

Funding Organisations eligibility rules (Version 4 - updated on 23 November 2017)

You will find in this document all the eligibility rules of the different Funding Organisations participating to this Call.

Please note that the document may be adjusted. We invite you to make sure you have the latest version. If a new version is uploaded on the website, a warning message will be indicated on both [Belmont Forum](#) and [BiodivERsA](#) websites.

Please make sure to consult these rules and to contact your Funding Organisations Contact Point for more information.

We draw your attention on the fact that compliance to Funding Organisations eligibility criteria and rules is mandatory. Proposals that do not meet these criteria will be declined without further review.

In addition to the Funding Organisations eligibility rules, we kindly remind you the **general eligibility rules of the Call**:

1. The international, scientific research projects are performed by eligible research organisations. National/regional eligibility criteria (see funding organisations' rules) apply to research organisations and for participation by private sector (profit and non-profit) organisations
2. The main applicant is employed by an eligible organisation in one of the countries participating to the call
3. The project proposal involves teams from at least three different countries participating in the joint Belmont Forum / BiodivERsA call and will be supported by at least three different funders.
4. The project duration is 3 years.
5. Proposals must be written in English.
6. The scope or scale of the proposed research should exceed a single country.

Other important recommendations and information:

- Consortia **are highly encouraged to involve at least two teams from two different EU Member States or H2020 Associated Countries to be eligible for European Commission funding** (here: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Estonia, Finland, France,

Germany, Ireland, Lithuania, The Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and Turkey).

- Some Funding organisations may have defined **specific funding rules allowing the funding of teams from low-income and lower-middle income countries**¹. This information is detailed in the Funding organisations' rules. If you would like to use this opportunity, **please make sure to contact your Funding Organisation Contact Point**.
- If you plan to include in your proposals **International Organisations**, please contact your Funding Organisations Contact Point to make sure the latter are eligible.

¹ <https://data.worldbank.org/?locations=XM-XN>

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Country: ARGENTINA

Funding Organisation:
MINCYT



Ministerio de Ciencia,
Tecnología e Innovación Productiva
Presidencia de la Nación

Who is addressed by this information?

This document contains information on specific requirements for Partners applying for Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation Production (MINCYT) funding. Please note that it is mandatory to follow the requirements described below.

To make sure that all requirements are met and to receive latest information, please contact your respective funding organisation contact point.

CONTACT

Funding Organisation	Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation Production (MINCYT)
Contribution to the Call	300.000 Euros (+ Indicative top-up from the European Commission of ca. 35% of national contribution)
Link to the page of the call	http://www.mincyt.gob.ar/cooperacion-multilateral
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	MINCYT/DNCII. Mariano Jordan (Director) Alejandra Davidziuk madavidziuk@mincyt.gob.ar +0054 11 4899 5000 ext 4170 Agustina Velo avelo@mincyt.gob.ar +0054 11 4899 5000 ext 4150 Flavia Salvatierra fsalvatierra@mincyt.gob.ar +0054 11 4899 5000 ext 4114

ELIGIBILITY

Eligible Institutions/Persons (incl. industry and funding rates)	Universities; Non-profit research organizations. Although private enterprises are not be funded through this call, the Argentine industrial sector is welcome to participate in the transnational consortia using their own funds or funds from other national funding agencies or regional funding agencies.
Eligible themes / environment	No Restrictions.
Additional specific rules	N.A.

BUDGET

Maximum requested budget per Partner	MINCYT will support up to 2 (two) projects, € 150.000 Euros each. Submission of the proposal at the national level is not required. However, the selected proposals must present institutional support letter. We highly recommend contact MINCYT & NCP's for the preparation of the proposal. If more than one argentinean institution is involved the available Budget per Project should be divided. The amount will be € 150.000 Euros.
Eligible Personnel costs (permanent/temporary)	Personnel cost and subcontract cost will not be covered
Eligible other costs	Direct Costs - Mobility (travel + accommodation) - Short-term exchange visits - Meeting, workshops and events organization - Publication, dissemination - Consumables - Equipment Indirect Costs - Only administration
Should VAT be included in budget figures for your country?	Yes.
Should any other costs/expenses be excluded?	Indirect costs (overheads); Building buyings, rentals or adequations; Clinical trials (proofs of concept, proofs of principle), are not eligible for funding in the MINCYT/DNCII call.
Subcontracting rules	No.
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided for Mincyt?	Yes.

FUNDING FOR LOW-INCOME AND LOWER-INCOME COUNTRIES

Are low-income and lower-middle income countries eligible for funding?	No
If yes, specific rules and procedures to follow	N.A.

OTHER

Maximum project duration: 36 months

Purpose of funding

Funding is only provided for joint research projects, which are carried out by partners from the scientific, technological and productive innovation sector.

- The project idea has to be innovative and application-oriented

The projects granted by MINCYT/DNCII must be aligned with the main objectives described in the National Plan of Science, Technology and Productive Innovation 'Argentina Innovadora 2020'².

Further instructions

The awards

Running will be distributed as follows.

Approved Projects will be funded as follows by MINCYT according to its national procedures:

1st year	2nd year	3rd year
30% overall budget	35% overall budget	35% overall budget

Please contact the Dirección Nacional de Cooperación e Integración Institucional - Ministerio de Ciencia, Tecnología e Innovación Productiva (MINCYT) for further Information.

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² Argentina Innovadora 2020: Plan Nacional de Ciencia, Tecnología e Innovación:
<http://www.mincyt.gob.ar/planes-nacionales/argentina-innovadora-2020-plan-nacional-de-ciencia-tecnologia-e-innovacion-8063>

Country: Austria



Funding Organisation:

FWF Austrian Science Fund

Who is addressed by this information?

This document contains information on specific requirements for Partners applying for **FWF** funding. Please note that it is mandatory to follow the requirements described below.

To make sure that all requirements are met and to receive latest information, please contact your respective funding organisation contact point.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Maximum number of ongoing projects:

Stand-Alone Projects (P), International Programmes (I), Clinical Research (KLIF) and Arts-Based Research (PEEK) programmes:

Starting on April 1, 2016, each researcher may serve as the principal investigator in a maximum of two projects in the P, I, KLIF and PEEK programmes.

Limits on submission of applications:

The rule regarding the maximum number of ongoing projects in the Stand-Alone Projects, International Programmes, Clinical Research and the Arts-Based Research Programmes has also brought about limits on the submission of new funding applications. From April 1, 2016 onward, this means that applicants who:

a) do not have any ongoing/approved projects in the programmes listed above and do not currently have any applications under review in those programmes can submit up to two new applications for funding in those programmes (e.g. one stand-alone project and one bilateral project).

b) have one ongoing/approved project in the programmes listed above and do not have any applications under review in those programmes can submit one new application for funding within those programmes.

c) have two ongoing/approved projects in the programmes listed above can submit a new application for funding in one of those programmes no earlier than 12 months before the end of one of the ongoing projects, as long as no applications are currently under review in those programmes. In cases where one researcher is serving as principal investigator in more than two ongoing projects in the programmes listed above, no applications can be submitted within those programmes.

CONTACT

Funding Organisation	FWF Austrian Science Fund
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	www.fwf.ac.at
Contribution to the Call	€ 800.000 (+ Indicative top-up from the European Commission of ca. 35% of national contribution)
Link to the page of the call	http://www.fwf.ac.at/en/about-the-fwf/international-activities/multilateral-activities/biodiversa/
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Iris FORTMANN Program Manager +43/1-505 67 40-8211 iris.fortmann@fwf.ac.at

ELIGIBILITY

Eligible Institutions/Persons (incl. industry and funding rates)	<p>Individual researcher or teams of researchers, working in any kind of non-profit organisation: e.g. University University hospital Non-university research institute</p> <p><i>Please refer also to the general FWF Funding Guidelines:</i> http://www.fwf.ac.at/fileadmin/files/Dokumente/Antragstellung/Einzelprojekte/p_application-guidelines.pdf</p> <p>available on: http://www.fwf.ac.at/en/research-funding/application/international-programmes/joint-projects-era-nets/</p>
Eligible themes / environment	No restrictions
Additional specific rules	Please note that starting on April 1, 2016, the number of ongoing/approved/submitted projects in which one researcher can serve as principal investigator will be limited to two in the Stand-Alone Projects Programme, International Programmes (including ERA-Net projects!), Clinical Research and Arts-Based Research Programmes. Principal investigators who already have two ongoing/approved/submitted projects will not be permitted to submit another application within those programmes until 12 months before the end of one of their ongoing projects. You are strongly advised to contact the national representative in case you may be affected by this regulation.

BUDGET

Minimum and/or maximum requested budget per Partner and/or per Project	N.A. Please contact FWF for further information.
Eligible Personnel costs (permanent/temporary)	<p>The application should include all persons, in addition to the staff already available, who will be required for work exclusively on the proposed project.</p> <p>The available legal categories of employment are contracts of employment for full-time or part-time employees (DV) and reimbursement for work on an hourly basis (GB). In addition, a part-time contract of employment (50% contract of employment for student assistants) may be requested for researchers who have not yet completed a master's or diploma (<i>Diplom</i>) degree programme in the relevant subject area.</p> <p>The current FWF salary scale (http://www.fwf.ac.at/en/research-funding/personnel-costs/) indicates the salaries that may be requested.</p> <p>The FWF grants an annual salary adjustment to compensate for inflation; this is applied automatically to all contracts of employment in stand-alone projects that are valid when the adjustment takes effect.</p>
Should VAT be included in budget figures for FWF?	Yes
Should any other costs/expenses be excluded?	<p>For scientists funded by the FWF, the funding is limited to "project-specific costs, i.e. personnel and non-personnel costs that are essential to carry out the project and that go beyond the resources made available from the research institution's infrastructure, according to the general FWF Funding Guidelines published at http://www.fwf.ac.at/fileadmin/files/Dokumente/Antragstellung/Einzelprojekte/p_application-guidelines.pdf.</p> <p>The FWF does not finance infrastructure or basic equipment at research institutions. Overheads may not be requested. Subcontracts must be well justified, i.e. must represent the only or the most economical way to have the work performed, please contact the FWF directly for clarification of individual cases</p>
Subcontracting rules	<p><u>To EU countries:</u> Yes</p> <p><u>To Non-EU countries:</u> Yes</p> <p><u>Subcontracting special tasks (i.e. IT services, etc):</u> Yes</p> <p>Independent contracts for work and services (costs for work of clearly defined scope and content commissioned to individuals, provided that it is scientifically justifiable and economical). Please contact NCP</p>

FUNDING FOR LOW-INCOME AND LOWER-INCOME COUNTRIES

Are low-income and lower-middle income countries eligible for funding?	Yes
If yes, specific rules and procedures to follow	http://www.fwf.ac.at/en/research-funding/fwf-programmes/international-programmes/developing-countries-projects/

OTHER

Minimum and/or maximum project duration: max. 36 months

National Official paperwork to complete and sign (including addresses where to send them)

The following forms and project specific data must be sent both on paper and electronically (upon notification by the FWF secretariat):

- 1) FWF forms (completed, signed and stamped as appropriate) including Application Form, Programme Specific Data, Attachment Co-Author, Itemization of requested funding, and, if applicable, National Research Partner.
- 2) Additional form international cooperation: should be completed for each additional partner in the consortium.
- 3) If items of equipment are requested (costs above €400 incl. VAT, unless the research institution is entitled to deduct VAT), Itemization form Equipment must be completed for each item requested
- 4) One-page summary in English and in German (largely for PR work)
- 5) One-page scientific summary in English

All forms are found under:

<http://www.fwf.ac.at/en/research-funding/application/international-programmes/joint-projects-era-nets/>

Further comments

N.A.

Country: BELGIUM

Funding Organisation:



Belgian Science Policy Office - BELSPO

Who is addressed by this information?

This document contains information on specific requirements for Partners applying for BELSPO funding. Please note that it is mandatory to follow the requirements described below.

To make sure that all requirements are met and to receive latest information, please contact your respective funding organisation contact point.

CONTACT

Funding Organisation	Belgian Science Policy Office
Contribution to the Call	500 000€ (+ Top-up from the European Commission of ca. 35% of national contribution)
Link to the page of the call	http://www.belspo.be/belspo/organisation/call/ERAnet_Biodiversa_2017_en.stm
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Aline van der Werf Programme manager Belspo +32 2 23 83 671 aline.vanderwerf@belspo.be

ELIGIBILITY

Eligible Institutions/Persons (incl. industry and funding rates)	The eligible partners for BELSPO are the Belgian university institutions, university colleges, public scientific institutions, non-profit research centres belonging to the list below: http://www.belspo.be/belspo/fisc/wi_list_nl.stm (Dutch) http://www.belspo.be/belspo/fisc/wi_list_fr.stm (French) The private sector is not eligible.
Eligible themes environment	No restrictions
Additional specific rules	N.A.

