

# Call of the European Biodiversity Partnership on "Improved transnational monitoring of biodiversity and ecosystem change for science and society (BiodivMon)"

2022-2023 joint Call

# **Funding Organisations rules**

You will find in this document all the eligibility rules of the different Funding Organisations participating to the 2022-2023 <u>Biodiversa+ Call "BiodivMon"</u>.

Please note that **the document may be adjusted**. We invite you to make sure you have the latest version. If a new version is uploaded on the website, **a warning message will be indicated on the** <u>Biodiversa+</u> website.

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 to Funding Organisations' eligibility criteria and rules is mandatory**. Proposals that do not meet these criteria will be declined without further review. Table summarizing the different edition of this documents, including the changes that were made within each version.

Version	Publication date	Changes made
V0	Sept. 16 <sup>th</sup> , 2022	n/a
V1	Sept. 19 <sup>th</sup> , 2022	Addition of the MESRSI's (Morocco) eligibility rules.
		Addition of the SNSA's and SEPA's (Sweden) eligibility
		rules.
		Precision that the maximum amount of budget that can
		be requested to DSI (South Africa) is per project
V2	2022, Sept. 26 <sup>th</sup>	Addition of the CONFAP's (Brazil) eligibility rules.
		Addition of the FONTSI's (Ivory Coast) eligibility rules.
		Precision in the wording in the following sentence: "The
		application should must include at least one work package
		on earth observation applications." (SEPA & SNSA,
		Sweden)
V3	Sept. 29 <sup>th</sup> , 2022	Addition of the IFD's (Denmark) eligibility rules.
		Addition of the UEFISCDI's (Romania) eligibility rules.
V4	Oct. 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 2022	Addition of the RCN's (Norway) eligibility rules.
V5	Oct. 7 <sup>th</sup> , 2022	Addition of 2 confirmed FAPs to the CONFAP's (Brazil)
		eligibility rule:
		1- FAPEMIG (State: Minas Gerais, Budget: 100.000 eur, #
		of Projects: not defined, Contact: E. A. Xavier
		<pre>nci@fapemig.br, Website: http://www.fapemig.br/);</pre>
		2- FAPEMA (State: Maranhão, Budget: 100.000, No of
		projects: 2, Contact: Maurício Sá,
		mauricio.sa@fapema.br
		Update on the new total budget for CONFAP: 1,320,000€.
		Updated information for DSI (South Africa): "Minimum
		€80 000,00 per project. South African applicants are
		strongly encouraged to reach out to the DSI's contact
		point for further information on the budget per project".
		The participation of the OFB (France) in the BiodivMon
		call is confirmed. Their eligibility rules are pending.
V6	Oct. 14 <sup>th</sup> , 2022	Update of the table of content for it to properly match all
		the previous updates (incl. page number, and the mention
		"PENDING" following the reference to the OFB rules".
		Addition of FAPDF's information and budget within the
		CONFAP's (Brazil) eligibility rules.
		Update on the new total budget for CONFAP: 1,420,000€.
V7	Oct. 18 <sup>th</sup> , 2022	Update on the total budget for UEFISCDI (Romania)
		Update on the RCN's rules (Norway): "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 – <del>30 November 2021</del> 09 November
1/0		
V8	Feb. 23 <sup>rd</sup> , 2023	Update on the link for FCT page (Portugal)

		Addition of FAPEMAT's and FASPEQ's information and budget within the CONFAP's (Brazil) eligibility rules.
V9	March 9 <sup>th,</sup> 2023	Change of the funding organisation contact point for Norway

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# [Austria] – [FWF]

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# FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	1,300,000€
Minimum or maximum funding	The FWF anticipates funding of five projects, given the
<u>per</u>	maximum commitment of € 1,3 Mio for all projects.
awarded project or Partner	

Eligible environment(s)	All (no restrictions)
Eligibility of a partner as a	Individual researcher or teams of researchers,
beneficiary institution	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:
	p application-guidelines.pdf (fwf.ac.at)
	also available on:
	Joint Projects / ERA-Nets (fwf.ac.at)
Eligibility of costs, types and	The current FWF salary scale
their caps	(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 stand-
	alone projects that are valid when the adjustment takes
	effect.
	For scientists funded by the FWF, the funding is limited to
	"project-specific costs, i.e. personnel and non-personnel
	costs that are essential to carry out the project and that go
	beyond the resources made available from the research

	institution's infrastructure, according to the general FWF
	Funding Guidelines published at p application-
	guidelines.pdf (fwf.ac.at)
	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
Should VAT be included in the	Yes
budget figures provided?	
Additional specific eligibility	Researchers are eligible to apply if their publication record
rules	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 application-guidelines.pdf (fwf.ac.at)

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	Joint Projects / ERA-Nets (fwf.ac.at)
	And
	p application-guidelines.pdf (fwf.ac.at)
	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 <u>https://elane.fwf.ac.at/</u>

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	In addition to the application at the Biodiversa+ level, administrative data (in accordance with the FWF guidelines for stand-alone projects) must be submitted online to the FWF at <u>https://elane.fwf.ac.at/</u> This is required already at the pre-registration stage via the programme category "IK – International Projects (preproposal, deadline 9 November 2022, 15:00 CET (local time in Brussels) For the full proposal stage applicants must choose the programme category "I – International Projects" (Deadline 5 April 2023, 15:00 CEST (local time in Brussels). Both steps are mandatory.
	For submissions to be valid, the cover sheet generated at the end of the online submission process must be printed out and signed. It can then either be sent to the FWF by conventional mail (FWF, Sensengasse 1, 1090 Vienna) or scanned in, given a digital signature and sent

	to the FWF ( <u>office@fwf.ac.at</u> ) as an e-mail attachment.
	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 <u>project_number_limit.pdf (fwf.ac.at)</u> For information on submitting an application from abroad see the FWF Website at <u>Applications from abroad (fwf.ac.at)</u>
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	n.a.
Other important information	<ul> <li>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 assessing their publication record—documented in the "Publication list" and in initiating the review process:</li> <li>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 reviewor an equivalent procedure; in the natural and life sciences, peer reviewis 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</li> </ul>

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€ - 750 000€
Minimum or maximum funding per	250 000 € per project
awarded project or Partner	

Eligible environment(s)	All (no restrictions)
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	The call is open to the Belgian universities, university colleges, public scientific institutions, non-profit research centres.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	<ul> <li>Applicants apply for temporary personnel. Pre-tax wages.</li> <li>For labour contracts, staff costs are limited to a maximum amount of: <ul> <li>6700€/month for a scientist with a Master's degree</li> <li>8250€/month for a scientist with a PhD</li> <li>4750€/month for a technician</li> </ul> </li> <li>For tax-free scholarschip <ul> <li>4450 €/month for a doctoral scholarschip</li> <li>5600€/month for a postdoctoral scholarschip</li> </ul> </li> <li>Two types of operational costs are eligible: General operating costs. This includes d all</li> </ul>
	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.

	<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)
	<b>Equipment cost:</b> 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.
	<b>Overheads :</b> 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.
Should VAT be included in the budget	YES
figures provided?	
Additional specific eligibility rules	NA

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	NA

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	<ul> <li>After signature of the contract between BELSPO and the Head of the beneficiary institution, following reports are required: <ul> <li>Initial report: to be submitted within three months after the start of the project</li> <li>Activity reports: to be submitted annually</li> <li>Final report = Biodiversa+ project to be submitted at the end of the project</li> </ul></li></ul>
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.SFNRS)
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Mr. Joël Groeneveld, Head of International
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#### FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

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

Eligible environment(s)	All (no restrictions)
Eligibility of a partner as a	All eligibility rules and criteria can be found
beneficiary institution	in the <b>PINT-MULTI</b> regulations.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	All eligibility rules and criteria can be found
	in the <u>PINT-MULTI regulations</u> .
	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
	<u>"Overhead" is not an eligible cost</u> . If the project is selected for funding, these costs
	will be subject to a separate agreement
	between the institution of the beneficiary
	and the F.R.SFNRS.
Should VAT be included in the budget	Yes
figures provided?	
Additional specific eligibility rules	o It is not possible to combine F.R.S
	FNRS budget with federal budget (BELSPO
	funding) within the same consortium. In
	other words, regional and federal budget
	cannot be concentrated within one and the
	same project consortium, also when it
	implies different researchers and

institutions. Consortia with both F.R.S
FNRS and BELSPO funding will thus be
declared ineligible. Consequently, it is
strongly advised to contact the funding
contact points in order not to jeopardize
the consortium eligibility.

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

Cubmission of the une and full proposed at	Applicants to E.D.C. ENDS funding must
Submission of the pre- and full proposal at	Applicants to F.R.SFNRS funding must
the national/regional level and / or	provide basic administrative data by
requirement in terms of national/regional	submitting an administrative application
official paperwork(s) to complete and sign	on <u>e-space</u> within 5 working days after the
at national/regional level	general deadlines of the Biodiversa+ call to
	be eligible (i.e., the pre-proposal
	submission deadline and the full proposal
	submission deadline). 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	As described in the <u>PINT-MULTI regulations</u> .
reports at the national/regional level	
Other important information	It is not possible to combine F.R.SFNRS
	budget with federal budget (BELSPO
	funding) within the same consortium. In
	other words, regional and federal budget
	cannot be concentrated within one and the
	same project consortium, also when it
	implies different researchers and
	institutions. Consortia with both F.R.S
	FNRS and BELSPO funding will thus be
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	strongly advised to contact the funding
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	contact points in order not to jeopardize the consortium eligibility.

# [Belgium (Flanders)] – [FWO]

# CONTACT

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### FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	750.000 EUR in total
Minimum or maximum funding per	Maximum 250.000 EUR per
awarded project or Partner	project/consortium.

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	The FWO integrates two of its national funding channels within this multilateral framework. The choice of funding channel depends on the type of project the
	researchers from Flanders wish to undertake.
	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:
	<ul> <li><u>FWO Research Projects (FO)</u></li> <li><u>Strategic Basic Research (SBO)</u></li> </ul>
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	<ul> <li>The FWO foresees a budget of 750.000 EUR, which allows for the funding of at least three projects.</li> </ul>

		For the <b>overhead calculation</b> , the fundamental (FO) and strategic research projects (SBO) entail the same approach. A structural overhead rate should be applied on the project costs, with an overhead rate of <b>6% for 'FO' projects</b> , and a <b>17% overhead rate for 'SBO' projects</b> . Some practical examples: FO: 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. SBO: the sum of all costs (personnel, cost) amounts to 200.000 EUR.
		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.
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	Yes	
Additional specific eligibility rules	0	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.
	0	When the FWO SBO project channel is chosen, the researchers are asked to

pre-proposal submission deadline (preferably one week in advance), a concise – but to the point – valorisation plan to the FWO (no fixed format, max. two A4-pages), which i) clarifies the valorisation context within Flanders (and also internationally preferably), and ii) mentions the involved – and specific - actors from Flanders. This document can be sent towards the europe@fwo.be email address. Failure to comply with this requirement can lead to ineligibility.

- 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 <u>FWO Research Projects</u> and article 14 of the <u>Strategic Basic Research (SBO)</u> regulations do not apply in this context.
- 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 0 the FWO research project regulations (FO): article 10, §7 is not applicable in this call. I.e. supervisors (spokespersons), or coordinators/consortium partners in 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.
- It is not possible to combine FWO budget with federal budget (BELSPO funding) within the same consortium.
   In other words, regional and federal budget cannot be concentrated within one and the same project consortium,

	also when it implies different researchers and institutions. <b>Consortia</b> <b>with both FWO and BELSPO funding</b> <b>will thus be declared ineligible.</b> Consequently, it is strongly advised to contact the funding contact points in order not to jeopardize the consortium eligibility.
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INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	Will be announced on the <u>FWO website.</u>
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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	No submission at the national/regional level is required. However, if the SBO funding channel is chosen, a valorisation plan has to be submitted before the pre-proposal submission deadline.
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	Scientific reporting according to the Biodiversity+ call requirements. Financial reporting according to the FWO research project (FO) or SBO project regulations.
Other important information	It is strongly advised to contact 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.

# [Brazil] – [CNPq]

#### CONTACT

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# FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

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

Eligible environment(s)	All eligible environments foreseen in the call
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Researchers from higher education institutions, public or private (if non-profit);
	Researchers from R&D institutes and centres, public or private (if non-profit);
	Researchers from public companies that carry out activities of research in S&T&I.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	According to CNPq's RN-17/2011:
	- Direct Costs
	a) Consumable materials;
	b) Air Tickets and per diems.
	- Indirect Costs
	<ul> <li>a) Third party services both natural and legal persons.</li> </ul>
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	No
Additional specific eligibility rules	The research project coordinator for the Brazilian side must hold a Doctoral Degree and have a Lattes Curriculum

	<ul> <li><u>http://lattes.cnpq.br/</u> up-to-date until the pre-proposal submission deadline; and be linked with an eligible institution;</li> <li>if a foreigner, be in a regular situation in Brazil;</li> <li>residence in Brazil.</li> </ul>
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INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	https://www.gov.br/cnpq/pt-br
	Projects to be financed by CNPq will be supported under the modality APQ (Individual Grant for Research – regulations available at: <u>http://memoria2.cnpq.br/view/-</u> /journal_content/56_INSTANCE_0oED/10157/25480#rn17114 https://confap.org.br/

Submission of the pre- and full proposalat the national/regional leveland / 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
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	For each participating State Funding Agency (FAP), contacts are listed below

### FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	Total amount: € 1 420 000 to be updated upon additional confirmations
	The contribution provided by each participating State Funding Agency (FAP) is detailed below
Minimum or maximum funding per	Details are specified below for each participating
awarded project or Partner	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.
	Furthermore orientations, including the maximum amount they can request must be verified with the respective FAPs.

