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TOPICS TO BE FUNDED

Funder	Theme 1	Theme 2	Initial budget
BML	x	x	500,000 €
FIO	x	x	1,500,00 €
RIF	x	x	708.000 €
DAFA	x	x	600,000 €
IFD	x	x	1,000,000 €
ETAG	x	x	100,000 €
REM	x	x	100,000 €
MMM	x	x	500,000 €
ANR	x	x	2,000,000 €
RPL	x	x	300,000 €
BMEL	x		500,000 €
BMBF	x	x	2,000,000 €
NKFIH	x	x	140,000 €
MASAF	x	x	600,000 €
BOZEN	x	x	450,000 €
LMT	x	x	300,000 €
ŽŪM	x	x	240,000 €
MINLNV	x		1,000,000 €
RCN	x	x	1,275,000 €
FCT	x	x	500,000 €
UEFISCDI	x	x	500,000 €
SAS	x	x	240,000 €
MKPG	x	x	400,000 €
CDTI	x	x	400,000 €
AEI	x	x	1,350,000 €
JUNTAEX	x	x	600,000 €



Funder	Theme 1	Theme 2	Initial budget
FORMAS	x	x	1,200,000 €
TÜBİTAK	x	x	500,000 €
29			17,203,000 €

 **Federal Ministry**  
**Republic of Austria**  
Agriculture, Forestry, Regions  
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## FEDERAL MINISTRY FOR AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, REGIONS AND WATER MANAGEMENT

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#### FUNDER REGULATION

Indicative budget	Maximum funding per project	Project duration
500,000 €	250,000 €	min. 24 months to max. 36 months

#### TOPICS TO BE FUNDED

Topic 1	Topic 2	comment
x	x	projects working on genetically modified organisms according to the EU definition (2001/18/EC) are excluded from funding

#### THE FOLLOWING PARTNERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING

Universities	Research institutes	Non-profit organizations	Consumer/citizens	Civil society representatives	Private companies	Other
x	x	x	x	x	x	x

#### ANY ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS, DOCUMENTS OR INFORMATION

Applicants must meet requirements determined by the national programme “[Programm zur Forschung und Entwicklung im BMLRT 2020-2025](#)”, and each proposal submitted must be in line with the general policies of the BML.

- Applying organisations shall contact their respective legal department and research service department, if any, to clarify internal coherence for all applicants from that particular organisation. Applicants must keep their national contact point informed in the course of the pre-proposal phase, so to avoid ineligibility of the proposal.
- Requested BML contribution per project is limited to the budget provided in the table of the indicative call budget. The requested contribution includes the total costs requested (inkl. VAT) – value added tax cannot be requested additionally.
- For one eligible project there will be only one contract between BML and the respective Austrian partner, whereas additional Austrian partners shall be subcontracted. The Austrian partners should decide upon the lead partner amongst themselves at an early stage, and the lead partner must be eligible for funding.

- After the final selection for funding of a proposal the Austrian partner has to submit the project via [www.dafne.at](http://www.dafne.at).
- Amortisation costs for equipment are eligible in proportion to the share relevant for the project.
- Travel and meeting costs are eligible according to the Austrian “RGV”.
- Overhead costs maximum 20% of direct costs.
- Payments by BML principally consist of prepayment, payment after approval of the Interim Report, and a final payment after the approval of the Final Report (min. 10% of the requested BML contribution).
- The institutions with partial legal capacity, which are established at the research-active agencies (Dienststellen) of the BML, are eligible for funding in this specific call, as it is an international and competitive call.

### **TOPIC 1 - BEWERTUNG UND EVIDENZBASIERTE DARSTELLUNG DER ÖKOLOGISCHEN, WIRTSCHAFTLICHEN UND SOZIALEN LEISTUNGEN DER AGRARÖKOLOGIE:**

Landwirtschaftliche Umweltleistungen bzw. die Umsetzung von agrarökologischen Praktiken haben im GAP-Strategieplan 2023-27 eine hohe Priorität, weil dadurch wichtige Beiträge zu EU-weiten Zielsetzungen im (Agrar)Umweltbereich geleistet werden. Zentrale Themen für Forschungsarbeiten sind daher aus Sicht des BMLs insbesondere die Bewertung der Effektivität von agrarökologischen Praktiken auf die Schutzgüter Biodiversität, Boden, Wasser, Luft und Klima. Besonders interessant ist in diesem Zusammenhang die Frage, inwiefern eine agrarökologisch ausgerichtete Landwirtschaft auch positiven Einfluss auf die soziale und wirtschaftliche Dimension der Nachhaltigkeit besitzt. D.h. inwiefern diese Praktiken soziales Wohlbefinden, Arbeitsbedingungen, sowie die wirtschaftliche Lebensfähigkeit von Betrieben oder deren Abhängigkeit vom Markt beeinflussen.

Aus Sicht des BMLs bilden Forschungsvorhaben zur evidenzbasierten Bewertung agrarökologischer Praktiken und der Untersuchung ihrer Effekte auf ökonomische, soziale und ökologische Performance von Betrieben zentrale Voraussetzung für eine bessere Anerkennung agrarökologischer Wirtschaftsweisen durch den Landwirtschaftssektor, den Markt, sowie durch politische Entscheidungsträger:innen.

Ein weiteres wichtiges Thema für das BML ist der Beitrag einer agrarökologisch ausgerichteten Landwirtschaft zur betrieblichen Resilienz – sowohl aus Perspektive des Klimawandels (z.B. Anpassungsmöglichkeit an Extremwetterereignisse/ neue Pflanzenkrankheiten & Schädlinge) als auch aus ökonomischer Hinsicht (z.B. Erschließung neuer Geschäftsmodelle, Diversifizierung).

Es ist entscheidend, in jedem Schritt die spezifischen Bedingungen und die Besonderheiten der einzelnen Standorte zu berücksichtigen und darauf abgestimmte agrarökologische Praktiken zu forcieren und einzubinden.

### **TOPIC 2: UMGESTALTUNG VON WERTSCHÖPFUNGSKETTEN, UNTERNEHMEN UND POLITIKEN ZUR ERLEICHTERUNG DES ÜBERGANGS ZUR AGRARÖKOLOGIE**

Dieses Thema ist für das BML interessant, weil ein langfristiger Erfolg von agrarökologischen Praktiken nur dann gesichert ist, wenn agrarökologisch erzeugte Produkte auch einen entsprechenden Wert am Markt erzielen bzw. wenn sich durch die agrarökologische Wirtschaftsweise ein (neues) Geschäftsmodell für Betriebe erschließt. Öffentliche Förderungen bzw. die Gestaltung von Politiken zur Umsetzung agrarökologischer Praktiken sind zweifelsfrei sehr wichtig zur Initiierung des agrarökologischen Wandels. Damit sich dieser Übergang zur Agrarökologie langfristig etablieren kann, muss sich eine agrarökologisch ausgerichtete Landwirtschaft aber jedenfalls auch ökonomisch rentieren. Zentrale Themen für Forschungsarbeiten sind daher aus Sicht des BMLs die Entwicklung von innovativen



Geschäftsmodellen, sowie die Weiterentwicklung bestehender Labels und Vermarktungskonzepten zur erfolgreichen Verankerung einer agrarökologisch ausgerichteten Landwirtschaft in der Wertschöpfungskette. Dazu auch Untersuchungen, wie eine Transformation bzw. Diversifizierung der Wertschöpfungskette möglich wäre, damit agrarökologische Praktiken stärker berücksichtigt werden könnten.

Forschungsarbeiten, die neue Erkenntnisse zur Ausgestaltung von politischen Unterstützungsinstrumenten für agrarökologische Praktiken bringen, sind aus BML Sicht ebenfalls willkommen.





## FONDS VOOR INNOVEREN EN ONDERNEMEN

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Indicative budget	Maximum funding per project	Project duration
1,500,000 €	500,000 €	min. 24 months to max. 48 months

#### TOPICS TO BE FUNDED

Topic 1	Topic 2	comment
x	x	

#### THE FOLLOWING PARTNERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING

Universities	Research institutes	Non-profit organizations	Consumer/citizens	Civil society representatives	Private companies	Other
x	x				x	

#### ANY ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS, DOCUMENTS OR INFORMATION

#### LINK TO FUNDING PROGRAMME AND OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION

<https://www.vlaio.be/en/vlaio-netwerk/agricultural-trajectories-la-trajectories>

<https://www.vlaio.be/en/subsidies/research-project>

<https://www.vlaio.be/en/subsidies/development-project>

#### NATIONAL ANNEXES:

- Submission form agricultural trajectories, research project or development project
- Cost model

#### SOURCES:

- [www.vlaio.be/nl/vlaio-netwerk/landbouw-la-trajecten/hoe-een-la-traject-aanvraag-indienen](http://www.vlaio.be/nl/vlaio-netwerk/landbouw-la-trajecten/hoe-een-la-traject-aanvraag-indienen)
- <https://www.vlaio.be/nl/subsidies-financiering/onderzoeksproject/aanvraagprocedure-voor-de-subsidie-onderzoeksproject>
- <https://www.vlaio.be/nl/subsidies-financiering/ontwikkelingsproject/aanvraag-en-evaluatieprocedure>

Applicants who want to submit a proposal are requested to contact VLAIO as soon as the consortium is complete.



**VLAIO will organize an informative session with each applicant after submission.  
The maximum funding per project is 500,000 €.**



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**FUNDER REGULATION**

Indicative budget	Maximum funding per project	Project duration
708,000 €	500,000 €	min. 24 months to max. 36 months

**TOPICS TO BE FUNDED**

Topic 1	Topic 2	comment
x	x	

**THE FOLLOWING PARTNERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING**

Universities	Research institutes	Non-profit organizations	Consumer/citizens	Civil society representatives	Private companies	Other
x	x	x		x	x	x

**ANY ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS, DOCUMENTS OR INFORMATION**

The Cypriot Consortium must be involved in Industrial Research and/or Experimental Development activities.



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**FUNDER REGULATION**

Indicative budget	Maximum funding per project	Project duration
600,000 €	500,000€	min. 12 months to max. 36 months

**TOPICS TO BE FUNDED**

Topic 1	Topic 2	comment
x	x	

**THE FOLLOWING PARTNERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING**

Universities	Research institutes	Non-profit organizations	Consumer/citizens	Civil society representatives	Private companies	Other
x	x	x		x	x	x

**ANY ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS, DOCUMENTS OR INFORMATION**

Max funding per Danish partner is 300,000 €. Minimum funding per partner is 50,000 €.

