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## ABBREVIATIONS

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CLEANHYPRO OC1	CLEANHYPRO Open Calls: 1 <sup>st</sup> Wave (OC1)
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OC	Open Calls
CLEANHYPRO OCs	CLEANHYPRO Open Calls
OITB	Open Innovation Test Bed
SEP	Single Entry Point
PL	Pilot Line
DCA	Democase Agreement
SDP	Access Service Delivery Plan

## 1 INTRODUCTION

These guidelines contain basic information to guide you in preparing your proposal for submission to the CLEANHYPRO Open Call 1<sup>st</sup> Wave (OC1). In addition, the following documents were annexed here:

- Open Calls Application Form
- Open Calls Proposal Template
- Democase Agreement (DCA) template
- Access Service Delivery Plan Template.

## 2 GENERAL OVERVIEW

CLEANHYPRO is dedicated to developing a **sustainable Open Innovation Test Bed (OITB)** for electrolysis materials and components. The project provides access to **9 Pilot Lines (PLs)** and an array of technological and non-technological services to support the development, validation, and market uptake of innovative electrolysis technologies. The full catalogue of services can be found in here: [CLEANHYPRO's Catalogue of Services](#).

### 3 CLEANHYPRO OPEN CALLS AND DEMOCASES TIMELINE

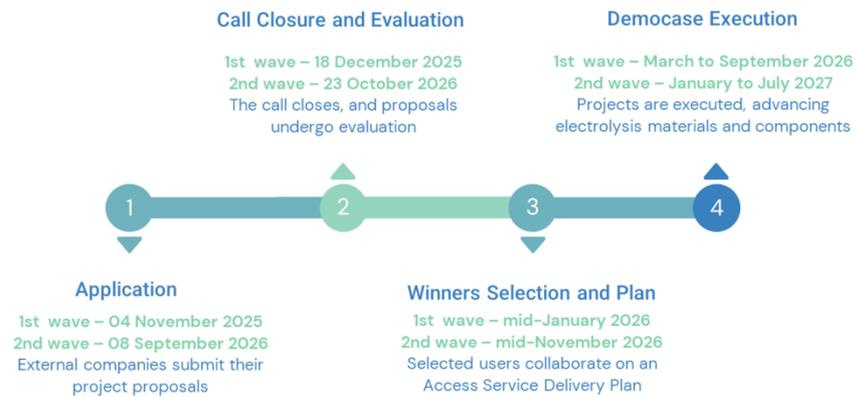


FIGURE 1 – CLEANHYPRO’S OPEN CALLS AND DEMOCASES TIMELINE AND EXECUTION



FIGURE 2 – 1ST WAVE (OC1) TIMELINE

### 4 CLEANHYPRO OPEN CALLS

Through its competitive **Open Calls**, CLEANHYPRO will offer **free access** to selected projects to cutting-edge **pilot lines and services** via a **Single-Entry Point (SEP)**. This access enables SMEs, start-ups, and industry players to develop and test innovative electrolysis materials and components.

CLEANHYPRO Open Call system will be opened to all applicants aspiring to bring their knowledges and breakthrough in the field of circular innovative materials and key components to validate proof of concepts and to faster the go-to-market process of

electrolysis industry. The services offered include **technical services** and **business support as referred in the [CLEANHYPRO's Catalogue of Services](#)**.

The CLEANHYPRO's Open Calls **objectives** are the following:

- **Support innovative companies:** To test and demonstrate electrolysis technologies.
- **Promote collaboration:** Between research and industry.
- **Validate operation, accessibility, and sustainability:** Of the SEP by engaging external stakeholder

The CLEANHYPRO Open Calls will be launched in **two separate waves** and select a **minimum of 16 projects** in total. Each project selected will have a **maximum duration of 6 months**. **Maximum one project per legal entity will be selected in each wave.**

## 4.1 ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

The **primary target** of the CLEANHYPRO Open Call is **innovative SMEs and industry players** operating in the electrolysis and clean hydrogen value chain. Eligible applicants must:

- Be an entity legally entitled to operate as a business. This includes not only capital companies but also natural persons, provided they hold the necessary trade licenses or equivalent authorisations. The entity must be established in a [Horizon Europe country](#).
- Propose a project aligned with **CLEANHYPRO's objectives**, targeting:
  - **RIA (TRL 4-5):** Projects with a focus on new concept and demonstration and/or aiming to assess the feasibility of a new improved technology, process, product, service or solution.
  - **IA (TRL 6-7):** Projects directly aiming at prototyping and demonstrating large-scale product for market validation and replication.
- Develop high-level and reliable electrolysis materials and components across the entire value chain.
- Cater to the market's demands for improved efficiency, reduced costs, and enhanced durability.
- Offer a comprehensive package that includes non-technical services to accelerate innovation, ensuring industrial success.
- Provide differentiation through a multi-material approach, four primary electrolysis technologies, various cell geometries, and key materials and components
- Help companies upscale their technologies.

- Submit a proposal in English and use the [Proposal Template](#) provided<sup>1</sup>.

A maximum of **one project per applicant** will be selected in each wave.

To be **eligible for this Call**, your company must be legally established in one of the **eligible countries**. Please refer to the official list of eligible countries [here](#) for confirmation.

## 4.2 PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS

The **CLEANHYPRO Open Call 1<sup>st</sup> Wave** will be launched on **04 November 2025** and close on **18<sup>th</sup> December 2025 at 17h CET**.

Applications should be submitted through the [CLEANHYPRO Online Submission System](#), following these steps:

- Browse our [Catalogue of Services](#) to review available services.
- Explore these Guidelines and check the OC eligibility criteria.
- Download the [Proposal Template](#) and fill it in with your proposal.
- Access the [F6S platform](#) to register and start your application on the [CLEANHYPRO submission page](#).
- Submit the application via the [CLEANHYPRO submission page](#) by completing the online application form (template in the Annexes [here](#)) and upload the completed [proposal template](#), before the deadline. Applications must be submitted in English.
- You will receive a confirmation email once your application has been successfully submitted.

## 4.3 DATA PROTECTION

To process and evaluate applications, the CLEANHYPRO consortium will need to collect Personal Data and Industrial Data. F6S Network Ireland Limited will act as Data Controller for personal data submitted through the F6S platform for these purposes. Please see the privacy policy [here](#).

A Data Protection Officer (DPO) has been appointed by F6S to ensure compliance with data protection regulations, such as the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), and that personal data is collected, processed, and stored in a secure manner.

The F6S platform's system design and operational procedures ensure that data is managed in compliance with the General Data Protection Regulation (EU) 2016/679 (GDPR). Each

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<sup>1</sup> You can download an editable proposal template from the CLEANHYPRO website [here](#).

applicant will accept the F6S terms to ensure coverage. Please refer [here](#) to review the F6S platform's privacy policy and data security policy.

