



Second Call:

Call for organisations active in T&C and related sectors
in Athens and Rotterdam

Guide for applicants

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1 FABRIX Overview

The aim of the **FABRIX project** is to **promote sustainable urban manufacturing** through an integrated approach that includes spatial design, industrial symbiosis¹, circular manufacturing and value chain management. FABRIX will develop an innovative platform that combines services in **a suite of digital tools that enhance local stakeholders' capacity to manage and improve value chains** (see "[platform](#)").

The project takes two very different cities as case studies: **Rotterdam** in the Netherlands and **Athens** in Greece; it works with representatives of the many aspects that make up the textile and clothing industry, from student designers to established textile producers and everyone in between.

By promoting circular business models, supporting the development of sustainable materials and advocating for ethical practices, we aim to catalyse a comprehensive transformation of the Textile & Clothing (T&C) and manufacturing sector in Athens and Rotterdam. The tools and methods developed will later be made available to other cities and industries to use and adapt to their context.

What is a FSTP?

A Financial Support to Third Parties (FSTP) is a mechanism that allows beneficiaries (or affiliated entities) to distribute public funding to (one or more) beneficiaries that are not party to the EU Grant Agreement (third parties) for the adoption or development of digital innovation.

FABRIX FSTP

FABRIX supports organisations within the manufacturing and social sectors through **two calls in the two selected cities**, Rotterdam (Netherlands) and Athens (Greece), with a total fund of 200,000€. Financial and learning support is provided to **develop participatory activities and best practices** performed with the use of the innovative platform as necessary for reaching the circular, regenerative and cooperation objectives of the proposal's model for industrial symbiosis, linking to the concepts/initiatives under the umbrella of the New European Bauhaus.

The two calls are divided as such:

- First Call: T&C Industry Facilitators in Athens & Rotterdam / 2 facilitators in each city for a total of €100,000 (CLOSED)
- Second call: Addressing organisations active in the T&C or related sectors, which may include Manufacturing SMEs, Microbusinesses, and Independents in Athens & Rotterdam / 10 chosen in each city for a total of €100,000

These activities are designed to ensure the development of a socially grounded production system that increases the effectiveness of the digital solutions and enables continuation after the end of the project. FABRIX thus supports a funding path where the calls become a driver to expand and empower the first leading actors of these symbiotic systems. Each call will be published on the FABRIX website and promoted through all social media channels linked to FABRIX, the Consortium's partners, and their related networks, to reach a high number of relevant candidates.

¹ The term describes how a network of diverse organisations can foster eco-innovation and long-term culture change and create and share mutually profitable transactions—and improve business and technical processes.

2 Second Call

The second FABRIX call seeks "**organisations**" that will use the Fabrix platform as "lead users" and participate in Facilitators² activities. The selected applicants are also strongly encouraged to assist in convincing others to join the platform and engage in local system activities, but are not necessarily obliged to do so.

For the purpose of this call, **we define "organisations" as SMEs (Small and Medium Enterprise), micro-businesses, and independents** (e.g., artisans, producer-designers) or related businesses operating in the Textile and Clothing sector, OR in fields that could be perceived as complementary to this sector in terms of circular economy and industrial symbiosis (e.g. any manufacturer, producer or service that could benefit from working with the T&C industry in particular with regards to waste re-use).

By submitting an application to the FABRIX Second Call, you compete for the following:

- **Financial support of €5.000** to conduct user testing and contribute ideas about the use of the platform.
- Contact with and support of local experts from the FABRIX project for your activities and the use of the platform.
- Opportunity to further your goals, projects, collaboration and facilitation skills.
- Access to resources with useful learning materials and platform guides.
- Develop synergies with other members in the network

The FABRIX Second Call is open from 4 September 2025 to 3 November 2025

Expectations and Time Plan

As winner, in this call's proposal, **you will be expected to use** the platform and provide useful feedback/ideas to improve the platform according with the needs of the local manufacturing sector of your city. In the application form, we ask you to develop your proposal for how you will reach these goals.

You will also be required to attend at least one in-person event organised by your local facilitators.

