

EUNICE Entrepreneurship Laboratory (E-ELab) CALL 2025

Join Our Inspiring E-Elab 2025!

Are you a bachelor, master or doctoral student with a passion for entrepreneurship?

We invite you to immerse yourself in a challenging environment where your innovative ideas will come to life. Our customised online programme and distinctive summer school at the historic University of Catania (Italy) offers interactive seminars and insightful experiences from leading experts to fuel your entrepreneurial journey.

INTERNATIONAL TEAMWORK

The E-Elab is dedicated to experiencing teamwork and coordination in interdisciplinary and multicultural teams. The E-Elab is designed for students who are interested in facing the challenges of innovation and transforming an entrepreneurial idea into a feasible project. Participants will learn "by doing" tools to validate an idea and assess its entrepreneurial potential in a dynamic context.

During the 13 online workshops, maximum **60 participants (E-Labbers)**, organised in teams, will compete to develop an innovative idea with the support of mentors and coaches from both academia and industry. During the final event, the teams will present their ideas to a jury composed of EUNICE partners. The best teams will be awarded during the **Summer School in Catania (Italy) from 30 June to 4 July 2025**.

In particular, the **top 30 students** from the final pitch will have the opportunity to participate in the **Tech Hackathon 2025**, a special event that will take place in **Catania on 3 July 2025**.

ENTREPRENEURSHIP EDUCATION

E-Elab aims to bring together the talents of students from the 10 Eunice partner universities using innovative and informal teaching approaches. Throughout the programme, E-Labbers will be engaged in current entrepreneurial challenges, which will eventually lead to innovative projects with the potential to become concrete commercialisation proposals for R&D results (e.g. licensing/patenting), academic entrepreneurship (e.g. spin-offs) and student entrepreneurship (e.g. start-ups).

This objective can be achieved through the involvement of

- External companies specialised in innovation.
- Partnerships with local small, medium and large enterprises.
- Networks of mentors and coaches to develop soft skills.

The call is open to all Eunice students (Bachelor, Master, PhD) from the Alliance of the 10 partner universities:

- Poznan University of Technology, Poland
- Brandenburg University of Technology, Germany
- University of Cantabria, Spain
- University of Mons, Belgium
- University of Catania, Italy
- Université Polytechnique Hauts-de-France, France
- University of Vaasa, Finland
- University of the Peloponnese, Greece
- Karlstad University, Sweden
- Polytechnic University of Viseu, Portugal

IMPORTANT DATES

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: 07 March 2025

APPLY HERE: <https://forms.office.com/e/Xf8FNfK3SJ>

MODULE A: ONLINE WORKSHOPS (9 ECTS): 14 March – 24 June 2025

13 online workshops of 3 hours every Friday morning, time: 09:00-13:00 on Moodle and MS Teams platform: <https://moodle.eunice-university.eu/course/view.php?id=355>

Schedule

1. 14.03.2025 Kick-off event
2. 21.03.2025 Idea generation
3. 28.03.2025 Lean Methodology
4. 04.04.2025 Lean Methodology
5. 11.04.2025 Intercultural communication
6. 02.05.2025 Business model canvas
7. 09.05.2025 Business Plan Financial Programming Financing and Funding Tbc
8. 16.05.2025 Challenging ideas
9. 23.05.2025 Competitors and Market Size Customer Acquisition & Product/Market fit
10. 30.05.2025 Pitch preparation
11. 06.06.2025 Marketing Plan
12. 13.06.2025 Equity Crowdfunding
13. 24.06.2025 Final event: Pitch

MODULE B: ENTREPRENEURSHIP SUMMER SCHOOL 2025 (3 ECTS)

Why Join the inspiring Summer School in Catania?

The **Entrepreneurship Summer School (ESS)** provides a comprehensive tool kit for a personal growth and an entrepreneurial pattern. Participants will be engaged in multidisciplinary teams from 10 European universities

- Interactive Seminars: Engage with thought leaders, companies and experts.
- Collaborative Environment: Network with like-minded peers and mentors.
- European Atmosphere: Experience a multi-country setting with participants from various European universities.
- Historic Venue: Experience the charm and inspiration of Catania's historic university.

When: 30 June - 4 July 2025

Venue: [University of Catania](#), Catania (Italy).

Cost: No tuition fees. Travel expenses, accommodation and meals for the summer school are covered by the Erasmus Blended Intensive Program (BIP)

ESS Participants: Students who have applied and attended the online workshops program (Module A)

Program Highlights:

- Workshops, seminars and mentorships

- Topics: Entrepreneurship, creativity, innovation, leadership and team building
- Real-world case studies and games
- Study tour, cultural events and networking opportunities
- Special event: Hackathon

Special Event: Tech Hackathon

The Tech Hackathon is an exciting opportunity for E-Labbers from European universities with multidisciplinary backgrounds. E-Labbers will compete in teams to tackle real-world challenges proposing cutting-edge technology. The hackathon aims to foster creativity, leadership, and technical skills, and team building providing the selected E-Labbers with the tools they need for a successful access in the startup ecosystem and in the Eunice Incubator services.

When: 3rd July 2025

Venue: University of Catania, Catania (Italy).

Cost: no added fees.

Hackathon Participants: 30 E-Labbers (Bachelor, Master and PhD) selected by the expert jury during the final event of the online workshops (Module A)

Program Highlights:

- Tech Challenges: Teams will face a series of challenges designed to test their creativity, problem-solving skills, and technological expertise.
- Expert Mentorship: Participants will receive guidance from company, leaders and experienced entrepreneurs who will share their insights and provide valuable feedback.
- Interactive sessions covering topics such as ideation, prototyping, business model development, and pitching.
- Expanding professional network.
- Eunice Incubation Program Access: Top-performing teams will gain access to Eunice incubation programs, providing the support and resources needed to transform their ideas into startups.

MODULE C: INTERNATIONAL TRAINERSHIPS: 2 weeks to 2 months at companies and research lab (Optional participation)

E-LABBERS SELECTION

Selection criteria. The selection of students will be based on the following criteria:

- Assessment of English language skills (maximum 3 points)
- Previous start-up experience (maximum 2 points)
- Motivation to participate (maximum 3 points)
- Description of the business idea (maximum 2 points)

In the event of a tie, the date of arrival of the application prevails.

Maximum number of participants admitted: 60 E-Labbers. 6 students per Partner University will be selected, possibly 2 Bachelor's Degree, 2 Master's Degree, 2 PhD students in different subject

areas. In cases where the number of applications at one of the partner universities is less than 6, students from other partner universities on a waiting list will be able to join the program. Students will be selected based on the order in which applications were received and the allocation among the partners.

Student notification: Results of the selection will be notified before the Online Workshops kick-off meeting

Certification and ECTS: A participation certificate of the program will be issued. Recognition of the activities in terms of ECTS (Module A= 9 ECTS and Module B = 3 ECTS) will be carried out upon participants request to their local EUNICE office.

Don't miss out on this unique opportunity to kickstart your entrepreneurial journey!

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