



**Open Talk**

***‘Working with the UK on  
R&I and Mobility post-  
Brexit’***

**Tuesday 9 March 2021**

**12:00 CET**

***Horizon Europe***

# UK Association to Horizon Europe – a done deal?



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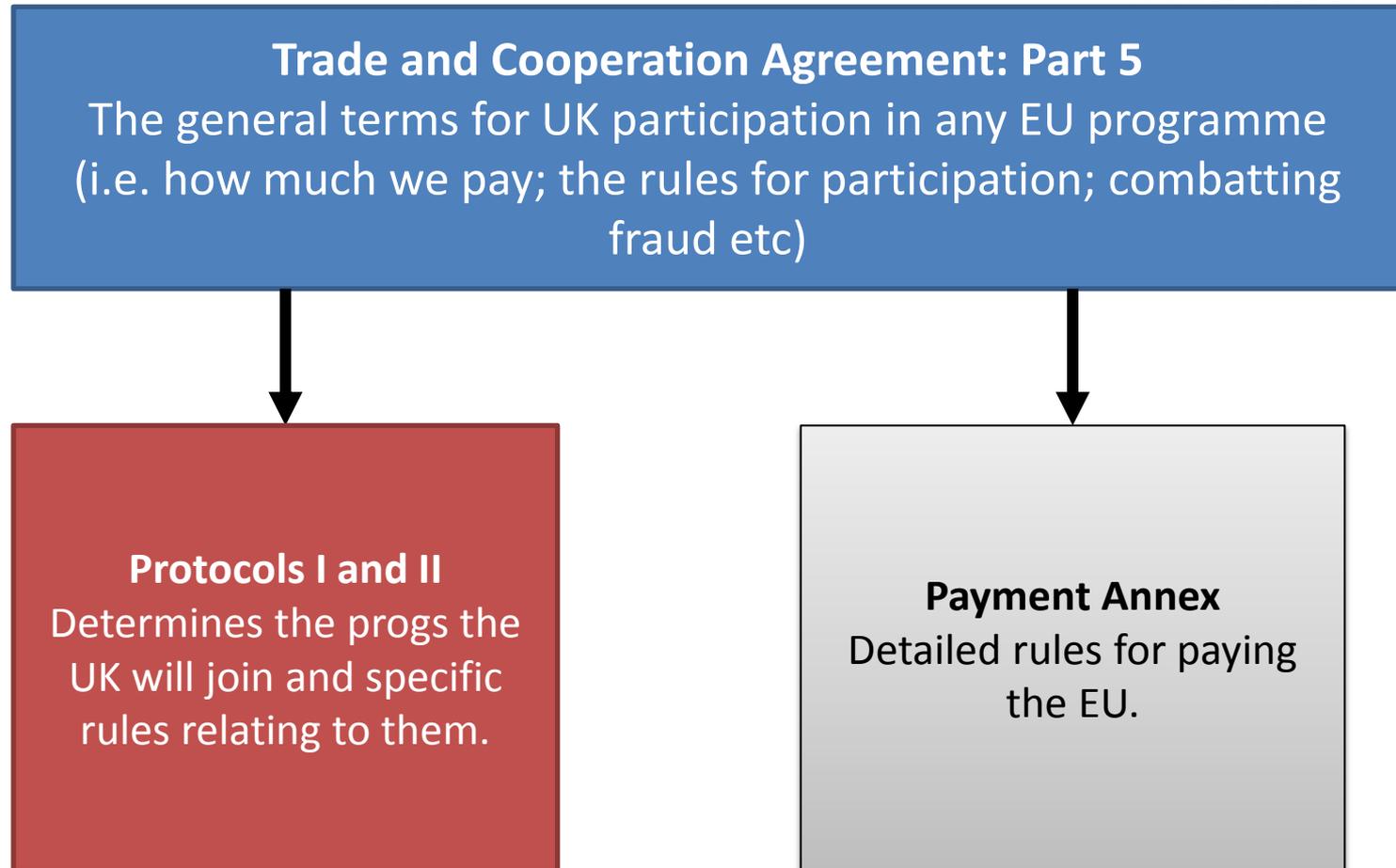
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# Structure of the agreement



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# Participation in EU Programmes

- Protocol 1 sets out the details of the UK's association. It lasts the length of the Programmes (7 years, except for Euratom 5+2 year).
- Protocol 2 sets out the details of the services from EU programmes that the UK can access
- **Both Protocols are agreed text and merely need to be ratified by the standing committee.**
- The list of programmes or parts thereof can be amended if both parties agree (during an MFF cycle).



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## Association with EU Programmes (Protocols)

- Horizon – association to all parts of the programme, **including the ERC and EIT**. UK entities CAN also participate in pathfinder, accelerator grants and other pillar 3 areas.
- The EXCEPTIONS are:
  - The EIC Fund (the equity instrument) where the UK decided to not participate.
  - Calls where the EU explicitly exclude UK entities (ie for reasons set out in article 22(5) of the Horizon Europe regulation eg security grounds)
- **UK entities are eligible from the first calls under Horizon** – see European Commission FAQ : [https://ec.europa.eu/info/files/qa-uks-participation-horizon-europe\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/info/files/qa-uks-participation-horizon-europe_en)

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- *European Commission, 25 February 2021*

# Is the UK eligible to apply for the first Horizon Europe calls?

Yes! The UK is eligible to apply.

The Commission's Q&A confirms that UK entities:

- ✓ are eligible for funding at the same rates as EU countries and under the same conditions
- ✓ can participate in and coordinate projects
- ✓ count towards the minimum number of countries in calls for transnational projects

The Commission has indicated that it expects association of the UK to enter into force before the first grant agreements are signed.



## Q&A on the UK's participation in Horizon Europe

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# Links and further information

- UK Research Office [www.ukro.ac.uk](http://www.ukro.ac.uk)
  -  @\_UKRO\_
  -  UK Research Office (UKRO)
- [UKRO Factsheet on UK participation](#)
- [InnovateUK Brussels](#)
- UK National Contact Points [contact details](#)

## Links to Q&A published by the European Commission

- [Q&A on UK Participation in Horizon Europe](#)
- [European Research Council \(ERC\)](#)
- [Marie Curie-Skłodowska Actions](#)

## COST Association

- [European Cooperation in Science and Technology \(COST\)](#)