Apart from the F6S platform, data will also be stored in the F6S Google Drive, and in the project repository on Basecamp, managed by the Instituto Politécnico da Guarda – the ADT4Blue Project Coordinator.

The ADT4Blue consortium must retain generated data until five years after the balance of the ADT4Blue consortium project is paid or longer if there are ongoing procedures (such as audits, investigations or litigations). In this case, the data must be kept until the end.

## 5 PROPOSALS EVALUATION PROCESS

Applications will be evaluated **within four weeks** after the official call deadline, December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Winners' will be announced **in mid-January 2026**. The evaluation process includes:

- **Eligibility check:** Applications will be reviewed for compliance with the guidelines.
- **Evaluation Panel:** The panel will be composed by TEC, IREC, FHG, TNO and EGHAC and will carry out the technical and business assessment.
- **Selection criteria:**
  - **Excellence:** Innovativeness and feasibility of the proposed project.
  - **Impact:** Industrial relevance, business potential, and contribution to electrolysis technology development.
  - **Implementation and applicants' capacity:** Quality of the work plan, clear identification of the challenge, barriers and solutions, and pathway to develop a solution. The capacity of the applicant(s) to deliver the proposal is based on their proven experience.
  - **Proposals Ranking:** A ranking of proposals will be established based on scores, and selected applicants will be invited to **co-develop an [Access Service Delivery Plan](#) and to sign a [Democase Agreement](#) with the Service Delivery Manager (SDM).**

### 5.1 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

By submitting a proposal to the CLEANHYPRO Open Calls: 1<sup>st</sup> Wave (OC1) you declare that to your knowledge there are no conflicts of interest which might affect the objectivity of your proposal's evaluation. The list of CLEANHYPRO partners can be found [here](#).

## 5.2 METHODOLOGICAL APPROACH – THE EVALUATION STEP BY STEP

Our approach for the Evaluation of the CLEANHYPRO Open Calls involved the following steps:

### STEP 1: Collecting all applications

To effectively collect applications for the upcoming CLEANHYPRO Open Calls, the following actions should be carried out:

- Establish a process for receiving and recording all submitted applications through the F6S platform, ensuring that each application is assigned a unique proposal ID for tracking purposes.
- Prepare the necessary documentation for the Evaluation Panel, including access to the F6S platform with clear instructions to register their assessments.
- Create and share comprehensive guidelines and procedures for evaluators, outlining the principles and main points to be followed during the evaluation process.
- Set a clear timeline for the submission of completed evaluation forms by the panel. Initially, define a cut-off date by which all evaluations should be returned (for example, within a week after the applications are received).

### STEP 2: Instructions for application assignment and evaluation

#### 1. Application Assignment via F6S Platform

- All received applications will be uploaded to the F6S platform. Each application will be assigned a unique proposal ID for tracking purposes.
- The Evaluation Panel members will receive login credentials and instructions to access the F6S platform.
- Applications will be distributed through the F6S interface, ensuring that each evaluator is assigned the relevant proposals for assessment.
- Applications will be evaluated by two members of the evaluator's panel.

#### 2. Accessing and Reviewing Applications

- Once logged in, evaluators will find their assigned applications clearly indicated within their dashboard.
- Evaluators should review each application in detail, following the guidelines and using the supporting documents provided.

#### 3. Applying the Evaluation Criteria

- For each application, evaluators will assess and score the following criteria on a scale of 1 to 10:
  - **Excellence:** Evaluate the innovativeness and feasibility of the proposed project.
  - **Impact:** Consider the industrial relevance of the project, its business potential, and its contribution to the development of electrolysis technologies.
  - **Implementation and Applicant's Capacity:** Assess the quality and clarity of the work plan, including the identification of challenges, barriers, proposed solutions, and the roadmap to solution development. Also, evaluate the proven experience and overall capacity of the applicant(s) to deliver the proposal.

#### 4. Scoring and Comments

- Each criterion will be scored from 1 (lowest) to 10 (highest) directly into the F6S platform, with a maximum average of 7.0. Score values indicate the following assessments:
  - **1–2 (Fail):** The proposal does not address the criterion at all or lacks sufficient or relevant information for assessment.
  - **3–4 (Very Poor):** The criterion is addressed inadequately, with major weaknesses or insufficient detail.
  - **5–6 (Poor):** The proposal addresses the criterion only in a limited way, with several significant shortcomings.
  - **7–8 (Good):** The proposal meets the criterion well, but certain improvements are necessary.
  - **9 (Very Good):** The proposal addresses the criterion very well, though minor improvements could be made.
  - **10 (Excellent):** The proposal successfully addresses all aspects of the criterion with only minimal, if any, shortcomings.
- In order to be selected, proposals must achieve a minimum score of 7; proposals falling below this threshold will not be eligible for selection.
- Evaluators should also provide constructive comments and justifications for each application, referencing the strengths and any identified weaknesses.

#### 5. Submission and Timeline

- Evaluators will complete their evaluations and submit all scores and comments through the F6S platform before the specified deadline.
- If any issues are encountered or require additional information, a contact person will be provided.

- These instructions will ensure a smooth, transparent, and rigorous evaluation process, in line with the CLEANHYPRO Open Calls guidelines and standards.

## 6. The basic principles governing the evaluation

The call will be carried out in the light of the same basic principles which govern Commission calls:

- **Excellence:** The proposal(s) selected for funding must demonstrate a high quality in the context of the services and criteria set out in the call.
- **Transparency:** Funding decisions are based on described rules and procedures, and all applicants should receive adequate feedback on the outcome of the evaluation of their proposals.
- **Fairness and impartiality:** All proposals submitted to a call are treated equally. They are evaluated impartially on their merits, irrespective of their origin or the identity of the applicants.
- **Confidentiality:** All proposals and related data, knowledge and documents are treated in confidence.
- **Efficiency and speed:** Evaluation, award and grant preparation should be as rapid as possible, commensurate with maintaining the quality of the evaluation, and respecting the legal framework.

The successful proposals, having passed the evaluation process, will be offered the chance to define and agree with a Access Service Delivery Plan (SDP) with the Service Delivery Manager (SDM), from members of the consortium, assigned by CLEANHYPRO. An Evaluation Summary Report (ESR) will be sent to applicants, previously validated by the Evaluation Panel, as described below, approximately 4 weeks from submission deadline.

The priority order for proposals with the same score is handled as follows:

- These proposals will be prioritized according to the scores they have been awarded for the criterion impact.
- If these scores are also equal, priority will be based on scores for soundness of service concept and ambition; alignment to CLEANHYPRO services.