When submitting an application for consideration for Danish funding, the application will be considered as directed at both the Innovation Fund Denmark and the Green Development and Demonstration Programme (GUDP), since both participate in this call.

The Innovation Fund Denmark and GUDP reserves the right to transfer an application for consideration between the two funding bodies in applications for Danish funding. Transfer of applications will be subject to the prior ranking of applications and aim to maximize use of Danish funds in the call. An application may be granted funding in its entirety only from one Danish entity.

**NATIONAL LINK:**

<https://lfst.dk/tilskud/soeg-tilskud/tilskudsguide/internationale-opslag-i-groent-udviklings-og-demonstrationsprogram-gudp>

# Innovation Fund Denmark

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Indicative budget	Maximum funding per project	Project duration
1,000,000 €	500,000 €	min. 12 months to max. 36 months

#### TOPICS TO BE FUNDED

Topic 1	Topic 2	comment
x	x	

#### THE FOLLOWING PARTNERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING

Universities	Research institutes	Non-profit organizations	Consumer/citizens	Civil society representatives	Private companies	Other
x	x	x		x	x	x

#### ANY ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS, DOCUMENTS OR INFORMATION

Max funding per Danish partner is 300,000 €. Minimum funding per partner is 50,000 €.

When submitting an application for consideration for Danish funding, the application will be considered as directed at both the Innovation Fund Denmark and the Green Development and Demonstration Programme (GUDP), since both participate in this call.

The Innovation Fund Denmark and GUDP reserves the right to transfer an application for consideration between the two funding bodies in applications for Danish funding. Transfer of applications will be subject to the prior ranking of applications and aim to maximize use of Danish funds in the call. An application may be granted funding in its entirety only from one Danish entity.

#### NATIONAL LINK:

[https://innovationsfonden.dk/sites/default/files/2024-07/Guidelines%20International%20Collaborations%20July%201%202024\\_0.pdf](https://innovationsfonden.dk/sites/default/files/2024-07/Guidelines%20International%20Collaborations%20July%201%202024_0.pdf)



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FUNDER REGULATION

Indicative budget	Maximum funding per project	Project duration
100,000 €	100,000 € if the Estonian applicant is the project partner 300,000 € if the Estonian applicant is the project coordinator	min. 24 months to max. 36 months

TOPICS TO BE FUNDED

Topic 1	Topic 2	comment
x	x	-

THE FOLLOWING PARTNERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING

Universities	Research institutes	Non-profit organizations	Consumer/citizens	Civil society representatives	Private companies	Other
x	x	x	x	x	x	x

ANY ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS, DOCUMENTS OR INFORMATION

**BUDGET**

The maximum budget per project is 100,000 € if the Estonian applicant is the project partner. The maximum budget per project is 300,000 € if the Estonian applicant is the project coordinator. We expect to fund at least one project.

**NATIONAL LINK:**

National Eligibility Criteria: [https://etag.ee/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/Vastavusnouded-RV-uhiskonkurssidel\\_2024.pdf](https://etag.ee/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/Vastavusnouded-RV-uhiskonkurssidel_2024.pdf).



**REGIONAAL- JA  
PÕLLUMAJANDUSMINISTEERIUM**

**REGIONAAL- JA PÕLLUMAJANDUSMINISTEERIUM**

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**FUNDER REGULATION**

Indicative budget	Maximum funding per project	Project duration
100,000 €	100,000 €	min. 24 months to max. 36 months

**TOPICS TO BE FUNDED**

Topic 1	Topic 2	comment
x	x	

**THE FOLLOWING PARTNERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING**

Universities	Research institutes	Non-profit organizations	Consumer/citizens	Civil society representatives	Private companies	Other
x	x	x		x	x	

**ANY ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS, DOCUMENTS OR INFORMATION**

**NATIONAL LINK:**

National Eligibility Criteria: [https://etag.ee/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/Vastavusnouded-RV-uhiskonkurssidel\\_2024.pdf](https://etag.ee/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/Vastavusnouded-RV-uhiskonkurssidel_2024.pdf)



Ministry of Agriculture  
and Forestry of Finland

## MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY / MAA- JA METSÄTALOUSMINISTERIÖ

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#### FUNDER REGULATION

Indicative budget	Maximum funding per project	Project duration
500,000 €	250,000 €	min. 24 months to max. 36 months

#### TOPICS TO BE FUNDED

Topic 1	Topic 2	comment
x	x	

#### THE FOLLOWING PARTNERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING

Universities	Research institutes	Non-profit organizations	Consumer/citizens	Civil society representatives	Private companies	Other
x	x	x	x	x	x	

#### ANY ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS, DOCUMENTS OR INFORMATION

##### GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR CALLS

MMM uses so called total cost model where funding for research organizations and universities covers 70 % of the project's gross eligible costs. For companies the maximum funding is 50% (please note the EU's state aid rules). Product development supporting individual companies will not be supported, neither machinery nor equipment, unless they have been specifically approved by ministry. The results of funded projects must be open for access by all potential user groups. Costs that are necessary and reasonable in view of the project work and which can be allocated to the project in accounting are considered acceptable costs. The costs must be incurred during the period of time indicated in the funding decision in order to be approved. Costs incurred before the application was submitted will not be approved as project costs.

The responsible administrator of the research/development project must be duly authorised to act for and on behalf of the recipient(s) of the funding in project-related matters as if such actions were carried out by the recipient(s) themselves.

Standard terms and conditions for research, development and innovation activities (RDI) financed by the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry ([in Finnish](#); [in English](#))



**MMM urges all applicants to get in touch with the national contact person already in the early phase of the project planning.**

Due to actions undermining or threatening the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine, the European Union and/or the United Nations have imposed and may in the future impose sanctions in their legislation and/or by decisions of their institutions. The funding recipient must comply with the restrictive measures imposed on Russia and Belarus by the European Union or the United Nations concerning the economy and financing, which are in force in the European Union.

## AGENCE NATIONALE DE LA RECHERCHE

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#### FUNDER REGULATION

Indicative budget	Maximum funding per project	Project duration
2,000,000 €	400,000 €	min. 24 months to max. 36 months

#### TOPICS TO BE FUNDED

Topic 1	Topic 2	comment
x	x	

#### THE FOLLOWING PARTNERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING

Universities	Research institutes	Non-profit organizations	Consumer/citizens	Civil society representatives	Private companies	Other
x	x	x			x	x

#### ANY ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS, DOCUMENTS OR INFORMATION

##### MAXIMUM FUNDING PER PROJECT

The maximum amount that can be requested from ANR by each proposal with French applicant(s) is:

- 400.000 € if the Coordinating Partner is requesting funding to ANR and is eligible for funding by ANR
- 300.000 € (for standard French Partners)

The minimum amount per beneficiary is 15 000€.

If there are several French partners requesting funds from ANR, the total requested funding from ANR (300 000 €, extended to 400 000 € if the coordinating partner is requesting funding to ANR) must be split among them.

For calculation of overheads, please check the ANR Funding Regulations for at: <https://anr.fr/fr/rf/>.

##### ELIGIBLE INSTITUTIONS

ANR may fund research organisations and undertakings, as defined by the EC regulation on State aid for research, development and innovation (see the ANR Funding regulations for further

reference). Only research organisations that have their primary establishment in France may be funded. As for undertakings, ANR may fund those that have their real head office in an EU member State and an establishment (primary or secondary) in France.

**In this call, to be eligible, the consortium must include at least one French public research organization** (EPA, EPSCP, EPST, EPIC).

The involvement of an enterprise is encouraged but not mandatory. **If a non-French enterprise is involved in a project and requests funds from a funding organisation other than a French funding organisation, it is mandatory to involve a French enterprise; otherwise the French partners requesting funding from ANR will be declared ineligible.**

Partners from countries subject to sanctions applicable to the research field by the European Union authorities are excluded from this call for ANR. ANR will declare Partners requesting its support ineligible if they apply with Partners established in these countries. At the date of publication, these exclusions concern Partners from the following countries: Russia, Belarus. This list may evolve in case of new sanctions decided by the European Union.

See more information on the eligibility of institutions on the ANR Funding Regulations <https://anr.fr/fr/rf/>.

#### **ELIGIBLE COSTS**

Please check the ANR Funding Regulations at: <https://anr.fr/fr/rf/>.

#### **ADDITIONAL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:**

To be eligible, a proposal must not be deemed similar to another proposal still undergoing evaluation in another ANR call, or already funded.

Depending on the consortium composition, a Consortium Agreement may be mandatory for ANR at the funding stage for successful applications. Please refer to the ANR funding regulations for more details: <https://anr.fr/fr/rf/>

#### **REGARDING PROJECT PARTNERS' COMMITMENT:**

- Access to genetic resources and traditional knowledge associated with genetic resources
- Ethics and scientific Integrity
- Publications and Open Science Policy
- Scientific, Technical and Industrial Culture
- GDPR
- “PPST”

**Please consult the complete terms and conditions for French Partners on the ANR website for more details** (Document “Modalités pour les Partenaires sollicitant une aide de l’ANR”)

**PAYS DE LA LOIRE REGIONAL COUNCIL**

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**FUNDER REGULATION**

Indicative budget	Maximum funding per project	Project duration
300,000 €	300,000 €	min. 24 months to max. 36 months

**TOPICS TO BE FUNDED**

Topic 1	Topic 2	comment
x	x	No exception

**THE FOLLOWING PARTNERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING**

Universities	Research institutes	Non-profit organizations	Consumer/citizens	Civil society representatives	Private companies	Other
		x		x	x	x

**ANY ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS, DOCUMENTS OR INFORMATION**

other eligible partners : living labs, instituts techniques agricoles

**A) NATIONAL/REGIONAL INFORMATION AND ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

Anticipated number of projects to be funded: **1 to 2**

Maximum funding per awarded project/per partner: Maximum 300,000 € per awarded project

**ELIGIBLE TYPES OF ORGANISATIONS**

- Small, Medium and large companies, which must have been created since more than one year
- Non-profit organizations
- Civil society representatives
- Others: instituts techniques agricoles, living labs

Eligible organisations must be established and carrying out R&D activities in Pays de la Loire.

