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1.7	28.10.2024	Portugal (FCT)	Update whole national regulations

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AUSTRIA

	Funding Organisation:	**Austrian Science Fund** FWF Austrian Science Fund
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Funded modalities	Joint Transnational Call (JTC) ☒	
	Early Career Researchers Call (ECR) ☐	
	We do NOT fund the Early Career Researchers Call	
Eligible Institutions	All Austrian research institutions are eligible to apply. Research institutions must be registered in the FWF's research institution portal. The proposed research must be carried out in Austria under the auspices of the Austrian lead research institution. Applications are submitted by the research institution where the project is to be carried out.	
Eligible Applicants	The principal investigator must be employed at the Austrian research institution applying for funding at the time the project is scheduled to begin. The principal investigator must have appropriate scientific qualifications as described in the general FWF Application Guidelines.	
Eligible Costs	Project-specific costs are eligible for funding. These include personnel and non-personnel costs that are needed to carry out the project and that are not included in the infrastructure provided by the research institution (for more information please see section 2.3 of the Guidelines). The FWF does not finance the infrastructure or basic equipment of research institutions. In addition, funding may be requested for project-specific work at the associated research institution(s) where associated research partner(s) work. Associated research partners are researchers working on a project-specific basis at other Austrian research institutions (associated research institutions) and who are making a significant scientific/scholarly contribution to the project. The *Associated Research Partner* form must be completed for these researchers, if applicable. Funds are disbursed from the lead research institution to the associated research institution(s). Associated research institutions report directly to the FWF to account for funds used at their institution.	

	For information on applying for personnel costs for the principal investigator's own salary, please see section 2.3.1.1 of the Guidelines. Please note that exaggerated cost projections may be grounds for rejection, even if a proposal is otherwise excellent.	
Funding Commitment	**Total Amount for the Call (national contribution)**	**Maximum Amount Per Proposal**
	800.000 EUR	**400.000 EUR**
Other Funding Criteria		
Relevant documents	In addition to the application submitted to the Call Secretariat, pre-proposals including FWF-specific administrative information must also be registered online with the FWF at https://elane.fwf.ac.at by **November 13, 2024, 2:00 pm CET.** Pre-proposals can be registered starting September 12, 2024, under the program category "PIK – International Programs draft proposal." For the full proposal stage, applicants must choose the program category "PIN – International Programs". Both steps are mandatory. Please note that applications are only valid once they have been approved for submission by the research institution on the submission portal in due time before the specified deadline.	
Additional Info	Principal Investigator Projects (P or PAT), International Programs (I, PIN), pre-proposals for Intenational Projects (IK, PIK), Clinical Research (KLIF), and the Arts-Based Research Program (PEEK): A researcher can be named as principal investigator in a maximum of three ongoing/approved projects and applications at a time. For example, if two projects are already ongoing/approved in the abovenamed programs, a researcher can submit only one further application (including PIK). If a researcher is named as principal investigator in three ongoing/approved projects in one of the programs named above, they may participate in a further application to one of the programs named above (including PIK) no earlier than 12 months before the end of one of the ongoing projects.	
Useful Links	Application guidelines Principal Investigator Project (PROFI mode) (fwf.ac.at)	

BELGIUM

	Funding Organisation:	**VLAIO** FLANDERS INNOVATION & ENTREPRENEURSHIP / Flanders State of the Art
National Contact Point (NCP)	**Name:**	**Email and Phone:**
	Kathleen Goris	Kathleen.Goris@vlaio.be **+32 (0)2 432 42 82**
Funded modalities	Joint Transnational Call (JTC) ☒	
	Early Career Researchers Call (ECR) ☐	
	We do NOT fund the Early Career Researchers Call. Regional eligibility rules apply.	
Eligible Institutions	See "eligible Applicants" section	
Eligible Applicants	VLAIO is involving the Research and Innovation Programme. Therefore the involvement of at least one private company (SME or large company) based in Flanders is mandatory (with the possibility to cooperate with research organizations).	
Eligible Costs	Personnel costs and related direct and indirect costs according to VLAIO rules.	
Funding Commitment	**Total Amount for the Call (national contribution)**	**Maximum Amount Per Proposal**
	800.000 EUR (excluding EC top up)	**500.000 EUR**
Other Funding Criteria	Applicants should motivate how the realization of the project will create added value for the company and for Flanders. Subsidies for this call range from: 40-60% for development projects; 65-70% for research projects	
Relevant documents	An annex is to be submitted together with the international project proposal to Flanders Innovation and Entrepreneurship.	

	The annex(es) must be read together with the international project proposal. For this reason, the focus of this annex should only be on the role of your (Flemish) company in the project, the nature of the activities to be carried out by the Flemish partners and the impact of the project results for your company in particular.
Additional Info	**It is advised to contact VLAIO before submission (see contact point above), in order to avoid ineligible projects and consortia.**
Useful Links	Application process for research project grant | Flanders innovation & entrepreneurship (vlaio.be) The template annex for international and interregional projects can be found under the documents section. The template budget application can also be found here. Subsidies voor O&O&I in een internationaal consortium | Agentschap Innoveren en Ondernemen (vlaio.be) https://www.vlaio.be/nl/nieuws/nieuwe-modaliteiten-voor-deelname-aan-internationale-en-interregionale-oproepen

BELGIUM (Flanders)

	Funding Organisation:	**The Research Foundation – Flanders (FWO)**
National Contact Point (NCP)	**Name:**	**Email and Phone:**
	Toon Monbaliu (general) **Kristien Peeters (SBO)**	**+32 (0)2 550 15 70** **+32 (0)2 550 15 95** **europe@fwo.be**
Funded modalities	Joint Transnational Call (JTC) ☒	
	Early Career Researchers Call (ECR) ☒	
	The national eligibility rules for the proposals applying in the Joint Transnational Call and in the Early Career Researcher Call are the same and stated in this national annex.	
Eligible Institutions	The FWO integrates two of its national/regional funding channels within this multilateral framework. The choice of FWO funding channel depends on the type of project the researchers from Flanders wish to undertake (i.e. fundamental in nature vs. strong valorization potential). The scope and the eligibility of institutions and its researchers can be verified in the relevant chosen funding channel regulations, which can be consulted on the FWO website: - FWO Research Projects (FO) - Strategic Basic Research (SBO) Or by contacting the FWO contact points mentioned above.	
Eligible Applicants	See 'Eligible Institutions' section above for the general eligibility criteria linked to participation in the '**Joint Transnational Call' (JTC)** and '**Early Career Researcher call' (ECR)**.	

