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Call: HORIZON-EIC-2022-iCapitalPrize-01- The European Capital of Innovation Category

Proposal: 101102119 - On Mission together

Jury hearing invitation

Dear Sir, / Dear Madam,

Thank you for your application to the European Capital of Innovation Awards 2022. I am delighted to inform you that **your city's application has been shortlisted as semi-finalist by our expert jury.** Congratulations!

I would now like to invite you to a hearing with the jury at the following time:

Tuesday 25 – Wednesday 26 October 2022

(NB. The exact time for your hearing will be communicated on the week of 3 October 2022)

The hearing will take place virtually, using an online videoconferencing tool (more details will follow) in English, and will last around 50 minutes. You will be asked to give a brief presentation lasting no more than 15 minutes, during which you will introduce your city's application. This will be followed by a 30 – 35 minutes discussion with the expert jury panel, who will ask you questions related to the prize evaluation criteria.

I would kindly ask you to confirm your participation in the hearing and provide us with the information requested below to EISMEA-ICAPITAL@ec.europa.eu, within the indicated deadlines:

1. Signed and stamped mandatory Declaration of Honour (*see attached template*) related to the content of your application (deadline 23 September 2022);
2. Names, positions and email addresses of your city's representatives at the hearing. You can do it [here](#). A maximum of four representatives will be able to intervene during the hearing. The presentation can be done by a maximum of two representatives and another two representatives can join to provide further information in case of detailed jury questions during the Q&A session (deadline 4 October 2022);
3. Validate the city's legal entity and bank account details in the Funding and Tenders Portal system. Please follow the correspondent steps (without financial capacity assessment) indicated [here](#) (deadline 23 September 2022);
4. During your intervention, you may use a visual support such as images or slides, although this is not compulsory (in that case, we kindly ask you to send them to us the latest by 16 October 2022).

Kindly note that the documents requested on point 4 are not subject to the jury assessment.

Once your availability confirmed, you will receive an invitation with practical information on how to connect to the videoconferencing platform, participants to represent your application, format and rehearsal of the hearing, deadlines, etc.

Congratulations on making it this far. We very much look forward to meeting you!

Yours faithfully,

(e-signed)

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Head of Unit