**ELIGIBLE TYPES OF RDI AND TRL**

Projects may comprise industrial/applied research or experimental activities.

Projects are expected to make relevant progress towards the demonstration of technology to TRL 6 or above (target TRL).

#### **SUBMISSION OF PROPOSAL / DOCUMENTATION AT NATIONAL / REGIONAL LEVEL**

No additional submission of proposal at regional level. The submission platform is available at <https://agroecology.ptj.de>.

#### **ADDITIONAL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

Project activities in the proposed work plan funded by the Pays de la Loire Regional Council must be implemented in Pays de la Loire.

#### **ELIGIBLE COSTS**

Personnel costs (gross salary without overheads) for the people involved in the project.

Travel, accommodation and meal costs of people directly involved in the project and exclusively for the purpose of the project.

Contractual research costs, technical knowledge and patents bought or licensed from outside sources at market prices, and costs for consulting and equivalent services intended exclusively for the research activity.

Instrument and equipment costs, to the extent and during the period in which they are used for the research project.

Communication expenses: communication tools (services for creation, publishing costs), communication event (room renting, travel costs of people directly involved in the project).

Indirect costs and other operating expenses (including costs for material, supplies and similar products): 15% of total eligible costs.

**Information available at:** <https://www.paysdelaloire.fr/parteneriat-agroecologie>

**Other:** The regional grant is expected to have an incentive effect. Thus, the expenses are eligible from the date of full proposal submission.

#### **B) FUNDING RATES**

Support levels will be determined by the legal status of the applicant, the size of company and the proposed activity. The support level may vary from one work package to another. The final support level and its form will be definitively defined after the selection phase.



**BUNDESMINISTERIUM FÜR BILDUNG UND FORSCHUNG**

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**FUNDER REGULATION**

Indicative budget	Maximum funding per project	Project duration
2,000,000 €	350,000 €	min. 24 months to max. 36 months

**TOPICS TO BE FUNDED**

Topic 1	Topic 2	comment
x	x	

**THE FOLLOWING PARTNERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING**

Universities	Research institutes	Non-profit organizations	Consumer/citizens	Civil society representatives	Private companies	Other
x	x	x			x	

**ANY ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS, DOCUMENTS OR INFORMATION**

- German applicants are strongly recommended to contact their Funder Contact Persons before submitting a proposal and to refer to the National Announcement (“nationale Bekanntmachung”) where all national requirements for funding are defined (<https://www.bmbf.de/SharedDocs/Bekanntmachungen/DE/2024/12/2024-12-02-bekanntmachung-agroecology.html>).
- Non-profit organisations have to contact the Funder Contact Persons to approve eligibility.
- BMBF funding of the 2<sup>nd</sup> AGROECOLOGY call is provided as delineated in the national announcement “Bewertung und Auswirkung der Agroecology auf die Wert-schöpfungskette und Politik unter Einbeziehung von Um-welt-, Wirtschafts- und Sozialperspektiven” (LINK)
- German applicants who are eligible to receive “Projektpauschale” must make sure, that this is drawn in the section “Finances” under “Overhead”. Additional explanations are to be added in the section “Comments on finances” during phase 2 (full proposal stage). Please note that the maximum funding per project of 350,000 € includes the “Projektpauschlae” where applicable. In case you are eligible to receive the “Projektpauschale” please make sure that your total budget figure does not extend the maximum funding of 350,000 €. More

information on who is eligible to receive the “Projektpauschale” is available in the “FAQ zur Projektpauschale”: <https://foerderportal.bund.de> and included in the “nationale Bekanntmachung”.

- The maximum funding per projects of 350,000 € relates to the maximum funding of all German applicants within one consortium. It cannot be increased by planning a combination with BMEL funding.
- Funding bases on §§23 and 44 BHO (“Bundeshaushaltsordnung”) and associated administrative regulations. The main items are as follows:
  - The procedure (“Verfahren”) is according to the above-mentioned protocol (see Chapter “Application Procedure”). Funding will be awarded as non-repayable project grant.
  - The funding regulations, the follow up and reporting of publicly funded projects are regulated according to the national announcement “Bewertung und Auswirkung der Agroecology auf die Wert-schöpfungskette und Politik unter Einbeziehung von Umwelt-, Wirtschafts- und Sozialperspektiven” and NKBF 2017, NABF and BNBest-mittelbarer Abruf-BMBF, respectively. Additionally, reporting duties as delineated in this Call Announcement in the Chapter “Obligations of the funded projects” must be respected as well.
  - Research institutions, which receive basic financing, can be funded subject to specific conditions.
  - **Private companies** must be registered in Germany and must be well established in Germany with plants, laboratories, employees, etc. The proposed project must be beneficial to the national economy. In order to prove their financial ability to participate in the proposed project, **Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs)** have to submit the following documents to the contact person written below together with the electronic submission of the proposals (documents received latest on **17<sup>th</sup> February 2025**):
    - 1) Financial statements for the last two years (Jahresabschlüsse der letzten zwei Jahre)
    - 2) Confirmation of the financial own contribution (Erklärung zur Aufbringung des Eigenanteils)
    - 3) Business assessment (Aktuelle BWA)

The documents have to be submitted to: [ptj-agroecology-call-office@fz-juelich.de](mailto:ptj-agroecology-call-office@fz-juelich.de)



**FEDERAL MINISTRY OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE**

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**FUNDER REGULATION**

Indicative budget	Maximum funding per project	Project duration
500,000 €	250,000 €	min. 24 months to max. 36 months

**TOPICS TO BE FUNDED**

Topic 1	Topic 2	comment
x		

**THE FOLLOWING PARTNERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING**

Universities	Research institutes	Non-profit organizations	Consumer/citizens	Civil society representatives	Private companies	Other
x	x	x				

**ANY ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS, DOCUMENTS OR INFORMATION**

German applicants are strongly recommended to contact their Funder Contact Persons before submitting a proposal. BMEL funding of the 2nd AGROECOLOGY call is provided as delineated in the National Announcement published in the Bundesanzeiger: Bekanntmachung Nr. 26/24/32 zur Förderung von transnationalen Forschungsvorhaben im Rahmen des zweiten Aufrufs der Partnerschaft „Agroecology“ - “Förderung der Agroecology in landwirtschaftlichen Betriebssystemen und regionaler Landschaft” (<https://www.bundesanzeiger.de/pub/de/suchergebnis?4>)





**NEMZETI KUTATÁSI, FEJLESZTÉSI ÉS INNOVÁCIÓS HIVATAL**  
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**FUNDER REGULATION**

Indicative budget	Maximum funding per project	Project duration
140,000 €	140,000 €	min. 12 months to max. 36 months

**TOPICS TO BE FUNDED**

Topic 1	Topic 2	comment
x	x	

**THE FOLLOWING PARTNERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING**

Universities	Research institutes	Non-profit organizations	Consumer/citizens	Civil society representatives	Private companies	Other
x	x	x		x	x	

**ANY ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS, DOCUMENTS OR INFORMATION**

The Hungarian partners of winning proposals should submit a separate proposal for funding to NKFIH after having been informed of the international funding decision. Proposals must be submitted to NKFIH through the dedicated call for Partnerships: <https://nkfi.gov.hu/palyazoknak/nkfi-alap/horizont-europa-europaipartnersegek-magyar-szervezetek-tamogatasa-2024-121-he-partnerseg/palyazatifelhivas>. Information for Partners: All Hungarian entities are eligible to participate and receive funding in the Call. The top-up funding for universities affected by Council Implementing Decision 2022/2506 will be covered by the Hungarian Government's Guarantee Fund.

**AUTONOMOUS PROVINCE OF BOLZANO/BOZEN**

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**FUNDER REGULATION**

Indicative budget	Maximum funding per project	Project duration
450,000 €	300,000 €	min. 12 months to max. 36 months

**TOPICS TO BE FUNDED**

Topic 1	Topic 2	comment
x	x	

**THE FOLLOWING PARTNERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING**

Universities	Research institutes	Non-profit organizations	Consumer/citizens	Civil society representatives	Private companies	Other
x	x					

**ANY ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS, DOCUMENTS OR INFORMATION**

**LINK TO FUNDING PROGRAMME AND OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION**

<https://innovation-forschung.provinz.bz.it/de/beihilfen-ausschreibungen>

<https://innovazione-ricerca.provincia.bz.it/it/agevolazioni-bandi>

The projects submitted within this call will be treated by the Autonomous Province of Bolzano/Bozen as “Joint Projects –International cooperation projects”, as defined in the Decree of the Director of the Department for Innovation, Research, University and Museums of the Autonomous Province of Bolzano/Bozen no. 7599/2024 and will be managed along the “Guidelines regarding eligible expenditures for research projects” as approved by Decree of the Director of the Department for Innovation, Research, University and Museums of the Autonomous Province of Bolzano/Bozen no. 15654 / 2024.

**ELIGIBLE PARTNERS:**

Partners must be Research and Knowledge Dissemination Organisations based in South Tyrol, as defined in article 2, point 1, letter from a) to f), of the “Criteria for the promotion of scientific research (Provincial Law no. 14/2006)”, as approved by Resolution of the Provincial Council no. 1063 / 2019.

The funding rate is 100%.

Companies may participate, but cannot be funded, unless their primary activity is research or knowledge dissemination and they are based in South Tyrol.

#### ELIGIBLE COSTS

The eligible costs are:

- personnel costs
- travel costs
- costs for equipment
- consumables
- costs for external services (max 30% of the overall admitted budget per partner)
- management or indirect costs (max 10% of the overall admitted budget per partner).
- VAT cost is eligible, if it cannot be deducted.

The Guidelines regarding eligible costs for research projects apply (see Decree of the Director of the Department for Innovation, Research, University and Museums of the Autonomous Province of Bolzano/Bozen no. 7599/2024 and 15654/2024).

#### **Submission of the pre- and full proposal and other administrative requirements to be completed at the national/regional Level**

##### 1ST STEP:

South Tyrolian partners have to provide an additional budget divided into the Joint Project costs categories: the document must be sent per certified email (Pec) to the Office of Scientific Research of the Autonomous Province of Bolzano/Bozen within 10 days after the call-deadline for the submission of the pre-proposals.

Shouldn't be possible in this phase to provide details, a more detailed budget should be sent at step 2.