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The FWO foresees a budget of 700.000 EUR, which guarantees at least two projects.
The respective funding channel regulations apply (see links to national rules above: ‘Eligible Institutions’ section), and both are capped at max. 350.000 EUR per project/consortium (incl. overhead, for which the calculation method diverges per funding channel - see explanation below).
For the overhead calculation, the fundamental (FO) and strategic research projects (SBO) use the same approach. A structural overhead rate should be applied on the project costs, with an overhead rate of 6% for ‘FO projects’, and a 17% overhead rate for ‘SBO projects’. Some practical examples:

➢ <u>FO:</u> the sum of all costs (personnel, consumables, travel, subcontracting, etc.) amounts to 200.000 EUR, then the overhead will amount to 12.000 EUR (6% of 200.000 EUR) and the total requested cost is 212.000 EUR. This total requested cost may never exceed the max. available amount of 350.000 EUR.
➢ <u>SBO:</u> the sum of all costs (personnel, consumables, travel, subcontracting, etc.) amounts to 200.000 EUR, then the overhead will amount to 34.000 EUR (17% of 200.000 EUR) and the total requested cost is 234.000 EUR. This total requested cost may never exceed the max. available amount of 350.000 EUR.

Overhead should be mentioned in the Water4All budget tables, but it should <u>not</u> be inserted in the national/regional FWO pre-registration form on the FWO E-loket (see below under ‘Other Funding Criteria’).
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!! IMPORTANT !!

Applicants for FWO funding must submit a mandatory administrative application via the FWO E-loket.

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	For fundamental research projects (FO) select the application type: 'Research projects – European programme fundamental research'. For strategic basis research projects (SBO) select the application type: 'Research projects – European programme strategic basic research'. In case the consortium includes more than one partner requesting funding from FWO, a single online form should be submitted by the main PI (promotor(-spokesperson)) itself, containing all relevant information for the different Flemish partners. **The deadline to submit this administrative application to the FWO is identical to the deadline of the joint transnational call** (pre-proposal stage). To ensure the eligibility of the proposal, it is recommended to consult the FWO administration at least one week in advance. Failure to comply with these requirements can lead to ineligibility. ○ Participation in this call does not interfere with the 'regular/national' project submission framework, and is consequently not taken into account for calculating the max. available number of new applications and running projects combined. **However, researchers can only participate within 2 different international consortia in this call as partner, or only in one project if they take up the role as coordinator.** ○ Projects aiming at the development of a spin-off company are not eligible in this context. ○ The project duration is limited to 36 months, which implies the funding has to be budgeted and spent accordingly. An automatic prolongation and using positive (financial) balances after the end date is not applicable in this framework. As such article 28 of the FWO Research Projects and article 14 of the Strategic Basic Research (SBO) regulations do not apply here. ○ The PI, for each of the participating institutions applying for FWO funds, must hold an **appointment that fully covers the duration of the research project.** ○ Linked to the above, when it comes to the FWO research project regulations (FO): article 10, §7 is not applicable in this call. I.e. supervisors (-spokespersons), or coordinators/consortium partners in this context, who are granted **emeritus status** during the calendar year of submission of the project application or during the duration of the project execution, are **not eligible**.

Relevant documents	A **mandatory administrative application via the FWO** e-portal **is an essential part of the application process** (see 'Other Funding Criteria').
Additional Info	It is **strongly advised** to approach the FWO contact points ('NCP') mentioned above, in order not to jeopardize any research projects/consortia.
Useful Links	https://www.fwo.be/en/support-programmes/european-framework-programme/horizon-europe-cofund-partnerships/

BELGIUM

	Funding Organisation:	F.R.S.-FNRS fnrs LA LIBERTÉ DE CHERCHER
National Contact Point (NCP)	**Name:**	**Email and Phone:**
	Fonds de la Recherche Scientifique - FNRS	Mr. Joël GROENEVELD +32 2 504 9270 joel.groeneveld@frs-fnrs.be
Funded modalities	Joint Transnational Call (JTC) ☒	
	Early Career Researchers Call (ECR) ☒	
	The national eligibility rules for the proposals applying in the Joint Transnational Call and in the Early Career Researcher Call are the same and stated in this national annex.	
Eligible Institutions	**All eligibility rules and criteria can be found in the PINT-MULTI regulations.**	
Eligible Applicants		
Eligible Costs		
Funding Commitment	**Total Amount for the Call (national contribution)**	**Maximum Amount Per Proposal**
	300.000 EUR	**300.000 EUR**
Other Funding Criteria	**300.000 EUR** for a total period of three years. If the project involves the recruitment of a PhD student, the project duration of the F.R.S.-FNRS sub-project could be up to four years. Since this is a co-financed call, this extra year should not be included in the proposal à see article III.6 of the **PINT-MULTI regulations.**	
Relevant documents	**PINT-MULTI regulations.**	