### STEP 3: Compilation of the ESR

Upon receiving all applications, the Open Call Manager (Mariale Moreno, PNO) compiles all the comments in a single document – the Evaluation Summary Report (ESR) – and flags the comments that warranted further discussion with the Evaluation Panel. The scores will be calculated and included in the compiled ESR. The compiled ESRs will be sent to the Evaluation Panel to assess it. A consensus meeting will be organized, if necessary.

### STEP 4: Consensus meeting

A Consensus meeting could be organised to discuss each proposal and each flagged comment, with the presence of the Evaluation Panel and moderated by Mariale Moreno and Joana Moreira da Silva. In the meeting, a consensus can be given for each application in dispute and further information can be requested to applicants if necessary.

### STEP 5: Sending feedback to applicants

Upon gathering all the feedback from the ESR and the consensus meeting (if required), Mariale Moreno (PNO) will inform all the applicants of the outcome of the evaluation. The **winners** will be announced in **mid-January 2026**. The evaluation process includes:

- **Eligibility check:** Applications will be reviewed for compliance with the guidelines.
- **Evaluation Panel review:** Comprising technical and business experts from the CLEANHYPRO consortium.

The priority order for proposals with the same score is handled as follows:

- These proposals will be prioritised according to the scores they have been awarded for the criterion impact.
- If these scores are also equal, priority will be based on scores for Soundness of service concept and ambition; alignment to CLEANHYPRO services.

## 5.3 REDRESS PROCESS

Upon receiving the evaluation results, applicants will have the possibility to submit a request for redress if they believe the results of the eligibility check have not been corrected applied, or if they feel that there has been a shortcoming in the way their proposal has been evaluated that may affect the final decision on whether their project is selected or not.

The redress process is not meant to call into question the judgement made by the evaluators; it will look at procedural shortcomings and – in rare cases – into factual errors.

Such clarifications requests should be raised within 7 working days from the date of the evaluation feedback sent by the CLEANHYPRO Helpdesk. If a clarification is submitted after that deadline, it will not be considered.

Clarification requests sent by applicants must be:

- related to the evaluation process;
- sent by email to CLEANHYPRO Helpdesk;
- received within the specified time limit.

An initial reply will be sent no later than five working days after the deadline for clarification requests. This initial reply will indicate a deadline for the provision of a definitive reply.

A redress committee may be convened to examine the peer review evaluation process for the case in question. The committee's role is to ensure a coherent interpretation of requests and equal treatment of applicants. The redress committee itself, however, will not re-evaluate

the proposal, but it will examine the admissibility of the clarifications, the legality of the actions against which the clarifications are launched and factual arguments and claims of the clarifications. Depending on the nature of the clarifications, the committee may review the evaluation report and individual comments. In the light of its review, the committee will recommend a course of action. If there is clear evidence of a shortcoming that could affect the eventual funding decision, it is possible that all or part of the proposal will be re-evaluated. Unless there is clear evidence of a shortcoming there will be no follow-up, or re-evaluation.

**Please note:**

- This procedure is concerned with the evaluation process.
- The redress committee will not call into question the judgment of the individual evaluators.
- A re-evaluation will only be carried out if there is evidence of a shortcoming that affects the quality assessment of a proposal. This means, for example, that a problem relating to one evaluation criterion will not lead to a re-evaluation if a proposal has failed anyway on the other criteria.
- The evaluation score following any re-evaluation will be regarded as definitive. It may be lower than the original score.
- Only one redress request per application experiment will be considered by the committee.
- All redress requests will be treated confidentially.

## 6 CLEANHYPRO PRELIMINARY OITB SERVICES CATALOGUE

The CLEANHYPRO Preliminary OITB Services Catalogue has been developed within **WP2 – Setup of SEP for sustainability and management of the ecosystem** and is available at <https://cleanhypro.eu/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/Preliminary-Market-Analysis.pdf>.

All applicants are invited to browse the Catalogue of Services and see how they match their needs for the development of the project.

## 7 CLEANHYPRO DEMOCASES

The projects selected through the Open Calls (democases) will allow to validate operation, accessibility and sustainability of the CLEANHYPRO's SEP and facilitate the EU's industrial transformation of electrolysis materials and components.

Each selected democase will be assigned a Service Delivery Manager (SDM), who will be appointed by the CLEANHYPRO's partners. The SDM assigned to each democase will be a PL owner from the CLEANHYPRO Consortium. Besides being responsible for managing one or more democases, the SDM will also oversee the following activities:

- Ensure communication with the user and be the first contact point for the user
- Work with the user and the consortium to co-develop the Access Service Delivery Plan (SDP)
- Effectively address any issues, concerns or enquires raised by the user
- Co-ordinate the delivery of the service in alignment with the SDP
- Monitor technical progress
- Track actual cost of the service
- Gather effort and costs data from all partners engaged in the democases.

Additionally to the SDM, the democases will be assigned a Business Mentor (PNO with support from EGHAC).

The selected users will be invited to co-develop the Access Service Delivery Plan (SDP) with CLEANHYPRO and to sign a Democase Agreement with the SDM. The SDP will include:

- A co-developed work plan detailing activities, outputs, timings, milestones and meetings.
- Planning of the democase kick-off.
- Effort and cost of direct services including personnel travel, consumables and equipment depreciation costs. These will be based upon Horizon Europe finance rules.
- Assignment of technical, engineering and commercial personnel from the CLEANHYPRO Consortium for mobilization Background IP that the respective user and CLEANHYPRO's partners will bring into the engagement and protection of user's ICs IPR.
- List of industrial stakeholders that can contribute to the complete value chain needed by the user.

The assignment of OITB facilities and capabilities will be managed as a brokerage of services and products. During the project's implementation, the relationship between the Parties will be ruled by the Consortium Agreement. In addition, there will be specific

service agreements (the DCA and SDP) between the SEP, CLEANHYPRO consortium and the external users and providers for each democase. The CLEANHYPRO partner STAM will coordinate the SEP and manage the overall deal flow brokerage of CLEANHYPRO (products, services and contracts).

At the end of the democase, the Selected users will be asked to fill a dedicated questionnaire to map satisfaction and provide suggestions for improvements.

## 7.1 CLEANHYPRO'S DEMOCASES SUPPORT PROVIDED

Each legal entity can be involved in one democase only. The envisaged maximum amount of support to be granted to each company will be worth 150.000€ for both type of actions, in both waves. The target is to provide services and support to at least 16 democases. However, this will not prevent more projects to be supported, depending on the budget availability and the quality of the evaluated proposals.

