

Horizon Europe Cluster 2 2026-2027

We have sorted the calls for projects from Horizon Europe Cluster 2 2026-2027 according to the impact that microfluidics can have on the calls for projects and related topics. We are sharing our analysis in case it can help you with project funding efforts. And, of course, if our expertise can be of use to you, we would be delighted to discuss it further.



How to read the stars in terms of the % of microfluidic technologies' relevance for the call:
By microfluidic relevance, we mean the relevance of using microfluidic technologies for the topic cited. But also, to a lesser extent, what a microfluidic laboratory or SME could contribute to the topic (mainly for calls with low relevance to microfluidic technologies).

Relevance (%)	90-100	80-89	70-79	60-69	50-59	40-49	30-39	20-29	10-19	0-9
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Administrative dates per call (apply to all topics within each call):

- HORIZON-CL2-2026-01 (single stage): Opening 12 May 2026; Deadline 16 Sep 2026.
- HORIZON-CL2-2026-02 (Partnerships): Opening 12 May 2026; Deadline 16 Sep 2026.
- HORIZON-CL2-2027-01 (single stage): Opening 13 May 2027; Deadline 16 Sep 2027.
- HORIZON-CL2-2027-02-TWO-STAGE: Opening 30 Jun 2027; 1st-stage Deadline 16 Sep 2027; 2nd-stage Deadline 03 Feb 2028.

(Details for all topics are provided below, ranked by microfluidic relevance)

***HORIZON-CL2-2027-01-HERITAGE-04 - CULTURE, HERITAGE AND CREATIVE INDUSTRIES FOR HEALTH AND WELL-BEING**

- **Type of Action:** RIA
- **Call:** Culture, Creativity and Inclusive Society 2027 (HORIZON-CL2-2027-01)
- **Budget (topic):** 16.00 M€
- **Expected EU contribution per project:** 3.00-4.00 M€
- **# projects:** 4

Scientific focus: Studies and pilots on how culture, heritage, and CCI contribute to public health and well-being; evidence linking cultural participation, creative practices, and health outcomes; frameworks for integrating cultural assets into prevention and care pathways; inclusion of vulnerable groups and equity of access; robust evaluation methods and data for policy design.

Where microfluidics could add value:

- Bio-sensor and point-of-care demonstrators supporting **measurement of physiological or stress biomarkers** in culture-based interventions (e.g., museum/arts programmes), to generate objective outcome data compliant with ethics/GDPR.
- **Organs-on-chip** or micro-tissue models as **research tools** to study mechanistic pathways of stress reduction or neuro-cognitive effects associated with arts engagement (pre-clinical evidence feeding SSH frameworks).
- **Low-cost sampling kits** (microfluidic saliva/sweat patches) enabling citizen-science data collection in community pilots (non-clinical).
- **Training modules** on responsible tech use and data stewardship for cross-disciplinary CCI/health consortia.

***HORIZON-CL2-2027-01-HERITAGE-03 - CRAFTING ROUTES TO A CIRCULAR ECONOMY**

- **Type of Action:** RIA
- **Call:** Culture, Creativity and Inclusive Society 2027 (HORIZON-CL2-2027-01)
- **Budget (topic):** 10.50 M€
- **Expected EU contribution per project:** 3.00-3.50 M€
- **# projects:** 3

Scientific focus: Circular design and business models in CCIs; eco-innovation across value chains (materials, making, use, repair, end-of-life); consumer behaviour and social adoption; indicators and policy for circularity in creative/cultural sectors.

Where microfluidics could add value:

- **Green micro-manufacturing** case studies (e.g., polymer chip recycling streams, solvent-free surface modification, micro-reactor synthesis of dyes/inks/biopolymers) to exemplify circular production.
- **Micro-analytical platforms** to assess **material toxicity/aging** and micro-pollutants in cultural production waste, informing eco-design.

- **Life-cycle data capture** via embedded tag-and-trace microfluidic QC cartridges in fabrication workflows, supporting circular KPIs.
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– – HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-TRANSFO-07 - FOSTERING COMPETENCES FOR THE GREEN TRANSITION

- **Type of Action:** RIA
- **Call:** Culture, Creativity and Inclusive Society 2026 (HORIZON-CL2-2026-01)
- **Budget (topic):** 12.00 M€
- **Expected EU contribution per project:** 3.00-4.00 M€
- **# projects:** 3

Scientific focus: Skills ecosystems and training pathways that equip the workforce/citizens with green competences aligned with just transition; links to productivity, inclusion, and regional needs; validation/recognition frameworks.