BUDGET

Minimum and/or maximum requested budget per Partner and/or per Project	150 k€ = max budget requested by a Partner 200k€ = max budget requested by a Coordinator (Partner 1)
Eligible Personnel costs (permanent/temporary)	<p>Applicants apply for temporary personnel.</p> <p>BELSPO prefers staff to be hired under a labour contract. Pre-tax wages associated with increases in the cost of living, employers' social security and statutory insurance contributions, as well as any other compensation or allowance due by law and secondary to the salary itself and tax-free scholarships.</p> <p>Tax-free scholarships refer to a grant subject to a tax exemption under the tax laws.</p> <p>The staff costs are limited to a maximum amount of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 66.000 €/year for a scientist with a Master's degree (regardless of years of experience)• 90.000 €/year for a scientist with a PhD (regardless of years of experience)• 50.000 €/year for a technician (regardless of years of experience)
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided for Belspo?	Yes

<p>Should any other costs/expenses be excluded?</p>	<p>Two types of operational costs are eligible:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - General operating costs. This includes all current expenditures related to the project's implementation such as usual supplies and products for the laboratory, workshop and office, documentation, travel and accommodation, use of IT facilities, software, organisation of meetings, workshops and events, etc. The total amount of these operational costs is set at a flat rate of 15% maximum of the staff budget if applicant is coordinator of a consortium and 10% maximum of the staff budget for a partner. - Specific operating costs (invoices will be required): this includes specific operating costs not covered by the general operating costs such as costs for analysis, maintenance and repair of specific equipment purchased by the project, surveys, ... <p>Equipment cost: Purchase and installation of scientific and technical apparatus and instruments, including computer hardware. Equipment needs to be purchased in the first half of the project.</p> <p>Overheads : Institutions' general overheads that cover, in one lump sum, administration, telephone, postal, maintenance, heating, lighting, electricity, rent, machine depreciation, and insurance costs. The total amount of this item may not exceed 5% of the total staff and operating costs.</p>
<p>Subcontracting rules</p>	<p>Subcontracting is allowed for expenses incurred by a third party (either in EU or Non -EU countries) to carry out tasks or provide services that require special scientific or technical competences outside the institution's normal area of activity. The amount may not exceed 25% of the total budget allocated to the applicant concerned</p>

Are low-income and lower-middle income countries eligible for funding?	Yes , through sub-contracting rule
If yes, specific rules and procedures to follow	See above: subcontracting rules

OTHER

Minimum and/or maximum project duration: 3 years

National Official paperwork to complete and sign (including addresses where to send them)

BelSPO does not need official paperwork.

Country: Belgium

Funding Organisation:

Fonds de la Recherche Scientifique - FNRS



Who is addressed by this information?

This document contains information on specific requirements for Partners applying for F.R.S.-FNRS funding. Please note that it is mandatory to follow the requirements described below.

To make sure that all requirements are met and to receive latest information, please contact your respective funding organisation contact point.

CONTACT

Funding Organisation	Fonds de la Recherche Scientifique – FNRS (F.R.S.-FNRS), www.frs-fnrs.be
Contribution to the Call	200,000 € (+ Indicative top-up from the European Commission of ca. 35% of national contribution)
Link to the page of the call	http://www.ncp.fnrs.be/index.php/appels/era-nets
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Mr. Joël Groeneveld, Policy Officer, F.R.S.-FNRS, +32 2 504 9270, joel.groeneveld@frs-fnrs.be

ELIGIBILITY

Eligible Institutions/Persons (incl. industry and funding rates)	<u>Eligibility of the proposal</u> Additional national eligibility criteria for the proposal beyond the general criteria in the Terms of Reference of the joint call <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Basic research (low Technology Readiness Level) carried out in a research institution from the “Fédération Wallonie-Bruxelles” (FWB)• The FNRS will not fund industrial partners or any activity related to the private sector. <u>Eligibility of applying scientists</u>
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	<p>The applicant must be affiliated to a research institution from the Wallonia-Brussels Federation (FWB). The applicant should also:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be a permanent researcher of F.R.S. - FNRS (Chercheur qualifié, Maître de recherches or Directeur de recherches) or; • Hold a tenure track position (or an assimilated position including pending tenure track) within a university from the FWB or; • Be a permanent research staff member of a federal scientific institution, the Royal Military School (Ecole Royale Militaire), or a research center in which case he can act as a co-promotor only (see appendix 1 of the PDR rules). <p>The applicant should not have reached retirement at the starting date of the project. If the applicant reaches the age of retirement in the course of the project, he should precisely describe in the proposal how the handover will be managed.</p>
Eligible themes / environment	No restrictions
Additional specific rules	N/A

BUDGET

Minimum and/or maximum requested budget per Partner and/or per Project	<p>Maximum requested budget per project if partner in a consortium: 150,000 €</p> <p>Maximum requested budget per project if coordinator of a consortium: 200,000 €</p>
Eligible Personnel costs (permanent/temporary)	<p><u>Personnel costs</u> can be eligible up to 50,000 € per year on average for the duration of the project.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The usual duration of ERA-NET research programmes is three years. However, when the project involves a PhD student, the principal investigator can apply for an additional one year funding in order to complete the four years PhD programme. This request should be submitted to FNRS six months before the end of the project, together with the written agreement from the "Comité d'accompagnement". This final year should not be included in the budget submitted to this call. This extension will be granted separately from the transnational project and cannot modify its end date. • The eligible categories of personnel are detailed below:

	Categories	Occupation	
		Half time	Full time
	PhD Student	n/a	x
	Non postdoctoral researcher	x	x
	Postdoctoral researcher	x	x
	Technician	x	x
	Temporary postdoctoral researcher (CTP)	n/a	x
	<p>Equipment can be eligible up to 20% of the total budget requested to F.R.S.-FNRS</p> <p>Running costs: travel expenses; organisation of small scientific events in Belgium; consumables and the following support costs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consumables • Publication Designing (conception d'ouvrage) • Dictionary Production (réalisation de dictionnaire) • Purchase of Books • Encoding • Software Access Rights • Congress Registration Fees • Purchase of Computer • Scanning • Travel costs • Visa costs • Open Access publication of an article up until 500 euros (see F.R.S.-FNRS Open Access policy) 		
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided for F.R.S.-FNRS?	Yes		
Should any other costs/expenses be excluded?	<p><u>"Overhead" is not an eligible cost.</u> If the project is selected for funding, these costs will be subject to a separate agreement between the institution of the beneficiary and the F.R.S.-FNRS.</p>		
Subcontracting rules	<p><u>Subcontracting</u> is allowed up to 20% of the total budget requested to the F.R.S.-FNRS according to the following conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A precise description of the required services 		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A detailed rationale describing why these services are indispensable for the tasks of the F.R.S.-FNRS team • Presentation of invoices/expenses receipts for all delivered services
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FUNDING FOR LOW-INCOME AND LOWER-INCOME COUNTRIES

Are low-income and lower-middle income countries eligible for funding?	No, but subcontracting is permitted (see above)
If yes, specific rules and procedures to follow	

OTHER

Minimum and/or maximum project duration: 3 years

Further comments:

General rules and regulations of F.R.S.-FNRS apply: www.frs-fnrs.be

Country: *Brazil (State of São Paulo)*

Funding Organisation:

FAPESP Research Foundation



Who is addressed by this information?

This document contains information on specific requirements for Partners applying for **FAPESP** funding. Please note that it is mandatory to follow the requirements described below.

To make sure that all requirements are met and to receive latest information, please contact your respective funding organisation contact point.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

All interested researchers are strongly recommended to consult FAPESP for **PRELIMINARY** eligibility check before August 10th. Failing in doing so may jeopardize the research group consortia before merit review. Please follow FAPESP's specific link to the Call text (below)

CONTACT

Funding Organisation	FAPESP (www.fapesp.br/en)
Contribution to the Call	1,500,000 euros
Link to the page of the call	http://www.fapesp.br/en/11289
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Alexandre Roccoatto Science Manager FAPESP – São Paulo Research Foundation chamada-bf-biodiversity@fapesp.br

ELIGIBILITY

Eligible Institutions/Persons <i>(incl. industry and funding rates)</i>	Higher Education or Research Institutes eligible for the Regular Research Award (APR) at FAPESP. Specific to this Call, Proponents from the State of São Paulo must be established researchers with a proven track record of participating in international interdisciplinary projects in the topic areas of the proposed project.
Eligible themes/environment	No restrictions
Additional specific rules	Only one partner researcher from a project consortium may apply as a FAPESP grant holder

BUDGET

Minimum and/or maximum requested budget per Partner and/or per Project	Maximum Budget earmarked by FAPESP is 1,5 million euros Each proposal has a budget limit equivalent to R\$ 60,000 per project per year plus up to two Post-Doctoral fellowships (only if PI is eligible to be supervisor) Total amount for a 3-year project could reach aprox. 200.000 euros.
Eligible Personnel costs (permanent/temporary)	Follows the FAPESP grant modality rules (www.fapesp.br/apr); except otherwise indicated in this Call.
Should VAT be included in budget figures for FAPESP?	No
Should any other costs/expenses be excluded?	There are exceptions that must be followed according to FAPESP's specific call text.

Subcontracting rules	Follows the FAPESP grant modality rules (www.fapesp.br/apr); except otherwise indicated in this Call.
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FUNDING FOR LOW-INCOME AND LOWER-INCOME COUNTRIES

Are low-income and lower-middle income countries eligible for funding?	No
If yes, specific rules and procedures to follow	N.A.

OTHER

Minimum and/or maximum project duration: follows the overall Call context (i.e. 3-years project)

Further comments

All rules of the Regular Research Award (APR) grant modality are applicable, except otherwise instructed in FAPESP's specific conditions for this Belmont Forum/BIODIVERSA opportunity.

PLEASE BEWARE OF THE PRELIMINARY ELIGIBILITY CHECK MENTIONED ABOVE.

NO NATIONAL OFFICIAL PAPERWORK OR INFORMATION is to be sent to FAPESP in any formats at either pre-registration or full proposals phases. FAPESP will contact PIs individually for further instructions after full proposals are submitted.

Country: Bulgaria

Funding Organisation:

Bulgarian National Science Fund (BNSF)



Who is addressed by this information?

This document contains information on specific requirements for Partners applying for BNSF funding. Please note that it is mandatory to follow the requirements described below.

To make sure that all requirements are met and to receive latest information, please contact your respective funding organisation contact point.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Applicants under this procedure shall be directly responsible for the implementation of the activities under the project proposal and shall not act as intermediaries, but they shall carry out activities under the project proposal on their behalf and at their expense.

Applicants to this procedure must be entities:

- Carrying out fundamental research studies; and
- Whose activities are entirely of a non-profit nature; or
- Whose activities are of both for-profit and not-for-profit nature, but these activities are clearly distinguished and their organization allows tracking of revenue and expenditures connected with their implementation, including by keeping analytical accounting. In the event that an applicant is involved in both for-profit and not-for-profit activities, the funding, expenditures and revenues shall be taken into account separately for each type of activity and on the basis of consistently applied principles of accounting of expenditures being justifiable.

CONTACT

Funding Organisation	Bulgarian National Science Fund
Contribution to the Call	Up to 450,000 euro (+ Indicative top-up from the European Commission of ca. 35% of national contribution)
Link to the page of the call	https://www.fni.bg/
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Violeta Milkova

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ELIGIBILITY

Eligible Institutions/Persons (incl. industry and funding rates)	1) Accredited universities as defined in Art.85 para.1, p. 7 of the Higher Education Act; 2) Research organizations as defined in Art. 47, para 1 of the Higher Education Act. http://lll.mon.bg/uploaded_files/zkn_visseto_obr_01.03.2016_EN.pdf
Eligible themes / environment	No restrictions
Additional specific rules	https://www.fni.bg/sites/default/files/competition/12_2016/ERA/ERA_NET_2016_2.pdf www.fni.bg/?q=node/603

BUDGET

Minimum and/or maximum requested budget per Partner and/or per Project	Up to 150 000 per project
Eligible Personnel costs (permanent/temporary)	Eligible costs are specified in "National requirements and eligibility conditions" of Bulgarian National Science Fund available at: https://www.fni.bg/sites/default/files/competition/12_2016/ERA/ERA_NET_2016_2.pdf
Should VAT be included in budget figures for BNSF?	No
Should any other costs/expenses be excluded?	Eligible costs are specified in "National requirements and eligibility conditions" of Bulgarian National Science Fund available at: https://www.fni.bg/sites/default/files/competition/12_2016/ERA/ERA_NET_2016_2.pdf
Subcontracting rules	<u>To EU countries:</u> no <u>To Non-EU countries:</u> no <u>Subcontracting special tasks (i.e. IT services, etc):</u> no

FUNDING FOR LOW-INCOME AND LOWER-INCOME COUNTRIES

Are low-income and lower-middle income countries eligible for funding?	No
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If yes, specific rules and procedures to follow	N.A.
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OTHER

Minimum and/or maximum project duration: The project duration should be of 3 years (

National Official paperwork to complete and sign (including addresses where to send them)

Applicants have to submit an application form for national eligibility when submitting the pre-registrations. The form, entitled „Administrative description of the project“, should be filled in both in Bulgarian and in English and signed. Application forms can be obtained at:

<https://www.fni.bg/?q=node/603>

The forms have to be sent by poste or delivered in person to BNSF Registry Office before the deadline submission of pre-registrations at the following address:

BNSF Registry Office
Blvd. Al. Stamboliiski 239; Entr.B
Sofia 1309

Further comments

- More information on national requirements and application forms can be obtained at:
<https://www.fni.bg/?q=node/603>

Country: **Canada**
Funding Organisation:



Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC)

This document contains information on specific requirements for those applying for NSERC funding. Please note that it is mandatory to follow the requirements described below. For questions regarding the NSERC requirements, please communicate with the NSERC contact.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Canadian applicants from the province of Quebec can also apply for support from the Fonds de recherche du Québec—Nature et technologie (FRQNT). (see specific FRQNT agency rules)

CONTACT

Funding Organisation	Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC) http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca
Contribution to the Call	Up to \$300,000 CDN per year for 3 years
Link to the page of the call	http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Professors-Professeurs/Grants-Subs/Belmont-Belmont_eng.asp
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Sylvie Roy , Program Officer, NSERC 613-947-5636 Sylvie.Roy@nserc-crsng.gc.ca

ELIGIBILITY

Eligible Institutions/Persons (incl. industry and funding rates)	To be eligible for funding from NSERC, the team must include one or more researchers in the natural sciences and engineering who are eligible to hold NSERC funds. Refer to NSERC's Eligibility Criteria for Faculty for more details.
Eligible themes	No restrictions
Additional specific rules	Eligible researchers applying for NSERC funds must submit a signed Terms and Conditions of Applying form directly to NSERC on or before the Joint Belmont Forum-BiodivERsA Call deadline.

