Open Call #2 FAQs

Q1: Can I submit more than one proposal?

A1: Up to two proposals per applicant (company/entity) will be considered for evaluation (the first two to be submitted). After the evaluation only the best one will be accepted for funding (if any). The bundles to validate have been selected and classified according to the type of data needed for their validation. The list of bundles and their classification is available in CHAMELEON website. In accordance with this classification, the validation of one class of bundles (either a group or a bundle individually classified) will be considered as one proposal.

Q2: In what language should I write my proposal?

A2: CHAMELEON will only consider documents written in English. Any other language will not be considered for evaluation.

Q3: Is my company's country eligible for CHAMELEON Open Call programme?

A3: CHAMELEON Open Calls are available for all the countries associated with the Horizon Europe programme. See this link for a detailed list of eligible countries.

Q4: How many Open Calls will CHAMELEON have?

A4: CHAMELEON will have two Open Calls:

- OC #1 for bundle development to the CHAMELEON platform – This Open Call has already been closed and the selected projects are working on their developments.
- OC #2 for pilot use cases for the CHAMELEON solutions.

Q5: What support will I have during the sub-project execution?

A5: A partner from the CHAMELEON consortium will be assigned to each sub-project as a mentor. The mentor will have the role of being the first point of contact for support, monitor the development of the assigned sub-projects and validate the quality of the submitted deliverables.

Q6: Can I apply to be an evaluator for the CHAMELEON Open Calls?

A6: Yes. Interested experts must comply to the guidelines defines in the Guide for Experts available in the CHAMELEON website. To express their interest, experts must fill in the required form available in said website and upload the CV.

Q7: Can the applicant be a consortium of partners or be made in partnership or collaboration with one or more SMEs?

A7: The Open Call will not accept submission by consortiums or in collaboration/partnership with other organisations. Each applicant must submit its own application and sub-project shall be carried out solely by the applicant.

Q8: Is the timeline for the launch of a sub-project (as provided in the Guide) flexible?

A8: The timelines provided are fixed in order to ensure the smooth organisation of the sub projects.

Q9: Is it mandatory for the applicants to use their own UAV and sensors? Or is it possible to work with a system from the CHAMELEON consortium?

A9: The CHAMELEON consortium cannot be required to perform the acquisition of data needed for the validation of the bundles. Applicants should be able to perform data acquisition by their own means. The list of sensors needed for the validation of each bundle is available in CHAMELEON website.

Q10: In the bundles of the vineyards, BC8, BC9 and BC10, the flights are specified to be done in June – July, but the projects (if admitted) will start in October. What is the procedure to follow in this case?

A10: Applicants interested in validating the agricultural bundles (vineyards) are required to provide their own data, from the months of May - July. The quality of these data will be considered in the evaluation of the application, in such a way that the budget of course will be the same as for the other bundles, but the procedure from October on will only require the validation of the bundles with the data previously acquired.

Another option is that the applicants have access to vineyards on the Southern hemisphere, where data could be acquired during the Open Call 2, approximately months of December - February.

Q11: Is it possible to present a bundle where the UAV data are integrated and elaborated with other data?

A11: Yes, it is possible, as long as the other data fulfils the requirements established by the bundle it will validate.

Q12: Do the applicants need to develop the bundles further or introduce/use self-developed machine vision models?

A12: The development of new bundles / improvement of existing bundles was an objective of CHAMELEON Open Call 1, and not for CHAMELEON Open Call 2. For this reason, there is no need to develop the bundles further, nor introduce machine vision models. The focus should be on the acquisition of data as specified and its processing in the software bundle selected, including a validation / error analysis of the results.

Q13: Are only start-ups eligible to apply to the CHAMELEON Open Calls?

A13: No. Any entity, whether private or public, that is eligible for funding by the EC, under the rules of Horizon Europe, can apply to the CHAMELEON Open Calls.

Q14: If the project is funded, will any hardware support (UAV, sensors, etc.) be available to demonstrate the pilot?

A14: No, the applicants must provide the data required for the validation of the bundles, acquired with their own means. The CHAMELEON Consortium cannot provide support in the data acquisition.
This includes the bundles where real-time processors are required.

Q15: Which expenses are eligible, or, failing that, which are not?

A15: Since this is a lump sum scheme, the only factor that may affect eligibility is the total budget, that cannot be more that €60,000. The budget allocation is completely up to the applicant. Thus, there are not non-eligible expenses or establishment of indirect costs.

Q16: What percentage of indirect costs can be applied?

A16: Since this is a lump sum scheme, the budget allocation is completely up to the applicant. Thus, there is not establishment of indirect costs.

Q17: Is it possible to declare the cost of participation of the owners of a company when they do not have associated salaries?

A17: The budget allocation is up to the applicant and the cost of participation of the owners can be included in the budget regardless of their percentage of participation.

Q18: Where can I ask questions not covered in the FAQs?

A18: You may submit your inquiries to the project's official email: chameleonheu@gmail.com.