Where microfluidics could add value: contribute **vocational modules** on eco-design of microfluidic devices, circular lab practices (chip reuse/recycling), and **hands-on STEM** learning kits illustrating green processing at the microscale.

– – HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-HERITAGE-03 - AI INTEGRATION IN CCSI WORK PRACTICE: CATALYSING INNOVATION AND COMPETITIVENESS

- **Type of Action:** IA
- **Call:** Culture, Creativity and Inclusive Society 2026 (HORIZON-CL2-2026-01)
- **Budget (topic):** 15.00 M€
- **Expected EU contribution per project:** 4.00-5.00 M€
- **# projects:** 3

Scientific focus: Deployment-oriented pilots that embed AI across CCI workflows; productivity, creative tooling, and human-centred adoption; standards/interoperability and fair, transparent practices.

Where microfluidics could add value: joint pilots on **AI-assisted design for the manufacture** of microfluidic parts in creative tech products, **AI-QC of micro-features**, and **XR/interactive exhibits** using safe microfluidic effects.

– – – HORIZON-CL2-2027-01-TRANSFO-01 - HOW DOES ACCESS TO NATURE-POSITIVE ENVIRONMENTS PROMOTE SOCIAL COHESION AND REDUCE INEQUALITIES IN URBAN/PERI-URBAN SETTINGS?

- **Type of Action:** RIA
- **Call:** Culture, Creativity and Inclusive Society 2027
- **Budget (topic):** 12.00 M€

- **Expected EU contribution per project:** 3.00-4.00 M€
- **# projects:** 3

Scientific focus: Evaluate how access to nature-positive spaces affects cohesion, equity, and well-being; methodologies for social impact assessment; guidance for urban planning/policy.

Where microfluidics could add value: **portable microfluidic environmental monitoring** (air/water quality micronutrients/pollutants) supporting place-based studies and **citizen-science kits** for inclusive data collection.

— — — HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-HERITAGE-02 - BOOSTING CREATIVE STARTUPS FOR DISRUPTIVE INNOVATION

- **Type of Action:** IA
- **Call:** Culture, Creativity and Inclusive Society 2026
- **Budget (topic):** 12.00 M€
- **Expected EU contribution per project:** 5.00-6.00 M€
- **# projects:** 2

Scientific focus: Acceleration/scale-up schemes for CCI startups; cross-sector deals, IP, access to markets and finance; demonstration of disruptive CCI solutions.

Where microfluidics could add value: **creative-tech startups** merging design, education, and science outreach using safe microfluidic visual effects, ed-tech kits, and **museum-grade interactives**; mentoring on **hardware transfer & CE-mark basics**.

— — — HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-HERITAGE-01 - “ARTISTIC INTELLIGENCE”: HARNESSING THE POWER OF THE ARTS TO ADDRESS COMPLEX CHALLENGES, ENHANCE SOFT SKILLS AND BOOST INNOVATION AND COMPETITIVENESS

- **Type of Action:** RIA
- **Call:** Culture, Creativity and Inclusive Society 2026
- **Budget (topic):** 15.00 M€
- **Expected EU contribution per project:** 4.50-5.00 M€
- **# projects:** 3

Scientific focus: Evidence on how arts develop transversal skills, innovation cultures, and problem-solving; pilots linking artistic practice to competitiveness and social innovation.

Where microfluidics could add value: **STEAM installations** using microfluidic visualization of flows/reaction-diffusion to teach complexity; **artist-in-lab residencies** around microfabrication as a medium.

— — — **HORIZON-CL2-2027-02-HERITAGE-09 (TWO-STAGE) - OPEN TOPIC ON IMPACT-DRIVEN RESEARCH ON REALISING THE FULL POTENTIAL OF CULTURAL HERITAGE, ARTS AND CCIS**

- **Type of Action:** RIA (two-stage)
- **Call:** Culture, Creativity and Inclusive Society 2027 - Two-stage (HORIZON-CL2-2027-02-TWO-STAGE)
- **Budget (topic):** 20.00 M€
- **Expected EU contribution per project:** 2.00-4.00 M€
- **# projects:** 5

Scientific focus: Open, impact-oriented research to unlock the value of heritage, arts, and CCIs - methods, pilots, evaluation, and uptake pathways.

