

# NCP4Missions – the network of EU Missions' National Contact Points (NCPs)

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# NCP4Missions – the project



# General overview

- 🌐 First transnational NCP network for the European Missions
  - ▶ CSA funded under Horizon Europe (GA No. 101121092)
  - ▶ Start of project: September 2023
  - ▶ Duration: 54 months (4,5 years, end of February 2028)
  - ▶ Cordis Link: <https://cordis.europa.eu/project/id/101121092>

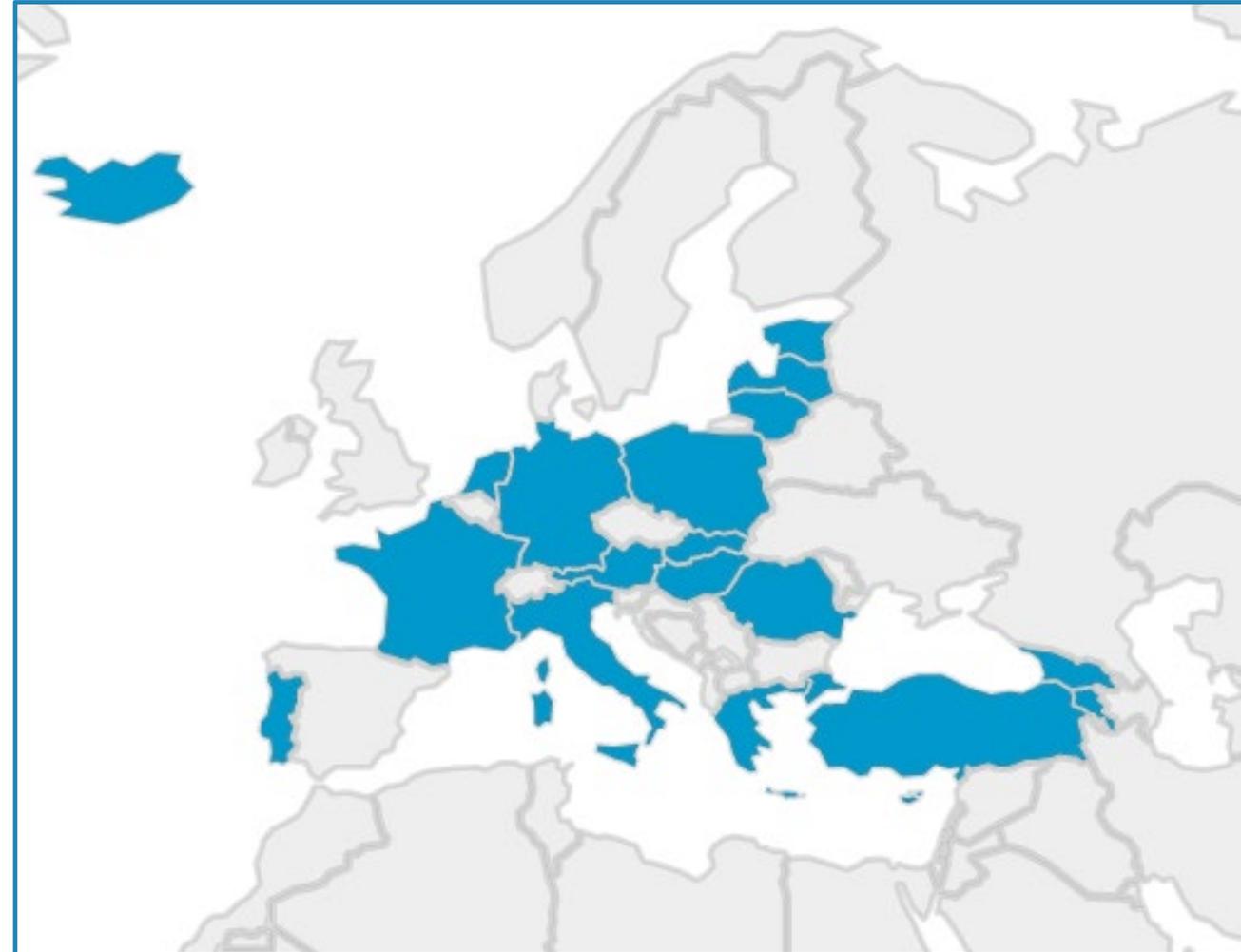


# Who is behind NCP4Missions?

 Missions NCPs from 19 countries form the consortium

- ▶ 4 Associated countries
- ▶ 15 EU Member states

 Armenia	 Austria	 Cyprus	 Estonia
 France	 <b>Germany</b>	 Georgia	 Greece
 Hungary	 Iceland	 Italy	 Latvia
 Lithuania	 Netherlands	 Poland	 Portugal
 Romania	 Slovakia	 Türkiye	



