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## **EIT/KIC AUS DER SICHT DER FFG**

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# WHAT IS AN EIT KIC?

The EIT's Knowledge and Innovation Communities (EIT KICs) are thematic partnerships that bring together several organisations from **business, research, education** and beyond.

Each EIT KIC is set up as an independent legal entity, gathering **from 50 to over 300 partners**, and is managed in a business-like manner by a CEO, supervised by an independent board.

Each EIT KIC has **5 to 8 Co-location Centres CLCs**.

A Co-location Centre is a **physical hub**.

## ENGAGING WITH KICS: CONTRACTUAL RELATIONS BETWEEN THE EIT AND THE KICS



# WHAT IS AN EIT KIC DOING? KIC ADDED-VALUE ACTIVITIES (KAVAS)

## What is a KAVA?

KIC Added-Value Activities (KAVAs) are activities carried out by partner organisations in accordance with the EIT KIC's Business Plan, contributing to the integration of the knowledge triangle of higher education, research and innovation, including the establishment, administrative and coordination activities of the KICs, and contributing to the overall objectives of the EIT.

Some **examples** include **education, business creation, research & innovation**, EIT Regional Innovation Scheme (EIT RIS) and KIC ecosystem building activities, which are set out in the Business Plans and reported in EIT KIC Reports, grouped in segments and areas.

# WHAT TYPES OF CALLS ARE OFFERED BY THE EIT COMMUNITY?

3 different levels of calls:

1. **EIT Calls for new partnerships** => calls for a new Knowledge and Innovation Community, e.g. future call in 2025 for **EIT Water**
2. **EIT Calls for grants** aim to select the portfolio of activities that will be delivered by the KICs, via the multi-annual Business Plans => **KAVA**
3. EIT KIC opportunities target **organisations, students, innovators, entrepreneurs and other** potential end-beneficiaries to implement activities foreseen in the KICs' Business Plans (e.g. accelerators, education programmes etc.).

