## EIT Food RIS Hub Application Form

***Please fill in the application form, ensuring that all fields are completed. If you submit application as an individual organisation, please submit both forms. Consortium / innovation network members submit the set of applications from 2 organisations in the consortium/innovation network in electronic format (word and PDF) by 10 December 2020, 23.59 CET*** *to email address:* **clcnortheast****@eitfood.eu***.*

*Applications incomplete or sent after the deadline will be rejected. Please do not provide further supporting documents and capture all relevant information in this form.*

## EIT Food RIS Hub Application form 1

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| **Individual organisation or the consortium/innovation network member – lead entity** (activities listed in 4.4.1) |
| **1.Country (underline one)** | **Bulgaria** | **Croatia** | **Czech Republic** | **Estonia** | **Hungary** |
| **Latvia** | **Lithuania** | **Romania** | **Serbia** | **Slovenia** | **Slovakia** |
| **2. Name of the applicant organisation in English** |   |
| **3. Name of the applicant organisation in local language** |  |
| **4. Legal form** |   |
| **5. Office address (street, city, country)** |   |
| **6. Type of organisation (underline one)** |
| **Business enterprise** | **Higher education institute** | **Public research organisation** |
| **Knowledge transfer intermediary (incl. industry association, innovation cluster, technology park, entrepreneurship support organisation)** |
| **other (please specify):** |
| **7. Website address** |   |
| **8. Contact person** |   |
| **9. Position** |   |
| **10. E-mail** |   |
| **11. Phone** |   |
| **12. Please list social media channels currently used by your organisation (with web addresses):** |
| **Facebook** |  |
| **Twitter** |  |
| **LinkedIn** |  |
| **YouTube** |  |
| **Other (please specify)** |  |
| **13. Year of establishment of your organisation** |  |
| **14.Total number of employees** |  |
| **15.Number of projects funded from Horizon 2020 in 2017-2020** |  |
| **16. Number of projects funded from Horizon 2020 co-ordinated by your organisation in 2017-2020** |  |
| **17. Number of Horizon 2020 project applications in the preparation of which your organisation participated in 2017-2020** |  |
| **18. Number of projects funded from European Structural and Investment Funds managed by your organisation in 2017-2020** |  |
| **19. Number of projects funded from national or regional sources managed****by your organisation in 2017-2020** |  |
| **20. Number of projects contracted to your organisation by industrial clients in 2017-2020** |  |
| **21.Number of externally funded projects implemented by your organisation in 2019** |  |
| **22.Number of externally funded projects implemented by your organisation in 2020** |  |
| **23. Please provide a brief description of your organisation and its main activities (max 20050 words)** |
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| **24. Why would you like to become an EIT Food Hub? Please describe the synergies between the planned role of EIT Hub and your other activities, in particular those connected with Smart Specialisation Strategies, if relevant.** |
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| **25. Personnel that will be involved in the activities of EIT Food RIS (please provide name and short profile, indicating relevant experience). Please note that the contact person must speak very good English (at least C1 is required).** |
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| **26. Organisation involved in the EIT Food RIS activities will need to have access to facilities that could be used in workshop involving minimum 20 participants. The facilities do not need to be owned by the organisation, but apart from the amount allocated for the subcontracting agreement, costs for renting and maintaining these facilities will not be additionally reimbursed by EIT Food. Please briefly describe the facilities that you plan to use and their location. *(How can the physical location and standards of your office premises contribute to the successful implementation of the activities of the EIT Food Hub?)*** |
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| **27. Please present familiarity with the agri-food industry in the target country; existing contacts and projects with relevant local stakeholders; existing pipeline of early stage innovative start-ups (*Role in the ecosystem).*** |
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| **28. Please identify the key challenges in the food-related innovation ecosystem in the planned EIT Food Hub territory. Describe how these challenges relate to the planned activities of EIT Food, and identify any aspects that are specific in the local context and might thus require additional focus of EIT Food in the future.** |
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| **29. Describe how these challenges relate to the planned activities of EIT Food and identify any aspects that are specific in the local context and might thus require additional focus of EIT Food in the future.** |
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| **30. Please indicate the most relevant stakeholders from the planned EIT Food Hub territory that you would like to involve in your future EIT Food activities. The stakeholders may include: public support organisations, government authorities, industry regulators, entrepreneurship incubators or accelerators, science or technology parks, banks or investment funds, clusters or industry associations, consumer associations, event organisers and non-profit organisations. Justify each choice, describing potential joint activities and benefits of engaging each actor. Describe at least 3 prioritized stakeholders.** |
