TRANSFORMING HEALTH AND CARE SYSTEMS

Welcome

Webinar about the THCS Call 2025:

Better care closer to home: Enhancing primary and community care

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Agenda

- **More about the THCS Partnership**
  Federico Bastarolo -THCS Coordinating team
- **Explanation of the Call text**
  Jostein Holmgren- THCS call development team
- **Call procedures and criteria**
  Michael Joulie - THCS Call Secretariat team
- **Explanation on partner search tool**
  Marcin Chmielewski - THCS Call Secretariat team
- ***Q&A***
  THCS Call Secretariat team

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EU Partnership Transforming Health and Care Systems (THCS)

THCS JTC 2025 Info webinar

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PILLAR 1: Excellent Science

PILLAR 2: Global Challenges & European Industrial Competitiveness

PILLAR 3: Innovative Europe

Overview of 49 European Partnerships

HORIZON EUROPE PILLAR II - Global challenges & European industrial competitiveness

CLUSTER 1: Health

- Innovative Health Initiative
- Global Health Partnership
- Transformation of health systems
- Chemicals risk assessment
- ERA for Health
- Rare diseases*
- One-Health Anti Microbial Resistance*
- Personalised Medicine*
- Pandemic Preparedness* *Co-funded or co-programmed*

CLUSTER 4: Digital, Industry & Space

- Key Digital Technologies
- Smart Networks & Services
- High Performance Computing
- European Metrology (Art. 185)
- AI-Data-Robotics
- Photonics
- Made in Europe
- Clean steel – low-carbon steelmaking
- Processes4Planet
- Global competitive space systems**

CLUSTER 5: Climate, Energy & Mobility

- Clean Hydrogen
- Clean Aviation
- Single European Sky ATM Research 3
- Europe's Rail
- Connected and Automated Mobility (CCAM)
- Batteries
- Zero-emission waterborne transport
- Zero-emission road transport
- Built4People
- Clean Energy Transition
- Driving Urban Transitions

CLUSTER 6: Food, Bioeconomy, Agriculture, ...

- Circular Bio-based Europe
- Rescuing Biodiversity to Safeguard Life on Earth
- Climate Neutral, Sustainable & Productive Blue Economy
- Water4All
- Animal Health & Welfare*
- Accelerating Farming Systems Transitions*
- Agriculture of Data*
- Safe & Sustainable Food System*

Institutionalised Partnerships (Art 185/7)
Institutionalised Partnerships / EIT KICs
Co-Programmed
Co-Funded

* *Calls with opening dates in 2023-24*
** *Calls with opening dates not before 2022*

PILLAR III - Innovative Europe

EIT (KNOWLEDGE & INNOVATION COMMUNITIES)

- InnoEnergy
- Climate
- Digital
- Food
- Health
- Raw Materials
- Manufacturing
- Urban Mobility
- Cultural and Creative Industries

SUPPORT TO INNOVATION ECOSYSTEMS

- Innovative SMEs

CROSS-PILLARS II & III

- European Open Science Cloud

European Commission

THCS Partnership

Start: January 2023
Duration: 7 years

- **63 partners**
- **23 Member States and HE Associated Countries**
- **Switzerland, the United States and the UK**
- **9 regions**

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Pillars and Work Packages

PILLAR 1
Science & Innovation into Policy and Practice

- **WP4 – Methodological and Assessment Framework**
- **WP5– Bridging evidence to policy**

PILLAR 2
Research and Innovation funding

- **WP6 – Calls texts definition of R&I topics**
- **WP7 – Joint Transnational Calls Secretariat**
- **WP8 – Project Monitoring and Assessment of Projects' results and impacts**

PILLAR 3
Support transferability & strengthening ecosystems

- **WP9 -Strengthening ecosystems**
- **WP10 –Knowledge hub to support the transferability of good practices**

PILLAR 0
Programme management

- **WP1 – Governance and Annual Work Plan**
- **WP2 – Coordination and Management**
- **WP3 – Strategic relationship and Impact maximisation**

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The THCS Approach

Implementation and transfer

Test and Validate Solutions

People-centered health & care systems

Problems & Priorities Definition

Learn from practices

Learning what, why and how

Filling the knowledge gap

Boosting Health and Care systems

Capacity building

Strengthen ecosystems

Policy update

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THCS Expected outcomes

Stronger local and regional ecosystems

Researchers engaged in collaborative research at international level

H&C authorities and policy makers use research results in decision making

Better cooperation among Countries in this R&I field

H&C authorities, policymakers plan and carry out efficient investments

H&C providers and professionals implement innovative solution

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JTC 2023 “Healthcare of the Future”

To provide the necessary knowledge to build the health and care of the future and support the implementation of innovative solutions on a larger scale.

> 30 millions €

36 funders

JTC 2024 “Innovate to Prevent”

To support the implementation of innovative person-centred health and care models addressing prevention strategies, with the key help of existing IT and digital technologies and services, as well as existing and emerging data.

> 34 millions €

31 funders

JTC 2025 “Better care closer to home”

To fund research and innovation projects that strengthen primary and community health and care systems and provide policy and decision makers with the necessary knowledge and tools to govern the transitions needed in the primary and community care sector

> 32 millions €

32 funders

Discover the Impact Assessment of the Joint Transnational Call 2023

Social and contacts

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THCS Joint Transnational Call for Proposals 2025

Better care closer to home: Enhancing primary and community care

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Participating Countries

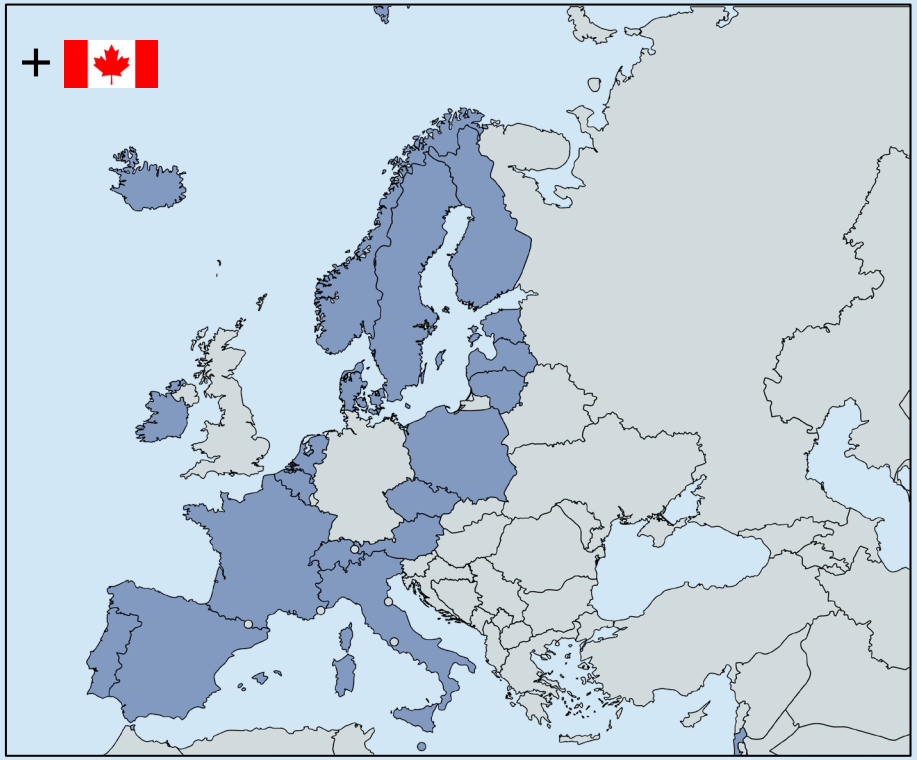
22 countries
Austria, Belgium, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, The Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Spain, Sweden and Switzerland

34 funding organisations
Funding research and innovation agencies
Ministries of Health
Ministries of Research
Regions

Budget approx. €35 million

Cofunding by the European Commission

Each funding organisation funds projects carried out in their own country/region



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Better care closer to home

The third JTC addresses the need to improve the **enhancement of primary and community care**, provide **policy and decision makers** with the necessary **knowledge and tools** to govern the transitions needed in these sectors.