##### 2ND STEP:

A provisional division of costs per years and activities (Time schedule of the costs "Cronoprogramma delle spese –Zeit-und Kostenplan") must be submitted to the same office within 10 days after the call-deadline for the submission of the full proposals.

An additional detailed budget divided into the Joint Project costs categories must also be submitted, in case this was not already provided in step 1 or upon request. Furthermore, changes in the budget between pre-proposal and full proposal must be firstly approved by Office of Scientific Research of the Autonomous Province of Bolzano/Bozen.

In case of purchase of equipment with a value over 5000,00 euros (VAT excluded) per item, at least a quotation must be submitted.

In case partners from South Tyrol are involved in a project between step 1 and step 2, they must send to the Office of scientific research within 10 days after the call-deadline for the submission of the full proposal:

- an additional detailed budget divided into the Joint Project costs categories
- a provisional division of costs per years and activities (Time schedule of the costs "Cronoprogramma delle spese –Zeit-und Kostenplan")
- at least a quotation, in case of purchase of equipment with a value over 5.000,00 euros (VAT excluded) per item.

#### SUBMISSION OF FINANCIAL AND SCIENTIFIC REPORTS AT THE NATIONAL/REGIONAL LEVEL

In addition to the mid-term and final report, a financial and an activity report must be sent to the Office of Scientific Research of the Autonomous Province of Bolzano/Bozen by July 31st, of each year following the year in which the activities have been carried out (e.g. activities carried out in 2026 must be reported by July 31st, 2027). The financial report lists the detailed expenses. The activity report briefly describes the project development and in particular the activities of the South Tyrolian partner that generated those expenses. Please, note: the activity report is neither the mid-term report nor the final report of the call. Concerning the financial and the activity reports, the “Guidelines regarding eligible expenditures for research projects” as approved by Decree of the Director of the Department for Innovation, Research, University and Museums of the Autonomous Province of Bolzano/Bozen no. 15654/ 2024 apply.

#### **REQUEST FOR FUNDING**

In case of a positive funding decision, the South Tyrolian beneficiaries must send a formal “Request for funding” to the Office of Scientific Research of the Autonomous Province of Bolzano/Bozen within 15 days after the notification from the partnership.

An updated division of costs per years and activities (Time schedule of the costs “Cronoprogramma delle spese –Zeit-und Kostenplan”) must be submitted as well, if significant changes have occurred since the previous submission.

The forms/ templates will be available on the webpage (see EU projects):

<https://innovazione-ricerca.provincia.bz.it/it/ricerca-scientifica-e-universita>

or

<https://innovation-forschung.provinz.bz.it/de/wissenschaftliche-forschung-universitaet>

Please, note: If a beneficiary applies for national funding, he/she cannot request funding to the Autonomous Province of Bozen/Bolzano under this same call.



**MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD SOVEREIGNTY AND FORESTRY**

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**FUNDER REGULATION**

Indicative budget	Maximum funding per project	Project duration
600,000 €	300,000 €	min. 36 months to max. 36 months

**TOPICS TO BE FUNDED**

Topic 1	Topic 2	comment
x	x	

**THE FOLLOWING PARTNERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING**

Universities	Research institutes	Non-profit organizations	Consumer/citizens	Civil society representatives	Private companies	Other
x	x	x				

**ANY ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS, DOCUMENTS OR INFORMATION**

**NATIONAL/REGIONAL REGULATION**

(Note: this is a preliminary version, the information provided may be updated)

**BUDGET**

Indicative budget: 600,000 €

Maximum funding per project: 300,000 €

Please consider that one single beneficiary entity (Operative Unit = Unità Operativa, UO) as partner is allowed to request funding to Masaf as follows:

- UO partner not acting as Coordinator max amount requested (own costs excluded) can be approved if not over 140.000 €
- UO partner acting as Coordinator max amount requested (own costs excluded) can be approved if not over 160.000 €. Coordination costs can be requested up to a max amount following the rules indicated in the User Manual 2023 (see below further details on coordination costs).
- Permanent personnel costs (not reimbursable in the most cases) must be indicated; this amount cannot be over 30% of the requested amount (including coordination if applicable)

The requested funding must be indicated in the project financial section of the project proposal (see the submission tool) and must be consistent with all eligible costs which will be declared in the national financial forms (to be completed only if the project will be selected). The selected national institutions will be financed up to 99% of the eligible requested funding.

### PROJECT DURATION

The eligible project duration is 36 months, shorter projects will be declared not eligible for Italian applicants.

Link to funding programme and other relevant information

- PSIR: <https://www.politicheagricole.it/flex/cm/pages/ServeBLOB.php/L/IT/IDPagina/9065> (or updated version is available at the submission deadline)
- Masaf - International calls: <https://www.politicheagricole.it/flex/cm/pages/ServeBLOB.php/L/IT/IDPagina/9079>
- User's Manual 2023 <https://www.politicheagricole.it/flex/cm/pages/ServeBLOB.php/L/IT/IDPagina/19644> (Please refer to main document "Manuale Utente"; annex 2, annex 3)

### FOLLOWING PARTNERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING:

All applicants requesting budget to Masaf are eligible if registered to the Italian National Research Register ("Anagrafe nazionale delle ricerche") – Registration number must be indicated in the partner description.

Universities	Universities of applied sciences	Research institutes	Non-profit legal entities	SMEs*	Large enterprises*	Public bodies	Other
Yes	Yes	Yes (no profit)	Yes, but only if research is in the main tasks of the entity (statute must be sent).	No	No	Yes, referring to public research bodies	

\* SMEs and organisations with other statutory nature are welcome as participants if an added value to the project is proven and their costs are covered by their own or other external resources. Costs cannot be covered by Masaf.

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Applicants are advised that this annex is for general guidance only.

For the detailed binding rules please refer to the national document User Manual (Manuale Utente) 2023 <https://www.politicheagricole.it/flex/cm/pages/ServeBLOB.php/L/IT/IDPagina/19644>

**Indications (some applicable only to this call) are specified hereafter.**

**Project participation:** please note that the same person cannot be coordinator, participant or team member in more than one proposal

**Project duration:** The eligible project duration is 36 months, shorter or longer projects will be declared not eligible for Italian applicants.

#### ADMITTED COSTS

Not exhaustive indications are given hereafter:

##### A) Personnel

A 1) Permanent personnel – no contribution if already paid with public funds; for private no-profit institutions permanent scientific staff can be reimbursed if not already paid with public funds and if the related accounting documents state the CUP (Codice Unico di Progetto=Unique Project Code)

The cost of permanent personnel working on the project must be declared (as own contribution and not higher than 30% of the requested budget including coordination if applicable) even if it will not be reimbursed.

The minimum 250 hours/year requested in User Manual 2023 for permanent personnel is not requested for this call; this value can be lower and proportional to the foreseen activity.

A2) not-permanent scientific staff in public institutions/universities or private no-profit (total personnel costs incurred); the related accounting documents must state the CUP (Codice Unico di Progetto=Unique Project Code) to be reimbursed.

**Travel not reimbursable as such** – see User’s Manual 2023 – beneficiary can make use of E) lump-sum operating expenses – “spese forfettarie di funzionamento” – to cover travel costs. For coordination travels see point F.

##### B) Consumables

**C) External activities** – advisory/consultant services, specialistic services supply (scientific, logistics for meetings, open access publications, equipment rental, etc.).

C1) Consultants/professional job (IVA)

C2) Services

These costs (C1+C2) cannot exceed 30% of the sum of the not-permanent personal (A2) + Consumable (B).

**D) Equipment** – Only use cost (related to the project duration) for scientific equipment will be reimbursed.

**E) Lump-sum operating expense** (Spese forfettarie di funzionamento) – The requested amount must not exceed 20% of the total costs for Personnel (A1+A2). Travel costs can be foreseen only in this item.

**F) Coordination** - If the Italian applicant is also playing the role of coordinator, the eligible costs are those indicated in the User Manual 2023. Masaf will reimburse the coordination cost. This cannot be higher of the maximum amount allowed calculated on the total international project requested funding. Please note: travels related to the coordination activity can be included in the coordination costs.

**To fill the budget template refer to the below table of correspondence between eligible costs (Masaf) and the financial table in the submission system.**

If specifications are needed (see column notes of the table), please provide them in the specific box "Finance Comments" Masaf item	AGROECOLOGY (financial table submission system)	Notes
A1 and A2 Personnel/Personale	Personnel	Personnel not reimbursed must be indicated as "own contribution" (Own contribution of permanent personal can not be omitted and it will be proportional to the activity carried out)
	Travel	travel costs are not a separate item for Masaf rules; these costs are foreseen and included within the lump-sum – column "other" (Table 2 Submission tool)
B. Consumables/Materiali di consumo	Consumables and equipment	Specify the amount respectively for consumables and equipment (only use quote)
C. External activities/Attività esterne	Subcontracts	In the submission system under this item please include also: Item E (Lump sum), Item F (Coordination Costs), specifying the amount for each item included in "Subcontracts". Use cell „overheads“ for Lump sum.
D. Equipment/Attrezzature	Consumables and equipment	Specify the amount respectively for consumables and equipment (only use quote)
E. Lump sum /Spese forfetarie di funzionamento	Subcontracts (cell „overheads“)	Specify the amount for lump sum
F. Coordination/ Coordinamento (if any)	Subcontracts	Specify amount for coordination cost

#### ADDITIONALS

**National document** to be presented by Italian participants **before the proposal submission** deadline

##### Public entities/Universities

No documents have to be submitted to Masaf.

##### No-profit private research bodies

Documentation stating their research mission (statute and/or articles of incorporation or memorandum of association, etc.) must be sent to the following PEC address: [aoo.disr@pec.masaf.gov.it](mailto:aoo.disr@pec.masaf.gov.it) specifying in the object "Project acronym - Bando Agroecology 2nd call 2024 – ente privato no profit".

**National document** to be presented by Italian participants (beneficiaries) **after the final funding decision** (communication by Call Office to selected projects for funding)



Only after the official communication sent by the Call Office to the coordinators Masaf DISR IV will formally request to each Italian UO of the projects selected for funding to fill in the national template, based on the User Manual 2023. The request letter will indicate the approved budget amount and will open the application procedure for the national grant.

The national template must be written in Italian and must follow the User Manual 2023 rules and specific indications, if any, provided to the UO.