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| **31. Please provide max. 3 examples per each category of the most relevant activities/services/projects of your organisation from 2017-2020 that concerned the following segments of the food system (including short description of these activities and their relevance for EIT Food, type of your engagement in the project, project partners, sources of funding, key outcomes and impacts):** |
| **a) Primary production** |
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| **b) Food manufacturing** |
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| **c) Packaging and distribution** |
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| **d) Retail** |
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| **e) Consumer research and communication** |
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| **f) Digitalization of food system** |
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| **g) Nutrition and health** |
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| **h) Valorisation of side streams** |
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| **i) Others (please specify)** |
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| **32. Please describe and prioritize key relevant event such as trade-fairs, exhibitions and conferences in the planned EIT Food Hub territory. Explain how the attendance at the prioritised events could add value to the activities of EIT Food. Describe at least 3 prioritized events.** |
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| **33. Please indicate the most important food system-related business enterprises active in the planned territory of EIT Food Hub that could be involved in EIT Food activities in the future.** |
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| **34. Please describe how you plan to promote the RIS activities among potential participants – students, farmers, representatives of public authorities, food companies, ..., in order to attract sufficient number of applications to select participants of the activities** |
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| **35. Please describe your approach to communicating with the following audiences and involving them in the activities of EIT Food in the planned EIT Food Hub territory. The proposed approach should be aligned with the intended scope of activities of EIT Food, including the specific portfolio of support measures planned in the EIT Food Regional Innovation Scheme. If relevant, please identify dedicated communication channels, events or platforms that could be used to reach out to each of the identified target group:** |
| **a) Entrepreneurial talents from academia (students, graduates)** |
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| **b) Government authorities, regulators, funding agencies** |
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| **c) Scientists active in food-related research (\*for applicants that are scientific institutions – please note that the role of EIT Food Hub will require a focus on scientists external to your institution).** |
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| **36. Please describe how you plan to acquire complementary non-EIT funding for your activities as EIT Food Hub, in particular funds that could benefit multiple stakeholders from the planned EIT Food Hub territory. In order to facilitate the feasibility verification, please provide details, including specific support measures, funding programmes or agencies.** |
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| **37. How would you ensure the coordination of work between two members of your consortium? (fulfil this section if it is relevant).** |
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| **38. Please propose and describe activities that you would organise and implement as EIT Food HUB in your country. Please provide details, including target group, type of activity, estimated number of participants, events location (region, city) and indicate the expected budget.** |
| **a) Event(s) involving larger audience representative of agri-food sector (policy makers, business, researchers, citizens, consumers, students, …).** |
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| **b) Workshop or training for students that will refer to the EIT Food Strategical objective ‘*Educate to engage, innovate and advance: Provide ‘food system’ skills for students, entrepreneurs and professionals through advanced training programmes’* (at least 20 participants in proposed events).** |
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| **c) Please propose and describe workshop(s) or training for representative(s) of agri-food sector (students, entrepreneurial talents, food companies, farmers, policy makers, ..) that you would organise and implement as EIT Food HUB. Please provide details, including target group, type of activity, estimated number of participants, events location (region, city), estimated budget.**  |
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| **39. Please describe the tools and f*ormat you would use if you had to organise all activities online (Approach to the organization of events involving larger audience representative, workshop for students and other representatives of agri-food sector).*** |
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| **40. Please share your ambition for other projects in the agri-food sector which you would plan to implement in the future and would be complimentary to your potential role as a EIT Food Hub. Please describe the source of funding for those activities.** |
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| **41. Please propose performance targets for 2021 that would measure your effectiveness as EIT Food Hub.** |
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**Date, place** ……………………………………………………………………

