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**Call of the European Biodiversity Partnership on
“Nature-Based Solutions for biodiversity, human well-being and
transformative change (BiodivNBS)”**

2023-2024 joint Call

Funding Organisations rules

You will find in this document all the eligibility rules of the different Funding Organisations participating to the 2023-2024 [Biodiversa+ Call “BiodivNBS”](#).

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Please make sure to consult these rules and to contact your Funding Organisations Contact Point for more information and in case of any doubt. We draw your attention on the fact that **compliance with Funding Organisations’ eligibility criteria and rules is mandatory**. Proposals that do not meet these criteria will be declared non-eligible and will not be evaluated.

Table summarizing the different edition of this documents, including the changes that were made within each version.

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Austria – FWF

CONTACT

Country / Region	
Funding Organisation (Acronym)	FWF Austrian Science Fund www.fwf.ac.at
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Anna Dickermann +43 1 50567408218 Anna.dickermann@fwf.ac.at Iris Fortmann +43 1 50567408211 iris.fortmann@fwf.ac.at

FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in EUR)	1,000,000€
Minimum and/or maximum amount of funding per awarded project (in EUR)	The FWF anticipates funding of 3-4 projects, given the maximum commitment of € 1 Mio for all projects. The maximum awarded amount of funding per partner is € 300.000

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

Eligible environment(s)	All (no restrictions)
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Individual researcher or teams of researchers, working in any kind of non-profit organisation: e.g. University, University hospital, Non-university research institute. Please refer also to the general FWF Funding Guidelines: Application guidelines Principal Investigator Project (PROFI mode) (fwf.ac.at) also available on: Joint Projects / ERA-Nets (fwf.ac.at)
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	The current FWF salary scale (Personnel costs (fwf.ac.at)) indicates the salaries that may be requested. The FWF grants an annual salary adjustment to compensate for inflation; this is applied automatically to all contracts of employment in Principal Investigator projects that are valid when the adjustment takes effect. For scientists funded by the FWF, the

	<p>funding is limited to “project-specific costs, i.e. personnel and non-personnel costs that are essential to carry out the project and that go beyond the resources made available from the research institution’s infrastructure, according to the general FWF Funding Guidelines published at Application guidelines Principal Investigator Project (PROFI mode) (fwf.ac.at)</p> <p>The FWF does not finance infrastructure or basic equipment at research institutions. Overheads may not be requested. Subcontracts must be well justified, i.e. must represent the only or the most economical way to have the work performed, please contact the FWF directly for clarification of individual cases</p>
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	Yes
Additional specific eligibility rules	<p>Researchers are eligible to apply if their publication record over the last five years has been internationally visible and if their current career stage is commensurate with the career progression expected in their field.</p> <p>Application guidelines Principal Investigator Project (PROFI mode) (fwf.ac.at)</p>

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	<p>Joint Projects / ERA-Nets (fwf.ac.at)</p> <p>And</p> <p>Application guidelines Principal Investigator Project (PROFI mode) (fwf.ac.at)</p> <p>In addition to the application at the call secretariat administrative data (in accordance with the FWF guidelines for stand-alone projects) must be submitted online to the FWF at https://elane.fwf.ac.at/</p>
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OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Submission of the pre- and full proposal and other administrative requirements to	In addition to the application at the Biodiversa+ level, administrative data (in accordance with the FWF guidelines for
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<p>be completed at the national/regional level</p>	<p>Principal Investigator Projects) must be submitted online to the FWF at https://elane.fwf.ac.at/</p> <p>This is required already at the pre-registration stage via the programme category “PIK – International Projects preproposal” deadline 10 November 2023, 15:00 CET (local time in Brussels) For the full proposal stage applicants must choose the programme category “PIN– International Projects” (Deadline 09- April 2024, 15:00 CEST (local time in Brussels). Both steps are mandatory. The maximum awarded amount of funding per partner is € 300.000</p> <p>All proposals must be submitted using the elane online portal. Project funding is administered through the research institution (PROFI); for this reason, the submission must be approved in the application portal both by the applicant and by the respective research institution</p> <p>Please note that the number of ongoing/approved projects in which one researcher can serve as principal investigator is limited to three in the Stand-Alone Projects Programme, International Programmes, Clinical Research and Arts-Based Research Programmes. Information on the limit of the number of ongoing/approved projects and thus the limit of applications that can be submitted can be found at project number limit.pdf (fwf.ac.at)</p> <p>For information on submitting an application from abroad see the FWF Website at Applications from abroad (fwf.ac.at)</p>
<p>Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level</p>	<p>n.a.</p>
<p>Other important information</p>	<p>Researchers are eligible to apply if their publication record over the last five years has been internationally visible and if their current career stage is commensurate with the career progression expected in their field. The following criteria are decisive in</p>

assessing their publication record—documented in the “Publication list” and in initiating the review process:

Quality assurance: Most relevant in assessing the applicant’s publication record are those publications that have undergone a quality assurance procedure in line with international standards (peer review or an equivalent procedure; in the natural and life sciences, peer review is expected). Journals must usually be listed in Web of Science, Scopus, or the Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ). In the case of journals that are not listed in these databases, or in the case of monographs, edited volumes, contributions to edited volumes, or other publication types, the applicant must provide a link to the publisher’s website, describing the respective quality assurance procedure. If no description should be available, it is the applicant’s responsibility to provide evidence that the publication has been subject to an appropriate quality assurance procedure.

International visibility: Most of the applicant’s publications must have a wider than national reach. In the natural sciences, life sciences, and social sciences, most of the publications listed must be in English.

Number/scope and quality of the applicant’s publications must be commensurate with the expected career progression and the field concerned. At least two publications must have undergone a quality assurance procedure and must be internationally visible with a substantial and independent contribution on the part of the applicant. At least one publication with first or last or corresponding authorship in the life sciences is required.

Should an applicant fail to meet one or more of the above criteria, the applicant must include an explanation with the application. In cases of doubt, the decision-making bodies of the FWF shall decide whether the research qualifications are adequate.

BELGIUM – BELSPO

CONTACT

Country / Region	BELGIUM
Funding Organisation	BELGIAN SCIENCE POLICY OFFICE
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Aline van der Werf

FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	500 000€ - 650 000€
Minimum or maximum funding <u>per awarded project or Partner</u>	250 000 € per project

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

Eligible environment(s)	All (no restrictions)
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	The call is open to the Federal Scientific Institutions only
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	<p>Applicants apply for temporary personnel. Pre-tax wages.</p> <p>For labour contracts, staff costs are limited to a maximum amount of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 6700€/month for a scientist with a Master's degree• 8250€/month for a scientist with a PhD• 4750€/month for a technician <p>For tax-free scholarship</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 4450 €/month for a doctoral scholarship• 5600€/month for a postdoctoral scholarship <p>Two types of operational costs are eligible: <i>General operating costs</i>. This includes all current expenditures related to the project's implementation such as usual supplies and products for the laboratory, workshop and office, documentation, travel and accommodation, use of IT facilities, software, organisation of meetings, workshops and events, etc. The total amount of these operational costs is set at a flat rate of 15% maximum of the staff budget if applicant is coordinator of a consortium and 10% maximum of the staff budget for a partner.</p>

	<p><i>Specific operating costs</i> (invoices will be required): this includes specific operating costs not covered by the general operating costs such as costs for analysis, maintenance and repair of specific equipment purchased by the project, surveys, open data publication (max 1300€ within open access journal)</p> <p>Equipment cost: Purchase and installation of scientific and technical apparatus and instruments, including computer hardware. Equipment needs to be purchased in the first half of the project.</p> <p>Overheads : Institutions' general overheads that cover, in one lump sum, administration, telephone, postal, maintenance, heating, lighting, electricity, rent, machine depreciation, and insurance costs. The total amount of this item may not exceed 5% of the total staff and operating costs.</p>
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	YES
Additional specific eligibility rules	NA

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OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Submission of the pre- and full proposal at the national/regional level and / or requirement in terms of national/regional official paperwork(s) to complete and sign at national/regional level	NA
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	<p>After signature of the contract between BELSPO and the Head of the beneficiary institution, following reports are required:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initial report: to be submitted within three months after the start of the project • Activity reports: to be submitted annually • Final report = Biodiversa+ project to be submitted at the end of the project
Other important information	NA

Belgium – F.R.S.-FNRS

CONTACT

Country / Region	Belgium/Wallonia Brussels Federation (French speaking Belgium)
Funding Organisation	Fonds de la Recherche Scientifique – FNRS (F.R.S.-FNRS)
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Mr. Joël Groeneveld, Head of International Affairs, F.R.S.-FNRS, +32 2 504 9270, international@frs-fnrs.be

FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	300,000 €
Minimum or maximum funding <u>per awarded project or Partner</u>	300,000 €

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

Eligible environment(s)	All (no restrictions)
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	All eligibility rules and criteria can be found in the PINT-MULTI regulations .
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	All eligibility rules and criteria can be found in the PINT-MULTI regulations . Please note that personnel costs (Article III.6) have an annual average cap of 80,000 euros for this call. “Overhead” is not an eligible cost. If the project is selected for funding, these costs will be subject to a separate agreement between the institution of the beneficiary and the F.R.S.-FNRS.
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	Yes
Additional specific eligibility rules	

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	https://www.frs-fnrs.be/fr/calendrier-des-appels
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OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Submission of the pre- and full proposal at the national/regional level and / or requirement in terms of national/regional official paperwork(s) to complete and sign at national/regional level	Applicants to F.R.S.-FNRS funding must provide basic administrative data by submitting an administrative application on e-space within 5 working days after the general deadline of the pre-proposals of the BiodivERsA+ call to be eligible. Please select the “PINT-MULTI” funding instrument when creating the administrative application. Proposals invited to the second stage will be able to complete the pre-proposal form and provide information for the full proposal upon validation by the F.R.S.-FNRS.
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	As described in the PINT-MULTI regulations.
Other important information	

Belgium – FWO

CONTACT

Country / Region	Belgium/Flanders
Funding Organisation (Acronym)	The Research Foundation – Flanders (FWO)
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Toon Monbaliu (FO) europe@fwo.be +32 (0)2 550 15 70 Kristien Peeters (SBO) europe@fwo.be +32 (0)2 550 15 95

FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in EUR)	750.000 EUR in total
Minimum and/or maximum amount of funding per awarded project (in EUR)	Maximum 250.000 EUR per project/consortium (overhead included).

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

Eligible environment(s)	All environments are eligible, if the type of research fits the appropriate FWO funding channels scope.
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	<p>The FWO integrates two of its national/regional funding channels within this multilateral framework. The choice of funding channel depends on the <u>type of project</u> the researchers from Flanders wish to undertake.</p> <p>The eligibility of institutions and its researchers can be verified in the relevant and respective chosen funding channels regulations, which can be consulted on the FWO website:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- FWO Research Projects (FO)- Strategic Basic Research (SBO)
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ The FWO foresees a budget of 750.000 EUR, which allows for the funding of at least three projects.○ The respective funding channel regulations apply (see links to national

	<p>rules above), and both are capped at max. 250.000 EUR per project/consortium (incl. overhead, for which the calculation method diverges per funding channel; see explanation below).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ For the overhead calculation, the fundamental (FO) and strategic research projects (SBO) apply the same approach. A structural overhead rate should be applied on the project costs, with an overhead rate of 6% for ‘FO’ projects, and a 17% overhead rate for ‘SBO’ projects. Some practical examples: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ <u>FO</u>: the sum of all costs (personnel, consumables, travel, subcontracting, etc.) amounts to 200.000 EUR, then the overhead will amount to 12.000 EUR (6% of 200.000 EUR) and the total requested cost is 212.000 EUR. This total requested cost may never exceed the max. available amount of 250.000 EUR. ➤ <u>SBO</u>: the sum of all costs (personnel, consumables, travel, subcontracting, etc.) amounts to 200.000 EUR, then the overhead will amount to 34.000 EUR (17% of 200.000 EUR) and the total requested cost is 234.000 EUR. This total requested cost may never exceed the max. available amount of 250.000 EUR.
<p>Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?</p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p>Additional specific eligibility rules</p>	<p>!! NEW !!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Applicants for FWO funding must submit a mandatory administrative application via the FWO e-portal. For fundamental research projects (FO) select the application type: “Research projects – European programme fundamental research”. For strategic basis research projects (SBO) select the application type: “Research projects – European programme strategic basic research”. In case the consortium includes more than one partner requesting funding from FWO, a <u>single</u>

online form should be submitted containing all relevant information from the different Flemish partners.

The **deadline to submit this administrative application to the FWO is identical to the deadline of the joint transnational call** (preproposal stage). To ensure the eligibility of the proposal, it is recommended to consult the FWO administration at least one week in advance.

Failure to comply with these requirements can lead to ineligibility.

