



Active and Assisted Living (AAL) Programme

ICT for ageing well

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Collaboration with the European Union

Options:

1. Join a H2020 call
2. Take advantage of collaborative funding opportunities
 - Era-Net/Era-Net Plus/Era-Net Cofund
 - Joint Programming Initiative
 - Article 185



Joint Programming concept

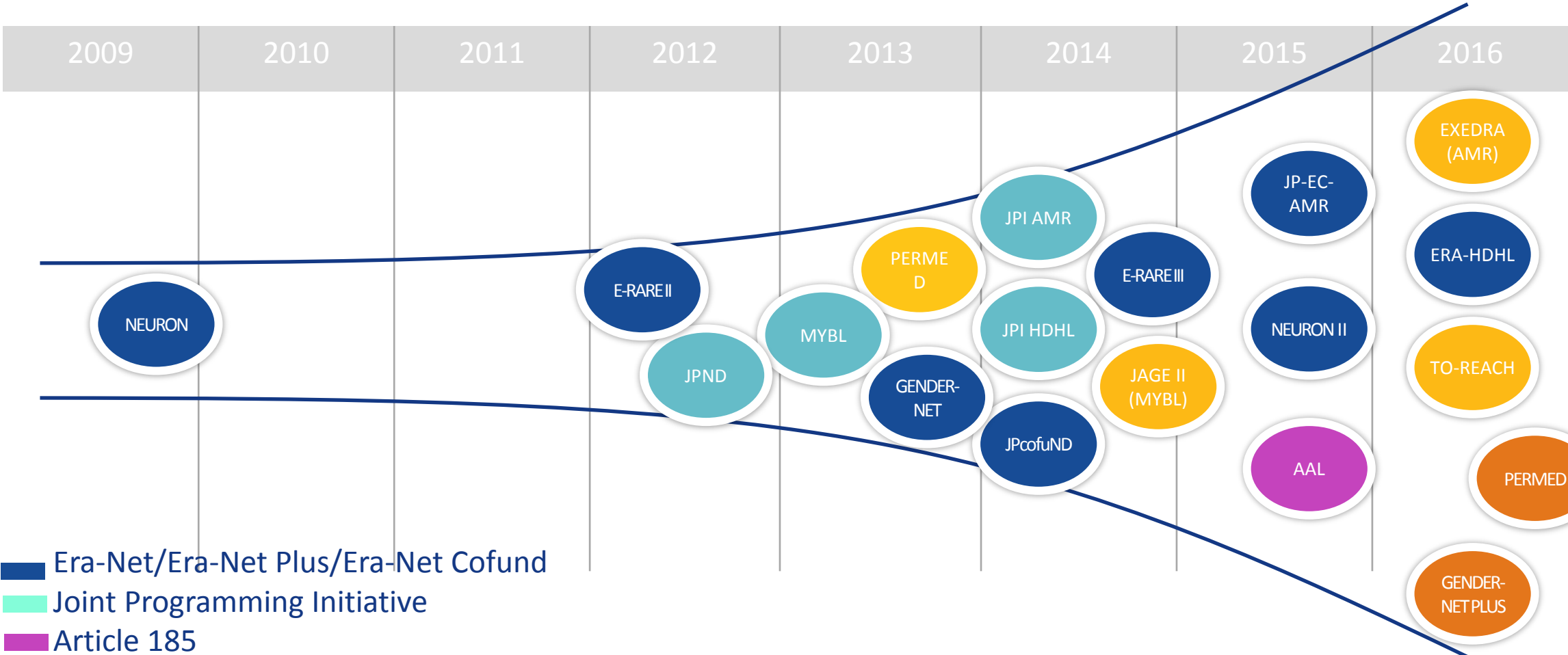
- A collaborative research approach
- Introduced by the European Commission in July 2008
- Objective: to increase the value of relevant national and EU R&D funding by concerted and joint planning, implementation, and evaluation of national research programmes
- At least three countries per team