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## EIT Food RIS Hub Application form 2

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| **Individual organisation or the consortium/Innovation Network member - organisation supporting business creation activities and start-up ecosystem** (activities listed in 4.4.2.) |
| **1.Country (underline one)** | **Bulgaria** | **Croatia** | **Czech Republic** | **Estonia** | **Hungary** |
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| **6. Type of organisation (underline one)** |
| **Business enterprise** | **Higher education institute** | **Technology transfer office** | **Incubator/Accelerator program** |
| **other (please specify):**  |
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| **16. Personnel that will be involved in the activities of EIT Food RIS (please provide name and short profile, indicating relevant experience). Please note that the contact person must speak very good English (at least C1 is required).** |
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| **17. Organisation involved in the EIT Food RIS activities will need to have access to facilities that could be used in workshop involving minimum 20 participants. The facilities do not need to be owned by the organisation, but apart from the amount allocated for the subcontracting agreement, costs for renting and maintaining these facilities will not be additionally reimbursed by EIT Food. Please briefly describe the facilities that you plan to use and their location. *(How can the physical location and standards of your office premises contribute to the successful implementation of the activities of the EIT Food Hub?)*** |
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| **18. Please present familiarity with the agri-food industry in the target country; existing contacts and projects with relevant local stakeholders; existing pipeline of early stage innovative start-ups (*Role in the ecosystem).*** |
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| **19. Please identify the key challenges in the innovation ecosystem in the planned EIT Food Hub territory (especially related to agri-food sector).**  |
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| **20. Describe how these challenges relate to the planned activities of EIT Food and identify any aspects that are specific in the local context and might thus require additional focus of EIT Food in the future.** |
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| **21. Please provide max. 3 examples per each category of the most relevant activities/services/projects of your organisation from 2017-2020 that were provided to external stakeholders and could be meaningful EIT Food, including short description of these activities, key outcomes and impact. (*Experience in training and supporting innovative start-ups)*** |
| **a) Activities targeting entrepreneurial talents, start-ups, spin-offs or established companies** |
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| **b) Financial support for entrepreneurial talents, start-ups and spin-offs** |
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| **c) Coaching, mentoring, incubation or acceleration services for entrepreneurial talents, start-ups and spin-offs** |
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| **d) Business-to-business matchmaking and networking activities on local, regional, national or international levels** |
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| **e) Others (please specify)** |
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| **22. Please provide examples of the most relevant events/projects in the field of agri-food that were organized by your organisation in 2017-2020 including short description of these activities, type of your engagement in the project, project partners and key outcomes *(Experience in the organization of events in the field of agri-food dedicated to innovation/entrepreneurship/foodtech).*** |
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| **23. List down organisations involved in venture creation, commercialisation or start-up support that you are actively collaborating with or have been collaborating in projects before. List and shortly describe projects you worked on together.** |
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| **24. Please describe how you plan to promote the RIS activities among potential participants – students, start-ups and entrepreneurial talents in order to attract enough applications to select participants of the activities.** |
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| **25. Please describe how you plan to acquire complementary, non-EIT funding for your activities as EIT Food Hub, in particular funds that could benefit multiple stakeholders from the planned EIT Food Hub territory. In order to facilitate the feasibility verification, please provide details, including specific support measures, funding programmes or agencies.** |
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| **26. Please propose and describe activity for students, start-ups or/and entrepreneurial talents that you would organise and implement as EIT Food HUB. Please provide details, including target group, type of activity, estimated number of participants, events location (region, city), estimated budget.**  |
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| **27. Please describe the tools and format you would use if you had to organise all activities online (*Approach to the organization of Challenge Labs, workshop for* students, start-ups or/and entrepreneurial talents)** |
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| **28. Please share your ambition for other start-up activities/projects (especially in the agri-food sector) which you are planning to implement in the future and would be complimentary to your potential role as a EIT Food Hub. Please describe the source of funding for those activities.**  |
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| **29. Please propose performance targets for 2021 that would measure your effectiveness as EIT Food Hub.** |
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