# EIT/KIC ZEITVERLAUF



# WAS MACHT EIN KIC?

**Knowledge Triangle: education, research and innovation**  
achieved by industry (business)

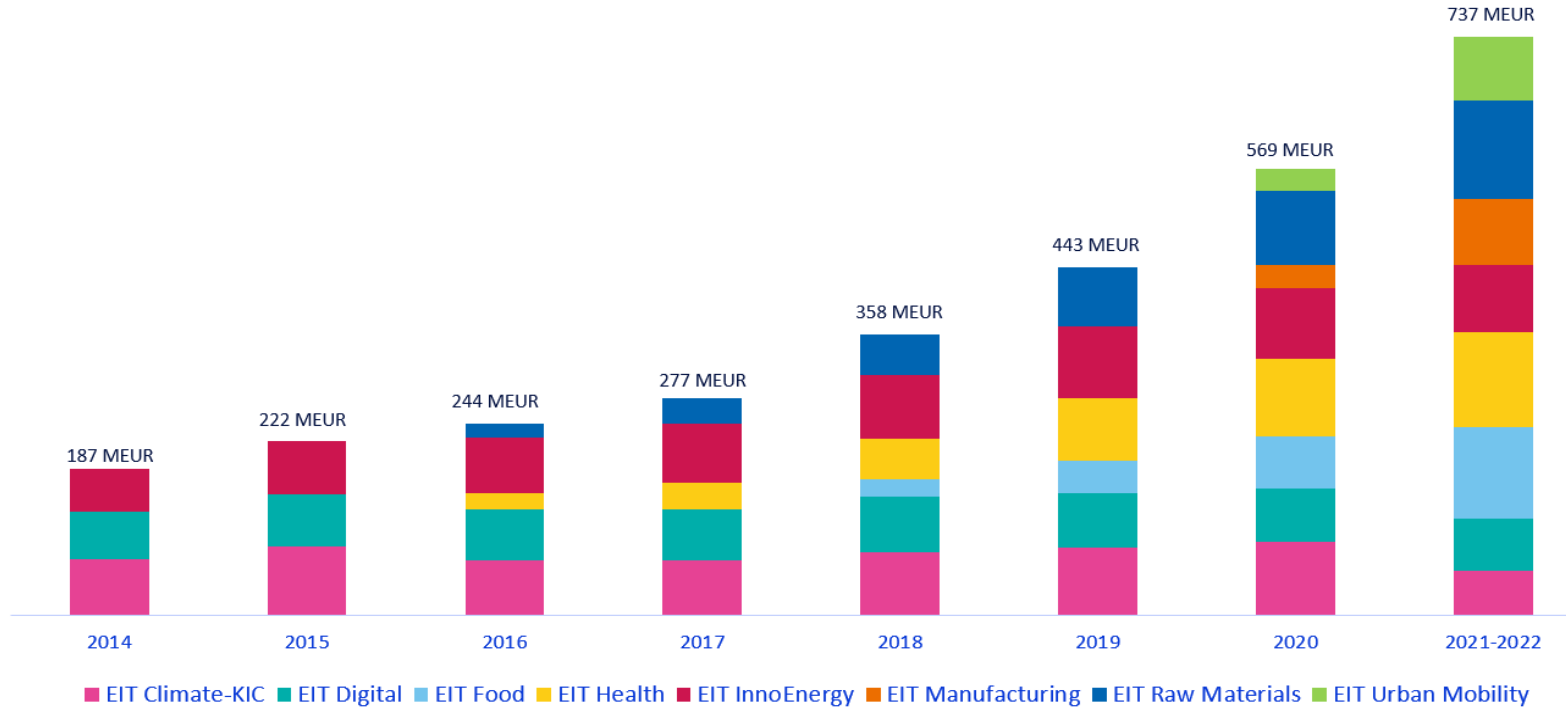


## Main KPIs for 2021 EIT Community performance

- 269 innovative goods and services launched on the market
- 1617 supported start-ups and scale-ups; Including **20.5%** with a female CEO or owner
- 95 created start-ups; Including **21%** with a female CEO or owner
- 1.9 billion EUR investment attracted by KIC-supported start-ups and scale-ups; Including **9.5%** of female-led or owned companies
- 755 graduates from EIT-Labelled Master and PhD Programmes; Including **34.8%** female graduates
- 51.246 participants in other education and training programmes; Including **56.3%** female learners  
84.1 million EUR total revenues generated by the KICs (financial sustainability)

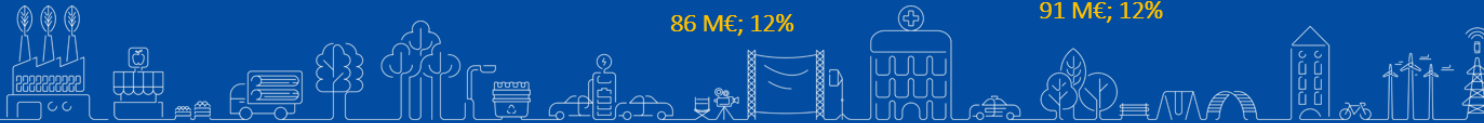
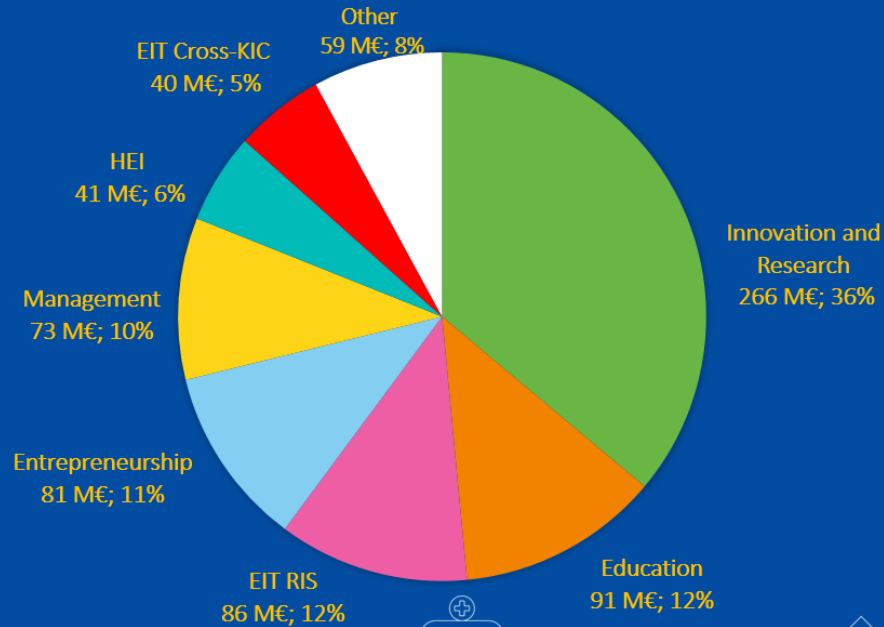


