

# Join Phoenix 4.0!

## Learn, innovate and grow!

Are you a tourism or tourism-related SME looking to become stronger, greener, and more innovative? Join PHOENIX 4.0, the EU-funded project created to support SMEs like yours with personalised coaching, tailored training, funding opportunities, and access to a European innovation network.

#### Benefits for you and your business

**Participation is 100% free!** By joining PHOENIX 4.0, only 130 selected SMEs across Europe will gain free access to a unique growth opportunity:

- ✓ Expert-led training & personalised coaching. Join an Active learning program, that includes:
  - Training sessions delivered by top European experts on key topics such as Sustainability, digital adaptation, marketing, accessibility, risk management, etc.
  - Access to training materials, tools and best practices from European tourism.
  - Personalised coaching.
  - Find opportunities to collaborate with other European businesses and SMEs.
- ✓ Apply for funding of up to €25,000. Eligible SMEs\* will be able to apply for grants between €15,000–€25,000 to implement innovative solutions addressing real, sector-identified challenges.
- ✓ Gain exclusive networking opportunity: Connect with PHOENIX 4.0's community of innovative SMEs and industry professionals.

Don't miss the opportunity. Limited spots available!

## What SMEs can participate

To join the Phoenix Project, your company must:

- ✓ Be an SME (fewer than 250 employees, < €50M turnover, financially independent)
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- ✓ Be based in an Eligible country
- ✓ Operate in the tourism, hospitality, or creative sectors, cross-sector SMEs are welcome.
- ✓ For funding opportunities: Only are eligible, SMEs from France, Iceland, Croatia, Kosovo, Slovenia, and Spain, operating under the following NACE codes: I5510, I5520, I5530, I5610, I5630, N79, R90, R93. The supported SMEs do not need to be registered under those NACE classes, provided that they can prove that they have active economic activities in the relevant NACE codes.



## How to join

- First step, register here: Call for SMEs Join the PHOENIX 4.0 Project
- Then, complete the Resilience Navigator Tool (RNT), a free digital self-assessment that will help you identify your strengths, weaknesses, and opportunities in resilience, sustainability, and digitalisation. Upon completion, you will instantly receive a personalised report with key insights and tailored recommendations to guide your next steps.
- Once both steps are completed, you will gain access to the <u>Active Learning Program</u> and become eligible to apply for funding.

#### Your commitment

To access the full benefits of PHOENIX 4.0, selected SMEs must:

- ✓ Attend at least one 90-minute training session
- ✓ Join one mandatory 90-minute session from the PHOENIX Lab
- + Optionally take part in a national focus group (+1.5h)

Total time commitment: 3 to 4.5 hours

#### **Timeline**

Start now!

- ✓ Enter the Academy lab from October 2025
- ✓ Apply for funding from January to April 2026

**Engage in a prestigious European** initiative, gaining valuable insights and professional growth. Apply now!







Any doubts? Contact us! Iana Bilynets: <a href="mailto:iana.bilynets@ef.uni-lj.si">iana.bilynets@ef.uni-lj.si</a>

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