The **CLEANHYPRO support for the Open Calls winners will be granted on the basis of direct services to the awarded projects** for no more than 95% costs (the share between technical and non-technical services will be case-based and it is expected to change depending on the TRL level of the democases). The remaining 5% will be needed to provide advanced payments to the selected projects for travel expenses (e.g., for meetings and to reach the Pilot Lines) or to organize workshops with external stakeholders to support the business case, if needed. **No direct funding is foreseen.**

## 7.2 DEMOCASES EXPECTED OUTCOMES

The selected users – democase owners selected through the Open Calls – will be required to submit within the 6 months project duration the following outputs:

- An interim report to provide a summary of progress made against the Access Service Delivery Plan (SDP), as well as the key achievements.
- A final report to be provided 1 month after the end date of the project including all the achievements.

The quality of the outputs delivered will be revised by the SDMs.

In addition, each project will have to produce a business case in the form of a simple and attractive publication (four pages limit), that will be published on the CLEANHYPRO website and distributed in relevant channels and events.

### 7.3 DEMOCASE AGREEMENT (DCA)

The Open Calls winners will be invited to **co-develop an Access Service Delivery Plan and to sign a Democase Agreement with the Service Delivery Manager (SDM)**. The DCA will be the legally binding document between all parties (the CLEANHYPRO, the SDM and the Open Calls winners).

## 8 DATA PROTECTION & CONFIDENTIALITY

During the implementation of the CLEANHYPRO Open Call activities and for five years after the end of the democase activities, the parties must keep confidential any data, documents, invoices or other material (in any form) that is identified as confidential information.

If a selected applicant requests, the Commission and the CLEANHYPRO Consortium may agree to keep such information confidential for an additional period beyond the initial five years.

If the information has been identified as confidential during the CLEANHYPRO democase or only orally, it will be confidential only if this is accepted by the CLEANHYPRO coordinator and confirmed in writing within 15 days of the oral disclosure. Unless otherwise agreed between the parties, they may use confidential information only to implement the project.

The selected applicants may disclose confidential information to the CLEANHYPRO Consortium and to the selected reviewers, who will be bound by a specific Non-Disclosure Agreement.

## 9 CONTACTS

The CLEANHYPRO consortium will provide information to the applicants only via the [F6S blog](#), so that the information (question and answer) will be visible to all participants.

CLEANHYPRO Open Calls results will be communicated to participants via email and via Message through the [F6S Platform](#).

If you need assistance with applying to the Call, or explanations about technology offerings and your possibilities with CLEANHYPRO, please send us your enquiries to [info@cleanhypro.eu](mailto:info@cleanhypro.eu). The Helpdesk will be active Monday – Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (CET). We will be happy to help you. We encourage all applicants to check the technical and business feasibility of their ideas well in advance of submission.

**More info at:** <https://cleanhypro.eu/open-calls-for-democases/first-wave-oc1/>

**Apply via:** <https://www.f6s.com/cleanhypro-open-calls-1st-wave/about>

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## 10 ANNEXES

### 10.1 APPLICATION FORM

#### PROPOSAL IDENTIFICATION

1. Proposal full title\*

2. Proposal acronym\*

3. Proposal abstract\*

*Please provide a concise summary of the content and objectives of your project.*

*Max. 2000 characters*

#### APPLICANTS INFORMATION

4. Applicants full name\*

5. Type of applicant\*

- Entrepreneur
- Startup
- SME
- Large enterprise
- Other (if selected, please specify)

6. Institution/organisation name\*

7. VAT number\*

8. Email address\*

9. Country\*

## PROPOSAL INFORMATION

10. To which CLEANHYPRO service are you applying to?\*

- Manufacturing and testing of electrolyzers (AEL, PEM, AEM, SOEC)
- Technology upscaling and assessment (TRL4-7)
- Feasibility studies, LCA, and LCC analysis
- Access to pilot facilities for electrolysis
- Testing and certification of H2 systems
- Advanced simulations and digital twins
- Electrolyser certification and compliance
- Communication and dissemination
- Networking, scouting and investor access
- Innovation and commercialization support
- Public-private financing advisory
- Standardised IP and licensing via SEP
- Digital platform for collaboration and funding

*Please note that this is just a preliminary indication. The selected proposals will be offered the chance to negotiate and define an Access Access Service Delivery Plan with the Access Service Delivery Manager assigned by CLEANHYPRO. This will be the opportunity to define the final composition of services used in case your proposal is successful. Please refer to the CLEANHYPRO Catalogue of Services for further information about the services listed. You can only apply to one service.*

Check the Catalogue of Services here: <https://cleanhypro.eu/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/Preliminary-Market-Analysis.pdf>

11. To which pilot line does the service that you are applying for corresponds?\*
- PL1: AEL electrode fabrication route
  - PL2: Catalyst Coated Membrane (CCM) manufacturing based on spatial ALD
  - PL3: Nanostructured Materials Printer
  - PL4: Testing of PEM electrolysis cells/stacks
  - PL5: Advanced CCM manufacturing and assembly line
  - PL6: MEA testing line
  - PL7: Industrial 3D printing for fabrication of complete SOEC cells and stacks
  - PL8: Advanced electrode nanomaterials for innovative Solid Oxide Electrolysis
  - PL9: SOEC testing pilot line
  - None of the above

Check the CLEANHYPRO website for more information on the pilot lines: : <https://cleanhypro.eu/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/Preliminary-Market-Analysis.pdf>

## PROPOSAL

12. Please upload your proposal here.\*

*Use the proposal template included in the Guidelines for Applicants. Applications that do not use the proposal template will be deemed non-eligible.*

You can download the template here: <https://cleanhypro.eu/open-calls-for-democases/first-wave-oc1/>

13. I have reviewed and accept all conditions of the CLEANHYPRO Open Calls: 1<sup>st</sup> Wave (OC1) Guidelines for applicants.\*
- Yes

You can find the Guidelines for Applicants here: <https://cleanhypro.eu/open-calls-for-democases/first-wave-oc1/>

14. I have reviewed and understood the Democase Collaboration Agreement (DCA), and, if selected, I am willing to sign the DCA. \*
- Yes

*The DCA is the primary legal contract between the beneficiary and CLEANHYPRO. Please note that the published DCA template is a preliminary version which might still undergo minor changes before the first cut-off date. You can find the DCA in the Guidelines for Applicants.*

## 10.2 PROPOSAL TEMPLATE

**Read carefully before preparing your proposal:**

**Please delete this page when submitting the proposal. Delete the guidance/ information text in yellow in each section and any footnotes.**

Please use this template to prepare your proposal. It has been organised to ensure that the important aspects of your planned work are measured with respect to the evaluation criteria. Sections 1 to 4 of this template each correspond to an evaluation criterion (see Guidelines for Applicants for details).

