

ENHANCE TESTBED

A testbed is the platform for conducting transparent and replicable testing of didactic theories or methods, tools or technologies.

The term is used across many disciplines to describe experimental research and new product development platforms and environments.

Who can apply for funding

- staff members
- doctoral candidates
- students

of the ENHANCE Partner Universities: Technische Universität Berlin, Rheinisch-Westfälische Technische Hochschule Aachen, Chalmers Tekniska Högskola, Norges Teknisk-Naturvitenskapelige Universitet, Politecnico di Milano, Universitat Politècnica de València, Politechnika Warszawska, Technische Universiteit Delft, Politechnika Gdańska, Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule Zürich.

Objectives

The main objectives of the competition are:

- a) to enrich the ENHANCE learning opportunities,
- b) to modernise teaching methods and formats,
- c) to foster the exchange of good teaching practices in the field of international cooperation,
- d) to activate students' co-teaching,
- e) to promote inclusivity in teaching and learning, ensuring the equal opportunities and fair representation for diverse groups.

Subject of the competition

The subject of the competition is to develop and implement innovative learning concepts, offered to learners representing at least three different Partner Universities, including:

- a) innovative formats (understood as original and innovative didactic solutions) for joint short-term learning activities such as:
 - service-based learning,
 - learning activities/solutions co-created with staff members, doctoral candidates and/or students,
 - hackathons of a unique theme, scope and form,
 - solutions for students facing different barriers,
 - other innovative concepts
- b) innovative and unique training concepts at the university level such as:
 - Evolutive Learning Factories,
 - related learning activities based on real industrial systems and their digital twins,
- c) innovative pedagogical concepts, including the use of new technologies for future learners,
- d) innovative IT solutions.

Budget Allocation

1. The budget for the support of the Testbed Projects is 84,000 EUR.
2. The Testbed Project funding is up by **8,400 EUR** per Testbed Project in Edition 2025.
3. The budget categories covered by the funding include: direct costs related to salaries, employee-related costs, and other direct costs such as software licenses. The purchase of fixed assets, including equipment is not covered by the funding. Indirect costs cannot be added to the budget of the testbed project.
4. The funds will be distributed among the Partner Universities on the basis of the winning projects ranking.

General Schedule

10th April 2025

The call for the application

6th June 2025

The deadline for the application

7th June - 18th June 2025

The evaluation of the submitted testbed projects

25th June 2025

The announcement of the results

Competition criteria

The submitted testbed projects will be evaluated on the basis of the following criteria:

- a) the quality of the concept including the didactic method and educational format **(20 points)**,
- b) the novelty of the learning opportunity within ENHANCE Alliance **(15 points)**,
- c) the joint preparation of the project by at least two Partner Universities **(20 points)**,
- d) the inclusion of students and/or doctoral candidates in the development of the learning opportunity **(15 points)**,
- e) the project completion within 18-month period and sustainability results beyond that period **(10 points)**,
- f) the justification of expenses **(10 points)**,
- g) the awareness of inclusivity and diversity in the project design **(10 points)**.

DEADLINE

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6th June 2025

Application need to be sent to:

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