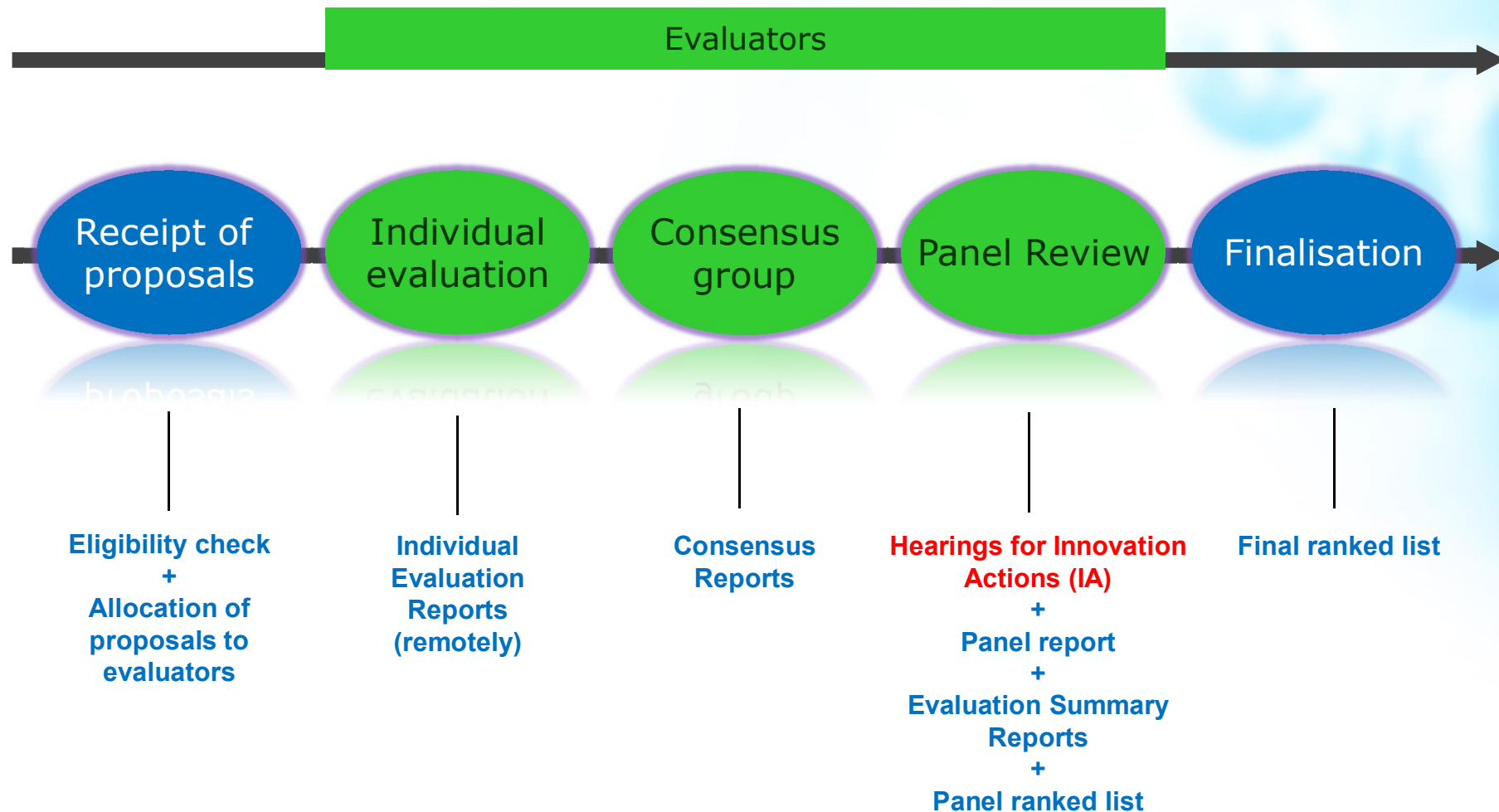
In addition, one proposal received under Transport pillar activities was found ineligible.

- At the level of the call submission, 1 topic has not received any interest and therefore no proposal: *FCH-01-2-2016: Standardisation of components for cost-efficient fuel cell systems for automotive applications*
- No proposals have been transferred between topics
- 47 experts were used for evaluations (including 3 chairs/quality controllers and 1 observer)

# Guiding principles for the evaluation

- *Independence of the evaluators*
  - No conflict of interest
- *Impartiality*
  - Equal treatment of all proposals and evaluation based on their merits, irrespective of their origin or the identity of the applicants
- *Objectivity*
  - Evaluation of each proposal as submitted; meaning on its own merit, not its potential if certain changes were to be made
- *Accuracy*
  - Evaluation based on the official evaluation criteria and on the criteria addressed by the related topic
- *Consistency*
  - Same standard of judgment to all proposals

# Overview of the Evaluation Process



## Call 2016 planning:

04-25 May 2016 → 25 May-15 June 2016 → 20-22 June 2016 → 23-30 June 2016 → July-Aug 2016

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# Outcome of evaluations

- After the evaluations, **6 topics are not covered with any proposal passing all thresholds**
- Out of a total of 76 proposals evaluated, 32 (37.7 %) passed all thresholds
- However, not all can be supported due to call topics limitations in terms of number of successful proposals per topic.
- GB decided to support/retain and start the Grant Agreement Preparation (GAP) phase with **19 proposals** for an FCH 2 JU contribution of **EUR 93,979,248.02**
- The **remaining 13 proposals have to be placed in reserve lists** due to the limitations in number of projects to be funded per topic. They can only be funded in case any proposals in the same main lists fail the GAP phase.
- Remaining budget of EUR 23,520,751.98 (about 20.01%) which cannot be consumed

# Planning of the GAP process

- **06/09/2016:** all applicants informed about call evaluation results (main + reserve + rejection lists)
- 19 proposals invited for Grant preparation; Info-day for coordinators on 23/09/2016
- **09/10/2016** (5 weeks): Deadline for consortium to submit first version of documents (Annex 1: Part A and Part B + Annex 2)
- **11/11/2016:** Deadline for the consortium to submit second/final version of documents and to sign the Declaration(s) of Honour  
*The process can still repeat until agreement on documents is reached between FCH2 JU and the consortium.*
- **23/12/2016** (8 months from the call deadline): **Signature of the GA**

*The process will continue with 'Accession Forms' and Pre-financing in the 30 days following the signature of the GA*

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