

Call for the selection of a Science Shop to collaborate with the project FIT4FOOD "Fostering Integration and Transformation for Food 2030"

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About the project

The project Fit4Food is coordinated by Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, in the Netherlands. The Living Lab for Health at IrsiCaixa is a project partner specialised in Open Science and Innovation and Responsible Research and Innovation, and other partners in the consortium include Food Drink Europe, International Life Science Institute, EIT Food, European Food Information Council, Austrian Institute of Technology and ECSITE, among others.

To support the European Commission in the development and implementation of the <u>FOOD</u> 2030 policy framework and its action plan, FIT4FOOD2030 aims to establish a sustainable multi-stakeholder, multi-level platform, mobilizing a wide variety of stakeholders at the level of cities, regions, countries, and Europe. The project will support the urgently needed transformation of research and innovation (R&I) on food and nutrition security (FNS) by providing a network and instruments for the adoption of a food system and Responsible Research and Innovation approach to R&I.

For this purpose, FIT4FOOD2030 builds the 'FOOD2030 Platform' by developing three interlinked structures: 1) **'EU think tank'** to act as linking pin between EC and Member States & Associated Countries; 2) **'Policy Labs'** to increase and align public/private R&I policies/programs on FNS, building on and expanding existing national/regional networks; and 3) **'City Labs'** to develop/pilot action-oriented trainings for students, consumers, researchers and professionals linking Science Centres/Science Shops to networks of Milan Urban Food Policy Pact cities. These structures interact regularly, exchanging information (e.g. on food system trends, R&I policy frameworks, best practices, breakthroughs) and plan and execute actions to support FOOD 2030.

A sustainable network is achieved by using a Community of Practice (CoP) approach to network governance. FIT4FOOD2030's activities comprise four phases: 1) actor identification/ mobilization and visioning/system analysis; 2) pathways development; 3) action planning and training; and 4) scaling up and continuity. Cross-cutting components are: methodology development and transformative learning. The activities will result in the following outcomes: 1) mobilizing a diversity of actors & experts; 2) structuring and aligning R&I policies and programs; 3) raising awareness; and 4) building competencies of students, researchers, entrepreneurs, policy-makers and society at large.



Role of the Science Shop

IrsiCaixa seeks to involve one Science Shop who will participate in the design and delivery of a set of hands-on future oriented trainings on Food Systems Research and Innovation for Primary, Secondary and University level students and professionals. These tools will introduce the concept of food systems and RRI since the early stages of the student's life and enable them to make informed choices on food.

The Science Shop will join the project as a Third Party.

The selected Science Shop will have the following tasks:

- To set up and manage a city lab that will connect relevant stakeholders of the food and nutrition systems at the local and regional level, linking to the network of a city that has signed the <u>MUFPP</u>.
- Use the city lab to map existing best practices of educational formats and assessing existing
 educational needs in terms of food systems and RRI at primary, secondary, university and
 professional levels (new competences required may include skills for co-creation with
 different stakeholders, skills to collectively analyse complex problems and contribute to the
 governance of R&I, skills to do foresight analysis and to balance between risks and benefits
 through technology assessment processes, etc.).
- Use the city lab to participate in other reflections of the R&I system in collaboration with other structures being created within the project.
- Participate in a "train the facilitators" workshop for all city labs coordinators participating in the project.
- Use the city lab to prototype new educational activities on Food and Nutrition systems, including activities with participatory research methodologies.
- Pilot these new activities.
- Implement activities developed in the framework of the project.

Project timeline & activities

The project will run for three years, and it has started on the 1st of November 2017.



Indicative budget for the selected Science Shop

The budget will be calculated based on the personnel cost associated to the effort in Person Months (PM)¹ required to carry out the Science Shop's project tasks² and shall not exceed €60,000. It will be allocated to:

- Staff costs: a maximum of €32,500
- Costs of organizing the prototyping activities and piloting and implementing new activities: €11,531
- Travel and accommodation costs: €3,969
- Indirect costs: a maximum of €12,000

Selection of the Science Shop

The selection will be carried out by the General Assembly of the project which is formed by one representative of each project partner. Applicants will be notified of the General Assembly's decision by January 8th, 2018.

Criteria for selection: mandatory

- Institution in charge of implementing Science Shop activities
- Capacity to join a H2020 project, including a valid ECAS registration and a valid PIC number
- English speaking project manager
- The institution must have an interest in Food and nutrition
- Being a signatory or willing to become part of the MUFPP, or being nearby a signatory city
- Institution carrying out its activities in one of the countries eligible for H2020 funding, and not nearby the other City Labs selected to participate in this project, already located in Barcelona, Amsterdam, Athens, Milan, Sofia and Tartu. Science shops located in Nordic and Eastern countries are specifically encouraged to apply.

Criteria for selection: desirable

- Link with stakeholders in the field of food and nutrition e.g. researchers, policy makers, industry...
- Knowledge or strong interest in RRI (Responsible Research and Innovation)

¹ One PM is the cost of one person working full time for the project for one month (including taxes and other charges).

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How to apply

Please fill in the form below and send it before 23:59 CET on December 10th, 2017 to <u>rmalagrida@irsicaixa.es</u> with cc<u>cpaca@ecsite.eu</u>. Applicants will be notified of the outcome by January 8th, 2018. Once selected, the organisation must be able to provide the necessary administrative input for the application by January 31st, 2018.

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