Eligible environment(s)	All (no restrictions)
Eligibility of a partner as a	Eligible Institutions: Public or private (non-profit)
beneficiary institution	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	<ul> <li>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)</li> <li>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).</li> </ul>

INFORMATION	Link to the page of the Call: <u>https://confap.org.br</u>					
AVAILABLE AT:	National rules shall be detailed by each participating FAP on their respective websites:					
	1. Fundação Araucária - <u>https://www.fappr.pr.gov.br</u>					
	2. FAPDF - https://www.fap.df.gov.br					
	3. FAPEAL – <u>http://fapeal.br</u>					
	4. FAPEAM – <u>http://www.fapeam.am.gov.br</u>					
	5. FAPEAP - <u>http://www.fapeap.ap.gov.br/</u>					
	6. FAPEG - <u>http://www.fapeg.go.gov.br/</u>					
	7. FAPEMA - <u>https://www.fapema.br</u>					
	8. FAPEMAT – <u>http://www.fapemat.mt.gov.br</u>					
	9. FAPEMIG - <u>http://www.fapemig.br/</u>					
	<b>10. FAPEPI</b> - <u>http://www.fapepi.pi.gov.br</u>					
	11. FAPERGS - <u>https://fapergs.rs.gov.br</u>					
	12. FAPERJ - <u>https://www.faperj.br</u>					
	13. FAPERR - <u>https://www.portal.rr.gov.br</u>					
	14. FAPES - <u>www.fapes.es.gov.br</u>					
	15. FAPESB - https://www.fapesb.ba.gov.br/					
	16. FAPESC - <u>www.fapesc.sc.gov.br</u>					
	17. FAPESPA - <u>http://www.fapespa.pa.gov.br</u>					
	18. FAPESQ - <u>http://fapesq.rpp.br</u>					
	19. FAPT – <u>https://www.to.gov.br/fapt</u>					
	20. FAPERO - https://rondonia.ro.gov.br/fapero/					

23	1. FUNCAP – <u>https://www.funcap.ce.gov.br/</u>
22	2. FUNDECT - https://www.fundect.ms.gov.br/

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	Must be verified with the involved FAP.
at the national/regional level	

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	Luiz Márcio Spinosa / Barbara Taniguti spinosa@fundacaoaraucaria.org.br / barbara@fundacaoaraucaria.org.br
2	FAPDF	Distrito Federal	100,000	Not defined	Veridiane Rodrigues <u>coobe@fap.df.gov.br</u>
3	FAPEAL	Alagoas	50,000	2	pesquisafapeal@gmail.com
4	FAPEAM	Amazonas	100,000	2	DEAP/COOPINT internacionalizacao@fapeam.am.gov.br
5	FAPEAP	Amapá	50,000	2	Luís Roberto Takiyama luistakiyama@hotmail.com
6	FAPEG	Goiás	100,000	2	Fritz Eduardo Kasbaum gc.fapeg@goias.gov.br
7	FAPEMA	Maranhão	100,000	2	Maurício Sá mauricio.sa@fapema.br
8	FAPEMAT	Mato Grosso	50,000	Not defined	Livia Mondin dtc@fapemat.mt.gov.br

9	FAPEMIG	Minas Gerais	100,000	Not defined	Elisangela Aparecida Xavier nci@fapemig.br
10	FAPEPI	Piauí	50,000	3	Francicleiton Cardoso fapepi@fapepi.pi.gov.br
11	FAPERGS	Rio Grande do Sul	50,000	1	Daniela Ziani Dec@fapergs.rs.gov.br
12	FAPERJ	Rio de Janeiro	100,000	3	Ana Beatriz Ramadas assessoria.internacional@faperj.br
13	FAPERR	Roraima	150,000	3	Carlos Borges carlos.borges@faperr.rr.gov.br
14	FAPES	Espírito Santo	100,000	2	Marcia Calil da Silva Parcerias@fapes.es.gov.br
15	FAPESB	Bahia	30,000	1	Adriele Assis Almeida adriele.almeida@fapeb.ba.gov.br
16	FAPESC	Santa Catarina	100,000	2	Pedro Valentim internacional@fapesc.sc.gov.br
17	FAPESPA	Pará	40,000	1	Deyvison Medrado dicet@fapespa.pa.gov.br
18	FAPESQ	Paraíba	20,000	Not defined	Ruth Silveira fapesq@fapesq.rpp.br
19	FAPT	Tocantins	TBC	TBC	ТВС
20	FAPERO	Rondônia	TBC	ТВС	ТВС
21	FUNCAP	Ceará	100,000	4	Vivian Nobre vivian.nobre@funcap.ce.gov.br
22	FUNDECT	Mato Grosso do Sul	50,000	2	Jackline Fermau internacional@fundect.ms.gov.br

# [Bulgaria] – [BNSF]

# CONTACT

Country / Region	Bulgaria	
Funding Organisation	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 €)	383 468 EUR
Minimum or maximum funding per	Up to 127 822 EUR per project
awarded project or Partner	

Eligible	All (no restrictions)
environment	
(s)	
Eligibility of	1) Accredited universities as defined in Art.85 para.1, p. 7 of the
a partner as	Higher Education Act;
а	2) Research organizations as defined in Art. 47, para 1 of the Higher
beneficiary	Education Act.
institution	http://lll.mon.bg/uploaded files/zkn visseto obr 01.03.2016 EN.pdf
Eligibility of	Eligible costs are specified in "National requirements and eligibility
costs, types	conditions" of Bulgarian National Science Fund available at:
and their	https://www.fni.bg/sites/default/files/competition/12 2016/ERA/BNSF Internati
caps	onal Programs-2017 ENG.pdf
Should VAT	No
be included	
in the	
budget	
figures	
provided?	
Additional	Other additional eligibility rules are specified in "National requirements
specific	and eligibility conditions" of Bulgarian National Science Fund available at:
eligibility	https://www.fni.bg/sites/default/files/competition/12 2016/ERA/BNSF Internati
rules	onal Programs-2017 ENG.pdf

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Submission of the pre- and full proposal at	Applicants have to submit an application
the national/regional level and / or	form for national eligibility when submitting
requirement in terms of national/regional	the pre-proposals. The formulier, entitled
official paperwork(s) to complete and sign	"Administrative description oft he project"
at national/regional level	should be filled in both Bulgarian and in
	English and signed. Application forms can
	be obtained at:
	https://www.fni.bg/?q=node/578
Submission of financial and scientific	Each PI is obliged to send an annual report
reports at the national/regional level	for the BNSF-funded project. BNSF provides
	templates and guidelines
Other important information	No

# [Czech Republic] – [TA CR]

## CONTACT

Country / Region	Czech Republic
Funding Organisation	Technology Agency of the Czech Republic (TA CR)
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Matej Stepanek, + 420 770 194 873, matej.stepanek@tacr.cz

### FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	500 000 €
Minimum or maximum funding per	Maximum requested budget per project:
awarded project or Partner	170 000 €

Eligible environment(s)	<ul> <li>Terrestrial</li> <li>Inland water (including wetlands)</li> <li>*</li> <li>*For Czech Applicants to be eligible, results of the project must be applicable in the environment of the</li> </ul>
	Czech Republic TA CR will not support projects with Czech applicants under the topic n. 2 ("Multiple benefits and costs of biodiversity and ecosystem protection: synergies and trade-offs")
Eligibility of a partner as a	Research organisations, Enterprises
beneficiary institution	(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; and Enterprises according to Annex 1 of the Regulation) and Organisational units of the state are eligible, both as main

applicants and additional members of the consortium. However, the main applicant may be only an entity that has its registered office, establishment or branch in the Czech Republic.

# TACR excludes the disbursement of individual aid to an enterprise:

- against which, following the decision of the European Commission under which the

funding received from a provider from the Czech Republic was declared as illegal and incompatible with the internal market, a recovery order has been issued which is unpaid, - meeting the definition of an "enterprise in difficulties" referred to in Article 2(18) of the Regulation.<sup>1</sup> - which has not met the obligation to publish the financial statements for the years 2018, 2019, 2020 in the relevant register - the so-called "Veřejný rejstřík". - which has not disclose its ownership structure in the so-called "Evidence skutečných majitelů" Funding rates: 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 85 % of eligible costs. Type of supported research: applied research (i.e. industrial research experimental development). For definitions

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014 of 17th June 2014 (as amended – Commission Regulation 2017/1084) declaring certain categories of aid compatible with the internal market in application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty – Official Journal of the European Union L 187, 26th June 2014 (hereinafter "the Regulation").

	of applied research see <u>the Framework</u> and <u>the Regulation</u> . Czech applicants must comply with the "PROSTŘEDÍ PRO ŽIVOT" programme rules subprogramme 2: "Ekoinovace, technologie a postupy pro ochranu životního prostředí". Relevance to the programme/sub-programme objectives is examined as a part of the eligibility check.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	<ul> <li>personnel costs (including scholarships)</li> <li>subcontracting costs (max. 20% of total eligible costs throughout the whole project period)</li> <li>other direct costs (write-offs, protection of intellectual property, operating expenses, travel costs, consumables)</li> <li>indirect costs (overheads) - full cost/flat rate 25% (indirect costs in the respective year are calculated as 25% of the sum of the personnel costs and other direct costs in the same year)</li> </ul>
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	Yes
Additional specific eligibility rules	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).

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	https://www.tacr.cz/soutez/partnerstvi-
	pro-biodiverzitu/call-2022-3/

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	<ul> <li>A Sworn statement of the applicant</li> <li>Completed "TACR Application Form" Excel file (submitted by the main Czech applicant only)*</li> <li>if the applicant plans to achieve the "Patent" type of result, patent search must be substantiated*</li> <li>Sworn statement of the composition of the consortium (submitted by the main Czech applicant only)</li> <li>All mandatory documents to be found on <u>TA CR website</u>. 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).</li> <li>Please fill in the subject line as: "Horizont Evropa - Partnerství pro biodiverzitu Call 2022 - prokázání způsobilosti - project acronym"</li> </ul>
	*Applicants who will not submit this mandatory form (if relevant) via databox <u>before the deadline</u> will be considered as <b>not eligible</b> for TA CR funding.
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	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).
Other important information	Subcontracting rules:To EU countries: For TACR subcontracting represents funding of outsourced research services. Subcontracting costs cannot exceed 20% of total project costs.Other kinds of subcontracted activities apart from research ought to be categorised under "other direct costs".

TACR does not regard subcontracted entities as project partners.
<u>To Non-EU countries</u> : Same rules as to EU countries apply.
Subcontracting special tasks (i.e. IT services, etc): This type of activities should be listed under "other direct costs" rather than subcontracting, unless these are research services.
Supported outputs (see the definitions <u>here</u> ):
P – patent
<b>G</b> – technically implemented outcomes – prototype, functional sample
$Z_{polop} Z_{tech}$ – pilot plant, verified technology
F – results with legal protection - utility model, industrial design
R – software
<b>S</b> – specialised public database
<b>Nmap</b> – specialised map with expert content
<b>V, Vsouhrn –</b> research report
<b>O</b> – miscellaneous
For "O" type of outputs:
If "O" type is the only output, the "V <sub>souhrn</sub> " type of output, i.e. a comprehensive research report, must be achieved simultaneously.
Publicity obligations:
While promoting the project and its results Czech beneficiaries must follow the publicity rules of TA CR.

# **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.

# Additional Information:

- project duration: 3 years Due to the legally binding duration of the programme "Prostředí pro život" (reaching its end on 31. December 2026), as well as due to the international condition regarding the project-duration (36 months), funded projects with Czech partners have to start in January 2024 at the latest.
- 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.
- Please note that following the national legislation, Czech applicants shall start within 120 days from the funding decision being communicated by the Call Management (60-day period to enter

#### **Further Comments:**

#### Funding rates

Beneficiary	small enterprise*	medium enterprise*	large enterprise	research organisatio	organisational unit of the
Activity category			*	n**	state
Industrial research	70 %	60 %	50 %	100 %	100 %
Industrial research in case of effective cooperation***	80 %	75 %	65 %	-	-
Experimental development	45 %	35 %	25 %	100 %	100 %
Experimental development in case of effective cooperation***	60 %	50 %	40 %	-	-

\* An SME is defined in Article 2 paragraph 2 and Annex 1 of the Regulation; a large enterprise is defined in Article 2 paragraph 24 of the Regulation.

\*\* A research organisation is defined under Article 2 paragraph 83 of the Regulation. The indicated funding rate is intended for non-economic activities of the research organisations (see also items 19 and 20 of  $\frac{\text{the}}{\text{Framework}^2}$ ).

\*\*\* Effective cooperation - the aid can be increased by up to 15% if the applicant fulfils the conditions according to the Regulation Article 25.

TA CR will check following **eligibility criteria** at the national level:

- the project meets the definition of applied research
- the aim of the project is relevant to the overall aim of the PROSTŘEDÍ PRO ŽIVOT programme
- the research results correspond to the national rules and are applicable / exploitable
- the industrial research and experimental development share corresponds to the activities of the Czech partner as described in the project proposal
- the applicants are eligible
- the costs are eligible
- the requested funding meets the national regulations for aid intensity (see above)
- the applicants have published the financial statements for the requested years

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Framework for State Aid for Research and Development and Innovation – Official Journal of the European Union C 198, 27 June 2014 (hereinafter "the Framework")

# [Denmark] – [IFD]

### CONTACT

Country / Region	Denmark
Funding Organisation	Innovationsfonden (Innovation Fund
	Denmark) IFD
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Kathrine Hauge Madsen
	+45 6190 5047
	kathrine.hauge.madsen@innofond.dk
	Aila Lonka
	+45 6190 5036
	aila.lonka@innofond.dk

# FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	IFD budget €1 mill.
Minimum or maximum funding per	Maximum funding budget for a Danish
awarded project or Partner	partner is € 300,000. If two or more Danish
	partners participate in a project, the
	maximum funding budget is € 500,000.

Eligible environment(s)	All (no restrictions)
Eligibility of a partner as a	IFD can fund all types of Danish partners
beneficiary institution	actively participating in the projects.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Eligible cost-categories for Danish partners:
	Salary, Travel, Subcontracting, Materials,
	Communication and knowledge sharing,
	'Other expenses' and overhead.
Should VAT be included in the budget	The budget should not contain VAT or
figures provided?	other turnover tax unless this has been
	specifically agreed in writing with IFD.
Additional specific eligibility rules	IFD encourages Danish academic partners
	in application to include Danish non-

	academic public and private organizations as partners in the applications in order to increase impact in Denmark. 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.
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INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	Read about the Danish Rules and Guidelines for international projects.

Submission of the pre- and full proposal at	Each Danish participant in a project will
the national/regional level and / or	after the call deadline for the pre-proposal
requirement in terms of national/regional	be allocated a national e-grant file number
official paperwork(s) to complete and sign	and an invitation to upload a pdf-version of
at national/regional level	the preproposal with annexes on e-grant.
_	If invited to submit the Full Proposal, this
	proposal should be uploaded on the same
	e-grant file number.
	IFD will not be able to conduct our national
	eligibility check without the application
	uploaded on e-grant. It the application is
	not uploaded, it can lead to the rejection of
	the project.
Submission of financial and scientific	Enterprises will be required to upload
reports at the national/regional level	financial statements etc. on e-grant after
	the call deadline.
Other important information	If funded, Danish partners must individually
	report on progress according to our
	national funding condition.

# [Estonia] – [ETAG]

# CONTACT

Country / Region	ESTONIA
Funding Organisation	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 €)	150 000 €
Minimum or maximum funding per	Max. requested budget per proposal:
awarded project or Partner	100 000 € per project for Partners
	150 000€ per project in case the
	coordinating partner is from Estonia

Eligible environment(s)	All (no restrictions)
Eligibility of a partner as a	1.1. The Host Institution could be any legal
beneficiary institution	entity that is registered and located in
	Estonia.
	The Host Institution (the final recipient) is
	the applicant to which the grant will be
	allocated.
	The Host Institution must confirm to
	Estonian Research Council (with a
	confirmation letter after the submission
	deadline) that the project can be carried
	out on their premises and that they will
	employ the Principal Investigator during
	the proposed project, should the project
	receive funding.
	If the Host Institution is an undertaking,
	then State aid and de minimis aid must be
	taken into account.

	2.2 Direct costs 2.2.1 Personnel costs are monthly salaries
	direct costs) and subcontracting costs. The research expenses must be used to carry ou the project and be separately identifiable.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	2.1 Research expenses consist of direct costs (personnel costs, travel costs and othe
	to be extended by the relevant period of time.
	request the publication period requirement
	or has another good reason, they can
	compulsory service in the Defence Forces,
	the applicant has been on pregnancy and maternity or parental leave or performed
	number of authors is three or fewer. If
	publications specified in Clause 1.1 if the
	Clause 2.1) is equalled with three
	under Clause 1.1. A monograph (ETIS
	are equalled with publications specified
	submission deadline.1International patents
	calendar years prior to the proposal
	1.1, 1.2, 2.1 or 3.1, within the last five
	comply with the requirements of Clauses
	publications, or at least five articles that
	articles that comply with the requirements of Clause 1.1 of the ETIS classification of
	1.2.3 must have published at least three
	deadline of the grant application;
	be awarded at the latest by the submission
	equivalent qualification. The degree must
	1.2.2 must hold a doctoral degree or an
	System (ETIS) by the submission deadline;
	in the Estonian Research Information
	1.2.1 must have an updated public profile
	The Principal Investigator:
	project is executed.
	grant is used and how Estonia's part in the
	Investigator will be responsible for how the
	leader in the project proposal. The Principa
	researcher who acts as the Estonian team
	been complied with. 1.2 The Principal Investigator is a
	common market, if that decision has not
	the aid illegal and incompatible with the
	European Commission decision deeming
	withdrawal decision pursuant to a previous
	Institution who is subject to a support
	then support will not be granted to a Host

	requesting funding from the Estonian Research Council.
Additional specific eligibility rules	EU Regulations on State aid and de minimis aid must be taken into account when
figures provided?	
Should VAT be included in the budget	YES, if it is not refunded from other sources
	acceptable
	covered from the overhead. 2.5 Double funding of activities is no
	phone bills, copy service, etc.) should be
	machine or a printer that is publicly used
	and services intended for public use (a cop
	15% and should cover the general expense of the Host Institution. Costs for equipmen
	personnel costs only, which may not excee
	2.4 Indirect costs are overhead from th
	the total costs.
	Subcontracting costs may not exceed 15% of
	be described in the proposal. Core projec tasks should not be subcontracted
	calculation. The activities and budget should
	costs should not be included in the overhead
	performed by third parties. Subcontracting
	surveys, building a prototype, etc.
	related tasks (e.g. analyses, conducting
	the additional or complementary research
	costs. 2.2.4 Subcontracting costs should cover only
	hosting, etc.) and comply with the eligible
	(e.g. translation, copy editing, webpag
	clearly required for carrying out the projec
	- all other costs that are identifiable a
	- patent costs;
	conferences and other events related to the project;
	- fees for participating in scientific forums
	conferences (room rent, catering);
	- organising meetings, seminars o
	results;
	- publication and dissemination of project
	<ul> <li>consumables and minor equipment relate to the project;</li> </ul>
	2.2.3 Other direct costs are:
	and travel insurance.
	transport, accommodation, daily allowance
	2.2.2 Travel costs may cover expenses for
	and in proportion to their total workload a their Host Institution.