Where microfluidics could add value: science-in-culture pilots, maker-space workshops on microfabrication & sustainability, and **measurement toolkits** supporting evidence in culture-health/education studies.

— — — **HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-TRANSFO-02 - OPEN TOPIC: STRENGTHEN EUROPE'S SOCIAL MODEL AND SUSTAINABLE COMPETITIVENESS THROUGH PRODUCTIVITY**

- **Type of Action:** RIA
- **Call:** Culture, Creativity and Inclusive Society 2026
- **Budget (topic):** 12.00 M€
- **Expected EU contribution per project:** 3.00-4.00 M€
- **# projects:** 3

Scientific focus: New productivity drivers consistent with inclusion and sustainability; institutions, skills, technology uptake; comparative policy analysis.

Where microfluidics could add value: as an industrial case study on deep-tech productivity (rapid prototyping, micro-reactors, low-waste processing), plus **regional skills pipelines** with universities.

— — — — **HORIZON-CL2-2027-01-HERITAGE-01 - TOWARDS A CONSOLIDATED CULTURE AND CREATIVITY-DRIVEN EUROPEAN INNOVATION ECOSYSTEM**

- **Type of Action:** CSA
- **Call:** Culture, Creativity and Inclusive Society 2027
- **Budget (topic):** 5.00 M€
- **Expected EU contribution per project:** ~5.00 M€
- **# projects:** 1

Scientific focus: Networking, coordination, and ecosystem-building across CCIs; shared roadmaps, capacities, and services.

Where microfluidics could add value: ecosystem node connecting CCIIs with **open microfab labs**, demo kits, and **training**.

----- **HORIZON-CL2-2027-01-HERITAGE-02 - AI4CREATIVES SUPPORT PLATFORM: EMBRACING A FAIR AI REVOLUTION**

- **Type of Action:** CSA
- **Call:** Culture, Creativity and Inclusive Society 2027
- **Budget (topic):** 5.00 M€
- **Expected EU contribution per project:** 4.50-5.00 M€
- **# projects:** 1

Scientific focus: Platform and services to support the fair and trustworthy adoption of AI in CCIIs (guidance, community, tools).

Microfluidics angle: **Showcase user stories** on AI-assisted micro-product design and **safety-by-design** hardware processes in creative tech.

----- **HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-TRANSFO-05 - LONG-TERM CONTRIBUTION OF BASIC SKILLS TO PRODUCTIVITY, INNOVATION, COMPETITIVENESS AND ECONOMIC GROWTH**

- **Type of Action:** RIA
- **Call:** Culture, Creativity and Inclusive Society 2026
- **Budget (topic):** 12.00 M€
- **Expected EU contribution per project:** 3.00-4.00 M€
- **# projects:** 3

Scientific focus: Causal links from foundational skills to productivity/innovation and macro-outcomes; policy levers and distributional effects.

Microfluidics angle: **STEM outreach** modules leveraging microfluidic kits to build **foundational numeracy/scientific literacy** evidence in pilots.

----- **HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-TRANSFO-04 - THE IMPACT OF THE USE OF DIGITAL TOOLS OUTSIDE SCHOOL AND FOR COMMUNICATION ON EDUCATIONAL OUTCOMES AND MENTAL HEALTH**

- **Type of Action:** RIA
- **Call:** Culture, Creativity and Inclusive Society 2026
- **Budget (topic):** 12.00 M€
- **Expected EU contribution per project:** 3.00-4.00 M€
- **# projects:** 3

Scientific focus: Longitudinal and cross-sectional evidence on extra-school digital tool use, learning outcomes, and mental health; protective factors; guidelines.

Microfluidics angle: **Minimal**; potential **non-clinical biosampling** (saliva cortisol) with **ethical safeguards** to triangulate stress proxies in sub-studies.

----- **HORIZON-CL2-2027-01-TRANSFO-05 - THE EFFECTIVE USE OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE IN LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS IN PRE-PRIMARY AND PRIMARY EDUCATION**

- **Type of Action:** RIA
- **Call:** Culture, Creativity and Inclusive Society 2027
- **Budget (topic):** 12.00 M€
- **Expected EU contribution per project:** 3.00-4.00 M€
- **# projects:** 3

Scientific focus: Pedagogically sound AI use in early education; inclusion, teacher support, safeguards, and efficacy evidence.

Microfluidics angle: **Ed-tech STEAM kits** using micro-flows as tangible phenomena to pair with AI-tutored explorations (demonstrators in pilots).