# What are our overarching goals?



-  **Capacity building for Mission NCPs**
  - ▶ Creating a transnational network of well connected Mission NCPs
  - ▶ Improving and harmonising NCP support services across Europe by sharing good practices
  - ▶ Facilitating and improving support for potential applicants
-  **Lowering the entry barriers for applicants**
  - ▶ Supporting networking and consortium formation
  - ▶ Increasing the quality of the submitted proposals
-  **Fostering synergies with relevant Mission and Horizon Europe structures**

# NCP4Mission's toolkit and services



# NCP4Missions' Event portfolio



# Our Events at a glance

## Annual Brokerage Events

- ▶ Events to stimulate networking, future collaborations and consortia building
- ▶ **Event Platform 2026**

## Workshops for Applicants (Website)

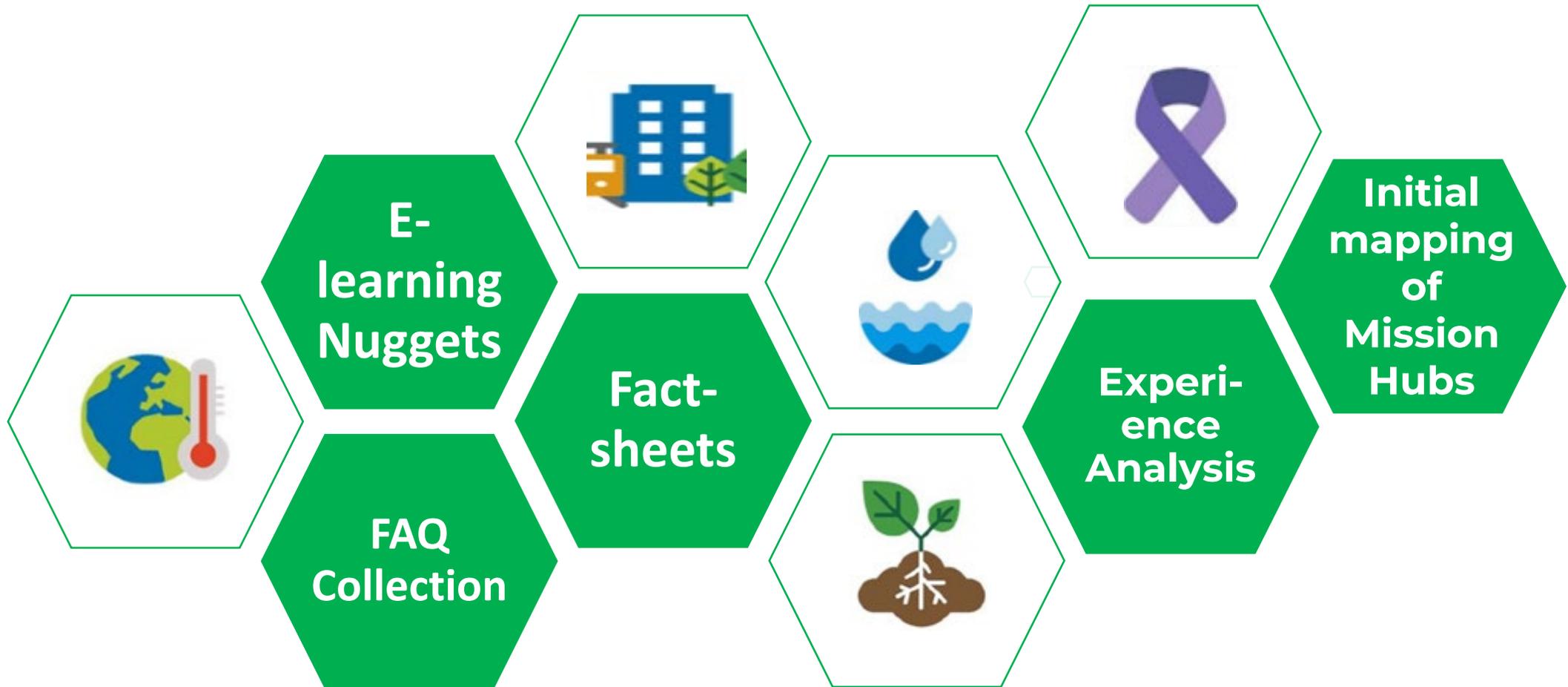
- ▶ **Synergies Workshops** to debate the needs and the differences between proposals in the Clusters' WP and the Missions' WP
- ▶ **Exchange Workshop** to improve knowledge on good practices of (non-) scientific integration in project activities