If a positive funding decision is made, the Estonian Research Council 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.
The Consortium Agreement should be signed at the latest six months after the grant agreement has been signed. If one year has elapsed and the CA has not been signed, the next instalment of funding will not be paid out.
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 Estonian Research Council by the start of the relevant activities.
By applying for funding by the Estonian Research Council, the applicants agree to consider the relevance of the Nagoya protocol for their research, and to submit the Due Diligence Declaration, if applicable.

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	https://etag.ee/wp-
	content/uploads/2022/07/Vastavusnouded-
	RV-uhiskonkurssidel 30.08.22.pdf

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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	No
Submission of financial and scientific	Final report is mandatory, mid-term report
reports at the national/regional level	if necessary
Other important information	

# [Estonia] – [MoE\_EE]

#### CONTACT

Country / Region	Estonia
Funding Organisation	Estonian Ministry of the Environment
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Raili Allmäe raili.allmae@envir.ee

# FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	100 000
Minimum or maximum funding per	Maximum amount of national funding is up
awarded project or Partner	to 50 000 € per Estonian project partner. In
	case of only one application and single
	Estonian partner, the maximum funding per
	application is up to 100 000 €.

Eligible environment(s)	No preference
Eligibility of a partner as a	
beneficiary institution	Project Participants
	The Principal Investigator is a researcher
	who acts as the Estonian team leader in the
	project proposal. The Principal Investigator is
	responsible for how the Estonia's part in the
	grant budget is allocated and how Estonia's
	part in the project is executed in case of a
	positive funding decision.
	The Principal Investigator:
	-Must have an updated public profile in the
	Estonian Research Information System (ETIS)
	by the submission deadline;
	- Must hold a doctoral degree or an
	equivalent qualification. The degree must be
	awarded at the latest by the submission
	deadline of the grant application;

	- Must have published or received formal acceptance for 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.1 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 acceptable reason, they can request the publication period requirement to be extended by the relevant period of time.
	The Host Institution may be any legal entity that is registered and located in Estonia. The Host Institution must confirm to the Estonian Ministry of the Environment (with a confirmation letter after the submission deadline) that the project can be carried out on their premises 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, then State aid and de minimis aid regulations must be taken into account.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Research expenses consist of direct costs, indirect costs and subcontracting costs. The research expenses must be used to carry out the project and be separately identifiable. Direct costs Personnel costs are monthly salaries with social security charges and all the other statutory costs of the project participants, calculated according to the person's commitment and in proportion to the person's total workload at their Host Institution. Scholarships may be paid to master's and doctoral students.

Alternatively, remuneration can be paid as salary to students.

All payments to the students should be done according to the usual practices of the Host Institution, following the Estonian legal acts.

**Travel costs** may cover expenses for transport, accommodation, daily allowances and travel insurance. Fringe benefits are ineligible costs.

Other direct costs include:

consumables, IT software, licences 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;

- all other costs that are identifiable as clearly required for carrying out the project (e.g. translation, copy editing, webpage hosting, etc.).

**Subcontracting costs** should cover only the additional or complementary research related tasks (e.g. analyses, conducting surveys, building a prototype, etc.) performed by third parties. Core project tasks should not be subcontracted. Subcontracting costs should not be included in the overhead calculation. The activities and budget should be described in the proposal. Subcontracting costs may not exceed **15% of the total requested budget**.

**Overhead costs** are indirect costs, which may not exceed **15% of the eligible personnel costs**<sup>2</sup> and should cover the general expenses of the Host Institution. Overhead costs of the Host Institution may include include costs of office supplies; communication services; current expenditure on postal and electronic communications; maintenance and repair costs for IT and office equipment; utility costs; rental cost; costs of opening and managing a bank account and transfer fees only related to the project; security service; land tax. **Double funding** of activities is not acceptable.

Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	Yes
Additional specific eligibility rules	

	https://adr.envir.ee/et/document.html?id=b5ff3648-
	2f9f-47b5-b18a-c875cf8ff5be

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	no
at national/regional level Submission of financial and scientific	Will be specified in the contract between
reports at the national/regional level	the funding organization and Estonian
	project partner
Other important information	

# [Estonia] – [MEM]

### CONTACT

Country / Region	Estonia
Funding Organisation	Ministry of Rural Affairs, MEM
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Epp Eisler (Chief Specialist of the Research
	and Development Department), +372 625
	6236, epp.eisler@agri.ee

## FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	100 000 €
Minimum or maximum funding per	Max. budget requested per proposal:
awarded project or Partner	100 000 € per project for Partner,
	150 000€ per project in case the
	coordinating partner is Estonian, in this
	case 100 000 € will be covered from the
	budget of MEM and 50 000€ will be
	covered from the budget of Estonian
	Research Council.

Eligible environment(s)	All environments are eligible.
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	MEM funds any legal entity that is registered and located in Estonia. No tax arrears are allowed on the proposal submission date.
	The Host Institution must confirm to the <b>Ministry of</b> <b>Rural Affairs and Estonian Research Council</b> (with a confirmation letter after the submission deadline) that the project can be carried out on their premises 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, then State aid and de minimis aid regulations must be taken into account (see Section 3 <u>https://etag.ee/wp-</u> <u>content/uploads/2021/09/Vastavusn%C3%B5uded- RV-%C3%BChiskonkurssidel -grupierand-ja-</u> <u>riigiabi k%C3%A4skkirja-1.pdf</u> ).
	The Principal Investigator is a researcher who acts as the Estonian team leader in the project proposal. The Principal Investigator is responsible for how the Estonia's part in the grant budget is allocated and how Estonia's part in the project is executed in case of a positive funding decision.
	The Principal Investigator: - must have an updated public profile in the Estonian Research Information System (ETIS) by the pre- and full proposals submission deadlines; - must hold a doctoral degree or an equivalent qualification. The degree must be awarded at the latest by the submission deadline of the grant application; - must have published or received formal acceptance for 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 acceptable reason, they can request the publication period requirement to be extended by the relevant period of time.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Research expenses consist of direct costs, indirect costs and subcontracting costs. The research expenses must be used to carry out the project and
	be separately identifiable. Direct costs

Additional specific eligibility rules	If human research or animal testing are intended in the project, a positive resolution by the Human
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	Yes
	Double funding of activities is not acceptable.
	Indirect costs are overhead costs, which may no exceed 20% of the eligible (requested) direct research costs and should cover the general expenses of the Host Institution. Costs for equipment and services intended for public use (a copy machine or a printer that is publicly used phone bills, copy service, etc.) should be covered from the overhead.
	Subcontracting costs should cover only the additional or complementary research related task (e.g. analyses, conducting surveys, building a prototype, etc.) performed by third parties. Core project tasks should not be subcontracted Subcontracting costs should not be included in the overhead calculation. The activities and budge should be described in the proposal. Subcontracting costs may not exceed 15% of the total requested budget.
	Other direct costs include: - 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 - all other costs that are identifiable as clearly required for carrying out the project (e.g. translation, copy editing, webpage hosting, etc.).
	<ul> <li>Personnel costs are monthly salaries with social security charges and all the other statutory costs of the project participants, calculated according to the person's commitment and in proportion to the person's total workload at their Host Institution.</li> <li>Scholarships are not applicable in the project: cofunded by Ministry of Rural Affairs.</li> <li>Travel costs may cover expenses for transport accommodation, daily allowances, and trave insurance.</li> </ul>

Committee for Animal Experiments must be submitted to the Ministry of Rural Affairs and Estonian Research Council by the start of the relevant activities.
By applying for funding, the applicants agree to consider the relevance of the Nagoya protocol for their research, and to submit the Due Diligence Declaration, if applicable.

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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	No submission needed
Submission of financial and scientific	A short financial and scientific yearly report
reports at the national/regional level	is required.
Other important information	Applicants are recommended to contact
	National Contact Point before submitting a
	proposal.

# [Finland] – [AKA]

#### CONTACT

Country / Region	Finland
Funding Organisation	Academy of Finland (AKA)
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Harri Hautala, +358 295 33 5019,
	harri.hautala@aka.fi

## FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	850,000€
Minimum or maximum funding per	Maximum requested budget per project:
awarded project or Partner	250,000 k€

Eligible environment(s)	All (no restrictions)
Eligibility of a partner as a	Institutions: University, University hospital,
beneficiary institution	Research institute, Industry (including SMEs).
	Academy funding cannot be used for economic activity, which is defined as all activity where goods or services are offered on an open market regardless of whether profits are pursued or generated. When an organisation is also engaged in economic activities, separate accounts must be kept of the funding and costs of and the revenue generated by such activities
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	The call is implemented under the full cost model where Academy's funding can be up to 70 % of the total costs of a project. Academy funding can be used to cover both direct project costs (e.g. direct salaries) and indirect costs (e.g. costs for premises). Both types of costs are covered with the same percentage. The call follows the funding rules of the Academy project funding.

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	Value added tax is also paid out of Academy research grants, provided that the VAT remains to be paid by the funding recipient and the recipient is not entitled to deduct VAT costs in its accounting. If the VAT does not remain as a final cost for the organisation, it cannot be included in the costs of an Academy-funded project. The 40 funding recipient must not be overcompensated by the payment of costs that will not remain as its final costs. <b>Subcontracting rules:</b>
	To EU countries: Yes. As a recommendation, a maximum of 50,000€ of short-term subcontracting can be requested.
	To Non-EU countries: Yes. As a recommendation, a maximum of 50,000€ of short-term subcontracting can be requested.
	Subcontracting special tasks (i.e. IT services, etc): No.
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	Yes
Additional specific eligibility rules	Persons: The applicant must be a researcher at the professor or docent level or with a doctoral degree.
	If the PI does not have an employment relationship with, for example, a university or research institute, they must give an account of how their salary will be covered during the funding period. <b>Applicants must describe this</b> <b>at the application stage.</b>
	Only one application per researcher will be considered (incl. a consortium subproject) in this call. Please check AKA's Regulation at <u>https://www.aka.fi/globalassets/1-</u> tutkimusrahoitus/1-hae-rahoitusta/nain-kaytaterrahoitusta/funding-terms-and-conditons- 2021.pdf

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	https://www.aka.fi/en/research-
	<u>funding/apply-for-funding/how-to-use-</u> <u>funding/</u>

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	Draft the online application so that only funding requested from the Academy (max 70 % of total costs) is included. After all full proposals have been evaluated, AKA will invite the successful Finnish candidates to submit their proposal to the AKA's online service, where you have to indicate also the funding share of the site of research (at least 30% of the total costs).
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	https://www.aka.fi/en/research- funding/apply-for-funding/reportyour- project/
Other important information	In addition to the national regulations, within a transnational call specific rules of the consortium may be applicable; please read carefully the Call Text and all the related instructions.

# [Finland] – [MoE\_FI]

### CONTACT

Country / Region	Finland
Funding Organisation	Ministry of the Environment
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Tanja Suni, research director
	tanja.suni@gov.fi
	+358 50 4417164

### FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	250 000 – 300 000 € (depends on the success of government grant application for this purpose)
Minimum or maximum funding <u>per</u> awarded project or Partner	Max 250 000 € per project or partner

Eligible environment(s)	All (no restriction)
Eligibility of a partner as a	Companies are not funded, no other
beneficiary institution	restrictions.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Funding rules depend on the type of applicant (government research institutes / all other applicants):
	<ul> <li>General rules for internal government funding (applies to government research institutions)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>General rules of the Ministry of the Environment for special grants (all other applicants)</li> </ul>
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	Νο
Additional specific eligibility rules	The funding is only for non- economic activities.

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	General rules for special grants:
	https://ym.fi/ymparistoministerion-
	erityisavustuksen-ehdot-ja-rajoitukset
	More information about non-economic
	activities: https://tem.fi/valtiontuen-kasite

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	NA
Other important information	NA

# [France] – [ANR]

### CONTACT

Country / Region	France
Funding Organisation	Agence Nationale de la Recherche (ANR),
	http://www.agence-nationale-recherche.fr/
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Clara SUPERBIE, Céline BILLIERE, Sophie
	GERMANN, Scientific project officers
	biodiversa.cs@agencerecherche.fr

# FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	2 000 000 €
Minimum or maximum funding per	In the case of partners applying to ANR
awarded project or Partner	funds:
	- Up to 260 000€ <u>per project</u>
	- Up to 310 000€ per project in case the
	coordinator is a French partner
	requested funding to ANR
	- Min. of 15 000€ per beneficiary
	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).

Eligible environment(s)	All (No restriction)
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary	To be eligible for ANR funds, the consortium must include at least one French public research organisation (i.e., EPA, EPSCP, EPST, EPIC)
institution	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.

	Please consult the documents called « Modalités de participation
	pour les partenaires sollicitant une aide ANR »
	(https://anr.fr/fileadmin/documents/2021/ANR-RF-Fiche-EED-
	2021.pdf) and « Règlement financier applicable »
	(http://www.agence-nationale-recherche.fr/RF)for all details
	regarding the eligibility rules.
	Private companies can simulate there financial health using the following Excel form:
	https://view.officeapps.live.com/op/view.aspx?src=https%3A%2F%2F
	anr.fr%2Ffileadmin%2Fdocuments%2F2021%2FSimulation-
	financement-ANR-EED-2021.xls&wdOrigin=BROWSELINK
Eligibility of	Please refer to the "Règlement financier applicable" on the ANR
costs, types and	website ( <u>http://www.agence-nationale-recherche.fr/RF</u> ).
their caps	
Should VAT be	Please read the "Règlement financier applicable"
included in the	(http://www.agence-nationale-recherche.fr/RF).
budget figures	
provided?	
Additional	Please read very carefully the document called "Modalités de
specific eligibility	participation pour les partenaires sollicitant une aide de l'ANR",
rules	(https://anr.fr/fr/appels/)

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	https://anr.fr/fr/appels/ Click on the link of the Biodiversa+ Call on "Improved transnational monitoring of
	biodiversity and ecosystem change for science and society"
	science and society

Submission of the pre- and full proposal at the national/regional level and / or requirements in terms of national/regional official paperwork(s) to complete and sign at national/regional level	In step 2, all applicants to ANR must register and submit a full proposal similar to the one submitted to Biodiversa+ on the ANR submission platform no later than 13 <sup>rd</sup> April 2023 at 3PM (CEST). The link will be communicated between step 1 and step 2 to applicants invited to submit a full proposal.
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	Please read paragraph 5.3 of the "Règlement financier applicable" ( <u>http://www.agence-nationale-recherche.fr/RF</u> ).
Other important information	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:
<u>http://www.agence-nationale-</u> recherche.fr/RF <sup>3</sup> .

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> 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.

[France] – [OFB] – Pending

# [Germany] – [DFG; BMBF / VDI/VDE-IT]

Country: Germany

Funding Organisations:

Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG)

Bundesministerium für Bildung und Forschung (BMBF) / VDI/VDE Innovation + Technik GmbH -Projektträger (VDI/VDE-IT)





Bundesministerium für Bildung und Forschung



#### Who is addressed by this information?

This document contains information on specific requirements for Partners applying for DFG or BMBF / VDI/VDE-IT funding. Please note that it is mandatory to follow the requirements described below. In order to make sure that all requirements are met and to receive the latest information, please get in touch with your respective funding organisation contact point.

