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WiFi4EU

Better connecting Europe to its citizens

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Promote free Wi-Fi connections in the main centres of community life

Support Wi-Fi equipment in public spaces (public administrations, libraries, parks, town squares, etc.) to

- allow all Europeans **experience the benefits of the Gigabit Society,** in line with the DSM connectivity objectives;

- encourage and promote **innovative digital services** developed locally: eGov, eHealth, eTourism, etc.

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COMMISSION PRIORITY

Digital Single Market

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Direct impact on EU citizens and communities

**Investing
€ 120 million by 2020**

**Connecting
6.000-8.000 communities**

Providing a single authentication system across Europe (2019 onwards)

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Making Europe visible and helpful

A response to local needs

Same branding across the EU

Quality user-experience

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Settings   Wi-Fi Networks

Wi-Fi   ON

Choose a Network...

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CBSUWLAN

eduroam

Other...

Ask to Join Networks   ON

Known networks will be joined automatically. If no known networks are available, you will be asked before joining a new network.

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Shared involvement in the project

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- Equipment and installation costs (CAPEX)
- Up to 100 % of total project cost
- € 15.000 max. / Municipality

Public Bodies

- Subscriptions to the ISP–Telecom operator (OPEX)
- At least 3 years in operation
- No commercial use

National Regulatory Authorities

- Removing regulatory obstacles to Wi-Fi deployment and quality of service

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Simple & non-bureaucratic: an applicant-friendly scheme

- **Online applications**

- **Light decision making**

- **Payment by vouchers**

- **Remote and real-time monitoring**

Fast deployment on the ground

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How will it work?

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| Registration | Application of Municipalities | Selection of Applications | Installation | Payment | Functional WiFi4EU Hotspot |

Registration

Once the portal opens registration is possible for:

- **municipalities**
- **Wi-Fi installation companies**

No need to "rush": registration can be done any time, valid for all 5 calls for projects.

I want to register a municipality

Register now

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Application

As soon as a call opens, the municipalities can apply:

- Open your registration ("my account")

- Be quick to click "apply":

First come, first served !

Municipality ⬍

🏛 Brussel   Apply for voucher

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Selection Criteria

first come, first served
application time

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geographically balanced
each country gets
- at least 15 vouchers
- max. 8% of the budget

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Installation

- Municipalities choose 'main centre of public life'
- Municipalities choose their installation company.

Installation must be done within 18 months.

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Payment

1. Municipality sends the voucher to the installation company
2. Commission verifies the Wi-Fi hotspot is operating
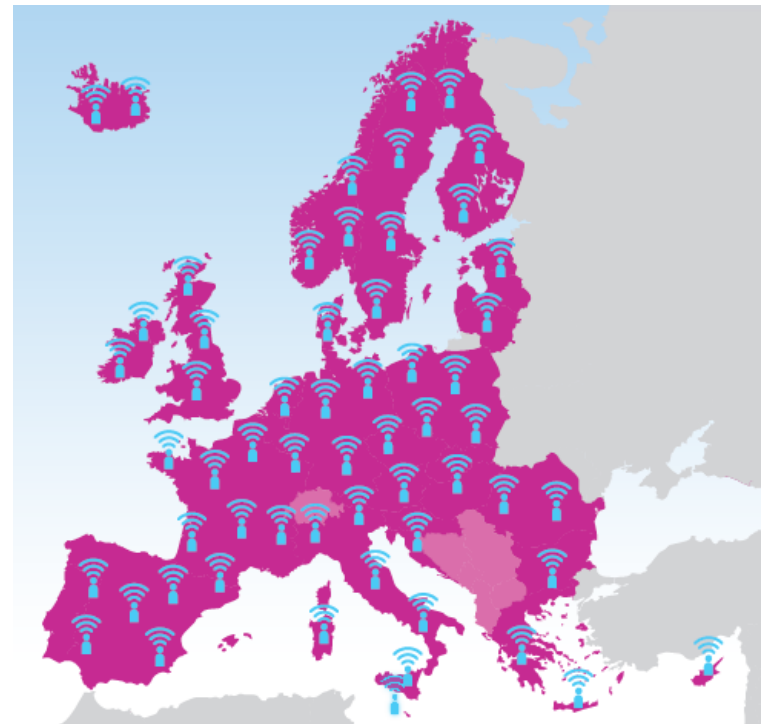3. Installation company redeems the voucher to the Commission