Your actions should be measurable with the following minimum objectives: number of interactions with the platform; number of ideas to improve the platform.

Your interactions with the platform should last for the entire duration of the subcontract.

² Facilitator is a winner of the first call. Its main purpose is the community engagement and supporting the development of the platform: <https://www.fabrixproject.eu/news/meet-the-facilitators>

Eligibility criteria

SMEs, micro-businesses, and independents (e.g., artisans, producer-designers) or related businesses operating in the Textile and Clothing sector, OR in fields that could be perceived as complementary to this sector in terms of circular economy and industrial symbiosis.

Applicants must meet the following eligibility criteria:

- Be legally established according to the national law of one of the eligible territories, Netherlands (NL) or Greece (EL).
- Conduct main business activities in one of the pilot cities (Athens or Rotterdam)
- Be registered on the Fabrix platform (create user account)
- Completion of the application form in full conformity,
- The Declaration of honour and Financial declaration forms attached and signed.

Evaluation criteria

Evaluation Criteria	Description	Analysis
Production facilities and value chain <i>Max 5 points</i>	This area addresses what kind of production infrastructure available, the business model of the proposer, the value and material flows, and the value chain and network relations that can potentially contribute to enrich the Fabrix platform	Excellent (5 points) High (4 points) Very Good (3 points) Adequate (2 points) Basic (1 points) No experience (0 points)
Knowledge and experience <i>Max 5 points</i>	This section asks about Knowledge and experience in the manufacturing sector but also related to the social and environmental challenges and participation in initiatives that aim to address them	Excellent (5 points) High (4 points) Very Good (3 points) Adequate (2 points) Basic (1 points) No experience (0 points)
Future vision and action plan <i>Max 5 points</i>	This section asks about the applicant's vision for the future of the local neighbourhood in relation to a sustainable manufacturing future, and how participation through FABRIX can work in that direction	Excellent (5 points) High (4 points) Very Good (3 points) Adequate (2 points) Basic (1 points) No experience (0 points)
Intended use of the Platform <i>Max 5 points</i>	This section asks about how the applicant sees the role of the Fabrix platform as a trigger to help them to become part of a socially embedded production ecosystem in the local area.	Excellent (5 points) High (4 points) Very Good (3 points) Adequate (2 points) Basic (1 points) No experience (0 points)

Table 1 Evaluation criteria

Selection criteria

Selection criteria	Description
Coherence of the proposal	Applicants must demonstrate coherence with the objectives of the FABRIX project
Value alignment	Applicants must demonstrate to be in line with the values of the FABRIX project
Experience in (at least) local environment	Applicants must demonstrate knowledge, experience in the manufacture sector and in social and environmental thematic.
Action Plan	Applicants must propose appropriate activities/ideas for local and circular manufacture sector
Use of Platform	Applicants must propose new/fresh ideas for possible features to be added in the use of the FABRIX platform (inherent with the project's goals)