#### 1) Procedure

#### **Pre-Proposals:**

Pre-proposals submitted by applicants applying for funds from a German research organisation (DFG or BMBF / VDI/VDE-IT) are examined for eligibility. If the pre-proposal is eligible for funding by one of these research funding organisations, general eligibility is established.

#### **Full Proposals:**

As a service to the German community, all submitted full proposals including funds applied for from a German research funding organisation are processed according to a uniform procedure. In addition to the mandatory submission of all proposals to the Biodiversa+ Call Secretariat, all proposals applying for DFG or BMBF / VDI/VDE-IT funds must be submitted to the DFG via the DFG elan portal. Please note that this also applies to applicants who are only eligible pursuant to the BMBF / VDI/VDE-IT guidelines. The proposal documents must be submitted via the DFG elan portal by the same deadline as the full proposals to the Biodiversa+ Call Secretariat plus three weeks by April 26, 2023. Subsequently, responsibilities for applications are assigned among the German funding agencies.

#### 2) Technical advice

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

The following process must be followed by each member of the consortium applying for funding from a German research funding organisation (DFG or BMBF / VDI/VDE-IT). In the following, these members of the consortium are referred to as "German applicants", which only means that they are applying for "German funds", not that these applicants' nationality is necessarily German.

Please note that **before submission of the full proposal, each German applicant must be registered in the elan system**. (Registration of all German applicants should be finished no later than three weeks in advance of the deadline for submitting full proposals.)

The proposal form (*elektronisches Antragsformular*) must be submitted via elan, the DFG's electronic proposal processing system.

Please select as follows:

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

For information on elan and access to the system, see: www.dfg.de/elan/en

#### 3) Detailed information applicable to both German funding organisations

#### CONTACT

Country / Region	Germany	
Funding	Deutsche	Bundesministerium für Bildung und
Organisation	Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG)	Forschung (BMBF)
	https://www.dfg.de/	www.bmbf.de
		VDI/VDE Innovation + Technik GmbH
		– Projektträger (VDI/VDE-IT)
		www.vdivde-it.de
Funding	Deutsche	VDI/VDE Innovation + Technik GmbH
Organisation	Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG)	Projektträger Lebenswissenschaften
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#### FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding	€ 1,500,000	€ 2,000,000
contribution to the		
Call (in €)		
Minimum or maximum funding per awarded project / partner	within consortia (for information or please see the respective National / If all German applicants in a conso exceeding a total of € 270,000 (incl	osals should reflect equal contributions n other funding agencies' budgets, Annexes). rtium plan to apply for a budget luding a programme allowance for as "overhead costs" within this context,

If the Consortium Coordinator is a German applicant, please contact the
FCPs for further information.

Eligible	No restrictions	No restrictions
Eligible environment(s) Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	No restrictions Qualified researchers (as a rule, those holding a doctorate) from all disciplines working at German research institutions are eligible for funding. Researchers working at institutions which serve purely commercial purposes or those who are not permitted to publish findings in a generally accessible form are not eligible to apply. In the case of researchers who are employed at one of the institutes or member organisations of the Max Planck Society, Fraunhofer Society, Helmholtz Association or Leibniz Association, researchers working at a publicly funded institute associated with one of these research institutions, and researchers working at international research facilities located in Germany, please note that the duty to cooperate does not apply to this call. ("Es gilt keine Kooperationspflicht.")	Universities, research institutions and comparable institutions are eligible to apply. Individual persons are not eligible for funding. Grants will be awarded in accordance with <u>BMBF funding regulations</u> , sections 23 and 44 of the <i>"Bundeshaushaltsordnung"</i> (BHO), associated administrative regulations as well as the BMBF "Guidelines for Grant Applications on an Expenditure Basis (AZA)" and/or "Guidelines for Grant Applications on a Cost Basis (AZK)". At the time of payment of a grant awarded, the existence of a permanent establishment or branch office or other entity serving the non- economic activity of the grantee in Germany is required. Applicants should read and follow the instructions contained in the <i>"Richtlinien für Zuwendungsanträge auf Ausgabenbasis"</i> or <i>"Richtlinien für Zuwendungsanträge auf Kostenbasis"</i> , depending on the legal status of the applicant's institution. All forms and guidelines are available on the <u>federal</u> funding portal ( <i>"Formularschrank für Fördervordrucke des Bundes"</i> ). All applicants from non-university research organisations (Helmholtz, Max Planck and Leibniz Centres) must follow specific application rules. <b>These</b>
		applicants should contact the FCP at VDI/VDE-IT for advice.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Please note that the calculation of personnel costs differs between the Biodiversa+ EPSS and the DFG's elan system and, where applicable, in the subsequent application for funding from the BMBF. <b>If you are unsure</b> , <b>please do not hesitate to contact the FCP at VDI/VDE-IT or DFG for advice.</b>	
	Please check the Basic Module at <u>DFG - Module Basic Module</u> and if applicable the Module Temporary Positions for Principal Investigators at <u>DFG - Module</u> <u>Temporary Position</u> .	Only temporary positions; see <u>federal</u> <u>funding portal</u> ("Formularschrank für Fördervordrucke des Bundes"). Please note that applicants from non- university institutions determine their

	You will find information on DFG average personnel rates in DFG form 60.12 "DFG Personnel Rates" (Ggf. kann ein Antrag auf personellen (tarifbedingten) Mehrbedarf kurz vor Ende der Projektlaufzeit mit dem DFG- Vordruck 41.44 beantragt werden) Overheads are calculated automatically by the DFG's elan system. However, please fill in 22% of direct costs as overheads in the Biodiversa+ form. Subcontracting: Possible according to the general rules for research grants (for details see <u>DFG form 52.01</u> )	own respective project allowances (i.e. "Gemeinkosten", "Infrastrukturpauschale" etc.). These may differ significantly from the rates for overheads ("Projektpauschale") for universities. Please include these project allowances and overheads respectively within the requested funding sum. Subcontracting: <u>To EU countries</u> : Possible. <u>To non-EU countries</u> : Possible. Teams from third countries or international organisations may be funded for minor tasks within projects if they are subcontracted by a German applicant. Cooperation with developing countries is acceptable. The BMBF does not fund subcontracted teams from industrial countries or emerging economies such as China, Brazil, etc. <u>Subcontracting special tasks</u> (i.e. IT services, etc.): Possible. <b>Please</b> <b>contact the FCP at VDI/VDE-IT for</b>
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	Yes	advice. See above, cf. <u>federal funding portal</u> ("Formularschrank für Fördervordrucke des Bundes").
Additional specific eligibility rules	In case one of your consortium partners is a <b>commercial</b> <b>enterprise,</b> please contact Gaby Rerig for further information.	Research institutions that receive joint basic funding from the German federal and state governments can only be granted project funding for their additional expenditure under certain conditions in addition to their basic funding. In particular, these base-funded non-university research institutions are expected to link the content of the project funding topics to the institutionally funded research activities and dovetail the two.

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Submission of the	Please select both German funding organisations in Biodiversa+'s EPSS,
pre-proposal and	regardless of who might fund your project.

full proposal at the		
national / regional	Pre-proposals:	
level and / or	Submit pre-proposals to the Biodiversa+ Call Secretariat only.	
requirement in	No documents or information a	re required for the pre-proposal stage at
terms of national /	the national level.	
regional official		
paperwork to	Full proposals:	
complete and sign at		Biodiversa+ Call Secretariat and the same
national / regional	proposal documents to the DFG	
level		from German funding organisations must ersa+ Call Secretariat <u>and</u> to the DFG.
		he Biodiversa+ Call Secretariat must be
	-	y deadline for submission to the DFG is the
	same deadline plus three weeks	
		- <u>BiodivERsA/BiodivERsA+</u> ("DFG's Elan
		" available for the full proposal stage) ns PROCEDURE and TECHNICAL ADVICE
	above:	
	<ul> <li>registration in elan</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>registration in elan</li> <li>submission of the full proposal in elan</li> <li>After submitting the proposal in elan, you will automatically receive a compliance form by e-mail. This form must be printed out and returned to the DFG with the original signatures of all German applicants as soon as</li> </ul>	
	possible.	
		Until the final funding decision, no
		additional forms have to be completed.
		Application forms (e.g. Easy-AZA/AZAP or
		Easy-AZK) have to be completed and
		signed only for projects designated for
		funding and only on request by VDI/VDE-IT. Applicants should read and
		follow the instructions contained in the
		"Richtlinien für Zuwendungsanträge auf
		Ausgabenbasis" or "Richtlinien für
		Zuwendungsanträge auf Kostenbasis",
		depending on the legal status of the
		applicant's institution. All forms to be
		completed are available on the <u>federal</u>
		<u>funding portal</u> ("Formularschrank für
		Fördervordrucke des Bundes").
		Forms should be sent both on paper and
		electronically, but <b>only on request by</b>
		VDI/VDE-IT to: VDI/VDE Innovation +
		Technik GmbH, Bereich ADM -
		Projektträger Lebenswissen-schaften, Steinplatz 1, 10623 Berlin
Submission of	Financial reports: Timely	Evidence of the use of the grant must be
financial and	submission of a final financial	provided to the granting authority within
	report, and if necessary of	six months of fulfilment of the purpose of
scientific reports at		
scientific reports at the national /	intermediate financial reports.	the grant, but no later than the end of
scientific reports at the national / regional level	intermediate financial reports, to the DFG is mandatory. You	the grant, but no later than the end of the sixth month following the grant
the national /	intermediate financial reports, to the DFG is mandatory. You will be informed in writing of	-

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	usually be tighter than the	If the purpose of the grant has not been
	ones normally set for	fulfilled by the end of the financial year,
	Individual Research Grants.	interim proof of use of the amounts
		received in that year must be submitted
	Scientific reports: Scientific	within four months of the end of the
	reports only have to be	financial year ("Zwischenbericht").
	submitted to Biodiversa+. This	Further information and templates are
	will fulfil all reporting	available on the <u>federal funding portal</u>
	obligations to the DFG.	("Formularschrank für Fördervordrucke
		des Bundes").
Other important	Data Protection Notice:	Statement on Data Protection:
information	Please note the DFG's data	This statement on data protection
	protection notice on research	provides you with detailed information
	funding, which can be viewed	on what data is collected, for what
	and downloaded at	purpose and on what basis, how you can
	www.dfg.de/privacy_policy.	contact the 'data controller' (the
	If necessary, please also	responsible entity) and the Data
	forward this information to	Protection Officer, and what rights you
	those persons whose data the	have concerning the processing of
	DFG processes because they	personal data.
	are involved in your project.	

# [Greece] – [GSRI]

# CONTACT

Country / Region	GREECE
Funding Organisation	GENERAL SECRETARIAT FOR RESEARCH AND
	INNOVATION (GSRI)
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### FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	Initial investment 500.000,00€
Minimum or maximum funding per	Upper limit of the total public funding will be
awarded project or Partner	200.000 € per project (including indirect costs).
	Please note that this amount can be increased to
	250.000 € per project if Greek partner assumes
	the project coordination. The maximum state
	aid intensity will be calculated according to the
	provisions of the European state aid rules and
	regulations in force (type of research activity,
	size of the participating enterprise, collaborative
	research).

Eligible environment(s)	All environments are supported

Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	<ul> <li>GSRI potentially supports all private and public legal entities namely: private enterprises (such as SMEs, large-companies etc), research organizations, higher education institutions, and other public organizations with R&amp;D activities). Individuals as well as individual enterprises are not eligible under this scheme.</li> <li>Applicants may submit, if they are enterprises, up to two (2) proposals from the same enterprise in the current call, and for Public research Institutes and Universities up to (2) proposals at the level of the same Laboratory or School or Institute or Department.</li> </ul>
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	<ul> <li>Aid of intensity</li> <li>Public research Institutes and Universities: the aid intensity can reach 100% for performing non-economic activities in accordance with point 19, article 2.1.1 of the «Framework for State aid for research and development and innovation» (2014/C 198/01).</li> <li>Private Sector: (a) 50% of the eligible costs for industrial research; (b) 25% of the eligible costs for experimental development; (c) 50% of the eligible costs for industrial research and experimental development may be increased up to a maximum aid intensity of 80% of the eligible costs as follows:</li> <li>(a) by 10 percentage points for medium-sized enterprises and by 20 percentage points for small enterprises;</li> <li>(b) by 15 percentage points if one of the following conditions is fulfilled:</li> <li>(i) the project involves effective collaboration:         <ul> <li>between undertakings among which at least one is an SME, or is carried out in at least two Member States, or in a Member State and in a Contracting Party of the EEA Agreement, and no single undertaking bears more than 70 % of the eligible costs, or</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

between an undertaking and one or more research and knowledge-dissemination organisations, where the latter bear at least 10% of the eligible costs and have the right to publish their own research results;

(ii) the results of the project are widely disseminated through conferences, publication, open access repositories, or free or open source software.

-The aid intensity for feasibility studies may be increased by 10 percentage points for mediumsized enterprises and by 20 percentage points for small enterprises.

#### > Foreseen cost categories:

(a) personnel costs: researchers, technicians and other supporting staff to the extent employed on the project.

(b) costs on fixed assets i.e. b1) costs of instruments and equipment to the extent and for the period used for the project. Where such instruments and equipment are not used for their full life for the project, only the depreciation costs corresponding to the life of the project, as calculated on the basis of generally accepted accounting principles are considered as eligible and b2) costs for buildings and land, to the extent and for the duration period used for the project. With regard to buildings, only the depreciation costs corresponding to the life of the project, as calculated on the basis of generally accepted accounting principles are considered as eligible. For land, costs of commercial transfer or actually incurred capital costs are eligible.

(c) costs of contractual research, knowledge and patents bought or licensed from outside sources at arm's length conditions, as well as costs of consultancy and equivalent services used exclusively for the project.

(d) additional general costs and other operating expenses, including costs of materials, supplies, travel expenses, organization of meetings, dissemination/publicity costs, audit costs, incurred directly as a result of the project implementation.

(e) indirect costs = up to 25% of direct costs. Indirect costs are eligible for all legal entities and include costs that do not incur directly as a result of the project implementation (e. g.

	administrative and management costs, utility
	costs).
	In compliance with the (COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) 2021/1237 of 23 July 2021 amending Regulation (EU) No 651/2014 declaring certain categories of aid compatible with the internal market in application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty.
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	VAT is eligible when it is not recoverable by the beneficiaries.
Additional specific eligibility rules	TRL3-(8) in compliance with the (COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) 2021/1237 of 23 July 2021 amending Regulation (EU) No 651/2014 declaring certain categories of aid compatible with the internal market in application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty, page 3, article 13)
	GSRI potentially supports the following types of RTD, namely: Industrial research, experimental development, feasibility studies (COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) No 651/2014 article 25)

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	https://gsri.gov.gr/en/
	https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal- content/EN/TXT/HTML/?uri=CELEX:32014R0651&from=EN
	https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal- content/EN/TXT/HTML/?uri=OJ:L:2021:270:TOC

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 national level, only eligibility check is conducted and not a full peer review at pre- proposals and full proposals stages. We rely on the evaluation made by the Call Evaluation Committee and external reviewers.
	Submission at the national level is required at a later stage. A national procedure will follow for the approved for funding, at the transnational level, proposals only. For more information please contact the NCP.
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	Interim and final reports
Other important information	The duration of a funded project is 36 months according to the Call text. A possible extension of the duration under conditions can be

accepted for the projects with a maximum of
1/3 of the initial duration taking into account
the starting date without modifying the
scientific or increasing the financial part of the
project and in compliance with the
(COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) 2021/1237 of
23 July 2021 amending Regulation (EU) No
651/2014 declaring certain categories of aid
compatible with the internal market in
application of Articles 107 and 108 of the
Treaty.