Joint Programming-Article 185

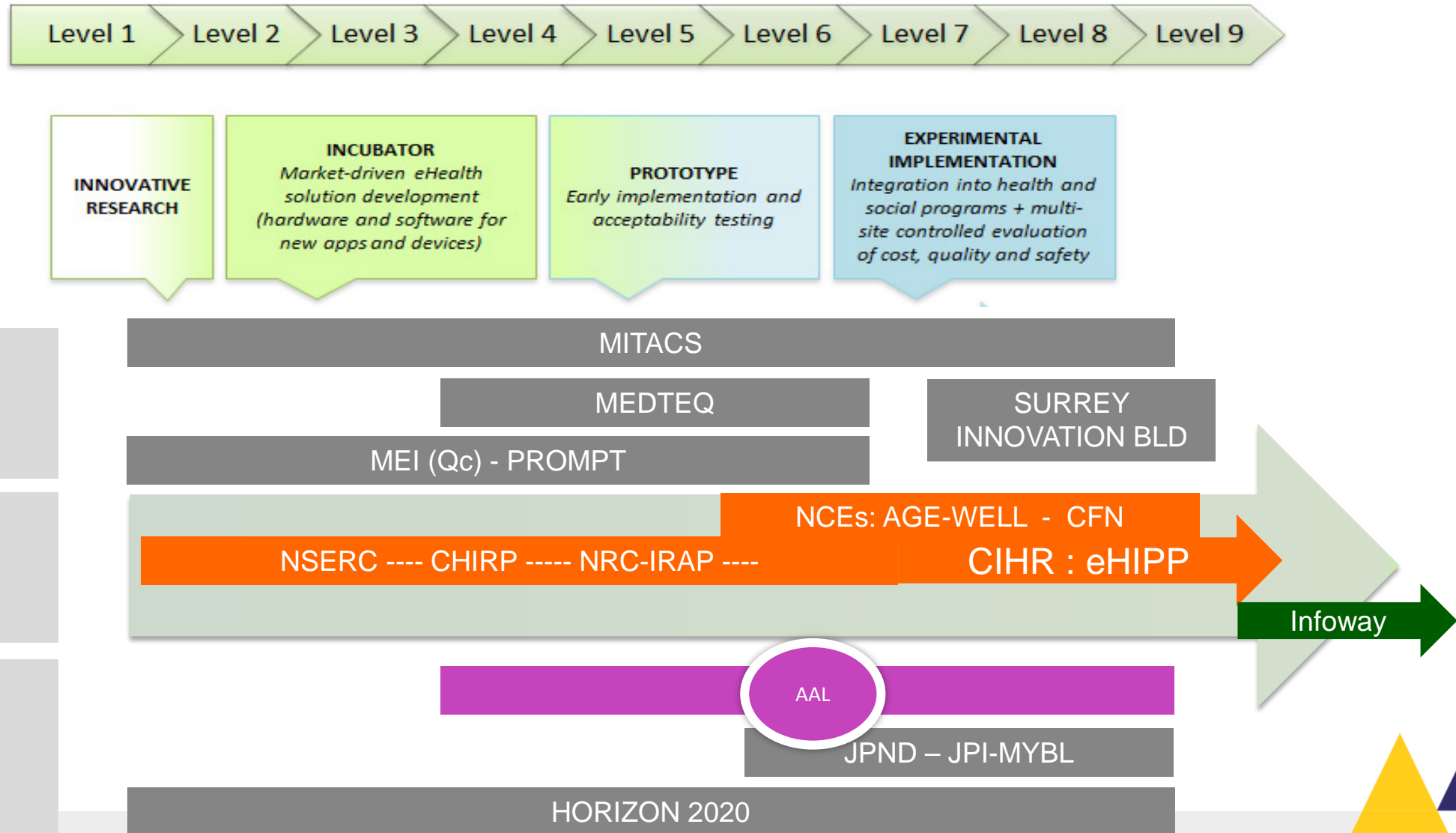
- **Article 185 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU)** enables the EU to participate in research programmes undertaken jointly by several Member States.
- **Article 185 Initiatives:**
 - Ambient Assisted Living (AAL)**
 - EUROSTARS
 - European Metrology Research Programme (EMRP)
 - BONUS
 - European and Developing Countries Clinical trials Partnership (EDCTP)

