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## Innovation partnerships

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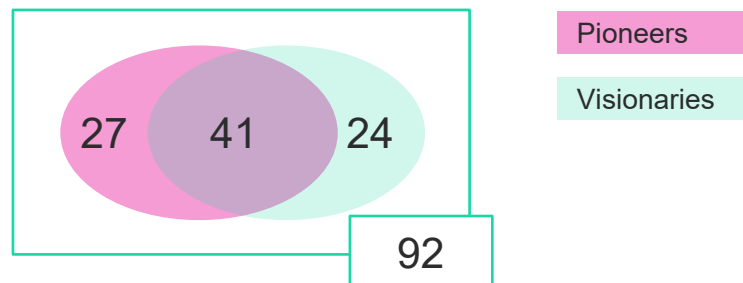
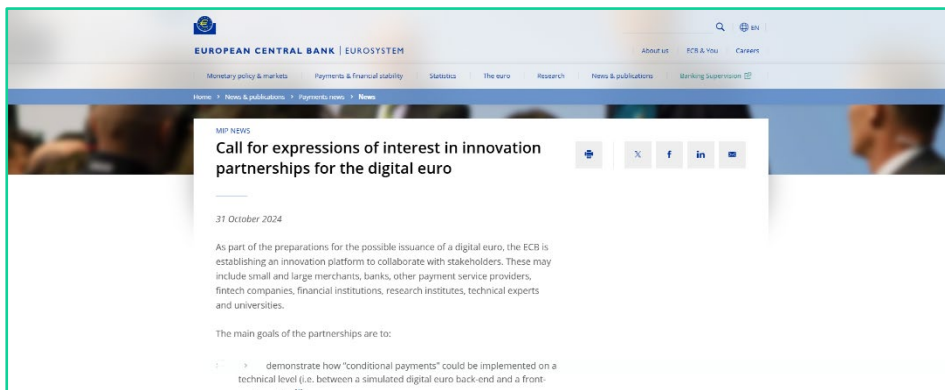
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# We continue to engage with market participants on a technical level

On 31 October, we published a **Call for expression of interest** to attract market participants to join an open and transparent experimentation exercise. Interested parties could apply until the 29<sup>th</sup> November.

We attracted **large interest** proving the worth of the engagement for market participants and the Eurosystem.



# The differences between the engagement types



## Main scope: Pioneers

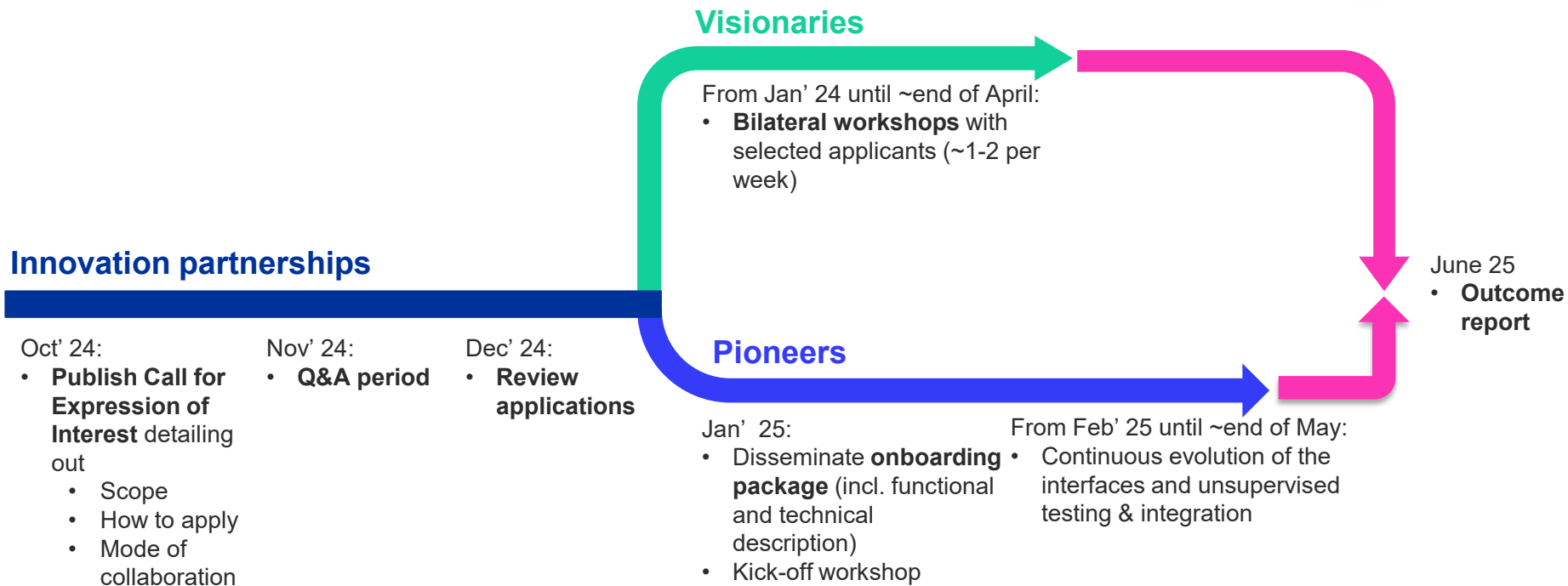
- Facilitate **technical testing** against digital euro infrastructure and **prove implementation of conditional payments**
- **Open participation** (minimum selection against potentially harmful applications)
- **Open collaboration** (onboarding package, technical support, no direct/weekly interactions, participants remain owners of created IP and may be allowed to communicate on their contribution)
- **On-site event at the ECB with e.g. HLTF/ERP** to showcase best entries
- To be **summarised in a report** to be published by the ECB



## Secondary scope: Visionaries

- **Conceptual work** to explore e.g. innovative use cases (e.g. also covering B2B payments), community impact and societal considerations involving multiple stakeholders with different backgrounds
- **All entries will be assessed** whereas the most interesting, innovative and coherent visions will be invited
- **One-off half day workshops** to promote the most original ideas
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# How the engagement is planned to continue



# Thank you for your attention!



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