The ultimate goal is to improve **health and care system** dimensions such as **quality**, **efficiency**, **equity**, and **sustainability.**

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Rationale of the call

- Appropriate settings for care delivery to best serve users and caretakers.
- New or improved health and care models needed to rethink delivery, organization, financing, and distribution.
- Current Reliance on Institutional Care
  - Over-reliance on hospitals and other institutional care.
  - High personnel and cost barriers to meeting future demand.
  - Applies to hospitals, care homes, and mental health institutions.
- Barriers to Non-Institutionalised Care
  - Infrastructure and resource capacity.
  - Adequate funding and reimbursement models.
  - Policy and legislative obstacles.

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Aim of the call

- Enable reduced reliance on institutionalised treatment.
- Service innovations that promote the transformation of the health and care system.

Sub-topic 1: Strengthening the primary and community health and care system

- Proposals may concern 1) organisational innovations,2) operational improvements, or 3) human resource innovations.

Sub-topic 2: Systemic approaches to modernising the primary and community care sector

- Actionable and applicable knowledge
- Policy development, change management, strategic planning

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Proposals will be rejected if they…

1) Predominantly concern development of new technological solutions (TRLs 1-3), without any focus on the integration of solutions, organisational models or implementation in the health and care systems.
2) Have a predominantly clinical, pre-clinical/bio-medical component.
3) Are solely epidemiological studies mapping the extent of and causal factors of illnesses, without a focus on solutions, models or implementation in health and care systems.
4) Relate solely to welfare services and do not address issues related to health and care services.
5) Do not take into consideration an ecosystem-wide approach*
6) Fail to consider end-users' perspective*

* See Guidance for Applicants for details

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Essential elements

- Collaborative, transnational research, innovation, and assessment actions are required.
- Projects must include one or more of the following: applied research, implementation research, piloting, upscaling, and/or testing.
- All projects must show proof of concept, validate solutions, and demonstrate them in relevant health and care settings. Translating existing solutions to new settings is also included.
- Proposals involving technology development or organizational models related to new technologies must target Technology Readiness Levels (TRLs) 4 to 8.
- Projects must be original and can build on, but not duplicate, existing EU-funded activities (e.g., Joint Action CIRCE-JA).

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Call procedures and criteria

Michael Joulie - THCS Call Secretariat team

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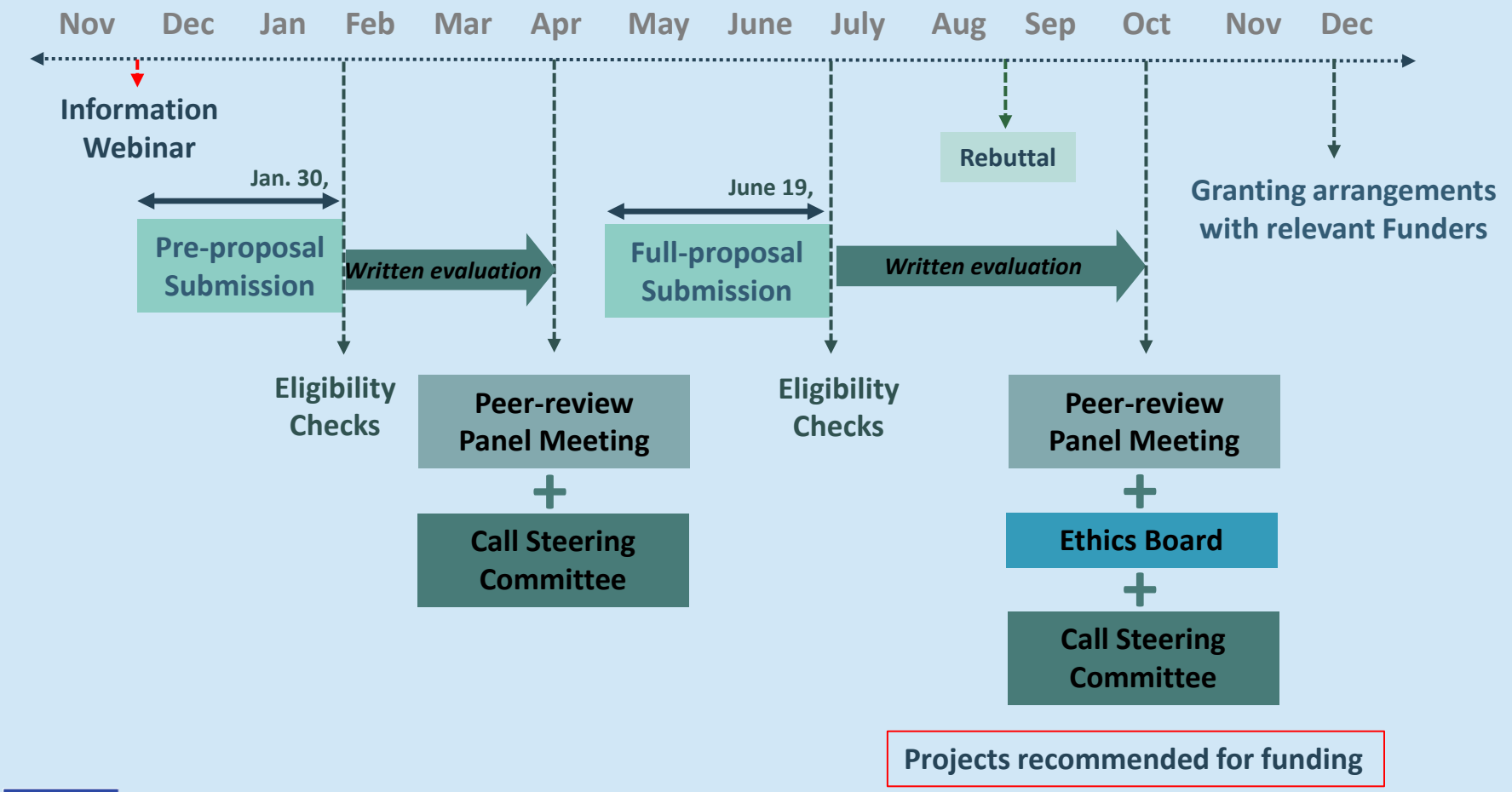
Submission and Evaluation Procedure



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Call procedures and criteria

- Project duration: 12 to 36 months
- Applicants:
  - Academia
  - Clinical/public health sector
  - Companies
  - Operational stakeholders
- Min. 3 eligible partners from 3 different countries (at least 2 EU Member States or Associated Countries)
- Max. 9 eligible partners
- Max. 2 eligible partners from the same country
- The project coordinator must be eligible for funding
- Max. 2 collaborators (self-funded partners)
- A proposal can be rejected if one of partners appears to be non eligible
- Principal investigators can submit up to 2 proposals
- Principal investigators can submit only 1 proposal as coordinator (+ 1 as a partner)
- Additional documentation might be required nationally/regionally

  →Applicants are strongly encouraged to contact their national/regional contact points to check their national/regional eligibility rules before submission

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Eligible Costs

- Personnel
- Consumables
- Equipment
- Travel
- Other Direct Costs
- Subcontracting
- Overheads

Project partners must refer and adhere to their own regional/national regulations (Call text - Annex 1)

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Enterprises participation

European regulations prohibit Funding Organisations from granting aid to enterprises in difficulty.