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Additional Info	• Please note that personnel costs (Article III.6) have an annual average cap of **80.000 EUR** for this call. • For "overhead" costs: Operating expenses: up to 1% within the granted budget. This percentage should be included in the requested operating budget. Personnel: up to 2% outside of the granted budget. This percentage will be paid upon reimbursement of expenses to institutions by the F.R.S.-FNRS. Please check the **Practical guide on costs** for any other questions. • Applicants to F.R.S.-FNRS funding must provide basic administrative data by submitting an administrative application on **e-space** within 5 working days after the general deadline of WATER4ALL call to be eligible. Please select the "PINT-MULTI" funding instrument when creating the administrative application. Proposals invited to the second stage will be able to complete the pre-proposal form and provide information for the full proposal upon validation by the F.R.S.-FNRS.
Useful Links	Projets internationaux (frs-fnrs.be)

BRAZIL

	Funding Organisation:	**CONFAP - Brazilian National Council of State Funding Agencies**
National Contact Point (NCP)	**Name:**	**Email and Phone:**
	Elisa Natola	Participation to the Call: internacional.confap@gmail.com Contact points the involved FAPs are detailed below.
Funded modalities	Joint Transnational Call (JTC) ☒	
	Early Career Researchers Call (ECR) ☒	
	The national eligibility rules for the proposals applying in the Joint Transnational Call and in the Early Career Researcher Call are the same and stated in this national annex. In both cases, specific rules of the participating FAPs must be verified.	
Eligible Institutions	Public or private (non-profit) Higher Education and Research Institutions, Scientific Institutions, Technology and Innovation Institutions, eligible for the involved state funding agencies.	
Eligible Applicants	Applicants must have a doctoral or equivalent degree and be linked to a Research Institution located in Brazilian States participating in the call and have scientific or technological production evaluated by Curriculum (Lattes Curriculum).	
Eligible Costs	As a general rule, Brazilian Funding Agencies finance scholarships, mobility and grants, related to scientific, technological and innovation projects. Eligible costs may vary, depending on the involved FAP.	
Funding Commitment	**Total Amount for the Call (national contribution)**	**Maximum Amount Per Proposal**
	Total amount: **1.650.000 EUR** Additional budget to be confirmed. The contribution provided by each participating State Funding Agency (FAP) is detailed below	Detailed for each participating State Funding Agency - FAP in item below: "Additional Info", indicating within the maximum budget, the maximum number of projects which may be supported (if applicable).

		Applicants must verify with the funding agency involved, the maximum amount, also in local currency.
Other Funding Criteria	Applicants must necessarily comply to the specific eligibility rules and financing modalities, which shall be defined and informed by the participating FAPs.	
Relevant documents	Specific Guidelines may be published by the participating FAPs.	
Additional Info	Brazilian applicants may be supported by the following State Funding Agencies - FAPs, supporting the present call. Applicants based in the States participating to the call should firstly consult their respective FAPs. **Details on the Brazilian State Funding Agencies supporting the call, including amount of total funding, maximum number of projects (when defined), and contacts in the respective FAPs:**	

	FAPs	State	Budget EUR	Max. number of projects within the max. allocated budget	Contacts
1	**Fundação Araucária**	Paraná	240.000	5	internacionalizacao@fundacaoaraucaria.org.br
2	**FACEPE**	Pernambuco	20.000	1	helen.khoury@facepe.br international@facepe.br
3	**FAPDF**	Distrito Federal	20.000	2	veridianne.nery@fap.df.gov.br
4	**FAPEAL**	Alagoas	20.000	1	pesquisafapeal@gmail.com
5	**FAPEAM**	Amazonas	40.000	2	internacionalizacao@fapeam.am.gov.br
6	**FAPEAP**	Amapá	20.000	1	fapeapcct@gmail.com
7	**FAPEMA**	Maranhão	25.000	3	isaura.modesto@fapema.br
8	**FAPEMAT**	Mato Grosso	TBC	TBC	TBC
9	**FAPEMIG**	Minas Gerais	100.000	3	nci@fapemig.br

	10	**FAPEPI**	Piauí	20.000	1	helano.pinheiro@fapepi.pi.gov.br
	11	**FAPERGS**	Rio Grande do Sul	50.000	2	dec@fapergs.rs.gov.br
	12	**FAPERJ**	Rio de Janeiro	100.000	3	assessoria.internacional@faperj.br
	13	**FAPES**	Espírito Santo	100.000	2	parcerias@fapes.es.gov.br
	14	**FAPESB**	Bahia	100.000	2	adriele.almeida@fapesb.ba.gov.br
	15	**FAPESC**	Santa Catarina	100.000	2	internacional@fapesc.sc.gov.br
	16	**FAPESP**	São Paulo	600.000	Not defined	vsubinas@fapesp.br
	17	**FAPESPA**	Pará	50.000	1	assessoriainternacional@fapespa.pa.gov.br
	18	**FAPESQ**	Paraíba	20.000	1	programas-projetos@fapesq.rpp.br
	19	**FAPT**	Tocantins	TBC	TBC	TBC
	20	**FUNDECT**	Mato Grosso do Sul	25.000	1	internacional@fundect.ms.gov.br

*Other FAPs may still confirm their support

Useful Links

CONFAP website: confap.org.br

Links to FAPs websites – for more details on eligibility rules:

1. Fundação Araucária: http://www.fappr.pr.gov.br
2. FACEPE: http://www.facepe.br
3. FAPDF: https://www.fap.df.gov.br/
4. FAPEAL: http://fapeal.br
5. FAPEAM: http://www.fapeam.am.gov.br
6. FAPEAP: http://www.fapeap.ap.gov.br
7. FAPEMA: https://www.fapema.br
8. FAPEMAT: https://www.fapemat.mt.gov.br/
9. FAPEMIG: http://www.fapemig.br
10. FAPEPI: http://www.fapepi.pi.gov.br/
11. FAPERGS: https://fapergs.rs.gov.br
12. FAPERJ: http://www.faperj.br
13. FAPES: www.fapes.es.gov.br
14. FAPESB: http://www.fapesb.ba.gov.br
15. FAPESC: www.fapesc.sc.gov.br
16. FAPESP: https://fapesp.br
17. FAPESPA: https://www.fapespa.pa.gov.br
18. FAPESQ: http://fapesq.rpp.br
19. FAPT: http://www.fapt.to.gov.br
20. FUNDECT - http://www.fundect.ms.gov.br

