



EU-LIFE for innovation

Since its creation, EU-LIFE has driven innovation at the heart of European science. By **strengthening the entire innovation cycle**, from breakthrough research to effective valorisation, EU-LIFE helps its member institutes perform better, collaborate smarter, and turn ideas into impact.

Through its **policy and community work**, EU-LIFE ensures that research excellence connects seamlessly with innovation:

- Contribution towards **shaping and development of the European Innovation Council (EIC)**.
- Publication of **EU-LIFE's vision for the EIC** in the context of the policy debate about FP10.
- Commitment to advancing the **European Research Area's knowledge valorisation agenda** and fostering dialogue between academia, industry, and investors.



"Groundbreaking science for a healthier future"

Find about the research carried out in EU-LIFE member institutes and how it fosters innovation in this collection of success stories launched in 2023 in the context of the alliance's 10th anniversary:

<https://eu-life.eu/stories>



"Fundamental research for European Competitiveness"

Read the views of biotech innovation experts on the role of discovery-driven research for European competitiveness:

<https://eu-life.eu/newsroom/publications/fund-research-EU-competitive>

Interaction with innovation leaders of the biotech sector

The EU-LIFE Strategy Meetings, celebrated annually to establish the strategic priorities of the alliance, usually include **exchange meetings with biotech, funding and innovation experts**.

The main aim of these sessions is to **explore how fundamental research can serve as a foundation for innovation**.

They are organised in an open and participative format that fosters **forward-looking conversations** about the common challenges of research and industry in the field of the life sciences, with a particular interest in **how curiosity-driven researchers can contribute to the new global agendas**.



EU-LIFE Pitching Event

The annual **EU-LIFE Pitching Event** was created by the **Technology Transfer Working Group** with the aim to support experts and scientists to bridge the gap between lab and market, providing researchers direct access to venture capitalists, industry, and biotech leaders. This initiative was **featured by the European Commission** in a collection of success stories on research management: <https://audiovisual.ec.europa.eu/en/media/video/l-273147>

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EU-LIFE Pitching events
organised 2017-2025

94

Venture capitalists
engaged 2021-2025

37

Projects pitched by
researchers 2021-2025

82

Researchers trained
2021-2025

GOALS



Train researchers to pitch their projects
and create translational plans.



Help identify promising translational
research projects.



Link entrepreneur researchers with
industry and venture capital.



Build up an international network of
tech transfer experts.

ORGANISERS



"It is a pleasure to co-organise the EU-LIFE Pitching Event, to showcase inspiring projects from European institutions and to see such strong engagement from the community. A beautiful example of the potential and impact of European research."

Eylem Aydogdu Lohaus, Business Dev. Manager & IP Advisor at CRG, & **Kornelia Mikula**, Head of the Tech Transfer Office at IIMCB
Co-chairs of the EU-LIFE Tech Transfer Working Group