# [Hungary] – [NKFIH]

# CONTACT

Country / Region	Hungary
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# FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	250,000
Minimum or maximum funding per	Maximum requested budget per
awarded project or Partner	project: 250,000 €

Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institutionInstitution of higher education, other budgetary research institution, enterprise- based research organisation, enterprise (non-research type), non-profit research organisation. Reimbursement rate: • Research and knowledge- dissemination organisation: max. 100% • For-profit organisations: max. 80% (fundamental research), max. 50% (industrial research) or max. 25% (experimental development). For further details please consult https://nkfih.gov.hu/palyazoknak/nkfi- alap/era-net-ejp-cofund-2019-217-era- net/palyazati-felhivas-2019-217-era- 	Eligible environment(s)	All (No restrictions apply).
based research organisation, enterprise (non-research type), non-profit research organisation. Reimbursement rate: <ul><li>Research and knowledge- dissemination organisation: max. 100%</li><li>For-profit organisations: max. 80% (fundamental research), max. 50% (industrial research) or max. 25% (experimental development).</li><li>For further details please consult https://nkfih.gov.hu/palyazoknak/nkfi- alap/era-net-eip-cofund-2019-217-era- net/palyazati-felhivas-2019-217-era- net/palyazati</li></ul>	Eligibility of a partner as a	Institution of higher education, other
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Should VAT be included in the budget	Deductible VAT is ineligible.	
figures provided?		
Additional specific eligibility rules	-	

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Submission of the pre- and full proposal at	Would the project be recommended for
the national/regional level and / or	funding within the Biodiversa+ call, the
requirement in terms of national/regional	Hungarian partner has to submit a full
official paperwork(s) to complete and sign	proposal to the NKFIH for national funding.
at national/regional level	The proposal should be submitted via an e-
	portal (www.palyazat.gov.hu) together with
	a declaration validating the submission of
	the proposal by a qualified e-signature. If
	the declaration does not contain the
	qualified e-signature, the declaration itself
	should be submitted also in a paper-based
	version.
Submission of financial and scientific	According to the national grant agreement.
reports at the national/regional level	
Other important information	-

# [Ireland] – [EPA]

# CONTACT

Country / Region	Ireland
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## FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	€ 600,000 This contribution includes co-funding from the National Parks & Wildlife Services
Minimum or maximum funding <u>per</u> <u>awarded project or Partner</u>	<ul> <li>€350k if the Irish participant is coordinating a consortium submitting a proposal</li> <li>€150k if the Irish participant is a partner in a consortium submitting a proposal</li> <li>Limit of 1 Irish participating organisation requesting budget from the EPA per consortium submitting a proposal</li> </ul>

Eligible environment(s)	Terrestrial, Freshwater, groundwater and
	coastal & transitional water bodies
Eligibility of a partner as a	For the purpose of this call - Eligible
beneficiary institution	institutions must be located in the
	Republic of Ireland.
	For more details and funding rates, check
	the EPA Research Programme 2021-2030
	<b>Guidelines and Terms &amp; Conditions</b>
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	For more details and funding rates, check
	the EPA Research Programme 2021-2030
	Guidelines and Terms & Conditions
Should VAT be included in the budget	Yes
figures provided?	
Additional specific eligibility rules	Eligible environment restrictions and budget
	restrictions (see above).

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	https://www.epa.ie/publications/research/current-
	call-documents/epa-research-programme-2021-
	2030-guidelines-and-termsconditions.php

Cubrication of the une and full unenced at	There is no requirement for Irish applicants to
Submission of the pre- and full proposal at	There is no requirement for Irish applicants to
the national/regional level and / or	send the EPA any paperwork related to their
requirement in terms of national/regional	submission. Applicants are advised to carefully
official paperwork(s) to complete and sign	read the National Regulations
at national/regional level	
Submission of financial and scientific	Should the proposal be successful and the
reports at the national/regional level	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
Other important information	All queries regarding this call should be directed
	to the EPA.
	No queries relating to the scope of the proposal
	will be answered.
	will be answered.
	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

# [Italy] – [MUR]

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# FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	<ul> <li>2.200.000 Euro as following:</li> <li>- 1.5 Million are allocated for projects according to MUR eligibility rules;</li> <li>- 0.7 Million are allocated for projects according to MUR eligibility rules and in which the coordinator of the Italian partner/s (Principal Investigator) is a young researcher</li> </ul>
	under 40.
Minimum or maximum funding per	Max 200.000 euro per project
awarded project or Partner	

Eligible	No restrictions
environment(s)	
Eligibility of a	a) Type/nature of participants
partner as a	The following entities are eligible for funding, providing that they have
beneficiary	stable organization in Italy: 1. Universities; 2. Enterprises; 3. Private
institution	and Public research institutions 4. Research organizations (public and private) in accordance with EU Reg. n. 651/2014 of the European Commission - June 17, 2014.
	b) Legal/administrative/financial conditions
	The participant must be registered at the "Anagrafe Nazionale delle Ricerche"
	The participant must not be defaulting with regard to other funding received by the Ministry.
	The participant must not have requested/got any other funding for the same research activities.
	The participant must respect the Italian law "D.Lgs. n 159 del 6/09/2011 e successive modificazioni ed integrazioni".
	The participant must not be subject to bankruptcy proceedings as of art. 5, comma 4, letter b) of DM 593/2016 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. The participant must follow the obligations laid down in the contributory and social security regulations (DURC). The judicial and pending records of the legal representative of the participant are negative.
	c) Financial conditions For any participant, with the exception of public universities and public research institutions (Enti pubblici di ricerca), the following financial criteria, calculated using the data reported in the last approved balance sheet, must be fulfilled.
	CN > (CP - I)/2 Where: 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.
	OF/F < 8% Where: OF = financial charges (Onerifinanziari) F = turnover (Fatturato)
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	All activities classifiable as Basic research, Industrial research and Experimental development are eligible for funding. Furthermore, Basic Research and Industrial research activities must be predominant with respect to Experimental development activities (in terms of costs). All costs incurred during the lifetime of the project under the following categories are eligible: Personnel, Equipment, Consulting and equivalent services, Consumables and Overheads. Overheads ("Spese generali") shall be calculated as a percentage of the personnel costs and cannot be higher than 50% of them. Travel expenses, dissemination and coordination costs are to be included in the overheads. The amount of funding which can be granted to each beneficiary is calculated multiplying the eligible costs for the funding rates listed in the following table:
	Basic research: 70% Industrial research: 50% Experimental development: 25% On request of applicants a pre-payment may be done, equal to 50% of the total funding at project start and a second pre-payment up to
	40% of the total funding at mid-term. The remaining 10% will be paid at the end of the project. Private partners requesting the pre-

	payments need to provide MUR with a bank guarantee. Beneficiaries who doesn't request the pre-payments will be paid after each financial and progress report
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

## **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	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: <u>https://banditransnazionali-miur.cineca.it</u> . 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.
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	The admission for funding is subject to the adoption of the necessary accounting and administrative measures for the allocation of the resources. Funded participants will be requested to submit financial and scientific reports to MIUR. 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 MUR website: http://www.ricercainternazionale.miur.it/era/european- partnership-2021-27/biodiversaplus.aspx Applicable laws and rules (http://www.ricercainternazionale.miur.it/evidenza/normativa- prog-internazionali.aspx): - DL 22 giugno 2012, n. 83, convertito, con modificazioni, dalla Legge 7 agosto 2012, n. 134, articoli 60, 61, 62 e 63 di

	<ul> <li>cui al Titolo III, Capo IX "Misure per la ricerca scientifica e tecnologica"</li> <li>DM n. 1314 del 14 dicembre 2021 - Nuovo sistema di concessione delle agevolazioni del MUR alle attività di ricerca</li> <li>DM n. 1368 del 24 dicembre 2021 - Modificazioni all'articolo 15 del decreto n. 1314 del 14 dicembre 2021</li> </ul>
	Information available at http://www.ricercainternazionale.miur.it/era/european- partnership-2021-27/biodiversaplus.aspx
Other important information	-

# [Italy/ South Tyrol] – [PROV.BZ]

# CONTACT

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### FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	500.000,00 euros
Minimum or maximum funding per	Max. 300.000,00 euros per project
awarded project or Partner	

Eligible environment(s)	No restrictions
Eligibility of a partner as a	Partners must be Research and Knowledge
beneficiary institution	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 (Decree of the Director of the
	Department for Innovation, Research,
	University and Museums of the

	Autonomous Province of Bolzano/Bozen no. 7315 / 2021) apply.
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:	<u>https://www.provinz.bz.it/innovation-</u> <u>forschung/innovation-forschung-</u> <u>universitaet/default.asp</u>
	and
	https://www.provincia.bz.it/innovazione- ricerca/innovazione-ricerca- universita/default.asp

Submission of the pre- and full proposal	A provisional division of costs per years and
at the national/regional level and / or	activities (Time schedule of the costs
requirement in terms of	"Cronoprogramma delle spese –Zeit-und
national/regional official paperwork(s)	Kostenplan") and details about the submitted
to complete and sign at	budget (in particular about the category Other
national/regional level	costs) concerning the South Tyrolian partners
	has to be sent to the Office of Scientific
	Research of the Autonomous Province of
	Bolzano/Bozen within 10 days after the call-
	deadline for the submission of pre-proposals.
	A more precise forecast division of costs per
	years and activities must be submitted to the
	same office within 10 days after the call-
	deadline for the submission of the full
	proposals.

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 2022 must be reported by July 31st, 2023) The financial report lists the detailed expenses. The activity report briefly describes the project development and in particular the activities of the South Tyrolian partner that generated those expenses. Please, note: the activity report is neither the mid-term report nor the final report of the call. Concerning the financial and 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
Other important information	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 7 days after the notification from Biodiversa+. 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 https://www.provinz.bz.it/de/dienstleistungen- a-z.asp?bnsv svid=1036884 Please, note: Due to administrative constraints, projects can start between January 1, 2024 and April 30, 2024, and must be concluded by December 31, 2026. 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. 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.

# [Ivory Coast] – [FONTSI]

## CONTACT

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## FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	130 000
Minimum or maximum funding per	Maximum 38 000 per awarded project
awarded project or Partner	

#### **GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES**

Eligible environment(s)	All (no restrictions)
Eligibility of a partner as a	The beneficiaries of FONSTI funding are:
beneficiary institution	Public university, Research Center, Start up,
	Researcher, Inventor, Innovator
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	This information is mentioned in the call for projects submission form <u>www.fonsti.org</u>
Should VAT be included in the budget	Yes
figures provided?	
Additional specific eligibility rules	NA

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	www.fonsti.org

Submission of the pre- and full proposal at	No submission of the pre- and full proposal
the national/regional level and / or	at the national/regional level is required.
requirement in terms of national/regional	Should the proposal be successful and the
official paperwork(s) to complete and sign	project awarded, the participants
at national/regional level	requesting budget from FONSTI will have to
	complete documents that can be viewed
	and downloaded from the FONSTI website

	www.fonsti.org	
Submission of financial and scientific	NA	
reports at the national/regional level		
Other important information	NA	

# [Latvia] – [LZP]

## CONTACT

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### FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

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

Eligible environment(s)	All (no restrictions)
Eligibility of a partner as a	Eligible partners are R&D institutions
beneficiary institution	(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:
	- 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
Chould VAT he included in the budget	subcontracting costs.
Should VAT be included in the budget	Yes, VAT is applicable to project costs unless it is recoverable.
figures provided?	
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.
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.
A maximum of <b>two participants</b> from Latvia
can take part in the project.
Project subcontracting costs should be
carried out in accordance with the
provisions of the Law on Public
Procurement of the Republic of Latvia.
costs.
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).

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	www.lzp.gov.lv
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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	N/A 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
Submission of financial and scientific	submissions.
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

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### FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	150 000
Minimum or maximum funding per	150 000 per project
awarded project or Partner	

#### **GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES**

Eligible environment(s)	All (No restrictions)
Eligibility of a partner as a	Public or private legal entity which is
beneficiary institution	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 <sup>th</sup> of April, 2019.
Should VAT be included in the budget	Yes
figures provided?	
Additional specific eligibility rules	-

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	https://www.lmt.lt/lt/mokslo-
	finansavimas/era-net-ir-kitos-
	koordinavimo-veiklos/biodiversa/375

Submission of the pre- and full proposal at	No National Official paperwork at
the national/regional level and / or	application stage is required.
requirement in terms of national/regional	

entific reports – midterm and final ancial reports - quarterly
applicant who intends to act as a ncipal investigator (PI) or primary project elementer (PPI) has to be a scientist searcher holding at least a Ph.D. degree). erson may submit only one proposal for same Call as PI or other PPI. rk scope of each primary project elementer within the project must be at st 20 hours of project time multiplied by
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# [Moldova (Republic of)] – [NARD]

# CONTACT

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### FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	100.000 EUR
Minimum or maximum funding per	Maximum requested budget per project -
awarded project or Partner	50.000 EUR
	Minimum requested budget per project -
	25.000 EUR

Eligible environment(s)	- All (no restrictions)
Eligibility of a partner as a	Research institutions (according to their
beneficiary institution	statute)
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	<ul> <li>Personnel costs (max. 60%);</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Travelling (max. 20%);</li> </ul>
	- Events;
	- Consumable;
	- Laboratory equipment (max. 30%)
	- Research papers;
	- Experimental and production
	activities.
Should VAT be included in the budget	Yes
figures provided?	
Additional specific eligibility rules	No

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	Official website: <u>https://ancd.gov.md/ro</u>
	Pre-announcement: https://ancd.gov.md/ro/content/apel-nou- biodiversa

Submission of the pre- and full proposal at	Submission of the pre- and full proposal at
the national/regional level and / or	the national level for MD partners (same
requirement in terms of national/regional	deadlines as those defined in the
official paperwork(s) to complete and sign	international Call schedule).
at national/regional level	
Submission of financial and scientific	Submission of financial and scientific
reports at the national/regional level	reports at the national level for MD
	partners.
Other important information	

# [Morocco] – [MESRSI]

# CONTACT

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# FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	300.000
Minimum or maximum funding per	The maximum budget granted for each
awarded project / partner	Moroccan partner is 65.000 € with a ceiling
	of 130.000 € per project and an extension
	of 20.000 € for project coordination.

Eligible environment(s)	All (no restrictions)
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	<ul> <li>Public universities and partnership with public universities</li> <li>Public universities;</li> <li>Universities from the Public-private partnership in collaboration with public universities;</li> <li>Non-university institutions in partnership with public universities;</li> <li>Public research institutions in partnership with public universities.</li> </ul>
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	<ul> <li>No levy by research institutions is allowed from the budget allocated to the research projects;</li> <li>Permanent staff cannot receive research allowances. The remuneration of the non-</li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>financed (Comply with the joint decision of 14 January 2016 concerning the management of the own resources of public institutions of higher education and scientific research);</li> <li>Costs requested for Research allowances, travel and mission expenses cannot exceed 60% of the total budget allocated to the Moroccan team;</li> <li>The budget requested for the first payment cannot exceed 60% of the total budget allocated to the Moroccan team;</li> <li>The second payment will be made only after validation of the mid-term report.</li> <li>Eligible expenses (see annex)</li> </ul>
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	Yes
Additional specific eligibility rules	-

<b>INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:</b> no information on the website	
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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	No
Submission of financial and scientific	Yes, submit a scientific and financial mid-
reports at the national/regional level	term report
Other important information	-

# Annex: Eligible expenses

Rubriques	Budget demandé (DH)	Premier versement (DH)	Deuxième versement (DH)
Dépenses du personnel			
Indemnités liées aux travaux de recherche et de			
prestation de service (Bourses des doctorants, CDD,)			
Taxes postales et frais d'affranchissement			
Taxes et redevances pour l'utilisation des lignes de			
réseaux spécifiques			
Taxes et redevances de télécommunications			
Matériel, Mobilier de bureau et fournitures			
Achat de fournitures de bureau, de papeterie et			
d'imprimés			
Achat de fournitures informatiques			
Achat de matériels informatiques			
Achat de matériels scientifiques			
Achat de matériels et mobilier de bureau			
Achat de réactifs, kits et produits chimiques			
Entretien et réparation			
Entretien et réparation de matériels scientifiques et			
informatiques			
Transport et Déplacement			
Indemnités de déplacement à l'intérieur du Royaume			
Indemnités Kilométriques			
Frais de transport au Maroc et à l'étranger			
Frais de transport des missionnaires et chercheurs			
étrangers			
Frais de mission à l'étranger			
Frais de séjour des missionnaires étrangers au Maroc			
Autres Dépenses			
Frais de documentation, d'impression et de publication			
Achat de matières premières et de petit outillage			
Frais de réalisation de maquettes et de prototype			
Frais de démonstration et de publicité			
Frais d'étude, d'analyse et de sous-traitance			
Frais de participation aux séminaires			
Frais d'organisation de séminaires			
Frais de dépôt et de gestion des brevets, de licence et/ou			
de droit auteur			
Total			

# [Netherlands (The)] – [NWO]

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## FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	€ 1.400.000
Minimum or maximum funding per	Min. € 50.000 / project
awarded project or Partner	Max. € 300.000 / project

Eligible environment(s)	No restrictions
Eligibility of a partner as a	For scientists based in the Kingdom of the
beneficiary institution	Netherlands, the NWO eligibility criteria
	apply.
	Full, associate and assistant professors,
	lectors 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:
	o universities located in the Kingdom of
	the Netherlands;
	o university medical centres;
	o Institutes affiliated to the Royal
	Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences
	(KNAW) or NWO;
	o Universities of applied sciences as
	referred to in Article 1.8 of the Higher
	Education and Scientific Research Act (WHW);
	o the Netherlands Cancer Institute;
	o the Max Planck Institute for
	Psycholinguistics in Nijmegen;

	o Naturalis Biodiversity Center; o Advanced Research Centre for NanoLithography (ARCNL); o 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 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) 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 with a part-time contract should guarantee adequate supervision of the project and all project members for whom funding is requested.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	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.
	Available budget modules

*Postdoc* – at least 6 full months and at most 36 full-time months, according to UNL or NFU rates

*Research leave* – max. 5 months, 1 fte, according to UNL or NFU rates

Personnel universities of applied sciences rates based on Handleiding Overheidstarieven (HOT) (Manual for Dutch Government Fees)

*Material costs* – max. 15 000 € per year per full-time scientific position (postdoc)

Knowledge utilisation - max. € 25.000

Internationalisation - max. € 25.000

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.