### Past workshops:

- 16.12.2025: Regional and local impacts of EU Missions and HE clusters
- 06.06.25: Citizen engagement approaches
- 06.12.24: The applicant approach towards Missions

# NCP4Missions' toolkit



# Factsheets

## One factsheet for each of the 5 EU Missions

- ▶ Mission overview and objectives
- ▶ How to get involved
- ▶ Funding opportunities
- ▶ The role of social engagement
- ▶ Insight

## Specific focus on the role of **social engagement** in the Missions

## Factsheets available on the NCP4Missions website

**NCP4MISSIONS**

**The value of social engagement in Cancer Mission**

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### Mission overview

The Mission Cancer aims to provide a better understanding of cancer, allow for earlier diagnosis and optimisation of treatment, and improve the quality of life of cancer patients during and after treatment. Mission's Cancer main goal is to **improve the lives of more than 3 million people by 2030** through prevention, cures, and a better quality of life.

### Key objectives

The mission activities are built around **four key objectives**:

- understand cancer and its risk factors
- prevention and early detection
- optimise diagnosis and treatments
- support the quality of life of people living with and after cancer, while ensuring equitable access for all.

### Funding opportunities

In the framework of Mission work programme 2023-2025 there are several funding opportunities aiming to support ideas on cancer research, innovation, technology and cancer control, to contribute to the Missions objectives.

Check out the new Cancer Mission **open calls** here: [HORIZON-MISS-CANCER-01-23](#). Use cases for the UNCA/Neu research data platform aids the development of national cancer tests to advance early detection of clinical trial programme by cancer charities funding and management of late-effects in for the European Cancer Patient Digital

### The role of social engagement

Social engagement is at heart of Mission on Cancer. Actions within Mission Cancer are focused on **Joining efforts** across Europe among **citizens, stakeholders and Member States** to make the fight and the cancer prevention more efficient and inclusive.

In this co-creation perspective, citizens as well as societal actors are considered as central player in designing and implementing effective solutions that contribute to the mission objectives. In addition, social engagement is a key factor in raising awareness across the whole society. For more information on the social engagement and collaboration initiatives carried out by Cancer Mission, click [here](#).

### Some Social Engagement Insights

Here some insights on social engagement activities carried out by **SalvOvar project** (funded under HORIZON-MISS-CANCER-2022-01), which aims at improving the management of patients with poor prognostic ovarian cancer after neoadjuvant chemotherapy.

**Social engagement strategies used in the project**

- Online and Onsite Community Building Events such as workshops, seminars
- Online and Onsite Forums and Groups

**Target groups involved**  
Researchers, practitioners; citizens; policy makers

**A particular successful example of Social Engagement activity within the project:**  
use of multimedia and digital communication technologies (Pis photo, videos and voice) to bring a human connection to the project.

**What made this initiative so successful**  
By involving a specific community, the initiative was particularly appealing for all those members who would stay update on main happening and novelties about the community.  
"Our targets are physicians and physicians like to see what other physicians are doing".

For more information about the project and its activities check the [SalvOvar website](#)

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# E-learning Nuggets

## Digital training courses to allow rapid knowledge transfer

- ▶ [E-learning Nugget #1](#): An introduction to the EU Missions: The basics
- ▶ [E-learning Nugget #2](#): Financial Support to Third Parties in EU Missions projects
- ▶ [E-learning Nugget #3](#): EU Missions: Aligning R&I projects with EU Policy Priorities

### Please note:

-  E-learning Nuggets are part of the HE NCP Virtual Campus
-  Please register to the campus first & enroll to the course
-  Please take your time for feedback