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**FUNDER REGULATION**

Indicative budget	Maximum funding per project	Project duration
300,000 €	150,000 €	min. 12 months to max. 36 months

**TOPICS TO BE FUNDED**

Topic 1	Topic 2	comment
x	x	

**THE FOLLOWING PARTNERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING**

Universities	Research institutes	Non-profit organizations	Consumer/citizens	Civil society representatives	Private companies	Other
x	x					

**ANY ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS, DOCUMENTS OR INFORMATION**

<https://www.e-tar.lt/portal/lt/legalAct/Oa8bead0577611e9975f9c35aedfe438/asr>



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**FUNDER REGULATION**

Indicative budget	Maximum funding per project	Project duration
240,000 €	120,000 €	min. 36 months to max. 36 months

**TOPICS TO BE FUNDED**

Topic 1	Topic 2	comment
x	x	-

**THE FOLLOWING PARTNERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING**

Universities	Research institutes	Non-profit organizations	Consumer/citizens	Civil society representatives	Private companies	Other
x	x					

**ANY ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS, DOCUMENTS OR INFORMATION**

<https://e-seimas.lrs.lt/portal/legalAct/lt/TAD/Od116fb09b8b11ee8172b53a675305ab/asr>



Ministerie van Landbouw,  
Natuur en Voedselkwaliteit

## MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES, FOOD SECURITY AND NATURE

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#### FUNDER REGULATION

Indicative budget	Maximum funding per project	Project duration
1,000,000 €	250,000 € 330,000 €, in case of good cooperation of 2 applicants from different Dutch organizations	min. 24 months to max. 36 months

#### TOPICS TO BE FUNDED

Topic 1	Topic 2	comment
x		Projects must have a clear added value to the national funded projects. The project should involve or link to Dutch farmers and relevant stakeholders in a living lab approach (e.g. living labs, fieldlabs, experimenteergebieden).

#### THE FOLLOWING PARTNERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING

Universities	Research institutes	Non-profit organizations	Consumer/citizens	Civil society representatives	Private companies	Other
x	x					

#### ANY ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS, DOCUMENTS OR INFORMATION

##### TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Applicants need to follow the rules and regulations of the transnational call and of the national requirements.

Applicants need to contact the National Contact Point. For increase of the budget applicants need to contact the National Contact Point for permission.

Eligible applicants are Dutch universities, universities of applied sciences, research institutions, knowledge organizations domiciled in The Netherlands.

Other organizations can participate in the project on their own account.

The proposed project must link to or involve Dutch farmers and relevant stakeholders in a living lab approach, to make the knowledge applicable for transition towards agroecology in the Netherlands. Cost of involvement of these farmers and relevant stakeholders can be eligible but applicants have

to contact the National Contact Point to approve eligibility and to get further terms and conditions

The involved stakeholders in the living lab approach must be registered and well established in the Netherlands.

**The subsidy is coming from the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries, Food Security and Nature (LVN).**

The following conditions apply:

- 1) *For Wageningen Research (WR) and other TO2 institutes:*  
The 'TO2 regeling' (<https://wetten.overheid.nl/BWBR0040605/2018-07-25>), and the tariff agreement under it apply.
- 2) *For other organizations and universities:*  
De Kaderwet EZK- en LNV subsidies (<https://wetten.overheid.nl/BWBR0007919/2019-01-01/> - artikel 2a) applies.

Eligible costs are personnel costs for the performance of the project and direct costs such as materials, small scientific equipment, travelling expenses and other costs that can be justified as necessary to carry out the proposed activities. Projectmanagement can be maximum of 10% of the total projectcosts. Travelexpenses can be maximum of 5% of the total projectcosts.

The Dutch participation should be in line with the knowledge and innovation agenda KIA Landbouw, Water, Voedsel (<https://kia-landbouwwatervoedsel.nl>) and other relevant policies on agroecology.

The proposed project must be beneficial to the national challenges and must have a clear added value to the national programme.

The performance of agroecology under different circumstances is of major importance. Therefore only projects on theme 1 'Determine and assess benefits/impacts and trade-offs of agroecology, and identify best practices' are eligible. We expect that with the link to the living lab approach also information on the necessary transformation of the value chain will be generated.

The national budget for the agroecology call is intended for projects on transition towards agroecology in the Netherlands. The project should be about agroecology on farm in a broad sense. The budget is not intended to focus on a subtopic of agroecology.

After the project is granted in the transnational process the National contracting negotiations will commence to get the requested budget from the Ministry. For the National procedure there needs to be information on the project in Dutch.



## THE RESEARCH COUNCIL OF NORWAY

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#### FUNDER REGULATION

Indicative budget	Maximum funding per project	Project duration
1,275,000 €	400,000 €	min. 36 months to max. 36 months

#### TOPICS TO BE FUNDED

Topic 1	Topic 2	comment
x	x	

#### THE FOLLOWING PARTNERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING

Universities	Research institutes	Non-profit organizations	Consumer/citizens	Civil society representatives	Private companies	Other
x	x	x			x	x

#### ANY ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS, DOCUMENTS OR INFORMATION

Other stakeholders can participate but must secure their own funding.

#### SPECIFIC ELIGIBILITY RULES APPLYING FOR THE NORWEGIAN PARTNERS IN THE PROPOSAL

- Only proposals which also are relevant for the context of **Norwegian circumstances** are eligible for funding. The Norwegian applicants are encouraged to make clear how this criterium is fulfilled.
- We support research and innovation activities primarily focused on **terrestrial** resources, with solutions mainly applied in the land-based sector.
- Sole proprietorships ("enkeltpersonforetak")**, some farmers, e.g., are eligible as partners. However, payroll and indirect expenses will not be covered for the owner and the spouse. The payroll and indirect expenses for any other employees of sole proprietorships can be covered, as well as expenses relating to participation in a project, provided that they are described in the sole proprietorship's accounts.
- If the project is awarded funding, it is required to sign a **Consortium Agreement** before the partner(s) funded by RCN can receive funding.

#### GENERAL INFORMATION:

For more information about RCN conditions for funding, please read: [General application requirements](#).

Support from the Research Council constitutes [state aid](#) when it is awarded to an "undertaking", i.e. an actor that carries out an economic activity consisting of offering products or services on a given market.

After funding decision, the Norwegian part of funded projects must **register through the RCN portal**. Further information will be provided to the relevant partners.

**Reporting to RCN:** <https://www.forskningsradet.no/en/financing/received-funding/project-reports/>

**Eligible costs:** Find information here: [What to enter in the project budget](#).

The budget applied for shall be stated in Euro. Conversion from Euro to Norwegian kroner is based on the official **exchange rate** per application date for preproposals. The official exchange rate can be found here: [Exchange rate \(InforEuro\) \(europa.eu\)](#)

**Open access / Open science:** The Research Council seeks to lead the way in making research as open as possible and as closed as necessary. The Research Council of Norway has stipulated requirements relating to self-archiving and open access to publications and research data produced in connection with R&D projects funded by the Research Council. Read more about The Research Council's Principles for [Open Science](#).

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

If you have any questions, we strongly recommend contacting the Norwegian NCP, especially if you are unsure about eligibility regarding aquatic circumstances, including the application in the value chain.

## FUNDAÇÃO PARA A CIENCIA E TECNOLOGIA

### FCT | (PORTUGAL)

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Indicative budget	Maximum funding per project	Project duration
500,000 €	The maximum amount of funding to be requested to FCT by a consortium with Portuguese Coordination is 250 000,00 €. The maximum amount of funding to be requested to FCT by a consortium with Portuguese Participation is 150 000,00 €.	36 months

#### TOPICS TO BE FUNDED

Topic 1	Topic 2	comment
x	x	not applicable

#### THE FOLLOWING PARTNERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING

Universities	Research institutes	Non-profit organizations	Consumer/citizens	Civil society representatives	Private companies	Other
x	x	x		x	x	x

#### ANY ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS, DOCUMENTS OR INFORMATION

##### APPLICABLE REGULATION

Applications requesting funding from FCT under this call will be subject to [Regulation on projects funded solely by national funds](#), as amended by the Regulation no. 5/2024, of 3 January, hereinafter referred to as FCT Regulation, which amends and republishes Regulation no. 999/2016, of 31 October, and to other applicable national and EU legislation.

##### TYPE OF BENEFICIARIES

For information on the type of beneficiaries eligible for FCT funding under this call, see article 3 of [FCT Regulation](#).

##### BENEFICIARIES ELIGIBILITY

For information on the criteria of beneficiaries' eligibility, see article 5 of [FCT Regulation](#).



## ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

For information on the criteria of projects' eligibility, see article 6 of [FCT Regulation](#).

## FUNDING & CONDITIONS

FCT budget allocation for this call is 500 000,00 €.

The maximum amount of funding to be requested to FCT by a consortium with a **Portuguese Main Applicant** is **250 000,00 €**. \*

The maximum amount of funding to be requested to FCT by a consortium with a **Portuguese Project Applicant** is **150 000,00 €**. \*

If more than one Portuguese applicant participating in the **same international consortium** applies for funding by FCT, the **combined funding** demanded by all the Portuguese applicants **may not exceed the maximum financial threshold for proposals with a Portuguese Coordinator** (250 000,00 €\*) or with a Portuguese **Partner** (150 000,00 €\*). Portuguese Coordinator and/or Partners in the same international consortium will therefore have to share the funding that will be granted by FCT. For information on funding rates, see no. 2 of article 7 of [FCT Regulation](#).

## EXPENSES ELIGIBILITY RULES AND LIMITS

For the purposes of defining the budget, the terms defined in article 8 of [FCT Regulation](#) apply to **eligible expenses** and in article 9 to **non-eligible expenses**.

Excluded from the range of eligible expenses are the **salaries and other remuneration supplements** of teachers, researchers and other staff with a previously established indefinite contract with the Public Administration.

Expenditure on **adapting buildings and facilities** is limited to a maximum of 10% of the project's total eligible expenses.

The **project's indirect costs** are based on the application of a flat rate of 25% of the direct eligible costs (Ex. direct eligible costs: 80 000€; corresponding indirect costs: 20 000€).

