

28DIGITAL Summer Schools 2026 – Call for Proposals FAQs

1. What are Summer Schools?

Summer Schools are two-week programmes that aim to combine know-how in key digital technologies, societal and industrial applications with expertise in innovation and Entrepreneurship (I&E). They are targeted towards students from the [EIT Digital Master School](#) as well as external participants. They expose participants to I&E concepts, facilitate student interactions with companies, industry professionals and experts as well as foster a community among various universities.

2. What is the format of the Summer School programme?

The program should find a balance between thematic training and entrepreneurial business project work. Typically, that would include:

- Week 1: Thematic, technical or I&E lectures, keynotes from industry experts, discussions with professionals.
- Week 2: Team building, work on business challenges, business planning, go-to-market strategies, coaching, pitching sessions.

2. What are the thematic focus areas?

Proposals must align with the [28DIGITAL Strategic Innovation Agenda](#) and its focus areas: Digital Tech, Digital Industry, Digital Cities, Digital Wellbeing, or Digital Finance.

3. How many participants are expected?

Each Summer School must host a minimum of 50 participants.

4. When does the call open and close?

The call opens on 17 November 2025 and closes on 19 January 2026 at 5 PM CET (Brussels time). Feedback is expected to the selected/rejected activities by 6 February 2026.

5. Who can apply?

Proposers must be or become partners of 28DIGITAL once selected. For organizations that are not yet partners please see [partnership models](#) for more information about joining 28DIGITAL. Eligible applicants include organizations from EU Member States and [Horizon Europe-associated countries](#). At least one selected Summer School will take place in a RIS country.

6. What is the funding model?

The total call value is €170,000, selecting two Summer Schools. Maximum EIT funding per proposal: €85,000. A minimum of 30% co-funding from the partner is required.

7. What is the proposal submission process?

All proposals must be submitted via the 28DIGITAL [Intranet](#) Proposal Submission System before the deadline. Applicants are advised to get early access to the intranet ahead of the deadline.

8. How can I get support or clarifications?

Applicants can contact the 28DIGITAL Team at proposal_support@28digital.eu.