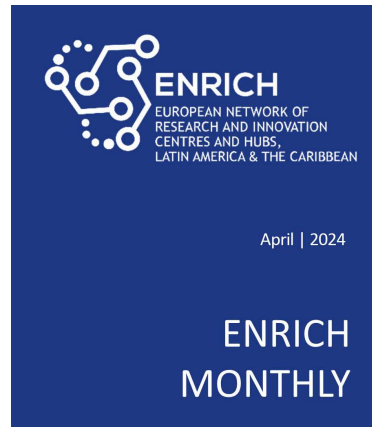


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ENRICH in LAC Certification to Softlanding Hubs



Softlanding Hub Partner
2024

TecnoPARQ - Technological Park of Viçosa



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Jan Eichbaum
President of ENRICH in LAC

[EU LAC] We are delighted to present to all Soft landing hubs partners from Enrich in Lac with a Certificate of Soft landing Hub 2024. This certificate shows the participation as a SLH in ENRICH in LAC's ecosystem commitment with innovation and internationalization in Latin America and Caribbean and Europe.

Their contributions are invaluable in driving our intercontinental relations forward and making a positive impact on our collective endeavors.

We encourage and invite all Softlanding Hubs LATAM and Europe to engage with us!

ENRICH IN LAC Success Story - PICTIS



[The International Platform for Science, Technology and Innovation in Health - PICTIS, one of our prestigious Softlanding Hubs, has secured Horizon Europe funding for the Project MOSAIC](#)

Open innovation Challenges



[EU-LAC Digital Accelerator](#) #1 Open Call is now taking applications. The acceleration bridge between Europe, Latin America, and the Caribbean funded by the European Union, is looking for Corporates and Startups partners to offer up to 30,000 euros in-kind services.

Applications are open until April, 30th, and are processed “first come, first served”.

Interested in collaborating or learning more? Reach out to us today and see more information on the link: <https://lnkd.in/g/ehfb97FT>

New edition of the Natura Innovation Challenge focuses on solutions for carbon offsetting

Deadline: April 2024

For more information: [Natura Innovation Challenge](#)

Oxygea Labs 2024 presents its new journey, with the possibility of investing 2 million reais per startup. The program's focus areas: Sustainability and Digital Transformation in Industry.

Deadline: April 21, 2024.

For more information: [OXYGEA LABS](#)

CISB, in partnership with CNPq and Saab, will finance a 1 week trip of Brazilian startups representatives. This call aims to connect, structure collaborative projects, and facilitate business between Brazil and Sweden. We are looking for proposals regarding emerging technologies that address challenges in the following themes: Cybersecurity, Data Security, Automation, Robotics, Smart manufacturing and Connectivity

[Deadline for proposals submission: April 10th 2024](#)

Funding Amount: Up to 940.000 EUR

Eligibility: Companies must be at least 3 years old and at least one organization must be based in Brazil and another in any [Eureka Network](#) participating country (Belgium, Czech Republic, Netherlands, Portugal, South A Turkey)

[Deadline: Apply before May 16th, 18:00 BRT / 22:00 CET](#)

Public Calls



[France - South America: MATH-AmSud, STIC-AmSud and CLIMAT-AmSud calls open](#)

The regional programmes [MATH-AmSud](#), [STIC-AmSud](#) and [CLIMAT-AmSud](#) are initiatives of the French cooperation (French Ministry for Foreign Affairs) and counterparts from Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, E Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay and Venezuela, aimed to promote and strengthen the collaboration and to foster the creation of networks of research and development in the fields of: mathematics (MATH-AmSud), Information Communication Science and Technology (STIC-AmSud) and climate variability and change (CLIMAT-AmSud) for the realization of joint projects through the mobility of investigators.

Note that Ecuador and Venezuela are only participating in MATH-AmSud and STIC-AmSud but are not participating in CLIMAT-AmSud.

Deadline: 17 May 2024

For more information : [EURAXESS, 2024](#)

[Brazil \(CAPES\) ± 3000 scholarships for "Sandwich" PhD abroad](#)

The Brazilian Ministry of Education agency Capes (Coordination for the Improvement of Higher Education) launched a new call to fund outgoing short term doctoral mobility.

