

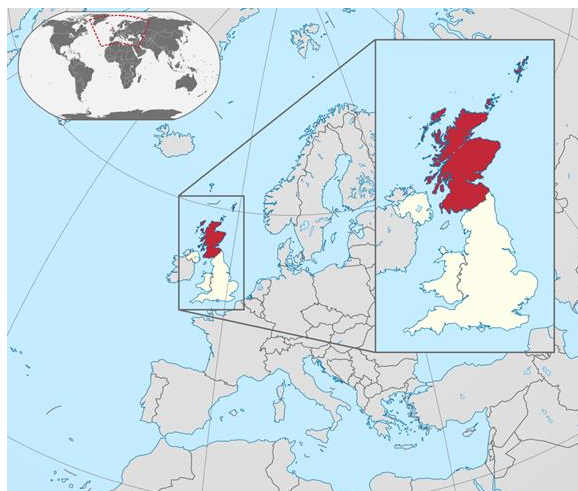
## Scottish Universities Insight Institute - Spring 2023 call for proposals

### Scotland in Europe

The Scottish Universities Insight Institute (SUII) is a joint venture of Higher Education Institutions, which provides financial and logistical support to knowledge exchange projects aimed at improving policy and practice in Scotland and beyond. Recent themed [programmes](#) have focussed on accelerating progress towards the UN's Sustainable Development Goals and a Just Transition.

SUII's next themed call will focus on building, maintaining and deepening relationships with European partners in a post Brexit environment. The aim will be to share knowledge across Europe, learn from the experience of others and promote innovation and good practice. In particular, applications will be welcomed which build on these relationships to:

- contribute to Europe's economic, environmental and social development
- help ensure post Brexit arrangements are as effective and efficient as possible



The programme will run in partnership with Scotland Europa. [Scotland Europa](#) is a membership-based organisation that promotes Scotland's interests across the institutions of the European Union and to the representatives of Europe's regions and Member States. Based in Brussels and Scotland they aim to foster strong links between Scotland and Europe, providing intelligence, policy analysis and strategic funding advice. They have around thirty members drawn from the private, public and academic sectors.

This call for proposals invites applications from researchers in SUII's member universities for knowledge exchange projects that can make a practical contribution to building productive relationships with colleagues in other European countries, in order to generate positive outcomes in a range of fields.

It is anticipated projects could build on the additional funding [announced](#) by the Scottish Funding Council in December 2022 to protect Scotland's research base and to provide stability ahead of a final decision on the UK's association to Horizon Europe.

Applications are invited from teams whose composition reflects the multi-discipline and multi-sector remit of the Institute. Applicants must include members from at least two SUII partner universities.

Project teams should include academics and policy makers and practitioners. Ideally non-academic partners will be involved in the development phase of proposals to help ensure they are demand led. SUII projects also offer the opportunity to draw on international expertise and experience, which will be particularly important in this call.

Expressions of interest are invited by 21<sup>st</sup> April, with the deadline for full applications on 26<sup>th</sup> May. Proposals will be considered by SUII's Programme Committee in June. Projects are anticipated to begin in the late summer/autumn of 2023. It is anticipated that projects will run for around six months.