

Fuel Cells and Hydrogen Joint Undertaking (FCH JU)

Requests for redress

If your proposal has been declared ineligible and if you believe the results of the eligibility checks are incorrect, you may submit a request for redress.

If you feel that there has been a shortcoming in the way your proposal has been evaluated that may affect the final decision on whether or not the project will be funded, you may also submit a request for redress

An internal review committee of the FCH JU will examine requests for redress. The committee's role is to ensure a coherent interpretation of such requests, and equal treatment of applicants.

Requests must:

- Relate to the evaluation process, or eligibility checks,
- Include clear description of the grounds for complaint.
- Be received within 30 days of the reception of this letter
- Be sent by the co-ordinator to fch-projects@fch.europa.eu

This Committee will review your case and will recommend an appropriate course of action to the Executive Director. If there is clear evidence of a shortcoming that could affect the eventual funding decision, it is possible that all or part of the proposal will be (re-)evaluated.

Please note:

1. This procedure is concerned with the evaluation and/or eligibility checking process. The committee will not call into question the scientific or technical judgement of the experts.
2. A re-evaluation will only be carried out if there is evidence of a shortcoming that affects the final decision on whether or not the project will be funded. This means, for example, that a problem relating to one evaluation criterion will not lead to a re-evaluation if a proposal has failed anyway on the other criteria.
3. The evaluation score following any re-evaluation will be regarded as definitive. It may be lower than the original score.
4. Only one request for redress per proposal will be considered by the committee.
5. All requests for redress will be treated in confidence.

If you have any questions about the redress process, please contact fch-projects@fch.europa.eu

Finally, the FCH JU counts on your cooperation not to send in speculative requests for redress. Unless there is clear evidence of a shortcoming there will be no follow-up or re-evaluation. Unfounded requests will only serve to waste time and resources that would otherwise be devoted to ensuring a smooth implementation of the Framework Programme.