Deadline: April 30rd, 2024

[Eureka GlobalStars: Funding for collaborative industry-led R&D projects between Brazil and European partners](#)

Deadline: Apply before May 16th, 18:00 BRT / 22:00 CET

For more information: [EUREKA, 2024](#)

Latest News: European Union

Confap - Horizon Europe

[Horizon Europe has a budget of EUR 95.5 billion for the period from 2021-2027. This includes EUR 5.4 billion from the Next Generation EU instrument, particularly to support the green and digital recovery from the COVID crisis. The budget is divided amongst four pillars and 15 components to create a programme that will support all the areas of research and innovation: excellent science, global challenges and industrial competitiveness, innovative Europe and widening participation strengthening the European Research Area.](#)

Commission approves €900 million French State aid scheme to support the production of energy and fuel from biomass and renewable hydrogen to foster the transition to a net-zero economy

The European Commission has approved a €900 million French scheme to support companies investing in the use of biomass and renewable hydrogen in energy and fuel production, to foster the transition towards a net-zero economy in line with the [Green Deal Industrial Plan](#). The scheme was approved under the State aid [Temporary Crisis and Transition Framework](#), adopted by the Commission on [9 March 2023](#) and amended on [20 November 2023](#). The scheme covers measures in sectors which are key to accelerate the green transition and reduce fuel dependencies.

Source: [European Commission, 2024](#).

Horizon Europe strategic plan 2025-2027 for research and innovation to underpin journey to a green, digital and resilient future

The Commission has adopted the second strategic plan for [Horizon Europe](#). The plan, announced at the flagship [Research and Innovation Days](#), sets out three key strategic orientations for EU's research and innovation funding for the last three years of the programme (2025-2027):

- Green transition;
- Digital transition;
- A more resilient, competitive, inclusive and democratic Europe.

Source: [European Commission, 2024](#).

[France-Uruguay] ECOS call for projects 2024 (all fields)

Joint research projects and exchanges between researchers in the form of short-term assignments and training of doctoral students.

Deadline: 15 May

For more information: [Euraxess, 2024](#)

[One-Billion-Euro German VC Growth Fund Closes | Start-ups \(gtai.de\)](#)

The fund is a pillar of the government's plans to improve financing for start-ups and technologically innovative firms. It's one of the largest venture capital funds ever in Europe. It's backed by the national government, the economic bank KfW and more than twenty institutional investors, including insurance and wealth management companies.

For more information: [GTAI, 2024](#)

[Pre-proposal submission deadline: 10/04/2024, 15:00 CEST \(Brussels Time\)](#)

[Full proposal submission deadline \(Provisional\): 06/11/2024, 15:00 CET \(Brussels Time\)](#)

Job opportunities under the European project MOSAIC - Horizon Europe

[Project Manager for Horizon Europe Project](#)

[Health Surveillance Researcher – Veterinary Medicine \(Fellowship\) - Horizon Europe](#)

[Health Surveillance Researcher – Biologist \(Fellowship\) - Horizon Europe](#)

Latest News: Latin America and Caribbean

IDB Invest Expands its Sustainable Bond Offering in Latin America and the Caribbean with Two Local Currency Issuances

IDB Invest, the private arm of the Inter-American Development Bank Group, issued two sustainable bonds in local currency: a bond worth 2,500 million Mexican pesos (equivalent to approximately US\$150 million) with a 10-year maturity in Mexico, and a bond worth 40,000 million Colombian pesos (equivalent to approximately US\$10 million) in the international market.

For more information: [IDB INVEST, 2024](#)

The Clemente Estable and María Viñas funds that will grant up to UYU 1,300,000 per basic or applied research project. In addition, in both funds there is the possibility of accessing additional amounts. María Viñas who has received contributions from a company or organization will be able to access an additional amount of up to UYU 260,000. On the other hand, an extra amount of 10% will be granted to researchers to assure the access to data and data that will be collected during the investigation.

Deadline: May 9 to May 16th ,2024

Form more information: [ANII,2024](#)

AI Solutions for Public Authorities - Round 3

The Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation (MCTI) and the Financier of Studies and Projects (Finep), with technical support from the Ministry of Management and Innovation in Public Services (MGISP) and the National School of Public Administration (ENAP), are publishing this Public Selection, which aims to support projects related to the development of solutions based on Artificial Intelligence (AI) for applications in 9 Technological entities of the Federal Public Power. This Public Selection aims to grant economic subsidy resources to support startups in research, development and innovation (R,D&I) projects for the development of AI solution technological challenges of EPPs.

[Deadline for submitting proposals: 11/04/2024 - \(until 18:00 - Brasilia time\)](#)



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