

FAQ for EuroHPC JU Call: European Quantum Excellence Centres (QECs) in applications for science and industry (HORIZON-EUROHPC-JU-2023-QEC-05)

Q1: Is it mandatory to include the Ownership Control Declaration (OCD) with the proposal? Should this be include in the end of Part B, this will result in the Part B to be over the page limit of 70, is this acceptable?

A1: We will request the Ownership Control Declaration separately (*if necessary*) after the final submission of the proposal and hence this will not contribute to the 70 pages limit.

Q2: If an organization has already a validated Ownership Control Assessment (OCA) from a previous proposal/project, can this be used?

A2: Yes, the validity of the Ownership Control Assessment is 18 months, unless the ownership of a company has changed in the meantime.

Q3: What is meant by the requirement that “Every partner should contribute at least 5% of the overall personnel resources.”?

A3: Every partner is expected to contribute to at least 5% of the total number of person months to the project. A partner is a legal entity that is a member of a consortium (**beneficiary** or **affiliated** entity). Partners may of course contribute more than 5% of the resources, however to achieve the objectives of the call to establish a QEC, every partners should contribute to at least 5% of the work (i. e. person months). This is independent of the budget assigned to each partner.

Q4: Is an EU entity controlled by an Israeli company eligible

A4: Regarding the call conditions on participation (eligibility to participate), please note that the restrictions on participation concern only the place of establishment. As indicated in the call, the participation is limited to legal entities established in Member States and legal entities established in countries associated to Horizon Europe that are members of the EuroHPC Joint Undertaking, thus only the legal entities established in these countries are eligible to participate.

Q5: Are Dutch entities with a parent entity from India eligible?

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Q6: As only EUROHPC JU member states are eligible to be participant or funded, how about non-member state IEROs? Like CERN in Switzerland, is CERN eligible for participation? Or is CERN eligible for funding

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Q7: Are Canadian companies eligible – Canada became associated country recently but is not listed as associated country in your presentation?

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