BUDGET

Minimum and/or maximum requested budget per Partner and/or per Project	For NSERC-eligible researchers, projects will be funded based on the funding request(s) submitted by the applicant(s), via the itemized budgets and one-page justifications . Eligible applicants can request up to a maximum of \$75,000 per year for 3 years in funding from NSERC.
Eligible Personnel costs (permanent/temporary)	Applicants requesting support from NSERC should consult the Tri-Agency Financial Administration Guide to find out about eligible personnel costs.
Should goods and services tax (GST) be included in budget figures for your country?	Yes
Should any other costs/expenses be excluded?	Applicants requesting support from NSERC should consult the Tri-Agency Financial Administration Guide to find out about eligible costs.
Subcontracting rules	<u>To EU countries:</u> no <u>To Non-EU countries:</u> no <u>Subcontracting special tasks (i.e. IT services, etc):</u> no

FUNDING FOR LOW-INCOME AND LOWER-INCOME COUNTRIES

Are low-income and lower-middle income countries eligible for funding?	No
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OTHER

Minimum and/or maximum project duration: The project duration should be 3 years.

NSERC documents to complete and sign:

To apply for NSERC funding components of the Joint Belmont Forum-BiodivERSa Call, an NSERC-eligible project leader must submit a budget request consisting of the **NSERC itemized budgets and one-page justifications** with their application. Please contact NSERC to request a copy of the budget template.

Additionally, Joint Belmont Forum-BiodivERSa Call [Terms and Conditions for Applying form\(s\)](#) (one per NSERC-eligible participant), must be completed, signed and submitted directly on or before the submission deadline to:

Sylvie Roy, NSERC
Sylvie.Roy@nserc-crsng.gc.ca
350 Albert Street, 16th Floor

Further comments

Subject Matter Eligibility

Given the nature of the Joint Belmont Forum-BiodivERsA Call, it is expected that proposals will include collaboration and integration across several disciplines. Proposals requesting funds from NSERC can include aspects of social sciences and humanities, provided that the main focus remains within the natural sciences and engineering.

Please see [NSERC's Subject Matter Eligibility guidelines](#) for more information.

Please note: It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that the proposed project complies with NSERC's Subject Matter Eligibility guidelines. NSERC reserves the right to declare the non-NSE portion of the project ineligible, which may compromise the project as a whole.

Funding Rules

One eligible project leader will need to be associated with each budget request. If more than one applicant from the same country is participating in the same proposal, they must work together and designate one single project leader. He or she will be accountable to NSERC for the management of funds and the research portion of the Joint Belmont Forum-BiodivERsA project. This individual must be identified to the agency in the supplementary Joint Belmont Forum-BiodivERsA Call [Terms and Conditions for Applying form](#). Applicants from the province of Quebec can also consider applying for support from the Fonds de recherche du Québec—Nature et technologie (FRQNT) (consult the FRQNT rules).

For a successful Joint Belmont Forum-BiodivERsA project proposal involving **participants from Canada**, NSERC will fund the proposal according to its policies and guidelines, via the identified eligible project leader. NSERC's policies related to grant administration can be found in the [Tri-agency Financial Administration Guide](#).

For a successful Joint Belmont Forum-BiodivERsA project proposal involving **budget requests to both NSERC and FRQNT**, the agencies will fund the proposal according to their respective policies and guidelines, via the identified eligible project leader(s). Each agency will fund the successful application according to the budget request submitted to their agency. NSERC will not fund budget items requested of FRQNT, and vice-versa.

Special budget consideration

Under this joint Belmont Forum-BiodivERsA Call, the funded projects form part of an international research program for which activities will be organized, namely a kick-off meeting, an interim project conference and a final meeting. Participants of funded projects should participate in these joint activities. **The cost for attendance to the kick-off meeting, the interim project conference and final meeting should be included in the budgets of the full proposals.**

NSERC Privacy Notice

All applications must be submitted to Belmont Forum and BiodivERsA and are subject to the privacy policies of Belmont Forum and BiodivERsA. Belmont Forum and BiodivERsA will share application information with other funding agencies involved in this call, including NSERC. The personal information contained in the full grant proposal will be disclosed to, and may be viewed by, any or all of the participating granting agencies, including individuals participating in the review process. NSERC is responsible for complying with the *Access to Information Act* and the *Privacy Act*, and this legislation applies to all information within NSERC's custody and control. The personal information that you provide to NSERC for the purpose of applying to this funding competition is collected by NSERC under the authority of the *Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council Act*. Only the information needed to deliver, administer and promote the Joint Belmont Forum-BiodivERsA competition and awards is collected by NSERC via Belmont Forum and BiodivERsA. Failure to provide the personal information required in the application may result in the application being declared ineligible.

NSERC is committed to the protection of the personal information under its control, and does not take responsibility for the privacy practices of any other Joint Belmont Forum-BiodivERsA partner organizations, including Canadian partner organizations. Personal information obtained from the Joint Belmont Forum-BiodivERsA will be used by NSERC only as required for the consistent purpose of reviewing applications. Information may also be disclosed internally for the purposes of program evaluation or reporting. NSERC will not disclose personal information to third parties for purposes beyond those listed above. In addition to protecting your personal information, the *Privacy Act* gives you the right to request access to and correction of your personal information.

For more information about these rights, or about NSERC privacy practices, please contact the appropriate access to information and privacy co-ordinator (NSERC: 613-943-6214 or ATIP-AIPRP@nserc-crsng.gc.ca). You also have the right to file a complaint with the Privacy Commissioner of Canada if you think your personal information has been handled improperly.

Intellectual Property

Projects funded by NSERC must have a strategy for knowledge and technology transfer to all stakeholders and the general public, as appropriate, that conforms [to NSERC's Policy on Intellectual Property](#). The details of this strategy do not need to be outlined in the application documents, but may be requested by NSERC at the time of award.

Exemption

For the Joint Belmont Forum-BiodivERsA Call, NSERC's appeals policy will not be applicable, due to the international nature of the initiative.

Country: *Canada*

Funding Organisation:

*Fonds de recherche du Québec –
Nature et technologies*



This document contains information on specific requirements for partners applying for FRQNT funding. Please note that it is mandatory to follow the requirements described below.

To make sure that all requirements are met and to receive the latest information, please contact your respective funding organisation contact point.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Applicants from the province of Quebec can apply for support from both the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC) and the FRQNT. Please see the specific NSERC agency rules.

Please note that, in accordance with the procedure established by the Belmont Forum – BiodivERsA, the language of the call and applications is in English. However, any direct correspondence with the FRQNT can be in French. The present eligibility rules are available in French.

CONTACT

Funding organisation	Fonds de recherche du Québec – Nature et technologies http://www.frqnt.gouv.qc.ca
Contribution to the Call	Total budget: 900,000 CDN\$ (total for the three years). A maximum of 75 000 CDN\$ per year, per project (for three years).
Link to the page of the call	<i>Upcoming</i>
Funding organisation contact point	Véronique Baril, Program Manager, FRQNT (418) 643-8560, ext. 3455, veronique.baril@frq.gouv.qc.ca

ELIGIBILITY

Eligible Institutions/Persons (incl. industry and funding rates)	To be eligible for funding from FRQNT, the team must include researchers in the natural sciences, mathematical sciences and engineering fields who are eligible to hold FRQNT funds. The team may also include researchers in the social sciences (see below Subject matter eligibility). Please refer to the FRQ Common General Rules for more details.
Eligible themes / environment	No restrictions
Additional specific rules	Quebec applicants for FRQNT funds must submit a signed Terms and Conditions form (available in French) prior to the Joint Belmont Forum-BiodiverERsA Call deadline.

BUDGET

Minimum and/or maximum requested budget per Partner and/or per Project	For Quebec teams, projects will be funded based on the funding request(s) submitted by the team, via the itemized budgets and one-page justifications. The Quebec applicants can request up to a maximum of \$75,000 in funding per year from FRQNT..
Eligible Personnel costs (permanent/temporary)	Applicants requesting support from the FRQNT should consult the FRQ Common General Rules to find out about eligible personal costs.
Should goods and services tax (GST) be included in budget figures for FRQNT?	Yes
Should any other costs/expenses be excluded?	Quebec applicants should consult the Common General Rules to find out about eligible costs.
Subcontracting rules	<u>To EU countries:</u> no <u>To Non-EU countries:</u> no <u>Subcontracting special tasks (i.e. IT services, etc):</u> no

FUNDING FOR LOW-INCOME AND LOWER-INCOME COUNTRIES

Are low-income and lower-middle income countries eligible for funding?	No
If yes, specific rules and procedures to follow	N.A.

OTHER

Minimum and/or maximum project duration: The project duration should be 3 years.

National Official paperwork to complete and sign (including the address where to send them):

- Joint Belmont Forum-BiodivERsA Call Terms and Conditions for Applying form(s) to complete and send signed prior to the call deadline to: veronique.baril@frq.gouv.qc.ca
- Funding request(s) submitted via the itemized budgets and one-page justifications with the application.

Further comments

Subject Matter Eligibility

Given the nature of the Joint Belmont Forum-BiodivERsA, it is expected that proposals will include collaboration and integration across several disciplines. Proposals requesting funds from FRQNT can include aspects of social sciences and humanities, provided that the main focus remains within the natural sciences, mathematical sciences and engineering fields.

Please see FRQNT's [mission and research fields](#) for more information.

Please note: It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that the proposed project complies with the FRQNT's mission and research fields. The FRQNT reserves the right to declare the FRQNT portion of the project ineligible, which may compromise the project as a whole.

Submission

To apply to the FRQNT funding components of the Joint Belmont Forum-BiodivERsA Call, an eligible Quebec project leader (under the FRQ [Common General Rules](#)) must submit a budget application to FRQNT. A budget must be submitted in accordance with the requirements of the FRQNT.

For a successful Joint Belmont Forum-BiodivERsA project proposal involving **participants from Quebec or participants from both Quebec and Canada**, NSERC and FRQNT will fund the selected proposal according to their respective policies and regulations, via the identified eligible project director of the budget request. The applicants must in that case apply to both the FRQNT and the NSERC to be able to receive funding from both agencies. Each agency will fund the successful application according to the budget request submitted to their agency. FRQNT will not fund budget items requested to NSERC, and vice-versa.

Funding Rules

One eligible lead researcher will need to be associated with each budget request. If more than one team from the same country is participating in the same proposal, they must work together and designate one single Principal Investigator. He or she will be considered the "project director" for these funds from the corresponding agency. He or she will, thus, be accountable to the funder for the management of funds and the research portion of the Joint Belmont Forum-BiodivERsA project. This individual must be identified to the agencies in the supplementary Joint Belmont Forum-BiodivERsA Call Terms and Conditions for Applying form(s), and must sign the related documents requested by the relevant Canadian funders. For successful applicants, funding agencies will fund the proposal according to their respective policies and regulations, via the identified eligible project director for each budget request. Regulations from the FRQNT can be found in the [Common General Rules](#). Applicants from the province of Quebec can also apply for support from the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC). Please see the specific NSERC agency rules.

For a successful Joint Belmont Forum-BiodivERsA project proposal involving **participants from Quebec**, FRQNT will fund the proposal according to its policies and guidelines, via the identified eligible project leader of the budget request. FRQNT's policies related to grant administration can be found in the FRQ's [Common General Rules](#).

Special budget consideration

Under this Joint Belmont Forum-BiodivERsA Call, the funded projects are considered to form part of an international research program for which activities will be organized, namely a kick-off meeting, an interim project conference and a final meeting. Participants of funded projects should participate in these joint activities. **The cost for attendance to the kick-off meeting, the interim project conference and final meeting should be included in the budgets of the full proposals and must be announced in the Call.**

FRQNT Privacy Notice

All applications must be submitted to the Belmont Forum and BiodivERsA and are subject to the privacy policies of the Belmont Forum and BiodivERsA. Belmont Forum and BiodivERsA will share application information with other funding agencies involved in this call, including FRQNT. The personal information contained in the full grant proposal will be disclosed to, and may be viewed by, any or all of the participating granting agencies. The FRQNT is responsible for complying with the *Act respecting Access to documents held by public bodies and the Protection of personal information* (CQLR, c. A-2.1), and this legislation applies to all information within FRQNT custody and control. Only the information needed to deliver, administer and promote the Joint Belmont Forum-BiodivERsA competition and awards is collected by the FRQNT indirectly via Belmont Forum and BiodivERsA. Failure to provide the personal information required in the application may result in the application being declared ineligible.

The FRQNT is committed to the protection of the personal information under its control and does not take responsibility for the privacy practices of any other Joint Belmont Forum-BiodivERsA partner organizations, including Canadian partner organizations. The FRQNT will share personal information with the participating agencies only as required for administrative purposes with respect to the Joint Belmont Forum-BiodivERsA Call. Information may also be disclosed for the purposes of program evaluation or reporting. The FRQNT will not disclose personal information to third parties for purposes beyond those listed above. In addition to protecting personal information, the *Act respecting Access to documents held by public bodies and the Protection of personal information* gives every person the right to request access to and correction of their personal information.

For more information about these rights, or about FRQNT privacy practices, please contact the person in charge of access to documents or of protection of personal information (mylene.deschenes@frq.gouv.qc.ca).

Intellectual Property

Projects funded by the FRQNT must conform to the FRQ [Common General Rules](#).

Country: Estonia



Funding Organisation:

ETAg

Who is addressed by this information?

This document contains information on specific requirements for Partners applying for Eesti Teadusagentuuri (ETAg) funding. Please note that it is mandatory to follow the requirements described below.

To make sure that all requirements are met and to receive latest information, please contact your respective funding organisation contact point.