- Participation in this call does not interfere with the 'regular/national' project submission framework, and is consequently not taken into account for calculating the max. available number of new applications and running projects combined. However, **researchers can only participate within 2 different international consortia in this call.**
- Projects aiming at the development of a spin-off company are not eligible in this context.
- The project duration is limited to 36 months, which implies the funding has to be budgeted and spent accordingly. An automatic prolongation and using positive (financial) balances after the end date is not applicable in this framework. As such article 28 of the [FWO Research Projects](#) and article 14 of the [Strategic Basic Research \(SBO\)](#) regulations do not apply here.
- The PI, for each of the participating institutions applying for FWO funds, must hold an **appointment that fully covers the duration of the research project.**
- Linked to the above, when it comes to the [FWO research project regulations \(FO\)](#): article 10, §7 is not applicable in this call. I.e. supervisors (-spokespersons), or coordinators/consortium partners in

	<p>this context, who are granted emeritus status during the calendar year of submission of the project application or during the duration of the project, are not eligible.</p>
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<p>INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:</p>	<p>Will be announced on the FWO website.</p>
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OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

<p>Submission of the pre- and full proposal and other administrative requirements to be completed at the national/regional level</p>	<p>A mandatory administrative application has to be submitted at regional level, via the FWO e-portal (also see 'Additional specific eligibility rules').</p>
<p>Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level</p>	<p>Scientific reporting according to the Biodiversa+ call requirements.</p> <p>Financial reporting according to the FWO fundamental research project (FO) or SBO project regulations.</p>
<p>Other important information</p>	<p>It is strongly advised to approach the FWO contact points mentioned above, in order not to jeopardize any research projects/consortia. Certainly when there exists no or little experience with this type of framework.</p>

Brazil – CNPq

CONTACT

Country / Region	Brazil
Funding Organisation	National Council for scientific and Technological Development (CNPq)
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Dileine Cunha dileine.cunha@cnpq.br +55-61-99213-0583

FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	100,000
Minimum or maximum funding <u>per awarded project or Partner</u>	N/A

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

Eligible environment(s)	All eligible environments foreseen in the call
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	<p>Researchers from higher education institutions, public or private (if non-profit);</p> <p>Researchers from R&D institutes and centres, public or private (if non-profit);</p> <p>Researchers from public companies that carry out activities of research in S&T&I.</p>
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	<p>According to CNPq's RN-17/2011:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Direct Costs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Consumable materials; b) Air Tickets and per diems. - Indirect Costs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Third party services both natural and legal persons.
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	No
Additional specific eligibility rules	<p>➤ The research project coordinator for the Brazilian side must hold a Doctoral Degree and have a Lattes Curriculum http://lattes.cnpq.br/ up-to-date until the pre-proposal submission deadline; and be linked with an eligible institution;</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ if a foreigner, be in a regular situation in Brazil; ➤ residence in Brazil.
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INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	<p>https://www.gov.br/cnpq/pt-br</p> <p>Projects to be financed by CNPq will be supported under the modality APQ (Individual Grant for Research – regulations available at: http://memoria2.cnpq.br/view/-/journal_content/56_INSTANCE_0oED/10157/25480#rn17114)</p> <p>https://confap.org.br/</p>
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OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Submission of the pre- and full proposal at the national/regional level and / or requirement in terms of national/regional official paperwork(s) to complete and sign at national/regional level	Approved projects from states with non-participating FAPS will be funded by CNPq. Brazilian researchers should check for participating FAPS in their state. The pre- and full proposal do not need to be submitted to CNPq.
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	N/A
Other important information	N/A

Brazil – CONFAP

CONTACT

Country / Region	Brazil
Funding Organisations	Brazilian National Council of State Funding Agencies – CONFAP
Funding Organisations Contact Point(s)	<p>Elisa Natola Advisor for International Cooperation Elisa.confap@gmail.com</p> <p>For each participating State Funding Agency (FAP), contacts are listed below</p>

FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	<p>Total amount: € 1.800.000. Additional budget to be confirmed.</p> <p>The contribution provided by each participating State Funding Agency (FAP) is detailed below</p>
Minimum or maximum funding <u>per awarded project or Partner</u>	<p>Details are specified below for each participating State Funding Agency (FAP): the table in “Other important information” indicates the maximum number of projects that may be supported (where applicable) within the total budget of each FAP.</p> <p>Furthermore orientations, including the maximum amount they can request must be verified with the respective FAPs.</p>

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

Eligible environment(s)	All (no restrictions)
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Eligible Institutions: Public or private (non-profit) Higher Education and Research Institutions, Scientific Institutions, Technology and Innovation Institutions, eligible for the involved state funding agencies FAPs.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	As a general rule, Brazilian State Funding Agencies finance scholarships, mobility and grants, related to scientific, technological and innovation projects.
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	No
Additional specific eligibility rules	Eligible applicants must have a doctoral or equivalent degree, and be linked to a Research

Institution located in Brazilian States participating in the call, through their Respective State Funding Agencies; have scientific or technological production evaluated by Curriculum (Súmula Curricular).

Applicants must verify the specific eligibility rules and financing modalities, which shall be defined and disseminated in the respective websites of the participating FAPs (Guidelines for the call).

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:

Link to the page of the Call: <https://confap.org.br>

National rules shall be detailed by each participating FAP on their respective websites:

1. **Fundação Araucária** - <https://www.fappr.pr.gov.br>
2. **FAPDF** - <https://www.fap.df.gov.br>
3. **FAPEAL** – <http://fapeal.br>
4. **FAPEAM** – <http://www.fapeam.am.gov.br>
5. **FAPEAP** - <http://www.fapeap.ap.gov.br/>
6. **FAPEG** - <http://www.fapeg.go.gov.br/>
7. **FAPEMA** - <https://www.fapema.br>
8. **FAPEMIG** - <http://www.fapemig.br/pt/>
9. **FAPEPI** - <http://www.fapepi.pi.gov.br>
10. **FAPERGS** - <https://fapergs.rs.gov.br>
11. **FAPERJ** - <https://www.faperj.br>
12. **FAPES** - www.fapes.es.gov.br
13. **FAPESB** - <https://www.fapesb.ba.gov.br/>
14. **FAPESC** - www.fapesc.sc.gov.br
15. **FAPESP** - <https://fapesp.br/>
16. **FAPESPA** - <http://www.fapespa.pa.gov.br>
17. **FAPT** – <https://www.to.gov.br/fapt>
18. **FUNCAP** – <https://www.funcao.ce.gov.br/>
19. **FUNDECT** - <https://www.fundect.ms.gov.br/>
20. **FAPERO** - <https://rondonia.ro.gov.br/fapero/>

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Submission of the pre- and full proposal at the national/regional level and / or requirement in terms of national/regional official paperwork(s) to complete and sign at national/regional level	Must be verified with the involved FAP.
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	Must be verified with the involved FAP.

Other important information:

Minimum and/or maximum project duration: maximum 3 years

National Official paperwork to complete and sign (including addresses where to send them): please consult your **Brazilian State Funding Agencies (FAPs) supporting the call.**

Here follows the list of Brazilian State Funding Agencies participating in the call, their contacts and details on their total budget reserved for the call and the targeted number of projects to be funded with this amount:

	FAPs	State	Budget EUR	Max. number of projects within the max. allocated budget	Contacts
1	Fundação Araucária	Paraná	50.000	1	Barbara Taniguti barbara@fundacaoaraucaria.org.br
2	FAPDF	Distrito Federal	100.000	2	Veridianne Nery veridianne.nery@fap.df.gov.br
3	FAPEAL	Alagoas	50.000	2	Antonio Daniel Alves Carvalho pesquisafapeal@gmail.com
4	FAPEAM	Amazonas	100.000	2	International Cooperation Department DITEC/DEAP/COOPINT internacionalizacao@fapeam.am.gov.br deap@fapeam.am.gov.br ditec@fapeam.am.gov.br
5	FAPEAP	Amapá	10.000	1	Maíra Pombo mairapombo@gmail.com
6	FAPEG	Goiás	100.000	2	Gabriel de Paula internacional.fapeg@goias.gov.br
7	FAPEMA	Maranhão	100.000	2	David Gomes david.gomes@fapema.br
8	FAPEMIG	Minas Gerais	100.000	2	Lis Xavier nci@fapemig.br
9	FAPEPI	Piauí	30.000	2	Lara Falcão lara.cibele@fapepi.pi.gov.br
10	FAPERGS	Rio Grande do Sul	50.000	1	Daniela Ziani Scherer dec@fapergs.rs.gov.br

11	FAPERJ	Rio de Janeiro	100.000	3	Ana Beatriz Ramadas assessoria.internacional@faperj.br
12	FAPES	Espírito Santo	100.000	2	Rosa Maria Trevas Azevedo parcerias@fapes.es.gov.br
13	FAPESB	Bahia	90.000	3	Adriele Assis Almeida adriele.almeida@fapeb.ba.gov.br
14	FAPESC	Santa Catarina	50.000	1	Pedro Valentim internacional@fapesc.sc.gov.br
15	FAPESP	São Paulo	400.000	Not Defined	Virgínia Sanches Subiñas vsubinas@fapesp.br
16	FAPESPA	Pará	100.000	2	Deyvison Medrado dicet@fapespa.pa.gov.br
17	FAPT	Tocantins	TBC	TBC	TBC
18	FUNCAP	Ceará	100.000	4	Vivian Nobre vivian.nobre@funcap.ce.gov.br
19	FUNDECT	Mato Grosso do Sul	100.000	2	Nalvo F. Almeida Jr cientifica.fundect@gmail.com
20	FAPERO	Rondônia	70.000	Not Defined	faperopesquisador@gmail.com

Bulgaria – BNSF

CONTACT

Country / Region	Bulgaria
Funding Organisation (Acronym)	Bulgarian National Science Fund - BNSF
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Milena Aleksandrova aleksandrova@mon.bg +359 884 171 363

FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in EUR)	383 468 EUR
Minimum and/or maximum amount of funding per awarded project (in EUR)	Up to 127 822 EUR per project

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

Eligible environment(s)	All (no restrictions)
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	1) Accredited universities as defined in Art.85 para.1, p. 7 of the Higher Education Act; 2) Research organizations as defined in Art. 47, para 1 of the Higher Education Act. http://lll.mon.bg/uploaded_files/zkn_visseto_obr_01.03.2016_EN.pdf
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Eligible costs are specified in "National requirements and eligibility conditions" of Bulgarian National Science Fund available at: Link (in Bulgarian) Link (in English)
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	No
Additional specific eligibility rules	Other additional eligibility rules are specified in "National requirements and eligibility conditions" of Bulgarian National Science Fund available at: Link (in Bulgarian) Link (in English)

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	Link (in Bulgarian) Link (in English)
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OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

<p>Submission of the pre- and full proposal and other administrative requirements to be completed at the national/regional level</p>	<p>Applicants have to submit an application form for national eligibility when submitting the proposals. The form should be filled and electronically submitted in both Bulgarian and in English at: https://nims.egov.bg/login#/ </p>
<p>Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level</p>	<p>Each PI is obliged to send an annual report for the BNSF-funded project. BNSF provides templates and guidelines</p>
<p>Other important information</p>	<p>No</p>

Canada – Québec – FRQNT

CONTACT

Country / Region	Canada / Québec
Funding Organisation (Acronym)	Fonds de recherche du Québec – Nature et technologies (FRQNT)
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Leslie Walsh, Programme Officer Phone: 418 643-8560, poste : 3457 Email: Lesliemarie.walsh@frq.gouv.qc.ca

FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in EUR)	Up to €600,000 EUR approximately (or \$900,000 CAD)
Minimum and/or maximum amount of funding per awarded project (in EUR)	Up to €200,000 EUR approximately per project (or up to \$300,000 CAD per project, up to \$100,000 CAD per year over 3 years)

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

Eligible environment(s)	All
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Only researchers affiliated with Quebec university establishments recognized by the FRQ are eligible to apply for funding (see “Additional specific eligibility rules” below for more details regarding eligibility requirements).
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	The Québec part of the project budget may only be used as described in section 8 of the FRQ’s Common General Rules . Successful applicants from Québec may receive up to \$100,000 CAD per year per project for three years. Indirect costs of research (ICR) will also be paid to managing institutions. The ICR will equal 27% of the grant awarded and will be in addition to the grant amount.
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	Yes
Additional specific eligibility rules	<u>Principal Investigator</u> The principal investigator (PI) from Québec will be in charge of managing the funding provided by the FRQNT. To be eligible, the Québec PI must:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet Research Status 1(i) (university researcher), as defined in the FRQ’s Common General Rules, AND • Be from a research area covered by the FRQNT <p><u>Team composition</u> The Québec team must include at least:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One eligible PI • One eligible co-investigator that is a university researcher (Status 1(i), as defined in the Common General Rules.) <p>These two researchers must be from a research area covered by the FRQNT.</p> <p><u>Co-investigators (CI)</u> To be eligible as a co-investigator (CI), the researcher must meet Status 1, 2 or 3, as defined in the Common General Rules. A CI can be from a research area covered by the FRQNT, FRQSC, and FRQS.</p> <p><u>Collaborators</u> Any person meeting Status 1 to 4 as defined in the Common General Rules may join the team as a collaborator.</p>
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INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	Frg.gouv.qc.ca
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OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Submission of the pre- and full proposal and other administrative requirements to be completed at the national/regional level	Quebec Principal Investigators and Co-investigators must create and/or update their user profile in the FRQnet Electronic Portfolio . For each project, the PI must create and complete a simplified pre-proposal form available in the FRQnet Electronic Portfolio and submit it before 4:00 pm Eastern Time on November 10, 2023. In this form, Québec applicants will be asked to provide information, in French, such as the project’s title, abstract, team members, and budget.
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	<p>Applicants selected for the full proposal stage will also be requested to submit a simplified application form in the FRQnet Electronic Portfolio.</p> <p>For more details on the submission of the simplified FRQnet pre-proposal form, please see the specific FRQNT web page for the program.</p>
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	<p>Annual financial reports must be completed in the FRQnet Electronic Portfolio, as set out and described in the Common General Rules.</p>
Other important information	<p>All funding grants awarded by the FRQ are subject to the FRQ's Common General Rules as well as to the FRQ's Open Access Policy for the Dissemination of Research, Policy for the Responsible Conduct of Research and Knowledge Mobilization Strategy.</p> <p>Personal and confidential information collected through FRQnet is handled in accordance with the Statement regarding the protection of personal and confidential information.</p>

Czech Republic – TA CR

CONTACT

Country / Region	Czech Republic
Funding Organisation (Acronym)	Technology Agency of the Czech Republic (TA CR)

Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Matej Stepanek, + 420 770 194 873, matej.stepanek@tacr.cz
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FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in EUR)	680 000 €
Minimum and/or maximum amount of funding per awarded project (in EUR)	Maximum funding (requested budget) per project (Czech part): 170 000 €

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

Eligible environment(s)	All environments* *For Czech Applicants to be eligible, results of the project must be applicable in the environment of the Czech Republic
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research organisations (according to Article 2 paragraph 83 of the Regulation) • Enterprises (according to Annex 1 of the Regulation) and Enterprises who act as natural persons according to Annex 1 of the Regulation engaged in an economic activity pursuant to Act no. 455/1991 coll. on Trades (Trade Act). • Organisational units of the state <p>Aforementioned actors are eligible, both as main Czech applicants and additional Czech members of the project-consortium. However, the main applicant may be only an entity that has its registered office, establishment or branch in the Czech Republic.</p> <p>TA CR excludes the disbursement of individual aid to an enterprise:</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • against which a recovery order has been issued which is unpaid • meeting the definition of an “undertaking in difficulty” • which has not met the obligation to publish the financial statements for the years 2019, 2020, 2021 in the respective register - the so-called "Veřejný rejstřík" • which has not disclose its ownership structure in the so-called “Evidence skutečných majitelů” <p>Funding rates:</p> <p>The aid intensity for each Czech candidate in the project is determined based on the type of entity and type of research according to the Regulation (see table below) and at the same time must not exceed the maximum permissible aid intensity for the Czech part of the project, which is 80 % of eligible costs.</p> <p>Type of supported research:</p> <p>Applied research (i.e. industrial research / experimental development). <i>For definitions of applied research see the Framework and the Regulation.</i></p> <p>Czech applicants must comply with the “SIGMA - DC4 (Mezinárodní spolupráce)” programme rules. Relevance to the programme objectives (see Guide for Czech Applicants on TA CR website) is examined as a part of the eligibility check.</p>
<p>Eligibility of costs, types and their caps</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • personnel costs (including scholarships) • subcontracting costs (max. 20% of total eligible costs throughout the whole project period) • other direct costs (write-offs, protection of intellectual property, operating expenses, travel costs, consumables)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> indirect costs (overheads) - full cost/flat rate. Specific categories of eligible costs are defined under Article 18 of the General Terms & Conditions.
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	Yes
Additional specific eligibility rules	<p>For Czech Applicants to be eligible, results of the project must be applicable in the environment of the Czech Republic (Applicability of foreseen project outputs and their employment in the conditions of the Czech Republic will be assessed during the national eligibility check).</p> <p>Eligible projects for TA CR:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the project meets the definition of applied research the research results correspond to the national rules and are applicable / exploitable. (The project proposal has to include a clear description of the exploitation plan and results.) the aim of the project has to be relevant to the overall aim of the funding programme SIGMA the declared share of industrial research and experimental development corresponds to the activities of the Czech partner described in the project proposal the requested funding meets the national regulations for aid intensity

