

# Agenda for the 5<sup>th</sup> EU-LAC Joint Call in STI



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Interest Group

DATE	ACTION
22 Nov 2024	Communication of topics among IG members together with letter of interest
06 Dec 2024	Deadline for the return of letter of interest
11 Dec 2024 (tbc)	Funding agencies' meeting: confirmation of topics, information on joint call proceedings, definition of call procedure
15 Jan 2025	Formal commitment on the call participation (Letter of Commitment, LOC): final budget commitment, allocation of budget to preferred topics, national funding rules
Dec 2024 - 28 Feb 2025	Call documents preparation (call text, proposal forms, guidelines for applicants and evaluators, confidentiality agreement, set up of online submission system (DLR))
17 Feb 2025	Pre-announcement of 5 <sup>th</sup> EU-LAC Joint Call in STI
24 Feb 2025	Launch of the Joint Call
22 May 2025 5 pm CEST	Closure of the Joint Call
23 May – 20 June 2025	International and national eligibility check
23 June – <del>15 Aug</del> 01 Sept 2025	Evaluation of proposals based on the evaluation guidelines
<del>18 Aug – 05 Sep</del> 08 - 26 Sep 2025	Scientific Evaluation Committee meeting and ranking list
<del>08 – 19 Sep</del> 06 - 09 Oct 2025	Funding agencies confirm projects' funding according to ranking list
09 Oct 2025	Funding Agencies meeting
<del>22 – 30 Sept</del> 20 - 24 Oct 2025	Information to applicants about the results of the evaluation
27 Oct - 21 Nov 2025	Elaboration of project drafts by the applicants
<del>01 Oct – 31 Dec 2025</del> 24 Nov 2025 – 31 March 2026	Preparation of national/regional funding contracts
Jan / Feb 2026 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2026	Estimated start date of projects (based on German administrative procedures)
Note	The Consortium Agreement must be sent to the Call Secretariat within 3 months of the official start of the project <sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Polish projects partners need to send the signed Consortium Agreement to their funding agency **before** the official start of the project.