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FABulous Open Call 3

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INTRODUCTION

The present document provides a list of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) related to FABulous Open Call 3. The list of questions is preliminary and the document will be continuously updated in the course of the process. More information on FABulous Open Call 3 can be found in the Guide for Applicants as well as FABulous respective webpage (<http://fabulous-fi.eu/open-calls/>).

QUESTIONS RELATED TO FI-PPP

Question 1. What is FI-PPP?

The Future Internet Public-Private Partnership Programme (FI-PPP) is an industry-led and user-driven innovation programme with a focus on Europe. The FI-PPP programme is performed in three phases from 2011 to 2016, each of which has specific goals and objectives:

- **Phase I:** establishing the technology foundation, defining "use case scenarios" in different industry sectors, making an inventory of available (public) infrastructures via capacity building, and programme support;
- **Phase II:** developing use case pilots and platforms and setting up infrastructures;
- **Phase III:** expansion of the use cases by developing applications and services and expansion of the technology foundation.

Question 2. What is FIWARE?

FIWARE aims to build an open Core Platform of the Future Internet. FIWARE offers an open, public and royalty-free architecture and a set of open specifications that will allow developers, service providers, enterprises and other organisations to develop products that satisfy their needs while still being open and innovative. FIWARE is an open alternative to existing proprietary Internet platforms. It enables an easy development and deployment of advanced Internet applications. Detailed information available at: <http://www.fiware.org/>

Question 3. What is FIWARE Lab?

FIWARE Lab is a working instance of FIWARE, enabling developers to setup the basic virtual infrastructure needed to run applications that make use of the APIs provided by FIWARE Generic Enablers. Detailed information available at: <https://account.lab.fi-ware.org/>

Question 4. What is a Generic Enabler?

A Generic Enabler (GE) is a component which provides open standard APIs (Application Programming Interfaces) that make it easier to connect to Internet of Things (IoT) devices, process data and media in real-time at large scale, perform Big Data analysis or incorporate

advanced features to interact with the user. A full list of FIWARE GEs is available at: <http://catalogue.fiware.org/>

Question 5. What is a Specific Enabler?

A Specific Enabler (SE) is a component similar to a GE which offers functions relevant to specific domains, for example manufacturing, logistics etc. Each Use Case project offers a list of its own SEs.

Question 6. What is FIWARE Accelerate?

FIWARE Accelerate is a Future Internet Accelerator Program comprising 16 Future Internet Accelerators (of which FABulous is part) in different areas of application. In total the programme has a budget of 80 million euros for direct funding, mentoring and networking to create innovative Internet-based applications and services building on FIWARE technologies. Detailed information available at: <http://www.fiware.org/fiware-accelerator-programme/>

Question 7. Which are the FI-PPP Use Case projects?

The FI-PPP is covering a wide scope of usage areas through a set of use case projects that make use of the FI-PPP core platform in setting up trials of advanced Future-Internet-based services and applications. FI-PPP Phase 1 included 8 use case projects, and the ongoing Phase 2 includes 5 use case trials. Table 1 below illustrates all Phase 1 and 2 Use Case projects.

Table 1: FI-PPP - Use Case Projects

| Domain | Project | Phase 1 | Phase 2 | Link |
|--|------------------|---------|---------|---|
| Transport, Logistics and Agri-food | FINEST | ✓ | | http://www.finest-ppp.eu/ |
| | SmartAgriFood | ✓ | | http://www.smartagrifood.eu/ |
| | FIspace | | ✓ | http://www.fispace.eu/ |
| Personal Mobility | Instant Mobility | ✓ | | http://instant-mobility.com/ |
| Social connected TV, Mobile City Services, and Video Games | FI-CONTENT | ✓ | | http://mediafi.org/ |
| | FI-CONTENT 2 | | ✓ | http://mediafi.org/ |
| Smart Cities and Public Security | SafeCity | ✓ | | http://www.safecity-project.eu/ |
| | OUTSMART | ✓ | | http://www.fi-ppp-outsmart.eu/en-uk/Pages/default.aspx |

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| Smart Energy | FINSENY | ✓ | | http://www.fi-ppp.eu/projects/finseny/ |
| | FINESCE | | ✓ | http://www.finesce.eu/ |
| Environment | ENVIROFI | ✓ | | http://www.envirofi.eu/ |
| Manufacturing | FITMAN | | ✓ | http://www.fitman-fi.eu/ |
| E-health | FI-STAR | | ✓ | https://www.fi-star.eu/fi-star.html |

Question 8. Who should I contact if I need further information on FIWARE technologies?

In case you have queries on specific FIWARE technology you may contact FIWARE at <http://www.fiware.org/contact-us/>. In case you are interested in specific information of the Use Cases projects, you may contact them directly by using the contact details provided in their individual websites.

Question 9. Are FIWARE technologies a must to use in the proposal?

Applicants applying for FABulous Accelerator, and in general any other FIWARE Accelerator, must build on FIWARE technologies and demonstrate this in their proposal. Proposals not making use of the FIWARE technologies will be disregarded from evaluation. However, the use of FIWARE is not exclusive - applicants are free to use any other existing platforms and technologies.

GENERAL QUESTIONS ABOUT FABULOUS

Question 10. What is FABulous?

FABulous is a FIWARE accelerator project that promotes the use and adoption of FIWARE technology. FABulous aims at creating and supporting a FI-service ecosystem for 3D printing technologies that bridges the gap between ICT, Creative and Manufacturing Industries. FABulous started in September 2014 and it has a total duration of 28 months.

Question 11. How many calls will be launched under FABulous?

FABulous will launch 3 calls in total: the first one in November 2014, the second one in April 2015 and the last one in May 2016.