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	https://www.tacr.cz/program/partnerstvi-pro-biodiverzitu/
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OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Submission of the pre- and full proposal and other administrative requirements to be completed at the national/regional level	The Czech applicants are requested to submit:
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Sworn statement of the applicant • Completed “TACR Application Form” Excel file (submitted by the main Czech applicant only)* • if the applicant plans to achieve the “Patent” type of result, patent search must be substantiated* • Sworn statement of the composition of the consortium (only if Czech enterprise is part of the project consortium; submitted by the main Czech applicant only) <p>All mandatory documents to be found on TA CR website. Deadline for submitting all documents is the same as the deadline for submitting pre-proposals. All documents proving the eligibility of the Czech partner stated above shall be submitted via the TACR data box (TACR data box ID: afth9xp). See the details in the “Guide for Czech applicants” on TA CR websites.</p> <p><i>*Applicants who will not submit this mandatory form (if relevant) via databox <u>before the deadline</u> will be considered as not eligible for TA CR funding.</i></p>
<p>Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level</p>	<p>Czech beneficiaries must follow the rules of TA CR for reporting on the project (i.e. submission of interim and final reports and reports on the implementation of the results).</p>
<p>Other important information</p>	<p>Supported results:</p> <p>Projects that achieve at least one of the following types of results can be supported in this Call. The type of the result has to be clearly described in the project proposal:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P - patent

- G - technically realised results - prototype, functional sample
- Z - pilot plant, proven technology
- R - software
- F - results with legal protection - utility model, industrial design
- Nmap - specialised map with expert content
- S - specialised public database
- V, Vsouhrn - research report
- J_{imp}, J_{SC}, J_{ost} – reviewed research paper
- B – scientific book
- C – chapter in a research book
- M – holding a conference
- O - Miscellaneous*

For “O” type of outputs:

If “O” type is the only output, the “V_{souhrn}” type of output, i.e. a comprehensive research report, must be achieved simultaneously.

Intellectual Property Rights

The applicants are required to enter into a contract with their foreign partners (sign the so-called Consortium Agreement) which will define the conditions of cooperation on the project where, among other things, they specify the method of allocating rights to the research results, as well as adjustment and management of the rights imported or created during the project's implementation, which are necessary to address the project.

Publicity obligations

	<p>While promoting the project and its results Czech beneficiaries must follow the publicity rules of TA CR.</p> <p><u>Project start</u></p> <p>Please note that following national legislation, Czech applicants shall start within 120 days from the funding decision being communicated by the Call Management (60-day period to enter into a contract + 60-day period to start the project).</p> <p>Czech candidates are obliged to sign an agreement with their foreign partners (i.e. Consortium Agreement), which will define the modalities of cooperation on the project and the distribution of intellectual property rights.</p>
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Further Comments:

Funding rates: The aid intensity for each Czech applicant in the project is determined based on the type of entity according to the [Regulation](#) (see table below) and at the same time must not exceed the maximum permissible aid intensity for the Czech part of the project, which is **80 %** of the total eligible costs.

Applicant	Industrial research	Industrial research with a bonus for effective collaboration	Experimental development	Experimental development with a bonus for effective collaboration
Small enterprise*	70 %	80 %	45 %	60 %
Medium-sized enterprise*	60 %	75 %***	35 %	50 %
Large enterprise	50 %	65 %	25 %	40 %
Research Organisations**	100 %***	100 %***	100 %***	100 %***

*A SME is defined in Annex 1 of the Regulation

**Research organisations must satisfy the definition in the Act and the Framework

***While respecting the maximum permissible aid intensity of 80 % per project (Czech part).

Denmark – IFD

CONTACT

Country / Region	Denmark
Funding Organisation (Acronym)	Innovationsfonden / Innovation Fund Denmark (IFD)
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Thorbjørn Moth Gilberg +45 6190 5050 thorbjoern.moth.gilberg@innofond.dk Aila Lonka +45 6190 5036 aila.lonka@innofond.dk General contact: internationale@innofond.dk

FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in EUR)	2.000.000 €
Minimum and/or maximum amount of funding per awarded project (in EUR)	The total maximum funding per project is 500.000 €, if two or more Danish partners participate in a project. The maximum funding for a Danish partner is 300.000 €. Maximum funding rates apply, according to the Danish Rules and Guidelines for international projects.

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

Eligible environment(s)	All (no restrictions)
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	IFD can fund all types of Danish partners actively participating in the projects. Different maximum funding rates apply in function of the type of organisation.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Eligible cost-categories for Danish partners: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Personnel costs (e.g. salaries);• Operational costs (e.g. travels, etc.);• Indirect costs (i.e. overhead, if eligible);• Subcontracting (to a limited extent).
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	The budget should not contain VAT or other turnover tax unless this has been specifically agreed in writing with IFD.

Additional specific eligibility rules	<p>IFD encourages applying Danish academic partners to include Danish non-academic public and private organizations as partners in the applications in order to increase impact in Denmark.</p> <p>If two projects are rated equally high on the common ranking list, IFD will prioritize our national co-funding to the project with the highest impact in Denmark.</p>
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INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	<p>Read about the Danish Rules and Guidelines for international projects.</p>
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OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Submission of the pre- and full proposal and other administrative requirements to be completed at the national/regional level	<p>Each Danish participant in a project will be invited to upload a pdf-version of the pre-proposal with annexes on e-grant 2-4 weeks after the call deadline for the pre-proposal. At that stage, enterprises will also be requested to upload additional financial statements on e-grant.</p>
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	<p>If funded, Danish partners must individually report on progress according to our national funding conditions.</p>
Other important information	<p>Read more about our national funding rules in our guidelines above.</p>

Estonia – ETAG

CONTACT

Country / Region	Estonia
Funding Organisation (Acronym)	Estonian Research Council (ETAG)
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Margit Suuroja, +372 731 7360, margit.suuroja@etag.ee

FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in EUR)	150 000 EUR
Minimum and/or maximum amount of funding per awarded project (in EUR)	150 000 EUR

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

Eligible environment(s)	All (no restrictions)
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	<p>The Host Institution may be any legal entity that is registered and located in Estonia and has an Estonian bank account. The Host Institution (the final recipient) is the institution to which the grant will be allocated.</p> <p>After the submission deadline (in case of two-stage application, after the preproposal deadline) and upon the notice from the Funding Organisation, the Host Institution must confirm to the Funding Organisation in the written form that the project can be carried out on their premises in Estonia and that they will employ the Principal Investigator during the proposed project, should the project receive funding. If the Host Institution is a for-profit institution, the State aid and de minimis aid regulations must be taken into account.</p> <p>The Principal Investigator is a researcher who acts as the Estonian team leader in the project proposal. He/she will be responsible for how the grant is used and how the Estonian part in the project is executed. The Principal Investigator:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. must have an updated public profile in the Estonian Research Information System

	<p>(ETIS) by the submission deadline;</p> <p>2. must hold a doctoral degree or an equivalent qualification. The degree must be awarded by the submission deadline of the grant application at the latest;</p> <p>3. must have published at least three articles that comply with the requirements of Clause 1.1 of the ETIS classification of publications, or at least five articles that comply with the requirements of Clauses 1.1, 1.2, 2.1 or 3.1, within the last five calendar years prior to the proposal submission deadline. International patents are equalled with publications specified under Clause 1.1. A monograph (ETIS Clause 2.1) is equalled with three publications specified in Clause 1.1 if the number of authors is three or fewer. If the applicant has been on pregnancy and maternity or parental leave or performed compulsory service in the Defence Forces, or has another good reason, they can request the publication period requirement to be extended by the relevant period of time.</p> <p>If the Principal Investigator has received the PhD degree outside Estonia, its correspondence to an Estonian doctoral degree must be recognised by either the Estonian ENIC-NARIC Center or the Host Institution in accordance with the Regulation of the Government of the Republic of April 6, 2006, No. 89 "Evaluation and academic recognition of documents proving foreign education and the name of the qualification awarded in the foreign education system terms and conditions of use". The Funding Organisation may ask for a relevant Evaluation Report.</p> <p>If several Estonian institutions participate in a proposal, all institutions must have a Principal Investigator who meets the national eligibility requirements.</p>
<p>Eligibility of costs, types and their caps</p>	<p>Direct costs</p> <p>1. Personnel costs are monthly salaries with social security charges and all other statutory costs of the project participants, calculated according to their commitment</p>

	<p>and in proportion to their total workload at their Host Institution.</p> <p>2. Other direct costs are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - travel costs that may cover expenses for transport, accommodation, daily allowances and travel insurance - consumables and minor equipment related to the project; - publication and dissemination of project results; - organising meetings, seminars or conferences (room rent, catering); - fees for participating in scientific forums, conferences and other events related to the project; - patent costs; - all other costs that are identifiable as clearly required for carrying out the project (e.g. translation, copy editing, webpage hosting, etc.) and comply with the eligible costs. <p>Subcontracting costs should cover only additional or complementary research related tasks (e.g. analyses, conducting surveys, building a prototype, etc.) performed by third parties.</p> <p>Subcontracting costs should not be included in the overhead calculation. The activities and budget should be described in the proposal. Core project tasks should not be subcontracted.</p> <p>Subcontracting costs may not exceed 15% of the total costs.</p> <p>Indirect costs (overhead) may not exceed 15% of the personnel costs and should cover the general expenses of the Host Institution. Costs for equipment and services intended for public use (e.g. a copy machine or a printer that is publicly used, phone bills, copy service, etc.) should be covered from the overhead.</p>
<p>Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?</p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p>Additional specific eligibility rules</p>	<p>EU Regulations on State aid and de minimis aid must be taken into account when requesting funding from the Estonian Research Council.</p>

	<p>If a positive funding decision is made, the Funding Organisation enters into a grant agreement with the Host Institution. Information on the transnational project must be entered into ETIS once the agreement has been signed.</p> <p>The Consortium Agreement should be signed six months after the grant agreement has been signed at the latest. If one year has elapsed and the CA has not been signed, the next instalment of funding will not be paid out.</p> <p>If human research or animal testing are intended in the project, a positive resolution by the Human Research Ethics Committee or the Authorisation Committee for Animal Experiments must be submitted to the Funding Organisation by the start of the relevant activities.</p> <p>By applying for funding by the Funding Organisation, the applicants commit to consider the relevance of the Nagoya protocol for their research, and to submit the Due Diligence Declaration, if applicable.</p>
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INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	https://www.etag.ee/valiskoostoo/euroopa-horisont/partnerlused/era-net-projektid/
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OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Submission of the pre- and full proposal and other administrative requirements to be completed at the national/regional level	No
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	Financial reports are required.
Other important information	

France – ANR

CONTACT

Country / Region	France
Funding Organisation (Acronym)	Agence Nationale de la Recherche (ANR) https://anr.fr//
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Clara SUPERBIE, Céline BILLIERE, <i>Scientific project officers</i> Biodiversa.cs@agencerecherche.fr

FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in EUR)	2 000 000 €
Minimum and/or maximum amount of funding per awarded project (in EUR)	<p>In the case of partners applying to ANR funds:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Up to 260 000€ per project - Up to 310 000€ per project in case the coordinator is a French partner requested funding to ANR - Min. of 15 000€ per beneficiary <p>Overheads should be included in the requested budget, please consult the “Règlement financier applicable” about the applicable overheads rate http://www.agence-nationale-recherche.fr/RF</p>

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

Eligible environment(s)	All (No restrictions)
Eligibility of a partner as a Beneficiary institution	<p>To be eligible for ANR funds, the consortium must include at least one French public research organisation (i.e., EPA, EPSCP, EPST or EPIC).</p> <p>Partners from the private sectors established in France can be eligible for funding if, among other things, they are not in financial difficulty (following EU regulations). ANR will check their financial health.</p> <p>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 ANR, it is mandatory to involve a French enterprise; otherwise the French partners requesting funding to ANR will be declared ineligible.</p> <p>Please consult the documents called « Modalités de participation pour les partenaires sollicitant une aide ANR » (LINK AVAILABLE SOON) and « Règlement financier applicable » (http://www.agence-nationale-recherche.fr/RF) for all details regarding the eligibility rules.</p>

	Private entities can simulate their financial health using the following Excel form: Simulation-financement-ANR-EED-2021.xls
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Please refer to the “Règlement financier applicable” on the ANR website (http://www.agence-nationale-recherche.fr/RF).
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	Please read the “Règlement financier applicable” (http://www.agence-nationale-recherche.fr/RF).
Additional specific eligibility rules	Please read very carefully the document called “ Modalités de participation pour les partenaires sollicitant une aide de l’ANR ”, (https://anr.fr/fr/appels/)

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	https://anr.fr/fr/appels/ Click on the link of the Biodiversa+ Call on “Nature-based solutions for biodiversity, human well-being and transformative change – BiodivNBS (Biodiversa+ 2023-2024 Call)”
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OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Submission of the pre- and full proposal and other administrative requirements to be completed at the national/regional level	No ANR submission required. Please note that ANR’s contact points may contact applicants requesting funding to ANR by email if additional information is required.
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	Please read paragraph 5.3 of the “Règlement financier applicable” (http://www.agence-nationale-recherche.fr/RF).
Other important information	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.

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.

Only a summary of the ANR rules applicable to this call is provided in this document. Full details can be consulted in the annexes available on the webpage of the call on the ANR website (including the document called “**Modalités de participation pour les partenaires sollicitant une aide de l’ANR**”) and the ANR Funding regulations (“**Règlement Financier Applicable**”), which can be downloaded here: <http://www.agence-nationale-recherche.fr/RF>¹.

¹ In the event of inconsistency between the texts, the documents “Modalités de participation pour les partenaires sollicitant une aide de l’ANR” and “Règlement Financier Applicable” shall prevail.