Note that PhD positions cannot be applied for in this call, due to the maximum project duration of 3 years.

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.

The mandatory costs for "joint activities" for consortium coordinators are eligible for funding in the NWO budget module "internationalisation".

It is recommended to use the NWO financial details form (obligatory in full proposal phase) in the pre-proposal stage to confirm eligibility of budget items. A more detailed explanation of the NWO budget modules and the NWO financial details form can be found at the following web address:

	https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/nwa-eu- partnerships-biodiversa-call-improved- transnational-monitoring-biodiversity-and- ecosystem-change-science-and-society- biodivmon
	Do not hesitate to contact the national contact person in case of questions.
Additional specific eligibility rules	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>An applicant may only request NWO funding for one project (part of a European consortium) in this call of the European Biodiversity Partnership.</li> <li>Applicants may not apply for a post-doc position for themselves.</li> <li>Impact of the research is at the heart of this call of the European Biodiversity Partnership. Please refer to the detailed description of requirements and evaluation criteria, including impact, in the full call announcement of the Biodiversity Partnership.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>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</li> </ul>

INFORMATION AVAILABLE	Full details for project funding in this call is available on the NWO website:
AT:	<u>https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/nwa-eu-partnerships-biodiversa-call-improved-transnational-monitoring-biodiversity-and-ecosystem-change-science-and-society-biodivmon</u>
	For full details of the general NWO funding process, please refer to <u>https://www.nwo.nl/en/funding/funding+process+explained</u>

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 the full proposal phase, it is required to submit a financial details form separately to NWO. This form is available on: <u>https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/nwa-eu- partnerships-biodiversa-call-improved- transnational-monitoring-biodiversity-and- ecosystem-change-science-and-society- biodivmon The deadline to submit financial details to NWO is similar to the official deadline of the call of the European Biodiversity Partnership at step 2 (5 April 2023, 15:00 CEST).</u>
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	Submission of financial and scientific reports at national level is required in accordance with the rules of NWO.
Other important information	The <u>NWO Grant Rules 2017</u> and the <u>Agreement on the Payment of Costs for</u> <u>Scientific Research</u> 2008 are applicable to the part of the project's budget covered by the grant from NWO. NWO may award more than € 300.000 per project to compensate for a mandatory one-off indexing of the salary costs with respect to UNL/NFU/HOT rates (if applicable). 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 <u>objections procedure</u> can be found on the NWO website.
	The budget for The Netherlands in this call is brought together by the Dutch Research Council (NWO) and the Dutch Ministry of Agriculture Nature and Food Quality (LNV).

# [Norway] – [RCN]

### CONTACT

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### FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	1,800,000 EUR
Minimum or maximum funding per	Maximum funding from RCN is 300,000
awarded project or Partner	€ per proposal, or a maximum of 400,000 €
	per proposal if the Norwegian applicant is
	also the project coordinator (regardless of
	how many Norwegian partners participate
	in the project)

### **GENERAL ELIGIBILITY RULES**

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

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	https://www.forskningsradet.no/en/

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 funding decision is made and their project is funded. After 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	Norwegian project partners will have to report
reports at the national/regional level	to RCN on an annual basis.

Other important information	The participation must follow <u>RCN's General</u> <u>Terms and Conditions</u> for Research projects or for R&D Projects. 91
	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 – 9 Novembe 2022. The official exchange rate can be found here: <u>Exchange rate (InforEuro)   European</u> <u>Commission (europa.eu)</u>
	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 <u>follow RCN's General Terms and Conditions for Research projects or for R&amp;D Projects.</u>
	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; <u>https://www.forskningsradet.no/en/applyfor- funding/funding-from-the- researchcouncil/Conditions-for-awarding-state- aid/</u>
	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]

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### FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

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

Eligible environment(s)	All (no restrictions, e.g., terrestrial, aquatic, marine, etc.)
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	To check the list of eligible institutions please visit <u>NCN's website</u> .
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> <li>Personnel - including post-doc positions and scholarships/salaries for under- and post-graduate students);</li> <li>Equipment - applicants may seek funding for research equipment up to 500,000 PLN;</li> <li>Other costs - materials, devices and software, outsourcing and subcontracting, travel and subsistence costs, visits and consultations, costs of</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>publications (including Open access publications), collective investigators;</li> <li>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</li> </ul>

	access to publications and/or research
	data.
	We strongly encourage all applicants to read
	information on eligible costs included in the
	Annex to NCN Council's Resolution on funding
	granted within calls for proposals for
	international research projects (UNISONO).
	Please note that administrative personnel
	costs as well as costs of organizing
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	conferences, workshops, seminars, meetings
	are not considered direct costs and can only
	be funded from overheads. For more
	information please check (UNISONO).
Should VAT be included in the budget	Yes
figures provided?	
Additional specific eligibility rules	n/a

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	NCN's website
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Submission of the pre- and full proposal	At the full proposal stage a NCN proposal
at the national/regional level and / or	covering the Polish part of the project must be
requirement in terms of	prepared by the Polish research team and
national/regional official paperwork(s) to	submitted to the NCN electronically via the
complete and sign at national/regional	ZSUN/OSF submission system.
level	
Submission of financial and scientific	NCN requires submitting annual and final
reports at the national/regional level	reports. Each report consists 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 <u>NCN's website</u> .

# [Portugal] – [FCT]

# CONTACT

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### FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	500.000,00 €
Minimum or maximum funding per	FCT funding commitment for national teams is
awarded project or Partner	500.000,00 €. The maximum requested funding
	for a consortium with Portuguese coordination
	is <b>120.000,00 €</b> and for a consortium with
	Portuguese participation is 80.000,00 €.
	In case that more than one Portuguese team
	participates in the same consortium the budget
	must be shared.

Eligible environment(s)	All environments are supported by FCT.
Eligibility of a partner as a	For eligibility of a partner as beneficiaries
beneficiary institution	please consult Article 3 of FCT Regulation on
	projects funded solely by national funds.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	For eligible costs and non-eligible cost please
	consult articles 8 and 9 of FCT Regulation on
	projects funded solely by national funds.
Should VAT be included in the budget	Yes
figures provided?	
Additional specific eligibility rules	For additional information please check FCT
	Regulation on projects funded solely by
	national funds.
	The percentage of time dedicated to
	transnational projects will not be added to the
	percentage of time dedicated to existing
	national projects.

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	Up to 10 working days after the deadline for submission of pre-proposals, Portuguese teams (coordinators and/or partners) must send the following statement of commitment to the National Contact Point for the call, duly signed by the Researcher in Charge and by the legal representative of the proposing Institution and stamped. The original must be kept, as it may be requested by the FCT.
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	Please check FCT Regulation on projects funded solely by national funds.
Other important information	

# [Romania] – [UEFISCDI]

## CONTACT

Country / Region	Romania	
Funding Organisation	UEFISCDI (Executive Agency for Higher	
	Education, Research, Development and	
	Innovation Funding)	
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### FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

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

Eligible environment(s)	No restriction
Eligibility of a partner as a	Legal entities established in Romania are
beneficiary institution	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.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	The following categories of expenses are
	eligible:
	A. Staff costs (researchers, technicians and
	support staff, including all corresponding state
	and social contributions; these contributions are
	subject to national regulations in force);
	B. Consumables (materials, supplies or similar);
	C. Equipments (in full compliance with state aid
	regulations), no more than 30% of the total
	funding from the public budget;
	D. Subcontracting (max. 25% of the total
	funding from the publicbudget);
	E. Travel expenses (in Romania or abroad, only
	for project teams' members);
	F. Overheads (calculated as a percentage of
	direct costs: staff costs, travel expenses and
	logistics costs - excluding capital costs). Indirect
	costs will not exceed 20% of direct costs
	excluding subcontracting. Expenses are eligible
	if incurred after signature of the contract.
	To EU countries: no
	To Non-EU countries: no
	Subcontracting special tasks (i.e. IT services,
	etc): Yes, expenditure on services performed by
	third parties cannot exceed 25 % of the funding
	from the public budget. The subcontracted parts
	should not be core/substantial parts of the
	project work.
Should VAT be included in the budget	Yes
figures provided?	
Additional specific eligibility rules	

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	National rules available <u>here</u> .*
	*The information will be updated once the National Plan for R&DI – PNCDI will be approved.

Submission of the pre- and full proposal at	No	official	paperwork	and/or	supporting
the national/regional level and / or	info	rmation a	re requested	by UEFIS	CDI
requirement in terms of national/regional	befo	ore the su	bmission dea	dline.	
official paperwork(s) to complete and sign					
at national/regional level					

Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	
Other important information	

# [Slovakia] – [SAS]

### CONTACT

Country / Region	Slovakia
Funding Organisation	Slovak Academy of Sciences (SAS)
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Zuzana Panisová, +421 2 575 10 245,
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### FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	240 000
Minimum or maximum funding per	Max. 120 000 € per project per 36 months
awarded project or Partner	

Eligible environment(s)	All (no restrictions)
Eligibility of a partner as a	SAS institutes
beneficiary institution	
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Eligible costs
	<ul> <li>Permanent salaries fixed rate 45k € (36 months)</li> <li>Direct costs – i.e. other personnel costs (max. 15% or max. 30% of direct costs if project coordination), consumables, travel costs, services, equipment (capital expenditures) max. 40% of direct costs</li> <li>Indirect costs – overheads max. 20% of direct costs</li> </ul>
	Not eligible costs
	<ul> <li>costs not related to the project implementation, e. g. marketing costs, product sales and distribution costs, interest on depts, costs of finance leasing, donations, catering, representation, building and premises reconstruction, elementary office furniture and equipment</li> </ul>
Should VAT be included in the budget	Yes
figures provided?	
Additional specific eligibility rules	• PI (PL respectively) must have more than 50% working time allocated in the SAS institute

	<ul> <li>Unless the conditions of the call specify otherwise, the project team members (except for PhD. students) must have a working contract with SAS institute</li> </ul>
INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	Document 1
	https://oms.sav.sk/wp- content/uploads/Pravidla-pre- schvalovanie-vyskumnych-projektov-MVTS- financovanych-zo-zdrojov-SAV 11-Nov- 2021-1.pdfDocument 2https://oms.sav.sk/wp-content/uploads/2- Financne-pravidla-na-udelovanie-grantov- SAV-na-medzinarodne-vyskumne- projekty.pdf

Submission of the pre- and full proposal at	Applicants are required to submit
the national/regional level and / or	Commitment Letter to SAS International
requirement in terms of national/regional	Cooperation Department by the
official paperwork(s) to complete and sign	Biodiversa+ Call deadline for pre-proposals.
at national/regional level	Template may be provided by FO contact
	point upon request.
Submission of financial and scientific	Funded projects are requested to submit
reports at the national/regional level	annual financial and scientific reports.
Other important information	It is highly recommended to contact FO
	prior to pre-proposal submission.
	Funded projects are requested to submit
	project consortium agreement, typically up
	to 6 months from the project start.

# [Slovenia] – [MIZS]

## CONTACT

Country / Region	Slovenia
Funding Organisation	Ministry of Education, Science and Sport /
	MIZS
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Katja Ceglar
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### FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	630 k€
Minimum or maximum funding per	Maximum requested budget per partner and
awarded project / partner	for all Slovenian partners within one
	consortium: 210 k€ / maximum requested
	budget per year: 70 k€
Funding:	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 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 198, 27. 6. 2014) and the national scheme for state aid in Research and Development: <i>Program za spodbujanje raziskav in razvoja Ministrstva za izobraževanja, znanost in šport na področju znanosti,</i> št 631-1/2016-7, 8.1.2016, applies.
	Maximum funding percentages for Fundamental/basic & Industrial/applied research: - Universities and research organisations 100 % - Large enterprises 65 %, - Medium enterprises 75 % - Small Enterprises 80 %

Eligible environment(s) Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Research organizations as defined in the national <u>Scientific Research and Innovation</u> <u>Activities Act</u> (Zakon o znanstvenoraziskovalni
beneficiary institution	Activities Act (Zakon o znanstvenoraziskovalni
	in inovacijski dejavnosti (Uradni list RS, št.
	186/21)). All participating institutions have to
	be registered in the Slovenian Research Agency
	register of research institutions (Informacijski
	sistem o raziskovalni dejavnosti v Sloveniji - SICRIS).
Eligibility of principal investigator and other	The project activities of each Slovenian partner
research team members	have to be under the supervision of the primary
	investigator/primary researcher who fulfills the
	requirements for project leader as defined in
	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,
	186/21-ZZrID))) and Methodology of Call
	proposal evaluation (spletna povezava:
	Metodologija ocenjevanja prijav na razpise). All
	participating researchers have to be <u>registered</u>
	in the Slovenian Research Agency register of
	researchers (SICRIS) and must have available
	research hours.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	MIZS 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 (Uradni list RS, št. 35/22)). Eligible costs are defined based on the FTE value according to the Slovenian
	Research Agency's research project categorization (A, B, C or D based on the research conducted).
	Eligible costs must be directly related to the research conducted and mandatory include all the following categories as elements of the FTE:
	- <u>personnel</u> (including social security, health, pension and other contributions according to national legislation);
	<ul> <li><u>material</u> (travel and meetings costs, consumables, dissemination and knowledge exchange costs, other costs);</li> <li><u>depreciation</u> costs.</li> </ul>

	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 20% for indirect costs). Providing the stipulated conditions are met, the Public Procurement Act (Zakon o javnem naročanju (Uradni list RS, št. 91/15, 14/18, 121/21, 10/22 in 74/22 – odl. US)) applies.
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	Yes
Additional specific eligibility rules	<ul> <li>Eligible type of research and TRL: basic/applied <ul> <li>for Slovenian partner TRL range: 2-6. The type</li> <li>of research conducted by Slovenian researchers</li> <li>must be defined and explained in the project</li> <li>proposal (e.g. in the Comments on budget</li> <li>section).</li> </ul> </li> <li>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 the date the national contract enters into effect. The exact duration of the project will be defined in the contract between MIZS and the selected Slovenian partner.</li> <li>Period of eligibility of public expenditures: As of budgetary year 2023 until the end of the budgetary year 2025.</li> </ul>