Therefore, Funding Organisations will conduct checks to ensure that your enterprise is not in difficulty.

This process could take time. Please contact your Funding Organisation as early as possible.

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Double funding is not allowed

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Key Considerations for Successful Proposals

- Emphasis on multidisciplinary teams and intersectoral collaboration.
- Development of sustainability strategies (legal, financial, technological, educational).
- Inclusion of diverse stakeholders: health professionals, system owners, service users.
- Integration with broader ecosystems to ensure impactful and sustainable solutions.
- Focus on interdisciplinary research: clinical, public health, digital health, ethical, economic, and user-centered perspectives.
- Inclusion of sex, gender analysis and underrepresented populations

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How Proposals Are Assessed

Excellence	Impact	Quality and efficiency of the implementation
Clear objectives addressing enhancements in primary and community care	Credible pathways to achieving improved health outcomes	Robust work plans with clear timelines and resource allocation
Transformative, interdisciplinary approaches to reduce reliance on institutional care	Efficiency and accessibility of health systems with equitable, high-quality care	Expertise-driven roles and multidisciplinary collaborations
Sound concepts, methodologies, and business models	Long-term sustainability, including environmental impact and greener practices	Effective monitoring, risk mitigation, and management structures for innovation
Ethical considerations: gender, socioeconomic, environmental, and vulnerable populations	Effective dissemination to influence policies and healthcare delivery	
Stakeholder engagement: patients, providers, policymakers, and more		

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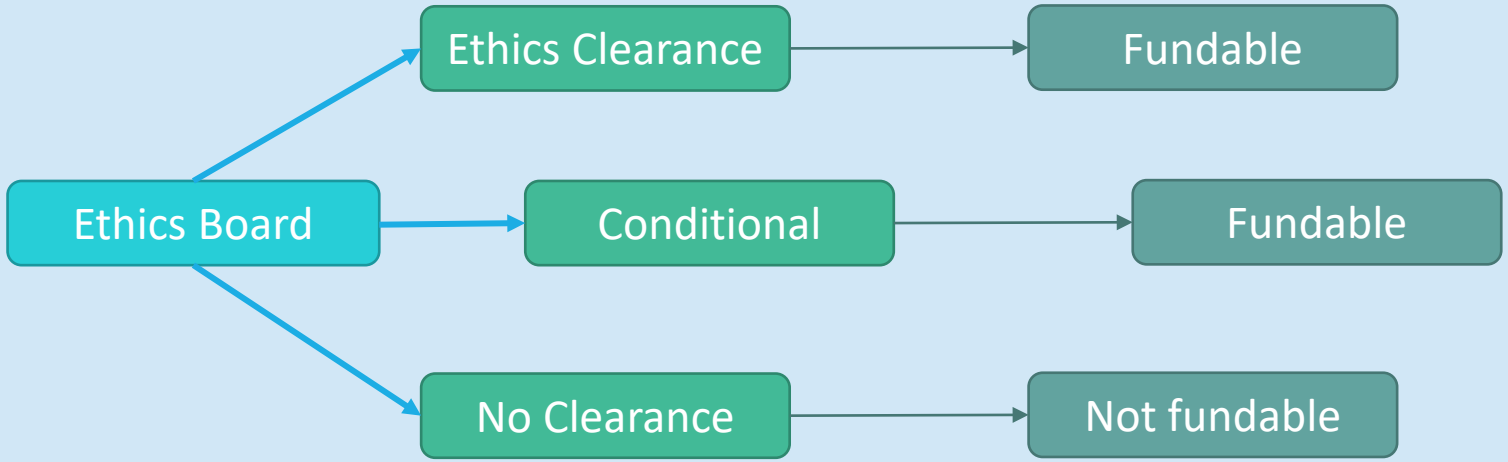
Ethics Clearance

The primary goal of the Ethics Clearance process is to conduct a screening identifying potential serious and complex ethics issues that may arise during project execution and ensures that applicants comply with legal requirements.



I. Annex 1: Ethical self-assessment

Short description of ethics and legal aspects in your proposal:

*In order to complete the ethics self-assessment, please go through the table below and for each section for which your answer is "YES", **please add a description of information at the end of each relevant section.** Please also provide an overview on related **tasks, responsible partners and documents to be provided for each question.***

For more information please see: https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/docs/2021-2027/common/guidance/how-to-complete-your-ethics-self-assessment_en.pdf

Please attach any supporting documents that are already available and, for the documents that are not yet available, indicate when you expect that they will be available. All relevant documents listed in the table and that are not yet available have to be ready to be submitted upon request.

Section 1: Human embryonic stem cells and human embryos	YES/NO	If yes, Add description in the appropriate section at the end of the table
Section 2: Humans	YES/NO	If yes, Add description in the appropriate section at the end of the table
Section 3: Humans cells / tissues	YES/NO	If yes, Add description in the appropriate section at the end of the table
Section 4: Personal data	YES/NO	If yes, Add description in the appropriate section at the end of the table
Section 5: Animals	YES/NO	If yes, Add description in the appropriate section at the end of the table
Section 6: Non-EU countries	YES/NO	If yes, Add description in the appropriate section at the end of the table
Section 7: Environment, Health and Safety	YES/NO	If yes, Add description in the appropriate section at the end of the table
Section 8: Artificial Intelligence	YES/NO	If yes, Add description in the appropriate section at the end of the table
Section 9: Other ethics issues	YES/NO	If yes, Add description in the appropriate section at the end of the table
Section 10: Crosscutting issues – Potential misuse of results	YES/NO	If yes, Add description in the appropriate section at the end of the table