Table 2 Selection criteria

3 Application process

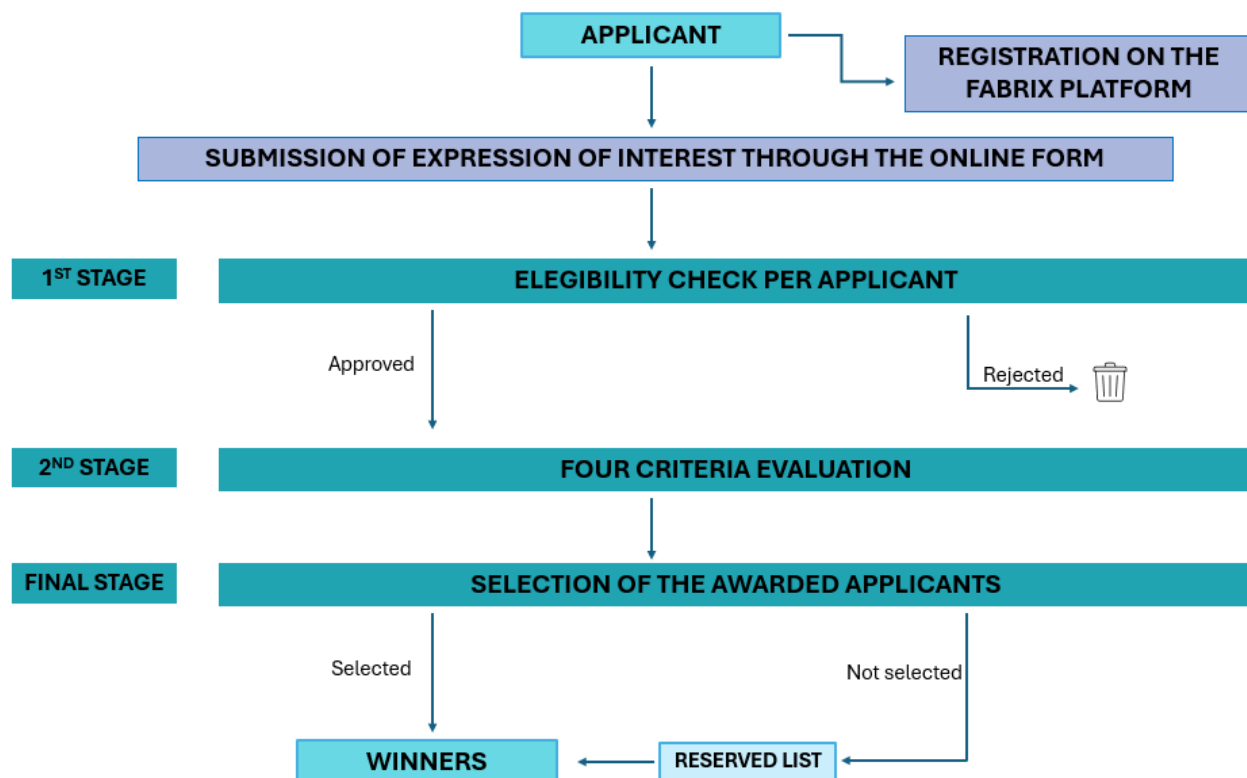


Figure 1 Fabrix Call process summary

All interested applicants **must register on the Fabrix platform** at the following link (<https://platform.fabrixproject.eu/>) before submitting their application form.

All interested applicants may **submit their application** at any time during the Second Call opening period through the form linked on the FABRIX website hosted by EUSurvey ([LINK](#))

Applicants shall complete the online application form and upload the supporting document (Declaration of Honour & Financial declaration form, signed by the legal representative of the applicant).

Application forms must be filled out in English.

To be considered admissible, an application must:

- **Be submitted in the electronic submission system** (above form) **before the deadline stated in the Call.**
- **Be written in the English language only.**
- **Be complete in all its parts.**
- **Respect the word count limits** set out in each section of the application form.
- **include the Declaration of Honour and Financial declaration forms.**

Evaluation process

Evaluation is divided into three stages: 1) Eligibility; 2) Quality of the proposal; and 3) Selection.

1st STAGE: Eligibility

The consortium will evaluate applications against the minimum eligibility criteria. The eligibility criteria are specified in this call document in the section “Eligible criteria” above.

Applicants who are not in compliance with the above eligibility criteria will be subject to rejection at this stage.

2nd STAGE: Quality of the proposal

Three representatives of the consortium partners will evaluate each application. Partners will be two randomly selected partners, and one partner from either Rotterdam or Athens as applicable. The evaluators will assess four areas (evaluation criteria). Each area will be scored on a scale of 0-5. **Applicants must score at least 3 points for each evaluation criteria (see Table 1) in order to be selected.**

0 Inadequate	Proposal fails to address the criteria.
1 Poor	The area is inadequately addressed, or there are serious inherent weaknesses.
2 Fair	The proposal broadly addresses the criteria but there are serious inherent weaknesses.
3 Good	The proposal addresses the criteria well, but a number of shortcomings are present.
4 Very Good	The proposal addresses the criteria well with few shortcomings.
5 Excellent	The proposal successfully addresses all relevant aspects of the criteria.