CONTACT

Funding Organisation	Eesti Teadusagentuur (ETAg), www.etag.ee
Contribution to the Call	100,000 € (+ Indicative top-up from the European Commission of ca. 35% of national contribution)
Link to the page of the call	http://www.biodiversa.org/1224
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Aare Ignat, Project Manager ph.: +372 7317364, e-mail: aare.ignat@etag.ee

ELIGIBILITY

Eligible Institutions/Persons (incl. industry and funding rates)	Research proposals may be submitted by the representatives of Estonian institutions, based in Estonia and conform to the Research and Development Act. Estonian Research Council funds basic and applied research. Applied research is funded only as far as it is not refer to product development with commercial value and for marketing purposes. <u>Principal Investigator (PI)</u> is the applicant of the grant, to whom the grant has been allocated and who shall be responsible for the use of the grant. The Council shall enter into a grant agreement with the PI. <u>The main participant of the project</u> is a person who participates in the substantial performance of the project.
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	<p>The Principal Investigator has entered into an employment relationship with the Estonian legal person, which is the basis of the realisation of the grant project and through which the grant shall be allocated to the PI.</p> <p>The PI must be a holder of the doctoral degree of Estonia or an equivalent academic degree (both awarded by the deadline of submission of the grant application, at the latest).</p> <p><u>The Principal Investigator from the Research institutions:</u></p> <p>Must have an updated profile in the Estonian Research Information System (ETIS).</p> <p>Must have published within the last five years prior to the proposal's submission deadline at least three publications, which comply with the requirements of clauses 1.1 of the classification of publications of the ETIS, or at least five publications, which comply with the requirements of clauses 1.1, 1.2, 2.1 and 3.1 of the classification of publications of the ETIS; international patents are equalised with publications of clause 1.1.; the monographs are equalised to each author with three publications mentioned in clause 1.1 if the number of its authors is three or less. If the applicant has been on the parental leave or in the compulsory military service within these last five years, the deadline of the publication requirement shall be extended by the time stayed on the parental leave or compulsory military service</p> <p><u>The main participant of the Research institutions:</u> shall either possess at least the master's degree or the respective qualification and must have published at least one publication within the last three years prior to the proposal's submission deadline, which comply with the requirements of clauses 1.1, 1.2, 2.1 or 3.1 of the classification of publications of the ETIS; or be a doctoral candidate.</p> <p><u>For the Principal Investigator and the main participant of enterprises no requirements for publications.</u></p>
Eligible themes / environment	No restrictions
Additional specific rules	N.A.

BUDGET

Minimum and/or maximum requested budget per Partner and/or per Project	<p>Maximum requested budget per Project 100,000 € (i.e. if 2 or more Estonian partners participate in one proposal, the total requested fund cannot exceed 100k€)</p> <p>A budget of proposal shall consist of the research expenses and the overhead costs of the institution, through which the grant project is to be carried out.</p> <p>The research expenses consist of personnel costs (incl. scholarships), travel costs, other direct costs and subcontracting costs. The expenses on research are clearly required to carry out the project and respectively identifiable.</p>
Eligible Personnel costs (permanent/temporary)	<p>Remuneration may be only paid out of the grant to the Principal Investigator, main participants in the project and auxiliary staff according to the time they participate in the grant project and their total salary cost for Institution. Double funding of activities already have contributions is not acceptable.</p> <p>Scholarship equal to the state grant may be paid out of the grant to doctoral candidates not paid any salary by Institution. The scholarship for a doctoral candidate may not exceed 422 euros a month. The scholarship of the doctoral candidate along with the State education allowance may not exceed 622 euros a month. Should a doctoral candidate participate in several projects financed by the Council, the total amount of the scholarship received from different projects may not exceed the aforementioned amount. It means that maximum of the scholarships per doctoral candidate is annually 5064 euros.</p>
Should VAT be included in budget figures for ETAG?	Yes
Other eligible costs/expenses	<p><u>Travel costs</u> cover expenses for transport, accommodation and daily allowances (except in case of internal travel).</p> <p><u>Other direct costs:</u></p> <p>Consumables related to the project</p>

	<p>Costs for publishing and dissemination of project results (fair distribution of costs between partner should be followed);</p> <p>Costs for organising the meetings/seminars/conferences (only in Estonia)</p> <p>Fees for participating in scientific forums and conferences;</p> <p>All other costs which are clearly required for the implementation of the project and respectively identifiable.</p> <p><u>Overhead costs</u> of the institution must not exceed a maximum of 20% of eligible direct costs and should be cover general expenses of the institution.</p>
Should any other costs/expenses be excluded?	<p>Costs for equipment and services intended for public use (copying machine or printer publicly used, phone bills, copying service, etc.) shall be covered from the overhead fee.</p> <p>Participants' personal expenses or expenses not directly related to the project are not eligible.</p>
Subcontracting rules	<p>Subcontracting costs cover generally only additional or complementary tasks (e.g. costs for translation, analyses, etc.) to the third parties. Core project research tasks should not be subcontracted.</p> <p>Subcontracting costs may not exceed 10% of the total costs.</p>

FUNDING FOR LOW-INCOME AND LOWER-INCOME COUNTRIES

Are low-income and lower-middle income countries eligible for funding?	No
If yes, specific rules and procedures to follow	N.A.

OTHER

Minimum and/or maximum project duration: 36 months

National Official paperwork to complete and sign (including addresses where to send them) - No

Further comments

N.A.

Country: Finland

Funding Organisation:

Academy of Finland (AKA)



Who is addressed by this information?

This document contains information on specific requirements for Partners applying for AKA funding. Please note that it is mandatory to follow the requirements described below.

To make sure that all requirements are met and to receive latest information, please contact your respective funding organisation contact point.

CONTACT

Funding Organisation	Academy of Finland (AKA) http://www.aka.fi/en/
Contribution to the Call	850 000 € (+ Indicative top-up from the European Commission of ca. 35% of national contribution)
Link to the page of the call	http://www.aka.fi/en/funding/our-funding-opportunities/akatemia-lahihaut/biodiversity-scenarios-of-biodiversity-and-ecosystem-services/ http://www.aka.fi/en/research-and-science-policy/international-cooperation/europe/era-nets-and-other-eu-cooperation-networks/current-era-nets-and-other-eu-cooperation-networks/biodiversity/
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Harri Hautala Science Adviser Academy of Finland Research Council for Biosciences and Environment Phone: +358 295 33 5019 harri.hautala@aka.fi

ELIGIBILITY

Eligible Institutions/Persons	Institutions: University, University hospital, Research institute, Industry (including SMEs). As a rule, the
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<i>(incl. industry and funding rates)</i>	<p>Academy does not grant funding to support economic activity.</p> <p>Persons: The applicant must be a researcher at the professor or docent level or with a doctoral degree.</p> <p>Please check AKA's Regulation at http://www.aka.fi/globalassets/10rahoitus/rahoituksen-kayton-ehdot/yleiset_ehdot_2017_2018_20062017.pdf (in Finnish) http://www.aka.fi/en/funding/how-to-apply/application-guidelines/general-guidelines/</p>
Eligible themes/environment	All
Additional specific rules	In addition to the national regulations, within a transnational call specific rules of the consortium may be applicable; please read carefully the Call Text and all the related instructions.

BUDGET

Minimum and/or maximum requested budget per Partner and/or per Project	AKA aims to fund 3-5 Finnish Coordinators/Partners.
Eligible Personnel costs (permanent/temporary)	<p>The call is implemented under the full cost model where Academy's funding can be up to 70 % of the total costs of a project. Academy funding can be used to cover both direct project costs (e.g. direct salaries) and indirect costs (e.g. costs for premises). Both types of costs are covered with the same percentage. The call follows the funding rules of the Academy project funding.</p> <p>Please check AKA's Regulation at http://www.aka.fi/en/funding/how-to-use-the-funding/general-conditions-and-guidelines-for-funding/</p> <p>If the PI does not have an employment relationship with, for example, a university or research institute, they must give an account of how their salary will be covered during the funding period. Applicants must describe this at the application stage.</p>
Should VAT be included in budget figures for AKA?	VAT can be included in the cost estimate when the site of research is a university, a

	municipality, central government agency, government research institute or public body (i.e. the VAT remains as a final cost for the organisation).
Should any other costs/expenses be excluded?	VAT is not included in the cost estimate when the site of research is an organisation engaged in business activities, such as a university hospital, hospital district or business company (i.e. the VAT is deductible).
Subcontracting rules	Short-term subcontracting is allowed in European and in non-European countries.

FUNDING FOR LOW-INCOME AND LOWER-INCOME COUNTRIES

Are low-income and lower-middle income countries eligible for funding?	Yes.
If yes, specific rules and procedures to follow	Subcontracting. A maximum of 50,000€ of short-term subcontracting can be requested per proposal for low income and lower-middle income countries team(s).

OTHER

Project duration: 3 years

Draft the “Biodiversity Scenarios” online application so that only funding requested from the Academy (max 70 % of total costs) is included. After all full proposals have been evaluated; AKA will invite the successful Finnish candidates to submit their proposal to the AKA’s online service in which you need to include also the funding share of the site of research (at least 30% of total costs).

Further comments

<http://www.aka.fi/en/research-and-science-policy/international-cooperation/>

<http://www.aka.fi/en/funding/our-funding-opportunities/akatemia-lahihaut/biodiversity-scenarios-of-biodiversity-and-ecosystem-services/>

<http://www.aka.fi/en/research-and-science-policy/international-cooperation/europe/era-nets-and-other-eu-cooperation-networks/current-era-nets-and-other-eu-cooperation-networks/biodiversity/>

Country: France

Funding Organisation:

ANR



Who is addressed by this information?

This document contains information on specific requirements for Partners applying for ANR funding. Please note that it is mandatory to follow the requirements described below.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION: Provided below is a summary of the ANR guidelines for this call. You can consult all details in the annexes available on ANR link on the page of the call (see link below, including the document called “**Modalités de participation pour les participants français**” and the regulations concerning the conditions of allocation of ANR funding which can be downloaded here (“**Règlement Financier Applicable**”): <http://www.agence-nationale-recherche.fr/RF>

CONTACT

Funding Organisation	Agence Nationale de la Recherche (ANR), http://www.agence-nationale-recherche.fr/
Contribution to the Call	2,000,000 € (+ Indicative top-up from the European Commission of ca. 35% of national contribution)
Link to the page of the call	http://www.agence-nationale-recherche.fr/financer-votre-projet/appels-ouverts/appel-detail0/appel-a-projets-internationaux-conjoint-biodiversa-et-belmont-forum-scenarios-de-la-biodiversite-et-services-ecosystemiques-2018/
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Sophie GERMANN, Scientific project manager, +33 1 80 48 83 56, sophie.germann@agencerecherche.fr Maurice HERAL, Programme officer, +33 1 80 48 80 33, maurice.herat@agencerecherche.fr

ELIGIBILITY

Eligible Institutions/Persons (incl. industry and funding rates)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The consortium must include at least one French partner in the research organization category (such as university, EPST – Scientific or Technical Public Institution, EPIC – Industrial or Commercial Public Institution). Participation of companies is not mandatory but would be appreciated. - ANR funding is limited to project partners residing in France, the associated international laboratories (LIA) of French research organizations and higher education and research institutions, and French institutions established abroad.
Eligible themes/environment	All
Additional specific rules	Please read very carefully the document called “Modalités de participation pour les participants français” (http://www.agence-nationale-recherche.fr/financer-votre-projet/appels-ouverts/). Click on the link of BiodivERsA/Belmont Forum Call.

BUDGET

Minimum and/or maximum requested budget per Partner and/or per Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Up to 250 000€ per project- up to 300 000€ per project in the case of a French coordination - Min. of 15 000€ per partner
Eligible Personnel costs (permanent/temporary)	Cost for permanent personnel are not eligible for public research organizations. Please read paragraph 4.1 of the conditions of allocation of ANR funding, which can be consulted on the ANR website (http://www.agence-nationale-recherche.fr/RF)
Should VAT be included in budget figures for ANR?	No, unless there is a residual VAT that may be included
Should any other costs/expenses be excluded?	All regulations (read paragraph 4.2 for the costs eligibility) concerning the conditions of allocation of ANR funding can be consulted on the ANR website (http://www.agence-nationale-recherche.fr/RF)
Subcontracting rules	<u>To EU countries:</u> Yes <u>To Non-EU countries:</u> Yes <u>Subcontracting special tasks (i.e. IT services, etc):</u> Yes and No

	<p>Beneficiaries may have the possibility to subcontract with third parties outside the project for specific work excluding fundamental research, industrial research, experimental development and technical feasibility study prior to industrial research and experimental development. The cost of these benefits is given on an individual from operating expenses and must be less than or equal to 50% of total costs used in the base of the Help the Beneficiary, unless waived by the General management team of the ANR reasoned request.</p> <p>Please read paragraph 4.2 of the conditions of allocation of ANR funding, which can be consulted on the ANR website (http://www.agence-nationale-recherche.fr/RF)</p>
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FUNDING FOR LOW-INCOME AND LOWER-INCOME COUNTRIES

Are low-income and lower-middle income countries eligible for funding?	Yes
If yes, specific rules and procedures to follow	Teams from low-income and lower-middle income countries can be funded via a subcontracting system of the French research Partner. Please contact ANR.

OTHER

Minimum and/or maximum project duration: Proposed scientific projects may not exceed 36 months (NB: Duration must be the same for all partners of a project).

Country: Germany

Funding Organisations:

*Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG)
& Bundesministerium für Bildung und
Forschung (BMBF)/Deutsches Zentrum für
Luft- und Raumfahrt e.V. – Projektträger
(DLR-PT)*



Who is addressed by this information?

This document contains information on specific requirements for Partners applying for *DFG* or *BMBF/DLR-PT* funding. Please note that it is mandatory to follow the requirements described below.

To make sure that all requirements are met and to receive latest information, please contact your respective funding organisation contact point.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

1) Procedure

Pre-Proposals:

Pre-proposals submitted by applicants applying for funds from a German research organisation (DFG or BMBF/DLR-PT) will be examined as to their eligibility according to the guidelines of both DFG and BMBF/DLR-PT. If a proposal is eligible at one of these research funding organisations, the general eligibility is established.

Full Proposals:

As a service for the German community, all submitted full proposals including funds applied for at a German research funding organization will be processed according to a uniform procedure. In addition to the mandatory submission of all proposals to the BiodivScen Call Secretariat, all proposals applying for *DFG* or *BMBF/DLR-PT* funds must be submitted to DFG via the [DFG elan portal](#). Please note that this also applies to applicants who only are eligible pursuant to the BMBF/DLR-PT guidelines. The proposal documents must be submitted via the DFG elan portal by the same deadline as the full proposals to the BiodivScen Call Secretariat. Subsequently, responsibilities for applications will be assigned among German funding agencies.