The structure of this template must be followed when preparing your proposal. **Applicants using another template/ document structure will be automatically disqualified.** Only those proposals that successfully address all the required aspects included in the template **will be evaluated and possibly selected. have the opportunity to be funded.**

On the **Cover Page**, please include the following:

- Title and acronym of your proposal,
- **Selected domain and challenge,**
- Full legal name of the applicant(s) organisation(s) and country.

**The page limit for the proposal (Sections 1 - 7) is 7 pages, meaning 1 page per section (i.e., this limit excludes the cover, instructions, and summary of the project pages).** Consider the limits indicated below the title of each section (in yellow) as guidance to keep within the 5 -page limit. **Tables, figures, pictures, and maps are allowed and must be included within this page limit.**

The minimum font size allowed is 11 points (note: tables can use font size 10 points). The page size is A4, and all margins (top, bottom, left, right) should not be changed from their current setting. Paragraph spacing should be a minimum 0pt before/ after, and 1pt line spacing. Arial must be used as the font style (or Calibri, if Arial is incompatible with your system) and black as the font color to facilitate readability.

**Each section presents a page limit of 1 page**, so that the proposal is concise and focused, please comply with it. The proposal must be uploaded in PDF format.

**Please delete this page when submitting the proposal. Delete the guidance/ information text in yellow in each section and any footnotes.**

Please provide your submission **in English.**

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## COVER PAGE

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### BASIC INFORMATION

Proposal identification	
Acronym	
Title	
Service	

Entity information	
Full legal name	
Country	

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## PROPOSAL INFORMATION

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### EXCELLENCE

**Objectives and ambition (One page limit):** Briefly describe the objectives of your proposed work and to what extent they are ambitious compared to existing solutions; Describe the challenge to overcome, identify the need to be solved and quantify the social and economic impact; Describe the solution to be developed and the expected development to be made in collaboration with CLEANHYPRO

*Description why you need the OITB services (One page limit): Refer to the services provided by the CLEANHYPRO SEP and how the services will help you reach the objectives.*

**Concept Innovativeness (One page limit):** Please clearly present the innovation potential of your proposal, when compared to the existing technologies or solutions, and its key innovations.

## IMPACT

**Industrial relevance (One page limit):** Describe the industrial relevance of your solution and how the project's results are expected to make a difference in terms of impact. Refer to the social/economic impacts of your solution.

**TRL positioning (One page limit):** Please describe the TRL positioning of your proposed solution and the change from current state (e.g. from a laboratory verified component – TRL4 – to demonstration in relevant environment – TRL7).

**Commercialization strategy (One page limit):** Describe the market you are targeting, compared to other competitors. Refer to your value proposition and which problem you are solving within your targeted market. Describe the expected market penetration, sales channels to reach customers and time to market.

## IMPLEMENTATION AND APPLICANT(S) CAPACITY

*Quality of the work plan, clear identification of the challenge, barriers and solutions, and pathway to develop a solution. The capacity of the applicant(s) to deliver the proposal is based on their proven experience (One page limit):* Clearly describe and present your proposal work plan, aligned with the identified challenge, its respective barriers and how you will implement the work being proposed. Describe your/your team's core background and expertise and explain how it contributes to the development of your proposal.

### 10.3 DEMOCASE AGREEMENT TEMPLATE (DCA)

.....place..... ,.....date...

Starting Date	dd/mm/yyyy
Termination Date	dd/mm/yyyy
Confidentiality Period	dd/mm/yyyy
Name of the project	...

## DEMOCASE COLLABORATION AGREEMENT

BETWEEN .....company(participant)..... AND .....democase coordinator OITB member.....

#### BY AND BETWEEN:

From one side, .....company....., hereinafter referred to as “Democase Beneficiary”, a legal entity organised and existing under the laws of .....Country....., with its registered office .....address..., and represented by its ...position... Mr./Mrs. ....name.....

From the other, .....Democase coordinator OITB member ....., hereinafter referred to as “Democase Coordinator”, a legal entity organised and existing under the laws of .....Country....., with its registered office .....address..., and represented by its...position... Mr/Mrs.....name.....;

The Parties recognise reciprocally enough legal capacity to formalise the present Collaboration Agreement.

This Agreement (‘the Democase Collaboration Agreement’) is between the following parties:

#### WHEREAS

.....company..... is a company ...**TO BE COMPLETED**....

The Democase coordinator participates as Beneficiary in the Project entitled “CLEANHYPRO – Open Innovation Test Bed for nano-enabled Membranes” (hereinafter, “CLEANHYPRO” or

“the Project”), a H2020 Project under GRANT AGREEMENT NUMBER 862330 coordinated by FUNDACION TECNALIA RESEARCH & INNOVATION (TEC) and involving also the following entities as OITB (Open Innovation Test Beds) Members (hereinafter, the “Project Partners CLEANHYPRO Members”):

