

PRESS RELEASE

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TRUSTCHAIN APPLICATIONS ARE OPEN!

€1.755.000 will be distributed among (up to) 15 selected projects along with free coaching and access to infrastructure

TrustChain project started in January 2023 to address the inherent challenges within the current centralised Internet architecture that is not transparent to the user, does not protect the privacy-by -default and does not scale well through 5 Open Calls and an overall budget of €8,775M.

The TrustChain Open Call 3 (OC3) topic is “Economics & democracy”. Transparent decentralised decision-making and asset management is underscored. With a vision of enhancing democracy both online and beyond through decentralized markets and communities, OC3 aims to tackle challenges like rampant fraud in online transactions and the manipulation of public opinion through fake news, which poses a threat to the quality of democracy. It advocates for decentralized communities with the ability to co-decide on sensitive issues while preserving the anonymity and votes of individual members.

WHO CAN APPLY?

The target applicants of this call are developers, innovators, researchers, SMEs, and entrepreneurs working on different NGI relevant topics and application domains at the intersection between the technical field (e.g., Software Engineering, Network Security, Semantic Web, Cryptography, Blockchain, Digital Twin, Blockchain Security, Digital Identity, Blockchain Protocol), the Social sciences and Humanities (e.g., Social Innovation, not-for-profit sector, Social Entrepreneurship, public goods) as well as any others including economics, environment, art, design, which can contribute to the NGI TrustChain relevant vision.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

The evaluation process is composed of three phases:

- o Phase 1: Admissibility & eligibility check
- o Phase 2: Proposals evaluation
- o Phase 3: Online interviews

As part of the TrustChain action, experts in diverse fields will also provide to Third party innovators selected technology development guidance, working methodology as well as access to technical infrastructure, training in business model development and data related topics, coaching, mentoring, visibility and community building support.

Applications are open until February 7, 2023, at 17:00 [Brussels time]

Apply here: <https://www.f6s.com/trustchain-open-call-3>

For more information on the TrustChain Open Call go here:
<https://trustchain.ngi.eu/apply/>

About TrustChain

TrustChain will tackle several challenges pertaining to trustworthy and reliable digital identity, to resilient, secure and reliable data pathways, to economics and trading of data, to energy efficiency for data storage, transport and sharing, to seamless services and data flows. A new trustworthy data governance and sharing model in line with the European regulatory framework and taking into account European values will be developed that will ensure Trusted Data Ecosystems.

GET INVOLVED

Make sure to check out how to apply on our TrustChain [website](#) or directly on [F6S platform](#).

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