2) Technical advice

Submission of full proposals via DFG's Electronic Proposal Processing System (elan)

For each member of the consortium applying for funding from a German research funding organisation (DFG or BMBF/DLR-PT) the following process must be followed. In the following, these members of the consortium are referred to as "German applicants", which only means that they are applying for "German money", but not that these applicants' nationality must be German.

Please note that before submission of the full proposal, each German applicant must be registered in the elan system. (Registration of all German applicants should be finished two weeks in advance of the deadline for submitting full proposals at the latest.)

The proposal form (elektronisches Antragsformular) must be submitted via the DFG's Electronic Proposal Processing System (elan).

Please select as follows:

- Proposal Submission / New Project (Antragstellung / Neues Projekt)
- Individual Grants Programme (Einzelförderung)
- Proposal for a Research Grant (Antrag auf eine Sachbeihilfe)
- -> Start online form (-> Online-Formular starten)

For detailed information on the online form please refer to:

[BiodivScen](#)

For information on and access to elan go to:

http://www.dfg.de/en/research_funding/principles_dfg_funding/elan/index.html

After submitting the proposal, you will be sent a compliance form by e-mail. This form must be printed out and returned to the DFG with the original signatures of all German applicants.

3) Important information on eligibility for researchers from non-university

Institutions:

DFG

In this joint call of the Belmont Forum and BiodivERsA applicants holding a permanent position at a non-universal research institution have the **duty to cooperate** with partners from German universities ("Es gilt die **Kooperationspflicht**"; for more information see table below).

BMBF/DLR-PT

All applicants from non-university research organisations (Helmholtz, Max-Planck, Leibniz Centres) must follow specific application rules (cf. section ELIGIBILITY). For these applicants it is *strongly recommended to contact the Funding Organisation Contact Point (FCP) at DLR-PT*.

4) Detailed information for both German funding organisations

CONTACT

Funding Organisation	Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG) http://www.dfg.de/index.jsp	Bundesministerium für Bildung und Forschung (BMBF)/ Deutsches Zentrum für Luft- und Raumfahrt e.V. Projektträger (DLR-PT) www.bmbf.de www.dlr.de/pt www.pt-dlr-klimaundumwelt.de
Total Contribution to the Call	€ 1,500,000 – € 2,500,000 <i>(+ Indicative top-up from the European Commission of ca. 35% of national contribution)</i>	€ 2,000,000 – € 3,000,000
Link to the page of the call	BiodivScen	http://www.pt-dlr-klimaundumwelt.de/de/777.php
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Gaby Rerig Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG) +49 228 885-2406 gaby.rerig@dfg	Deutsches Zentrum für Luft- und Raumfahrt e.V. DLR Projektträger, Bereich Umwelt und Nachhaltigkeit Dr. Rainer Sodtke +49 228 3821-1561 Rainer.Sodtke@dlr.de Dr. Oliver Dilly +49 228 3821-1470 Oliver.Dilly@dlr.de

ELIGIBILITY

	Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG)	Bundesministerium für Bildung und Forschung (BMBF)/ Deutsches Zentrum für Luft- und Raumfahrt e.V. Projektträger (DLR-PT)
Eligible Institutions/Persons <i>(incl. industry and funding rates)</i>	Applicants should read and follow DFG forms and guidelines for Research Grants (DFG form 50.01). Please note: Proposals may also be submitted by researchers working at a non-university research institution, however applicants	Participants must be research organisations and/or enterprises. Individual persons are not eligible for funding. Applicants should read and follow the instructions of the «Richtlinien für Zuwendungsanträge auf

	holding a permanent position at a non-universal research institution (institutions listed in DFG form 55_01) have the duty to cooperate with partners from German universities.	Ausgabenbasis» or «Richtlinien für Zuwendungsanträge auf Kostenbasis», depending on the legal status of the applicant's institution. All forms and guidelines are available at: https://foerderportal.bund.de/easy/easy_index.php?auswahl=easy_formulare&formularschrank=bmbf
Eligible themes / environment	No restrictions	No restrictions
Additional specific rules	In addition to submitting the full proposal to the BiodivScen Call Secretariat, uploading the proposal documents via the DFG elan portal by the same deadline is mandatory. For more information: see IMPORTANT INFORMATION above.	All applicants from non-university research organizations (Helmholtz, Max-Planck, Leibniz Centres) have to follow specific application rules (only in German). For these it is <i>strongly recommended to contact the FCP at DLR-PT</i> : Antragsberechtigt sind Hochschulen, Forschungseinrichtungen und vergleichbare Institutionen. Forschungseinrichtungen, die gemeinsam von Bund und Ländern grundfinanziert werden, kann nur unter bestimmten Voraussetzungen ergänzend zu ihrer Grundfinanzierung eine Projektförderung für ihren zusätzlichen Aufwand bewilligt werden. Insbesondere wird von diesen grundfinanzierten außer-universitären Forschungseinrichtungen erwartet, dass sie die inhaltliche Verknüpfung der Projektförderthemen mit den institutionell geförderten Forschungsaktivitäten darstellen und beide miteinander verzahnen.

BUDGET

	Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG)	Bundesministerium für Bildung und Forschung (BMBF)/ Deutsches Zentrum für Luft- und Raumfahrt e.V. Projektträger (DLR-PT)
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Minimum and/or maximum requested budget per Partner and/or per Project	Minimum: 350 € per partner Maximum: no restrictions	N.A.
Eligible Personnel costs (permanent/temporary)	Details are provided in the DFG guidelines for Research Grants DFG form 50.01 . Personnel costs for permanent staff are not eligible.	Only temporary positions, cf. https://foerderportal.bund.de/easy/easy_index.php?auswahl=easy_formulare&formularschrank=bmbf
Should VAT be included in budget figures for your organisations?	Yes	VAT for deliveries and other services of third parties may be refunded only if the applicant is not entitled to deduct pre-tax (nicht zum Vorsteuerabzug nach § 15 UStG berechtigt), cf. https://foerderportal.bund.de/easy/easy_index.php?auswahl=easy_formulare&formularschrank=bmbf
Should any other costs/expenses be excluded?	Please check the DFG guidelines for Research Grants for detailed information (DFG form 50.01).	Cf. https://foerderportal.bund.de/easy/easy_index.php?auswahl=easy_formulare&formularschrank=bmbf
Subcontracting rules	Possible according to the general rules for research grants (for details see DFG form 52.01)	<u>To EU countries:</u> Yes. In this case, however, it is strongly recommended to contact the FCP at DLR-PT. <u>To Non-EU countries:</u> Yes. Teams from third countries or international organisations may be funded for minor tasks within the projects, when they are subcontracted by a German team. Cooperation with developing countries is acceptable. BMBF will not fund subcontracted teams from industrial countries or emerging economies, like China, Brazil etc. <u>Subcontracting special tasks (i.e. IT services, etc):</u> Yes. Please contact the FCP at DLR-PT.

FUNDING FOR LOW-INCOME AND LOWER-INCOME COUNTRIES

	Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG)	Bundesministerium für Bildung und Forschung (BMBF)/ Deutsches Zentrum für Luft- und Raumfahrt e.V. Projektträger (DLR-PT)
Are low-income and lower-middle income countries eligible for funding?	Yes The DFG funds research projects conducted by researchers from Germany in collaboration with researchers from developing countries. Under certain conditions, project partners in developing countries may be funded directly with a DFG research grant. The partner in Germany requests all funding for the project to be carried out with the cooperation partner. The DFG provides the funds to the grant recipient in Germany using its usual procedure. The recipient in Germany transfers the money to their partners in developing countries, and is solely responsible to the DFG for project implementation according to plan and for proper use of the funds.	Yes. Teams from third countries or international organisations may be funded for minor tasks within the projects, if they are subcontracted by a German team. Cooperation with developing countries is acceptable. However, BMBF will not fund subcontracted teams from industrial countries or emerging economies, like China, Brazil etc.
If yes, specific rules and procedures to follow	Rules and procedures are explained in DFG form 54.013	Cf. https://foerderportal.bund.de/easy/easy_index.php?auswahl=easy_formulare&formularschrank=bmbf

OTHER

Minimum and/or maximum project duration:

Project duration up to 36 months.

National Official paperwork to complete and sign (including addresses where to send them)

!! All proposals applying for *DFG* or *BMBF/DLR-PT* funds must be submitted to DFG via the [DFG elan portal](#) !!

Apart from this:

DFG:

For detailed information on the DFG online form and procedure please refer to:

[BiodivScen](#)

BMBF/DLR-PT:

Until the funding decision, no additional forms have to be filled. Application forms (e.g. Easy-AZA/AZAP or Easy-AZK) have to be filled and signed **only for projects designated for funding and only on request by DLR-PT**. Applicants should read and follow the instructions of the «Richtlinien für Zuwendungsanträge auf Ausgabenbasis» or «Richtlinien für Zuwendungsanträge auf Kostenbasis», depending on the legal status of the applicant's institution. All forms to be filled are available at:

https://foerderportal.bund.de/easy/easy_index.php?auswahl=easy_formulare&formularchrank=bmbf

Forms should be send both on paper and electronically, but only on request by DLR-PT to:

Deutsches Zentrum für Luft- und Raumfahrt e. V.

DLR Projektträger | Umwelt und Nachhaltigkeit

Heinrich-Konen-Str. 1

53227 Bonn

z. Hd. Herrn Dr. Rainer Sodtke

Email: rainer.sodtke@dlr.de

Country: Ireland

Funding Organisation:

Environmental Protection Agency



Who is addressed by this information?

This document contains information on specific requirements for Partners applying for [EPA] funding. Please note that it is mandatory to follow the requirements described below.

To make sure that all requirements are met and to receive latest information, please contact your respective funding organisation contact point.

CONTACT

Funding Organisation	Environmental Protection Agency, EPA, www.epa.ie
Contribution to the Call	€500,000 (+ Indicative top-up from the European Commission of ca. 35% of national contribution)
Link to the page of the call	http://www.epa.ie/researchandeducation/research/internationallinkages/biodiversa/
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Dr Alice Wemaere, EPA, Research Manager, Tel: + 353 1 268 0146 Email: a.wemaere@epa.ie

ELIGIBILITY

Eligible Institutions/Persons (incl. industry and funding rates)	All
Eligible themes / environment	All Note: The Marine Institute will be contributing to the funding of successful marine-related proposals
Additional specific rules	n/a

BUDGET

Minimum and/or maximum requested budget per Partner and/or per Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum: €150,000 per partner • Maximum: €300,000 for coordinator • No more than €300,000 to be requested by ALL IE participants within the one proposal
Eligible Personnel costs (permanent/temporary)	<p>Please refer to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guide for Applicants • Guide for Grantees • Terms and Conditions
Should VAT be included in budget figures for EPA?	<p>All funding provided is inclusive of VAT, if it is applicable.</p> <p>Where a participant organisation is registered for Value Added Tax (VAT) and able to reclaim any VAT they incur on their costs then all expenditure items included in their application for funding and subsequent claims for reimbursement should be shown at the VAT exclusive amount. Where an organisation is not entitled to reclaim the VAT that they incur in relation to their costs then the amounts included in their application for funding and subsequent claims for reimbursement should be the VAT inclusive amount. Applicants will be required to specify their VAT status in their Application Form for funding.</p>
Should any other costs/expenses be excluded?	<p>Please refer to EPA Guide to applicants.</p>
Subcontracting rules	<p><u>To EU countries</u>: See below <u>To Non-EU countries</u>: See below <u>Subcontracting special tasks (i.e. IT services, etc.)</u>: None</p> <p>Where the services of a sub-contractor or consultant are required, as part of an application for funding, these should not constitute more than 20% of the total budgeted expenditure of each individual participant and the project overall. Sub-contract and consultancy arrangements are also subject to a maximum daily rate for external assistance of €600 + VAT. Sub-contract arrangements between participants are not permitted.</p>

	There is no restriction on where subcontractor is based so long as Public Procurement rules have been followed i.e. Any sub-contract or consultancy arrangement must be offered to the most economically advantageous tender in compliance with applicable National and European Public Procurement Guidelines
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FUNDING FOR LOW-INCOME AND LOWER-INCOME COUNTRIES

Are low-income and lower-middle income countries eligible for funding?	Yes
If yes, specific rules and procedures to follow	National Regulations Please refer to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guide for Applicants • Guide for Grantees • Terms and Conditions

OTHER

Minimum and/or maximum project duration: 3 years

National Official paperwork to complete and sign (including addresses where to send them)

There is no requirement for Irish applicants to send the EPA any paperwork related to their submission. Applicants are advised to carefully read the National Regulations.

Further comments

N.A.

Country : Ivory Coast

Funding Organisation:

PASRES



Who is addressed by this information?

This document contains information on specific requirements for Partners applying for PASRES funding. Please note that it is mandatory to follow the requirements described below.

To make sure that all requirements are met and to receive latest information, please contact your respective funding organisation contact point.

