



# Horizon Europe @ TCD 2 Case Studies

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international  
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87<sup>th</sup> in the  
World  
QS 2025



34%  
international  
students



Top 100 in 21  
Subjects  
Top 50 in 3  
QS Subject Rankings 2023



91<sup>st</sup> in the  
World for Graduate  
Employability  
QS World Rankings 2022



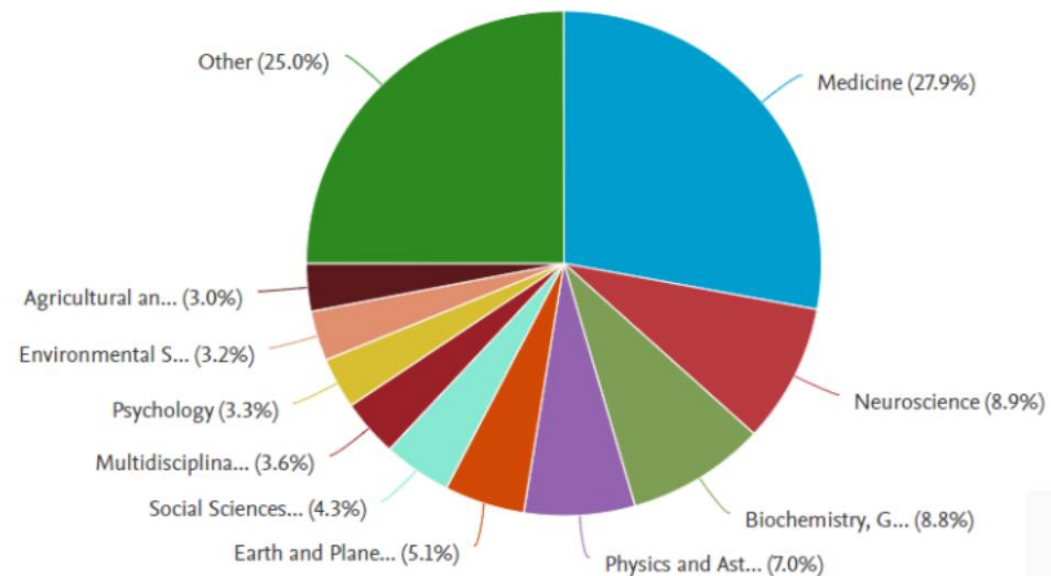


# Trinity & Canada

## Top 15 Non-EU Collaborating Countries (2019-2023)

Rank	Country
1	United Kingdom
2	United States
3	Australia
4	China
5	Canada

Documents by subject area



Source: Scopus, August 2024



# 2 large pillar 2 projects led by TCD



**BRINGING CITIES TO LIFE,  
BRINGING LIFE INTO CITIES**

<https://connectingnature.eu/>

Coordinated by  
Prof Marcus Collier  
@TCD



**TOWARDS RESILIENT & SUSTAINABLE FOOD  
SHARING**

<https://cultivate-project.eu/project/>

Coordinated by  
Prof Anna Davies  
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Scale and Objectives in Brief



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# The Consortium



## HORIZONTAL PARTNERS



Trinity College Dublin



ICLEI European Secretariat



Lunds University



Wageningen University



Barcelona University



ADAPT



ICONS

## SPOKE LOCATIONS



Espigoladors



Cascoland



UpFarming



FoodCloud



Dublin City Council

City of Utrecht



City of Milan



PEMB

**Budget: > €9 million**  
**Partners: Universities, City Authorities, Charities, Community Groups, ....**



zusammen leben



Boroume



Nesehnuti



Brighton & Hove Food Partnership



CULTIVATE

**CULTIVATE WILL DEVELOP THE FOOD SHARING COMPASS, A SOCIAL INNOVATION SUPPORT PLATFORM FOR**

**FOOD SHARING INITIATIVES**

**FOOD SUPPLY ACTORS**

**POLICY MAKERS**

**RESEARCHERS CITIZENS**



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## What is Connecting Nature?

**Overall goal:** “to innovate with nature to build climate resilience in cities.”

**Consortium:** 31 project partners involved from 16 European Countries and multiplier hubs in Brazil, China, Korea & The Caucasus (Georgia and Armenia)

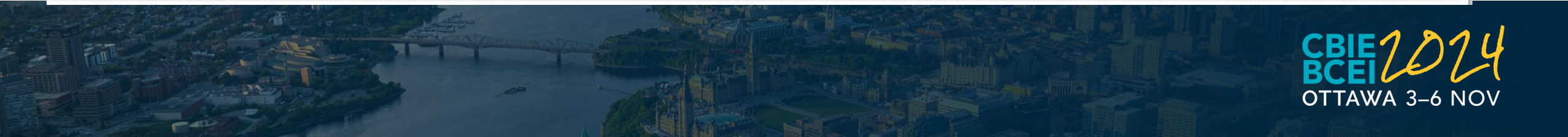
**Coordinator:** Trinity College Dublin, Ireland

**Budget:** €12 million

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## Urban challenges addressed by Connecting Nature

- Rapid climate and environmental change e.g. heat island effect,
- Complex water and waste management issues (e.g. flooding)
- Adverse health and well-being challenges,
- Changes in social cohesion and migration patterns,
- Governance challenges in tackling complex urban challenges e.g. “silo thinking”, deficit of knowledge around nature-based solutions.