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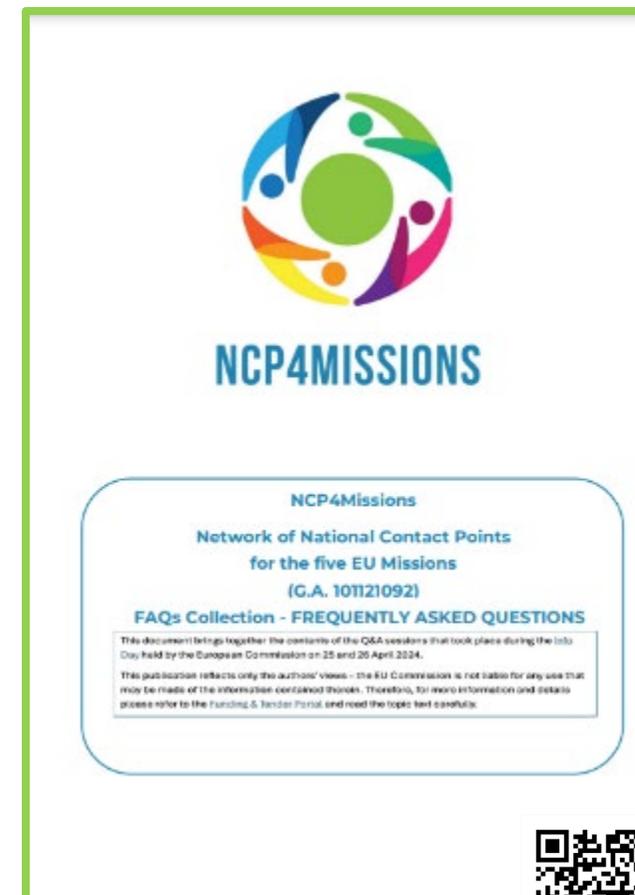


# FAQs Collection

## Online living document collecting relevant information on Missions calls

- ▶ One-stop source, based on
  - NCPs queries to EC,
  - EC documents,
  - EC Infodays and
  - Q&A of the EU Funding & Tenders portal

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# Experience Analysis Document