Georgia – MEPA

CONTACT

Country / Region	Georgia
Funding Organisation (Acronym)	Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia (MEPA)
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	<p>Carl Amirgulashvili Phone: +995 591 819 613 E-mail: karlo.amirgulashvili@mepa.gov.ge</p> <p>Liana Giorgadze Phone: +995 593 969808 E-mail: liana.giorgadze@mepa.gov.ge</p>

FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in EUR)	40 000 €
Minimum and/or maximum amount of funding per awarded project (in EUR)	N/A

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

Eligible environment(s)	All (no restrictions)
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	<p>Any below mentioned organization, which is registered in Georgia according to Georgian legislation and is operating in relevant field:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legal Entity of Public Law (LEPL); • Any High/Vocational educational institution; • Scientific and Research Institutions; • Non-profit organizations, including NGO's working in Environmental field;
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Personnel costs (max. 30%); - Travelling / Business trip; - Goods and services; - Non-financial assets; - Overhead costs
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	Yes
Additional specific eligibility rules	N/A

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:<https://mepa.gov.ge/>**OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:**

Submission of the pre- and full proposal and other administrative requirements to be completed at the national/regional level	Submission of the pre- and full proposal at the national level for Georgian partners (same deadlines as those defined in the international Call schedule). Please directly contact MEPA's contact points (see above).
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	N/A
Other important information	

Hungary – NKFIH

CONTACT

Country / Region	Hungary
Funding Organisation (Acronym)	Nemzeti Kutatási, Fejlesztési és Innovációs Hivatal (NKFIH)
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Ms. Dorottya Szemere szemere.dorottya@nkfi.gov.hu Tel: +3617954702

FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in EUR)	250 000 €
Minimum and/or maximum amount of funding per awarded project (in EUR)	max 250 000 € per project

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

Eligible environment(s)	All
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Institution of higher education, other budgetary research institution, enterprise based research organisation, enterprise (non-research type), non-profit research organisation, Urban/local authorities (as partners of research-oriented main applicant)
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	max 250 000 € per project Eligible costs: Personnel (temporary, permanent), subcontracting and services, including travel, consumables, equipment, coordination, travel, communication and dissemination, overhead (20%), overhead for travel related activities (5%)
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	<u>Yes</u>
Additional specific eligibility rules	

Funding rates (TBC by the dedicated call for Partnerships to be published at 2023 Q3):

Organisation type	Basic research	Industrial / Applied Research	Experimental development / Innovation
Large Enterprises	100%	65%	40%
Medium Enterprises	100%	75%	50%
Small Enterprises	100%	80%	60%

Organisation type	Basic research	Industrial / Applied Research	Experimental development / Innovation
Universities, public research organisations	100%	100%	100%
Public authorities	100%	65%	40%
Associations without economic activities, NGOs	100%	100%	100%

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	<p>Proposals must be submitted to NKFIH through the dedicated call for Partnerships (call will be published at 2023 Q3)</p> <p>https://www.horizonteuropa.nkfi.gov.hu/partnersegek/futo-europai-partnersegek https://nkfi.gov.hu/palyazoknak/palyazatok/aktualis-felhivasok?save=1&cimke=NKFI</p>
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OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Submission of the pre- and full proposal and other administrative requirements to be completed at the national/regional level	<p>Proposals must be submitted to NKFIH through the dedicated call for Partnerships (call will be published at 2023 Q3)</p> <p>https://www.horizonteuropa.nkfi.gov.hu/partnersegek/futo-europai-partnersegek https://nkfi.gov.hu/palyazoknak/palyazatok/aktualis-felhivasok?save=1&cimke=NKFI</p>
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	
Other important information	<p>Information for Partners: Hungarian entities can participate and receive funding in the Call. For those who are affected by Council Implementing Decision (2022/2506), the top-up funding will be covered by the Hungarian Government's Guarantee Fund.</p>

Iceland – Rannis

CONTACT

Country / Region	Iceland
Funding Organisation (Acronym)	Rannis
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Aegir Thorsson

FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in EUR)	700.000
Minimum and/or maximum amount of funding <u>per awarded project (in EUR)</u>	Max. 350,000 € per project (i.e. max 51 m.ikr. per project)

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

Eligible environment(s)	Eligibility rules should be in line with the rules of the Icelandic Research Fund
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	University or a research institute
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Approved expenses include salaries, operating expenses, travel and publication expenses, purchase of equipment and contracted services. On behalf of the IRF Board, the fund's staff reserves the right to review cost items, including salary, during the contracting process. For further information refer to the IRF handbook https://www.rannis.is/media/rannsoknasjodur/IRF_Handbook.pdf
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	Only in cases when VAT is not deductible or refundable
Additional specific eligibility rules	https://www.rannis.is/media/rannsoknasjodur/IRF_Handbook.pdf

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT: https://www.rannis.is/media/rannsoknasjodur/IRF_Handbook.pdf

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Submission of the pre- and full proposal and other administrative requirements to be completed at the national/regional level	No registration required at national level.
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	Yes
Other important information	n/a

Ireland – Environmental Protection Agency

CONTACT

Country / Region	Ireland
Funding Organisation (Acronym)	Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Caroline Wynne (c.wynne@epa.ie)

FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	€ 500,000
Minimum or maximum funding <u>per awarded project or Partner</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • €300k if the Irish participant is coordinating a consortium submitting a proposal • €150k if the Irish participant is a partner in a consortium submitting a proposal • Limit of 1 Irish participating organisation <u>requesting budget</u> from the EPA per consortium submitting a proposal

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

Eligible environment(s)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Terrestrial 2. Inland water (river, lake, groundwater and transitional waterbodies) 3. Coastal (as per EU Water Framework Directive Article 2(7))
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	<p>For the purpose of this call, eligible institutions must be located in the Republic of Ireland.</p> <p>For more details on eligibility to apply for EPA funding and corresponding funding rates, please refer to the EPA Research Programme 2021-2030 Guidelines and Terms & Conditions</p>
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	<p>For more details including eligible costs and funding rates, please refer to the EPA Research Programme 2021-2030 Guidelines and Terms & Conditions</p>
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	Yes
Additional specific eligibility rules	N/A

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:

<https://www.epa.ie/publications/research/current-call-documents/epa-research-programme-2021-2030-guidelines-and-terms--conditions.php>

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

<p>Submission of the pre- and full proposal at the national/regional level and / or requirement in terms of national/regional official paperwork(s) to complete and sign at national/regional level</p>	<p>There is no requirement for Irish applicants to send the EPA any paperwork related to their submission in advance of the call deadline.</p> <p>Applicants are advised to carefully read the National Regulations and to review the BiodivNBS call document, particularly with regard to requirements relating to changes to the budget or consortium after submission.</p>
<p>Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level</p>	<p>Should the proposal be successful and the project awarded, the Irish participant requesting budget from the EPA will have to comply with EPA's interim and final reporting requirements and funding rules, as defined in the EPA Research Programme 2021-2030 Guidelines and Terms & Conditions</p>
<p>Other important information</p>	<p>All queries regarding this call should be directed to the EPA.</p> <p>No queries relating to the scope of the proposal will be answered.</p> <p>Should the proposal be successful and the project awarded, the Irish participant requesting budget from the EPA will be required to create an application and upload relevant information to the EPA's Online Grants Management System. This will include a review of the budget requested from the EPA for compliance with our funding rules, as defined in the EPA Research Programme 2021-2030 Guidelines and Terms & Conditions.</p>

Israel – MoEP

CONTACT

Country / Region	ISRAEL
Funding Organisation (Acronym)	Ministry of Environmental Protection (MoEP), Israel.
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Dr. Orna Matzner +972-50-6233140 orna@sviva.gov.il

FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in EUR)	375,000 Euros
Minimum and/or maximum amount of funding per awarded project (in EUR)	Maximum amount for funding per project= 125,000 <u>187,500</u> Euros

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

Eligible environment(s)	All (no restrictions)
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Eligible institutions as published in the Ministry's designated Call published in: https://www.gov.il/he/Departments/publications/Call_for_bids/nature-based-solutions
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Costs and subcontracting rules must be in line with the guidelines indicated in the Ministry's designated Call published in: https://www.gov.il/he/Departments/publications/Call_for_bids/nature-based-solutions
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	Yes, unless exempted according to the guidelines indicated in the Ministry's designated Call published in: https://www.gov.il/he/Departments/publications/Call_for_bids/nature-based-solutions
Additional specific eligibility rules	Part of the research/project must be carried out in Israel

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	https://www.gov.il/he/Departments/publications/Call_for_bids/nature-based-solutions
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OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Submission of the pre- and full proposal and other administrative requirements to be completed at the national/regional level	<p>Israeli partners must submit all the required documents according to the guidelines published in the Ministry's designated Call published in: https://www.gov.il/he/Departments/publications/Call_for_bids/nature-based-solutions by November 13 at 12 noon in the Ministry's tender box at 7 Bank Israel Street, Jerusalem.</p>
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	<p>As mentioned in the in the Ministry's designated Call. Link: https://www.gov.il/he/Departments/publications/Call_for_bids/nature-based-solutions</p>
Other important information	

Italy – MUR

CONTACT

Country / Region	Italy
Funding Organisation (Acronym)	MUR
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Mrs Yasmine Iollo yasmine.iollo@est.mur.gov.it Mr Aldo Covello aldo.covello@mur.gov.it

FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in EUR)	€ 2.000.000 (two millions)
Minimum and/or maximum amount of funding per awarded project (in EUR)	Max € 200.000 per project

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

Eligible environment(s)	All (No restrictions)
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Type/nature of participants The following entities are eligible for funding, providing that they have stable organization in Italy: <ul style="list-style-type: none">– Universities, research institutions, research organizations in accordance with EU Reg. n. 651/2014 of the European Commission - June 17, 2014;– enterprises, foundations and other not-for-profit legal entities (including associations and NGOs provided they are registered legal entities)– local and regional administrations and their investee/in-house companies, Legal/administrative/financial conditions Applicants shall: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• not be defaulting with regard to other funding received by the Ministry of University and Research• not have requested/got any other funding for the same project• be compliant to the Italian law "D.Lgs. n 159 del 6/09/2011 e successive modificazioni ed integrazioni"

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • not be subject to bankruptcy proceedings as of art. 5, comma 4, letter b) of DM 1314/2021 or must not be a company in difficulty according to the definition under number 18) of article 2 "Definitions" of Regulation (EU) no. 651/2014 • be in compliance with the obligations laid down in the contributory and social security regulations (DURC) <p>Applicants shall demonstrate their viability and financial soundness regarding their own contribution to the project.</p> <p>For any private entity, if the following financial criteria, calculated using the data reported in the last approved balance sheet, are not fulfilled, the applicant can be funded only if a bank guarantee is provided:</p> <p>a) $CN > (CP - I)/2$ Where:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CN = net assets (Capitale netto) • CP = sum of the costs of all the projects for which public funding has been requested by the participant during the year • I = sum of the contributions received, approved or requested for the same projects <p>b) $OF/F < 8\%$ Where:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OF = financial charges (Oneri finanziari) • F = turnover (Fatturato)
<p>Eligibility of costs, types and their caps</p>	<p>All R&D activities considered as: Basic research, Industrial/Applied research and Experimental development are eligible for funding.</p> <p>However, Basic Research and Industrial/Applied research activities must be predominant with respect to Experimental development activities (in terms of budget share).</p> <p>All costs incurred during the lifetime of the project under the following categories are eligible:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A) Personnel, • B) Consulting and equivalent services (subcontracting) • C.1) Travel and subsistence • C.2) Equipment • C.3) Other goods and Services

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> E) Indirect Costs/Overheads ("Spese generali") calculated at 25% flat rate of all direct costs excluding cost category B) Consulting and equivalent services [E) = 25% of A) + C.1) + C.2) + C.3]. <p>Funding rates Maximum funding percentages:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Basic research</th> <th>Industrial/Applied Research</th> <th>Experimental development / innovation</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>70 %</td> <td>70 %</td> <td>25 %</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development / innovation	70 %	70 %	25 %
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Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	Value added tax (VAT) actually and definitively incurred by the beneficiaries is an eligible expense only if it is not recoverable						
Additional specific eligibility rules							

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	www.ricercainternazionale.miur.it
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OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Submission of the pre- and full proposal and other administrative requirements to be completed at the national/regional level	<p>In addition to the project proposal, which shall be submitted at European level, the Italian participants are requested to submit further documentation to MUR, through the national web platform, available at the following link: https://banditransnazionali-miur.cineca.it.</p> <p>These national additional documents must be submitted by the same deadline established for the pre-proposal phase submission as defined in the international call. Any participant who does not submit its national documents by the deadline of the pre-proposal phase will be considered not eligible for funding.</p>
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	<p>The admission for funding is subject to the adoption of the necessary accounting and administrative measures for the allocation of the resources.</p> <p>Funded participants will be requested to submit financial and scientific reports to MUR.</p> <p>The criteria and provisions provided herewith are intended only for informative purposes. The complete list of criteria and provisions legally valid, which must be respected by all the Italian participants, is included in the "Avviso integrativo nazionale", to be published on the dedicated web page on</p>

	<p>MUR website: http://www.ricercainternazionale.miur.it/era/european-partnership-2021-27/biodiversaplus.aspx</p> <p>Applicable laws and rules (http://www.ricercainternazionale.miur.it/evidenza/normativa-prog-internazionali.aspx):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - DL 22 giugno 2012, n. 83, convertito, con modificazioni, dalla Legge 7 agosto 2012, n. 134, articoli 60, 61, 62 e 63 di cui al Titolo III, Capo IX "Misure per la ricerca scientifica e tecnologica" - DM n. 1314 del 14 dicembre 2021 - Nuovo sistema di concessione delle agevolazioni del MUR alle attività di ricerca - DM n. 1368 del 24 dicembre 2021 - Modificazioni all'articolo 15 del decreto n. 1314 del 14 dicembre 2021 <p>Information available at http://www.ricercainternazionale.miur.it/era/european-partnership-2021-27/biodiversaplus.aspx</p>
Other important information	

ITALY –BOZEN

CONTACT

Country / Region	ITALY / Autonomous Province of Bolzano / Bozen
Funding Organisation (Acronym)	BOZEN
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Office of Scientific Research Laura Cherchi (+39) 0471 41 3724,(+39) or 0471 413726 Laura.Cherchi@provincia.bz.it

FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in EUR)	400.000,00
Minimum and/or maximum amount of funding per awarded project (in EUR)	300.000,00

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

Eligible environment(s)	No restrictions
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	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%. Enterprises may participate, but cannot be funded.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	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) Concerning eligible costs, the Guidelines regarding eligible expenditures 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. 7315 / 2021).

Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	Yes, if it cannot be deducted
Additional specific eligibility rules	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. 19779 / 2021 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. 7315 / 2021.