FUNDACION TECNALIA RESEARCH & INNOVATION – ES

STAM SRL – IT

KIC INNOENERGY SE – NL

COMMISSARIAT A L ENERGIE ATOMIQUE ET AUX ENERGIES ALTERNATIVES – FR

NEDERLANDSE ORGANISATIE VOOR TOEGEPAST NATUURWETENSCHAPPELIJK ONDERZOEK TNO – NL

TEKNOLOGIAN TUTKIMUSKESKUS VTT OY – FI

FUNDACIO INSTITUT DE RECERCA DE L'ENERGIA DE CATALUNYA – ES

FRAUNHOFER GESELLSCHAFT ZUR FORDERUNG DER ANGEWANDTEN FORSCHUNG EV – DE

BUREAU VERITAS SOLUTIONS IBERIA SLU – ES

PNO INNOVATION UNIPessoal LDA – PT

CIAOTECH Srl – IT

CERAMIC POWDER TECHNOLOGY AS – NO

SAS 3DCERAM SINTO – FR

F6S NETWORK IRELAND LIMITED – IE

AGFA GEVAERT NV – BE

SPARKNANO BV – NL

BRANDENBURGISCHE TECHNISCHE UNIVERSITAT COTTBUS-SENFTENBERG – DE

ELCOGEN OY – FI

ENAPTER GMBH – DE

AKTSIASELTS ELCOGEN – EE

MONDRAGON ASSEMBLY SOCIEDAD COOPERATIVA – ES

Rhodia Laboratoire du Futur – FR

VSPARTICLE BV – NL

INDUSTRIE DE NORA SPA-IDN – IT

UMICORE AG & CO KG – DE

H2GREENPLANET GMBH – DE

SPECIALTY OPERATIONS FRANCE – FR

MCPHY ENERGY DEUTSCHLAND GMBH – DE

The CLEANHYPRO project aims at fulfilling market potential of innovative nano-enabled membranes and their derived products. Within the scope of CLEANHYPRO, different types of membrane materials (polymeric, ceramic, metallic and nanocomposite), surface modification, membrane morphology and geometry and applications will be covered, providing for the first time a Single-Entry Point (SEP) to provide the businesses in the sector with a one-stop-shop of the best available experts and technologies. European companies, mainly SMEs, will access through the SEP to develop, test and adopt, new high performance, multifunctional, safe and environmentally friendly nano-enabled membranes in a cost-effective and sustainable way while opening-up opportunities for demonstration of innovative nanomembranes in real life industrial problems (TRL7) and thus accelerating the market opening for these new products. CLEANHYPRO gathers some of the most recognised Membrane departments (>20) in Europe and acknowledged facilitators of technology transfer, corporate finance, funding and coaching, making available (i) the most promising and breakthrough manufacturing pilots and (ii) advanced characterisation techniques and modelling together with (iii) non-technical services through this Test Bed: while relevant improvement metrics can be defined, the potential network of reachable stakeholders counts thousands of businesses on an international scale. As a starting point, 14 Pilot Lines and their enabled technological services, coming from past investments at Regional (RIS3) at National and European levels, are deployed.

To achieve the abovementioned objective, CLEANHYPRO has issued a call for Democases to select the most promising projects and help them to develop or improve their potential.

The project **.....project name.....**, (hereinafter, the “Democase”), submitted by the Democase Beneficiary has been selected to receive support from CLEANHYPRO project in the **1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>** Democase Call issued on **...(date)...**

The Democase Beneficiary and the Democase Coordinator, hereinafter referred to as the “Parties”, occasionally referred as “Party”, agree to hold the present Collaboration Agreement, hereinafter referred to as the “Agreement”, subject to the following,

## CLAUSES

### DEFINITIONS

#### Definitions

Words beginning with a capital letter shall have the meaning defined herein.

#### Additional Definitions

Exploitation” or “Exploit”

Exploitation or Exploit means the use of Results in further research activities other than those covered by the Action concerned, or in developing, creating, and marketing a product or process, or in creating and providing a service, or in standardisation activities.

#### “Fair and Reasonable conditions”

Fair and Reasonable conditions means appropriate conditions, including possible financial terms or royalty-free conditions, taking into account the specific circumstances of the request for access, for example the actual or potential value of the Results or Background to which access is requested and/or the scope, duration or other characteristics of the exploitation envisaged.

With respect to Parties which are Research Organisations, considering their specific positioning, “appropriate conditions” necessarily means a financial compensation in case of direct or indirect industrial or commercial exploitation.

#### “Needed”

For the implementation of the Project: Access Rights are Needed if, without the grant of such Access Rights, carrying out the tasks assigned to the recipient Party would be technically or legally impossible, significantly delayed, or require significant additional financial or human resources.

For Exploitation of own Results: Access Rights are Needed if, without the grant of such Access Rights, the Exploitation of own Results would be technically or legally impossible.

#### “Research Organisation”

Research organisation means a legal entity that is established as a non-profit organisation and whose main objectives is carrying out research or technological development.

#### “Access Rights”

Access Rights means rights to use Results or Background in accordance with the stipulations of this Democase Collaboration Agreement.

#### “Background”

Background means any and all, data, information, know-how– whatever its form or nature (tangible or intangible), including any rights such as intellectual property rights – listed in Annex 1 – Access Access Service Delivery Plan (SDP) – that is Needed to implement the Democase project or exploit the Results and that is: owned or controlled by a Party of this

Agreement prior to the date of signature of this Agreement; or developed or acquired by a Party independently from the work in the Democase project even if in parallel with the performance of the Democase project, but solely to the extent that such data, information, know-how and/or intellectual property rights are introduced into the Democase Project by the owning Party;

“Results”

Results means any tangible or intangible output of the action, such as data, knowledge or information, that is generated in the action, whatever its form or nature, whether or not it can be protected, as well as any rights attached to it, including intellectual property rights.

## **PURPOSE.**

1.1 The purpose of this Agreement is to establish the terms and conditions of the collaboration between the Parties in the frame of the Democase Project.

## **2. SCOPE AND DURATION.**

2.1. The Parties shall cooperate and do their best effort to carry out the activities detailed in Annex 1 – Access Service Delivery Plan (SDP) to the present Agreement.

2.2. The start date and duration of the Democase Project are established in Annex 1 and may be extended, maintaining the commitments provided by the Project, by the mutual agreement of the Parties.

## **3. OBLIGATIONS OF THE PARTIES.**

3.1. The Democase Coordinator will be responsible managing the Democase, including the following activities:

Perform the actions identified in the Annex 1 and contribute to the achievement of the specified objectives.

Coordinate the Democase Project together with the Democase Beneficiary and other collaborating Project Partners CLEANHYPRO Members.

Communication with the user and be the first point of contact for the user.

Working with the user and other members of CLEANHYPRO to co-develop the Access Access Service Delivery Plan via WP5.

Effectively address any issues, concerns or enquires raised by the user.

Co-ordinate the delivery of the service in alignment with the Access Service Delivery Plan.

Monitoring technical progress.

Maintaining a log of key issues, risks and actions; and proactively review, follow-up and resolve issues.

Track actual cost of the service, gathering effort and costs data from Partners engaged in the Democases.

Provide an internal technical report with progress, issues, risks and actual costs incurred.

Maintain a log of new knowledge and know-how created for the Democases.

Organise and chair any workshops and meetings with the user during service delivery. This will include knowledge transfer workshops between the user and the appropriate members of CLEANHYPRO.

3.2. The Democase Beneficiary will do its best endeavour to:

Duly contribute to performing the actions, providing the resources as identified in Annex 1.

Timely communicate to the Democase Coordinator any issue or circumstances that may hinder the correct execution of the activities and the achievement of the objectives described in Annex 1.

Submit two reports within the 6 months project duration:

An interim report to provide a summary of progress made against the Access to Service Plan, as well as the key achievements.

A final report to be provided within 1 month after the end date of the project including all the achievements.

Other specific obligations related to the Democase Project that Parties may agree.

#### **4. EFFORTS AND PAYMENTS.**

4.1. Annex 1 includes an economic valuation of the Democase project however, parties hereby agree that there shall be no payment required by the Democase Beneficiary.

4.2. The overall effort provided collectively by the Democase Coordinator and, if this is the case, the collaborating Project Partner(s) CLEANHYPRO Member(s) shall be limited to ... person/month (or equivalent value). It is understood that a collaborating Project Partner CLEANHYPRO Member is responsible for its own activities relating to the Democase project.