Engagement across funding instruments



■ Era-Net/Era-Net Plus/Era-Net Cofund
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Canada's eHealth Ecosystem



Canada in AAL

Canada joined as full member of AAL in September 2015

Canadian members in AAL:

- CIHR Institute of Aging
- CIHR Institute of Health Services and Policy Research
- AGE-WELL NCE
- Canadian Frailty Network



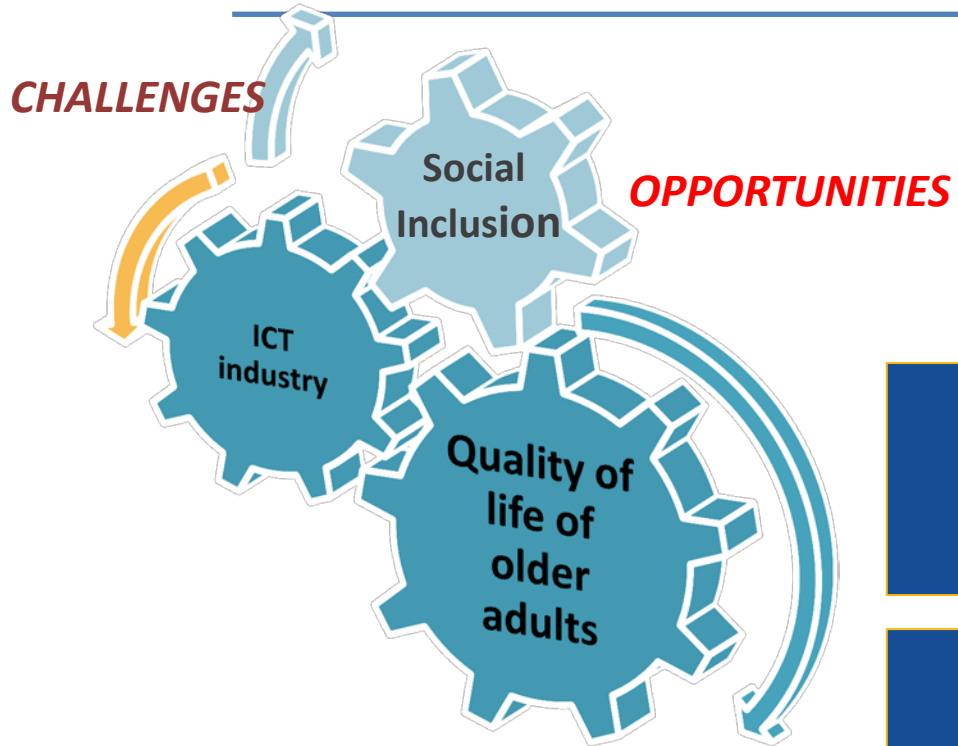


AAL Concept

Solutions and services based on Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) for:

- Extending the time people can live in their preferred environment by increasing autonomy, self-confidence and mobility.
- Supporting the preservation of health and functional capabilities of the elderly.
- Promoting a better and healthier lifestyle for at-risk individuals.
- Enhancing security, preventing social isolation and supporting the individual's social network.
- Supporting caregivers, families, and care organizations.
- Increasing the efficiency and productivity of resources in aging societies.

What is the AAL Programme?



COFUNDING ACTIVITY

- Applied research
- Innovation closer to market

TRANSNATIONAL PROJECTS

- > 3 countries involved
- Business / SMEs / Users / R&D

USER DRIVEN

- Innovation paradigms
- Conception / Testing / Business



History and Scope of AAL

- Since 2008, AAL has issued 9 calls for proposals each focusing on different issues and has funded 206 transnational innovation projects with over 1000 partners. Each project has to include an industry partner in at least one of the participating countries
- Participants in the 2017 call are: Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Hungary, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia, Spain, and Switzerland (14 out of the 21 AAL country members)
- Consortia submit one common project proposal with one partner acting as coordinator. Each AAL partner state has specific national eligibility criteria for funding.



Call 2017-AAL packages/Integrated Solutions

The focus of the 2017 call challenge of the AAL Programme is twofold:

1. The challenge lies in developing packages integrating different solutions that address the needs and wishes of end-users and add value to their lives.
2. The challenge lies in extensive testing and evaluation of packages in order to provide meaningful and significant results.