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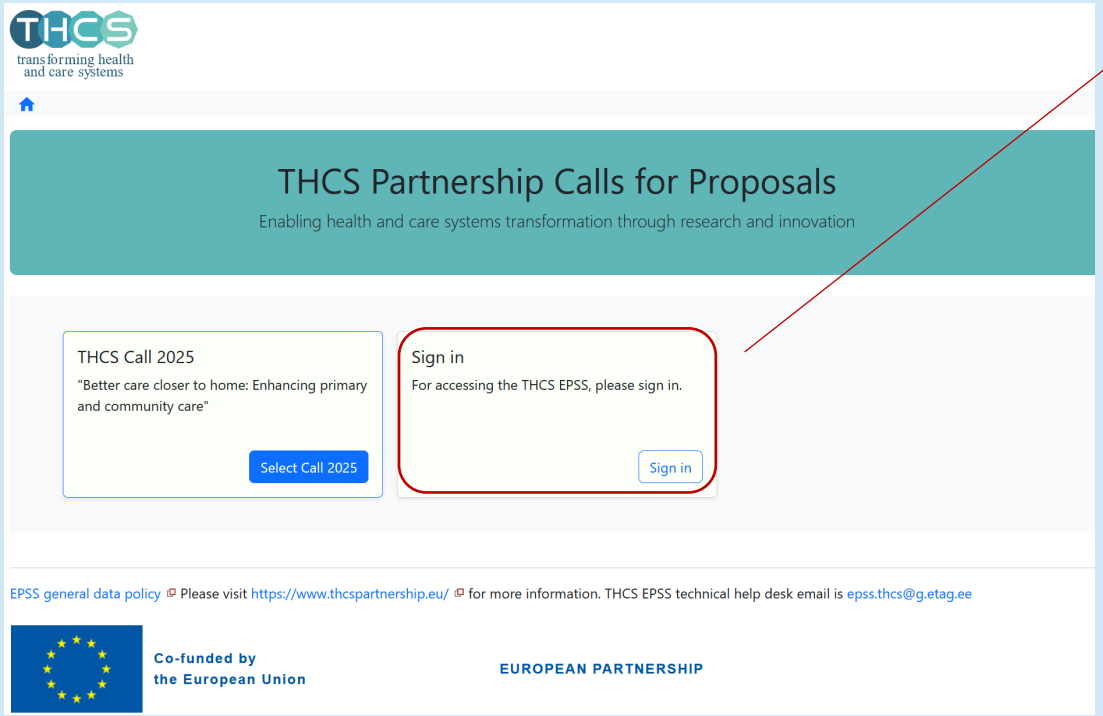
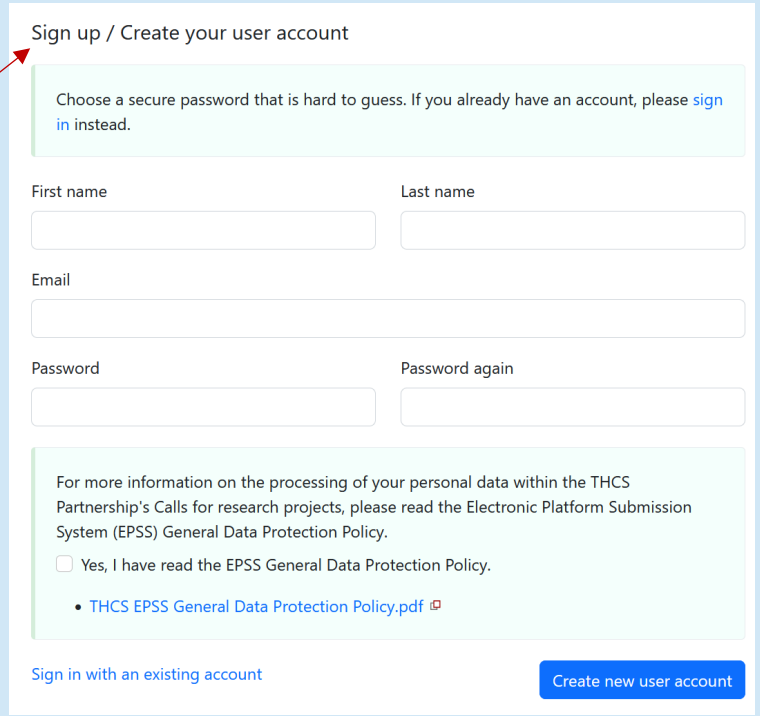
Submission platform





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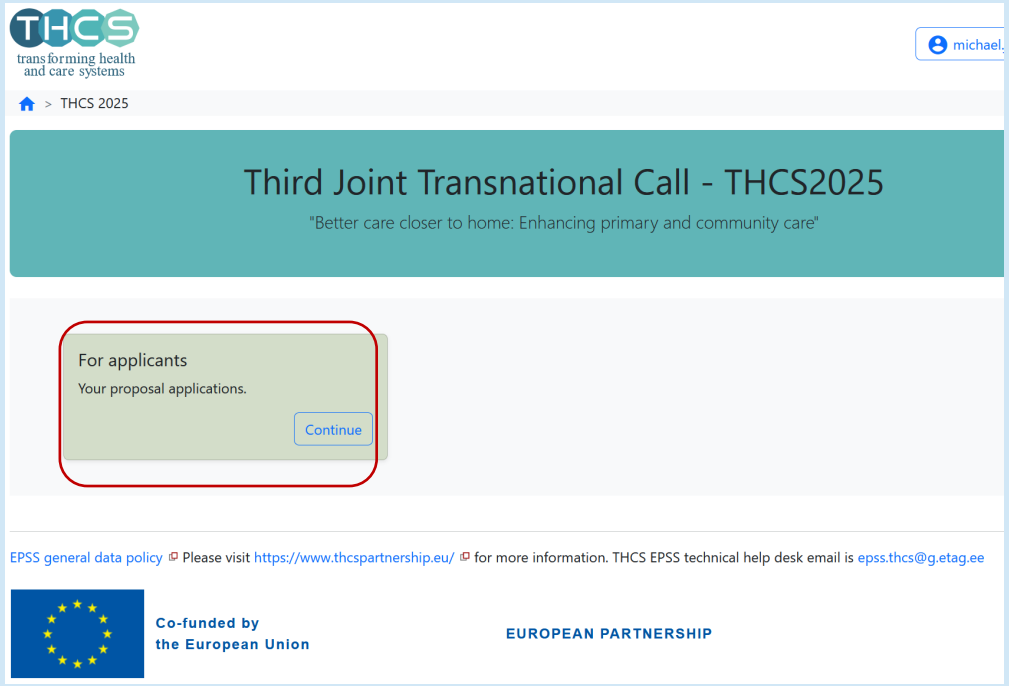

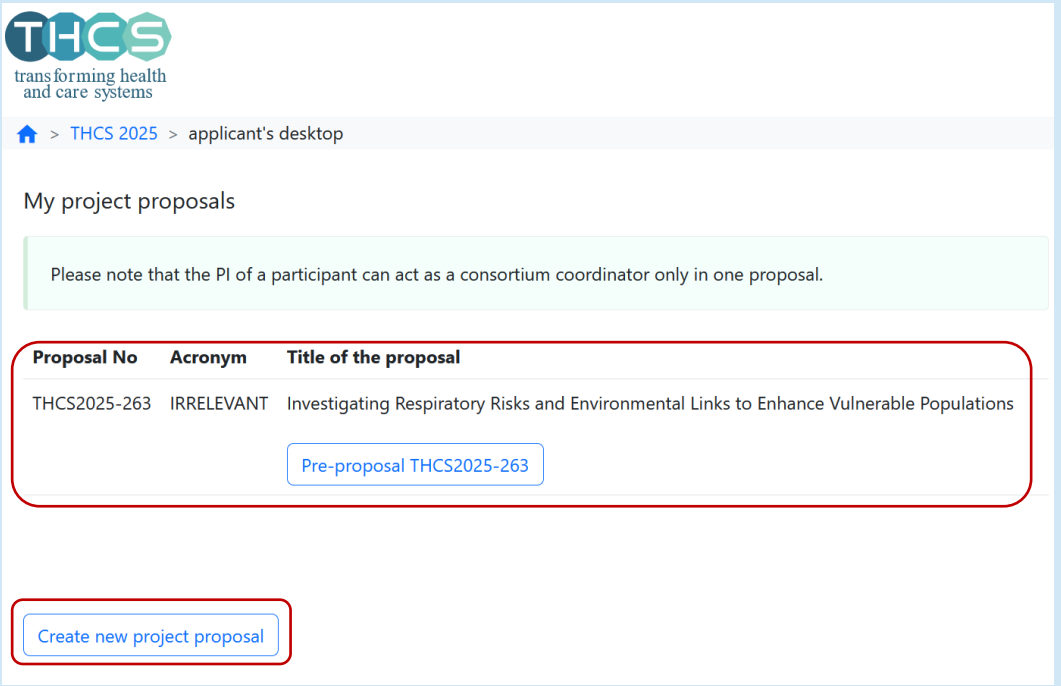

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Pre-proposal THCS2025-263 (IRRELEVANT)

The content of the proposal should be written in English. Incomplete proposals or proposals that do not adhere to the general eligibility criteria and to the national/regional eligibility requirements will be rejected and will not be evaluated.

The proposal can be submitted by the Consortium coordinator multiple times before the pre-proposal submitting deadline on 2025-01-30 14:00 CET (local time in Brussels, Copenhagen, Paris). Only the very last submitted copy will be used by the Joint Call Secretariat. It is not possible to edit / submit the proposal after this deadline. Time remaining until the deadline in your time zone - time.is/1400_30_January_2025_in_Brussels

Use the links below to edit / view different parts of the proposal. An incomplete proposal cannot be submitted by the Consortium coordinator. Please note that nearly all fields in the proposal forms are required to be filled in, a very few fields that are optional are marked as such. Make sure you complete any missing parts and fix any detected problems well before the pre-proposal submitting deadline.