#### **5. NON-DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION.**

5.1. For the purpose of this Agreement, the term "Confidential Information" shall mean any and all information or data and includes, by way of example, but without limitation, know-how, formulae, processes, tests results, designs, sketches, photographs, plans, drawings,

specifications, samples, reports, customers lists, personal data, pricing information, studies, findings, inventions and ideas, classified as such by one Party (the "Disclosing Party") and disclosed to the other Party (the "Receiving Party") by various means. The disclosure of Confidential Information may be done in writing or orally and/or by means of the delivery of samples, equipment, models, visually or otherwise by means of magnetic support, multi-media and/or photos. For the avoidance of doubt, the results obtained from the activities of the Democase Project shall be considered Confidential Information, except for the public summary results specifically identified in the workplan jointly produced and agreed, considered in point 8. DISSEMINATION.

5.2. In order to identify the Information as confidential, the Disclosing Party shall mark or label the support or draw and address a notice to the Receiving Party specifying the confidential aspect of the Information. In the event the Confidential Information is disclosed orally, the Disclosing Party shall forthwith inform the Receiving Party at the time of disclosure of the confidential nature of the information disclosed and shall confirm and designate in writing as confidential information within 30 days following the disclosing date.

5.3. The Receiving Party shall in particular:

protect and keep strictly confidential any part of/or the whole of any Confidential Information and shall treat and use the Confidential Information with the same degree of care as it applies to its own proprietary information, but in no case with less than reasonable care;

protect any part of/or the whole of the Confidential Information from disclosure to anyone other than its employees who have a need to know and inform them of the confidentiality attached to such Information;

not disclose, copy, duplicate totally or partially, unless extremely necessary for justified purpose, under any circumstances, whether intentionally, inadvertently, or otherwise, the Confidential Information without the prior written consent of the Disclosing Party, provided that all copies shall contain the same proprietary and confidential notices and legends as appear on the original Confidential Information.

Use of the Confidential Information by the Receiving Party shall be strictly limited to the carrying out of the Democase Project.

not to reverse-compile, reverse-assemble or reverse-engineer Confidential Information or any part thereof.

5.4. The Receiving Party shall have no obligation with respect to any information for which they can give the evidence that such information:

is or becomes known to the public before the disclosure or thereafter through no wrongful act of the Receiving Party; or

is already known by the Receiving Party; or

is received from a third party with no wrongful act of the Receiving Party; or

is independently developed by the receiving Party provided that the Receiving Party can demonstrate that such development was carried independently without access to Confidential Information; or

is disclosed with the prior written approval of the disclosing Party; or

is disclosed pursuant to law, regulation or lawful order or process. In the event Receiving Party is subject to such law, regulation, order or process, Receiving Party will timely notify the Disclosing Party of the disclosure requirement in advance of the disclosure so as to permit the Disclosing Party oppose or limit such disclosure.

5.5. The confidentiality obligations under this Democase Collaboration Agreement shall not prevent the communication of Confidential Information to the Funding Authority of the CLEANHYPRO Project and/or Project Partners CLEANHYPRO Members.

5.6. The confidentiality obligations contained in this section shall remain binding upon the Parties for four (4) years after the date of termination of the Democase Project.

5.7. Upon written demand by the Disclosing Party at any time, the Receiving Party shall return all Information received or generated in the frame of the Democase Project, including all copies in its possession or in possession of its employees or assistants and all documents, notes, programmes embodying information transmitted by the Disclosing Party or based on it. The Receiving Party shall confirm in writing that no copy is retained or that the retained information has been destroyed or erased.

5.8. When the Democase Project involves access by the Parties to personal data, the Parties shall be regarded as responsible for treatment of said data and shall comply with that laid down in the Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data, as well as any other applicable national regulations currently in force or introduced in the future to modify and/or replace it.

## **6. INDUSTRIAL AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS.**

6.1. The results obtained from the Democase Project activities shall be owned by the Party that has produced them.

6.2. In case there are results that are developed jointly, then a separate written agreement shall be concluded among the Parties.

## **7. ACCESS RIGHTS.**

7.1. In Annex 1 (SDP), the Parties have identified and agreed on the Background for the Activity and have also, where relevant, informed each other that Access to specific Background is subject to legal restrictions or limits. Any Party may add further Background

to Annex 1 during the Democase project by written notice to the other Parties. Anything not identified in Annex 1 shall not be the object of Access Right obligations regarding Background.

7.2. Each Party shall implement its tasks in accordance with the Access Service Delivery Plan and shall bear sole responsibility for ensuring that its acts within the Democase project do not knowingly infringe third party property rights.

7.3. Any Access Rights granted expressly exclude any rights to sublicense unless expressly stated or agreed otherwise.

7.4. Access Rights shall be free of any administrative transfer costs.

7.5. Access Rights are granted to and by Parties on a non-exclusive basis, if not otherwise agreed in writing by all Parties.

7.6. Results and Background shall be used only for the purposes for which Access Rights to it have been granted.

7.7. All requests for Access Rights shall be made in writing. The granting of Access Rights may be made conditional on the acceptance of specific conditions aimed at ensuring that these rights will be used only for the intended purpose and that appropriate confidentiality obligations are in place. The requesting Party must show that the Access Rights are Needed.

7.8. Access Rights to Results and Background Needed for the performance of the own work of a Party under the Democase project shall be granted on a royalty-free basis, unless otherwise agreed for Background in Annex 1.

7.9. Access Rights to Results if Needed for Exploitation of a Party's own Results shall be granted on Fair and Reasonable conditions. Scientific research and teaching activities by a knowledge institute are not considered Exploitation and such Access Rights shall be granted free of charge.

7.10. A third party shall not be granted direct Access to Results generated by other Parties unless those Parties explicitly agree to it.

7.11. Access Rights to Background if Needed for Exploitation of a Party's own Results, including for research on behalf of a third party, shall be granted on Fair and Reasonable conditions.

7.12. A request for Access Rights may be made up to two years after the end of the Project or after the termination of the requesting Party's participation in the Project.

7.13. Access Rights will be granted to CLEANHYPRO partners participating in the Democase, regardless of whether they sign the Democase Collaboration Agreement, if they have an active role within the Democase. The Democase Beneficiary may choose to limit the information provided on a "need-to-know" basis.

## 8. DISSEMINATION

8.1. Parties shall produce the following deliverables in the frame of the Democase:

<b>Deliverable Title</b>	<b>Leader</b>	<b>Dissemination Level</b>
Catalogue of demonstration parts*	Democase Beneficiary	PU
Evaluation and validation reports	SDM (Service Delivery Manager)	CO
Synthesis of customer satisfaction feedback	PNO	CO
Final operational report on efficiency of the OITB scheme, including guidelines for SEP/OITB improvement	STAM	CO
Business plan report for the CLEANHYPRO democases	PNO	CO
Project plan	SDM (Service Delivery Manager)	Tecnalia
Technical report	SDM (Service Delivery Manager)	Tecnalia
User report	Democase Beneficiary	Tecnalia

(\*) This deliverable refers to the public summary described in section 8.2

Dissemination Level abbreviations shall mean:

**CO:** Confidential, only for members of the consortium (including the Commission Services)

**PU:** Public

**Tecnalia:** As WP5 leader, for verification purposes only (including the Commission Services)

These deliverables may be shared with Project Partners CLEANHYPRO Members according to the designated Dissemination Level and such dissemination shall not be subject to the confidentiality obligations of clause 5.