BRAZIL

	Funding Organisation:	CNPq Conselho Nacional de Desenvolvimento Científico e Tecnológico
National Contact Point (NCP)	**Name:**	**Email and Phone:**
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Funded modalities	Joint Transnational Call (JTC) ☒ Early Career Researchers Call (ECR) ☒ The national eligibility rules for the proposals applying in the Joint Transnational Call and in the Early Career Researcher Call are NOT the same and are stated in this national annex. See **Eligible Applicants.**	
Eligible Institutions	• higher education institutions, public or private (if non-profit); • R&D institutes and centres, public or private (if non-profit); • public companies that carry out activities of research in STI.	
Eligible Applicants	**Joint Transnational Call:** The research project coordinator for the Brazilian side must hold a Doctoral Degree and have a Lattes Curriculum http://lattes.cnpq.br/ up-to-date until the final deadline. **Early Career Researcher Call:** The research project coordinator for the Brazilian side must hold a Doctoral Degree concluded in the last 10 years (2014) and have a Lattes Curriculum http://lattes.cnpq.br/ up-to-date until the final deadline.	
Eligible Costs	- Direct Costs a) Consumable materials; b) Air Tickets and per diems. - Indirect Costs a) Third party services both natural and legal persons.	

Funding Commitment	Total Amount for the Call (national contribution)	Maximum Amount Per Proposal
	100.000 EUR	**30.000 EUR**
Other Funding Criteria	All criteria for the APQ modality must be complied with otherwise the proposals will not be submitted to meritorious evaluation. Expenses not covered by the specific call will be of responsibility of the project coordinator and/or the project implementing institution.	
Relevant documents		
Additional Info	The applicant should comply with CNPq's Users Guideline for Financial and Accountability Resources (available at http://memoria2.cnpq.br/web/guest/view/-/journal_content/56_INSTANCE_0oED/10157/6122070).	
Useful Links	Projects to be financed by CNPq will be supported under the modality APQ (Individual Grant for Research – regulations available at: http://memoria2.cnpq.br/view/-/journal_content/56_INSTANCE_0oED/10157/25480#rn17114 and must be submitted by the Brazilian coordinator to the Carlos Chagas Platfom http://carloschagas.cnpq.br/ subsequently to their approval.	

CZECH REPUBLIC

	Technology Agency of the Czech Republic (TA CR):	TA ČR
National Contact Point (NCP)	**Name:**	**Email and Phone:**
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Funded modalities	Joint Transnational Call (JTC) ☒	
	Early Career Researchers Call (ECR) ☐	
	We do NOT fund the Early Career Researchers Call	
Eligible Institutions	Enterprises (according to Annex 1 of the Regulation) Research organizations (according to Article 2 paragraph 83 of the Regulation)	
Eligible Applicants	Eligible applicants for TA CR • Enterprises (according to Annex 1 of the Regulation) • 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). • Research organisations (according to Article 2 paragraph 83 of the Regulation) TA CR excludes the disbursement of individual aid to an enterprise: • against which a recovery order has been issued which is unpaid • meeting the definition of an "undertaking in difficulty" • which has not met the obligation to publish the financial statements for the years 2021, 2022, 2023 in the respective register - the so-called "Veřejný rejstřík" • which has not disclose its ownership structure in the so-called "Evidence skutečných majitelů" The main applicant may be only an entity that has its registered office, place of business or branch in the Czech Republic	

Eligible Costs	Eligible costs are: • personnel costs (including scholarships) • subcontracting costs (max. 20% of total eligible costs throughout the whole project period) • other direct costs (write-offs, protection of intellectual property, operating expenses, travel costs, consumables) • 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.) These specific categories of eligible costs are defined under Article 17 of the General Terms & Conditions.	
Funding Commitment	**Total Amount for the Call (national contribution)**	**Maximum Amount Per Proposal**
	300.000 EUR	**150.000 EUR**
Other Funding Criteria	**<u>Eligible projects for TA CR</u>** • the project meets the definition of applied research (i.e. industrial research, experimental development and their combination) • research results correspond to the national rules and are applicable/exploitable. (The project proposal has to include a clear description of the exploitation plan and results.) • the aim of the project has to be relevant to the overall aim of the funding programme "SIGMA" • the share of industrial research and experimental development corresponds to the activities of the Czech partner as described in the project proposal • the applicants are eligible (based on the rules stated below) • the costs are eligible (based on the rules stated below) • the requested funding meets the national regulations for aid intensity **<u>Funding rates</u>** The aid intensity for each Czech applicant in the project is determined based on the type of entity according to the Regulation (see the table below) and at the same time must not exceed the maximum permissible aid intensity for the Czech part of the project, which is **80 %** of the total eligible costs.	

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

* Note: An SME is defined in Annex 1 of the Regulation
** Research organisations must satisfy the definition in the Act and the Framework.
*** While respecting the maximum permissible aid intensity of 80 % per project.

