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EFSA's grants & procurement mechanisms in a nutshell

Article 36 survey actions update

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EFSA procurement & grants



Procurement

- Call for tenders:
 - Open calls (€139K+)
 - Negotiated procedures (€15k - € 139K)
- Duly justified circumstances: "Monopoly" negotiated procedures
- Direct or framework contract

Grants

- Call for proposals: any value
- Duly justified circumstances: "Monopoly" procedure with direct invitation
- Direct agreement or framework partnership agreement
- **NEW** Financing not linked to costs

Procurement		Grants
Buying things	Purpose	Giving money
EFSA	Ownership	Beneficiary
Agreed price	Payment	Share of costs
Profit	Principle	Non profit

Procurement or Grant? LDO

- Is there need to limit task execution to list of Art. 36 competent organisations?
- Is the task within the eligible ones for grant support? Art. 4 Regulation 2230/2004
- Is the necessary expertise on the Art. 36 list?
- Does EFSA require ownership of the deliverables?

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Who can apply?

Procurement


- Open to economic operators with access to EU market
- Apply as single tenderer or joint offer with partners (all must have access to EU market)
- Apply as single tenderer involving subcontractors (EU / non-EU)
- No limitations imposed on the composition of your offer i.e. single, joint offer, subcontracting

Grants


- Only organisations on the Article 36 list can apply
- 27 EU Member States + Norway and Iceland
- Apply as single organisation or in consortium with other Article 36 organisations.
- Subcontracting is permitted for non-core tasks to organisations not on Article 36 list (EU / non-EU)

Where to find information & how to apply

Procurement

- [EFSA Guidance for tenderers](#)
- Call for tenders published on EFSA website:
 - PIN (future calls €139K+)
 - Open calls (€139K+)
 - Negotiated procedures (€15k - € 139K)
- Contract Notice in EU Official Journal
- [e-Tendering portal](#)
-  #EFSAProcurement
- **Application** either via email or e-submission

Grants

- Call for proposals published on EFSA website
- Focal Points inform all Article 36 organisations directly via email
-  #EFSAProcurement
- **Application** submitted in original, hard copy via post (e-submission from 2022/23)

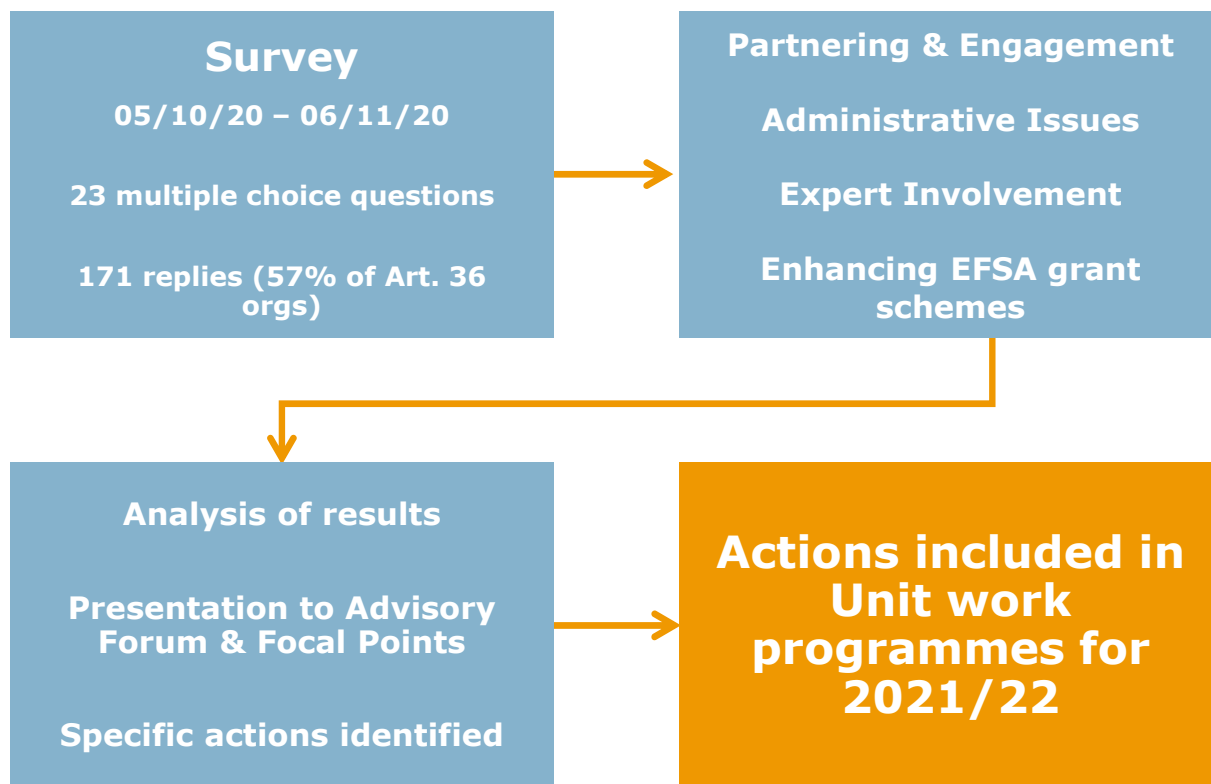
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Update on Article 36 survey follow-up



Actions & progress

Facilitate
strategic
alignment of
EFSA & Article 36
activities

- Earlier identification of EFSA activities for N+2
- Sharing information on activities as early as possible
- Outsourcing task force initiatives

Actions & progress

Leaner
application
process &
reduced admin
burden for EFSA
calls

- E-submission for grants
- Avoid repetitive submission of application documents
- Clearer application guidance
- Explanatory webinars with Q&A & video guides
- Review some Terms & Conditions
- Allow more time for applicants

Webinar:

EFSA funding opportunities for third parties, 16/11/2021 [[link](#)]

Actions & progress

Improved
dissemination of
call information

- Additional info in Scientific Cooperation plan of forthcoming grant & procurement procedures
- Earlier identification and targeting of potential call applicants through use of TIM tool
- Optimization of Competent Organisation Tool to facilitate direct outreach to Article 36 organisations
- Explore use of Scientific Networks for increased outreach



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