CONTACT

Funding Organisation	Strategic Support Programme for Scientific Research in Ivory Coast (PASRES) ; www.csrs.ch/pasres ; Phone : (225) 23 47 28 28 ; Email : pasres@csrs.ci
Contribution to the Call	Funding of project (Minimum contribution : 23 000 Euros /Maximum contribution : 75 000 Euros)
Link to the page of the call	www.csrs.ch/pasres
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Dr Yaya SANGARE, Executive Secretary of Strategic Support Programme for Scientific Research in Ivory Coast (PASRES) / Phone : (225) 40 37 71 16 / Email : yayasangci@yahoo.fr

ELIGIBILITY

Eligible Institutions/Persons (incl. industry and funding rates)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Senior and Postdoctoral researchers : Professors and Doctors from Universities and Research Centers ;- PHD Students ;- Master 2 Students and Engineers ;- Non Governmental Organizations (NGOs)
Eligible themes environment	No restrictions
Additional specific rules	Please contact PASRES for more information

BUDGET

Minimum and/or maximum requested budget per Partner and/or per Project	Maximum requested budget : Minimum budget 23 000 Euros per Project / Maximum budget : 75 000 Euros
Eligible Personnel costs (permanent/temporary)	No
Should VAT be included in budget figures for PASRES?	No
Should any other costs/expenses be excluded?	Heavy Equipment
Subcontracting rules	No

FUNDING FOR LOW-INCOME AND LOWER-INCOME COUNTRIES

Are low-income and lower-middle income countries eligible for funding?	No
If yes, specific rules and procedures to follow	No

OTHER

Minimum and/or maximum project duration: Minimum: 6 months / Maximum: 3 years

National Official paperwork to complete and sign (including addresses where to send them)

Applicants have to send to PASRES in a single document an application form, the concept note or summary sheet of their project and the administrative papers required. For more information on this procedure, please contact PASRES.

Application Form to complete and send signed before project submission to:

Strategic Support Programme for Scientific Research in Ivory Coast (PASRES),
Executive Secretariat, Swiss Centre for Scientific Research, Km 17,
Adiopodoumé, P.O. Box : 01 BP 1303 Abidjan 01 / Email : pasres@csrs.ci

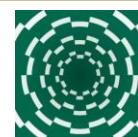
Further comments

N.A.

Country: Lithuania

Funding Organisation:

Research Council of Lithuania (t)



Research
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Who is addressed by this information?

This document contains information on specific requirements for Partners applying for RCL funding. Please note that it is mandatory to follow the requirements described below.

To make sure that all requirements are met and to receive latest information, please contact your respective funding organisation contact point.

CONTACT

Funding Organisation	Research Council of Lithuania
Contribution to the Call	100,000.00 € (+ Indicative top-up from the European Commission of ca. 35% of national contribution)
Link to the page of the call	http://www.lmt.lt/lt/kvietimu-kalendorius/plain.html
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Viktoras Mongirdas Chief Officer of International Programmes Unit of Research Council of Lithuania Phone +370 5 210 5335 E-mail: viktoras.mongirdas@lmt.lt

ELIGIBILITY

Eligible Institutions/Persons (incl. industry and funding rates)	Eligible implementing institution – a Lithuanian research and education institution included into the Register of Education and Research institutions facilitating the implementation of projects by project implementers, managing, in the procedure stipulated by laws, the State budget funds allocated to the project, and representing project partners (if any).
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	Eligible project partner – a public or private legal entity that in cooperation with the implementing institution facilitates the project implementers in implementing the project.
Eligible themes / environment	No restrictions
Additional specific rules	-

BUDGET

Minimum and/or maximum requested budget per Partner and/or per Project	Maximum requested budget per Project is 100k€
Eligible Personnel costs (permanent/temporary)	Expenses incurred for employing permanent and temporary staff are eligible. The workload of the PL or principal members of Lithuanian team must be at least 20 hours multiplied by the duration of the Project in months.
Should VAT be included in budget figures for RCL?	Yes
Should any other costs/expenses be excluded?	Eligible costs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Salaries, including social security costs • Travel • Consumables • Equipment (only state institutions) • Other costs • Subcontracting Overheads (up to) 30% of Salaries and Subcontracting costs
Subcontracting rules	Subcontracting costs must be incurred in accordance with the provisions of the Law on Public Procurement of the Republic of Lithuania. Expenses incurred according to service and/or copyright agreements where such agreements were concluded for performing minor tasks in the Project are eligible.

FUNDING FOR LOW-INCOME AND LOWER-INCOME COUNTRIES

Are low-income and lower-middle income countries eligible for funding?	No
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If yes, specific rules and procedures to follow	N.A.
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OTHER

Minimum and/or maximum project duration: up to 36 months

The researcher applying as a project leader (PL) must hold at least a Ph.D. degree.

A person, acting as a PL or a principal group member can participate only in one proposal per Call.

Where the Supervisor of academic ethics and procedures determines that a person has violated the academic ethics, or the RCL decides that a person who has been implementing (has implemented) a project funded (which has been funded) by the RCL has violated the scientific ethics principles approved by the RCL, the proposals in which the person is designated as the project leader or the principal group member shall not be considered according to all areas of activities supported by the RCL for five years from the date of the relevant decision.

Where the Committee (of RCL) decides to terminate the implementation of the project or recognise the project has failed, the proposals for the projects according to all areas of activities supported by the RCL in which the scientists who had been managing a terminated or a failed project is again indicated as the leader for the intended project, shall not be considered for three years from the adoption date of the Resolution.

No National Official paperwork at application stage is required.

Further comments

National funding will be provided according to the GENERAL RULES FOR THE COMPETITIVE FUNDING OF RESEARCH AND DISSEMINATION PROJECTS OF THE RESEARCH COUNCIL OF LITHUANIA approved by the Order No VIII-26 of the Council on 27 October, 2014.

Country: Norway

Funding Organisation:

The Research Council of Norway (RCN)



Who is addressed by this information?

This document contains information on specific requirements for Partners applying for RCN funding. Please note that it is mandatory to follow the requirements described below.

To make sure that all requirements are met and to receive latest information, please contact your respective funding organisation contact point.

CONTACT

Funding Organisation	The Research Council of Norway (RCN), http://www.forskningssradet.no/en/Home_page/1177315753906
Contribution to the Call	€1,000,000-1,500,000
Link to the page of the call	https://www.forskningssradet.no/servlet/Satellite?c=Page&pagename=miljoforsk%2FHovedsidemaI&cid=1254008430026
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Mari Susanne Solerød, Special adviser, phone: +47 95213880, mso@rcn.no

ELIGIBILITY

Eligible Institutions/Persons (incl. industry and funding rates)	Norwegian research institutions (See definition and specification under "Applications will be accepted from": http://www.forskningssradet.no/en/Researcher_project/1195592882768
Eligible themes /environment	No restrictions
Additional specific rules	Indirect costs should be included in salary costs, not as separate budget lines.

BUDGET

Minimum and/or maximum requested budget per Partner and/or per Project	Within a single project proposal, the Norwegian contribution requested cannot exceed €400 000.
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Eligible Personnel costs (permanent/temporary)	Relevant project expenses such as payroll expenses, one or more grants/fellowships, procurement of R&D services. See also: http://www.forskningsradet.no/en/Researcher_project/1195592882768 .
Should VAT be included in budget figures for RCN?	No
Should any other costs/expenses be excluded?	No, see: http://www.forskningsradet.no/en/Project_budgets/1254007196371
Subcontracting rules	<u>To EU countries</u> : Yes <u>To Non-EU countries</u> : Yes <u>Subcontracting special tasks (i.e. IT services, etc)</u> : Subcontracting via researcher at Norwegian university or research institution. Has to be included in original proposal. No particular restrictions.

FUNDING FOR LOW-INCOME AND LOWER-INCOME COUNTRIES

Are low-income and lower-middle income countries eligible for funding?	Yes
If yes, specific rules and procedures to follow	No particular rules or restrictions.

OTHER

Minimum and/or maximum project duration: Follow the call's general rules.

National Official paperwork to complete and sign (including addresses where to send them)

No signatures from Norwegian participants required on the application form.

Relevant documents (norms and regulations): General RCN conditions for funding: http://www.forskningsradet.no/en/Application_information/1138882212933

Country: Poland



Funding Organisation:

National Science Centre (NCN)

Who is addressed by this information?

This document contains information on specific requirements for Partners applying for NCN funding. Please note that it is mandatory to follow the requirements described below.

To make sure that all requirements are met and to receive latest information, please contact your respective funding organisation contact point.

CONTACT

Funding Organisation	National Science Centre (NCN), www.ncn.gov.pl , Królewska Street 57, 30-081 Krakow, Poland
Contribution to the Call	500,000.00€ (+ Indicative top-up from the European Commission of ca. 35 of national contribution)
Link to the page of the call	https://ncn.gov.pl/wspolpraca- zagraniczna/wspolpraca-wielostronna/konkurs- biodiversa
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Dr Marcin Liana, NCN Head of Research Projects Administration Department marcin.liana@ncn.gov.pl tel: +48 12 3419161 Joanna Komperda, NCN Senior International Cooperation Officer joanna.komperda@ncn.gov.pl tel: +48 12 3419138

ELIGIBILITY

Eligible Institutions/Persons	Eligible institutions: research organisations, university research centres established within
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<i>(incl. industry and funding rates)</i>	<p>a single university structure, scientific libraries, enterprises with the status of research and development centres, organisational institutions having legal personality status established in the Republic of Poland, enterprises other than those mentioned above that are located in Poland.</p> <p>For more information please check: UNISONO</p> <p>Principal Investigator:</p> <p>Any researchers with a doctoral degree, employed at a Polish host institution may act as Principal Investigator or Project Leader.</p>
Eligible themes / environment	No restrictions
Additional specific rules	Only proposals involving basic research may be submitted in response to the call for proposals.

BUDGET

Minimum and/or maximum requested budget per Partner and/or per Project	N.A.
Eligible Personnel costs (permanent/temporary)	Yes
Should VAT be included in budget figures for NCN?	Yes
Should any other costs/expenses be excluded?	<p>Researchers may apply for funding of costs relevant, necessary and directly connected to the proposed research project, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personnel (including post-doc positions and scholarships for PhD students); • Equipment: applicants may seek funding for research equipment up to 500,000 PLN; • Other costs: materials, devices and software, outsourcing and subcontracting, travel and subsistence costs, visits and consultations, costs of publications (including Open access publications), collective investigators; • Overheads: overheads may not exceed a maximum of 40% of eligible costs (excl. equipment) and may not be increased during the course of a research project. <p>We strongly encourage all applicants to read information on eligible costs included in the Annex</p>

	<p>to NCN Council's Resolution on funding granted within calls for proposals for international research projects (UNISONO, p. 5-12).</p> <p>Please note that administrative personnel costs as well as costs of organising conferences, workshops, seminars, meetings are ineligible. For more information please check: UNISONO.</p>
Subcontracting rules	<p><u>To EU countries:</u> Yes</p> <p><u>To Non-EU countries:</u> Yes</p> <p><u>Subcontracting special tasks (i.e. IT services, etc):</u> Yes</p>

FUNDING FOR LOW-INCOME AND LOWER-INCOME COUNTRIES

Are low-income and lower-middle income countries eligible for funding?	Eligible for funding in accordance with the subcontracting rules
If yes, specific rules and procedures to follow	-

OTHER

Minimum and/or maximum project duration: Projects including Polish teams may last 36 months.

National Official paperwork to complete and sign (including addresses where to send them)

On the full proposals stage Polish applicants must register their applications in the OSF submission system (UNISONO). Budget of the Polish part of the project must be given in PLN (1 EUR = 4,3162 PLN).

Further comments

We strongly encourage all applicants to read information on eligible costs included in the Annex to NCN Council's Resolution on funding granted within calls for proposals for international research project ([UNISONO](#), p. 5-12).

Please note:

- Administrative personnel costs have to be covered from overheads.

- If one international project includes partners from at least two different Polish Host Institutions, these institutions must apply as a consortium. Each Host Institution comprising the consortium has a separate budget, but the limit on the remuneration applies to the consortium as a whole ([UNISONO](#), p. 8-9).
- Applicants are obliged to adhere to the rules included in the following document: [UNISONO](#) (Annex to NCN Council's Resolution no. 31/2017).

Country: ROMANIA



Funding Organisation:

*Executive Agency for Higher Education, Research,
Development and Innovation Funding*

Who is addressed by this information?

This document contains information on specific requirements for Partners applying for UEFISCDI funding. Please note that it is mandatory to follow the requirements described below.

To make sure that all requirements are met and to receive latest information, please contact your respective funding organisation contact point.

CONTACT

Funding Organisation	Executive Unit for Financing Higher Education, Research, Development and Innovation (UEFISCDI); www.uefiscdi.gov.ro
Contribution to the Call	500,000.00 Euros (+ Indicative top-up from the European Commission of ca. 35% of national contribution)
Link to the page of the call	https://uefiscdi.ro/biodivscen
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Adrian Asanica, Expert UEFISCDI Tel: +40744.45.00.11 E-mail: adrian.asanica@uefiscdi.ro Luciana Bratu, Head of International Relations and Implementation Projects, UEFISCDI E-mail: luciana.bratu@uefiscdi.ro

ELIGIBILITY

Eligible Institutions/Persons (incl. industry and funding rates)	Legal entities established in Romania are eligible to get funding, i.e. public and private accredited universities, national R&D institutes, other research organizations, SMEs, large industrial enterprises with R&D activity within their domains. We can fund only Romanian research teams. For universities, public institutions, R&D national institutions funding is 100%, and for SMEs and Large
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	companies, financing is under the permit NASR Decision no 9281/8.13.2015 approving the scheme of State aid for Program 3: European and international cooperation.
Eligible themes / environment	No restrictions
Additional specific rules	<p>The Principal Investigator of Romanian team must hold a Ph.D. degree. This condition does not apply if the Romanian host institution is an enterprise according with the specific European and national laws.</p> <p>One research team leader will participate only one time in a proposal within the trans-national call as responsible or coordinator.</p> <p>No simultaneous funding is possible for more than one application under the same call.</p> <p>The Principal Investigator of Romanian team is full time employed within the host institution with permanent position, with fixed term contract covering at least the duration of the project or has an agreement with the host institution for his/her employment at least for the duration of the contract; It is forbidden to submit a proposal which seeks to fund activities already funded by other public sources;</p> <p>The host institution does not have a seizure on its accounts; it has not been declared bankrupt or wound up; it has not made false declarations concerning its economic and legal statute; it has not broken other contract previously signed with a public contracting authority; The host institution agrees to ensure the necessary administrative support, to provide access to all necessary resources/infrastructures, to support the project implementation in good conditions and to employ the members of the Romanian team, in respect of all legal provisions in force, if the project is selected for funding.</p>

BUDGET

Minimum and/or maximum requested budget per Partner and/or per Project	<p>The maximum funding for one project from the public budget is 250.000 Euro if Romania is the coordinator of the transnational project</p> <p>The maximum funding for one project from the public budget is 200.000 Euro if Romania is partner in the transnational project</p>
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Eligible Personnel costs (permanent/temporary)	Both
Should VAT be included in budget figures for UEFISCDI?	Yes
Should any other costs/expenses be excluded?	<p>The following categories of expenses are eligible:</p> <p>A. Staff costs (researchers, technicians and support staff, including all corresponding state and social contributions; these contributions are subject to national regulations in force);</p> <p>B. Consumables (materials, supplies or similar);</p> <p>C. Equipments (in full compliance with state aid regulations), no more than 30% of the total funding from the public budget;</p> <p>D. Subcontracting (max. 25% of the total funding from the public budget);</p> <p>E. Travel expenses (in Romania or abroad, only for project teams members);</p> <p>F. Overheads (calculated as a percentage of direct costs: staff costs, travel expenses and logistics costs - excluding capital costs).</p> <p>Indirect costs will not exceed 20% of direct costs, excluding subcontracting.</p> <p>Expenses are eligible if incurred after signature of the contract.</p>
Subcontracting rules	<p>To EU countries: no</p> <p>To Non-EU countries: no</p> <p><u>Subcontracting special tasks (i.e. IT services, etc):</u></p> <p>Yes, expenditure on services performed by third parties cannot exceed 25 % of the funding from the public budget. The subcontracted parts should not be core/substantial parts of the project work</p>

FUNDING FOR LOW-INCOME AND LOWER-INCOME COUNTRIES

Are low-income and lower-middle income countries eligible for funding?	No
If yes, specific rules and procedures to follow	N.A.