## FORMS OF PAYMENT

In accordance with no. 1 of article 7 of the [FCT Regulation](#), the funding to be granted to proposals requesting funding from FCT under this call is non-reimbursable and is based on real costs. As such it must be justified through invoices paid or other accounting documents of similar probatory value, under the terms of no. 5 of article 8 of [FCT Regulation](#).

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The percentage of time dedicated to transnational projects will not be added to the percentage of time dedicated to existing national projects.

### Statement of Commitment:

- Within 10 working days after the deadline for submitting the pre-proposal, a Statement of Commitment duly signed by the Researcher in Charge (partner and/or coordinators) and by the legal representant of the Portuguese Proposing Institution must be sent to the contact persons for this call.
- The stamp or white seal of the Portuguese Proposing Institution will not be required on a digitally signed Statement of Commitment, as long as it is signed, in the Autenticação.gov application, with professional attributes that identify the functions performed by the signatory.
- Portuguese applicants of transnational consortia that do not apply for funding from FCT do not need to submit the Statement of Commitment to FCT.

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**UEFISCDI | (ROMANIA)**

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**FUNDER REGULATION**

Indicative budget	Maximum funding per project	Project duration
500,000 €	200,000 € or 250,000 €	min. 24 months to max. 36 months

**TOPICS TO BE FUNDED**

Topic 1	Topic 2	comment
x	x	

**THE FOLLOWING PARTNERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING**

Universities	Research institutes	Non-profit organizations	Consumer/citizens	Civil society representatives	Private companies	Other
x	x	x			x	

**ANY ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS, DOCUMENTS OR INFORMATION**

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 companies, financing is under the permit OMCID no. 21.324/02.11.2023 approving the scheme of State aid for Program 5.8: European and international cooperation. The following categories of expenses are eligible: A. Staff costs (researchers, technicians and support staff, including all corresponding state and social contributions; these contributions are subject to national regulations in force); B. Consumables (materials, supplies or similar); C. Equipments (in full compliance with state aid regulations), no more than 30% of the total funding from the public budget; D. Subcontracting (max. 25% of the total funding from the public budget); E. Travel expenses (in Romania or abroad, only for project teams' members); F. Overheads (calculated as a percentage of direct costs: staff costs, travel expenses and logistics costs - excluding capital costs). Indirect costs will not exceed max. 25% of direct costs, excluding subcontracting. Expenses are eligible if incurred after signature of the contract. To EU countries: no To Non-EU countries: no



Subcontracting special tasks (i.e. IT services, etc): 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.



**SLOVAK ACADEMY OF SCIENCES**

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**FUNDER REGULATION**

Indicative budget	Maximum funding per project	Project duration
240,000 € for 2 projects	120,000 € per 1 project (3 years), 80,000€ per 1 project (2 years)	min. 24 months to max. 36 months

**TOPICS TO BE FUNDED**

Topic 1	Topic 2	comment
x	x	

**THE FOLLOWING PARTNERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING**

Universities	Research institutes	Non-profit organizations	Consumer/citizens	Civil society representatives	Private companies	Other
	x					

**ANY ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS, DOCUMENTS OR INFORMATION**

Only research Institutes of Slovak Academy of Sciences are eligible organizations for funding (up to 100%). Participation of early career researchers is strongly recommended. Applicants from other organizations or industrial partners can be self-funded consortium members and cannot coordinate the project consortium. The Slovak project partner or coordinator must have a job contract for more than 50% working hours in the SAS organization for which the project proposal or participation in the project proposal is submitted. Other researchers participating in the project, must have a working relationship with the SAS organization. Doctoral students must be affiliated at SAS research institute. The maximum amount of requested funding per project is up to 120,000 € for a 36-month duration. Total eligible costs = Permanent salaries + Other costs, Permanent salaries 45,000 € (36 months), Other costs (i. e. additional personnel costs, consumables, travel, services, publication costs, overheads): 75,000 € (36 months).

For further details on criteria and SAS procedures see:

[https://oms.sav.sk/wp-content/uploads/Pravidla-pre-schvalovanie-vyskumnych-projektov-MVTS-financovanych-zo-zdrojov-SAV\\_11-Nov-2021-1.pdf](https://oms.sav.sk/wp-content/uploads/Pravidla-pre-schvalovanie-vyskumnych-projektov-MVTS-financovanych-zo-zdrojov-SAV_11-Nov-2021-1.pdf)

Detailed SAS financial rules are available at:

<https://oms.sav.sk/wp-content/uploads/Financne-pravidla-na-udeloovanie-grantov-SAV-na-medzinarodne-vyskumne-projekty-platne-na-vyzvy-zverejnene-od-1.12.2023.pdf>

### **Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national level**

Annual financial and activity report is requested.

### **Parallel/Additional application submission**

SAS participants are requested to submit the document “Letter of Commitment ” within the deadline for submission of the project proposals.

For more details, please contact [kecerova@up.upsav.sk](mailto:kecerova@up.upsav.sk) The template may be provided upon request. Researchers who are partners in projects recommended for funding will be requested to submit an application (MVTS Form A). The SAS Presidium makes the final funding decision.



**REPUBLIKA SLOVENIJA**  
**MINISTRSTVO ZA KMETIJSTVO,**  
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MKGP | SLOVENIA

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**FUNDER REGULATION**

Indicative budget	Maximum funding per project	Project duration
400,000 €	200,000 € for all Slovenian partners within one consortium	min. 24 months to max. 36 months

**TOPICS TO BE FUNDED**

Topic 1	Topic 2	comment
x	x	-

**THE FOLLOWING PARTNERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING**

Universities	Research institutes	Non-profit organizations	Consumer/citizens	Civil society representatives	Private companies	Other
x	x	x				

**ANY ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS, DOCUMENTS OR INFORMATION**

**LINK TO THE FUNDING PROGRAMME AND OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION**

<https://www.gov.si/drzavni-organi/ministrstva/ministrstvo-za-kmetijstvo-gozdarstvo-in-prehrano/>

**ELIGIBLE INSTITUTIONS**

Research organizations as defined in the national [Scientific Research and Innovation Activities Act \(Zakon o znanstvenoraziskovalni in inovacijski dejavnosti; hereinafter referred to as ZZrID\)](#). All participating institutions have to be registered in register of research institutions (*Informacijski sistem o raziskovalni dejavnosti v Sloveniji; hereinafter referred to as SICRIS*) of the Slovenian Research and Innovation Agency (*Javna agencija za znanstvenoraziskovalno in inovacijsko dejavnost Republike Slovenije; hereinafter referred to as ARIS*). Organizations that fulfill these requirements may be:

- universities,
- research institutes,
- non-profit non-governmental organisations

### ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

All participating Slovenian researchers have to be registered in SICRIS and must have available research hours.

The project activities of Slovenian partners in each consortium have to be under the supervision of the primary investigator/primary researcher who fulfills the requirements for a project leader as defined in the first paragraph of Article 63 of ZZrID.

### ELIGIBLE COSTS

MKGP will fund all eligible costs of successful Slovenian transnational projects, recommended for funding, in accordance with the [Decree on the scientific research funding from the budget of the Republic of Slovenia](#) (*Uredba o financiranju znanstvenoraziskovalne dejavnosti iz Proračuna Republike Slovenije*). Eligible costs are defined based on the FTE value according to the research project categorization of ARIS (A, B, C or D, based on the research conducted).

Eligible costs must be directly related to the research conducted and mandatory include all the following categories as elements of the FTE:

- **personnel** (including social security, health, pension, and other contributions according to national legislation);
- **material** (travel and meetings costs, consumables, dissemination and knowledge exchange costs, other costs);
- **depreciation costs.**

Overhead or indirect costs are eligible for up to 25% of direct costs.

Providing the stipulated conditions are met, the [Public Procurement Act](#) (*Zakon o javnem naročanju*) applies.

Up to 100% of eligible costs can be funded for research organisations (universities and research institutes) whose financed activity is non-economic in accordance with the provisions of Communication from the Commission Framework for State aid for research and development and innovation. Wide dissemination of all research results on a non-exclusive and non-discriminatory basis is required.

Maximum funding percentages for applied research:

- 100% for universities and research organisations,
- 100% for non-profit non-governmental organisations.

### ADDITIONAL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

**Eligible type of research and TRL:** basic and applied – for Slovenian partner eligible TRL range is 2–6. The type of research conducted by Slovenian researchers must be defined and explained in the project proposal (e.g. in the Comments on budget section).

**Period of eligibility of expenditures on the project:** from the starting date of the transnational project stipulated in the consortium agreement for a period of 36 months, with a prescribed additional 30-day period for the payment of invoices related to the project costs. The period of eligibility of expenditures on the project can only start from the date the national contract enters into effect. The exact duration of the project will be defined in the contract between MKGP and the selected Slovenian partner.

**Period of eligibility of public expenditures:** budgetary years 2025, 2026, 2027 and 2028.

### RELEVANT DOCUMENTS

**Legal basis – National regulation:**

- State Administration Act (Zakon o državni upravi (Uradni list RS, 113/05 – UPB, 89/07 – odl.US, 126/07 – ZUP-E, 48/09, 8/10-ZUP-G, 8/12-ZVRS-F, 21/12, 47/13, 12/14, 90/14, 51/16, 36/21, 82/21, 189/21, 153/22 in 18/23)) - Article 16 and 38.č;
- Agriculture Act (Zakon o kmetijstvu (Uradni list RS, št. 45/08, 57/12, 90/12 – ZdZPVHVVR, 26/14, 32/15, 27/17, 22/18, 86/21 – odl. US, 123/21, 44/22, 130/22 – ZPomK-2, 18/23 in 78/23)); Public Finance Act (Zakon o javnih financah (Uradni list RS, št. 11/11 - uradno prečiščeno besedilo, 14/13, 101/13, 55/15 - ZFisP, 96/15 - ZIPRS1617, 13/18, 195/20 – odl.US, 18/23 – ZDU-10 in 76/23)) - Article 106. j;
- Act Regulating the Implementation of the Budgets of the Republic of Slovenia for 2024 and 2025 (Zakon o izvrševanju proračunov Republike Slovenije za leti 2024 in 2025 (ZIPRS2425) (Uradni list RS, št. 150/22, 65/23, 76/23 – ZJF-I, 97/23 in 123/23 – ZIPRS2425);
- Resolution on the Slovenian Scientific Research and Innovation Strategy 2030 (Resolucija o znanstvenoraziskovalni in inovacijski strategiji Slovenije 2030 (Uradni list RS, št. 49/22));
- Decree on the scientific research funding from the budget of the Republic of Slovenia (Uredba o financiranju znanstvenoraziskovalne dejavnosti iz Proračuna Republike Slovenije (Uradni list RS, št. 35/22, 144/22 in 79/23));
- National strategy of open access to scientific publications and research data in Slovenia 2015-2020 (Nacionalna strategije odprtega dostopa do znanstvenih objav in raziskovalnih podatkov v Sloveniji 2015-2020, št. 60300-5/2015/5 z dne 3. 9. 2015);
- Government of the Republic of Slovenia Act (Zakon o Vladi Republike Slovenije (Uradni list RS, št. 24/05-UPB, 109/08, 28/10-ZUKN, 8/12, 21/13, 47/13-ZDU-1G, 65/14, 55/17 in 163/22)).