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	https://www.gov.si/drzavni-
	organi/ministrstva/ministrstvo-za-
	izobrazevanje-znanost-in-sport/javne-objave/

Submission of the pre- and full proposal at	No
the national/regional level and / or	
requirement in terms of national/regional	
official paperwork(s) to complete and sign	
at national/regional level	
Submission of financial and scientific	three times, each year after the end of the
reports at the national/regional level	annual project implementation
Other important information	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. All Slovenian applicants are strongly advised to contact the Slovenian National Contact Person / NCP.
Legal basis – national regulation	State Administration Act (Zakon o državni upravi (Uradni list RS, št. 113/05 - UPB4, 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, 82/21in 189/21)) - Article 16 and 39; Public Finance Act (Zakon o javnih financah (Uradni list RS, št. 11/11 - uradno prečiščeno besedilo, 14/13, 110/11 - ZDIU12, 46/13 - ZIPRS1314-A, 101/13, 101/13 - ZIPRS1415, 38/14 - ZIPRS1314-A, 14/15 - ZIPRS1415-D, 55/15 - ZFisP, 96/15 - ZIPRS1617, 80/16 - ZIPRS1718, 71/17 - ZIPRS1819, 13/18, 75/19 - ZIPRS2021, 36/20 - ZIUJP, 61/20 - ZDLGPE, 89/20, 195/20 - odl. US, 203/20 - ZIUPOPDVE, 174/20 - ZIPRS2122, 15/21 - ZDUOP))) - Article 106. j; Regulation on the procedure of standards and manners to allocate means for the promotion of the evolutional programme and the preferential tasks (Uredba o postopku, merilih in načinih dodeljevanja sredstev za spodbujanje razvojnih programov in prednostnih nalog (Uradni list RS, št. 56/11)); Implementation of the Republic of Slovenia's Budget for 2022 and 2023 Act (Zakon o izvrševanju proračunov Republike Slovenije za leti 2022 in 2023 (Uradni list RS, št. št. 187/21 in 206/21 - ZDUPŠOP)); Intergrity and Prevention of Corruption Act (Zakon o integriteti in preprečevanju korupcije (Uradni list RS, št. št. 69/11 - uradno prečiščeno besedilo, 158/20 in 3/22 - ZDeb)); Resolution on the Slovenian Scientific Research and Innovation Strategy 2030 (Resolucija o znanstvenoraziskovalni in inovacijski strategiji Slovenije 2030 (Uradni list RS, št. 49/22)); Decree on the scientific research funding from the budget of the Republic of Slovenia (Uredba o financiranju znanstevnoraziskovalne dejavnosti iz Proračuna Republike Slovenije (Uradni list RS, št. 35/22)), 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. 35/16 in 186/21 - ZZrID); Community Framework for State Aid for Research and Develo

Innovation the provisions of the Community
Framework for State Aid for Research and
Development and Innovation (OJ EU C 198, 27.
6. 2014) (Okvir za državno pomoč za raziskave in
razvoj ter inovacije (2014/C 198/01)); National
scheme for state aid in Research and
Development (Program za spodbujanje raziskav
in razvoja Ministrstva za izobraževanje, znanost
in šport na področju znanosti 2016-2020, št. 631-
1/2016-1 z dne 8. 1. 2016); National strategy of
open access to scientific publications and
research data in Slovenia 2015-2020 (Nacionalna
strategije odprtega dostopa do znanstvenih
objav in raziskovalnih podatkov v Sloveniji 2015-
2020, št. 60300-5/2015/5 z dne 3. 9. 2015).

## [South Africa] – [DSI]

## CONTACT

Country / Region	South Africa
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#### FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contributi on to the Call (in €)	€400 000,00			
Minimum	Minimum €80 000,00 per project.			
or maximum funding <u>per</u> awarded	South African applicants are strongly encouraged to reach out to the DSI's contact point for further information on the budget per project Besides, the following funding rate will apply:			
project or		Medium &	Small	Universities
<u>Partner</u>	Type of research	Large Enterprises	Enterprises	& Research Institutions
	Fundamental/Basic Research	80%	80%	90%
	Industrial/Applied Research	80%	80%	90%
	Experimental development	80%	80%	90%

Eligible environment(s)	All areas in the call	
Eligibility of a partner as a	This call is open to working researchers	
beneficiary institution	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.

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.

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.

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:

- 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).

Historically Disadvantaged Institutions and Individuals also refers to: SMEs owned by Black and Female Individuals

	The inclusion of emerging researchers and youth innovators is strongly encouraged.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	<b>Costs of personnel</b> DSI will cover personnel costs including MSc and PhD bursaries to be incurred during project implementation
	<b>Eligible costs</b> 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;
	<b>Travel and Daily subsistence allowance</b> <b>including accommodation</b> The DSI will cover travel costs in line with the guidelines of South African government regulations.
	<b>Consumables and supplies</b> 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.
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	Yes
Additional specific eligibility rules	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.

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Submission of the pre- and full proposal at	Applicants are advised to present their	
the national/regional level and / or	proposal outline to the DSI at least one	
requirement in terms of national/regional	month before submission. This is to allow	
official paperwork(s) to complete and sign	the DSI to ascertain the eligibility of the	
at national/regional level	project to qualify for funding. Failure to	
	liaise with the DSI may lead to automatic	
	disqualification of the project from being	
	funded.	
Submission of financial and scientific	Submission of reports will be outlined on	
reports at the national/regional level	agreements with successful applicants.	
Other important information	South African applicants may access the	
	National co-investment funding application	
	at https://esastap.org.za/open-calls/. 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	
	projects	
	projects	

## [Spain) – [AEI & FB]

## CONTACT

Country / Region	Spain		
Funding Organisation	Agencia Estatal de Fundación Biodiversida		
	Investigación (AEI)	(FB)	
Funding Organisation Contact	Patricia Vera Bravo		
Point(s)	Esther Chacón		
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	Sandra Blázquez		
	Carmen Gutiérrez		
	Javier Remiro		
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## FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

	Agencia Estatal de Investigación (AEI)	Fundación Biodiversidad (FB)	
Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	1,500,000,00€	1,000,000,00€	
Minimum or maximum funding <u>per</u> awarded project or Partner	The following <b>funding limits</b> (including direct + indirect costs) <b>are</b> considered eligibility criteria. Proposals not respecting these limits could be declared ineligible.		
	<ul> <li>N.B. a Partner requesting funding to AEI/FB is hereinafter referred as to "AEI/FB-recipient"</li> <li>If the consortium is NOT COORDINATED by an AEI/FB-recipient and: <ul> <li>there is only one AEI/FB-recipient in the proposal: €200,000</li> <li>there are two AEI/FB-recipients in the proposal, the amount for both Partners is: €250,000</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>If the consortium IS COOF recipient and:</li> <li>there is only one AEI/F acting as Coordinator:</li> </ul>	B-recipient in the proposal	

Agencia Estatal de Investigación (AEI) - there are two AEI/FB-r	Fundación Biodiversidad (FB) ecipients in the proposal	
and one of them is acting as Coordinator, the amount for both Partners is: €350,000		
IMPORTANT:		
same Proposal are al	<b>EI/FB-recipients</b> in the lowed, regardless of questing funding to the AEI	
• the direct costs in th rounded to the thou		
Centres formed by different be considered as a unique e maximum funding should no proposal established above centres).	ntity, and thus the ot exceed the limits per	
NEW!! Two centres or institutions belonging to the Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas (CSIC) will be treated as two separate partners one from another when one of them is acting as Coordinator of the proposal and their tasks and identity in the project are sufficiently separated and justified.		
The final funding will consid- evaluation of the collaborati quality of the Spanish group international collaboration a available.	ive proposal, the scientific , the added value of the	

	Agencia Estatal de Investigación (AEI)	Fundación Biodiversidad (FB)
Eligible environment(s)	No restrictions	Marine environments
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary	The <b>eligible entities for the AEI</b> funding are:	The <b>eligible entities for the FB</b> funding are:
institution	Non-profit research organizations (such as universities, public research institutions, technological centres and other private non- profit institutions performing RDI activities in Spain), as per PCI 2021-1 call. They must have	Non-profit research organizations (such as universities, public research institutions, technological centres and other private non-profit institutions performing RDI activities in Spain).

	Agencia Estatal de	Fundación Biodiversidad (FB)
<b></b>	Investigación (AEI)	
	been previously beneficiaries of	They must ensure contractual
	any of the AEI calls. They have	relationship with the Director of
	to ensure contractual	the project (Principal Investigator
	relationship with the Principal	or PI) during all the
	Investigator during all the	implementation of the project.
	implementation of the project.	Although private enterprises are
	Although private enterprises are	
	Although private enterprises are	not funded by AEI/FB, The
	not funded by AEI/FB, The	Spanish industrial sector is
	Spanish industrial sector is	welcome to participate in the
	welcome to participate in the	transnational consortia using
	transnational consortia using	their own funds or obtaining
	their own funds or obtaining	funds from innovation and
	funds from innovation and	technological development
	technological development	funding agencies. In case of an
	funding agencies. In case of an	equal assessment of two
	equal assessment of two	proposals involving AEI/FB-
	proposals involving AEI/FB-	recipients, AEI/FB will prioritize
	recipients, AEI/FB will prioritize	the funding of the proposal that
	the funding of the proposal that	includes the Spanish industrial
	includes the Spanish industrial	sector.
	sector.	
		The Spanish PIs must hold a PhD.
	The Spanish Principal	PIs must be eligible according to
	Investigators (PIs) must hold a	the national call and must have
	PhD.	experience as investigators in
	PIs must be eligible according to	projects funded by the Plan
	PCI <u>2021-1</u> call and must have	Nacional I+D+i 2008-2011, Plan
	experience as investigators in	Estatal I+D+i 2013-2016, the Plan
	projects funded by the Plan	Estatal I+D+i 2017-2020, Plan
	Nacional I+D+i 2008-2011, Plan	Estatal de Investigación Científica
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	Estatal I+D+i 2013-2016, the	y Técnica y de Innovación 2021-
	Plan Estatal I+D+i 2017-2020,	2023, ERC Grants, European
	Plan Estatal de Investigación	Framework Programmes or other
	Científica y Técnica y de	relevant national and
	Innovación 2021-2023, ERC	international programmes.
	Grants, European Framework	Incompatibilities (these must be
	Programmes or other relevant	considered when participating in
	national and international	different ERA-Nets, European
	programmes.	Cofunded Partnerships, or other
	Incompatibilities (these must be	international initiatives):
		international initiatives).
	considered when participating	<ul> <li>PIs will not be eligible for</li> </ul>
	in different ERA-Nets, European	funding if they apply (i) for
	Cofunded Partnerships, or other	more than one proposal in this
	international initiatives):	transnational call, or (ii) for any
	• PIs will not be eligible for	other call that the FB develops
	funding if they apply (i) to	in the framework of this
	more than one proposal in	European co-funded

	Agencia Estatal de Investigación (AEI)	Fundación Biodiversidad (FB)
	<ul> <li>this transnational joint call, (ii) to more than one proposal in the same PCI call and/or (iii) to PCI calls of consecutive years.</li> <li>If the same PI submits two or more proposals, they will all be declared ineligible, except one, without the possibility of changing the PI.</li> <li>A PI that has been granted a PCI the previous year will be declared ineligible, without the possibility of changing the PI.</li> <li>PIs must remain unchanged between the proposal of this transnational joint call and the national PCI call.</li> <li>The AEI will avoid double funding and will not grant projects or parts of projects already funded through other national or EU calls.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Partnership, while executing a project with funding from previous calls.</li> <li>If the same PI submits two or more proposals, they will all be declared ineligible, except one, without the possibility of changing the PI.</li> <li>PIs must remain unchanged between the proposal of this transnational joint call and the national call.</li> <li>The FB will avoid double funding and will not grant projects or parts of projects already funded through other national or EU calls.</li> </ul>
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>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.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>Direct costs such as current costs, small scientific equipment, disposable materials, travelling expenses. VAT could be non-eligible.</li> <li>Overheads (21% of direct costs, including outsourcing).</li> </ul>

	Agencia Estatal de Investigación (AEI)	Fundación Biodiversidad (FB)
	• Overheads (21% of direct costs, including outsourcing).	
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	No	No
Additional specific eligibility rules	N/A	N/A

	Agencia Estatal de Investigación (AEI)	Fundación Biodiversidad (FB)
INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	The requirements of <u>PCI 2021-1</u> will apply. Applicants are encouraged to carefully read the call.	The information will be available in the site: <u>https://fundacion-</u> <u>biodiversidad.es/es/relaciones-</u> <u>internacionales/proyectos-</u> <u>propios/biodiversa-partenariado-</u> <u>europeo-de-biodiversidad</u>
		Applicants are encouraged to carefully read the call.

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complete and sign at national/regional levelnational level, the Call will be managed by the Subdivisión de Programas Científico-Técnicos Transversales, Fortalecimiento y Excelencia (STRAN) of the AEI.other public ad with the aim of processing of t historical, stati of the Organic	of the full proposal nal level: NO <b>n:</b> a grant application applicants consent tion of the data ne application to dministrations, f further

	Agencia Estatal de Investigación (AEI)	Fundación Biodiversidad (FB)
	The instrument for funding the Spanish groups is the Spanish call on International Collaboration Projects (PCI)".The requirements of <u>PCI 2021-1</u> will apply. Applicants are encouraged to carefully read the call.	Protection and Guarantee of Digital Rights.
	Data Protection:	
	By submitting a grant application to the AEI, the applicants consent to communication of the data contained in the application to other public administrations, with the aim of further processing of the data for historical, statistical or scientific purposes, within the framework of the Organic Law 3/2018, of December 5, on Personal Data Protection and Guarantee of Digital Rights.	
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	YES	YES
Other important	Acknowledgement:	Acknowledgement:
information	Any publication or dissemination activity resulting from the granted projects <u>must</u> acknowledge funding by the Agencia Estatal de Investigación: "Project (reference nº XX) funded by the Agencia Estatal de Investigación through the PCI (year) call".	Any publication or dissemination activity resulting from the granted projects <u>must</u> acknowledge funding by the Fundación Biodiversidad: "With the support of the Biodiversity Foundation of the Ministry for the Ecological Transition and the Demographic Challenge".

## [Spain] – [CDTI]

## CONTACT

Country / Region	Spain	
Funding Organisation	CDTI	
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	) Héctor González	
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## FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	300.000 euros.
Minimum or maximum funding per	N/A
awarded project or Partner	

Eligible environment(s)	All (no restrictions)
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	For-profit enterprises (large or SMEs) established and carrying out RTDI activities
	in Spain. Other entities such as Universities, Public Research Institutions, Technological Centres, and other not-for-profit private institutions are not eligible.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Projects should support transnational collaboration; therefore, no single participant or country can exceed 70% of the total project costs.
	<ul> <li>Eligible costs</li> <li>Staff costs related to technical staff directly involved in the R&amp;D project. Project management costs, max. 58 hours per month (approximately 0,4PM)</li> <li>Instrument and equipment costs</li> <li>Implementation costs e.g., technical knowledge, patents, or consultancy</li> </ul>

	services, intended exclusively for the
	research project and procured from external sources at market price.
	<ul> <li>Other costs including goods and services</li> </ul>
	to be used exclusively for the research
	project e.g.: (national) audit costs max
	2.000€ per year/beneficiary, travel costs
	associated with the implementation of
	the project, (8.000€ max. for the
	duration of the project).
	Overheads (indirect costs as a percentage of
	personnel costs) are calculated authomatically
Should VAT be included in the budget	by CDTI's electronic submission system.
figures provided?	110
Additional specific eligibility rules	
Additional specific engineering rules	CDTI will only fund technology-based activities within industrial research and/or experimental
	development projects (in accordance with the
	definitions of the General Block Exemption
	Regulation, EC Regulation nº651/2014)
	representing outstanding scientific-technical
	quality and high innovative potential.
	Please note that non-technological activities e.g.
	developing new business models, are excluded
	from CDTI funding.
	R&D activities to be financed must belong to
	TRL 4-7 range and be implemented in Spain.

