**Selection process and topics**

The overall format for the proposal submission and evaluation is very similar to the KAVA 8 launched in March this year :

* The proposal submission will take place in 2 stages, with a DRAFT proposal and a FINAL proposal. Both submissions will be evaluated. It is therefore imperative that the DRAFT proposals contain sufficient information for a comprehensive evaluation.
* The DRAFT proposal should not exceed 5 pages and should contain an executive summary, with objectives, outcomes and final results expected (1/2 page), a short description of the consortium with the role of each partner (1/2 page) and detailed information (4 pages) addressing the selected criteria that have been updated, and which will be evaluated as “yes/no”.
* Only proposals receiving “yes” to all of the selected criteria at Stage 1 will be invited to submit a FINAL proposal in Stage 2.
* For up-scaling activities, the proposal should address at least one of the topics listed in the Lighthouse Appendix, provide a minimum co-funding of 30%, and the funded projects must contribute to the financial sustainability of EIT RawMaterials by generating a financial backflow capped to an amount equalling the EIT funding received by the consortium plus a specific mark-up,
* For Higher Education activities, the focus shall be on PhD summer/winter school in 3 thematic orientation
* For Lifelong Learning activities, the focus shall be on demand-driven proposals in 4 selected thematic areas, demonstrate a clear industrial need, and support the sustainability of the organization.
* This call will not support new activities on Wider Society Learning or Master Education
* For RIS activities, the same conditions as above will apply for RIS Upscaling and Education activities, and partners will have the opportunity to propose RIS Capacity Building activities.

Please read the call texts very carefully, as some of the eligibility criteria and mandatory requirements have changed to comply with EIT’s requests.

**Key deadlines**

**Tuesday, 7 September 2021:** second Call for Projects 2022 is open

**Mid of September** **2021:**The proposal submission platform “SeedBook” goes live

**Friday, 19 November 2021 at 13:00 CET:**Proposal registration deadline

**Friday, 19 November 2021 at 13:00 CET:** Draft proposal submission deadline (on SeedBook)

**Monday, 22 November to Friday, 10 December 2021:** Evaluation of draft proposals

**Friday, 17 December 2021:**Outcomes of the evaluation of the draft proposals is communicated to the consortia

**Friday, 18 March 2022 at 13:00 CET:** Final proposal submission deadline