After evaluation by the selection panel, applications will be ranked, and the highest scorers will be eligible for funding.

The maximum total score is 20 points.

A minimum of 12/ 20 will be necessary to pass.

Three (3) spots among the selected candidates of each city will be reserved for “independents” i.e. single-person companies or designer-producers, upcyclers, sewists, weavers, textile designers, hand knitters etc.

3rd STAGE: Selection

The evaluation scores by each team will be reviewed by the full project partnership where the selection criteria are applied (see the above section, “Selection criteria”), and the final decision is taken. This decision is then formally ratified by the consortium Steering

Committee to decide on the winners, who will then be invited to draw up a subcontract with the Lead Partner (LP) of the FABRIX project³.

Candidates who score 10 or 11 may be called back if one of the selected subcontractors fails to draw up the subcontract or carry out its activities.

Exclusion criteria

Candidates will be excluded from participation if they:

- Are in bankruptcy, in liquidation, in legal proceedings, cessation of activity or other similar situations according to their national law and regulation.
- Have been sentenced for corruption, fraud, or participated in a criminal organisation or any other illicit activities.
- Are under administrative sanctions.
- Have made false statements or concealed information for this call.
- Show significant deficiencies in complying with the main obligations under an EU procurement contract, grant agreement or grant decision.
- Are guilty of irregularities within the meaning of Article 1(2) of Regulation No 2988/95

The candidate(s) must certify to not fall in any of the above categories through the “Declaration of honour/ Financial Declaration”.

³ The Steering Committee's decision will be final, and by submitting the application form, applicants agree that it cannot be appealed

4. Terms and Conditions

Legal Commitments

In the event of a successful application, a subcontract agreement drawn up in Euro and detailing the conditions will be sent to the applicant, as well as the information on the procedure to formalise the agreement of the parties. The subcontract will specify a general work plan of the specific activities to be carried out, the number and type of participants to be engaged, and a calendar of events.

Please note that the award of a subcontract does not automatically establish an entitlement to the full amount for the completion of the activities of the subcontractor: justification of expenditure is required, and reporting obligations must be met to receive the final payment of the grant.

Funding scheme

The following payment scheme will apply to the subcontract:

Initial Instalment (50%)

- Timing: +30 days from the subcontract signatures,
- Documentation and procedures
 - Signed Agreement by the subcontractor and coordinator

Final Instalment (50%)

- Timing: +90 days from the subcontract end
- Documentation and procedures:
 - Interaction report: description of feedback and ideas linked to the number of interactions had with the platform.

Reporting requirements

Subcontractors will be required to submit the following reports based on provided easy-to-use templates:

- An Interaction report, which describes the interactions with the platform and related feedback/ideas on improving the platform, linked to the request for the payment of the final instalment.

Other considerations

IPR

The ownership of all IPR generated by the subcontract activities, via the FABRIX project, will be declared [CC BY-SA](#) and therefore open to distribution, following the general principles for the results and outputs of the FABRIX project.

Communication

Any communication or publication of the awarded subcontractor(s) shall clearly indicate that the subcontract has received financial support from the European Union and the FABRIX project, therefore displaying the EU and FABRIX logos and the wording specified in the subcontract on all printed and digital material, including websites and press releases. Moreover, subcontractor(s) will agree that certain information regarding the subcontract activities can be used by the FABRIX project Consortium for communication purposes. Additionally, subcontractor(s) commit to actively contributing to the communication and dissemination strategy of the FABRIX project.

Expenses

The funding is to be considered “lump sum”, to which no further expenses may be added. The amount should cover personnel hours as well as any costs related to activities (food for event attendees, equipment etc.) and travel, such as costs inherent to the use of the Fabrix platform.

Useful documents

- Application Forms (Example only / non-editable version)

Contact information

For enquiries

- Regarding this call process, please contact Marco Cusenza, Cedecs-TCBL, marco@cedecs-tcbl.eu
- Regarding the project and platform in general please contact the project's Lead Partner Eva Kassotaki, TU Delft, E.Kassotaki@tudelft.nl

Participation in this FABRIX call implies awareness of and full acceptance of the present regulation.