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	Centro para el Desarrollo Tecnológico Industrial
	/ Internacionalización de la I+D+I /
	Partenariados Cofund Horizonte Europa
	(cdti.es)

Submission of the pre- and full proposal at the national/regional	Each Spanish company participating in a project and requesting funding from CDTI, must apply via CDTI's
level and / or requirement in terms	electronic submission system ( <u>https://sede.cdti.gob.es).</u>
of national/regional official paperwork(s) to complete and sign at national/regional level	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 <i>Type of research funded</i> and <i>Eligible costs</i> sections in this table).
	Deadline to complete CDTI's application process: 9/11/2022.

national/regional level Other important information	https://www.cdti.es/index.asp?MP=100&MS=919&MN=2 The financial commitments of the CDTI that would finance the projects selected internationally, are always subject to budget availability of the CDTI.
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the	Implementation and monitoring guidelines for approved projects are available
	Please note that failing to comply with the national application process by the deadline, will deem the company ineligible to participate in the call.
	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.

## [Sweden] – [SEPA & SNSA]

### CONTACT

Country / Region	Sv	veden
Funding Organisation	Swedish EPA	Swedish National
		Space Agency (SNSA)
Funding Organisation Contact Point(s)	Hannah Östergård Roswall, Neda	Tobias Edman, +46840907780,
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### FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

	SEPA	SNSA
Funding contribution to the	500,000	1,450,000€
Call (in €)		
Minimum or maximum	225,000€ per awarded	225,000€ per awarded
funding <u>per</u>	project	project (and minimum
awarded project or Partner		100,000€)

Eligible environment(s)	All (no restrictions)
Eligibility of a partner as a	An approved administrating organisation
beneficiary institution	must:
	• be a juridical person with a Swedish
	corporate identity number
	("organisationsnummer") and be located in
	Sweden
	<ul> <li>conduct documented research activities</li> </ul>
	and fulfil the general conditions for
	research grants.
	<ul> <li>guarantee academic freedom within the</li> </ul>
	assignment
	<ul> <li>ensure that the results are openly</li> </ul>
	accessible to other researchers, the
	Swedish EPA,
	SwAM, other authorities, companies, and
	the public. Ensure that a data
	management plan is available and is kept
	uppdated

	<ul> <li>not conduct financial activity. For an organisation that conducts both financial and non-financial activities, it can only be an administrating organisation if the funds are used in the non-financial activities. The accounts must be separated from each other.</li> <li>Your organisation must be approved as an administrating organisation and have an organisational account in PRISMA. If your organisation is an approved administrating organisation must still apply to become an administrating organisation for the Swedish EPA. You will</li> </ul>
	find organisations that are approved in the application form in PRISMA. If your organisation is not included, a qualified representative can apply for an organisational account in PRISMA. The application will be processed by the Swedish EPA. We recommend that you apply early in the process as it may take time to be approved.
	See further in <b>chapter 2</b> General instructions in <u>Instructions for applicants</u> for the Swedish EPA – only § 2 General instructions apply except for registration of proposals in PRISMA that will be done post funding decision for funded projects only.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	For other costs, running costs are specified, such as laboratory work, field work, analyses, travel as well as materials and equipment costs. SEPA nor SNSA do not finance unreasonably expensive equipment. Minimal environmental and climate impact and maximum environmentally friendly profile should always be pursued. Any travel should have as little environmental impact as possible and be carried out in a cost- and time- efficient manner. If possible, use trains and local public transport.
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	No
Additional specific eligibility rules	Eligible to apply for research funding is a

	degree no later than the last to the pre- proposal application day for the call.
	The final reporting from applicants and co- applicants' prior projects (funded by the Swedish EPA), where the project period has expired, must have been received by the Swedish EPA and approved before a new application can be granted.
	You do not have to be employed by the administrating organisation at the time of application, but if financed you need to be employed.

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	Instructions for applicants – only § 2 General instructions apply except for registration of proposals in PRISMA that will be done post funding decision for funded projects only.

Submission of the pre- and full proposal at	No submission of Biodiversa+ BiodivMon
the national/regional level and / or	pre- and full proposals on the national level.
requirement in terms of national/regional	
official paperwork(s) to complete and sign at national/regional level	However, your organisation must be approved as an administrating organisation and have an organisational account in PRISMA (see, eligibility rules above).
	SEPA and SNSA will apply post-registration of projects decided for funding will be applied in PRISMA.
Submission of financial and scientific	Scientific reports at the national level shall
reports at the national/regional level	be submitted annually during the project.
	Financial report at the national level should
	be submitted at the end of the project
Other important information	The application must include at least one
	work package on earth observation
	applications ( <b>By the Swedish partner</b> ).

## [Switzerland] – [SNSF]

### CONTACT

Country / Region	Switzerland
Funding Organisation	Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF)
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## FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	1'830'000
Minimum or maximum funding per	n.a.
awarded project or Partner	

Eligible environment(s)	All (no restrictions)
Eligibility of a partner as a	Applicants must comply with the <u>SNSF</u>
beneficiary institution	Funding regulations
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Eligible costs are outlined in the <u>SNSF</u>
	Funding regulations and the SNSF General
	Implementation Regulations
	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.
	Overhead contributions are paid in
	retrospect at a flat rate to the institutions
	of the SNSF awardees.
Should VAT be included in the budget	Yes
figures provided?	
Additional specific eligibility rules	Projects must comply with <u>SNSF</u>
	Regulations on Project Funding.
	All Swiss applicants and co-applicants (Swiss partners) requesting financial

<b>support from the SNSF</b> must fulfil the eligibility criteria for applicants of SNSF Project Funding outlined in the <u>SNSF</u> <u>Regulations on Project Funding.</u>
Participation of Swiss 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.
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 involved in the research work do not enjoy scientific independence.
Proposals with overlapping funding periods with ongoing SNSF projects are only approved if the research projects pursue different goals (Article 17 of the <u>SNSF Funding Regulations</u> ).
Grants will be managed according to <u>SNSF</u> <u>Funding regulations</u> .

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	Open Calls
	SNSF Funding regulations
	General Implementation Regulations
	SNSF Regulations on Project Funding

Submission of the pre- and full proposal at	Mandatory, parallel submission of pre- and
the national/regional level and / or	full-proposal via mySNF
requirement in terms of national/regional	Swiss partners must submit pre-proposals
official paperwork(s) to complete and sign	and full proposals via mySNF at the same
at national/regional level	submission deadline of the consortium

	application. These submissions are mandatory and do not replace the submission of the consortium application to the Call Secretariat.
	<ul> <li>Pre-proposal forms are created by selecting "Projects: Partnership: BiodiversA+: Preproposal".</li> <li>Full-proposal forms are created by selecting "Projects: Partnership: BiodiversA+: Full proposal" and are to be linked to the preproposal by selecting its number in the data container "Relation to pre-proposal".</li> </ul>
	In case of multiple Swiss partners participating in the same consortium, only one application is to be submitted on mySNF, whereby one Swiss partner must act as "corresponding applicant" and the other Swiss partners are to be listed as "other applicants".
	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 the submission via mySNF, they are to be declared as "consortium partners" instead and must apply for their funding at their respective research funding organisation.
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	Yearly, <b>financial reports</b> must be submitted to the SNSF via <i>my</i> SNF.
	As <b>final scientific report</b> , the SNSF requests the submission of the final scientific report submitted to the Biodiversa+ Call Secretariat. No other scientific reports are requested.
Other important information	Material checkBesides the eligibility check, the SNSFproceeds to a material check of theapplication. This refers to the applicants'experience and research activity over theyears in relation to the project as well asthe demonstration of their scientificindependence (Art. 4, SNSF Fundingregulations).
	Several overlapping SNSF projects

All projects must significantly distinguish
themselves from each other (Art. 17, <u>SNSF</u>
Funding regulations).
Project duration: 12 to 36 months
Data management plan
You will have to complete the DMP on
mySNF 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.

## [Taiwan] – [NSTC]

## CONTACT

Country / Region	Taiwan
Funding Organisation	National Science and Technology Council
	(NSTC)
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### FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	0.81 M€
Minimum or maximum funding per	Maximum funding per project is 90 000
awarded project or Partner	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.

Eligible environment(s)	All (no restrictions)
Eligibility of a partner as a	In compliance with the NSTC's regulation
beneficiary institution	'Operation Guidelines for NSTC Research
	Grants':
	<ul> <li>Applicant institutions (i.e., research</li> </ul>
	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:
	1. Taiwanese public/private colleges and
	universities;

	2. Taiwana a wukii / wiwata waaa wak
	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	Yes
figures provided?	
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

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	<ul> <li>No official national application is needed in the preproposal or full proposal phase. But must notify the national contact person in the Ministry of Science and Technology of your submission to the Biodiversa+ joint transnational call via email, together with your application as an attachment.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>The proposals are required to be submitted to NSTC for funding as soon as possible as the internal process of the NSTC for application of the submitted to NSTC for funding through the Biodiversa for an approved for funding through the Biodiversa for a submitted to NSTC for funding as soon as possible as the internal process of the NSTC for approximation of the submitted to here the submitted to here the process of the NSTC for approximation of the submitted to here the submitted to here the process of the NSTC for funding as soon as possible as the internal process of the NSTC for funding through the submitted to here the process of the NSTC for funding through the submitted to here the process of the NSTC for funding through the submitted to here the process of the NSTC for funding through the submitted to here the process of the NSTC for funding through the submitted to here the process of the NSTC for funding through the submitted to here the process of the NSTC for funding through the submitted to here the process of the NSTC for funding through the submitted to here the process of the NSTC for funding through the submitted to here the process of the NSTC for funding through the submitted to here the process of the NSTC for funding through the submitted to here the process of the NSTC for funding through the submitted to here the process of the NSTC for funding through the submitted to here the process of the NSTC for funding there there the process of the NSTC for funding through through t</li></ul>
Submission of financial and	NSTC generally takes 6 months. Please refer to:
scientific reports at the national/regional level	https://www.nstc.gov.tw/folksonomy/list/f6d5c23c-b3ce-438e- 911b-12a705dbac5a?l=ch
Other important information	Please refer to: <u>https://www.nstc.gov.tw/folksonomy/rfpDetail/c1a582ae-</u> 95bc-4449-908f-590d6cb409ea?l=ch

## [Tunisia] – [MHESR]



### CONTACT

Country / Region	Tunisia
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### FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	300 000 €
Minimum or maximum funding per	Max requested budget per project:
awarded project or Partner	100 000 € (36 months)

Eligible environment(s)	All (No restrictions)
Eligibility of a partner as a	The Ministry of Higher Education and
beneficiary institution	Scientific Research (MHESR) will fund
	activities, which will be carried out by
	research teams belonging to one or more
	MHESR research structures.
	This call is open to Tunisian public research
	entities:
	- institutes or centres and universities
	- laboratory / units of research
	- SMEs, NGO, are encouraged to
	participate in the project but they are not
	eligible to receive funding from MHESR

Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	The Tunisian principal investigator of the project should be a: - Professor; - Associate Professor; - Assistant Professor. - Travel and daily allowances, - Other operating expenses directly related to the project - Small equipment, logistics and consumables - Contract provide services (non-permanent staff): should not exceed 20% of the total budget - Organization of scientific events and meetings Infrastructure equipment, project management fees, permanent staff contract and consultant fees will not be accommodated under this program.
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	Yes
Additional specific eligibility rules	<ul> <li>Applicants are encouraged to submit proposals involving: <ul> <li>at least one socio-economic partner eligible for MHESR funding such as technical centers,</li> <li>SMEs, NGO, These organizations are not eligible to receive funding from MHESR</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	www.mes.tn http://horizon2020tunisia.org/
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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	No
Submission of financial and scientific	The release of the second year and the third
reports at the national/regional level	year of the project budgets will be made
	after the evaluation of the annual report of

	the project. A final evaluation will be achieved at the end of the project. 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.
Other important information	Minimum and/or maximum project duration: <b>3 years</b>

## [Turkey] – [TAGEM]

## CONTACT

Country / Region	Turkey
Funding Organisation	Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry,
	General Directorate of Agricultural
	Research and Policies (TAGEM)
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## FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

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Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	200.000€
Minimum or maximum funding per	NA
awarded project or Partner	

Eligible environment(s)	All (no restrictions)
Eligibility of a partner as a	All of the TAGEM institutes (INSTITUTES
beneficiary institution	(tarimorman.gov.tr) and all of universities
	from Turkey
	General Directorates of Agricultural Research
	and Policies (TAGEM) is connected to the
	Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry and has
	48 Research Institutes, 8 veterinary control
	institutes throughout the country. All of these
	Institutes are eligible to benefit from our fund,
	Information regarding institutes could be
	accessed through the link ( <u>INSTITUTES</u>
	(tarimorman.gov.tr). If universities from f
	universities from Turkey collaborate with
	one of TAGEM's institutes (Institute has to

	be a partner in the project consortium and university subcontracted), it is eligible as well.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	NA
Should VAT be included in the budget	Yes
figures provided?	
Additional specific eligibility rules	NA

INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	<u>ERA-NET Cofund Projeleri Ortak Çağrı Duyurusu</u> (tarimorman.gov.tr)

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	After approval of the project(s), progress
reports at the national/regional level	reports need to be submitted to TAGEM
	every 6 months.
Other important information	NA

# [Turkey] – [TÜBİTAK]

## CONTACT

Country / Region	TÜRKİYE
Funding Organisation	The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Türkiye (TÜBİTAK)
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### FUNDING CONTRIBUTION AND BUDGET CAPS

Funding contribution to the Call (in €)	350,000 €		
Minimum or maximum funding <u>per</u> awarded project or Partner (TBC)	<ul> <li>1.500.000 TL per project (excluding Project Incentive Payment and Overhead costs),</li> <li>Per partner;</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Higher education institutions, training and research hospitals and public institutions and organisations 1.000.000 TL (excluding Project Incentive Payment and Overhead costs)</li> <li>Private entities: 1.500.000 TL</li> </ul>		

Eligible environment(s)	No restrictions in terms of themes or
	environments
Eligibility of a partner as a	<ul> <li>Higher education institutions,</li> </ul>
beneficiary institution	<ul> <li>Training and research hospitals,</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Public institutions</li> </ul>
	and organisations,
	<ul> <li>SMEs and large companies established in</li> </ul>
	Türkiye
	Project applications from General Directorates of Agricultural Research and Policies (TAGEM) will not be funded by TÜBİTAK.

Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Personnel,travel, equipment/tool/software, consultancy and service procurement, consumables are eligible for funding.		
Should VAT be included in the budget figures provided?	Yes		
Additional specific eligibility rules	TÜBİTAK "1071 Programme for Increasing Capacity to Benefit from International Research Funds and Participation in International R&D Cooperation" will be implemented. Please follow the rules that will be specified in the national call announcement.		
INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:	For detailed information, national call announcement should be followed. ( <u>https://tubitak.gov.tr/</u> ).		

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Submission of the pre- and full	In the scope of ARDEB_1071 Suppo	•	
proposal at the national/regional	applicants should follow the announcements		
level and / or requirement in terms of	regarding the call under the offic	ial website of	
national/regional official	TUBITAK ( <u>https://tubitak.gov.tr/</u> ).		
paperwork(s) to complete and sign at	For further information, applicants sh		
national/regional level	announcements regarding this call under the official		
	website of TUBITAK.		
	Project coordinator, researchers and advisors must be		
	registered to "Researcher Information System		
	(ARBIS)" and their info must	be updated.	
	(https://arbis.tubitak.gov.tr)		
Submission of financial and scientific	In the scope of ARDEB_1071 Support Programme		
reports at the national/regional level	applicants should follow the announcements		
	regarding the call under the official website of		
	TUBITAK ( <u>https://tubitak.gov.tr/</u> ).		
Other important information	Maximum funding percentages:		
		Funding	
		Rates	
	Large Enterprises	60%	
	Small and Medium Enterprises	75%	
	Higher education institutions,		
	training and research hospitals and		
	public institutions and	100%	
	organisations (including city,	100%	
	metropolitan and district		
	municipalities)		
	Associations without economic		
	activities, NGOs*	-	

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