Supported results
Projects that achieve at least one of the following types of results can be supported in this Call. The type of the result has to be clearly described in the project proposal:
P - patent
G - technically realized results - prototype, functional sample
Z - pilot plant, proven technology
R - software
F - results with legal protection - utility model, industrial design
N - Certified methodologies and practices, treatment, conservation methods, procedures and specialized maps with professional expert content
O – other results

Mandatory forms to be submitted

- A Sworn Statement of the Applicant
- Completed “TACR Application Form” Excel file (main applicant)*
- if the applicant plans to achieve the “Patent” type of result, patent search must be substantiated*
- if the applicant plans to achieve the “NmetS” type of result, the "Confirmation of the Certification authority for NmetS results" needs to be attached*
- Sworn statement of the composition of the consortium (if relevant)

	All documents proving the eligibility of the Czech applicant (mentioned above) shall be submitted via the TACR data box (TACR data box ID: afth9xp) within the same deadline as the project pre-proposals. *Applicants who will not submit this mandatory form (if relevant) via databox before the deadline will be considered as not eligible for TA CR funding. Please fill in the subject line as: „Horizont Evropa - Water4All Call 2024 - prokázání způsobilosti - akronym projektu“.
Relevant documents	“Guide for Czech applicants” and all mandatory forms will be available on TA CR website (in Czech).
Additional Info	Project start Please note that following national legislation, Czech applicants shall start within 120 days from the funding decision being communicated by the Call Management (60-day period to enter into a contract + 60-day period to start the project). Intellectual Property Rights The applicants are required to enter into a contract with their foreign partners (sign the so-called Consortium Agreement) which will define the conditions of cooperation on the project where, among other things, they specify the method of allocating rights to the research results, as well as adjustment and management of the rights imported or created during the project's implementation, which are necessary to address the project. Publicity obligations While promoting the project and its results Czech beneficiaries must follow the publicity rules of TA CR.
Useful Links	

DENMARK

	Funding Organisation:	Innovation Fund Denmark
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Funded modalities	Joint Transnational Call (JTC) ☒	
	Early Career Researchers Call (ECR) ☐	
	We do NOT fund the Early Career Researchers Call	
Eligible Institutions	The call targets Danish universities, companies, industry organisations, local/regional governments, research organisations and NGOs. All Danish organizations directly involved in activities in the projects are eligible as applicants to Innovation Fund Denmark	
Eligible Applicants		
Eligible Costs	Innovation Fund Denmark offers co-funding to Danish participants in projects successful in this call. For each project participant, the direct costs must be divided into the following categories: Salaries, travel, subcontracting, materials, communication and knowledge sharing, other expenses, overhead, if applicable cf. the rules stated in Section 2.3 and 2.4.	
Funding Commitment	**Total Amount for the Call (national contribution)**	**Maximum Amount Per Proposal**
	1.300.000 EUR	**500.000 EUR**
Other Funding Criteria		
Relevant documents		

Additional Info	The maximum funding amount is 500.000 EUR per project and maximum 300.000 EUR per Danish partner. Maximum funding rate may vary between 25-90% of the project costs, please see Guidelines for international projects.
Useful Links	**Guidelines International Collaborations**

ESTONIA

	Funding Organisation:	Eesti Teadusagentuur Estonian Research Council
National Contact Point (NCP)	**Name:**	**Email and Phone:**
	Katrin Saar	Katrin.saar@etag.ee +(372) 5333 5625
Funded modalities	Joint Transnational Call (JTC) ☒	
	Early Career Researchers Call (ECR) ☐	
	We do NOT fund the Early Career Researchers Call	
Eligible Institutions	**The Host Institution** may be any legal entity that is registered and located in Estonia and has an Estonian bank account. The Host Institution (the final recipient) is the institution to which the grant will be allocated. After the submission deadline (in case of two-stage application, after the preproposal deadline) and upon the notice from the Funding Organisation, the Host Institution must confirm to the Funding Organisation in writing that the project can be carried out on their premises in Estonia and that they will employ the Principal Investigator during the proposed project, should the project receive funding. If the Host Institution is a for-profit institution, the State aid and de minimis aid regulations must be taken into account.	
Eligible Applicants	**The Principal Investigator** is a researcher who acts as the Estonian team leader in the project proposal. He/she will be responsible for how the grant is used and how the Estonian part in the project is executed. **The Principal Investigator:** - must have an updated public profile in the Estonian Research Information System (ETIS) by the submission deadline (in case of two-stage application, by the preproposal deadline); - must hold a doctoral degree or an equivalent qualification. The degree must be awarded by the submission deadline (in case of two-stage application, by the preproposal deadline) at the latest; - must have published at least three articles that comply with the requirements of Clause 1.1 of the ETIS classification of publications, or at least five articles that comply with the requirements of Clauses 1.1, 1.2, 2.1 or 3.1, within the last five calendar years prior to the proposal submission deadline (in case of two-stage application, prior to the preproposal deadline). 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 maternity, paternity, or parental leave, in compulsory military service, or there have been other exceptional circumstances (e.g., serious illness), they can request the publication period requirement to be extended by the relevant period of time. If the Principal Investigator has received the PhD degree outside Estonia, its correspondence to an Estonian doctoral degree must be recognised by either the Estonian ENIC-NARIC Centre or the Host Institution in accordance with the Regulation of the Government of the Republic of April 6, 2006, No. 89 "Evaluation and academic recognition of documents proving foreign education and the name of the qualification awarded in the foreign education system terms and conditions of use". The Funding Organisation may ask for a relevant Evaluation Report.
Eligible Costs	**If several Estonian institutions are applying in one proposal, the total requested budget can be still max 150.000 EUR per proposal or 300.000 EUR per proposal in case if one Estonian institution is the coordinator.** **Budget** **1.** The budget contains costs directly related to the implementation of the project (**direct costs**) and **indirect (overhead) costs**. The **direct costs** must be used to carry out the project and be separately identifiable. **1.1 Direct costs** **1.1.1 Personnel costs** are monthly salaries (along with all state taxes, contributions, and compensations arising from law) of the project participants, calculated according to their commitment and in proportion to their total workload at their Host Institution. **1.1.2 Other direct costs are:** - **travel costs** that may cover expenses for transport, accommodation, daily allowances and travel Insurance **only for travels abroad**; **national travel costs are not eligible!** - where the project is funded from the European Regional Development Fund (Mobilitas 3.0) resources, travel and accommodation costs are eligible only for travels abroad; - consumables and minor equipment directly and fully related to the project; - publication and dissemination of project results; - organising meetings, seminars or conferences (e.g room rent, catering, equipment rental and related costs); - fees for participating in scientific forums, conferences and other events directly and fully related to the project; - patent costs;