Editing / submitting of the pre-proposal is not yet possible.

This PI has been given the special permission(s) to perform some tasks before / after the normal proposal editing period. Only to be used for specific tasks authorised by the Joint Call Secretariat.

1. General information - edit proposal title, acronym, project start date, keywords
2. Add / edit / remove Partners and Collaborators

3. Participants' details:

- **Partner 1 - Consortium Coordinator** - Michael r> - **France**
  - Participant's details
  - Financial plan
  - Preview this part of the proposal (will be available soon)
- **Partner 2** - Maria has not joined the proposal yet
  - Participant's details
  - Financial plan
  - Preview this part of the proposal (will be available soon)
- **Partner 3** - Ewoud has not joined the proposal yet
  - Participant's details
  - Financial plan
  - Preview this part of the proposal (will be available soon)
- **Partner 4** - Marcin >
  - Participant's details
  - Financial plan
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- **Partner 5** - Magdalena - has not joined the proposal yet
  - Participant's details
  - Financial plan
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4. Project description - upload a PDF file with the description of the project
5. Signatures - upload a PDF file with the signatures of all principal investigators
6. Preview the entire proposal - view the working copy of your pre-proposal **and submit it to the Joint Call Secretariat** (will be available soon)

7. View / download proposal's information (optional)
   - View / download proposal's general info
   - View / download partners' details
   - View / download proposal's budget details

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Better care closer to home: Enhancing primary and community care

***(THCS Grant* 101095654)**

Pre-proposal application form

Please note:

- Proposals that do not meet the regional/national eligibility criteria and requirements will be deemed ineligible without further review.
- All fields must be completed using "Calibri font, size 11" characters, single-spaced. The page margins of this form shall be respected.
- Sections in "italics" are instructions and should be deleted.
- Incomplete proposals (proposals missing any sections), proposals using a different format or exceeding length limitations of any sections will be deemed ineligible without further review.
- Joint proposals consist of two parts: 1) This pre-proposal form to present mainly the description of the planned work, and 2) the electronic submission tool to provide particularly individual partner information and financial plans. **Both parts should be completed jointly by all applying consortium partners and need to be started in due time.**
- In case of inconsistency between the information registered in the submission tool and the information included in the PDF of this application form, the **information registered in the submission tool shall prevail**.
- Refer to the "Guidelines for Applicants" for information about the proposal structure.
- Once completed, the pre-proposal must be converted in a single PDF document before being uploaded to the submission website.

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Timeline

January 30, 2025 14:00 CEST - Deadline for submission of Pre-proposals

June 19, 2025 14:00 CET - Deadline for submission of Full-proposals

August – Rebuttal stage

Late October – Results communicated

December 2025 – May 2026 - Expected project start

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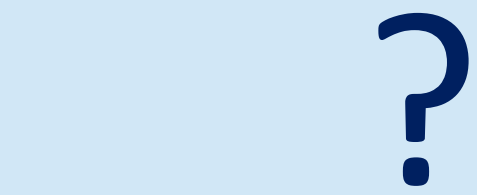

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Partner Search Tool

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- Support for research groups that are actively looking for partners or are interested in establishing collaborations with existing consortia,
- the search tool is simple and easily accessible,
- allows to post and view announcements,
- advanced options to search and filter the announcements database
- possibility to send a quick question about the details of an announcement or cooperation (chat).

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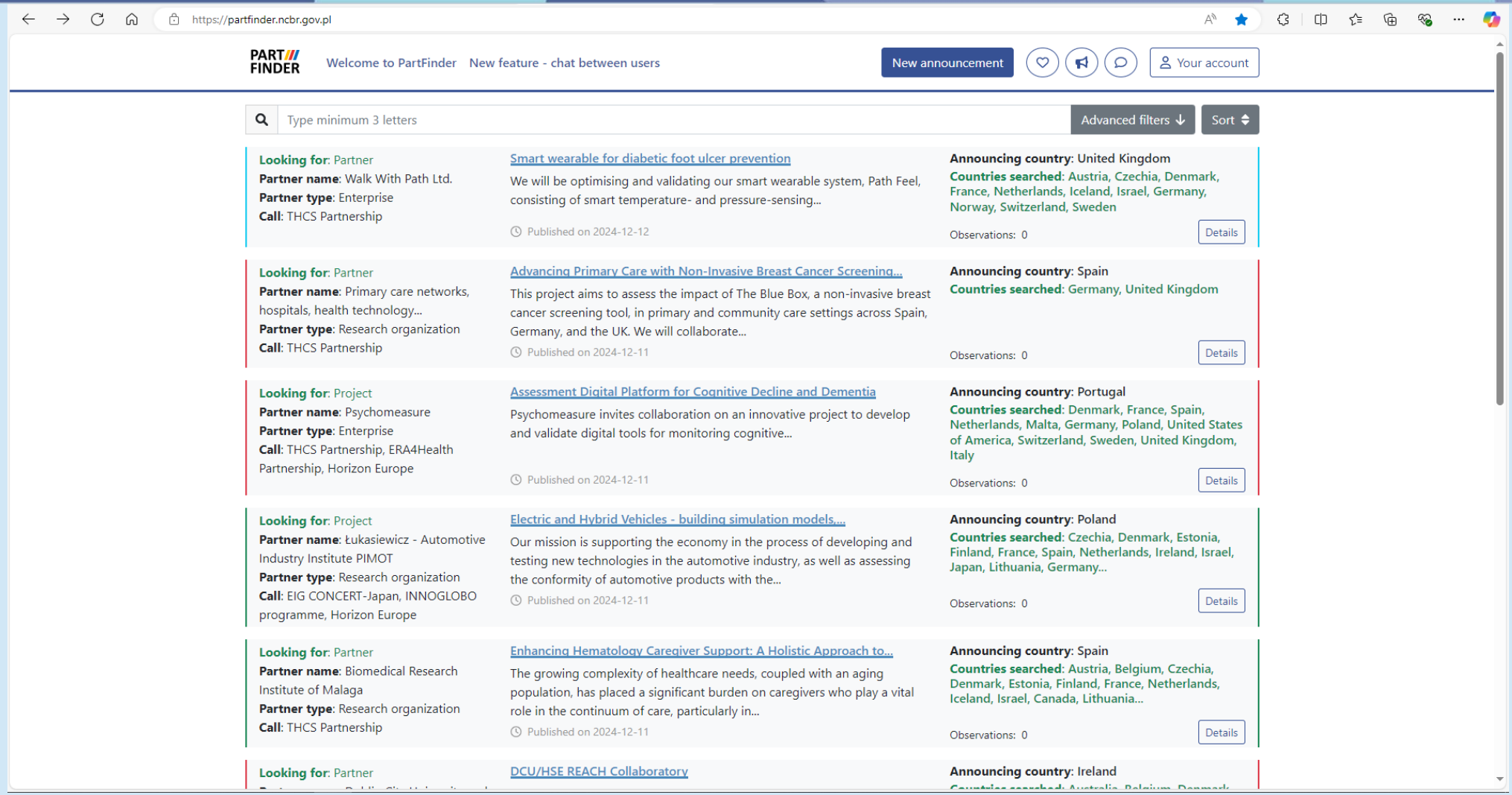