OTHER

Minimum and/or maximum project duration: proposed participations may last up to 36 months

National Official paperwork to complete and sign (including addresses where to send them)
– N.A.

Further comments

The [guideline](#) according to the National Plan for Research, Development and Innovation 2015-2020, for ERA-NET Cofund projects has to be consulted and respected by applicants.

Country: Slovakia

Funding Organisation:

Slovak Academy Of Sciences (SAS)



Who is addressed by this information?

This document contains information on specific requirements for Partners applying for **Slovak Academy of Sciences (SAS)** funding. Please note that it is mandatory to follow the requirements described below.

To make sure that all requirements are met and to receive latest information, please contact your respective funding organisation contact point.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

CONTACT

Funding Organisation	Slovak Academy of Sciences
Contribution to the Call	240.000 € (+ Indicative top-up from the European Commission of ca. 35% of national contribution)
Link to the page of the call	http://www.sav.sk/?lang=sk&doc=services-news&source_no=25
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Zuzana Panisová International Cooperation Department Štefánikova 49, 81438 Bratislava, Slovakia Tel. +421 2 5751 0245 E-mail: panisova@up.upsav.sk

ELIGIBILITY

Eligible Institutions/Persons (incl. industry and funding rates)	Only research Institutes of Slovak Academy of Sciences are eligible organisations for funding (up to 100%). Applicants from other Slovak R&D centers (universities and/or other organisations from Slovakia) have to cover the project costs from their own sources (Letter of Commitment).
Eligible themes / environment	No restrictions
Additional specific rules	-

BUDGET

Minimum and/or maximum requested budget per Partner and/or per Project	Available budget: 240 000 € + ca 35% of EC Top-up
Eligible Personnel costs (permanent/temporary)	Max. 15% of all direct costs or Max. 30% of all direct costs if Slovak team is coordinator of project consortium
Should VAT be included in budget figures for SAS?	Yes
Should any other costs/expenses be excluded?	bank loan interests, periodical publications, elementary office equipment, investments in the property, refreshments, donations, marketing costs are not eligible
Subcontracting rules	<u>To EU countries</u> : no, Slovak legislation is applicable <u>To Non-EU countries</u> : no, Slovak legislation is applicable <u>Subcontracting special tasks (i.e. IT services, etc)</u> : no

FUNDING FOR LOW-INCOME AND LOWER-INCOME COUNTRIES

Are low-income and lower-middle income countries eligible for funding?	No
If yes, specific rules and procedures to follow	N.A.

OTHER

Minimum and/or maximum project duration: Maximum 3 years

No National Official paperwork to complete and sign for the pre-registration and full application stage.

Further comments

Slovak researchers that are **partners in a project selected for funding** will be requested to submit an additional application to the SAS (MVTs form). A separate request to do so will be sent to the Slovak researchers after the recommendation for funding of the respective Joint Call Secretariat. Slovak researchers should submit this application as soon as possible after having received the notification. The Presidium of SAS will make the final decision for funding of selected projects.

ELIGIBLE COSTS FOR SLOVAK RESEARCHERS

1. Eligible direct costs

1.1 Personal costs

- must accurately reflect the work on the project
- may be used only to cover the costs (including health and social insurance) related to work agreements performed outside of employment
- maximum of 15 % of all direct costs (ERA.Nets) or maximum of 30% of all direct costs, if slovak team is a coordinator of consortium

1.2 Material costs and expenditures

- a. *Consumables*: minor equipment and instruments, small-scale office and laboratory material (no basic equipment of the workplace; essential computer equipment is exception)
- b. *costs and expenditures for services directly related to the project*: contracts, consultations, publication of project results, conference fees
- c. *travel costs and living expenses*: limits for travel costs and daily subsistence allowance vary depending on destination country (pursuant to Slovak Act. 283/2002 Col. Of Laws on travel reimbursement)
- d. capital expenditures: to a maximum of 40% of all direct costs

2. Indirect Costs

- administration, energy and infrastructure
- maximum of 20% of all direct costs

http://www.sav.sk/index.php?lang=sk&doc=services-news&source_no=25&news_no=5570

Country: SPAIN

Funding Organisation:
AEI - STATE RESEARCH AGENCY



Who is addressed by this information?

This document contains information on specific requirements for Partners applying for AEI funding. Please note that it is mandatory to follow the requirements described below.

To make sure that all requirements are met and to receive latest information, please contact your respective funding organisation contact point.

CONTACT

Funding Organisation	Ministry of Economy, Industry and Competitiveness – through the State Agency for Research
Contribution to the Call	Max: 1,000,000€ (+ Indicative top-up from the European Commission of ca. 35% of national contribution)
Link to the page of the call	AEI-International (follow BiodivScen)
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Patricia Vera Esteban Manrique Esther Chacón Tel.: +34 916 037 752 / +34 916 038 622 / + 34 916 037 105 E-mail: era-medioambiente@aei.gob.es

ELIGIBILITY

Eligible Institutions/Persons (incl. industry and funding rates)	<p>The eligible entities for the Ministry of Economy, Industry and Competitiveness funding are: Non-profit research organizations according to the APCIN call or equivalent (<i>Acciones de Programación Conjunta Internacional o equivalente</i>).</p> <p>Although private enterprises are not be funded through the APCIN call, the Spanish industrial sector is welcome to participate in the transnational consortia using their own funds or</p>
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	<p>funds from other national funding agencies (CDTI) or regional funding agencies.</p> <p>Final rules on eligibility will be defined in the APCIN call (or equivalent), to be published here</p>
Eligible themes / environment	No restrictions.
Additional specific rules	<p><u>Mandatory:</u> Spanish Principal Investigators must be eligible according to the APCIN call or equivalent and must have experience as investigators in projects funded by the <i>Plan Nacional I+D+i 2008-2011</i>, the <i>Plan Estatal I+D+i 2013-2016</i>, ERC Grants, European Framework Programmes or other relevant international programmes.</p> <p><u>Not allowed:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Important: Principal Investigators are not allowed to apply for funding in two consecutive APCIN calls (or equivalent). - Principal Investigators are not allowed to apply for funding in more than one proposal of this Call 2018. - Principal Investigators are not allowed to apply for funding in more than one proposal in the APCIN 2018 call or equivalent. This must be taken into account when participating in different JPIs, ERA-Nets or other international initiatives. - Principal Investigators have to remain unchanged between the proposal and the National APCIN call or equivalent. <p>The State Research Agency - AEI will avoid double funding (overlapping with other EU or National funding), and will not grant projects or parts of projects already funded.</p>

BUDGET

Maximum requested budget per Partner	<p><u>The following funding limits are considered eligibility criteria. Proposals not respecting these limits can be declared ineligible.</u></p> <p>The maximum amount of funding is 150,000 € per proposal and legal entity (additional 50,000 € if the Spanish group leader is the coordinator of the international consortium).</p> <p><u>Only one Spanish legal entity may participate per proposal</u>, except in the case the Spanish legal</p>
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	entity is the international project coordinator, where another Spanish legal entity may participate. The final funding will take into account the transnational evaluation of the collaborative proposal, the scientific quality of the Spanish group, the added value of the international collaboration, the participation of the industrial sector and the financial resources available.
Eligible Personnel costs (permanent/temporary)	Only for temporal personnel
Eligible other costs	Current costs, small scientific equipment, disposable materials, travelling expenses and other costs that can be justified as necessary to carry out the proposed activities.
Should VAT be included in budget figures for AEI?	Yes
Should any other costs/expenses be excluded?	<u>Indirect costs (overheads) or clinical trials (proofs of concept, proofs of principle) are not eligible for funding in the APCIN call.</u>
Subcontracting rules	<u>To EU countries:</u> No <u>To Non-EU countries:</u> No <u>Subcontracting special tasks (i.e. IT services, etc):</u> Yes, according to the APCIN call rules.

FUNDING FOR LOW-INCOME AND LOWER-INCOME COUNTRIES

Are low-income and lower-middle income countries eligible for funding?	No
If yes, specific rules and procedures to follow	N.A.

OTHER

Maximum project duration: 36 months

Funding programme: Programa Estatal de Investigación, Desarrollo e Innovación Orientada a los Retos de la Sociedad, Plan Estatal de Investigación Científica y Técnica y de Innovación 2013-2017. [Link to Plan Estatal](#)

The instrument for funding the Spanish groups will be the Spanish Call on International Joint Programming Actions 2018 or equivalent (Acciones de Programación Conjunta Internacional 2017 o equivalente). Only as a reference, the beneficiaries are advised to read the call. [APCIN 2017](#)

The Spanish legal entities granted are obliged by the regulations established in this APCIN call (or equivalent) and by the funding limits specified below.

The Call will be managed by the Subdivisión de Programas Científico-Técnicos Transversales, Fortalecimiento y Excelencia

Purpose of funding

The projects granted by the State Research Agency of the Ministry of Economy, Industry and Competitiveness must be aligned with the main objectives described in the [Programa Estatal](#).

Further instructions

Any publication or dissemination activity resulting from the granted projects must acknowledge the State Research Agency of the Ministry of Economy, Industry and Competitiveness funding: “Project (reference nº XXX) funded by the Ministry of Economy, Industry and Competitiveness through APCIN” (or equivalent).

Country: Sweden

Funding Organisation:

Formas



Who is addressed by this information?

This document contains information on specific requirements for Partners applying for *Formas* funding. Please note that it is mandatory to follow the requirements described below.

To make sure that all requirements are met and to receive latest information, please contact your respective funding organisation contact point.

CONTACT

Funding Organisation	The Swedish Research Council for Environment, Agricultural sciences and Spatial Planning (FORMAS), www.formas.se
Contribution to the Call	1 800 000 Euro (+ Indicative top-up from the European Commission of ca. 35% of national contribution)
Link to the page of the call	www.formas.se
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Sandro Caruso, Senior Research Officer Tel: +46 8 775 4064 Email: sandro.caruso(at)formas.se

ELIGIBILITY

Eligible Institutions/Persons (incl. industry and funding rates)	Grants can be administered by a Swedish university or university college, or other Swedish public institute that fulfills the grant administrating organisation eligibility requirements of Formas.
Eligible themes/environment	No restrictions
Additional specific rules	The project leader and co-applicants must have a doctoral degree, but industrial partners are welcome to participate in the application.

BUDGET

Minimum and/or maximum requested budget per Partner and/or per Project	Maximum budget per partner: 300 000 Euro If the Swedish partner is also project coordinator, then the maximum budget for that partner is 500 000 Euro
Eligible Personnel costs (permanent/temporary)	Grants for projects may be used for the financing of salary for temporary and permanent researchers, doctoral students and technical staff.
Should VAT be included in budget figures for Formas?	No
Should any other costs/expenses be excluded?	No
Subcontracting rules	<u>To EU countries</u> : Yes <u>To Non-EU countries</u> : Yes <u>Subcontracting special tasks (i.e. IT services, etc)</u> : Yes Please make sure to contact Formas for more information.

FUNDING FOR LOW-INCOME AND LOWER-INCOME COUNTRIES

Are low-income and lower-middle income countries eligible for funding?	Yes
If yes, specific rules and procedures to follow	By subcontracting Please make sure to contact Formas for more information.

OTHER

Minimum and/or maximum project duration: The project duration is 36 months maximum and 12 months minimum.

National Official paperwork to complete and sign (including addresses where to send them)

None

Further comments

N.A

Country: *Switzerland*

Funding Organisation:

Swiss National Science Foundation



Who is addressed by this information?

This document contains information on specific requirements for Partners applying for SNSF funding. Please note that it is mandatory to follow the requirements described below.

To make sure that all requirements are met and to receive latest information, please contact your respective funding organisation contact point.