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1.2 Subcontracting costs are direct costs. Subcontracting costs should cover only additional or complementary research related tasks (e.g. analyses, conducting surveys, building a prototype, etc.) performed by third parties. Subcontracting costs should not be included in the overhead calculation. The activities and budget should be described in the proposal. Core project tasks should not be subcontracted.
Subcontracting costs may not exceed 15% of the total costs.
1.2 Indirect costs (overhead) are costs that cannot be identified as specific costs directly linked to the performance of the action and/or should cover the general expenses of the Host Institution related to the management of the grant. Office consumables and costs for equipment and services intended for general use (e.g., phone bills, copy service, printer) should be covered from the indirect costs. **Indirect costs may not exceed 15% of the personnel costs.**
1.3 **Double funding** of activities is not acceptable.
1.4 If several Estonian institutions participate in one proposal, the sum of their requested
budgets may not exceed the maximum contribution of the respective national Funding
Organisation indicated in the call documents.

2. Exclusion from the scope of the ERDF (Mobilitas 3.0) funding
Following the restrictions laid down in Article 7 of the Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council No 2021/1058 of 24 June 2021 on the European Regional Development Fund and on the Cohesion Fund research and other activities related to fossil fuels and their use, as well as other activities not eligible as per Article 7 of the Regulation, cannot be funded from the European Regional Development Fund (Mobilitas 3.0) resources.</td></tr>
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<tr><td>**Other Funding Criteria**</td><td colspan="2">**State Aid**
EU Regulations on State aid and de minimis aid must be taken into account when requesting funding from the Estonian Research Council (ETAG).

Support is not considered to be State aid for research and evelopment, if the project has ties to the non-economic activities of the Research (or Host) Institution, as long as the research and development activities and the related costs, funding and revenue can be clearly separated, thus avoiding the cross subsidisation of economic activity.</td></tr>
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	The criteria defined in Clauses 17-22 of Communication from the European Commission – Framework for State aid for research and development and innovation (2014/C 198/01) forms the basis for determining whether the activities carried out are economic activities and whether the Host Institution is an undertaking who is considered to be a State aid recipient when it receives support. When an entity applies for State aid or de minimis aid, it has to fill in the **State aid form**. No tax arrears are allowed on the proposal submission date. If State aid and de minimis aid are given, the documents related to giving the support must be kept for 10 years as of the date when the agreement was entered into. **State aid pursuant to the Block Exemption Regulation** If the support is considered to be State aid, then support is given on the basis of Article 25, 25a or 25c of Commission 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 (OJ L 187, 26.6.2014, p. 1–78) (hereinafter the Block Exemption Regulation), and the provisions of the Commission Regulation and Section 34[2] of the Estonian Competition Act apply. State aid is not given in cases specified under Articles 1(2) to (5) of the Block Exemption Regulation. If State aid is given on the basis of Article 25, the eligible costs of the project activities must comply with the requirements specified under Article 25(3) of the Block Exemption Regulation (except clause (c)), and the maximum aid intensity must comply with Articles 25(5) and (6). For State aid given on the basis of Articles 25a or 25c, see rules laid down in mentioned Articles accordingly. If the support applied for can be considered to be State aid, the application must include the information specified in Article 6(2) of the Block Exemption Regulation, and the application has to be submitted before the start of the activities. If State aid is given, then the costs of the activities carried out before application submission will not be eligible for aid. **De minimis aid** If support is considered de minimis aid, then giving support is subject to Commission Regulation (EU) No 1407/2013 on the application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union to de minimis aid

	(OJ L 352, 24.12.2013, p. 1–8) (hereinafter the De Minimis Aid Regulation), and the provisions of the Regulation and Section 33 of the Estonian Competition Act apply. De minimis aid is not given in cases specified under Article 1(1) of the De Minimis Aid Regulation. In case of de minimis aid, the maximum aid intensity must comply with Article 3 of the De Minimis Aid Regulation. De minimis aid given to the Host Institution together with de minimis aid applied for as support cannot exceed 200.000 EUR during the current financial year and the two previous financial years. Article 5 of the De Minimis Aid Regulation applies to cumulating de minimis aid. A single undertaking is an undertaking specified in Article 2(1) of the De Minimis Aid Regulation. **Grant Agreement** 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. **Research Involving Human Subjects or Animal Testing** 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. **Nagoya Protocol** 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.
Relevant documents	**National Eligibility Criteria for grant applications in partnership calls for transnational research projects:** https://etag.ee/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/Vastavusnouded-RV-uhiskonkurssidel_2024.pdf

Additional Info	It is expected that publication of results should carried out in accordance with the Horizon programme policy on Open Access. It is strongly advised to contact the contact point before submitting the application. **The State aid form must be sent to the contact point before submitting the application.**
Useful Links	https://etag.ee/en/cooperation/horizon-europe/eu-partnerships/era-nets/