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	https://www.provinz.bz.it/innovation-forschung/innovation-forschung-universitaet/default.asp and https://www.provincia.bz.it/innovazione-ricerca/innovazione-ricerca-universita/default.asp
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OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Submission of the pre- and full proposal and other administrative requirements to be completed at the national/regional level	<p><u>1st step:</u> South Tyrolian partners has 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.</p> <p><u>2nd step:</u> 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. In case of purchase of equipment with a value over 1.500,00 euros, at least a quotation must be submitted as well.</p>
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	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 2025 must be reported by July 31st, 2026) The financial report lists the

	<p>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.</p> <p>Concerning the financial and an activity report 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. 7315 / 2021 apply</p>
<p>Other important information</p>	<p>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 10 days after the notification from Biodiversa+.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>The forms/ templates to be used are the ones for the “Joint Projects”-Action: https://www.provincia.bz.it/it/servizi-a-z.asp?bnsv_svid=1036884</p> <p>https://www.provinz.bz.it/de/dienstleistungen-a-z.asp?bnsv_svid=1036884</p> <p>Please, note: Due to administrative constraints, projects can start between January 1st, 2025 and April 30th, 2025.</p> <p>Please, note: If a beneficiary applies for national funding, he/she cannot request funding to the Autonomous Province of Bozen/Bolzano under the same call.</p> <p>Other obligations that apply are listed in the “Criteria for the promotion of scientific research (Provincial Law no. 14/2006)” as approved by Resolution of the Provincial Council no. 1063 / 2019.</p>

Latvia – LZP / LCS

CONTACT

Country / Region	Latvia
Funding Organisation	Latvijas Zinātnes padome, LZP (Latvian Council of Science)
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Maija Bundule Ph.+371 26514481 maija.bundule@lzp.gov.lv

FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	600 000
<u>Minimum or maximum funding per awarded project or Partner</u>	Maximum of 100 000 EUR per project year may be requested by each project participant.

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

Eligible environment(s)	All
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Eligible partners are R&D institutions (research institutes, universities, higher education establishments, research centres etc.). Enterprises may participate as partners as well, provided they can prove their financial stability.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Eligible project costs are: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- personnel costs,- travels costs,- equipment (only as depreciation costs),- consumables, materials, and other costs directly related to the project implementation,- subcontracts (up to 25% of total direct costs),- overheads can amount to 25% of the project direct costs, excluding subcontracting costs.
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	Yes, VAT is applicable to project costs unless it is recoverable.
Additional specific eligibility rules	R&D institutions (research institutes, universities, higher education establishments, research centres etc.) must be listed in the Register of Research Institutions operated by the Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Latvia.

	<p>Enterprise must be registered in the Register of Enterprises of the Republic of Latvia, provide most of its R&D&I activities in the Republic of Latvia for at least two years and has no dept.</p> <p>A maximum of two participants from Latvia can take part in the project.</p> <p>Project subcontracting costs should be carried out in accordance with the provisions of the Law on Public Procurement of the Republic of Latvia. costs.</p> <p>National co-financing rate for project shall be determined in accordance with the Commission's Regulation (EC) No 651/2014 of 17 June 2014 declaring certain categories of aid compatible with the common market in application of Articles 87 and 88 of the Treaty (General block exemption Regulation).</p>
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INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	www.lzp.gov.lv
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OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Submission of the pre- and full proposal at the national/regional level and / or requirement in terms of national/regional official paperwork(s) to complete and sign at national/regional level	At application stage, there is no requirement for Latvian applicants to submit to LZP the pre- or full proposal or complete any paperwork related to their submissions.
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	Latvian participants of the supported projects must submit to LZP the periodic financial and scientific reports once a year.
Other important information	The funding of RTD activities is provided pursuant in accordance with the Law on Research Activity (adopted on 14 April 2005 with amendments) and Regulation of the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Latvia No 259 on the procedure for providing support for participation in international cooperation programs for research and technology (adopted on 26 June 2015).

Lithuania – LMT

CONTACT

Country / Region	Lithuania
Funding Organisation (Acronym)	Lietuvos mokslo taryba
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Viktoras Mongirdas, +370 676 19613 viktoras.mongirdas@lmt.lt

FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in EUR)	200 000
Minimum and/or maximum amount of funding per awarded project (in EUR)	100 000 partner 150 000 coordinator

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

Eligible environment(s)	No restrictions
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Public or private legal entity which is included in the Register of Education and Research institutions
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Funding is provided according to GENERAL RULES FOR THE COMPETITIVE FUNDING OF RESEARCH AND DISSEMINATION PROJECTS OF THE RESEARCH COUNCIL OF LITHUANIA, approved by the Order No V-176 of the Council on the 4 th of April, 2019.
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	Yes
Additional specific eligibility rules	Will be published on www.lmt.lt along with call announcement

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	https://www.lmt.lt/lt/mokslo-finansavimas/kalendorinis-kvietimu-planas/2287/kvietimas-742
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OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Submission of the pre- and full proposal and other administrative requirements to be completed at the national/regional level	No national official paperwork at application stage is required.
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	Midterm and final scientific reports Quarterly financial reports

Other important information

The applicant who intends to act as a principal investigator (PI) or primary project implementer (PPI) has to be a scientist (researcher holding at least a Ph.D. degree). A person may submit only one proposal for the same Call as PI or other PPI.

Work scope of each primary project implementer within the project must be at least 20 hours of project time multiplied by the duration of the project in months.LMT

Morocco – MESRSI

Participation to be confirmed

Norway – RCN

CONTACT

Country / Region	Norway
Funding Organisation	The Research Council of Norway (RCN)
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Special Adviser Climate and the Environment Jonas Enge jen@rcn.no + 47 402 03 416

FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	1,600,000 €
Minimum or maximum funding <u>per awarded project or Partner</u>	Maximum funding from RCN is 300,000 € per proposal.

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

Eligible environment(s)	All (no restrictions)
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Research Organisations, Private Companies
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	RCN's general rules are to be followed
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	No
Additional specific eligibility rules	

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	http://www.forskningsradet.no/en
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OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Submission of the pre- and full proposal at the national/regional level and / or requirement in terms of national/regional official paperwork(s) to complete and sign at national/regional level	Norwegian applicants shall not submit any proposal at the national level before a funding decision is made and their project is funded. After the funding decision, and in case your project is funded, RCN's National Contact Person will e-mail the applicants the information and the link they need to submit their formal application to RCN.
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	Norwegian project partners will have to report to RCN on an annual basis .
Other important information	The participation must follow RCN's General Terms and Conditions for Research projects or for R&D Projects.

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 – 30 November 2021. The official exchange rate can be found here: [Exchange rate \(InforEuro\) | European Commission \(europa.eu\)](#)

Norwegian project partners will sign a separate contract with the RCN. Norwegian partners that are coordinators of the projects will be asked to also coordinate the Norwegian partners of the projects. The budget for the Norwegian partners shall follow [RCN's General Terms and Conditions](#) for Research projects or for R&D Projects.

Applicants that are private companies, that is an actor that carries out an economic activity consisting of offering products or services on a given market, must be aware that their [funding will be given within the limits set by the State Aid Rules](#): state aid awarded by the Research Council is granted under the General Block Exemption Regulation for state aid, Article 25: Aid for research and development projects. To ensure that support is awarded in compliance with the state aid rules, the Research Council asks all applicants selected for conditional allocation of funding to provide supplementary information. The Project Owner must be able to document that its own institution and all its partners (all recipients of state aid) are eligible to receive state aid. 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.

Poland – NCN

CONTACT

Country / Region	Poland
Funding Organisation (Acronym)	National Science Centre (NCN)
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Anna Kotarba tel. +48 695 211 482 anna.kotarba@ncn.gov.pl Mateusz Sobczyk tel. +48 532 085 234 mateusz.sobczyk@ncn.gov.pl

FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in EUR)	1 000 000 €
Minimum and/or maximum amount of funding per awarded project (in EUR)	no cap on funding of individual project

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

Eligible environment(s)	All
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	To check the list of eligible institutions please visit NCN's website .
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Researchers may apply for funding of costs relevant, necessary and directly connected to the proposed research project, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Personnel - including post-doc positions and scholarships/salaries for under- and post-graduate students);• Equipment - applicants may seek funding for research equipment up to 500,000 PLN;• Other costs - materials, devices and software, outsourcing and subcontracting, travel and subsistence costs, visits and consultations, costs of publications (including Open access publications), collective investigators;• Overheads - overheads may not exceed a maximum of 20% of eligible costs and may not be increased during the course of a research

	project. Additionally, overheads of up to 2% of eligible costs may be spent on open access to publications and/or research data.
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	Yes
Additional specific eligibility rules	n/a

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	NCN's website
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OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Submission of the pre- and full proposal and other administrative requirements to be completed at the national/regional level	At the full proposal stage an NCN proposal covering the Polish part of the project must be prepared by the Polish research team and submitted to the NCN electronically via the ZSUN/OSF submission system .
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	NCN requires submitting annual and final reports. Each report consist of scientific and financial parts.
Other important information	Detailed information on submitting proposals, project contracts, reporting and settlement of financed projects are available in the call announcement on the NCN's website .

Portugal – FCT

CONTACT

Country / Region	Portugal
Funding Organisation (Acronym)	Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia I.P. (FCT)
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	<p>Joana Pinheiro T: [+351] 213 911 567 Email: joana.pinheiro@fct.pt</p> <p>Pedro Ferreira T: [+351] 213 924 445 Email: Pedromiguel.Ferreira@fct.pt</p>

FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in EUR)	1.000.000 EUR
Minimum and/or maximum amount of funding <u>per awarded project (in EUR)</u>	<p>FCT funding commitment for national teams is 1.000.000 EUR. The maximum requested funding for a consortium with Portuguese Coordination is 200.000,00 € and for a consortium with Portuguese Participation is 125.000,00 €.</p> <p>In case that more than one Portuguese team participates in the same consortium the budget must be shared.</p>

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

Eligible environment(s)	All (No restrictions).
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	For eligibility of a partner as beneficiary please consult Article 3 of FCT Regulation on projects funded solely by national funds .
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	<p>For eligible costs and non-eligible cost please consult articles 8 and 9 of FCT Regulation on projects funded solely by national funds. Please note that costs indicated in paragraph x of Point 1 a) from Article 8 (In-kind contributions) of FCT Regulation on projects funded solely by national funds are not eligible to this call.</p> <p>For eligible costs please also consult FCT's Normas de Execução Financeira.</p>
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	Yes
Additional specific eligibility rules	For additional information please check FCT

	<p>Regulation on projects funded solely by national funds.</p> <p>The percentage of time dedicated to transnational projects will not be added to the percentage of time dedicated to existing national projects.</p>
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INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	<p>https://www.fct.pt/concursos/concurso-2023-da-parceria-europeia-biodiversa-</p>
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OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

<p>Submission of the pre- and full proposal and other administrative requirements to be completed at the national/regional level</p>	<p>Up to 10 working days after the deadline for submission of pre-proposals, Portuguese teams (coordinators and/or partners – all involved in each pre-proposal) must send a statement of commitment to the National Contact Point(s) of the call, duly signed by the Researcher in Charge and by the legal representative of the proposing Institution and stamped.</p> <p>Portuguese applicants of transnational consortia that <u>do not apply for funding from FCT do not need to submit the Statement of Commitment.</u></p>
<p>Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level</p>	<p>Please check FCT Regulation on projects funded solely by national funds.</p>
<p>Other important information</p>	

Portugal – Azores – FRCT

CONTACT

Country / Region	Portugal - Azores
Funding Organisation (Acronym)	FRCT – Fundo Regional da Ciência e Tecnologia
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Carolina Parelho Project Manager Email: carolina.pf.parelho@azores.gov.pt Phone: +351 296 241 877

FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in EUR)	100 000€ (indicative)
Minimum and/or maximum amount of funding per awarded project (in EUR)	Maximum funding: 100 000€ (indicative)

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

Eligible environment(s)	
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	The beneficiaries should be entities from the Scientific and Technological System of the Azores (SCTA) registered in the Azores. For more information, please access SCTA regulation (DLR n.º 10/2012/A, 26 March 2012).
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Please see the Guide for the participation of regional research teams in ERA-NETs financed by the FRCT: http://frct.azores.gov.pt/legislacao/
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	Yes
Additional specific eligibility rules	Please see the Guide for the participation of regional research teams in ERA-NETs financed by the FRCT: http://frct.azores.gov.pt/legislacao/

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	http://frct.azores.gov.pt/legislacao/
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OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

<p>Submission of the pre- and full proposal and other administrative requirements to be completed at the national/regional level</p>	<p>Before initiating a funding request, FRCT strongly recommends that applicants contact FRCT through the regional contact persons. Also see the Guide for the participation of regional research teams in ERA-NETs financed by the FRCT in http://frct.azores.gov.pt/legislacao/</p>
<p>Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level</p>	<p>According to the contract between FRCT and the beneficiary, each PI must submit, at least, two financial and progress reports (one mid-term report and one final report). In special cases, additional reporting can be requested to the PI.</p>
<p>Other important information</p>	<p>The Declaration of Commitment must be signed by the beneficiary Institution's legal representative and the PI. The digital version of the Declaration must be sent by e-mail to the regional contact persons (the deadline is the same for pre-proposals submission).</p> <p>The original version of the Declaration must be sent by mail within 10 working days after pre-proposals submission. The address is: Fundo Regional da Ciência e Tecnologia (FRCT) Largo da Matriz 45-52, 9500-094 Ponta Delgada, Portugal – Açores.</p> <p>According to the contract between FRCT and the beneficiary, each PI must submit, at least, two financial and progress reports (one mid-term report and one final report). In special cases, additional reporting can be requested from the PI.</p>

Republic of Moldova – NARD

CONTACT

Country / Region	Republic of Moldova
Funding Organisation (Acronym)	National Agency for Research and Development (NARD)
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Olga Davidenco, + 373 22272791, mail: olga.davidenco@ancd.gov.md

FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in EUR)	200 000
Minimum and/or maximum amount of funding per awarded project (in EUR)	Maximum amount 100 000

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

Eligible environment(s)	All
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	public organizations from the research and innovation area
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Personnel costs- Travelling- Events- Consumable;- Laboratory equipment- Research papers; Experimental and production activities.
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	Yes
Additional specific eligibility rules	

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	<p>https://ancd.gov.md/</p> <p>The beneficiaries of the financing of projects from the state budget are public law organizations from the research and innovation area, accordingly to art. 14-19, 95, 96 Code of the Science and Innovation of the Republic of Moldova no. 259/2004; point 2 para. 3), point 3, 6, 19 from the Government Decision no. 382/2019 on the approval of the Methodology for financing</p>
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	projects in the fields of research and innovation.
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OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Submission of the pre- and full proposal and other administrative requirements to be completed at the national/regional level	No
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	Annualy
Other important information	-

Romania –UEFISCDI

CONTACT

Country / Region	Romania
Funding Organisation	UEFISCDI (Executive Agency for Higher Education, Research, Development and Innovation Funding)
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	<p>Adrian Asanica, Expert UEFISCDI Tel: +40744.45.00.11 E-mail: adrian.asanica@uefiscdi.ro</p> <p>Luciana Bratu, Head of International Relations and Implementation Projects, UEFISCDI Tel: +40 21 307 19 87 Email: luciana.bratu@uefiscdi.ro</p> <p>Andreea Popa, Expert UEFISCDI Tel: +40 21 307 19 91 Email: andreea.popa@uefiscdi.ro</p>

FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	500.000 euros
Minimum or maximum funding <u>per awarded project or Partner</u>	<p>The maximum funding for one project from the public budget is 250,000€ if Romania is the coordinator of the transnational project;</p> <p>The maximum funding for one project from the public budget is 200,000€ if Romania is partner in the transnational project.</p>

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

Eligible environment(s)	No restriction
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	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 NASR Decision no 9281/8.13.2015 approving the scheme of State aid for Program 3: European and international cooperation.