# EIT FUNDING EVOLUTION 2014-2022



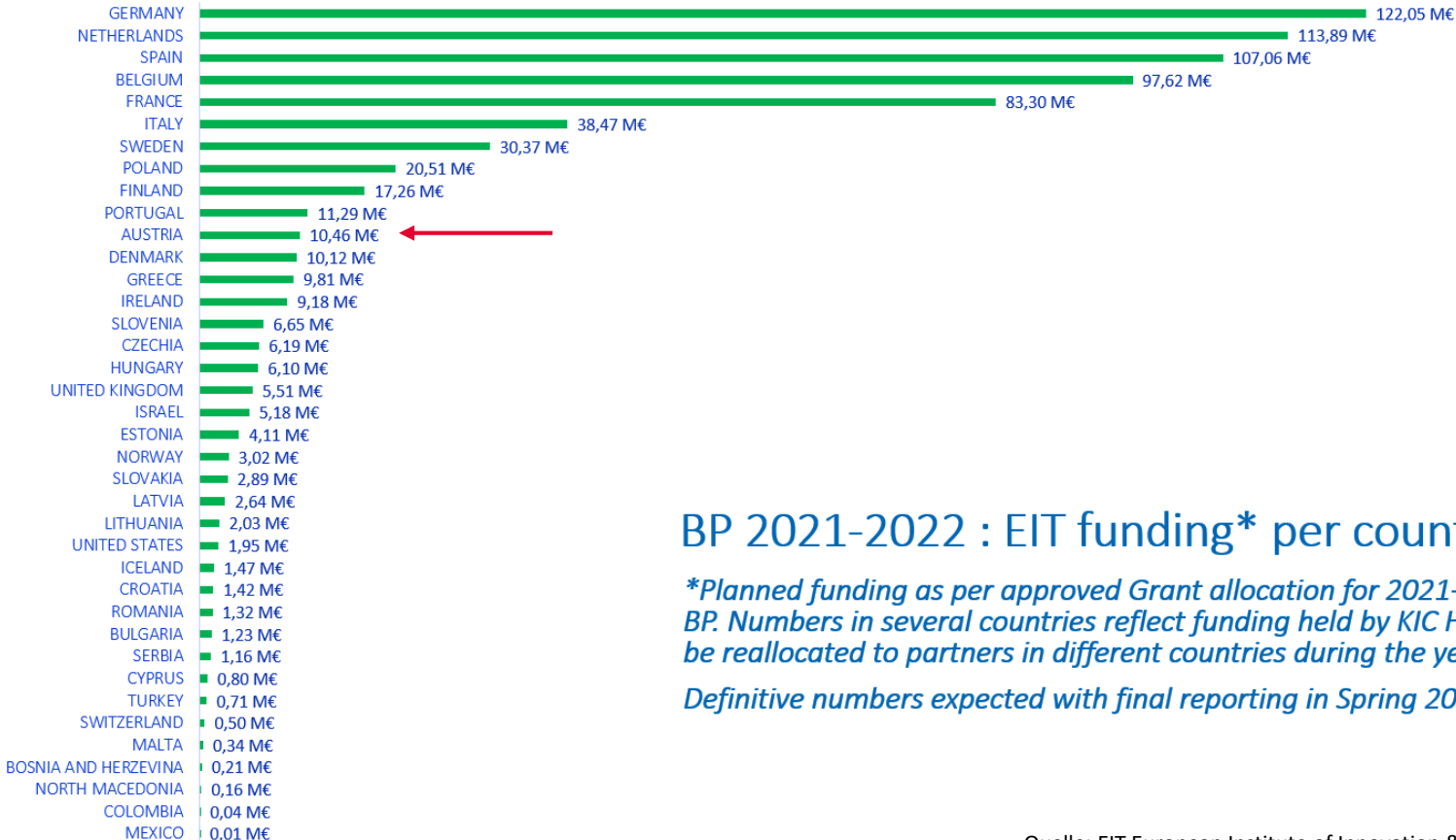
2014-2020 grants approved and paid by the EIT, 2021-2022 grants planned and claimed by KICs

