

Public Summary Report DIH-HERO FIRST TRAVEL VOUCHER CALL

Results of open call (DIH-HERO 1st Travel Voucher Call) for recipients of financial support

Project acronym: DIH-HERO Project grant agreement number: 825003 Full project name: Digital Innovation Hubs in Healthcare Robotics

The DIH-HERO project, co-funded from the European Union's Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme under grant agreement No 825003, launched an open call (DIH-HERO 1st Travel Voucher Call) for recipients of financial support.

The call closed on 15th of December 2019.

A total of 50 proposals have been received for this call. 38 proposals will receive funding for a total amount of 76,000 EUR. The evaluation and selection have been completed. All proposers have been informed about the evaluation results for their proposal for financial support.

Call information

The call has been published on the 15th of June 2019 on the DIH-HERO project website (www.dihhero.eu) and has been sent to the EC project officer 30 days before the opening of the call to be published on the Horizon 2020 Participants Portal (<u>https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-</u> tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/competitive-calls) on the 14th of June 2019.

Full call details were published at: (www.dih-hero.eu)

Dates of call publication and closing, evaluation and selection

The 1st Travel Voucher Call within the DIH-HERO-project has been opened on the 15th of June 2019. Originally, the call has been planned to be opened for a submission period of 3 months. Due to the vacation period in July and August, it has been decided to extend the submission period by 2 months, which resulted in a closing of the call on the 15th of December 2019. Since the awarding of Travel Vouchers took place according to the first-come-first served principle, the evaluation and the selection of eligible proposals took place continuously.

Feedback process to proposers

All questions asked by proposers in regard to the Travel Voucher Call have been answered in the FAQ section of the website, in order to make the same information accessible to all proposers at the same time. During the evaluation process some applicants have been asked via email to give some additional

clarification, in case the information given has been unclear. All proposers were informed on the evaluation results by email. In case, the proposal has been rejected the main rejection reason was given in the email. Due to technical problems on the call handling platform, concerning the automatic handling of applicant notifications, some of the applicants might have been informed later than expected of awarding. Additional information for awarded third parties, regarding the further processes in connection with the Travel Voucher have been published on the DIH-HERO project website.

Call response in detail

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	Number of proposals	Total Funding requested
Proposals received	50	€100,000
Eligible proposals	39	€78,000
Selected proposals	39	€78,000

Call publication

Different communication channels have been used in order to disseminate and promote the opening of the call regionally, nationally and internationally. Next to the publication of the call on the DIH-HERO project website and sending the call announcement to the EC project officer, 30 days prior to the opening of the call, for publication on the EC portal, the call has also been disseminated widely by the various DIHs and their associate partners throughout their network all over Europe, using various communication tools and channels. A non-exhaustive list of the communication channels is given below. Moreover, the call has been promoted in each individual regional DIH through different info days that have been organised by the DIH-HERO partners and the huge brokerage event that has taken place in October 2019 in the Netherlands.

List of communication and dissemination channels to publish the call (non-exhaustive):

- DIH-HERO-website (incl. full call details).
- DIH-HERO open call online submission platform provided by project coordinators.
- DIH-HERO network (DIHs, associate partners, stakeholders, etc.)
- DIH-HERO newsletter
- DIH-HERO info days
- DIH-HERO brokerage event
- DIH-HERO social media: LinkedIn, Twitter.
- Different fairs and other events were DIH-HERO was represented
- Editorials and articles