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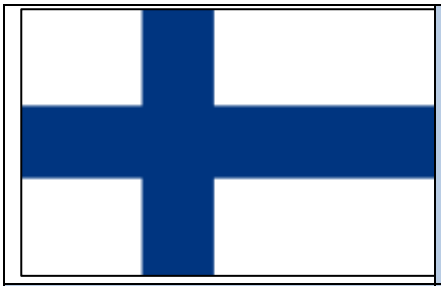	**Funding Organisation:**	**Research Council of Finland (AKA)** Suomen Akatemia Finlands Akademi Research Council of Finland
National Contact Point (NCP)	**Name:**	**Email and Phone:**
	Laura Forsström **Vesa Yli-Pelkonen**	**laura.forsstrom@aka.fi**, +358 295 335 041 **vesa.yli-pelkonen@aka.fi**, +358 295 335 095
Funded modalities	Joint Transnational Call (JTC) ☒	
	Early Career Researchers Call (ECR) ☒	
	The national eligibility rules for the proposals applying in the Joint Transnational Call and in the Early Career Researcher Call are the same and stated in this national annex.	
Eligible Institutions	Please check AKA's Regulations at: Research Council of Finland's funding terms and conditions 1 Nov 2023-31 Oct 2024 Research Council of Finland's A-Z index of application guidelines	
Eligible Applicants	In this call the eligibility criteria is according to the Academy Project funding criteria. • In addition to a doctoral degree, the principal investigator (PI) of the proposed project must have other significant scientific merits. Usually the PI is a researcher at the professor or docent (adjunct professor) level. • If the PI does not have an employment relationship with, for example, a university or research institute for the duration of the funding period, they must explain how their salary will be covered during the funding period. • Only one application per researcher will be considered (incl. a consortium subproject) in this call. Please check AKA's Regulations at: Research Council of Finland's funding terms and conditions 1 Nov 2023-31 Oct 2024 Research Council of Finland's Criteria for funding decisions 2023-2024 (in Finnish) Research Council of Finland's A-Z index of application guidelines	

Eligible Costs	The call is implemented under the full cost model. 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. Please check AKA's regulations at: Research Council of Finland's funding terms and conditions 1 Nov 2023-31 Oct 2024 Research Council of Finland's A-Z index of application guidelines Please note: The PI's salary costs can be funded for a maximum of six months in a three-year project, for project management purposes (see details in the Funding terms and conditions document). Please state the amount of PI's salary months in the application.	
Funding Commitment	**Total Amount for the Call (national contribution)**	**Maximum Amount Per Proposal**
	850.000 EUR	**250.000 EUR per consortium partner** If there are several Finnish partners in the same consortium, the maximum total commitment is **400.000 EUR** per consortium.
Other Funding Criteria		
Relevant documents	Research Council of Finland's funding terms and conditions 1 Nov 2023-31 Oct 2024 Research Council of Finland's Criteria for funding decisions 2023-2024 (in Finnish) Research Council of Finland's A-Z index of application guidelines	
Additional Info	Only the submission of the joint proposal is required. There is no need to submit any documents directly to AKA. However, applicants are advised to contact AKA's contact point (see above) before submitting the proposal. In the online submission tool applicants must choose either AKA or YM (Ministry of Environment) as funding partner organisation (FPO) that they are requesting funds from. However, after Step 1, the applicants may be shifted to the other FPO depending on the available budget and other criteria.	
Useful Links	https://www.aka.fi/en/	

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	Funding Organisation: **Ministry of the Environment**	Ministry of the Environment Finland
National Contact Point (NCP)	**Name:**	**Email and Phone:**
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Funded modalities	Joint Transnational Call (JTC) ☒	
	Early Career Researchers Call (ECR) ☒	
	The national eligibility rules for the proposals applying in the Joint Transnational Call and in the Early Career Researcher Call are the same and stated in this national annex.	
Eligible Institutions	Companies are not funded, no other restrictions.	
Eligible Applicants	No restrictions	
Eligible Costs	Funding rules depend on the type of applicant (government research institutes / all other applicants): - General rules for internal government funding (applies to government research institutions) - General rules of the Ministry of the Environment for special grants (all other applicants)	
Funding Commitment	**Total Amount for the Call (national contribution)**	**Maximum Amount Per Proposal**
	150.000 EUR	**150.000 EUR**
Other Funding Criteria	The funding is only for non-economic activities.	

Relevant documents	General rules for special grants: https://ym.fi/ymparistoministerion-erityisavustukset/ehdot-ja-rajoitukset (in Finnish) / https://ym.fi/en/special-grants-of-the-ministry-of-the-environment/terms-and-restrictions (in English)
Additional Info	Only the submission of the joint proposal is required. However, applicants are advised to contact the Ministry's contact point (see above) before submitting the proposal. In the online submission tool, applicants must choose either AKA (Research Council of Finland) or YM (Ministry of Environment) as funding partner organisation (FPO) that they are requesting funds from. However, after Step 1, the applicants may be shifted to the other FPO depending on the available budget and other criteria.
Useful Links	More information about non-economic activities: https://tem.fi/eu-n-valtiontukisaantely (in Finnish) / https://tem.fi/en/eu-rules-on-state-aid (in English)

FRANCE

	Funding Organisation:	**Agence Nationale de la Recherche (ANR)**
National Contact Point (NCP)	**Name:**	**Email and Phone:**
	Claire Treignier	**Water4All-CallsFR @agencerecherche.fr**
Funded modality	Joint Transnational Call (JTC) ☒	
	Early Career Researchers Call (ECR) ☒	
Eligible Institutions	ANR may fund research organisations and undertakings, as defined by the EC regulation on State aid for research, development and innovation (see the ANR Funding regulations for further reference). Only research organisations that have their primary establishment in France may be funded. As for undertakings, ANR may fund those that have their real head office in an EU member State and an establishment (primary or secondary) in France. **In this call, to be eligible, the <u>consortium must include at least one French public research organisation</u> (EPA, EPSCP, EPST, EPIC).** The involvement of an enterprise is encouraged but not mandatory. **If a non-French enterprise is involved in a project and requests funds from a funding organisation other than ANR, it is <u>mandatory to involve a French enterprise in the consortium</u>; otherwise the French Partners requesting funding to ANR will be declared ineligible.** Partners from countries subject to sanctions applicable to the research field by the European Union authorities are excluded from this call for ANR. ANR will declare Partners requesting its support ineligible if they apply with Partners established in these countries. At the date of publication, these exclusions concern Partners from the following countries: Russia, Belarus. This list may evolve in case of new sanctions decided by the European Union.	
Eligible Applicants	See above. Early Career Researchers must hold their PhD since less than 10 years, i.e. since 13th September 2014.	

