Clarification Note No 1

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Grant procedure: EUSPA/GRANT/03/2022
"Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning"

Question no. 1: Section 1.3 in the Call for Proposal states that "EUSPA is launching a call for proposals to design, develop and test AI-chips (both Hardware and Software) enabling Machine Learning techniques for improving EGNSS services". This seems to indicate that the scope of this grant is limited to chipset development.
However, section 2.1 states that the objective of this grant is "to design, develop, test and validate Artificial Intelligence/Machine Learning techniques powered professional GNSS receivers (HW) and their corresponding software (SW)". And that by "AI/ML-powered professional receiver is meant a fully functioning AI/ML-powered GNSS device". Apart from this, there are other references to device along the call for proposal, that tend to indicate that this grant has a wider scope, not just limited to chipset development. For instance, with this understanding, a device comprising an off-the-shelf GNSS receiver and a set of newly developed AI/ML SW algorithms running on a GPU could fit the proposal scope.
Could you, please, clarify if the proposal scope is limited to chipset development or if, otherwise, a more general GNSS + AI/ML device approach can also apply for this grant?

Answer no. 1:
The proposal scope is <u>not</u> limited to chipset development.

Question no. 2: In the Fundamental Elements website (https://www.euspa.europa.eu/opportunities/fundamental-elements/how-apply) it is stated that "in general, only consortia are eligible to participate in the Call for Proposals/ Invitation to Tender (CfP/ITT)"
However, from the "Call for Proposal" conditions, we understand that mono-beneficiary (single-applicant) proposals are also accepted. Could you, please, confirm that this understanding is correct and that mono-beneficiary proposals are not per se negatively evaluated?

Answer no. 2: Mono beneficiary proposals are also accepted and evaluated based on award criteria as any other proposal.

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