----- **HORIZON-CL2-2027-01-TRANSFO-06 - CLOSING THE LEARNING GAP... (DECLINING YOUTH SKILLS IN MATHS, READING, SCIENCE)**

- **Type of Action:** RIA
- **Budget (topic):** 12.00 M€
- **Expected EU contribution per project:** 4.00 M€
- **# projects:** 3

Scientific focus: Diagnose multicausal decline; test policy interventions; equity focus.

Microfluidics angle: **Hands-on physics/chemistry** with microfluidic kits to test **intervention arms** in inquiry-based science education.

----- **HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-HERITAGE-04 - TOWARDS A FAIR AND TRANSPARENT MARKET FOR CULTURAL AND CREATIVE CONTENT IN THE ERA OF GENERATIVE AI**

- **Type of Action:** RIA
- **Budget (topic):** 12.00 M€
- **Expected EU contribution per project:** 4.00 M€
- **# projects:** 3

Scientific focus: Evidence, tools, and policy options for fair value chains, transparency, and trust around Gen-AI content in CCI.

Microfluidics angle: **Peripheral** - possible **case narratives** on fair tech transfer for hardware-based CCI and transparent **hardware IP licensing**.

— — — — **HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-TRANSFO-03 - TACKLING CHILD POVERTY AND ENSURING DISADVANTAGED CHILDREN'S ACCESS TO ECEC**

- **Type:** RIA
- **Budget (topic):** 12.00 M€
- **Expected EU contribution per project:** 4.00 M€
- **# projects:** 3

Scientific focus: Determinants and interventions for access and quality of early childhood education/care; inequalities and policy solutions.

Microfluidics angle: Very limited (possible role in **STEM enrichment** materials for ECEC pilots).

— — — — **HORIZON-CL2-2027-01-TRANSFO-03 - RETHINKING SUSTAINABLE COMPETITIVENESS BEYOND TRADITIONAL PERSPECTIVES: ROLE AND CONTRIBUTION OF THE SOCIAL ECONOMY**

- **Type:** RIA
- **Budget (topic):** 12.00 M€
- **Expected EU contribution per project:** 4.00 M€
- **# projects:** 3

Scientific focus: New metrics and cases for sustainable competitiveness via social-economy models; diffusion and policy.

Microfluidics angle: **Social innovation labs** around open micro-fab and community maker initiatives.

— — — — **HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-TRANSFO-06 - MAKING EUROPE A GLOBAL MAGNET FOR TALENT...**

- **Type:** RIA
- **Budget (topic):** 10.00 M€
- **Expected EU contribution per project:** 3.33 M€
- **# projects:** 3

Scientific focus: Attract/retain international students, researchers, and high-skilled workers; policy tools; barriers and incentives.

Microfluidics angle: Talent cases in deep-tech hardware and **spin-in/spin-out** pipelines with universities.

— — — — **HORIZON-CL2-2027-01-HERITAGE-06 - FUTURE-PROOFING SUSTAINABLE CULTURAL TOURISM**

- **Type:** RIA
- **Budget (topic):** 14.50 M€
- **Expected EU contribution per project:** 4.83 M€
- **# projects:** 3

Scientific focus: Sustainable tourism models; climate/sustainability alignment; protection of heritage and communities.

Microfluidics angle: Marginal - **portable environmental testing** for water quality at tourist pressure points.

— — — — **HORIZON-CL2-2027-01-TRANSFO-04 - THE IMPACT OF EU LABOUR MOBILITY ON THE MEMBER STATES OF THE EU**

- **Type:** RIA
- **Budget (topic):** 12.00 M€
- **Expected EU contribution per project:** 4.00 M€
- **# projects:** 3

Scientific focus: Economic and social impacts of intra-EU labour mobility; distributional effects; policy options.

Microfluidics angle: Use microfluidics as **deep-tech industry case** for skills mobility/shortages analyses.

— — — — **HORIZON-CL2-2027-01-TRANSFO-02 - IMPACT OF IN-KIND BENEFITS ON INCOME DISTRIBUTION AND ON VULNERABLE POPULATIONS**

- **Type:** RIA
- **Budget (topic):** 10.00 M€
- **Expected EU contribution per project:** 3.33 M€
- **# projects:** 3

Scientific focus: Quantify and reform options for in-kind benefits; inequality and welfare impacts.

