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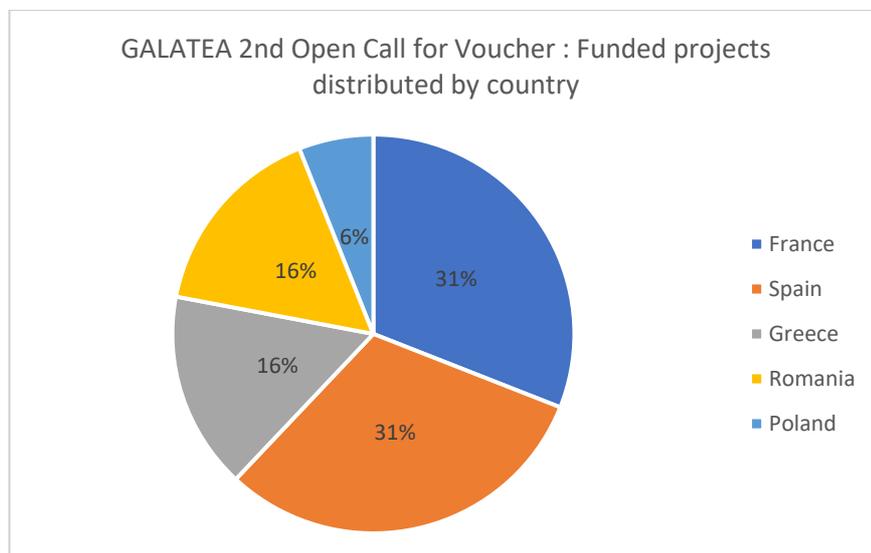
Second open Call for Vouchers, GALATEA Blue Growth Accelerator selects and supports 9 innovative projects led by SMEs across Europe

Another great success for the second and last GALATEA Blue Growth Accelerator Call for vouchers with 74 projects submitted by innovative SMEs across 5 European countries.

This second call also aimed to support the development of innovative cross-sectoral and cross-border technologies, services or products addressing the 22 challenges identified in 4 key Blue Growth domains: Smart Port, Smart Ship, Smart Shipyard and Maritime Surveillance.



19 selected SMEs will get direct financial support from the voucher scheme (1.018.900€ in total) to undertake development and technology transfer activities, prototyping projects, and large-scale demonstration projects that aim to tackle challenges related to energy, logistics, environment, digitalisation, service development, security and manufacturing. The funded projects are distributed by country as follows:



After two intense months of joint evaluation operated by the GALATEA consortium partners and associated experts, the results have been announced to the applicants. The selected projects will start by March 2022.

The list of laureates is detailed in the table below:

Project Name	Beneficiary SMEs	Country
ADVARPOL	Aeris Tecnologías Ambientales SL	Spain
H2D	SC Travel Delta Star SRL	Romania
SEAREBBEL	SeaRebbel S.L	Spain
NepH2AIR	NepTech	France
	Caponetto-Hueber	Spain
	H2PULSE	France
SMINTIME	ZeniaLabs Automation Intelligence, S.L.	Spain
	Braintronix SA	Romania
	Tuito Digital Interaction Lab	France
CompoDeep	CES Works SAS	France
	Compoxi	Spain
HECTOR	Artemis Agraia Symvouleytiki S.A \ Hellenic Drones	Greece
	RoboSurvey Ltd.	Greece
	ACCENT PRO 2000 S.R.L.	Romania

SEAGRASS	Planetek Hellas Ltd.	Greece
	GPASEABOTS SL	Spain
KITEYE	Kitewinder	France
	Akeros	France
	ACR SYSTEMS SA	Poland

With the fostering of GALATEA's personalized support and funding on up to 12 months, the beneficiary SMEs will implement their project and present an output answering to the project's [challenges](#).

Opportunity to get expert support

The GALATEA Call for Services remain open until September 30th 2022, 17:00 CET.

Offered by experts of the maritime / ICT / aerospace sectors of the GALATEA partners, across 5 European countries, these business services are thought of as a set of coaching services to facilitate and support SMEs to carry out their innovation and scale-up activities.

SMEs can apply individually to get support on:

- **Business model elaboration:** Support on business model assessment to ensure proper planning set, alignment with market requirements and conditions, etc.;
- **Technology expertise:** Support on technology potential for given markets;
- **Internationalisation:** Support on international diffusion of beneficiary/solution to develop new business, to participate in matchmaking sessions and Implement actions to maximise collaborations;
- **Funding opportunities:** Support on exploring funding opportunities suitable to SMEs' mission and needs and on developing and submitting proposals to funding.

About GALATEA

GALATEA has received €3,67 million from the Horizon 2020 programme of the European Commission of which 78% will be dedicated to the support of SMEs through direct financial support (€2,18 million), services provided by GALATEA partners and other activities organized by the project. GALATEA expects to support at least 100 European SMEs for the innovation of products or processes, development of large-scale demonstrators or markets extension.

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