Canadian Component

- The total Canadian amount available for this funding opportunity is **\$353,000**, enough to fund the **Canadian component of approximately one grant** (other countries fund their own researchers within a joint project based on national grants)

- **CIHR Institute of Aging (IA) and the CIHR Institute of Health Services and Policy Research (IHSPR) OR AGE-WELL NCE will contribute up to \$117,666** per year for 1 grant for a maximum of three years



Canadian Component

- NPA must be an independent researcher appointed at an eligible institution
- Canada will only directly fund Canadian researchers
- A 'Partner Search Facility' is available on the AAL web site for partner matching <http://ps.aal-europe.eu>
- The Information Day on March 6th will be webcast live on the AAL web site



How to Apply

- The funding opportunity (including consortium eligibility and national eligibility criteria) and application intake is through the **AAL website**
- An abbreviated funding opportunity is available on **ResearchNet** for intake of some nominative information and the Canadian budget request
- Canadian applicants must apply through **BOTH** the AAL website, as well as through **ResearchNet**

How to Apply- Canadian component

Application Process Overview








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Please complete the tasks below and submit your application electronically. **If applicable, you must upload completed signature pages via the "Print/Upload Signature Pages" task in order to submit.**

For program specific information consult the "[Eligibility](#)" and the "[How to Apply](#)" sections of this funding opportunity.

For more information on the application process, e-mail support@cihr-irsc.gc.ca.

Tasks

Task	Status	Task Completion Date
 Identify Participants	Incomplete	
 Enter Proposal Information	Incomplete	
 Complete Summary of Research Proposal	Incomplete	
 Enter Budget Information	Incomplete	
 Attach Other Application Materials	Incomplete	
 Complete Peer Review Administration Information	Incomplete	
 Print/Upload Signature Pages	Incomplete	
 Preview	Incomplete	
 Consent and Submit	Incomplete	



How to Apply- Canadian component

- Your Application must be submitted using [ResearchNet](#). Scan and upload **the signed signature pages** including the routing slip in the Print/Upload Signature Pages task in ResearchNet prior to submitting your application.
- **Specific Instructions**
- The following are the only tasks in ResearchNet that are mandatory for completion of the CIHR Full Application:



How to Apply- Canadian component

- **Task: Identify Participants**
- A Nominated Principal Applicant must be identified, and that this individual must be the Canadian researcher that is applying for funding from CIHR. Please note: a CV is not required for this application.
- **Task: Enter Proposal Information**
- **Task: Complete Summary of Research Proposal**



How to Apply- Canadian component

- **Task: Enter Budget Information**
- Funds must be quoted in Canadian dollars.
- **Task: Print Signature Pages**
- **Task: Preview Application Materials**
- **Task: Consent and Submit Application**



Mitacs Globalink

The Globalink Partnership Award provides:

- An opportunity for Canadian researchers to connect with global industry. International universities and faculty members can also participate
- International research experience for the participating student, who undertakes a 16 to 24-week research project at the industry partner's offices or facilities (and applicable participating universities)
- A \$15,000 research grant in the Canadian professor's name to support student travel and accommodation expenses, research-related expenses, and student stipend



Important Dates

- Launch: AAL website: February 15, 2017
CIHR ResearchNet: April 4, 2017
- Application Deadline: May 24, 2017 (17h00 CET)
- Anticipated Notice of Decision: October 30, 2017
- Funding Start Date: October 1, 2017



Experience with applying/insider's view

- **Teamwork:** Having the right team for the proposal is crucial, including members with a track record of EU funding / writing large EU grants
- **Leadership:** The proposal will need one person (or very small close team) who will take the lead on development and submission
- **Partnerships:** Take the opportunities presented to meet with partners from other countries. It is critical to have the right balance of academic and industry members in your consortium
- **Funding rules:** Pay attention to relevant rules: Canadian funding is subject to Tri-Council rules and will not cover SMEs while AGE-WELL funding does not allow 2nd order transfers (sub-granting)



Questions

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