



"DigiCirc will create new opportunities for SMEs in the domains of Circular Cities"

Is your SME providing digital solutions to make our Cities more circular? Join the transformation of European Cities by applying to DigiCirc Accelerator Programme!

DigiCirc Circular Cities Open Call is now open for applications!

<u>DigiCirc (European cluster-led accelerator for digitisation of the circular economy across key emerging</u> <u>sectors</u>) is a European H2020 INNOSUP project gathering 11 partners led by Cap Digital. It aims at boosting the circular economy by leveraging digital tools. The project will support highly innovative SMEs in the business development and marketing of solutions, products, processes based on circular value chains.

DigiCirc will organise 3 Accelerator Programmes throughout 2020-2022, with €2.4 million committed in cascade funding for SMEs, namely: Circular Cities, Blue Economy and Bioeconomy.

DigiCirc has just launched the Open Call for Circular Cities: we are now looking to fund and support SMEdriven with digital circular solutions by addressing specific challenges in the domain of Circular Cities, and invite them to join this transformation of EU Cities by providing a more circular economy approach.

How does it work?

DigiCirc will fund SME-led consortia (up to €60K per SME) through the three project open calls, to develop their digital solutions under Circular Economy specific domains. In order to enable the creation of SME consortia, SMEs are invited to register at **DigiCirc Matchmaking Tool** and contact other SMEs to make synergies towards building consortia.

By applying to Circular Cities open call, we will offer SMEs the chance to join an exciting accelerator programme, where they can develop their own solutions addressing specific challenges under this domain. <u>Circular Cities Accelerator Programme</u>, is a highly intensive and innovative 12 weeks-long innovation support programme, with a total budget of €800k and will fund a minimum of 15 SME-led consortia.

What's in it for SMEs?

- 1. Up to €60k equity free funding per SME/Start-up
- 2. 3 useful digital tools and data to facilitate the digitization process
- 3. Strategical European partnerships through Matchmaking activities





- 4. One-on-one Business Coaching support
- 5. Thematic Mentoring support provided by industry experts



Interested in joining the digitalization of Circular Economy?

Applications to Circular Cities Call are open until 14 January at 17h pm CET (Brussels Time). Find out more about DigiCirc on <u>www.digicirc.eu</u> Read the programme guidelines carefully and <u>APPLY NOW</u>!