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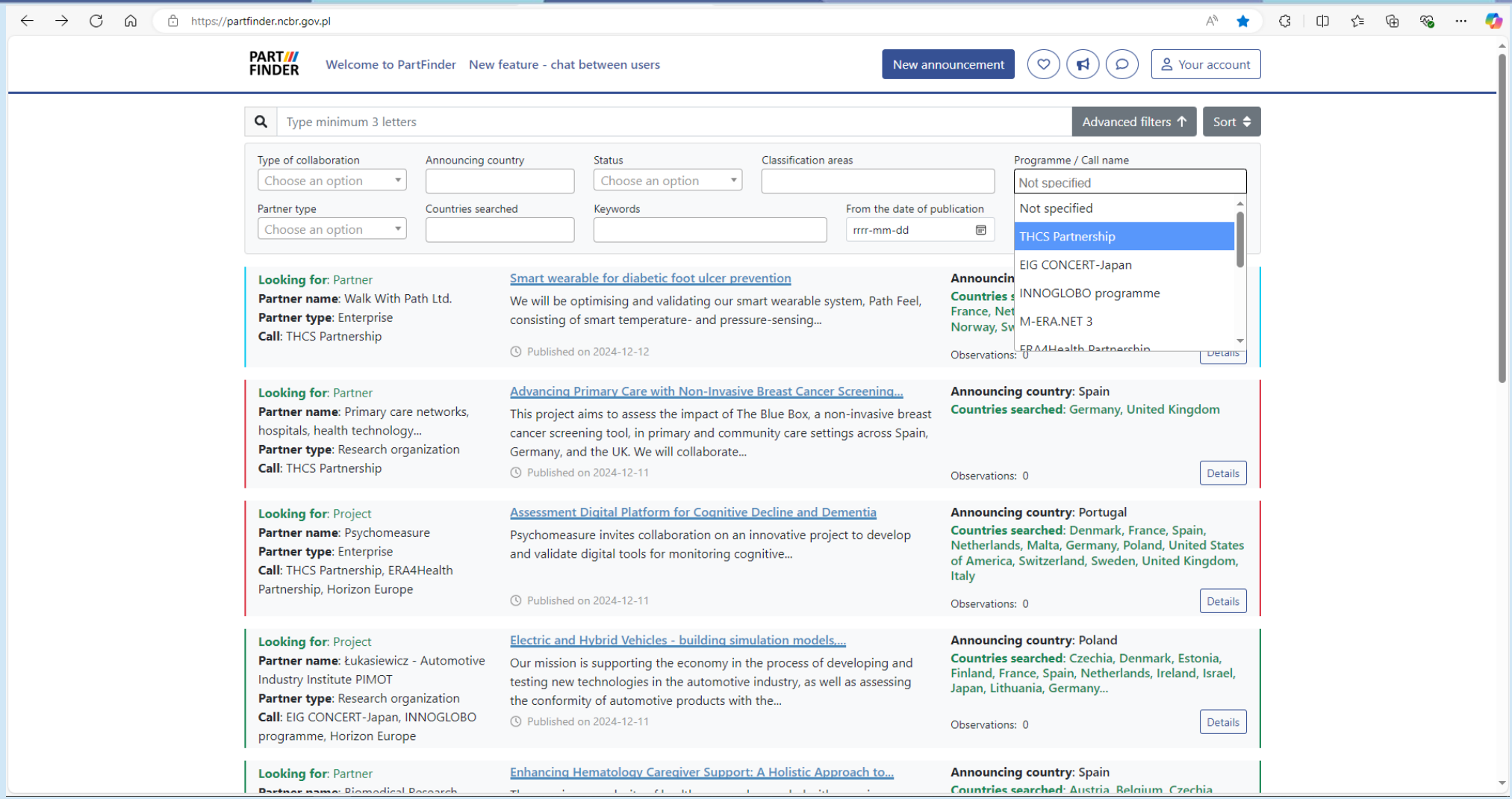

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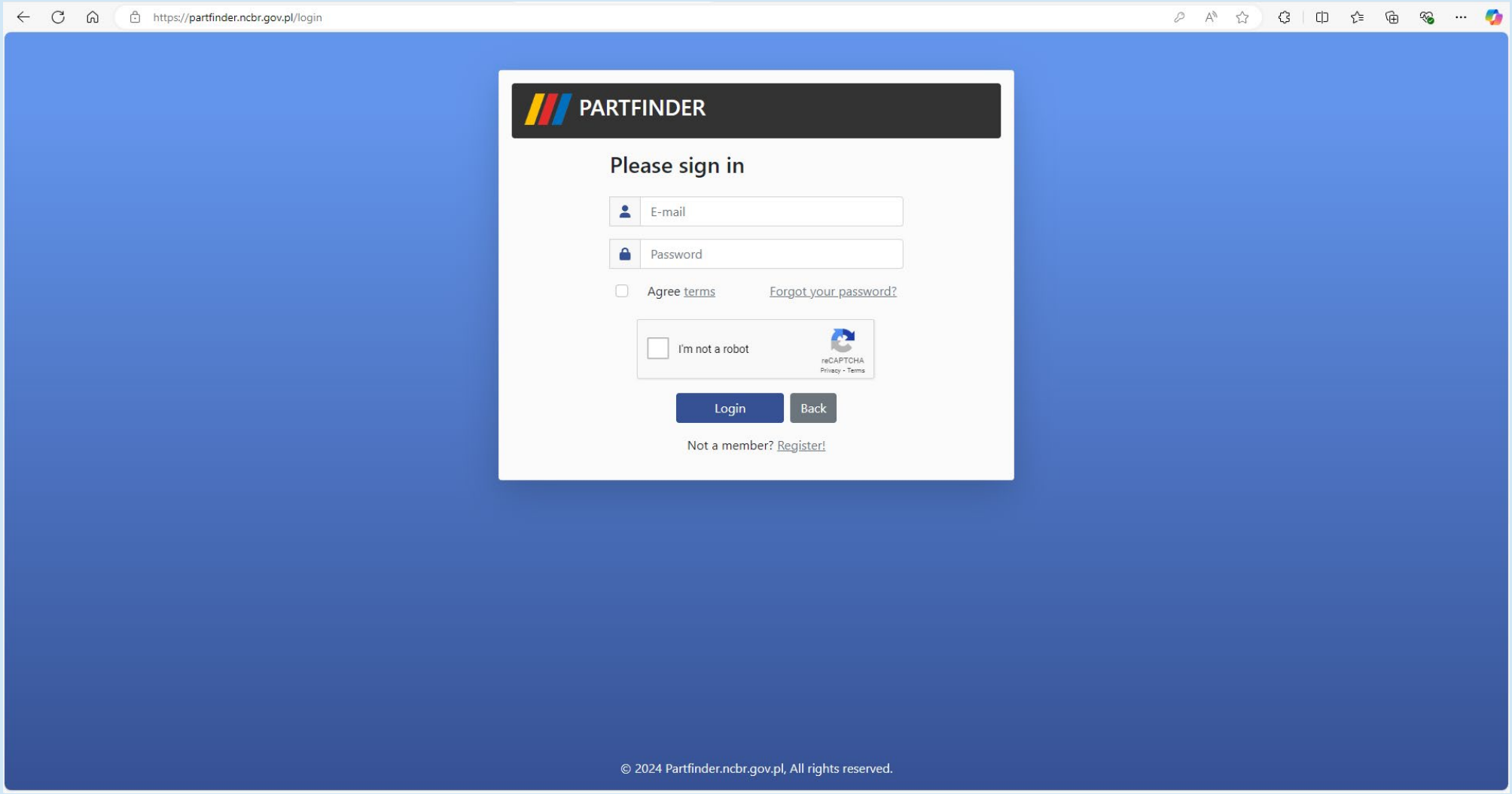