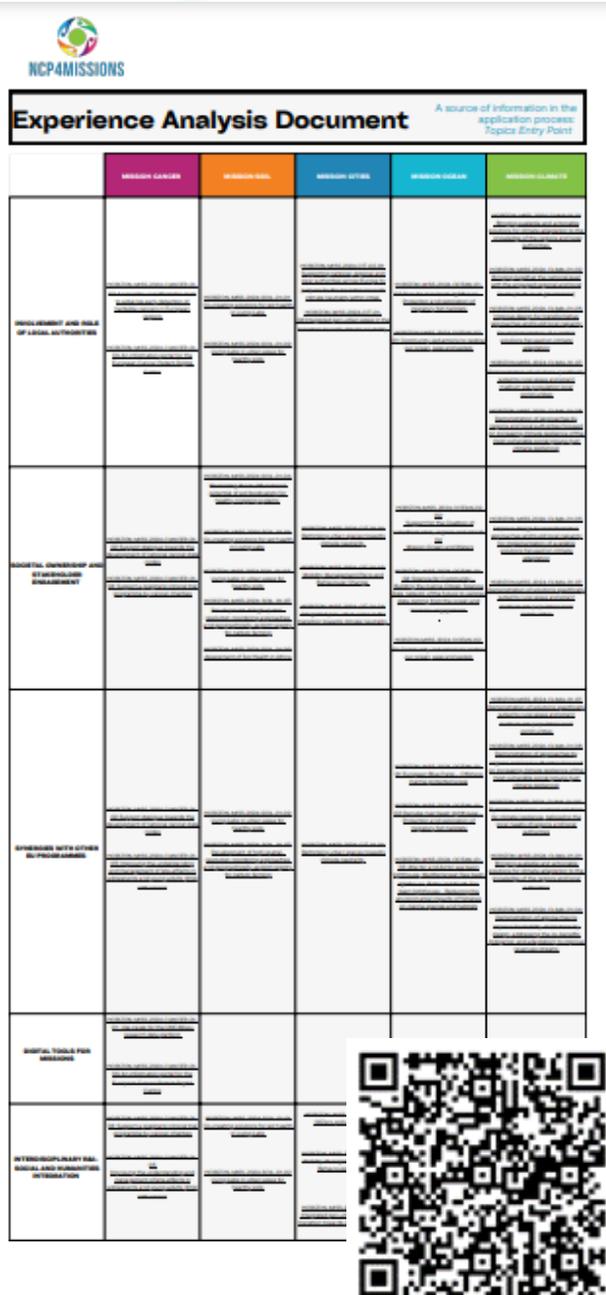


## Online living matrix

- ▶ Entry point to EU Missions' funding opportunities
- ▶ Source of information on the challenges specific to the Missions in the application process
  - Local authorities' involvement
  - Stakeholder engagement
  - Synergies with other EU programmes
  - Digital tools for missions
  - SSH integration



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The screenshot shows the 'Experience Analysis Document' matrix, which is a source of information in the application process. The matrix is organized into columns for different mission areas: Mission Cancer, Mission Soil, Mission Cities, Mission Digital, and Mission Climate. The rows represent various topics: Involvement and Role of Local Authorities, Digital Leadership and Stakeholder Engagement, Synergies with other EU Programmes, Digital Tools for Missions, and Interdisciplinary and Horizontal Integration. A QR code is located in the bottom right corner of the screenshot.

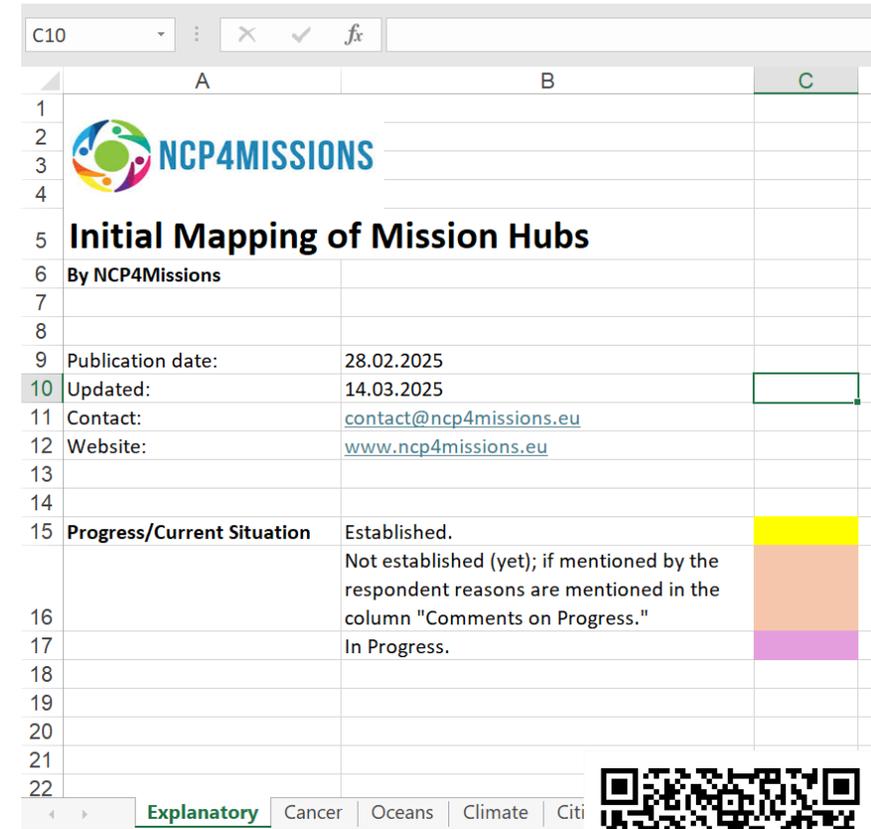
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DIGITAL LEADERSHIP AND STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT					
SYNERGIES WITH OTHER EU PROGRAMMES					
DIGITAL TOOLS FOR MISSIONS					
INTERDISCIPLINARY AND HORIZONTAL INTEGRATION					

# Initial mapping of Mission Hubs

## Mapping and continuous monitoring of Mission Hubs

- ▶ Questionnaire-based dataset capturing critical details such as
  - Mission Hub progress and structure
  - Legal and institutional frameworks
  - Stakeholder engagement mechanisms
  - Challenges and constraints faced by the Hubs

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# How do we stay in touch?

## Social Media

 [NCP4Missions](https://www.linkedin.com/company/ncp4missions)

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## Website

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## In person