<p>Eligibility of costs, types and their caps</p>	<p>The following categories of expenses are eligible:</p> <p>A. Staff costs (researchers, technicians and support staff, including all corresponding state and social contributions; these contributions are subject to national regulations in force);</p> <p>B. Consumables (materials, supplies or similar);</p> <p>C. Equipments (in full compliance with state aid regulations), no more than 30% of the total funding from the public budget;</p> <p>D. Subcontracting (max. 25% of the total funding from the public budget);</p> <p>E. Travel expenses (in Romania or abroad, only for project teams' members);</p> <p>F. Overheads (calculated as a percentage of direct costs: staff costs, travel expenses and logistics costs - excluding capital costs). Indirect costs will not exceed 20% of direct costs, excluding subcontracting. Expenses are eligible if incurred after signature of the contract.</p> <p>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.</p>
<p>Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?</p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p>Additional specific eligibility rules</p>	

<p>INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:</p>	<p>National rules available here.*</p> <p>*The document with national rules for applicants is still awaiting approval</p>
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OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

<p>Submission of the pre- and full proposal at the national/regional level and / or requirement in terms of national/regional official paperwork(s) to complete and sign at national/regional level</p>	<p>No official paperwork and/or supporting information are requested by UEFISCDI before the submission deadline.</p>
<p>Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level</p>	
<p>Other important information</p>	

Slovakia – SAS

CONTACT

Country / Region	Slovakia
Funding Organisation (Acronym)	SAS
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Zuzana Panisová, T: +421 2 5751 0245 panisova@up.upsav.sk Silvia Kecerová, T: +421 2 5751 0118 kecerova@up.upsav.sk

FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in EUR)	240,000 €
Minimum and/or maximum amount of funding per awarded project (in EUR)	120,000 € per project per 36 months

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

Eligible environment(s)	All (no restrictions)
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	SAS institutes
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Permanent salaries 45k Eur (36 months)• Direct costs – i.e. other personnel costs (max. 15% if project partner or max. 30% of direct costs if project coordination), consumables, travel costs, services, equipment (capital expenditures max. 40% of direct costs)• Indirect costs – overheads (max. 20% of direct costs)
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	Depends on VAT status of the organisation
Additional specific eligibility rules	See this link for detailed rules and processes.

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	See this link for detailed financial rules.
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OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Submission of the pre- and full proposal and other administrative requirements to be completed at the national/regional level	Document “Declaration to participate in Biodiversa+ Call” is requested from applicants. Template is available upon request. The document should be submitted
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	to SAS contact point by the pre-proposals deadline.
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	Yes, yearly financial and scientific reports, if project is funded.
Other important information	<p>Applicants are strongly recommended to contact FO contact point before project submission.</p> <p>Researchers that are partners in a project recommended for funding will be requested to submit an additional application to the SAS (MVTTS form). The SAS Presidium makes the final decision for funding of selected projects. Consortium agreement is requested typically no later than 6 months from the project start.</p>

Slovenia – MVZI

CONTACT

Country / Region	Slovenia
Funding Organisation (Acronym)	Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Innovation (MVZI)
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	

FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in EUR)	900 k€
Minimum and/or maximum amount of funding per awarded project (in EUR)	300 k€ For all Slovenian partners within one consortium must not exceed 100 k€ per year (300 k€ for the total project duration of 36 months).

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

Eligible environment(s)	All (no restrictions)
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	<p>Research organizations as defined in the national Scientific Research and Innovation Activities Act (Zakon o znanstvenoraziskovalni in inovacijski dejavnosti (Ur. l. RS, št. 186/21 in 40/23)). All participating institutions have to be registered in the Slovenian Research Agency register of research institutions (Informacijski sistem o raziskovalni dejavnosti v Sloveniji - SICRIS).</p> <p>Eligibility of principal investigator and other research team members: The project activities of every Slovenian partner have to be under the supervision of the <u>primary investigator/primary researcher</u> who fulfills the requirements for project leader as defined in Art. 63 of the national Scientific Research and Innovation Activities Act (Zakon o znanstvenoraziskovalni in inovacijski dejavnosti (Ur. l. RS, št. 186/21 in 40/23)). The criteria are further determined in the Rules on the Criteria for Establishing Compliance with the Conditions for being the Head of a Research Project (Kriteriji za ugotavljanje izpolnjevanja izkazovanja mednarodno primerljivih raziskovalnih rezultatov in obdobje zajema mednarodno primerljivih raziskovalnih rezultatov za vodjo raziskovalnega projekta in programa). All participating researchers have to be registered in the Slovenian Research and Innovation Agency register of researchers (SICRIS) and must have available research hours.</p> <p>Funding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- 100 % for research organization (such as universities, public and private research institutes) whose financed activity is non-economic in accordance with the provisions of Community 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.- For research organizations whose financed activity is economic in

	<p>accordance with the provisions of Community Framework for State Aid for Research and Development and Innovation the provisions of the Community Framework for State Aid for Research and Development and Innovation (OJ EU C 414, 28.10.2022) and the national scheme for state aid in Research and Development (Program sodelovalnih raziskovalno-razvojnih in drugih projektov, ki so predmet državnih pomoči Ministrstva za izobrazevanje, znanost in sport 2022-2030, št. priglasitve: BE01-2399300-2023, z dne 03.02.2023), applies.</p> <p>Maximum funding percentages:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="469 454 1385 725"> <thead> <tr> <th>Type of research</th> <th>Large Enterprises</th> <th>Medium Enterprises</th> <th>Small Enterprises</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Fundamental Research</td> <td>100 %</td> <td>100 %</td> <td>100 %</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Applied Research</td> <td>65 %</td> <td>75 %</td> <td>80 %</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Type of research	Large Enterprises	Medium Enterprises	Small Enterprises	Fundamental Research	100 %	100 %	100 %	Applied Research	65 %	75 %	80 %
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<p>Eligibility of costs, types and their caps</p>	<p>Eligibility of costs: MVZI 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 (Ur. l. RS, št. 35/22 in 144/22)).</p> <p>Eligible costs are defined based on the FTE value according to the Slovenian Research & Innovation Agency's research project categorization (A, B, C or D based on the research conducted).</p> <p>Eligible costs must be directly related to the research conducted and mandatory include all of the following categories as elements of the FTE:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <u>personnel</u> (including social security, health, pension and other contributions according to national legislation); - <u>material</u> (travel and meetings costs, consumables, dissemination and knowledge exchange costs, other costs); - <u>depreciation</u> costs. Overhead or indirect costs are eligible. The value is calculated based on the FTE value of category A, B, C, or D research projects, under the condition that costs under each of the specific FTE elements are appropriately decreased (by a max. of 25% for indirect costs). Providing the stipulated conditions are met, the Public Procurement Act (Zakon o javnem naročanju (Ur. l. RS, št. 91/15, 14/18, 121/21, 10/22, 74/22 – odl. US in 100/22 – ZNUZSZS)) applies. <p>Period of eligibility of public expenditures: as of budgetary year 2025 until the end of the budgetary year 2027.</p> <p>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 <u>from the date the national contract enters into effect</u>. The exact duration of the project will be defined in the contract between MVZI and the selected Slovenian partner, after the consortium agreement between the selected consortium partners enters into force.</p>												
<p>Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?</p>	<p>Yes</p>												

Additional specific eligibility rules	Slovenian applicants cannot declare subcontracting costs. In case external subcontracting services will be required, they can plan to do so within the maximum of the selected price category - material costs and services.
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INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	https://www.gov.si/zbirke/projekti-in-programi/biodiversa/
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OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Submission of the pre- and full proposal and other administrative requirements to be completed at the national/regional level	<p>No additional national proposal is needed in the pre- or full proposal phase.</p> <p>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 on national level.</p>
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	Every year
Other important information	<p>Type of research eligible for funding: Fundamental or applied research. TRL 1-6 (activities of the Slovenian partner). The type of research conducted by Slovenian researchers <u>must be defined</u> and explained in the project proposal.</p> <p>All Slovenian applicants are strongly advised to contact the Slovenian National Contact Person.</p> <p>Legal basis – national regulation: Scientific Research and Innovation Activities Act (Zakon o znanstvenoraziskovalni in inovacijski dejavnosti (ZZrID) (Ur. l. RS št. 186/21 in 40/23)), State Administration Act (Zakon o državni upravi (Ur. l. RS, št. 113/05 – uradno prečiščeno besedilo, 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 ; Public Finance Act (Zakon o javnih financah (Ur. l. RS, št. 11/11 – uradno prečiščeno besedilo, 14/13 – popr., 101/13, 55/15 – ZFisP, 96/15 – ZIPRS1617, 13/18, 195/20 – odl. US in 18/23 – ZDU-10))) - Article 106. j; Regulation on the procedure of standards and manners to allocate means for</p>

the promotion of the evolutionary programme and the preferential tasks ([Uredba o postopku, merilih in načinih dodeljevanja sredstev za spodbujanje razvojnih programov in prednostnih nalog](#) (Ur. l. RS, št. 56/11)); Implementation of the Republic of Slovenia's Budget for 2023 and 2024 Act ([Zakon o izvrševanju proračunov Republike Slovenije za leti 2023 in 2024](#) (Ur. l. RS, št. 150/22)); Integrity and Prevention of Corruption Act ([Zakon o integriteti in preprečevanju korupcije](#) (Ur. l. RS, št. 69/11 – UPB, 158/20, 3/22 – ZDeb in 16/23-ZZPri)); Resolution on the Slovenian Scientific Research and Innovation Strategy 2030 ([Resolucija o znanstvenoraziskovalni in inovacijski strategiji Slovenije 2030](#) (Ur. l. 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](#) (Ur. l. RS, št. 35/22 in 144/22)), Rules on criteria for establishing compliance with the conditions for being the head of a research project ([Pravilnik o kriterijih za ugotavljanje izpolnjevanja pogojev za vodjo raziskovalnega projekta, Uradni list RS št. 53/16 in 186/21 – ZZrID](#)); Community Framework for State Aid for Research and Development and 108 Innovation the provisions of the Community Framework for State Aid for Research and Development and Innovation (OJ EU C 414, 28.10.2022) ([Okvir za državno pomoč za raziskave in razvoj ter inovacije](#) (UL L 414 z dne 28.10.2022)); National scheme for state aid in Research and Development (Program sodelovalnih raziskovalno-razvojnih in drugih projektov, ki so predmet državnih pomoči Ministrstva za izobraževanje, znanost in sport 2022-2030, št. priglasitve: BE01-2399300-2023, z dne 03.02.2023); National strategy of open access to scientific publications and research data in Slovenia 2015-2020 ([Nacionalna strategija odprtega dostopa do znanstvenih objav in raziskovalnih podatkov v Sloveniji 2015-2020](#), št. 60300-5/2015/5 z dne 3. 9. 2015).

South Africa – DSI

CONTACT

Country / Region	South Africa
Funding Organisation (Acronym)	Department of Science and Innovation
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	<p>Tugela Matubatuba-Dlamini Tugela.Matubatuba@dst.gov.za</p> <p>Karabo Mphogo Karabo.Mphogo@dst.gov.za</p>

FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in EUR)	€400 000,00																
Minimum and/or maximum amount of funding per awarded project (in EUR)	<p>Minimum €100 000,00 per project.</p> <p>South African applicants are strongly encouraged to reach out to the DSI's contact point for further information on the budget per project.</p> <p>Besides, the following funding rate will apply:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Type of Research</th> <th>Medium & Large Enterprises</th> <th>Small Enterprises</th> <th>Universities & Research Institutions</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Fundamental/Basic Research</td> <td>80%</td> <td>80%</td> <td>90%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Industrial/Applied Research</td> <td>80%</td> <td>80%</td> <td>90%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Experimental development</td> <td>80%</td> <td>80%</td> <td>90%</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Type of Research	Medium & Large Enterprises	Small Enterprises	Universities & Research Institutions	Fundamental/Basic Research	80%	80%	90%	Industrial/Applied Research	80%	80%	90%	Experimental development	80%	80%	90%
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GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

Eligible environment(s)	All areas in the call
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	This call is open to working researchers residing in South Africa and affiliated with a recognised higher education or research institution such as a university, university of technology or science council, small, medium (SMEs) and large enterprises in the private sector and national system of innovation (NSI) organisations involved in R&D.