CONTACT

Funding Organisation	Swiss National Science Foundation SNSF www.snf.ch
Contribution to the Call	CHF 1,800,000 (+ Indicative top-up from the European Commission of ca. 35% of national contribution)
Link to the page of the call	http://www.snf.ch/en/funding/programmes/era-net/Pages/default.aspx
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Dr. Stéphanie Wyss, Head of Unit Biology and Experimental Medicine, Division Biology and Medicine, SNSF, +41 31 308 22 68, stephanie.wyss@snf.ch

ELIGIBILITY

Eligible Institutions/Persons (incl. industry and funding rates)	Refer to SNSF Funding Regulations http://www.snf.ch/SiteCollectionDocuments/allg_reglement_e.pdf and General implementation regulations for the Funding Regulations http://www.snf.ch/SiteCollectionDocuments/allg_ausfuhrungsreglement_e.pdf Please note: The SNSF exclusively funds research conducted for purposes that are not directly commercial. Pursuant to the Research and Innovation Promotion Act RIPA and the legal framework of the SNSF, no research grants are awarded if the relevant research is
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	<p>conducted for directly commercial purposes or if the persons involved in the research work do not enjoy scientific independence.</p> <p>For eligibility check please contact the national contact person identified above.</p>
Eligible themes / environment	No restriction
Additional specific rules	<p>Refer to SNSF Funding Regulations http://www.snf.ch/SiteCollectionDocuments/allg_reglement_e.pdf</p> <p>Please note: Besides the eligibility check, the SNSF proceeds to a material check. On one hand, this refers to the applicant's experience and research activity during several years as well as the demonstration of their scientific independence (Art. 3 and 10, Funding regulations). Moreover, the material check ensures that the submitted proposal can be evaluated in detail, more particularly that it shows no obvious insufficiency in any of the scientific evaluation criteria (Art. 24 of the aforementioned regulations). In case of several overlapping projects, all projects must significantly distinguish themselves from each other (Art. 17 of the same regulations).</p> <p>For eligibility check please contact the national contact person identified above.</p>

BUDGET

Minimum and/or maximum requested budget per Partner and/or per Project	None
Eligible Personnel costs (permanent/temporary)	<p>Refer to SNSF Funding Regulations http://www.snf.ch/SiteCollectionDocuments/allg_reglement_e.pdf and General implementation regulations for the Funding Regulations http://www.snf.ch/SiteCollectionDocuments/allg_ausfuehrungsreglement_e.pdf</p>
Should VAT be included in budget figures for SNSF?	Yes
Should any other costs/expenses be excluded?	<p>Refer to SNSF Funding Regulations http://www.snf.ch/SiteCollectionDocuments/allg_reglement_e.pdf and</p>

	<p>General implementation regulations for the Funding Regulations http://www.snf.ch/SiteCollectionDocuments/allg_ausfuehrungsreglement_e.pdf</p> <p>Please note: Overhead contributions cannot be applied for. They are calculated on the basis of the research funding acquired by eligible institutions under eligible funding schemes. Contributions are paid in retrospect at a flat rate.</p>
Subcontracting rules	<p><u>To EU countries</u>: Please contact SNSF</p> <p><u>To Non-EU countries</u>: Please contact SNSF</p> <p><u>Subcontracting special tasks (i.e. IT services, etc)</u>: Please contact SNSF</p>

FUNDING FOR LOW-INCOME AND LOWER-INCOME COUNTRIES

Are low-income and lower-middle income countries eligible for funding?	Please contact SNSF
If yes, specific rules and procedures to follow	

OTHER

Minimum and/or maximum project duration: 12 to 36 months

National Official paperwork to complete and sign (including addresses where to send them: none

Submission of the formal proposal at national level will be carried out once the international evaluation is finalized. The Swiss project partner(s) will then be invited by the SNSF to submit the proposal(s).

Further comments:

N.A.

Country: *The Netherlands*

Funding Organisation:

NWO



Netherlands Organisation
for Scientific Research

Who is addressed by this information?

This document contains information on specific requirements for Partners applying for NWO funding. Please note that it is mandatory to follow the requirements described below.

To make sure that all requirements are met and to receive latest information, please contact your respective funding organisation contact point.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Provided below is a summary of the NWO guidelines for this call, full (and binding) detail is provided in the document “BiodivScen - Requirements for Dutch applicants” which is available for download on www.nwo.nl/biodivscen.

CONTACT

Funding Organisation	Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO)
Contribution to the Call	800,000 euro (+ Indicative top-up from the European Commission of ca. 35% of national contribution)
Link to the page of the call	www.nwo.nl/biodivscen
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Martijn Los Policy Officer NWO Domain Science +31 703440508 m.los@nwo.nl

ELIGIBILITY

Eligible Institutions/Persons (incl. industry and funding rates)	Funding can be applied for by associate, assistant and full professors or researchers with a comparable position who hold an appointment at a Dutch university or a
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	research institute recognised by NWO (cf. Open Programme NWO Earth and Life Sciences).
Eligible themes/environment	No restrictions
Additional specific rules	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Applicants must hold a doctorate and/or be professor. - Applicants must have a paid appointment for at least the duration of the application process and the research for which the grant is requested. - Employees who have a 'zero-hours' contract (0-aanstelling) or a contract as an unpaid guest researcher cannot apply. - Applicants may not apply for a position for themselves. - An individual Dutch applicant may only request funding for one project (part of a consortium) in this call. - The maximum number of Dutch participants (applicable for funding) per consortium is one.

BUDGET

Minimum and/or maximum requested budget per Partner and/or per Project	200.000 euro
Eligible Personnel costs (permanent/temporary)	Temporary positions (post-doc) only
Should VAT be included in budget figures for NWO?	Yes
Should any other costs/expenses be excluded?	<p>Applicants can apply for a grant to cover research costs such as the appointment of personnel (post-doc) and material and networking costs (consumables, fieldwork, consortium meetings etc.). Each cost category should be explained separately in the application.</p> <p>Personnel costs</p>

	<p>For the salary costs at Universities and research institutes recognized by NWO the VSNU contract 'Akkoord bekostiging wetenschappelijk onderzoek' applies. For the Dutch Individual Project a grant can be requested for a postdoc researcher (maximum 2,5 years full time, current amount per 1 July 2017: 183.621 euro). This amount includes a bench fee of 5,000 euro for individual costs for the purposes of the research of the post-doc (e.g. publication costs, congress visits, etc.).</p> <p>Material and networking costs For material costs (consumables, fieldwork, travel costs) and networking costs (consortium meetings, travel costs, communication) a maximum of 40,000 euro for the entire funding period can be applied for. Material and networking costs may not exceed 20% of the total budget requested.</p> <p>Non-eligible costs The NWO funding in this call does not cover costs for sub-contracting or overheads. Applicants cannot apply for a grant to cover the costs of tenured staff, student assistants, analysts or technicians, general laboratory equipment and the costs for maintenance, insurance, congress visits and publications.</p>
Subcontracting rules	<p><u>To EU countries:</u> No</p> <p><u>To Non-EU countries:</u> No</p> <p><u>Subcontracting special tasks (i.e. IT services, etc):</u> No</p>

FUNDING FOR LOW-INCOME AND LOWER-INCOME COUNTRIES

Are low-income and lower-middle income countries eligible for funding?	No
If yes, specific rules and procedures to follow	N.A.

OTHER

Minimum and/or maximum project duration:

Proposed projects may last up to a maximum of 36 months.

National Official paperwork to complete and sign (including addresses where to send them):

N/A

Further comments:

Please check the “BiodivScen – Requirements for Dutch applicants” on www.nwo.nl/biodivscen for further details.

Country: TURKEY

Funding Organisation:

**THE SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL
RESEARCH COUNCIL OF TURKEY (TÜBİTAK)**



Who is addressed by this information?

This document contains information on specific requirements for Partners applying for TÜBİTAK funding. Please note that it is mandatory to follow the requirements described below.

To make sure that all requirements are met and to receive latest information, please contact your respective funding organisation contact point.

CONTACT

Funding Organisation	The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TÜBİTAK)
Contribution to the Call	Maximum: 400.000-€ (+ Indicative top-up from the European Commission of ca. 35% of national contribution)
Link to the page of the call	https://www.tubitak.gov.tr/tr/duyuru/era-net-cofund-biyocesitlilik-senaryolari-cagrisi-aciliyor https://ufuk2020.org.tr/tr/haberler/era-net-cofund-biyocesitlilik-senaryolari-cagrisi-acilacak
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Burak Barut Scientific Programmes Expert Tel: +903122981191 E-mail: burak.barut@tubitak.gov.tr

ELIGIBILITY

Eligible Institutions/Persons (incl. industry and funding rates)	University personnel with PhD degree, public institutions and private corporations employees with min. undergraduate degree are eligible for funding. Proposals from any kind of associations and/or foundations are not eligible.
Eligible themes	No restrictions

Additional specific rules	<p>-Project managers, researchers and advisors should be registered in the TÜBİTAK Researcher Information System (ARBİS) database and their information should be up-to-date.</p> <p>- The national application form should be signed by the project manager, researcher(s), advisor(s) and the institution authorities (usually rector or vice rector).</p> <p>- Legal permission papers from related ministries and ethical committee approvals should be submitted in the eligibility check period.</p> <p>- For more information, please visit national funds web site:</p> <p>http://www.tubitak.gov.tr/en/funds/academy/national-support-programmes/content-1001-scientific-and-technological-research-projects-funding-program</p>
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BUDGET

Minimum and/or maximum requested budget per Partner and/or per Project	Maximum budget per project is 660.000-₺ which is around 160.000-€.
Eligible Personnel costs (permanent/temporary)	Only temporary
Should VAT be included in budget figures for TÜBİTAK?	YES
Should any other costs/expenses be excluded?	<p>Equipment, consumables, subcontracting/services, travel costs, personnel costs (temporary), overhead (institutional share and principle investigator/researcher(s)/advisor(s) shares which is given by TÜBİTAK for every funded project) can be included.</p> <p>Proposals which aim to build infrastructure are not eligible.</p>
Subcontracting rules	<p><u>To EU countries:</u> NO</p> <p><u>To Non-EU countries:</u> NO</p> <p><u>Subcontracting special tasks (i.e. IT services, etc):</u> YES</p>

FUNDING FOR LOW-INCOME AND LOWER-INCOME COUNTRIES

Are low-income and lower-middle income countries eligible for funding?	NO
If yes, specific rules and procedures to follow	N.A.

OTHER

Maximum project duration: 36 months

National Official paperwork to complete and sign (including addresses where to send them)

Turkish partners have to apply national programme (programme code: 1001) simultaneously with the international application. The purpose of the 1001 programme is to support research in Turkey for generating new information, interpreting scientific findings, or solving technological problems on a scientific basis.

Application output which includes

- Kabul Taahhüt Beyanları (Proje Ekibi),
- Kabul Taahhüt Beyanları (Öneren/Proje Yürütücüsü Kurum/Kuruluş),
- Kabul Taahhüt Beyanları (Katılımcı Kurum/Kuruluş),
- Proje Önerisi Üzerindeki Hak Sahipliği Beyanı) has to be signed and sent to TUBITAK in the eligibility check period.

Original copies and/or true copies of the original documents of ethical committee approvals, legal permission papers and support letters should be sent to TUBITAK in the eligibility check period.

Address: Tunus Cad., No: 80, Kavaklıdere/Çankaya, ANKARA, 06100

Further comments

Useful Links:

<http://www.tubitak.gov.tr/tr/destekler/akademik/ulusal-destek-programlari/icerik-1001-bilimsel-ve-teknolojik-arastirma-projelerini-destekleme-pr>

<https://h2020.org.tr/tr>

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Country: *United States of America*

Funding Organisation:

National Science Foundation



Who is addressed by this information

This document contains information on specific requirements for Partners applying for NSF funding. Please note that it is mandatory to follow the requirements described below.

To make sure that all requirements are met and to receive latest information, please contact your respective funding organisation contact point.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION: US Investigators may only be part of one consortium.

CONTACT

Funding Organisation	National Science Foundation (NSF)
Contribution to the Call	Approximately 1.8 M USD
Link to the page of the call	Tbc
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ELIGIBILITY

Eligible Institutions/Persons <i>(incl. industry and funding rates)</i>	All institutions eligible to receive US federal funds through the National Science Foundation. U.S. investigators may only be part of one consortium. Accordingly, U.S.
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	investigators may be listed as either Lead PI, Co-PI (Partner PI) or Senior Personnel on only one pre-registration or proposal. In accordance with NSF policy, proposals cannot list more than 4 Co-PIs (Partner-PIs) from U.S. institutions. Additional U.S. collaborators must be listed as Senior Personnel.
Eligible themes and environment	All
Additional specific rules	The Lead PI's office of sponsored research or equivalent must send an email to the National Contacts at the addresses listed above acknowledging the submission by the US PI.

BUDGET

Maximum requested budget per Partner and/or per Project	180,000 USD (including indirect costs) for all US partners <u>per proposal</u>
Eligible Personnel costs (permanent/temporary)	To cover overhead, PIs are to use their institution's negotiated indirect cost rate.
Should VAT be included in budget figures for NSF?	No
Should any other costs/expenses be excluded?	All costs including indirect are included in the maximum amount listed above.
Subcontracting rules	NSF does permit the use of subawarding (subcontracting). Collaborative proposals may be submitted as a single proposal, in which a single award is being requested (with subawards administered by the lead organization).

FUNDING FOR LOW-INCOME AND LOWER-INCOME COUNTRIES

Are low-income and lower-middle income countries eligible for funding?	No
If yes, specific rules and procedures to follow	N.A.

OTHER

Minimum and/or maximum project duration: 36 months

National Official paperwork to complete and sign (including addresses where to send them)

- For U.S. investigators that are part of a consortium and are NOT the Lead PI, all pre-registrations and proposals will be submitted to the Program Office by the consortium's Lead PI in accordance with the Agency's or Country's procedures.
- In accordance with NSF policy, pre-registrations and proposals that have U.S. Lead PI's must be submitted to the on-line Biodiversity call portal system. NO pre-registrations and proposals submitted directly to FASTLANE will be accepted. In addition,
- Once the review process is complete, the U.S. Lead PI will be contacted by the NSF point of contact with further instructions on how to upload the proposal information into FASTLANE. In addition, U.S. investigators that are part of a consortium and are NOT the Lead PI, will be contacted by NSF point of contact to upload proposal information into FASTLANE.

Further comments

In the event that an award is made to an institution, all NSF reporting requirements must be satisfied.