The European Institute of Innovation and Technology

The European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT) is an EU body created by the European Union in 2008 to strengthen Europe’s ability to innovate.

Horizon Europe is the EU’s key funding programme for research and innovation with a budget of EUR 95.5 billion. It tackles climate change, helps to achieve the UN’s Sustainable Development Goals and boosts the EU’s competitiveness and growth.

As part of Pillar 3 ‘Innovative Europe’, the EIT contributes to achieving the four key strategic orientations of the Horizon Europe Strategic Plan:

- strengthening sustainable innovation ecosystems across Europe
- fostering the development of entrepreneurial and innovation skills in a lifelong learning perspective and support the entrepreneurial transformation of EU universities
- bringing new solutions to global societal challenges to the market
- creating synergies and added value within Horizon Europe

The EIT’s legal basis is the EIT Regulation that sets out its mission, its key tasks and the framework for its functioning. The EIT’s strategy, priorities, objectives, key actions, activities, mode of operation, and expected impacts are presented in the EIT Strategic Innovation Agenda 2021-2027.

On the website of EIT, you can find out more about joining the community, events, traineeships, seminars etc.

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What is the EIT?
The European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT) drives innovation in Europe by supporting entrepreneurs, innovators and students across Europe to turn their best ideas into reality.

How does the EIT work?
- Trains a new generation of entrepreneurs
- Develops innovative products and services
- Power start-ups & scale-ups