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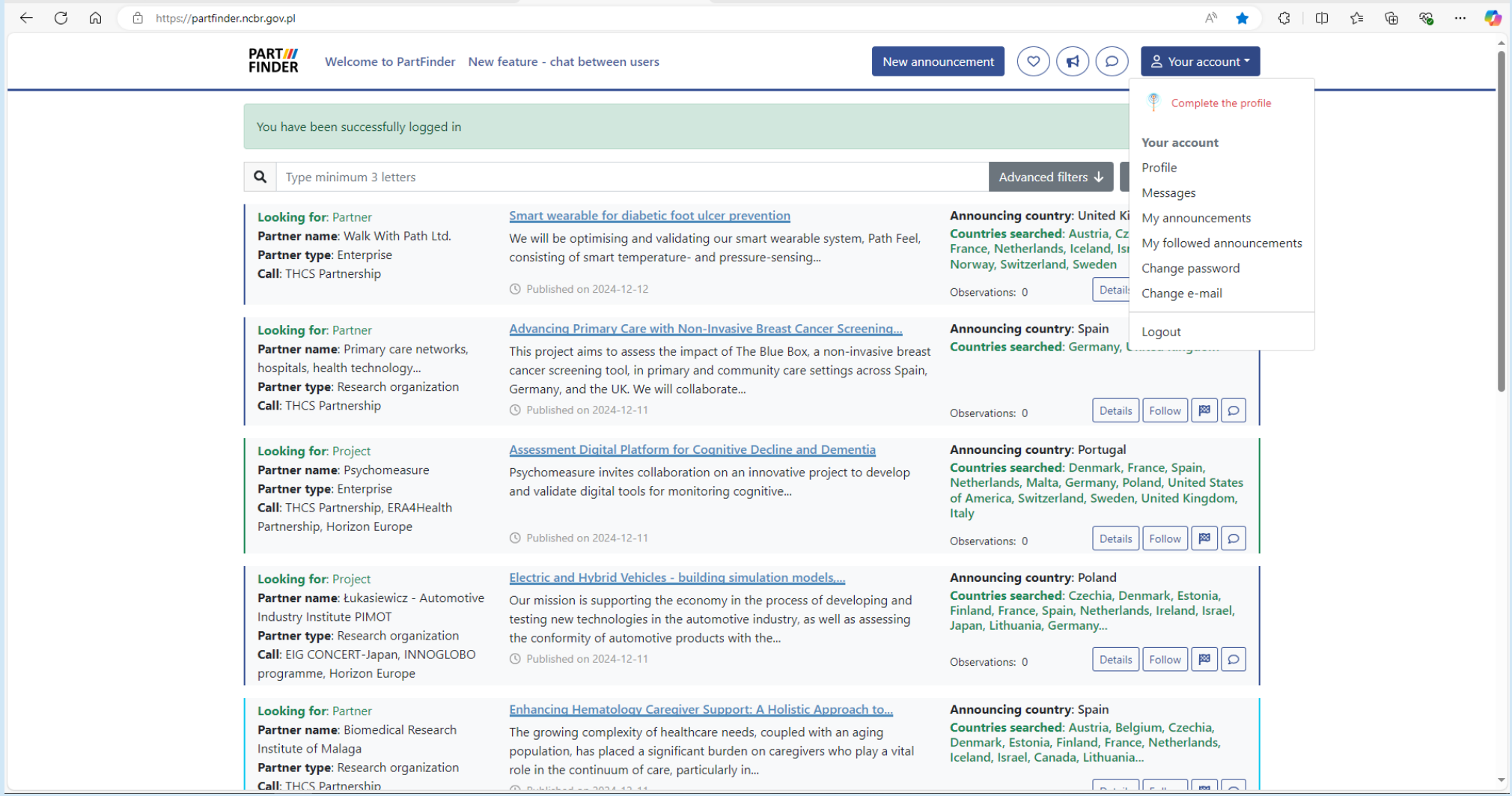

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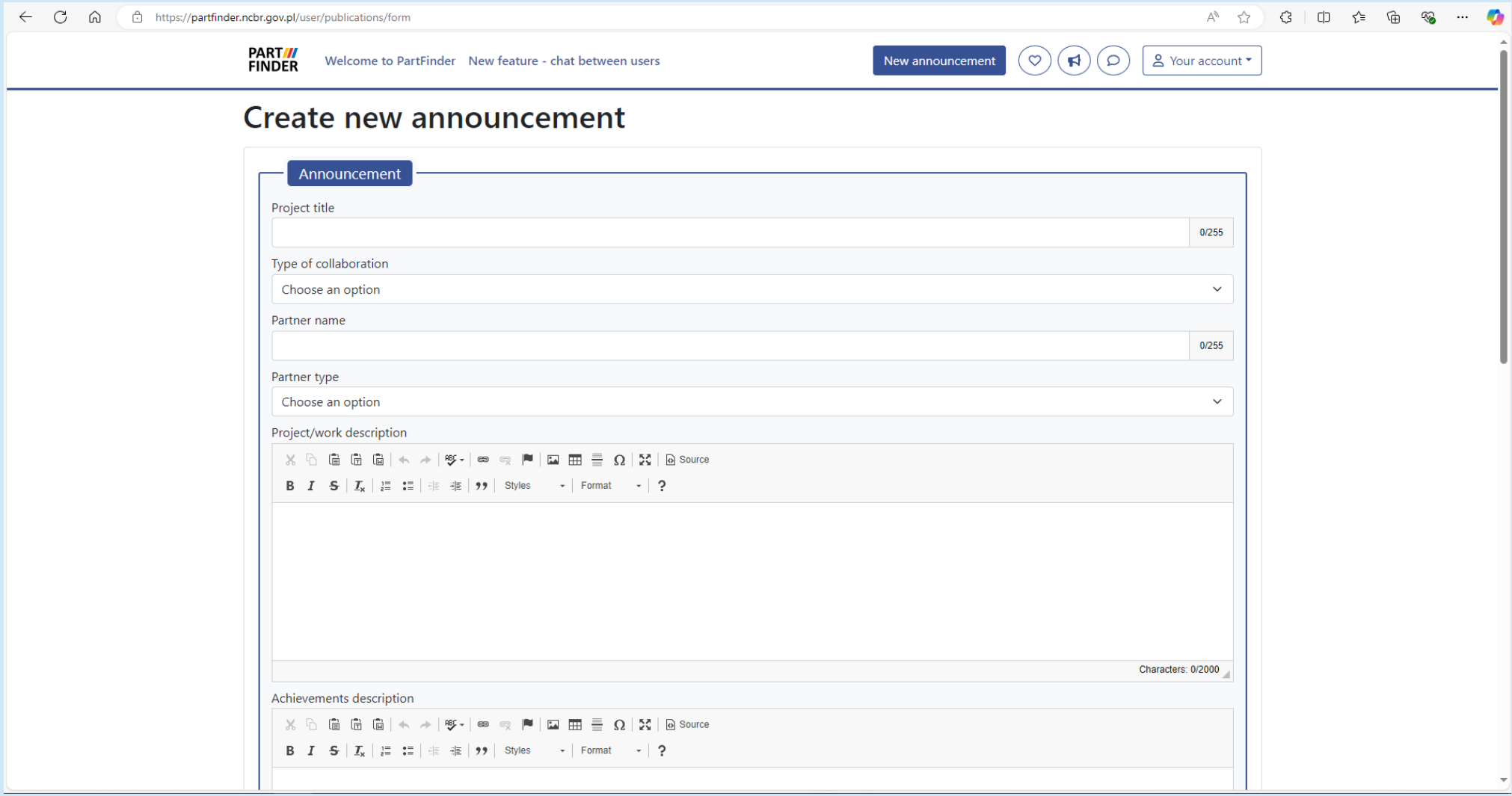

