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Newsletter

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## “5G PPP Phase 3” ICT-19 call is open -SMEs should be welcome!

The next 5G PPP Phase 3 Call, [ICT-19](#), has been opened for a few weeks. It is calling for large-scale pilot trials in vertical sectors. As we are entering the test and deployment phase, innovative applications and solutions using 5G infrastructures are required, and **SMEs have a large role to play in this Phase 3 and this new call.**

A dedicated [ICT-19 Information Day](#) will be held on **14 September 2018 in Brussels**. Details on the programme and logistics are available, and registration is still possible. There is already a number of SMEs who are in the programme and who will give presentations of their ideas and expertise in relation with the call.

There will be a short presentation of the SME expertise during the Info Day, referring mostly to the [SME brochure](#) and the “[Find your SME](#)” web page. This material shall be used by industry, academia and SMEs to find the most relevant SME partners for the ICT-19 call and beyond.

SMEs and other participants are encouraged to publish their ideas and expertise on the [5G PPP online brokerage platform](#). Some interesting offerings are already [available](#), including from several SMEs.



For all interested in participating in the ICT-19 Call and more generally in Phase 3 of the 5G PPP, a specific explanatory [Phase 3 video](#) has been put on line to explain the objectives of the call and how to be involved.

## SME participation in the first call of 5G PPP Phase 3 Details on SME participation in 5G PPP ICT-17 Call

A note has been prepared by the To-Euro-5G project, analyzing the participation of SMEs in the first 5G PPP Phase 3 call i.e. ICT-17. **The share of SMEs in budget in the selected ICT-17-2018 projects is 16.7%. It fails to reach the minimum threshold of 20%**, although the share of SMEs at proposal stage was 19% in budget and 24.4% in number of participants. **More effort shall be made in the upcoming calls (ICT-18, ICT-19) to ensure that the 20% SME participation KPI is achieved.** The complete note is annexed to this Newsletter.

## Latest news from NetWorld2020 and from the 5G Infrastructure Association

The **NetWorld2020 2018 General Assembly / Annual Event** will be held on **15 November 2018 in Brussels**. The registration is [open](#). The current draft programme includes a session focusing on SMEs.

The **General Assembly of the 5G Infrastructure Association** will be held in **Brussels on 18 September**. A new Board of Directors will be elected at this occasion. The 5G IA Board includes 11 members including 2 SME representatives, 8 Industry representatives, and 1 Academia representative. The General Assembly is open to the members of the 5G IA only. For all other news, have a look at the latest [5G PPP Newsletter](#).

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