

Conference Series on European Hyperloop Technology
with a focus session on
The Development of Large-Scale Research Infrastructure

Q&A:

Upcoming Calls Horizon Europe

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1. Q: How does the Horizon financial support for Hyperloop teams work? Do they have to apply at a certain date this year?

A: There is a project volume for each call, which is provided by the European Union funds of Horizon Europe. The support for research and innovation actions (our calls) are also for companies up to 100%. As soon as a call is published in the Funding & Tenders Portal, it is possible to apply within 3 months. The first call of the presentation will be published this year and the second one will be published next year.

2. Q: C2-D2-BT-01-2021 might indeed be a good fit, C2-D6-MSTS-12-2022 it more looking into road and rail, I believe. Wouldn't HL rather be a matter for the Shift2Rail 2.0 Joint Undertaking?

A: C2-D6-MSTS-12-2022 could serve as a call for a follow-on project, for example for "ePcenter", "Planet", "Aegis" or "Senator". In fact, there is a possibility to include Hyperloop in transport projects looking mainly at road and rail transport and present new and innovative ideas.

3. Q: When do you all see governments or private entities buying such services or technologies? Would this be after reaching TLR4?

A: The technology is still in its early stages and has a lot of potential, so it is hard to say when government support will strengthen or commercial development increase. TRL4 is an experimental setup in the lab and not yet a market-ready technology, this is more the case at TRL7 or TRL8.