
PRESS RELEASE

The FIDAL Open Calls were designed to reach two main added values for the project:

1. Involving key actors committed to perform beyond 5G trials in diversified and heterogeneous vertical use cases covering key industrial and societal sectors.
2. Ensuring the support of the needed infrastructure to deploy the proposed field trials.

The Open Call maximizes the impact and accelerate adoption of FIDAL demonstrating **flexibility, user acceptance and technology transfer**.

The first FIDAL Open Call took place between 15th September 2023 and 30 December 2023. The process concluded with the selection of **19 winners** from 8 countries. Vertical domain addressed included 12 winners for the PPDR vertical, 5 for Media and Entertainment and 2 for Time Critical Application and Services. 8 of the successful applicants have opted for Option 1 (funding up to EUR 150,000) and Option 2 (funding up to EUR 250,000).

To discover all the 19 projects under Open Call 1 that will be closely working with FIDAL, the full list of winners is available on the **FIDAL website**

The second Open Call will be officially launched on **Monday 9th September**. Applicants will have the opportunity to apply until 10th December 2024. To discover more about this second funding opportunity, interested participants are invited to explore the dedicated page on the FIDAL website: **FIDAL Open Call 2**