

# Swiss Participation in Horizon Europe

Researchers and innovators in Switzerland can participate in Horizon Europe. As of 1 January 2025, Swiss organisations can apply in the role of “Beneficiary” from the 2025 programme year onward, with their budget included in the total amount of project funding requested by the consortium from the EU. Applying in the role of Beneficiary is compulsory in order to have funding guaranteed.

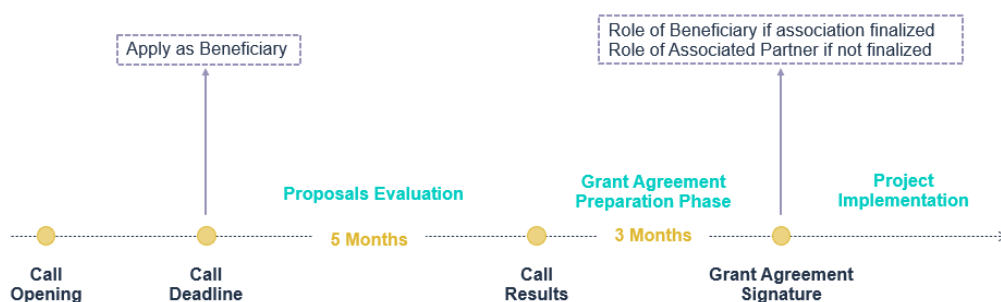
In case of a successful proposal, Swiss organisations will maintain the Beneficiary role only if the Association Agreement between Switzerland and the EU is concluded. If this requirement is not met, their role will be shifted to “Associated Partners” – receiving funding from SERI ([Financial Guarantee 2025](#)).

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Running Horizon Europe projects and 2024-identifier calls are not affected by this change. For the currently 2024 open calls, Swiss entities shall apply in the role of “Associated Partner” ([Financial Guarantee 2024](#)).

Similarities and differences between “Beneficiary” and “Associated Partner” are listed here:

Role	Beneficiary	Associated Partner
Active role in the project	X	X
Leading Work Packages	X	X
Sign the Grant Agreement with the EC	X	
Sign the Consortium Agreement	X	X
Tasks and activities clearly described in the proposal and project description	X	X
Project coordination	X	
Swiss partner role in 2024 year programme calls		X
Swiss partner role in 2025 year programme calls onward	X	
Swiss budget within the max call budget (2025 onward)	X	
EU funding	X	
Swiss budget not contributing to the max call budget (till 2024)		X
SERI funding		X