**ALICE PROGRAM**

***Letters of Support for R&D Project Proposals***

ALICE is the European Technology Platform on Logistics set-up to develop a comprehensive strategy for research, innovation and market deployment of logistics and supply chain management innovation in Europe. The platform support, assist and advise the European Commission into the implementation of the EU Program for research: Horizon 2020, in the area of Logistics. ALICE was officially recognized as a European Technology Platform by the European Commission in July 2013. On top, ALICE collaborates with European Member States through its Mirror Group and supports further coordination at National and European level.

ALICE is following up relevant research and innovation projects in the field in order to assess the implementation of ALICE Roadmaps by projects, identify new research & innovation gaps and prepare recommendation to the European Commission, Member States and Industry R&I programmes. Moreover, ALICE is willing to support dissemination of relevant projects and outcomes to logistics industry.

In order to support the process, ALICE stablished the Liaison Program with Research and Innovation Projects in July 2015 and extended to Project Proposals in April 2016.

ALICE will issue letters of support for proposals as long as the commit to the following:

* The project/proposal is seen by the partnership/proposers as a value added activity towards [**ALICE roadmaps**](http://www.etp-logistics.eu/?page_id=13) implementation and it is explicitly mentioned in the proposal document.
* The proposal, once awarded, commit to annually review the progress made by the project regarding the relevant areas addressed by the project in relation to the ALICE roadmaps and the expected/achieved outcomes.
* The project will be showcased in [**ALICE events**](http://www.etp-logistics.eu/?category_name=events) (conferences) at least twice during the project duration. Industry vision/outcome on the project will be the target.
* Representative/s of ALICE may be appointed to participate in the Advisory Group of the project. The representative/s will be agreed between the project coordinator and ALICE secretariat once the project is awarded and will be endorsed by ALICE Executive Group. Participation costs in the Advisory group will be covered by the project.
* Representative/s of the project will be invited to participate in relevant thematic groups of ALICE in order to properly link the project outcomes to the Thematic group activities and the identification of remaining gaps that would feed ALICE documents including recommendations to Research and Innovation programs.
* The projects may use ALICE network to promote their own projects: ALICE Web including a pitch of the project, ALICE [**Knowledge Platform**](https://knowledgeplatform.etp-logistics.eu/) and use ALICE network as a dissemination channel at ALICE events: [**IPIC**](https://www.pi.events/) and [**TRA**](https://traconference.eu/), … and projects activities outcomes through ALICE Newsletter.
* Projects may connect dissemination materials such as videos, leaflets, etc. to ALICE including [**ALICE videos**](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC-1_szlCtw6ZTQC9PmfK9Ag)**.**

Once received the signed Letter of Intent (template attached), ALICE will issue a Letter of Support to the proposal in not more than five working days. ALICE will issue a recognition document to the project as liaised project to ALICE as long as all the above elements are fulfilled. The Stamp will be issued annually.

**Letter of Intent for proposals**

Funding Program:

Call/topic addressed:

The [ORGANISATION NAME]as coordinator of the project proposal [Acronym of the Project]submitted to the call identified above expresses the interest of the project to join the ALICE Liaison Program with research and innovation projects in the event the project is awarded.

Once the results of the evaluation are known, the consortium will inform ALICE on them.

The [ORGANISATION NAME] commits on its honour to the following statements and to perform the following activities if the project gets funded:

* [Acronym of the Project]is seen by the proposers as a value-added activity towards ALICE roadmaps implementation. Relevant roadmaps and challenges addressed are explicitly mentioned in the proposal document.
* The proposers commit to share with ALICE a short document at the start of the project including the project summary, the aspects covered by the project that are relevant for ALICE and its roadmaps and the list of (public) deliverables addressing those aspects and the due date. ALICE will use it for dissemination purposes.
* The project will yearly review the progress made in relation to the ALICE roadmaps.
* The project will be showcased in ALICE co-organized events (IPIC and TRA or Collaborative Innovation Days) at least twice during the project duration. Industry vision/outcome on the project will be the target.
* Representative/s of ALICE may be appointed to participate in the Advisory Group of the project. The representative/s will be agreed between the project and ALICE secretariat once the project is awarded and will be endorsed by ALICE Executive Group. Participation costs in the Advisory group will be covered by the project.
* Representative/s of the project will be appointed to participate in relevant Thematic Groups of ALICE in order to properly link the project outcomes to ALICE thematic groups. The project will share remaining gaps that would feed ALICE documents and roadmaps including recommendations to Research and Innovation programs.
* The projects may use ALICE network to promote their own projects: ALICE Web including a pitch of the project, ALICE Knowledge Platform, newsletter and Linked In groups
* Projects may connect dissemination materials such as videos, leaflets, etc. to ALICE including ALICE videos.

In case of success, the projects will inform ALICE on the expected start date of the project.

ALICE will issue a recognition document to the project as liaised project to ALICE if all the above elements are fulfilled. The Stamp will be issued annually.

Signature:

[Name of Project Coordinator]

Name of the company:

Date: