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securing cyber infrastructures

Open call for evaluators website information template

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Expression of Interest for Evaluators

Purpose: Resilmesh calls experts to participate as an external evaluator for the Open Call 1. Welcome to the Resilmesh call for the Expression of Interest for Evaluators! This is your opportunity to contribute as an external evaluator in our exciting project.

The pool of evaluators will gather a set of recognized experts in the domain of Resilmesh Open Call 1 selected through an open process to ensure transparent and consistent evaluation of the applications.

Types of experts (profiles)

Applications for External Evaluators are now open!

We are looking for experts to serve as evaluators in the field of cybersecurity, modern security models, attack prediction and detection, cyber resilience capacity.
The evaluators will assume the responsibility of providing a neutral and rigorous scientific and/or business assessment of fellows' applications, focusing on the following key aspects:

- **Alignment and Excellence:** Projects must demonstrate a clear set of objectives aligned with the general objectives of the project, and the challenge they are targeting. Additionally, application must demonstrate that the proposal is innovative.
- **Impact:** Projects must demonstrate how they will contribute to Resilmesh impact and extend the Resilmesh training datasets (Additional datasets are optional but highly valued) and the alignment with the envisioned licensing model for Resilmesh.
- **Concept & Technology:** How the solution addresses the challenge proposed and how it advances the state of the art and its feasibility. The novelty and technology fit to Resilmesh scope, including the platforms/ technologies to be integrated, and technical capacity to achieve TRL 4-5. IV.
- **Implementation:** Applicants must provide credible evidence that the project delivery team has the necessary skills, infrastructure and management experience to be able to deliver the project, and the work plan is realistic to deliver the proposed solution in the timeframe of the acceleration program and budget specified.

What are the benefits for the evaluators

- **Contribute to Resilmesh's goals and be recognized** as an independent evaluator in an Horizon Europe project.

Note that experts cannot publicly announce that they are collaborating with the Resilmesh consortium until the end of the project (September 2026), as it is a confidential process, and all evaluators must remain anonymous. However, independent evaluators can explicitly say they are involved in an evaluation process as experts in a European Commission project.

- **Be economically compensated** for the work performed. Based on the European Commission rules, the work performed by independent evaluators will be reimbursed. Each evaluator will be expected to finish eight evaluations which corresponds to a total of € 900 compensation.

- **Be an important part of the project and related ecosystem**. Get to know your peers (increase your network) and contribute to the success of the Resilmesh project.

Key information about the project

Resilmesh will help organisations achieve higher levels of security and resilience by providing them with methods and tools to better manage the complexity of their digital infrastructures and services, combat advanced persistent threats (APT'S). The project has identified three digital infrastructure domains that will act as early adopters and amplifiers of Resilmesh solutions: (i) renewable energy (ii) civic regional infrastructure and (iii) flexible manufacturing. Digital infrastructure domains include a wide range of civil and critical infrastructures that have very varying technologies, topologies, and application requirements.

The first call is open to cybersecurity application and software developers to provide new platform components e.g. new anomaly detection or correlation algorithms, while the second call will be reserved for use-cases which will be selected to ensure use of the platform in new critical infrastructure domains. The iterative approach and involvement of relevant stakeholders from the start of the project will support and facilitate an iterative technical development process, in which user feedback is provided and integrated in the whole development cycle. Resilmesh will contribute to key resilience improvements identified by NIS2.0 and the Recommendation to strengthen the resilience of critical infrastructure, including improved situational awareness, CTI sharing, risk assessment and capacity building.

What is expected from potential evaluators

Experts must be available during the evaluation period, which is set to run during November 2024, according to the following indicative timeline:

- Selection of experts and contract signature: 30/10 - 06/11/24
- Evaluators Conference call: 30/10/2024
- Application evaluation: until 15/11 2024
- Consensus Meetings: 18/11/2024

The evaluation stage will take place remotely, using tools provided by the Resilmesh consortium.

Note: The above timeline is indicative and may change according to consortium needs.

More information

Important Notice:

Please note that this expression of interest to participate in the Resilmesh Open Call 1 evaluation as an external expert is NOT binding and does NOT constitute any commitment to the Resilmesh project.

The selection of the experts to support Resilmesh in the evaluation of the Open Call 1 will be taken at a later stage, since it depends on the number of received proposals, their origin, the domain that they target as well as the origin of the potential evaluators, their affiliations, their expertise and the balance between various criteria (e.g. gender, background, affiliation type, age, expertise etc.). Furthermore, we are obliged to frequently change experts that support in the evaluations of proposals.