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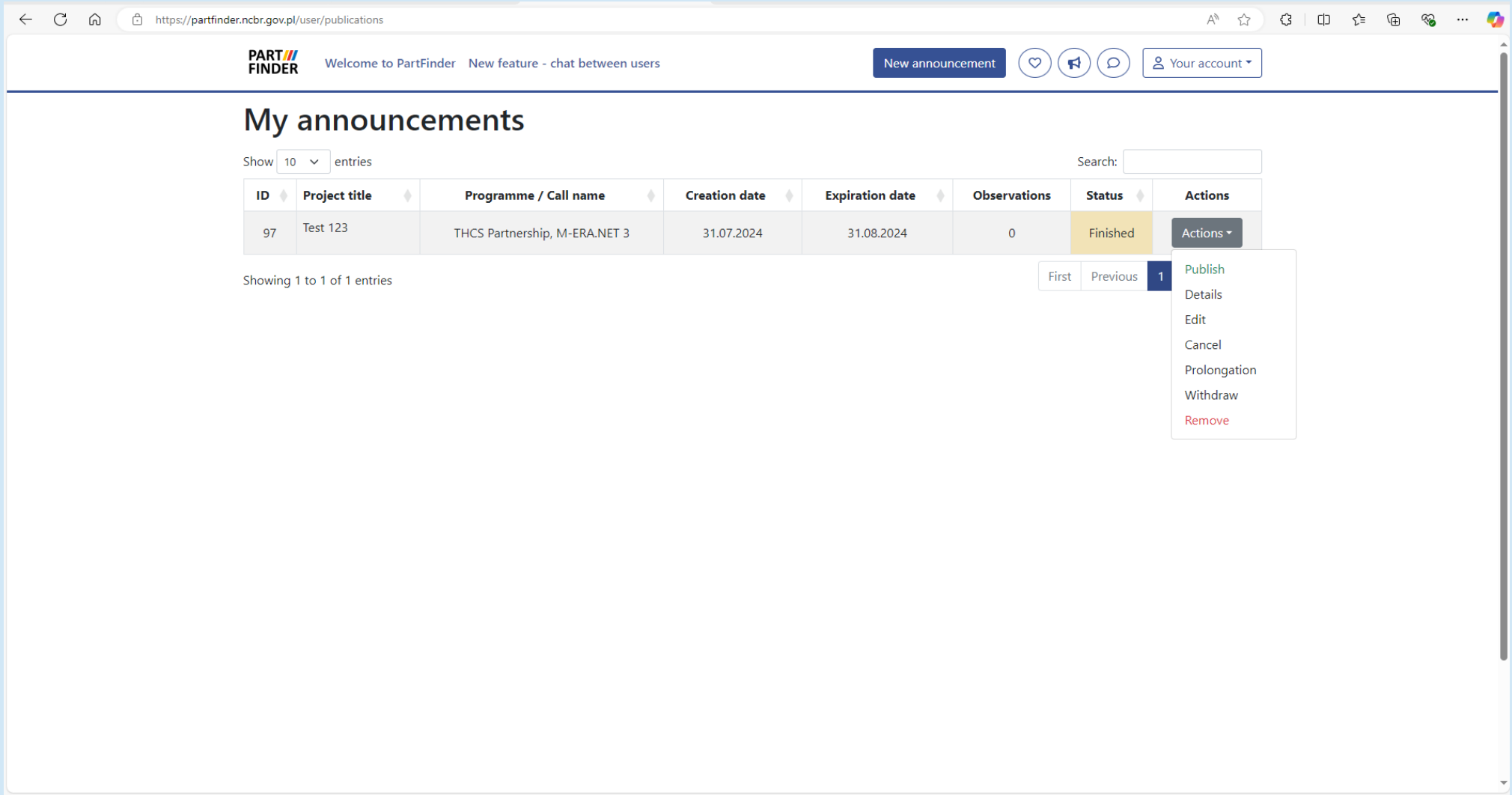

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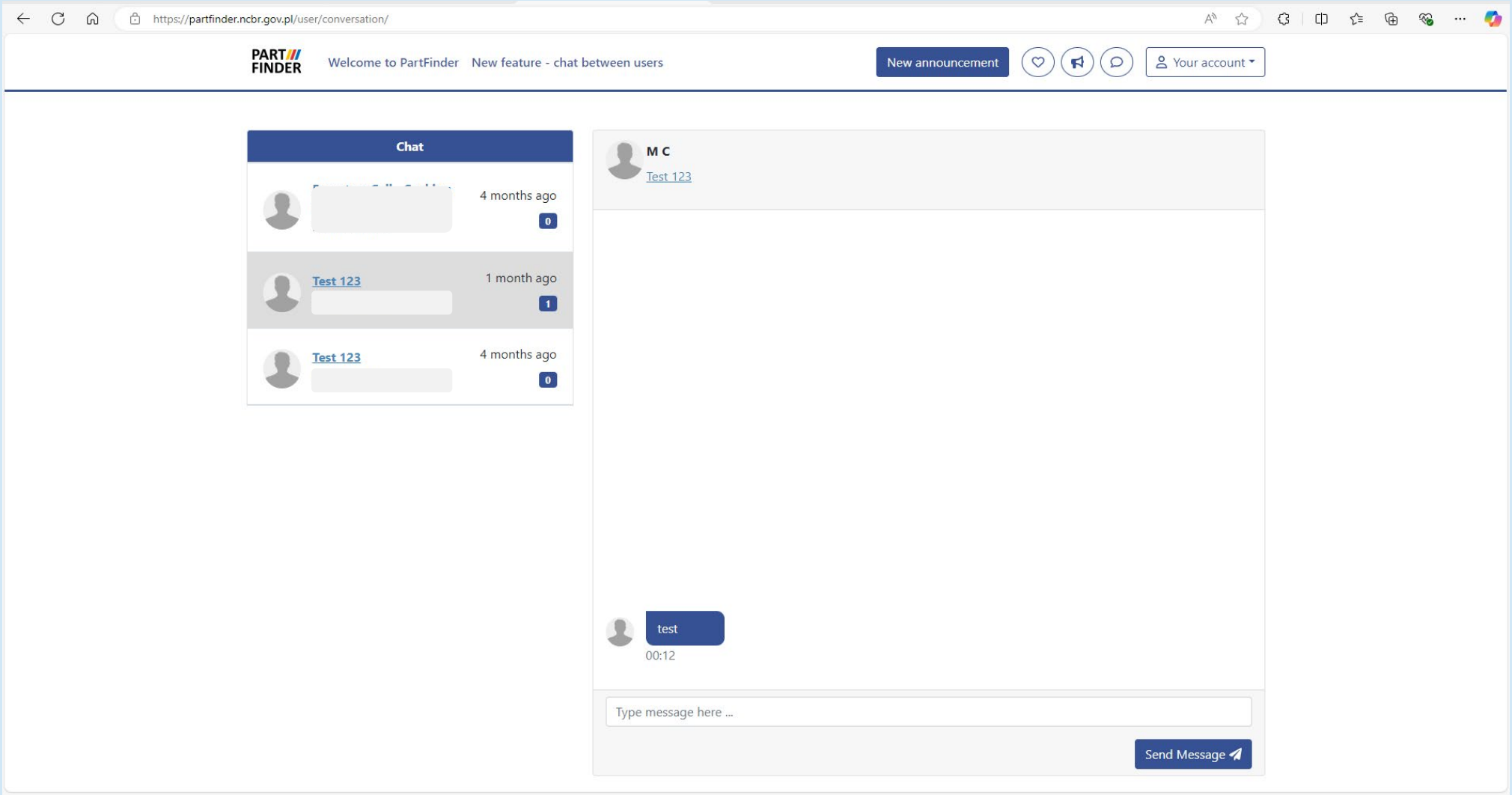

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