Microfluidics angle: Minimal (possible **industry case** re: benefits shaping high-skill retention).

— — — — HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-TRANSFO-09 - RETHINKING LONG-TERM CARE POLICY IN THE FACE OF EU DEMOGRAPHIC SHIFTS

- **Type:** RIA
- **Budget (topic):** 15.00 M€
- **Expected EU contribution per project:** 3.75 M€
- **# projects:** 4

Scientific focus: LTC system design, workforce, financing, equity, and innovation; cross-country learning.

Microfluidics angle: At-home micro-sampling and simple diagnostics to support care pathways (non-medical pilots with ethics oversight).

— — — — HORIZON-CL2-2027-01-TRANSFO-07 - PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES: OPPORTUNITIES FOR LABOUR INCLUSION AND SOCIAL PROTECTION THROUGH THE LIFE COURSE

- **Type:** RIA
- **Budget (topic):** 12.00 M€
- **Expected EU contribution per project:** 4.00 M€
- **# projects:** 3

Scientific focus: Inclusive labour markets and social protection design; accessibility and reasonable accommodation; evidence for policy.

Microfluidics angle: Inclusive maker-lab training and assistive tech co-creation (non-clinical).

— — — — HORIZON-CL2-2027-01-TRANSFO-08 - SCALING AND DEPLOYING INNOVATIONS IN MIGRATION MANAGEMENT

- **Type:** IA
- **Budget (topic):** 15.00 M€
- **Expected EU contribution per project:** 3.75 M€
- **# projects:** 4

Scientific focus: Implementation-focused approaches to migration management innovations; inclusion, integration and services.

Microfluidics angle: Not recommended to position microfluidics in sensitive identity/health screening; only neutral roles (e.g., training, evaluation frameworks).

— — — — HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-TRANSFO-08 - STRENGTHENED IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EU PACT ON MIGRATION AND ASYLUM AND A FOCUS ON INCLUSION, INTEGRATION, AND HEALTH

- **Type:** RIA
- **Budget (topic):** 12.00 M€
- **Expected EU contribution per project:** 4.00 M€
- **# projects:** 3

Scientific focus: Evidence for inclusion/integration policies and health access within Pact implementation.

Microfluidics angle: Very limited; **ethics-sensitive** context - restrict to **non-medical training** and **evaluation methods**.

— — — — HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-TRANSFO-10 - FOSTERING COOPERATION AND INTEGRATION BETWEEN SSH AND STEM RESEARCH AND INNOVATION IN THE EU

- **Type:** CSA
- **Budget (topic):** 3.50 M€
- **# projects:** 1

Scientific focus: Structures and practices to integrate SSH and STEM; shared tools, curricula, and communities.

Microfluidics angle: **Good fit as STEM testbed** for SSH-informed RRI, living-lab teaching, and **open hardware**.

— — — — HORIZON-CL2-2027-02-TRANSFO-09 (TWO-STAGE) - IMPROVING SOCIO-ECONOMIC OUTCOMES FOR PERSONS WITH DEMENTIA AND INFORMAL CAREGIVERS

- **Type:** RIA (two-stage)
- **Budget (topic):** 16.00 M€
- **Expected EU contribution per project:** 3.20 M€
- **# projects:** 5

Scientific focus: Social and economic supports, service models, and policy to improve outcomes for people with dementia and carers.

Microfluidics angle: **Peripheral** - non-clinical **home micro-sampling** pilots (with ethics) to support evaluation of interventions.

----- HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-DEMOCRACY-04 - SUSTAINABLE PATHS TO MEDIA VIABILITY

- **Type:** IA | **Budget/Projects:** 12.00 M€; 3

Scientific focus: Business models, tech, and standards to sustain journalistic content and democratic value in AI-mediated ecosystems.

Microfluidics angle: Not core; potential ed-tech demo content only.

----- HORIZON-CL2-2027-01-DEMOCRACY-06 - IDENTIFYING USER-FOCUSED SOLUTIONS TO SUPPORT NEWS MEDIA FREEDOM

- **Type:** RIA | **Budget/Projects:** 12.00 M€; 3

Scientific focus: Co-created solutions that bolster media freedom, user empowerment, and pluralism.

Microfluidics angle: None material.

----- HORIZON-CL2-2027-01-DEMOCRACY-04 - ADDRESSING THE IMPACT OF AI, CYBERVIOLENCE, AND DEEPFAKES ON EQUALITY, DEMOCRACY, AND INCLUSIVE SOCIETIES

- **Type:** RIA | **Budget/Projects:** 20.00 M€; 5

Scientific focus: Evidence and tools to mitigate harms from AI-generated content, cyberviolence and deepfakes; governance and literacy.

Microfluidics angle: None.

----- HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-DEMOCRACY-08 - ELECTORAL INTEGRITY IN THE DIGITAL CONTEXT

- **Type:** RIA | **Budget/Projects:** 12.00 M€; 3

Scientific focus: Rules, standards, and practices for fair, transparent, and secure use of digital tech in elections.

Microfluidics angle: None.

----- HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-DEMOCRACY-10 - DIGITAL AND MEDIA LITERACY AS DRIVERS FOR DEMOCRATIC AND CIVIC RESILIENCE

- **Type:** RIA | **Budget/Projects:** 12.00 M€; 3

Scientific focus: Behavioural dynamics in information spaces; design/evaluation of literacy strategies and multi-actor initiatives.

Microfluidics angle: None.

----- **HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-DEMOCRACY-03 - GOVERNMENT IN TRANSITION - HOW GOVERNMENTS CHANGE THE WAY THEY WORK AND PREPARE THE CIVIL SERVICE FOR THE FUTURE**

- **Type:** RIA | **Budget/Projects:** 8.00 M€; 2

Scientific focus: Paradigms and practices for anticipatory, innovative public administrations; skills, HR, tech, and governance reform.

Microfluidics angle: None.

----- **HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-DEMOCRACY-06 - GOVERNING GLOBAL COMMONS SUSTAINABLY**

- **Type:** RIA | **Budget/Projects:** 12.00 M€; 3

Scientific focus: Governance concepts for climate, biodiversity, and spaces beyond national jurisdiction; science-policy interfaces.

Microfluidics angle: None.

----- **HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-DEMOCRACY-09 - LIFELONG LEARNING OF CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION AND CITIZEN PARTICIPATION**

- **Type:** RIA | **Budget/Projects:** 16.00 M€; 4

Scientific focus: VET/adult education pilots and tools for civic learning and participation.

Microfluidics angle: None.

----- **HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-DEMOCRACY-02 - UNDERSTANDING THE FORMS OF LOCAL DEMOCRACY IN LOW-/LOW-MIDDLE INCOME COUNTRIES**

- **Type:** RIA | **Budget/Projects:** 12.00 M€; 3

Focus: Evidence on local democratic practices, inclusion, service delivery links.

Microfluidics angle: None.

----- **HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-DEMOCRACY-07 - SUPPORTING POST-CONFLICT DEMOCRACY AND RECONSTRUCTION**

- **Type:** RIA | **Budget/Projects:** 12.00 M€; 3

Focus: Strategies for sustainable peace, reconstruction, and inclusive governance.

Microfluidics angle: None.

----- **HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-DEMOCRACY-01 - TACKLING GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE AGAINST POLITICALLY ACTIVE WOMEN AND LGBTIQ PEOPLE**

- **Type:** RIA | **Budget/Projects:** 12.00 M€; 3

Focus: Drivers, impacts, and counter-measures to violence/harassment; media roles; intersectional lens.

Microfluidics angle: None.

----- **HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-DEMOCRACY-05 - RESEARCH AND INNOVATION NETWORK FOR A UNION OF EQUALITY**

- **Type:** CSA | **Budget/Projects:** 4.50 M€; 1

Focus: Network/platform translating research on intersectional inequalities into policy and practice.

Microfluidics angle: None.

----- **HORIZON-CL2-2027-01-DEMOCRACY-05 - DEVELOPMENT AID AND DEMOCRATIC GOVERNANCE**

- **Type:** RIA | **Budget/Projects:** 12.00 M€; 3

(...Focus on aid/democracy linkages; no microfluidics role.)

----- **HORIZON-CL2-2027-01-DEMOCRACY-02 - WOMEN'S, LGBTIQ AND MINORITY RIGHTS IN A CONTEXT OF AUTOCRACY, CONFLICT AND GEOPOLITICAL SHIFTS**

- **Type:** RIA | **Budget/Projects:** 12.00 M€; 3

(...Rights under stress; no microfluidics role.)

----- **HORIZON-CL2-2027-01-DEMOCRACY-03 - STUDENT AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT FOR DEVELOPING A CULTURE OF DEMOCRATIC/CIVIC PARTICIPATION**

- **Type:** RIA | **Budget/Projects:** 12.00 M€; 3

(...School/family participatory practices; no microfluidics role.)

