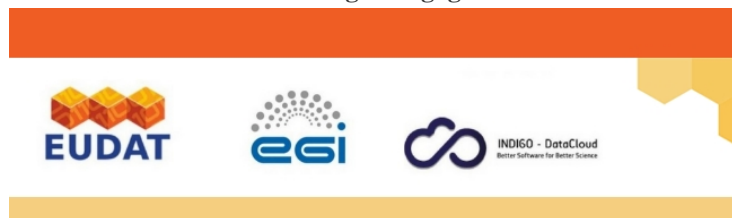# EUDAT-EGI-INDIGO Call for Competence Centres and Business Pilots

 EUDAT, **EGI** and **INDIGO-DataCloud** are joining forces to address the current fragmentation of the data and computing e-Infrastructure landscape and are looking for private and public partners developing and/or providing thematic services that support open science research workflows.

The consortium is now seeking to engage with research communities and business organizations.

COMPETENCE CENTRES

The **joint proposal will establish and fund Competence Centers (CCs)**. Purpose of the CC is to foster the use of the advanced digital capabilities and resources provided by EGI, EUDAT, INDIGO-DataCloud and other relevant e-Infrastructures, service and technology providers, in order to support data- and computing-intensive science.

Early adopters of e-Infrastructure services are invited to send expressions of interest to establish a Competence Centre that will allow them to test, adapt, and integrate the digital capabilities they need to pursue they research, with the support of e-Infrastructure and technology experts.

Selected partners will be invited to join an EGI-EUDAT-INDIGO led consortium preparing a proposal to be submitted as part of H2020 e-Infra-12-2017 topic, Data & Distributed Computing e-Infrastructures for Open Science, subtopic a) Secure and agile data and distributed computing e-infrastructures.

DIGITAL INNOVATION HUB

The **proposal will also fund specific pilots** to foster innovation between e-Infrastructures and the private sector through building an ecosystem of SMEs, large industries, startups, researchers, accelerators, and investors to become active business partners of e-Infrastructures as customers and/or service providers. These initial pilots will serve as early demonstrators of the project's Joint Digital Innovation Hub (DIH).

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Please prepare your application by downloading and completing the template that is available here.

You are invited to send your expression of interest in participating to the project proposal by sending the completed template to: editorial-board@mailman.egi.eu **by Thursday 16 February 2017**, 24:00 CET.