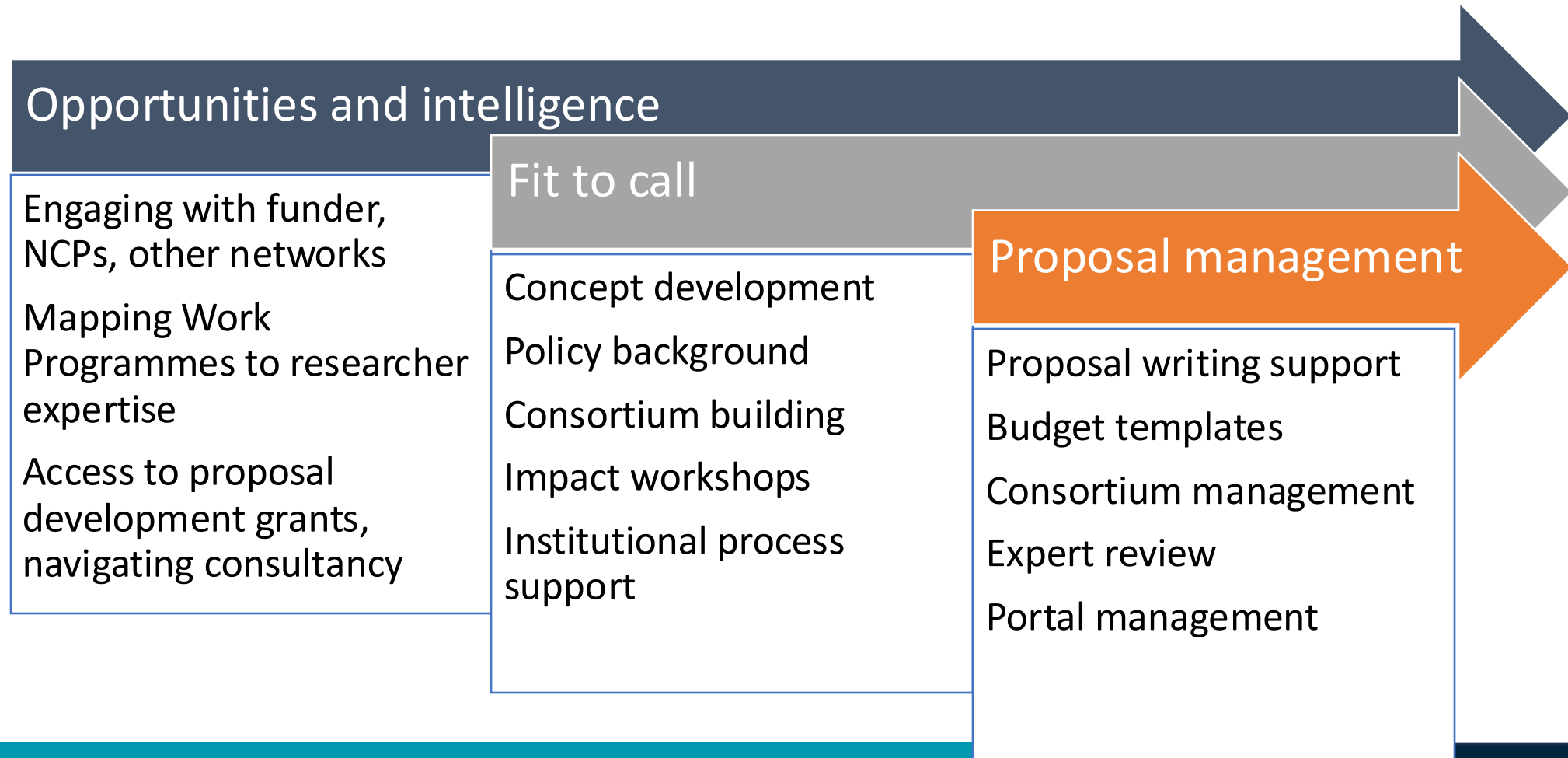
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# Suite of supports for Horizon Pillar 2 applicants



# Lessons learned & learning ...

The importance of **meticulous planning** in proposal stage

**Trust in and between partners**, investing in relationships with all stakeholders (including the Commission Project Officers and the professional staff who support financial and scientific reporting).

Need **experienced project managers**.

**Institutional support** for PIs with **post-project** impact monitoring and reporting when project staff have finished up.

Not all **industry partners & stakeholders** the same. Very **different support and engagement** needed: Multinationals – SMEs – Charities – Local Governments ...

**Thanks for listening!**

