

### What type of organization is eligible?

Companies applying for the program should be in the Advanced Therapies or Regenerative Medicine fields, and comply with at least one of the following criteria:

- Minimum of Series A investment in the last 3 years
- Over €2 million in revenue
- Over 25 employees

Research organizations are also eligible to participate in the program if they are world-renowned in Advanced Therapies and precision medicine and have the capacity and interest to establish meaningful R&D collaborations with Catalonia. Organizations can apply from any country in the world.

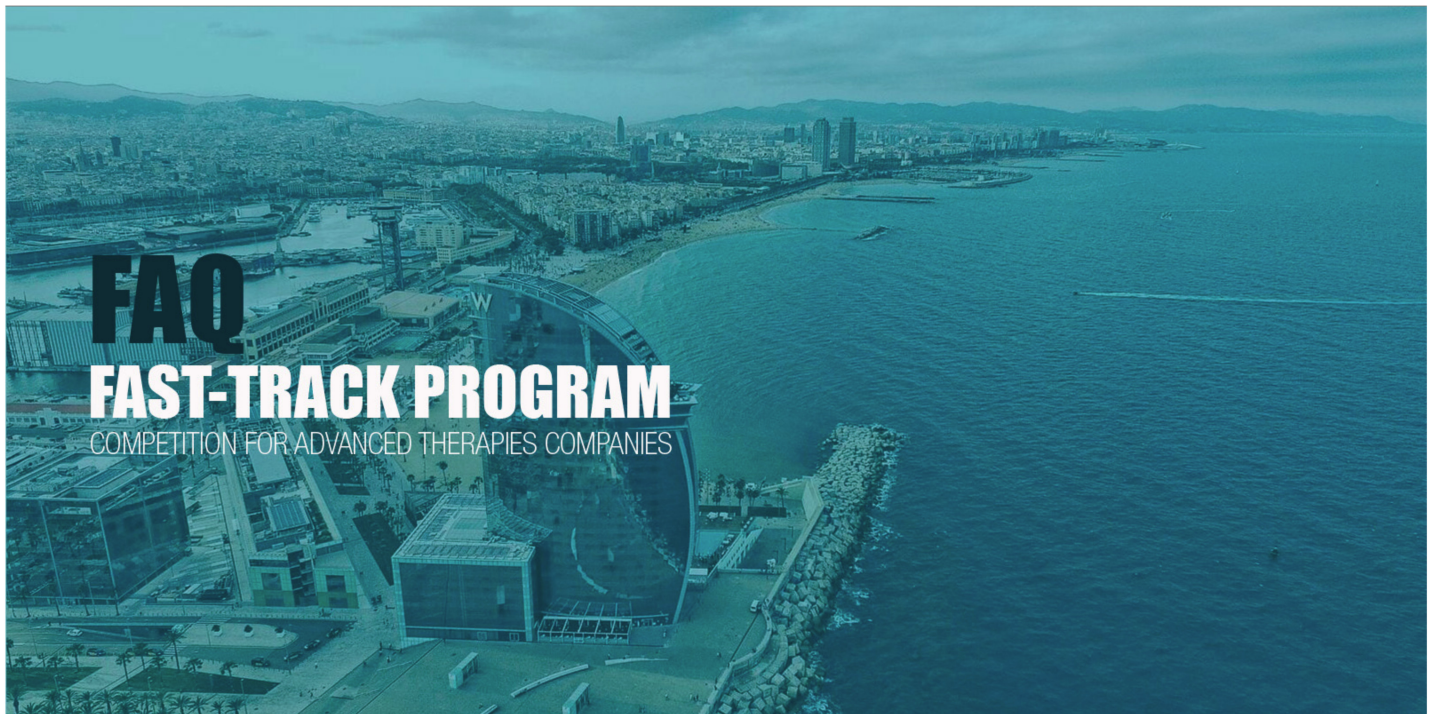
### What are the evaluation criteria?

The evaluation panel will select organizations by assessing the potential impact of the company's project in Barcelona-Catalonia (e.g., job creation, R&D collaborations with the local ecosystem, capital investment, etc.). The panel will include professionals with backgrounds in life sciences and in business development.

### What do I get if I am one of the 20 selected organizations?

Selected organizations will benefit from:

- Introductions to key R&D players for your specific project in Barcelona-Catalonia.
- Identification of suppliers, manufacturing partners and technology providers.
- A practical guide on European market access, public/private funding available, and talent pool.
- Organization of visits to Barcelona-Catalonia to learn in-person about the region's assets.
- Office space at Barcelona's Pier Healthtech for 3 months.
- Complimentary ticket to attend the Exhibition, Sessions and Receptions at BioSpain (26-28 September, 2023) and special price of 595€+VAT for the partnering account (200€ discount).
- Media & Press Coverage: Promote strategic projects in the local media.
- Advice on location, legal, tax, and recruitment issues.
- Aftercare service: Grow, reinvest & expand (post set-up support).



### **Will participants have the chance to receive feedback from the speakers about their project?**

If participants are interested in discussing their project with the speakers, there are several opportunities for them to do so throughout the program:

- All sessions have space for collective Q&A: at the end of every online session, participants will be able to ask questions and engage in group discussions with the speakers. This is a great opportunity to gain insight into the topics being covered and to hear different perspectives from other participants.
- The second online session will have break-out rooms for a chance of individualized feedback with the speakers. This will allow for more personalized feedback and discussion about their specific project or interests.
- At the end of the program contact information will be shared so participants can contact the speakers directly and continue the conversation beyond the program. This will allow for ongoing communication and collaboration and may lead to further opportunities for learning and growth.