	<p>It is “obligatory” for South African lead researcher/principal investigator (PI)s based at historically advantaged institutions, SMEs and large companies to include, as part of the research team, a research partner from any of the historically disadvantaged institutions. Proposals submitted by an applicant based at a historically advantaged institution without a research partner from a historically disadvantaged institution will be ineligible. The research partner from the historically disadvantaged institution in this case can serve as a co-applicant in the proposal.</p> <p>Applicants based at historically disadvantaged institutions can act as PIs and submit proposals without the involvement of and or partnering with researchers based at historically advantaged institutions if they prefer.</p> <p>Please note that only the following eight universities will be recognized as historically disadvantaged in line with the Department of Higher Education and Training November 2015 Ministerial Statement on university funding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • University of Limpopo (UL) • University of Fort Hare (UFH) • University of Venda (Univen) • Walter Sisulu University (WSU) • University of the Western Cape (UWC) • University of Zululand (UniZulu) • Mangosuthu University of Technology (MUT) • Sefako Makgatho Health Sciences University (SMU). <p>Historically Disadvantaged Institutions and Individuals also refers to: SMEs owned by Black and Female Individuals.</p> <p>The inclusion of emerging researchers and youth innovators is strongly encouraged.</p>
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Costs of personnel

	<p>DSI will cover personnel costs including MSc and PhD bursaries to be incurred during project implementation.</p> <p>Eligible costs Each project will go through a financial negotiation process with the DSI to finalise the exact percentage funding and to ascertain what the funding will cover. The funding will be transferred in tranches in accordance with the project duration. The following costs will be covered;</p> <p>Travel and Daily subsistence allowance including accommodation</p> <p>The DSI will cover travel costs in line with the guidelines of South African government regulations. Consumables and supplies Any consumables necessary for the implementation of the project may be considered as direct eligible costs. Consumables are only eligible costs under the project if bought after the start date of the project.</p>
<p>Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?</p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p>Additional specific eligibility rules</p>	<p>Cut-off dates will be the same as the ones defined for the call; however, researchers are advised to present their proposal outline to the DSI at least one month before submission. This is to allow the DSI to ascertain the eligibility of the project to qualify for funding. Failure to liaise with the DSI may lead to automatic disqualification of the project from being funded.</p>

<p>INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:</p>	<p>Upon email request to the National Contact Points or information can be accessed on the following link: https://www.dst.gov.za/ under the services tab, click on “Projects” and “ESASTAP”.</p>
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OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

<p>Submission of the pre- and full proposal and other administrative requirements to be completed at the national/regional level</p>	<p>Applicants are advised to present their proposal outline to the DSI at least one month before submission. This is to allow the DSI to ascertain the eligibility of the project to qualify for funding. Failure to liaise with the DSI may lead to automatic disqualification of the project from being funded.</p>
<p>Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level</p>	<p>Submission of reports will be outlined on agreements with successful applicants</p>
<p>Other important information</p>	<p>South African applicants may access the National co-investment funding application through email. These forms are only to be completed by successful applicants. DSI will enter into agreements with the applicant's institution for all funding instruments established to support South Africa's participation in the Co-funded project.</p>

Spain – AEI / FB

CONTACT

Country / Region	Spain	
Funding Organisation	Agencia Estatal de Investigación (AEI)	Fundación Biodiversidad (FB)
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	<p>Patricia Vera Bravo Esther Chacón era-medioambiente@aei.gob.es</p> <p>Raquel Sancho Rovira Carmen Gutiérrez Javier Remiro biodiversa@fundacion-biodiversidad.es</p> <p>All enquiries should be addressed to both Funding organisations</p>	

FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

	Agencia Estatal de Investigación (AEI)	Fundación Biodiversidad (FB)
Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	1,500,000€	600,000€
Minimum or maximum funding per awarded project or Partner	<p>The following funding limits for direct costs and for a three-year project are considered eligibility criteria. Indirect costs (overheads) must be added to direct costs: 25% of direct costs (including the subcontracting costs). Proposals not respecting these limits could be declared ineligible.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DIRECT COSTS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If the consortium is NOT COORDINATED by an AEI/FB-applicant: max. € 140.000 • If the consortium IS COORDINATED by an AEI/FB-applicant: max. € 220.000 • If the consortium IS COORDINATED by an AEI/FB-applicant and there is another AEI/FB-applicant in the proposal, the amount for both Partners is: max. € 260.000 • Additional € 30.000 (direct costs) can be granted for the entire proposal if the work plan includes substantial experimental tasks to be carried out by the Spanish Partners, that must be clearly justified in the budget. 	

	Agencia Estatal de Investigación (AEI)	Fundación Biodiversidad (FB)																
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GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

	Agencia Estatal de Investigación (AEI)	Fundación Biodiversidad (FB)
Eligible environment(s)	No restrictions	Marine/coastal environments
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	The eligible entities for the AEI funding are: Non-profit research organizations (such as universities, public research institutions, technological centres and other private non-	The eligible entities for the FB funding are: Non-profit research organizations (such as universities, public research institutions, technological centres and other private non-profit institutions

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	<p>profit institutions performing RDI activities in Spain), as per PCI 2023-1 call. They must have been previously beneficiaries of any of the AEI calls. They have to ensure contractual relationship with the Principal Investigator during all the implementation of the project.</p> <p>Although private enterprises are not funded by AEI/FB, 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.. In case of an equal assessment of two proposals involving AEI/FB-recipients, AEI/FB will prioritize the funding of the proposal that includes the Spanish industrial sector.</p> <p>The Spanish Principal Investigators (PIs) must hold a PhD.</p> <p>PIs must be eligible according to PCI -2023-1 call and the PCI Requirements document and must have experience as investigators in projects funded by the Plan Nacional I+D+i 2008-2011, Plan Estatal I+D+i 2013-2016, the Plan Estatal I+D+i 2017-2020, Plan Estatal de Investigación Científica y Técnica y de Innovación 2021-2023, ERC Grants, European Framework Programmes or other relevant national and international programmes.</p>	<p>performing RDI activities in Spain).</p> <p>They have to ensure contractual relationship with the Director of the project (Principal Investigator or PI) during all the implementation of the project.</p> <p>Although private enterprises are not funded by AEI/FB, 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 In case of an equal assessment of two proposals involving AEI/FB-recipients, AEI/FB will prioritize the funding of the proposal that includes the Spanish industrial sector.</p> <p>The Spanish PIs must hold a PhD.</p> <p>PIs must be eligible according to the national call and must have experience as investigators in projects funded by the Plan Nacional I+D+i 2008-2011, Plan Estatal I+D+i 2013-2016, the Plan Estatal I+D+i 2017-2020, Plan Estatal de Investigación Científica y Técnica y de Innovación 2021-2023, ERC Grants, European Framework Programmes or other relevant national and international programmes.</p> <p>Incompatibilities (these must be considered when participating in different ERA-Nets, European Co-funded Partnerships (in particular Water4All, PRIMA and SBEP), or other international initiatives):</p>

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	<p>Incompatibilities: these must be considered when participating in different ERA-Nets, European Co-funded Partnerships (in particular Water4All, PRIMA and SBEP) or other international initiatives):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PIs will not be eligible for funding if they apply (i) to more than one proposal in this transnational joint call(ii) to more than one proposal in the same PCI call and/or (iii) to PCI calls of 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. <p>PIs must remain unchanged between the proposal of this transnational joint call and the corresponding national PCI call. Changes of the PI between the 2 steps of the transnational call are not allowed, except in cases which are duly justified. A request of change of must be submitted to the AEI/FB at least two weeks before the deadline for submitting full proposals The AEI will avoid double funding and will not grant projects or parts of projects already funded through other national or EU calls.</p> <p>Important: The applicants should include the PI's full name and the full name of their</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PIs will not be eligible for funding if they apply (i) for more than one proposal in this transnational call, or (ii) for any other call that the FB develops in the framework of this European co-funded Partnership, while executing a project with funding from previous calls. • 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. • PIs must remain unchanged between the proposal of this transnational joint call and the national call. • Changes of the PI between the 2 steps of the transnational call are not allowed, except in cases which are duly justified. A request of change of must be submitted to the AEI/FB at least two weeks before the deadline for submitting full proposals. <p>The FB will avoid double funding and will not grant projects or parts of projects already funded through other national or EU calls.</p> <p>Important: The applicants should include the PI's full name and the full name of their institution in the original language in the application form.</p>

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Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only personnel costs for new temporary employment contracts are eligible. 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. VAT could be non-eligible, depending on the application of RRF funds. • Overheads (25% of direct costs, <u>including the subcontracting costs</u>). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only personnel costs for new temporary employment contracts are eligible. 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. VAT could be non-eligible, depending on the application of RRF funds. • Overheads (25% of direct costs, <u>including the subcontracting costs</u>).
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	No	No
Additional specific eligibility rules	N/A	N/A

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INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	The requirements of PCI-2023-1 will apply. Applicants are encouraged to carefully read the call.	The information will be available in the site: https://fundacion-biodiversidad.es/es/relaciones-internacionales/proyectos-propios/biodiversa-partenariado-europeo-de-biodiversidad

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		Applicants are encouraged to carefully read the call.

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

	Agencia Estatal de Investigación (AEI)	Fundación Biodiversidad (FB)
<p>Submission of the pre- and full proposal at the national/regional level and / or requirement in terms of national/regional official paperwork(s) to complete and sign at national/regional level</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Submission of the pre-proposal at the national level: NO • Submission of the full proposal at the national level: NO <p>Funding Programme: The framework for this funding action is the Plan Estatal de Investigación Científica, Técnica e Innovación 2021-2023. On a national level, the Call will be managed by the Subdivisión de Programas Científico-Técnicos Transversales, Fortalecimiento y Excelencia (STRAN) of the AEI.</p> <p>Instrument for funding the Spanish groups: The instrument for funding the Spanish groups is the Spanish call on International Collaboration Projects (PCI)”.The requirements of PCI-2023-1 will apply.</p> <p>Applicants are strongly advised encouraged to carefully read the call text of the PCI 2023-1 and especially the PCI Requirements document.</p> <p>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</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Submission of the pre-proposal at the national level: NO • Submission of the full proposal at the national level: NO <p>Funding Programma: The framework for this funding action is the <i>Plan Estatal de Investigación Científica, Técnica e Innovación 2021-2023</i>. On a national level, the Call will be managed by the Blue Sustainable Economy Area of he Biodiversity Foundation.</p> <p>Instrument for funding the Spanish groups: The instrument for funding the Spanish groups is a non-competitive call based on the CSC agreements, under the third final disposition of the Real Decreto-ley 23/2020, de 23 de junio.</p> <p>Applicants are strongly advised encouraged to carefully read the call text of the PCI 2023-1 and especially the PCI Requirements document.</p> <p>Data Protection: By submitting a grant application to the FB, 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</p>

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	December 5, on Personal Data Protection and Guarantee of Digital Rights.	December 5, on Personal Data Protection and Guarantee of Digital Rights.
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	YES	YES
Other important information	<p>Acknowledgement: Any publication or dissemination activity resulting from the granted projects must acknowledge funding by the Agencia Estatal de Investigación: “Project (reference nº XX) funded by the Agencia Estatal de Investigación through the PCI (year) call”.</p>	<p>Acknowledgement: Any publication or dissemination activity resulting from the granted projects must acknowledge funding by the Fundación Biodiversidad: “With the support of the Biodiversity Foundation of the Ministry for the Ecological Transition and the Demographic Challenge”.</p> <p>IMPORTANT: Payment will be made upon completion of the project. However, it will be possible to request during the first 18 months of implementation, an advance payment of 40 % of the amount granted (subject to the provision of a guarantee).</p>

Spain – CDTI

CONTACT

Country / Region	Spain
Funding Organisation (Acronym)	CDTI
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Marina Sopeña partenariadoshe@cdti.es

FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in EUR)	300.000€
Minimum and/or maximum amount of funding per awarded project (in EUR)	N/A

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

Eligible environment(s)	All
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Companies (large and SME) with tax residence or permanent establishment in Spain
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Costs of the personnel performing R&D tasks, including up to 58 hours per month for project management.• Overheads (up to 25% of personnel costs).• Instruments, equipment, materials, supplies and similar products incurred directly as a result of the project (to the extent that they are used and for the duration of the project).• Contractual research, knowledge and patents.• Subcontracting costs cannot exceed 50% of the participant eligible costs.• Subcontracting a consultancy firm (up to 8.000€).• Travel expenses (up to 8.000€).• Audit reports (up to 2.000€ per financial year). <p>Other operating expenses are not eligible for funding.</p> <p>The activities and tasks related to communication, dissemination, preparation for entry into the market, commercialisation,</p>

	<p>industrial-scale trials and registration of industrial property are not eligible for funding.</p> <p>Only the costs incurred during the project duration (since the project start date to the project end date) are eligible for funding.</p>
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	No
Additional specific eligibility rules	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CDTI will only fund industrial research and/or experimental development activities, in accordance with the definitions of the COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) No 651/2014 of 17 June 2014 TRL 4-7 • Projects should support transnational collaboration; therefore, no single participant or country can exceed 70% of the total project costs. • The Spanish applicant's activities must be carried out in Spain and represent a high scientific-technical quality and a relevant innovative nature. • Projects can have a duration of between 12 and 36 months.

<p>INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:</p>	<p>https://www.cdti.es/index.asp?MP=101&MS=946&MN=3</p>
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OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

<p>Submission of the pre- and full proposal and other administrative requirements to be completed at the national/regional level</p>	<p>Each Spanish company participating in a project and requesting funding from CDTI, must apply via CDTI's electronic submission system.</p> <p>CDTI's application process consists of completing an online 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).</p> <p>Deadline to complete CDTI's application process: 10/11/2023</p>
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	<p>Please note that failing to comply with the national application process by the deadline, will deem the company ineligible to participate in the call.</p> <p>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.</p>
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	<p>Implementation and monitoring guidelines for approved projects are available https://www.cdti.es/index.asp?MP=100&MS=919&MN=2</p>
Other important information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The funding will be implemented in the modality of grants (up to 70%). CDTI's funding is subject to final availability. • It is recommended a minimum budget of 200.000€.

Sweden – Formas

CONTACT

Country / Region	Sweden
Funding Organisation (Acronym)	Swedish Research Council for Environment, Agricultural Sciences and Spatial Planning (Formas)
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Elin Weyler, elin.weyler@formas.se, +46 8 775 41 63

FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in EUR)	Maximum 3 million Euros
Minimum and/or maximum amount of funding per awarded project (in EUR)	Maximum funding from Formas is 300 000 € per proposal, or a maximum of 500 000 € per proposal if the Swedish applicant is also the project coordinator (regardless of how many Swedish partners participate in the project).

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

Eligible environment(s)	All (no restrictions)
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Principal applicants and co-applicants must have completed their PhD degree and be affiliated with a Swedish higher education institution, research institute or government agency with a research assignment that meets the FORMAS requirements for administrating organisations, see: http://www.formas.se/en/start-page/applying-for-funding/how-it-works/who-can-apply-for-funding.html .
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Grants for research projects can cover salaries, equipment, travel, and indirect costs, see: https://www.formas.se/en/start-page/applying-for-funding/how-it-works/project-costs-that-qualify-for-funding.html
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	No.
Additional specific eligibility rules	All Swedish applicants in a consortium must apply to FORMAS under one single project application. Project duration is 3 years.

