
HORIZON EUROPE

Support to the EU-Eastern Partnership (EaP) research and innovation

Overview of the webinar, summary of key achievements of GSF 09 and outlook to upcoming activities dedicated to EaP



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Implementation Schedule of Proposal Writing Camps

Country	Trainer 1	Trainer 2	Timeframe PW Camp	Partner Organisation (NCP coordinator)
Azerbaijan	Gorazd Weiss	Bruno Mourenza	6. - 10. Feb. 2023 25. -29. Sep. 2023 9. -11. Feb. 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Azerbaijan National Academy of Sciences (ANAS)
Georgia	Matthias Wurch	Anneli Roose / Sander van der Molen	6. - 10. Feb. 2023 16. - 18. Oct. 2023 2.-4. Feb. 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Horizon Europe National Office of Georgia
Armenia	George Bonas	Daniele Gizzi	13. – 17. Feb. 2023 29. Jan – 2. Feb. 2024 12.-15. May 2025 9.-11- Feb. 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scientific and Innovation Partnership Assistance Center (SIPAC)
Moldova	George Bonas	Inna Petrenko	20. – 24. Mar 2023 13.- 17. Nov 2023 19.-23. May 2025 16.-18. Feb 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> National Agency for Research and Development (NARD)
Ukraine	Manfred Spiesberger	Anneli Roose/ Sander van der Molen	3. -7 th Jul 2023 (virtually) 11.-15. Dec 2023 (virtually) 7.-11. Jul 2025 (virtually) 9.-12 Dec 2025 (virtually)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> National Research Foundation of Ukraine (NRFU)

Proposal Writing Camps

Target Country	Registrations	Participants
Azerbaijan (February 2023)	246	30
Azerbaijan (September 2023)	252	32
Azerbaijan (February 2026)	198	46
Armenia (February 2023)	54	36
Armenia (January 2024)	102	38
Armenia (May 2025)	43	30
Armenia (February 2026)	141	35
Georgia (February 2023)	216	50
Georgia (October 2023)	101	48
Georgia (February 2026)	164	45
Moldova (March 2023)	61	25
Moldova (November 2023)	76	41
Moldova (May 2025)	32	36
Moldova (February 2026)	tbc.*	35*
Ukraine (July 2023)	321	20
Ukraine (December 2023)	Only via invitation	30 (21)
Ukraine (July 2025)	237	45 (31)
Ukraine (December 2025)	Only via invitation	58

Highlights

- **Proposal Writing Camps:** App. 700 trained Proposal Writers (+ NCP's) and more than 2000 registrations (+ direct invitations and NCP's). For Ukraine participants have been selected out of registration pool from previous editions.
- **Expert Consultations:** More than 100 Expert Consultations + targeted support measures on a country level (Georgia, Ukraine and Moldova)



Upcoming activities dedicated to EaP

- Follow Up GSF Contract for additional Proposal Writing Camps and Expert Consultations in EaP Countries
 - Expert Consultations can be requested anytime and can be implemented virtually or on-site
- Contract focusing on Science Business Links (SBL) between EaP & EU
 - Report of status quo of SBLs in EaP
 - Study Visit and Matchmaking Event

More Information will be available shortly!

**Information and Networking webinar to support cooperation
with Eastern Partnership (EaP) Partner countries in Research and
Innovation**

**“Horizon Europe Work Programme 2026–2027 and Perspectives
towards FP10”**

Date of event 19 March 2026	
<p>12.00 - 12:20 Brussels (UTC +1) 13:00 -13:20 Kyiv, Chişinău (UTC+2) 15:00-15:20 Yerevan; Baku; Tbilisi (UTC+4)</p>	<p>Opening and introduction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opening & Welcome from the European Commission <i>Silvia Bojinova, Team Leader for interinstitutional and multilateral relations, unit 0.3 “International cooperation - Europe and Americas”, Directorate-General for Research and Innovation, European Commission</i> Overview of the agenda, explanation of format of the webinar, summary of key achievements of GSF 09 and outlook to upcoming activities dedicated to EaP <i>Matthias Wurch; Global Service Facility (GSF) of the European Commission</i>
<p>12:20 -13:30 Brussels (UTC +1) 13:20 -14:30 Kyiv, Chişinău (UTC+2) 15:20 - 16:30 Yerevan; Baku; Tbilisi (UTC+4)</p>	<p>Horizon Europe Overview and Outlook to FP 10</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Horizon Europe Work Programme 2026-2027: overall structure and novelties <i>Rita PEREIRA, Policy Officer, unit G.3, Directorate-General for Research and Innovation, European Commission</i> <p>Selected presentations on topics, relevant for all EaP Partner countries</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> „AI in Science – Empowering researchers with Artificial Intelligence for scientific discovery,” <i>Axel Leisenberg, Policy Officer, unit E.4, Directorate-General for Research and Innovation, European Commission</i> EIC Pre-Accelerator for Widening Countries <i>Ewa KOCIŃSKA-LANGE, Policy Officer, Unit A.3 “European Innovation Council”, Directorate-General for Research and Innovation, European Commission</i> Support measures for Ukraine in the Horizon Europe Work Programme 2026-2027 <i>Frederik Sondergaard, Policy Officer, unit .03, “International cooperation - Europe and Americas”, Directorate-General for Research and Innovation, European Commission</i> Outlook to FP 10 <i>Claudia De Sessa, Policy Officer, unit G.3, Directorate-General for Research and Innovation, European Commission</i>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Q&A
<p>13:30 -13:45 Brussels (UTC +1) 14:30 -14:45 Kyiv, Chişinău (UTC+2) 16:30 - 16:45 Yerevan; Baku; Tbilisi (UTC+4)</p>	<p>Break</p>
<p>13:45 -14:15 Brussels (UTC +1) 14:45 -15:15 Kyiv, Chişinău (UTC+2) 16:45 - 17:15 Yerevan; Baku; Tbilisi (UTC+4)</p>	<p>Horizon Europe project proposal preparation: Sources of information, key steps, bottlenecks and available support mechanisms for researchers in the EaP Partner countries <i>George Bonas, Global Service Facility (GSF) of the European Commission</i></p>
<p>14:15 -14:30 Brussels (UTC +1) 15:15 -15:30 Kyiv, Chişinău (UTC+2) 17:15 - 17:30 Yerevan; Baku; Tbilisi (UTC+4)</p>	<p>Q&A session & Wrap up <i>EC and the GSF team (Manfred Spiesberger, George Bonas, Matthias Wurch)</i></p>
<p>14:30 -15:15 Brussels (UTC +1) 15:30 -16:15 Kyiv, Chişinău (UTC+2) 17:30 - 18:15 Yerevan; Baku; Tbilisi (UTC+4)</p>	<p>Online Networking and exchanges (Break-out sessions moderated by GSF trainers)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Matchmaking and Networking (<i>Inese Gavarane & Felix Gajdusek</i>) EIC funding opportunities (<i>Matthias Wurch</i>) MSCA (<i>Manfred Spiesberger & Antonia Skenderovic</i>) Rules for Participation in Horizon Europe and funding (<i>George Bonas</i>)
<p>15:15 -15:30 Brussels (UTC +1) 15:15 -16:30 Kyiv, Chişinău (UTC+2) 17:15 - 18:30 Yerevan; Baku; Tbilisi (UTC+4)</p>	<p>Wrap up of Breakout-Rooms by GSF Trainers & Closing Remarks (Silvia Bojinova)</p>



Thank you!

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