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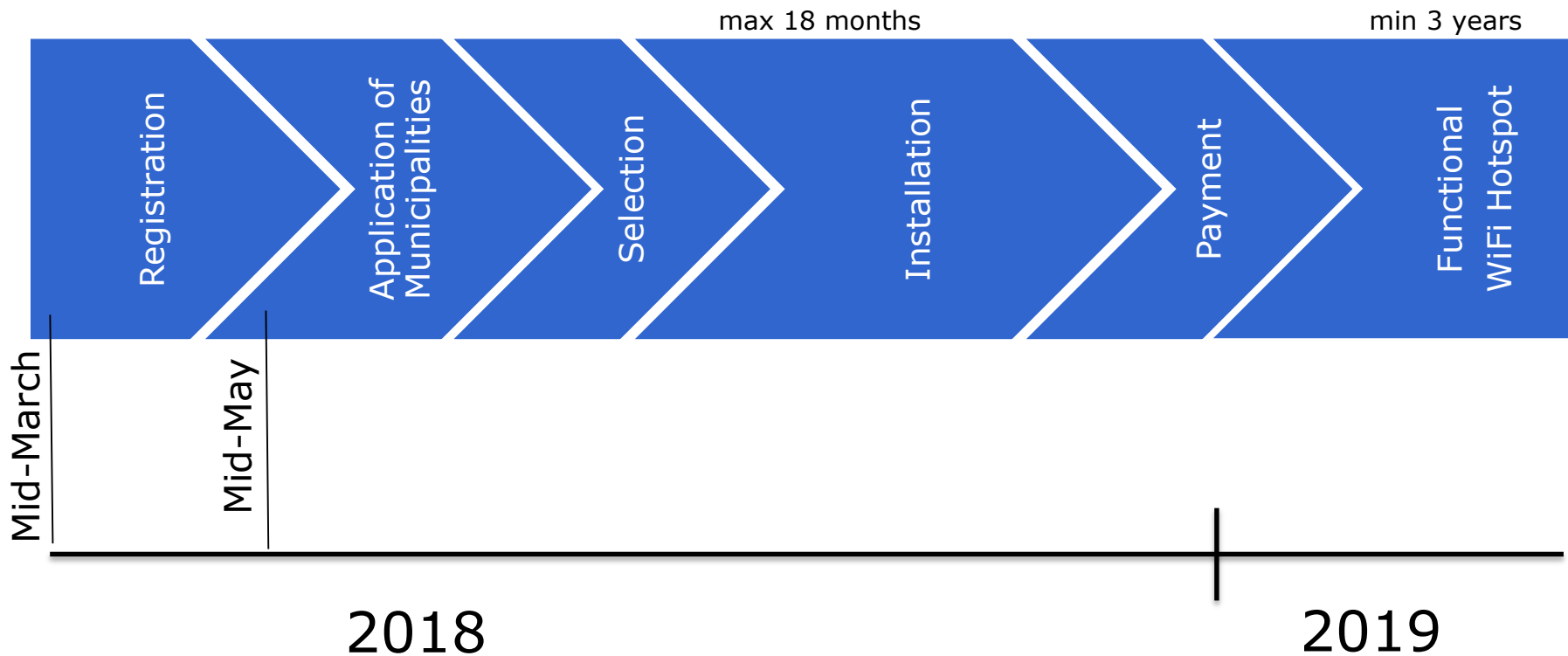
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WiFi4EU Hotspot

Municipality pays for the subscription.

WiFi4EU hotspot must be operational for 3 years (minimum).

