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MAIN GOALS

Build capacity at HEI in innovation and entrepreneurship

- Core Programme plus other training formats – see <https://inspire-elevate.eu/>

Strengthen entrepreneurship support structures

- Joint ELEVATE Acceleration Programme – across 4 target areas

Strengthen connections with innovation ecosystem at local and EU levels

- Innovation days, Meet the CEO, Cocreation events

FOCUS AREAS

BIOTECHNOLOGY (Agri-food)

BIOMEDICINE

AI-RELATED

CREATIVE INDUSTRIES

Houston, we have a solution!



ELEVATE ACCELERATION PROGRAMME

TURN YOUR IDEA INTO IMPACT

- Work with international teams
- Get mentored by experts
- Pitch at the ELEVATE Final Event

APPLY BY JUNE 19, 2026



12 weeks



30h training



Online + Immersion
Week in Italy



40h mentoring



No participation fee



€ 20.000 in prizes



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Results: 19 Jul

Implementation: 14 Sept–04 Dec

For: Innovative projects – TRL \geq 4

Eligible: UCP & consortium in target areas

Prizes: Four 5000€ cash prizes + 1

Plus: visit to top EU accelerator



Core Programme



ELEVATE Core Programme

From **IDEA** to **IMPACT** ↗

- 💡 Interdisciplinary teamwork
- 🎯 Real-world challenge
- 👤 Expert mentoring
- 🏆 Final pitch to an international jury
- 🏆 Prize: 20h tailored mentoring

Starts 15 May 2026

🖥️ Online | Free of charge

Register now

 



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Who Should Join?

- 📖 **Students** aiming to turn innovative ideas into real solutions
- 🔬 **Researchers** wanting to explore impact-focused projects
- 🚀 **Startups** & early-stage entrepreneurs under 2 years old
- 🎯 **All curious minds** eager to make a difference

Apply now