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

**No submission of the pre- and full proposal at national level is needed.**

**National contracting negotiations** will commence after the projects are selected for funding on the level of the transnational call. National documentation, including evidence of the starting date of the transnational project (in the form of a Consortia Agreement or statement on the starting date by the transnational project coordinator), will be a prerequisite for signing the contract at national level. The needed evidence on project expenses will be more precisely determined in the national contract.

All Slovenian applicants are strongly advised to contact the Slovenian National Contact Points/NCPs.

**Submission of financial and scientific reports at national level will be required three times:** each year after the end of the annual project implementation.

#### USEFUL LINKS

- **Resolution: Our food, rural areas and natural resources after 2021** (Resolucija o nacionalnem programu o strateških usmeritvah razvoja slovenskega kmetijstva in živilstva »Naša hrana, podeželje in naravni viri od leta 2021« (Uradni list RS, št. 8/20):  
<http://www.pisrs.si/Pis.web/pregledPredpisa?id=RESO125>
- **Action plan for the Development of Organic Farming until 2027** (Akcijski načrt za razvoj ekološkega kmetijstva do leta 2027 (ANEK):  
[https://www.gov.si/assets/ministrstva/MKGP/Dokumenti-/ANEK/ANEK\\_Sl.pdf](https://www.gov.si/assets/ministrstva/MKGP/Dokumenti-/ANEK/ANEK_Sl.pdf)
- **Scientific Research and Innovation Activities Act** (Zakon o znanstvenoraziskovalni in inovacijski dejavnosti, Uradni list RS, št. 186/21 in 40/23):  
<http://www.pisrs.si/Pis.web/pregledPredpisa?id=ZAKO7733>
- **Register of research institutions of ARIS** (Informacijski sistem o raziskovalni dejavnosti v Sloveniji – SICRIS): <https://cris.cobiss.net/ecris/si/en>



- **Decree on the scientific research funding from the budget of the Republic of Slovenia** (Uredba o financiranju znanstvenoraziskovalne dejavnosti iz Proračuna Republike Slovenije, Uradni list RS št. 35/22, št. 144/22 in 79/23):  
<http://www.pisrs.si/Pis.web/pregledPredpisa?id=URED8468>
- **FTE value according to the research project categorization of ARIS** (*Sklep o ceni ekvivalenta polne zaposlitve za leto 2024, št. 410-41/2024-2 z dne 10. 9. 2024*): <https://www.aris-rs.si/sl/progproj/cena/cena-24-1.asp>
- **Public Procurement Act** (Zakon o javnem naročanju, Uradni list RS št. 91/15, 14/18, 121/21, 10/22, 74/22 – odl. US, 100/22-ZNUZSZS, 28/23 in 88/23-ZOPNN-F):  
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AGENCIA ESTATAL DE INVESTIGACION

AEI | (SPAIN)

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FUNDER REGULATION

Indicative budget	Maximum funding per project	Project duration
1,350,000 €	325,000 € (read conditions)	min. 24 months to max. 36 months

TOPICS TO BE FUNDED

Topic 1	Topic 2	comment
x	x	

THE FOLLOWING PARTNERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING

Universities	Research institutes	Non-profit organizations	Consumer/citizens	Civil society representatives	Private companies	Other
x	x	Read conditions		Read conditions	Read conditions	Read conditions

ANY ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS, DOCUMENTS OR INFORMATION

The framework for this funding action is the Plan Estatal de Investigación Científica, Técnica e Innovación 2024-2027. On a national level, the Call will be managed by the Subdivisión de Programas Científico-Técnicos Transversales, Fortalecimiento y Excelencia (STRAN) of the AEI. Funding Instrument: The instrument funding the Spanish groups requesting funding to the AEI is the corresponding Spanish national call “Proyectos de Colaboración Internacional” (PCI) (to be published in due time). As a reference, the applicants are strongly advised to read the call text of the PCI 2024-2 (“Resolución de 16 de septiembre de 2024”) and especially the PCI Requirements document on the national call website as well as check their eligibility with the National Contact Point prior to the submission.

LINK TO FUNDING PROGRAMME

As a reference, the applicants are strongly advised to read the call text of the [PCI 2024-2 \(“Resolución de 16 de septiembre de 2024”\)](#) and especially the [PCI Requirements document](#) on [the national call website](#) as well as check their eligibility with the National Contact Point prior to the submission.

### Eligible entities

Non-profit research organizations (such as universities, public research institutions, technological centres and other private non-profit institutions performing RDI activities in Spain), which must comply with the requirements established by this transnational call and with the rules on eligibility defined in the corresponding Spanish national funding instrument “[Proyectos de Colaboración Internacional - PCI](#)” (see [PCI 2024-2](#) as an example) and the [PCI Requirements document](#).

They must have been previously beneficiaries of any of the AEI calls, as stated in the [PCI Requirements document](#).

### Eligible Applicants

**Principal Investigators (PIs)** requesting funding to the AEI must:

- Be eligible in the corresponding PCI call and the PCI Requirements document.
- Demonstrate experience as investigators in projects funded by the different Plan Estatal I+D+i: 2013-2016, 2017-2020, 2021-2023, 2024-2027, ERC Grants, European Framework Programmes or other relevant national or international programmes.
- Duly sign a “Declaración Responsable” during the eligibility process. This document will be provided by the AEI’s National Contact Point as part of the call.

**Incompatibilities:** The following must be considered when participating in different ERA-Nets, European Co-funded Partnerships (in particular Biodiversa+, PRIMA, Future Foods and AH&CS) or other international initiatives:

- PIs will not be eligible for funding if they apply (i) in more than one proposal in this transnational joint call, (ii) in more than one proposal in the same PCI call and/or (iii) in PCI calls of consecutive years. **This means that the same PI may not apply in two or more international calls funded with PCI that are open simultaneously, neither can they be awarded PCI grants in two consecutive years.**
- If the same PI submits two or more proposals in this transnational call, they will all be declared ineligible except one, without the possibility of changing the PI.
- A PI that has been granted a PCI the previous year will be declared ineligible, without the possibility of changing the PI.
- Changes of the PI between the 2 steps of the transnational call are not allowed
- PI must remain unchanged between the proposal in this transnational call and the corresponding PCI call should the proposal be recommended for funding.
- PI must ensure contractual relationship with the Principal Investigator (PI) during all the implementation of the project.

**Important:** In the application form, the applicants should include the PI’s full name (with both surnames) and the full name of their institution as stated in [the Sistema de Entidades \(SISEN\)](#).

### Eligible Costs

- Research and innovation activities are eligible. Mere dissemination, communication or other similar activities will not be eligible unless they are supporting the research activities.
- Only personnel costs for new temporary employment dedicated to the project are eligible. This must be clearly stated in the contract. The costs of permanent staff linked to the beneficiary entity or members of the research team will not be considered eligible costs.
- Direct costs such as current costs, small scientific equipment, disposable materials, travelling expenses, coordination costs and other costs that can be justified as necessary to carry out the proposed activities.
- Indirect costs (25% of all direct costs, including the subcontracting costs).

- **Minor changes of the budget** might be accepted between the pre-proposal stage and the full proposal stage, provided that the maximum requested amount does not exceed the maximum funding per project allowed. A request of change must be submitted to the AEI at least two weeks before the deadline for submitting full proposals.
- The AEI will avoid double funding (overlapping with other EU or National funding) and will not grant projects or parts of projects already funded.

### Funding

- Maximum funding committed by the AEI in the Agroecology call 2024: 1.350.000€

- **Maximum funding for a 36 months project:**

The following **funding limits** (including direct + 25% indirect costs) **are** considered eligibility criteria. Proposals not respecting these limits could be declared ineligible.

Maximum funding per project	DC (€)	IC (25%) (€)	TOTAL (€)
One AEI applicant in the proposal	140.000	35.000	175.000
One AEI applicant in the proposal acting as Coordinator	220.000	55.000	275.000
Two AEI applicants in the proposal with one of them acting as Coordinator	260.000	65.000	325.000

**Up to an additional maximum of € 30.000 (direct costs)** can be granted for the entire proposal if the work plan includes substantial experimental tasks. These type of tasks are related to the adoption of observational or experimental approaches in the research projects, involving for instance, designing and executing new experiments; resulting in new data sets, using appropriate procedures for the quantification of relevant variables and the analysis of the data resulting from those experiments. Tasks that exclusively involve the use or re-analysis of existing data will be considered as deskwork and not substantial experimental tasks”

### Important:

- Only ONE applicant applying for funding to AEI is allowed per proposal
- Two AEI-applicants are allowed in the same proposal only in cases when one of them is acting as Coordinator
- **The direct costs (including subcontracting) in the application must be rounded to the thousands.**

### Other Funding Criteria

- Centres formed by different Spanish legal entities will be considered as a unique entity, and thus the maximum funding should not exceed the limits per proposal established above (for example, mixed centres).
- Two centres or institutions belonging to the Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas (CSIC) will be treated as two separate partners one from another when one of them is acting as Coordinator of the proposal and their tasks and identity in the project are sufficiently separated and justified.

- Although private enterprises are not funded by the AEI, the Spanish industrial sector is welcome to participate in the transnational consortia principally obtaining funds from the CDTI participating in this transnational call (see CDTI's requirements), from other innovation and technological development funding agencies, or using own funds.
- 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.
- All themes in this transnational call are eligible for funding.