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First Call Timeline

max 18 months   min 3 years

Registration → Application of Municipalities → Selection → Installation → Payment → Functional WiFi Hotspot

Mid-March   Mid-May

2018   2019
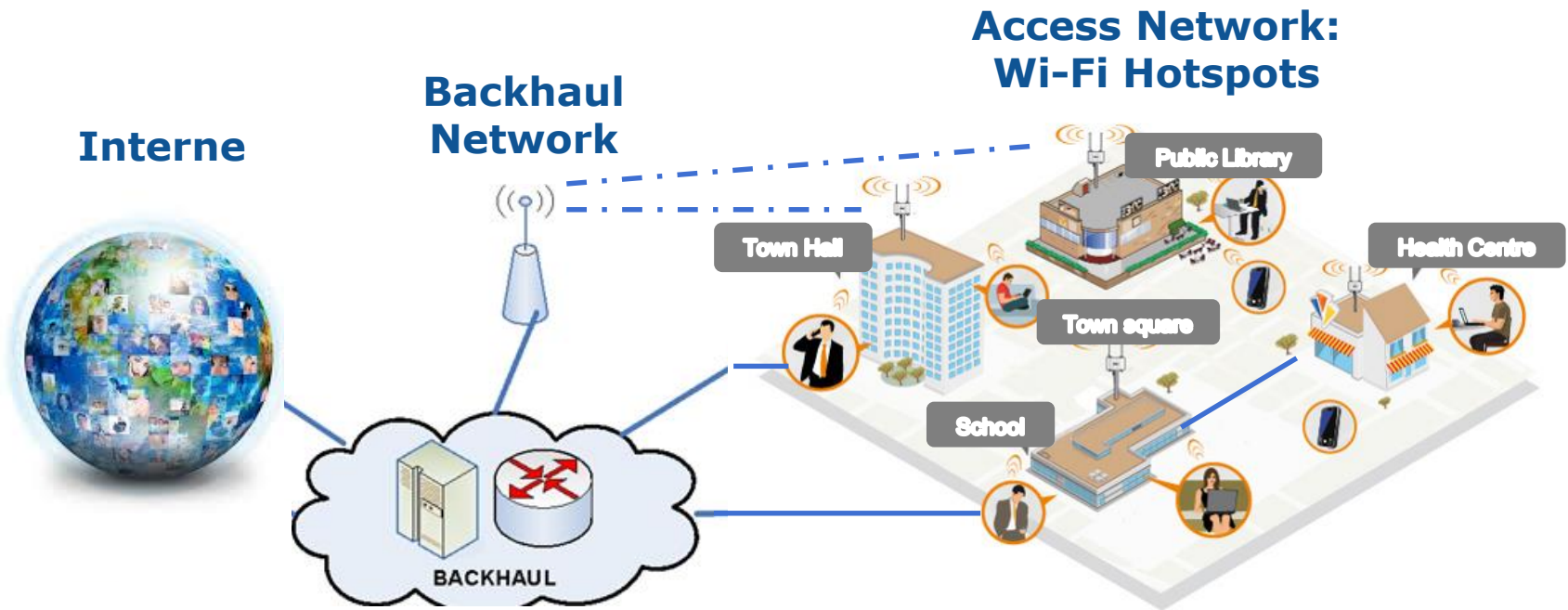
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First call
(CEF Work Programme 2017)

- Budget: **€ 15 million**;

- Voucher value: **€ 15,000 per municipality**

up to **1,000 vouchers**

- Applicants:

  - **Municipalities**

  - **Associations formed by Municipalities**

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Complementary with EU funding

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Backhaul Network

Access Network: Wi-Fi Hotspots

Town Hall · *Public Library* · *Town square* · *School* · *Health Centre*

BACKHAUL

ESIF, CEF and *EFSI* can support the backhaul network
(National/Regional Broadband Plans)

WiFi4EU will support the Wi-Fi access points
(Local authority initiative)

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Any question on WiFi4EU ?

TODAY:

- **DSM Website**:
  https://ec.europa.eu/digital-single-market/en/wifi4eu-free-wi-fi-europeans
- **Email**:   CNECT-WIFI4EU@ec.europa.eu

TOMORROW:

- **WiFi4EU Portal**
  http://wifi4eu.eu/   ➡ **available in all EU languages**

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