PARTNER SEARCH FORM for Digital Europe Programme (DEP)

☒ **I offer my expertise to participate as a Partner in a DEP Project**
☐ **I am planning to coordinate a Project and I am looking for Project Partners**

TOPICS OF INTEREST

- TOPIC ID: LDT4SSC Open Call 2 – Work Strand 3 (Adding new and advanced AI services to the EU LDT Toolbox)
- TOPIC Deadline: 2 April 2026
- Deadline for the expressions of interest: 25 March 2026

PARTNER INFORMATION

- **Description of the Legal Entity:**
    - Higher Education ☐
    - Research Institution ☐
    - Public Administration ☐
    - Industry / SME X
    - NGO ☐
    - Other: ☐

    Please specify:

- **Description and expertise of the team:**
  8peaks builds KennisAI, a production-grade (TRL-7) Sovereign AI Control Plane and Zero-Trust Gateway. We specialize in making Generative AI and multi-agent systems cybersecure and natively compliant with the EU AI Act (Article 12), GDPR, and NIS2. Our infrastructure allows highly regulated entities—such as municipalities and critical infrastructure operators—to integrate advanced AI and LLMs directly into their Local Digital Twins (LDTs). By running strictly on-premise or within a private municipal cloud, we guarantee zero data exfiltration, enabling cities to process highly sensitive citizen and infrastructure data without the "Shadow AI" risks associated with public cloud APIs.

- **Potential role in the project:**
    - Technology provider x
    - Data provider ☐
    - Research ☐
    - Training ☐
    - Dissemination ☐
    - Other: ☐

Please specify:

Expertise / competence needed in case of searching for Project Partners:

To complete our consortium for Work Strand 3, we are actively seeking Municipalities / City Administrations to serve as pilot end-users and primary testing grounds. Specifically, we are looking for:

1. A Flemish Partner City (to serve as the primary local use-case owner).

2. An International Partner City (to validate cross-border scalability and integration). Ideal partners are forward-thinking cities looking to safely unlock agentic AI for their digital twins in areas like ESG reporting, smart energy grids, or predictive infrastructure maintenance.

- **Other areas of interest for collaboration:**

Secure edge computing, cyber-resilient smart city architectures, data sovereignty, automated compliance frameworks, and privacy-preserving federated analytics for urban planning.

- **Already experience in EU funded projects as a:**
  - Coordinator: ☐YES   X NO
  - Partner: X YES   ☐ NO

- **Project experience and track record:**
  Our team has active participation and expertise in securing advanced AI frameworks within Horizon Europe initiatives. We possess deep expertise in bridging the gap between open-source AI innovation and enterprise-grade European regulatory compliance.

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