## BP 2021-2022: funding per area





# EIT LÄNDERVERGLEICH - FÖRDERUNGEN

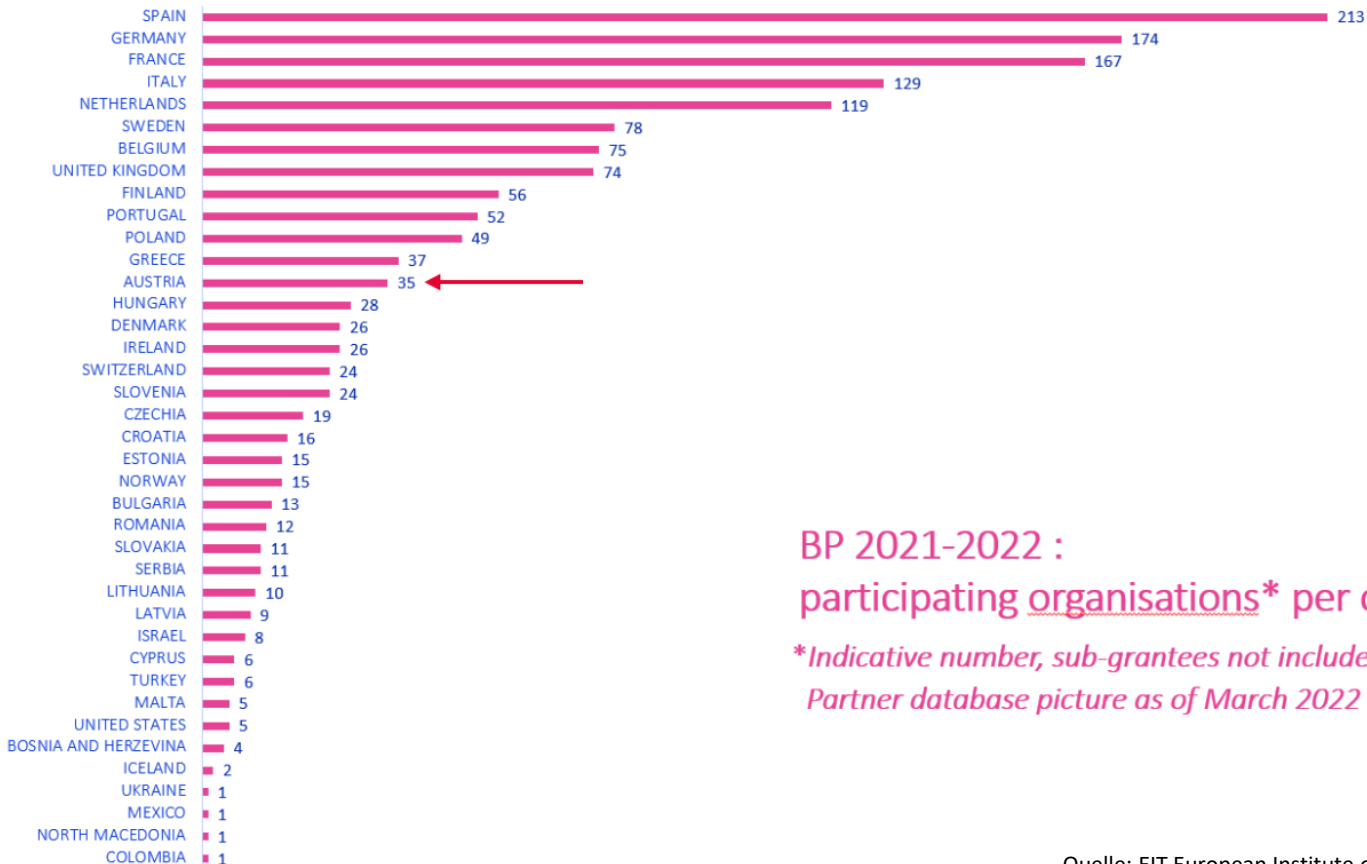


## BP 2021-2022 : EIT funding\* per country

*\*Planned funding as per approved Grant allocation for 2021-2022  
BP. Numbers in several countries reflect funding held by KIC HQs to be reallocated to partners in different countries during the year.*

*Definitive numbers expected with final reporting in Spring 2023.*

# EIT LÄNDERVERGLEICH - BETEILIGUNGEN



BP 2021-2022 :  
participating organisations\* per country

*\*Indicative number, sub-grantees not included*

*Partner database picture as of March 2022*

# LEBENSDAUER EINES KICS

	Start-up	Ramp-up	Maturity	Exit from EIT grant
Years	1*-4	5-7	8-11	12-15
EIT funding rate	Up to 100%	Up to 80%	Up to 70%	50% at year 12, decreasing by 10 percentage points per annum, during years 13-15

*\*Year 1 is for the start-up grant, provided in the first set-up year in a KIC's lifecycle.*

# EMPFEHLUNGEN DER FFG FÜR DAS ZUKÜNFTIGE EIT WATER



- Nutzen Sie **JETZT** Ihre Netzwerke um bei der **Bildung von Konsortien frühzeitig** dabei zu sein
  - **Vorteile:**
    - **Mitgestaltung** des zukünftigen KICs – Bottom Up Ansatz! Entwickeln Sie neue Ideen für die Umsetzung des KICs (neben den bestehen KIC Anforderungen)
    - später sind die vielversprechensten Konsortien wahrscheinlich schon **“voll”**, das kann auch durchaus schon **vor** der Calleröffnung sein=> voraussichtlich werden pro KIC-Einreichung max. 50 Partner zugelassen
    - **höhere Chancen** bei den späteren KAVA Calls, bessere Integration ins Konsortium
- Die Vorbereitung eines KIC-Proposal ist sehr **ressourcen-intensiv:**
  - inhaltliche Ausarbeitung
  - organisatorische Ausarbeitung
  - Abstimmung im Konsortium
- es müssen / sollen **nicht alle Österreicher:innen im gleichen Konsortien** vertreten sein
- es werden **voraussichtlich mehrere Proposal zum EIT Water eingereicht** werden => die besten Ideen werden den Wettbewerb entscheiden

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