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:

<https://www.formas.se/en/start-page/applying-for-funding.html>

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Submission of the pre- and full proposal and other administrative requirements to be completed at the national/regional level	For Swedish applications to FORMAS, the pre- and full proposal for research projects must first be submitted to Biodiversa+. Swedish applicants who are eligible to submit a full proposal in Step 2 will be contacted by FORMAS for further information on the administrative process at a later stage.
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	Reports are to be submitted according to the regulations of both Biodiversa+ and of FORMAS.
Other important information	

Switzerland – SNSF

CONTACT

Country / Region	Switzerland
Funding Organisation (Acronym)	Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF)
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Claudia Ellenrieder biodiversa@snf.ch +41 31 308 22 73

FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in EUR)	CHF 3'714'285 (approx 3'714'285 EUR)
Minimum and/or maximum amount of funding <u>per awarded project (in EUR)</u>	<p>The SNSF provides a minimum grant of 100'000 Swiss francs per project (ca. 100'000 EUR). The SNSF provides a maximum of 250'000 Swiss francs (ca. 250'000 EUR) annually per applicant of a project within the limit of 1 million Swiss francs (ca. 1 Mio EUR) annually for the project as a whole (i.e., SNSF-funded part).</p> <p>Applicants should have in mind that the SNSFs anticipates to fund ca. 7-8 projects under this call.</p>

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

Eligible environment(s)	All (no restriction)
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Applicants must comply with the SNSF Funding Regulations .
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	<p>Eligible costs are outlined in the SNSF Funding Regulations (Art. 28) and the SNSF General Implementation Regulations (Section 2).</p> <p>Project overhead costs cannot be applied for. They are calculated on the basis of the research funding acquired by eligible institutions under eligible funding schemes.</p>

	Overhead contributions are paid in retrospect at a flat rate to the institutions of the SNSF awardees.
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	Yes
Additional specific eligibility rules	<p>Participation of Swiss-based partners requesting financial support from the SNSF is restricted to one project (Art.7.3, SNSF Regulations on project funding). They may, however, participate in other consortia projects as self-financed partners.</p> <p>The maximum number of grants in the project funding scheme for the same funding period from the SNSF is limited to three grants, provided at least one grant is for an EU consortium project or has been granted on the basis of a lead agency, Weave or International Co-investigator scheme evaluation. Swiss-based investigators who already hold three SNSF grants in project funding cannot request financial support from the SNSF to participate in this call (Article 13 of the Amended Project Funding Regulations).</p> <p>Proposals with overlapping funding periods with ongoing SNSF projects are only approved if the research projects pursue different goals (Article 17 of the SNSF Funding Regulations).</p> <p>The SNSF exclusively funds research conducted for purposes that are not directly commercial. Pursuant to the Research and Innovation Promotion Act RIPA and the legal framework of the SNSF, no research grants are awarded if the relevant research is conducted for directly commercial purposes or if the persons</p>

	involved in the research work do not enjoy scientific independence.
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INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	Information available at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - SNSF Funding regulations - General Implementation Regulations - SNSF Regulations on Project Funding
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OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

<p>Submission of the pre- and full proposal and other administrative requirements to be completed at the national/regional level</p>	<p>Mandatory, parallel submission of pre- and full-proposal via mySNF</p> <p>Swiss-based partners must submit pre-proposals and full proposals via mySNF at the same submission deadline of the consortium application. These submissions are mandatory and do not replace the submission of the consortium application to the Call Secretariat.</p> <p>Pre-proposal forms are created by selecting "Projects: Partnership: Biodiversa+: Pre-proposal".</p> <p>Full-proposal forms are created by selecting "Projects: Partnership: Biodiversa+: Full proposal" and are to be linked to the pre-proposal by selecting its number in the data container "Relation to pre-proposal".</p> <p>In case of multiple, Swiss-based partners participating in the same consortium, only one application is to be submitted on mySNF, whereby one Swiss-based partner must act as "corresponding applicant" and the other Swiss-based partners are to be listed as "other applicants".</p> <p>International partners of the consortium applying for funding at different funding agencies from the SNSF cannot be declared as "project partners" in the sense of article 11.2 of the SNSF Funding Regulations. For</p>
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	<p>the submission via <i>mySNF</i>, they are to be declared as "consortium partners" instead and must apply for their funding at their respective research funding organisation.</p>
<p>Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level</p>	<p>Yearly, financial reports must be submitted to the SNSF via <i>mySNF</i>.</p> <p>As final scientific report, the SNSF requests the submission of the final scientific report submitted to the Biodiversa+ Call Secretariat. No other scientific reports are requested.</p>
<p>Other important information</p>	<p>Data management plan</p> <p>Applicants will have to complete the DMP on <i>mySNF</i> once the project is approved, regardless of whether a DMP is requested by the consortium. The DMP has to cover the research data, which are collected, observed, generated or reused in the Swiss part of the project and has to comply with the SNSF Open Research Data Policy.</p> <p>Grant management</p> <p>Grants will be managed according to standard SNSF rules described in SNSF Funding Regulations. Yearly financial reports for the use of SNSF funds must be submitted via <i>mySNF</i>. As a final scientific report, the SNSF requests the submission of the final scientific report submitted to the DUT Call Secretariat. No other scientific report is requested.</p>

Taiwan – NSTC

CONTACT

Country / Region	Taiwan
Funding Organisation (Acronym)	National Science and Technology Council (NSTC)
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Ching-Mei, Tang Researcher, Program Director Tel: +886-2-2737-7557, Email: cmtom@nstc.gov.tw

FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in EUR)	0.81 M€
Minimum and/or maximum amount of funding per awarded project (in EUR)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maximum funding per project is 90 000 EUR/year (about 3 000 000 NTD). • The decision regarding the exact amount of the grant is dependent on the result of NSTC 's internal review of the eligibility and the reasonableness checks of the requested funds. • The number of grants of each PI must comply with NSTC's regulation of the maximum number of two international cooperation projects granted by NSTC for the same duration.

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

Eligible environment(s)	All (no restrictions)
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	<p>In compliance with the NSTC's regulation 'Operation Guidelines for NSTC Research Grants':</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicant institutions (i.e., research conducting institutions) shall be approved by NSTC to be eligible recipients of subsidisation in accordance with the 'Operation Guidelines for Institutions Applying for NSTC Grants'. The eligible institutions are classified into three categories as follows: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Taiwanese public/private colleges and universities; 2. Taiwanese public/private research institutions; 3. Taiwanese medical institutions. • In principle, NSTC does not directly subsidise industry.

Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Including personnel, consumables, hosting expenses for foreign researchers, and travel expenses for international destinations-joint research & overseas studies, for more information please refer to: https://www.nstc.gov.tw/folksonomy/list/f6d5c23c-b3ce-438e-911b-12a705dbac5a?l=ch
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	Yes
Additional specific eligibility rules	In principle, the NSTC (Taiwan) does not directly subsidise the industry, but the subsidised projects coordinated by research consortium can cooperate with the industry.

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	https://www.nstc.gov.tw/ https://www.nstc.gov.tw/folksonomy/rfpDetail/c1a582ae-95bc-4449-908f-590d6cb409ea?l=ch
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OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Submission of the pre- and full proposal and other administrative requirements to be completed at the national/regional level	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No official national application is needed in the pre-proposal or full proposal phase. But must notify the national contact person in the National Science and Technology Council of your submission to the Biodiversa+ joint transnational call via email, together with your application as an attachment. • Taiwanese project partners shall submit a proposal to the NSTC for national financing after the project has been selected and approved for funding through the Biodiversa+ evaluation and selection process. • The proposals are required to be submitted to NSTC for funding as soon as possible as the internal process of the NSTC generally takes 6 months.
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	Please refer to: https://www.nstc.gov.tw/folksonomy/list/f6d5c23c-b3ce-438e-911b-12a705dbac5a?l=ch
Other important information	Please refer to: https://www.nstc.gov.tw/folksonomy/rfpDetail/c1a582ae-95bc-4449-908f-590d6cb409ea?l=ch

The Netherlands – NWO

CONTACT

Country / Region	The Netherlands
Funding Organisation	Dutch Research Council (NWO)
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Ron Winkler Policy Officer Dutch Research Council (NWO) +31 703440722 biodiversa@nwo.nl

FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	€ 1.800.000
Minimum or maximum funding <u>per awarded project or Partner</u>	Min. € 50.000 / project Max. € 325.000 / project

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

Eligible environment(s)	No restrictions
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	<p>For scientists based in the Kingdom of the Netherlands, the NWO eligibility criteria apply.</p> <p>Full, associate and assistant professors, lecturers and other researchers with a comparable position* may submit an application (i.e. participate in a consortium and request NWO funding) if they have a tenured position (and therefore a paid position for an indefinite period**) or a tenure track agreement at one of the following organisations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• universities located in the Kingdom of the Netherlands;• university medical centers;• Institutes affiliated to the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences (KNAW) or NWO;• Universities of applied sciences as referred to in Article 1.8 of the Higher Education and Scientific Research Act (WHW);• TO2 institutes• the Netherlands Cancer Institute;

- the Max Planck Institute for Psycholinguistics in Nijmegen;
- Naturalis Biodiversity Center;
- Advanced Research Centre for NanoLithography (ARCNL);
- Princess Máxima Center.

*A comparable position refers to a researcher that has a demonstrable and comparable number of years of experience in carrying out scientific research and supervising other researchers as a full, associate or assistant professor.

** Lectors employed at a university of applied sciences and researchers employed at a TO2 institute may also submit provided that they have at least a salaried position for a limited period of time.

Persons with a zero-hour employment agreement or with a contract for a limited period of time (other than a tenure track appointment and the exception stated above for lectors and researchers employed at a TO2 institute) may not submit a proposal.

It could be the case that the applicant's tenure track agreement ends before the intended completion date of the project for which funding is applied for, or that before that date, the applicant's tenured contract ends due to the applicant reaching retirement age. In that case, the applicant needs to include a statement from their employer in which the organisation concerned guarantees that the project and all project members for whom funding has been requested will receive adequate supervision for the full duration of the project. Applicants employed by a university of applied sciences or a TO2 institute whose employment ends before the intended completion date of the project for which funding is applied must also include such a statement.

	Applicants with a part-time contract should guarantee adequate supervision of the project and all project members for whom funding is requested.
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	No
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	<p>The NWO budget modules (including the maximum amount) available for this Call for proposals are listed below. Apply only for funding that is vital to realise the project.</p> <p>Available budget modules</p> <p><i>Postdoc</i> – at least 6 full months and at most 36 full-time months, according to UNL or NFU rates</p> <p><i>Research leave</i> – max. 5 months, 1 fte, according to UNL or NFU rates</p> <p><i>Personnel universities of applied sciences</i> - rates based on Handleiding Overheidstarieven (HOT) (Manual for Dutch Government Fees).</p> <p><i>Material costs</i> – max. 15 000 € per year per full-time scientific position (postdoc) or 0.2 FTE scientific employee applied for at a university of applied sciences or TO2 organisation</p> <p>Knowledge utilisation - max. € 25.000</p> <p>Internationalisation - max. € 25.000</p> <p>For the budget module “Postdoc”, a one-off individual bench fee of €5,000 is added on top of the salary costs to encourage the scientific career of the project employee funded by NWO.</p> <p>Note that PhD positions cannot be applied for in this call, due to the maximum project duration of 3 years.</p>

	<p>The budget items “fellowships”, “overheads”, “equipment” and “subcontracting costs” in the Biodiversa+ format are not eligible for NWO funding. Please refer to the detailed explanation of NWO budget modules to see which costs are eligible for NWO funding.</p> <p>The mandatory costs for “joint activities” for consortium coordinators are eligible for funding in the NWO budget module “internationalisation”.</p> <p>It is recommended to use the NWO budget template in the pre-proposal stage to confirm eligibility of budget items.</p> <p>Submission of a completed budget form to NWO is obligatory at full proposal phase See ‘Other Important Information’ below for the budget template and more details.</p> <p>Do not hesitate to contact the national contact person in case of questions.</p>
<p>Additional specific eligibility rules</p>	<p>An application for NWO funding (i.e. the Dutch part of a European consortium) has a single main applicant (i.e. Dutch Partner or Coordinator in the European consortium), responsible for scientific and financial management.</p> <p>An applicant may only request NWO funding for one project (part of a European consortium) in this call of the European Biodiversity Partnership.</p> <p>Applicants may not apply for a post-doc position for themselves.</p>

<p>INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:</p>	<p>Full details for project funding in this call and relevant forms are available on the NWO website: https://www.nwo.nl/biodivnbs</p> <p>For full details of the general NWO funding process: https://www.nwo.nl/en/funding/funding+process+explained</p>
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OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

<p>Submission of the pre- and full proposal at the national/regional level and / or requirement in terms of national/regional official paperwork(s) to complete and sign at national/regional level</p>	<p>Applicants are required to submit a <u>mandatory NWO budget form by the deadline for full proposals</u>. The completed budget form can be submitted to NWO via biodiversa@nwo.nl.</p>
<p>Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level</p>	<p>Submission of financial and scientific reports at national level is required in accordance with the rules of NWO.</p>
<p>Other important information</p>	<p>Impact of the research is at the heart of this call. Please refer to the detailed description of requirements and evaluation criteria, including impact, in the full call announcement of the Biodiversity Partnership.</p> <p>Stakeholder engagement is essential to maximize the chances of reaching impact and NWO considers engagement of stakeholders an important asset, starting with the design of your project, as well as the definition of active roles for each of them during the course of the project. Valorisation of stakeholder engagement in the project (as self-financed industrial and/or societal partner) in the form of in kind or in cash contributions from stakeholders is therefore strongly recommended by NWO</p> <p>The NWO Grant Rules 2017 and the Agreement on the Payment of Costs for Scientific Research 2008 are applicable to the part of the project's budget covered by the grant from NWO.</p> <p>Under the Dutch General Administrative Law Act, any interested party has the right to lodge an objection to the decision taken by NWO within six weeks of the date of the decision letter. Further information about the objections procedure can be found on the NWO website.</p> <p>For this call, the budget for the Kingdom of the Netherlands is brought together by the Dutch Research Council (NWO) and the Dutch Ministry of Agriculture, Nature and Food Quality (LNV).</p>

Tunisia – MHESR

CONTACT

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FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in EUR)	400.000 €
Minimum and/or maximum amount of funding per awarded project (in EUR)	Max requested budget per project: 100 000 € (36 months)

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

Eligible environment(s)	All (No restrictions)
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	<p>The Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research (MHESR) will fund activities, which will be carried out by research teams belonging to one or more MHESR research structures.</p> <p>This call is open to Tunisian public research entities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - institutes or centres and universities - laboratory / units of research <p>The Tunisian principal investigator of the project should be a:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Professor; - Associate Professor; - Assistant Professor.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	- Travel and daily allowances,

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Small equipment, logistics and consumables related to the project implementation - costs for publication and dissemination of project results; - costs for organizing meetings, seminars or conferences related to the project; - fees for participation in scientific forums and conferences related to the project; - Contract provide services (non-permanent staff) - Publication and filing fees required (scientific publications, filing of patents), - Expenses for carrying out analyses and processing samples
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	Yes
Additional specific eligibility rules	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Applicants are encouraged to submit proposals involving: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • at least one socio-economic partner eligible for MHESR funding such as technical centers, • SMEs, NGO, These organizations are not eligible to receive funding from MHESR) - Infrastructure equipment, project management fees, permanent staff contract and consultant fees will not be accommodated under this program.

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	www.mes.tn http://horizon2020tunisia.org/
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OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Submission of the pre- and full proposal and other administrative requirements to be completed at the national/regional level	No
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	The release of the second year and the third year of the project budgets will be made

	<p>after the evaluation of the annual report of the project. A final evaluation will be achieved at the end of the project.</p> <p>The annual reports as well as the mid-term and the final report have to be sent automatically to the MHESR without prior notification from the MHESR</p>
Other important information	

Türkiye – TUBITAK

Participation to be confirmed

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