----- **HORIZON-CL2-2027-01-DEMOCRACY-07 - THE ROLE OF PRIVATE COMPANIES IN DEMOCRACY**

- **Type:** RIA | **Budget/Projects:** 8.00 M€; 2

(...Corporate impacts on democratic processes; no microfluidics role.)

----- **HORIZON-CL2-2027-01-DEMOCRACY-08 - GLOBAL HUMAN RIGHTS AND EU VALUES**

- **Type:** RIA | **Budget/Projects:** 12.00 M€; 3

(...Human rights and EU values globally; no microfluidics role.)

----- **HORIZON-CL2-2027-01-DEMOCRACY-01 - ADVISORY SUPPORT AND NETWORK FOR COUNTERING AND PREVENTING RADICALISATION, EXTREMISM, HATE SPEECH AND POLARISATION**

- **Type:** CSA | **Budget/Projects:** 3.50 M€; 1

(...Advisory/networking; no microfluidics role.)

----- **HORIZON-CL2-2027-01-HERITAGE-05 - RE-IMAGINING THE CREATIVE ECONOMY: INTERPLAY BETWEEN CCIs AND THE SOCIAL ECONOMY**

- **Type:** RIA | **Budget/Projects:** 10.50 M€; 3

Microfluidics angle: marginal (ecosystem/social-innovation narratives).

----- **HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-HERITAGE-05 - CREATIVE ALLIANCES: FOSTERING GLOBAL PARTNERSHIPS IN CULTURAL POLICIES AND CCI INNOVATION**

- **Type:** RIA | **Budget/Projects:** 15.00 M€; 4

Microfluidics angle: marginal (international maker/edu alliances).

----- **HORIZON-CL2-2027-02-DEMOCRACY-09 (TWO-STAGE) - OPEN TOPIC ON REINVIGORATING AND SHIELDING EUROPEAN DEMOCRACY**

- **Type:** RIA (two-stage) | **Budget/Projects:** 22.00 M€; 6

Microfluidics angle: none.

----- **HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-HERITAGE-06 - SAFEGUARDING LINGUISTIC DIVERSITY IN EUROPE**

- **Type:** RIA | **Budget/Projects:** 11.50 M€; 2

Microfluidics angle: none.

----- **HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-HERITAGE-07 - PREVENTING AND FIGHTING ILLICIT TRAFFICKING OF CULTURAL GOODS**

- **Type:** CSA | **Budget/Projects:** 5.00 M€; 1

Microfluidics angle: none.

----- **HORIZON-CL2-2027-01-HERITAGE-07 - SOCIETAL IMPACT OF CULTURAL HERITAGE**

- **Type:** RIA | **Budget/Projects:** 15.00 M€; 5

Microfluidics angle: none.

----- **HORIZON-CL2-2027-01-HERITAGE-08 - SAFEGUARDING & TRANSMISSION OF INTANGIBLE CULTURAL HERITAGE**

- **Type:** RIA | **Budget/Projects:** 12.00 M€; 3

Microfluidics angle: none.

----- **HORIZON-CL2-2026-02-TRANSFO-01 - CO-FUNDED EUROPEAN PARTNERSHIP FOR SOCIAL TRANSFORMATIONS AND RESILIENCE**

- **Type:** COFUND | **Budget/Projects:** 60.00 M€; 1

Focus: SSH-centred partnership on future of work, social protection, education/skills, fair climate transition.

Microfluidics role: none core.

Cross-cutting observations for a microfluidics entity

- **Best bets (≥50 %)** are **health & well-being via culture (HERITAGE-04-2027)** and **circularity in CCIs (HERITAGE-03-2027)**, where micro-manufacturing, diagnostics-lite and measurement expertise provide **credible, bounded contributions** inside SSH-led consortia.
- **Moderate (30-35 %)** opportunities exist in **skills for green transition (TRANSFO-07-2026)** and **AI-enabled CCI workflows (HERITAGE-03-2026)**- position as **use-case provider, training partner, or evaluation work-package lead**.
- **Most DEMOCRACY & SOCIO-ECONOMIC topics** sit at **≤15 %** relevance for microfluidics; participation would be **opportunistic** (education kits, citizen science instrumentation) and only if **consortium narrative** explicitly needs **measurement/STEAM** inputs.