Overall, there are multiple opportunities for participants to engage with the speakers and receive feedback on their projects. Whether through group Q&A, individual break-out rooms, or direct communication after the program, participants can expect a supportive and collaborative environment that fosters growth and collaboration.

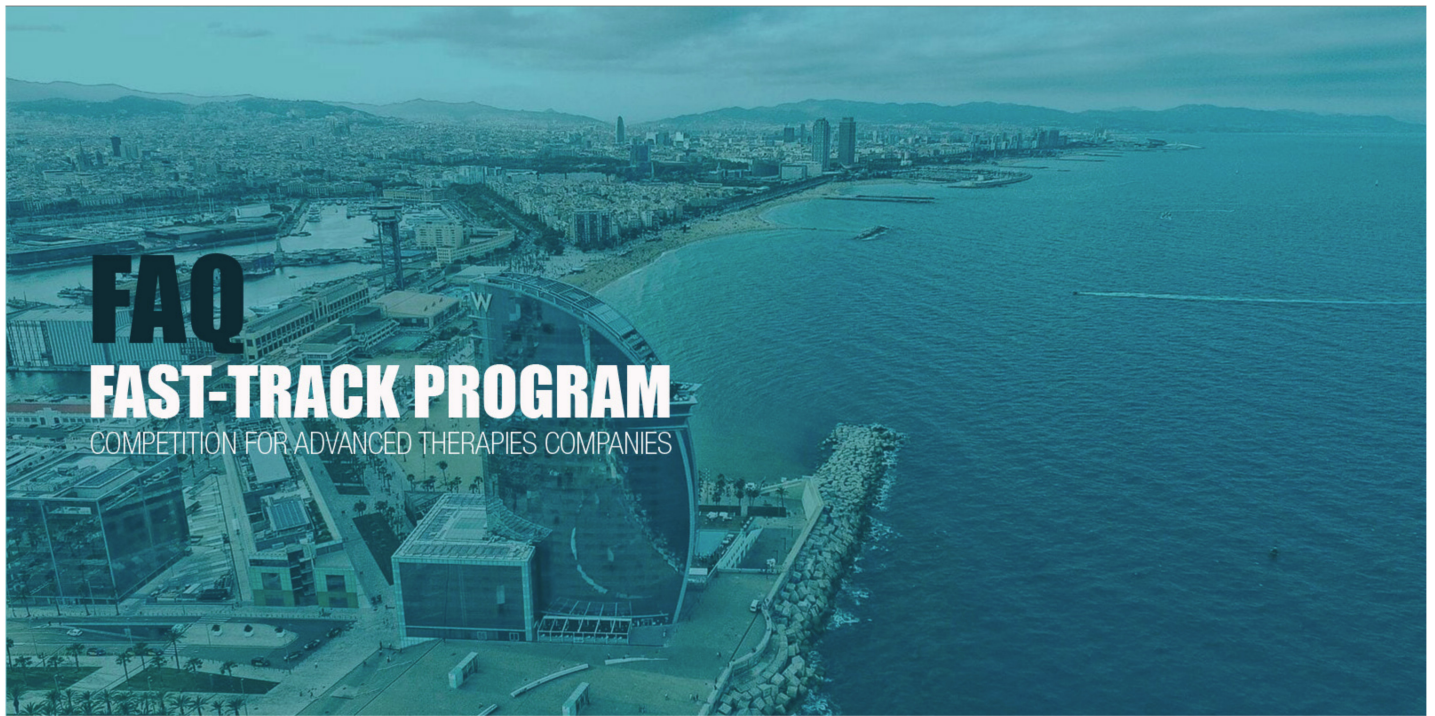
### **Does this program include an organized visit to Barcelona-Catalonia?**

The program does not have a pre-organized visit to Barcelona-Catalonia as part of its itinerary. However, Catalonia Trade & Investment is willing to arrange individual agendas for companies interested in learning in-person about the life sciences ecosystem in the region, free of charge. This means that companies can tailor their visits to their specific interests and needs. The program instead offers free tickets to BioSpain conference, taking place in Barcelona on **26-28<sup>th</sup> September, 2023**.

### **Is there any cost associated with participating?**

Taking part in the Fast-Track Program and subsequent services provided by Catalonia Trade & Investment to selected companies are completely free of charge and tailored to their needs.





## What are the key dates?

The call for applications will be open until **April 30th, 2023** (11:59pm CET).

The selection of the organizations will start on **May 1st, 2023**.

The three online sessions will take place on **May 11th, 16th, and 18th 2023**.

Sessions will take place in the afternoon in Europe (UCT +01:00).

## What is Catalonia Trade & Investment?

Catalonia Trade & Investment (also known as ACCIÓ) is the Catalan Government's agency for business competitiveness. Belonging to the Ministry of Business and Labour, it is the public-facing organization working to contribute to the transformation of Catalan companies, as well as to attract foreign investment to Barcelona and Catalonia, promoting the area as an attractive, innovative, and competitive business location. It has a network of 40 offices worldwide, 7 regional offices in Catalonia, and collaborates with public and private institutions in building tomorrow's company, today.

All the details regarding the Fast-Track Program can be accessed [here](#). If you need further information about the program, please feel free to get in touch with us.

To take part in the Fast-Track Program competition, complete your registration [here](#).