8.2. Parties shall jointly produce a public summary of the work carried out in the frame of the Democase Project in the form of a simple and attractive publication (two to four pages at

maximum), that will be published on the CLEANHYPRO platforms and that will be distributed in relevant events.

8.3. The terms and conditions of the dissemination of the Democase Project results shall be agreed by the Parties on a case-by-case basis.

8.4. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as conferring rights to use in advertising, publicity or otherwise the name of the Parties or any of their logos or trademarks without their prior written approval.

## **9. LIABILITY.**

9.1. No Party shall be responsible to the other Party for indirect or consequential loss or similar damage such as, but not limited to, loss of profit, loss of revenue or loss of contracts.

9.2. The Democase Beneficiary shall be liable for all the damages caused to Democase Coordinator or to third parties as consequence of the carrying out of its activities in the frame of the Democase Project.

9.3. The Democase Beneficiary shall be responsible for the technical quality of the work carried out in the Democase Project, as well as of the consequences towards third parties due to omissions, errors, inappropriate methods or erroneous conclusions incurred in the development of the activities of the Democase Project.

9.4 The Democase Coordinator shall not be liable towards the Democase beneficiary for any consequences of fulfilling its obligations towards the Project Partners CLEANHYPRO Members and the Funding Authority.

## **10. TERMINATION.**

10.1. This Agreement shall terminate for any of the following causes:

Termination by mutual agreement. The Parties may mutually terminate this Agreement.

Termination due to non-compliance. The Democase Coordinator shall terminate this Agreement in case of any breach by the Democase Beneficiary of the terms and conditions contained therein. The Democase Beneficiary will have a period of fifteen (15) days to try and remedy such situation. If the Democase Beneficiary fails to do so, the Democase Coordinator shall be entitled to reimbursement from the Democase Beneficiary for all damage caused by the non-compliance of the Agreement. Additionally, the Democase Coordinator reserves the right to exercise the respective actions and claims for damages.

Termination due to force majeure. They are understood as such those that are beyond control of the Parties, and that are not due to faults or negligence from any of them.

Termination of the Contract of the CLEANHYPRO Project. This Agreement shall automatically terminate if the Grant Agreement of the CLEANHYPRO Project, signed with the European Commission terminates. In this case, the Democase-Coordinator shall not pay the Democase Beneficiary any compensation.

## 11. APPLICABLE LAW. DISPUTES AND COURTS.

11.1. This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of Belgium excluding its conflict of law provisions.

11.2. The Parties agree to settle amicably any disputes arising with regard to the validity, construal, performance under and termination hereof. Should it not be possible to reach agreement in such a manner, any disputes that arise between parties in connection with this Agreement or any ensuing agreement shall be submitted to Courts of Brussels, Belgium.

Consequently, the Parties expressly agree to confer, at the request of one or the other Party, to define via signed steering committee minutes any eventual change to the program (such as to schedule, dates, list of deliverables, costs) that may be needed given the exceptional circumstances experienced in the execution of the program.

Done and signed in the above-mentioned place and date in two original copies, one for each Party to this Agreement.

For .....Democase Beneficiary.....,

For ..... Democase Coordinator.....,

Mr./Mrs.: .....

Mr./Mrs.....

Position: .....

Position:.....

## 10.4 ACCESS SERVICE DELIVERY PLAN (SDP)<sup>2</sup>

The SDP is a tailored service proposal meeting specifically the requirements of one user. The SDP is a commercial offer developed by the service delivery manager by analysing the problems stated by the user and proposing a solution using the service catalogue and based on the integrated capabilities of OITB service providers. The SDP will be an Annex to the collaboration Agreement (DCA) signed between the OITB user (the customer) and the OITB member acting as coordinator for the Democase (the main contractor).

### Democase data

Project name:	
Start date:	End date:
<b>Democase Beneficiary information</b>	
Democase Beneficiary company name:	
Contact name:	Contact email:
<b>Involved OITB members</b>	
OITB Member Coordinator:	
Coord. Contact name:	Coord. Contact email:
OITB Member Collaborator 1:	
Collab.1 Contact name	Collab.1 Contact email:
OITB Member Collaborator 2:	
Collab. 2 Contact name	Collab. 2 Contact email:

HAS AGREED TO THE SDP: *Receipt date and e-mail.*

<sup>2</sup> The Access Service Delivery Plan (SDP) is to be co-developed by the selected users (Open Calls selected projects) and the CLEANHYPRO consortium Pilot Line owners. The document's version presented here is a template and can be adapted.

### Problem statement and project objectives

Briefly explain the motivations for the project in terms of the problem being addressed and the objectives that will be achieved during the project.

### Workplan

The workplan includes the description of the services to be provided, structured as a set of activities and results that may include references to the services in the service catalogue. NB: All Democases must include a public result or demonstrator (which must be explained through a public presentation and/or video) describing the project, stating the collaboration with CLEANHYPRO OITB members and explaining the impact of the project in technological and business terms.

Activity:	Start date:	End date:
Leader (OITB Member):		
Participants (OITB Members):		
Activity description		
May include references to services in the service catalogue		
Results		
Identify each result as confidential or public.		

Activity:	Start date:	End date:
Leader (OITB Member):		
Participants (OITB Members):		
Activity description		
May include references to services in the service catalogue		
Results		

*Identify each result as confidential or public.*

Activity:	Start date:	End date:
Leader (OITB Member):		
Participants (OITB Members):		
<b>Activity description</b>		
<i>May include references to services in the service catalogue</i>		
<b>Results</b>		
<i>Identify each result as confidential or public.</i>		

### Resources and background

*Includes a description of resources involved from each involved service provider required to perform the services. For each service provider taking part in the delivery include a specification of personnel, efforts, facilities (labs, pilot lines, infrastructures, etc.) and other resources.*

<b>Background</b>
<i>Identify access rights to specific background that is required to perform the Democase project.</i>

**IMPORTANT:** *The resources necessary from the Democase beneficiary must also be included in this section*

### Price

*Include an economic valuation of the overall service (in euros). This valuation is obtained as the addition of the valuation of the Democase Coordinator plus the valuations of each of the Collaborating OITB members*

### **Impact and future plans**

*Explain the expected impact in technological and business terms.*

*Describe future plans after the Democase is concluded.*