GENERAL QUESTIONS RELATED TO FABULOUS OPEN CALL 3

Question 12. What kinds of activities are eligible for funding under Open Call 3?

The following types of activities are eligible under FABulous Open Call 3 (for further information please see Guide for Applicants):

Table 2: Activities to be funded

| Activities | Project |
|---|-----------------|
| Personnel Costs | ✓ |
| Travel expenses | ✓ |
| Software licenses | ✓ |
| Equipment Costs | ✓ |
| Partnering costs to collaborate with Experimental Industrial Manufacturing partners | ✓ |
| Total funding per project | 30.000 € |

Question 13. Who is eligible to participate?

FABulous specifically targets at SMEs and web entrepreneurs legally established in an FP7 country (for a full list of the FP7 countries please refer to the Guide for Applicants). Only proposals submitted by one beneficiary (single legal entity) are eligible. The same proposal cannot receive funds from any other FIWARE Accelerator.

Table 3: Examples of eligible organisations

| Criterion | Eligible |
|--|----------|
| Type of legal entity: SME (*) | Yes |
| Type of legal entity: Web entrepreneur | Yes |

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|--|-----|
| SME / web entrepreneur legally established entity in an FP7 country | Yes |
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(*) SMEs correspond to EU's definition of SMEs

Please note that FABulous equally targets newly established web entrepreneurs / startups and already established SMEs wishing to introduce new business lines within their organisation.

Question 14. If I apply for FABulous Open Call 3 can I submit the same proposal in any other FIWARE Accelerate project?

No, proposals may only receive funding once via Open Calls organised by FIWARE Accelerators.

Question 15. If I have been part of FABulous with a project, can I submit a new project?

No, if a team or company is or has already been part of FABulous (SML1 or SML2) or any other FIWARE Acceleration program, they will not be able to submit a proposal and therefore will not be selected.

Question 16. Who should I contact if I need further information about FABulous Open Call 3?

In case you need further information not provided in the present document or the Guide for Applicants, you may address your questions to FABulous Help desk via this link: <https://fabulous.ems-carsa.com/user/helpdesk>. FABulous Help desk will answer to all questions related to Open Call 3 as well as any IT related issues when dealing with FABulous EMS platforms. Should you wish to receive any specific information on platforms and SEs of Use Case projects, you are advised to directly contact the projects by using the contact information provided in their websites.

Question 17. Can I submit multiple proposals under FABulous Open Call 3?

Yes, you can submit as many proposals as you want. However, please note that only one proposal will be funded per single legal entity.

QUESTIONS RELATED TO THE PROPOSAL PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION PROCESS

Question 18. Is there any template for preparing the proposal?

Annex I of the Guide for Applicants provides a template for preparing your technical proposal. A Word version of the template is obtainable once you register as a proposer in FABulous EMS platform and start creating your proposal. You may only use this template for preparing your proposal. Proposals submitted in any other template will not be considered in the evaluation. You are advised to read very carefully the instructions on the template before starting preparing your proposal.

Question 19. Can I submit a proposal in any other language than English?

English is the only language that proposals should be submitted. Proposals submitted in any other language than English will not be considered in the evaluation.

Question 20. Do I have to present a budget breakdown in my proposal?

Applicants do not have to present any budget breakdown in the proposals.

Question 21. Is VAT number necessary in the submission of my proposal?

VAT number or any other reference number that can prove that you are registered or have initiated the process for registering in your respective national/regional/local authority (e.g. chamber of commerce) is necessary for applying in FABulous Open Call 3.

Question 22. What is FABulous EMS platform?

The FABulous Evaluation Management System (EMS) is the platform used by FABulous for managing all the processes related to the Open Calls. All proposals must be submitted through FABulous EMS platform (accessible at: <https://fabulous.ems-carsa.com/user/registration>). Proposals reaching FABulous consortium in any other way will not be considered for evaluation.

Experts wishing to participate in FABulous as evaluators must register via FABulous EMS platform (https://fabulous.ems-carsa.com/user/new_expert).

Question 23. When is the deadline for FABulous Open Call 3?

The deadline for FABulous Open Call 3 is on **June 23, 2016 at 17.00** Central European Time.

Question 24. How will I know that my proposal has been received?

An acknowledgement of receipt will be sent out via email to all the successfully submitted proposals as soon as possible after the closing date and time of the call. Please note that this receipt will not be a proof that your proposal is eligible for evaluation.

Question 25. How much is the expected duration of the projects?

The project duration will be 4 months.

QUESTIONS RELATED TO THE EVALUATION PROCESS

Question 26. Which are the criteria for selecting a proposal?

The selection criteria are the following:

- 1) Soundness of service concept and innovation capacity;
- 2) Use of FIWARE technology (GEs, SEs and domain specific platforms);
- 3) Impact and market readiness;
- 4) Quality of project team.

Each criterion will be scored out of 5. The following table illustrates the thresholds for each criterion and priority to be applied in case of equal scoring.

Table 4: Priority in case of equal scoring and thresholds

| Criterion | Priority if ex-aequo | Threshold |
|--|----------------------|-----------|
| Soundness of service concept and innovation capacity | 4 | 3 |
| Use of FIWARE technology | 3 | 4 |
| Impact | 2 | 4 |
| Quality of team | 1 | 4 |

Question 27. Who will evaluate the proposals?

The eligibility checking will be carried out by FABulous consortium. The evaluation will be carried out by independent - to the proposals to be submitted and the consortium - experts. Each expert will sign a declaration of confidentiality concerning the evaluation process and the content of the proposals they evaluate. They will also declare their absence of any conflict of interest for the assigned tasks.

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