### Relevant information and documents

#### Funding Programme:

The framework for this funding action is the [Plan Estatal de Investigación Científica, Técnica e Innovación 2024-2027](#). On a national level, the Call will be managed by the [Subdivisión de Programas Científico-Técnicos Transversales, Fortalecimiento y Excelencia \(STRAN\)](#) of the AEI.

#### Funding Instrument:

The instrument funding the Spanish groups requesting funding to the AEI is the corresponding Spanish national call "Proyectos de Colaboración Internacional" (PCI) (to be published in due time).

#### Data Protection:

By submitting a grant application to the AEI, the applicants consent to communication of the data contained in the application to other public administrations, with the aim of further processing of the data for historical, statistical or scientific purposes, within the framework of the Organic Law 3/2018, of December 5, on Personal Data Protection and Guarantee of Digital Rights.

#### Acknowledgement:

Any publication or dissemination activity resulting from the granted projects must acknowledge the AEI funding: "Project (reference nº XX) funded by Agencia Estatal de Investigación (AEI) through the PCI (year) call".

#### Useful links:

As a reference, the applicants are strongly advised to read the call text of [the PCI 2024-2 \("Resolución de 16 de septiembre de 2024"\)](#) and especially the [PCI Requirements document](#) on [the national call website](#) as well as check their eligibility with the National Contact Point prior to the submission.



**CENTRO PARA EL DESARROLLO TECNOLÓGICO Y LA INNOVACIÓN E.P.E**

**CDTI | (SPAIN)**

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**FUNDER REGULATION**

Indicative budget	Maximum funding per project	Project duration
400,000 €	Not applicable	min. 12 months to max. 36 months

**TOPICS TO BE FUNDED**

Topic 1	Topic 2	comment
x	x	

**THE FOLLOWING PARTNERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING**

Universities	Research institutes	Non-profit organizations	Consumer/citizens	Civil society representatives	Private companies	Other
					x	x

**ANY ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS, DOCUMENTS OR INFORMATION**

**ELIGIBLE TYPE OF RESEARCH AND TRL**

Applied research TRL: 4-7

**SUBMISSION OF THE (PRE)PROPOSAL AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL**

Each Spanish company participating in a project and requesting funding from CDTI, must apply via CDTI's electronic submission system. CDTI's application process consists of completing an online application form (PAR application form) which is accompanied by a short technical report written in Spanish. The report must focus on the activities (and associated budget) that the company will assume in the project (please check Type of research funded and Eligible costs sections in this table). Applicants are strongly advised to check the detailed information available on CDTI website and to contact the NCP for advice about national funding rules, before submitting a proposal.

**ADDITIONAL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR THE FUNDING AGENCY**

Please note that failing to comply with the national application process by the deadline, will deem the company ineligible to participate in the call.

**ELIGIBLE COSTS**

Projects should support transnational collaboration; therefore, no single participant or country can exceed 70% of the total project costs.

Eligible costs:

- Staff costs related to technical staff directly involved in the R&D project. Project management costs, max. 58 hours per month (approximately 0,4PM)
- Instrument and equipment costs
- Implementation costs e.g., technical knowledge, patents, or consultancy services, intended exclusively for the research project and procured from external sources at market price.
- Other costs including goods and services to be used exclusively for the research project e.g.: (national) audit costs max EUR 2,000 per year/beneficiary, travel costs associated with the implementation of the project (EUR 8,000 max. for the duration of the project).
- Overheads (indirect costs as a 25% of direct costs, not considering outsourcing) are calculated automatically by CDTI's electronic submission system.

**WEBSITE WITH ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

[CDTI Website](#)

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

CDTI will only fund technology-based activities within industrial research and/or experimental development projects (in accordance with the definitions of the General Block Exemption Regulation, EC Regulation n°651/2014) representing outstanding scientific-technical quality and high innovative potential. Please note that non-technological activities e.g. developing new business models, are excluded from CDTI funding. R&D activities to be financed must be within the TRL 4-7 range and be implemented in Spain.



CONSEJERIA DE EDUCACION, CIENCIA Y FORMACION PROFESIONAL - JUNTA DE EXTREMADURA  
JUNTAEX | (SPAIN)

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**FUNDER REGULATION**

Indicative budget	Maximum funding per project	Project duration
600,000 €	200,000 €	min. 24 months to max. 36 months

**TOPICS TO BE FUNDED**

Topic 1	Topic 2	comment
x	x	

**THE FOLLOWING PARTNERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING**

Universities	Research institutes	Non-profit organizations	Consumer/citizens	Civil society representatives	Private companies	Other
x	x	x		x	x	

**ANY ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS, DOCUMENTS OR INFORMATION**

Junta de Extremadura (JUNTAEX) will finance the activities to be developed by the Extremadura entities identified above as eligible partners for funding in the Autonomous Community of Extremadura.

The regional contribution will be co-funded with the European Regional Development Fund (2021-2027).

Eligible costs will be those directly related and strictly necessary for the implementation of the project activities and taking place within the project period.

The categories of eligible costs in the case of Extremadura entities applying for regional grant will be the following: personnel costs necessary for the execution of the activity, costs of other goods and services directly related to the activities of the project, travel and depreciation of scientific and technological equipment.

Indirect costs will be calculated as a percentage of 7% of the total amount executed.

Non-profit organisations and public bodies will have access to an intensity of 100% of the eligible costs including indirect costs.



In the case of enterprises, the contribution of the Junta de Extremadura will be limited to industrial research or experimental development projects carried out by small and medium-sized enterprises Extremadura with the following specifications:

PROJECT	SMALL ENTERPRISE (%)	MEDIUM-SIZED ENTERPRISE (%)
Industrial Research (TRL 2-4)	80	75
Experimental Development (TRL 5-7)	60	50

The results of the project will need to be widely disseminated through conferences, publications, open access databases or free or open source software for access to these aid intensities for enterprises.

After the resolution of the international call for proposals, Junta de Extremadura will initiate an award procedure with the Extremadura beneficiary entities that will include the specificities of communication, justification and payment of the grants.

The Regional Government of Extremadura will coordinate with the other Spanish funders for the efficient use of the resources allocated to Extremadura entities.

Applicants who want to submit a proposal are requested to contact [agroecology@fundecyt-pctex.es](mailto:agroecology@fundecyt-pctex.es) as soon as the consortium is complete and before the submission of the proposal.

At the least, this communication needs to be sent 3 business days before the call deadline.

# FORMAS

## THE SWEDISH RESEARCH COUNCIL FOR ENVIRONMENT, AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES, AND SPATIAL PLANNING

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#### FUNDER REGULATION

Indicative budget	Maximum funding per project	Project duration
1,200,000 €	250,000 EUR per project 400,000 EUR per project if the coordinator is from Sweden	min. 36 months to max. 36 months

#### TOPICS TO BE FUNDED

Topic 1	Topic 2	comment
x	x	

#### THE FOLLOWING PARTNERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING

Universities	Research institutes	Non-profit organizations	Consumer/citizens	Civil society representatives	Private companies	Other
x	x					

#### ANY ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS, DOCUMENTS OR INFORMATION

Funding per project can be larger if the coordinating partner is Swedish, 400,000 € instead of 250,000 €.

#### ELIGIBLE ORGANISATIONS

The administrating organisation must be a Swedish higher education institution, research institute or government agency with a research mission.

#### ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

The main applicant and participating researchers must hold a doctoral degree by the closing date of the call.

#### NATIONAL REQUIREMENT

Co-creation and stakeholder involvement is important for the AGROECOLOGY partnership and for the success of this call.

Swedish applicants are expected to involve stakeholders e.g. NGOs and farmers, or stakeholder perspectives, in the Swedish part of the project. For example, stakeholders can have advisory roles

or/and participate in planning and workshops. Compensation to stakeholders having such advisory roles in the project may be included in the budget as running costs (purchased services and travel expenses).

#### **ELIGIBLE COSTS**

Formas' standard guidelines for eligible costs apply. Please see Formas' general instructions: [How it works - Formas](#) VAT should not be included in the budget figure.

Please note that all costs must be submitted in Euros (EUR) in the international submission platform for both pre and full proposals, and in Swedish crowns (SEK) in the Swedish submission platform Prisma if invited to submit a full proposal at the second stage. Use the historic monthly average exchange rate (EUR to SEK) from the date when the first step for pre-proposals close. The exchange rate used must come from Sveriges Riksbank ([Sök räntor och valutakurser | Sveriges Riksbank](#)).

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

It is a transnational eligibility requirement of this call that applications are written in English. You should write the application in English since the expert panel consists of international reviewers.

All scientific publications resulting from projects funded by Formas must be published using immediate open access (OA).

Swedish applicants who have submitted a pre-proposal to the AGROECOLOGY Partnership (the international submission platform) and are invited to submit a full proposal at the second stage, will be contacted by Formas for further information on how to register their full proposals with Formas' system Prisma.

Swedish applicants in the same project consortium must apply in Prisma under one single project application after they have been invited (full proposal).

Project duration is 3 years.

Reports are to be submitted according to the regulations of both the AGROECOLOGY Partnership and Formas.



THE SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL RESEARCH COUNCIL OF TÜRKİYE  
TÜBİTAK | (TÜRKİYE)

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FUNDER REGULATION

Indicative budget	Maximum funding per project	Project duration
500,000 €	190,000 € excluding the institutional share of the Project Incentive Bonus.	min. 24 months to max. 36 months

TOPICS TO BE FUNDED

Topic 1	Topic 2	Comment
x	x	

THE FOLLOWING PARTNERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING

Universities	Research institutes	Non-profit organizations	Consumer/citizens	Civil society representatives	Private companies	Other
x	x				x	

ANY ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS, DOCUMENTS OR INFORMATION

[https://tubitak.gov.tr/sites/default/files/2024-12/AGROECOLOGY\\_Ortakligi\\_2\\_Cagrisi\\_Ulusal\\_Basvuru\\_Kurallari.pdf](https://tubitak.gov.tr/sites/default/files/2024-12/AGROECOLOGY_Ortakligi_2_Cagrisi_Ulusal_Basvuru_Kurallari.pdf)

The contribution requested from TÜBİTAK for a single project, excluding the Institutional Share and Project Incentive Bonus (PIB), is as follows:

- ❖ Up to €190,000 per project.
- ❖ Per executing institution:
  - For higher education institutions, training and research hospitals, and public institutions and organizations, up to €125,000.
  - For private entities, up to €190,000.