Eligible Costs	Please check the ANR Funding Regulations at: https://anr.fr/fr/rf/	
Funding Commitment	**Total Amount for the Call (national contribution)**	**Maximum Amount Per Proposal**
	1.700.000 EUR	The maximum amount that can be requested from ANR **by each proposal** with French applicant(s) is: • **400.000 EUR (if Coordinating Partner is French)** • **300.000 EUR (for French Partners)**
Other Funding Criteria	The funding requested from ANR for a project must be between 15.000 EUR and 300.000 EUR. If there are several Partners requesting funding from ANR, the 300.000 EUR must be split. If a Partner requesting funding from ANR is Coordinator of a proposal, the maximum amount of funding requested can reach 400.000 EUR. For calculation of overheads, please check the ANR Funding Regulations at: https://anr.fr/fr/rf/	
Relevant documents	**National Funding Regulations** **https://anr.fr/fr/rf/**	
Additional Info	**Additional eligibility criteria:** To be eligible, a proposal must not be deemed similar to another proposal still undergoing evaluation in another ANR call, or already funded. Depending on the consortium composition, a Consortium Agreement may be mandatory for ANR at the funding stage for successful applications. Please refer to the ANR funding regulations for more details: https://anr.fr/fr/rf/ **Project partners' commitment:** • Access to genetic resources and traditional knowledge associated with genetic resources • Ethics and scientific Integrity • Publications and Open Science Policy • Scientific, Technical and Industrial Culture • GDPR **Please consult the Complete terms and conditions for French Partners on the ANR website for more details (Document "*Modalités pour les Partenaires sollicitant une aide de l'ANR*").** The above-mentioned terms and conditions are only summarized translations of those entailed in the ANR Funding regulations and in the document "Modalités pour les Partenaires sollicitant une aide de l'ANR". In case of inconsistencies, the terms of the ANR Funding Regulations and the Annex shall prevail. Please consult these documents for more details.	

Useful Links	https://anr.fr/Water4All2024

GERMANY

	Funding Organisation:	**German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF)** Bundesministerium für Bildung und Forschung
National Contact Point (NCP)	**Name:**	**Email and Phone:**
	Anne Petzold **Simon Frank**	anne.petzold@kit.edu +49 721 608 31410 simon.frank@kit.edu +49 721 608 26729
Funded modalities	Joint Transnational Call (JTC) ☒ Early Career Researchers Call (ECR) ☒ The national eligibility rules for the proposals applying in the Joint Transnational Call and in the Early Career Researcher Call are the same and stated in this national annex.	
Eligible Institutions	Applications may be submitted by German research institutions, universities and companies (in particular small and medium-sized enterprises-SME) based in Germany. Further, local authorities, non-profit organizations or associations are eligible for funding.	
Eligible Applicants	Research institutions receiving basic funding from the Federal Government and the Länder can only be granted funds to cover extra expenditure in addition to their basic financing. For information regarding the EU's standard definition of SMEs, please visit http://ec.europa.eu/growth/smes/business-friendly-environment/sme-definition_en.	
Eligible Costs	Costs of personnel: Costs of scientific staff, technical staff and/or student assistants, required in connection with the proposed project can be funded. Costs of durable equipment: Funding for equipment can be provided. However, this only includes equipment that does **not** form part of an institution's basic equipment (i.e. no laptops, notebooks or equipment which is regularly used by the applicants). Consumables and supplies: Any consumables necessary for the project implementation (expendable items, devices, business needs, transportation expenses, literature, rents, orders, etc.) may be considered as direct costs.	

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<u>Sub-contracting:</u> The general rule applies that applicants shall implement the project and shall have the necessary resources to that end. However, it should be accepted that as an exception certain parts that are not "core" parts of the project may be subcontracted, such as rent of locations, translation costs, costs for technical equipment in the context of the organization of events or printing services etc. The EU regulation on public procurement has to be considered: https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/DE/TXT/?uri=celex%3A32014L0024

<u>Travel costs:</u> Project related expenses / costs for travels and stays of German scientists and experts can be funded. Travel and stays of foreign scientists and experts can only be funded in well-justified exceptional cases.

<u>Indirect costs and overheads:</u> Overhead costs are eligible depending on the type of institution as well as on the respective accounting system.
Projektpauschale: Universities should consider cost for an additional lump sum of 20% of the requested funding for research projects already in the preparation of the proposal.

Applicants from Germany should also take the following information into account: Zuwendungsanträge auf Ausgaben / Kostenbasis(AZA/AZK)
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<tr><td>2.000.000 EUR</td><td>The maximum budget per German partner per proposal is 350.000 EUR. If a German partner is coordinator of a proposal, the maximum amount of funding requested can reach 500.000 EUR. If there are several German partners in the same consortium, the max. total commitment from BMBF is 600.000 EUR per consortium.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Other Funding Criteria</td><td colspan="2">Specific topics within the call:
BMBF is only funding topics 1, 3 and 4 of the JTC 2024. Proposals focusing on topic 2 “Urban water circularity” are not eligible for funding.</td></tr>
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	Only two German partners in a consortium are eligible. The prerequisite for two German partners in a consortium is that at least one partner can be classified as a practice partner (e.g. companies, SMEs, municipalities, authorities, associations, etc.). If there is no German partner from the practice in the consortium, only one German partner per consortium can participate.
Relevant documents	**National Regulations:** Research for Sustainable Development, www.fona.de Funding is subject to the national procedures set by the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research, published at: http://foerderportal.bund.de/easy/easy_index.php?auswahl=easy_formulare For proposals with German applicants the application process has two parts and is structured into: 1) an international part, according to the procedures of Water4All, and 2) a national part, according to the German funding regulations (German applicant institutions whose project outlines have been reviewed positively will be invited to present a formal application for funding according to the national German funding regulations)
Additional Info	**Funding rate:** • Universities, Research and scientific organisations, Associations and local authorities: up to 100% • Companies: up to max. 50 % SMEs: Up to max. 70% (incl. bonus)
Useful Links	https://www.fona.de/de/themen/wassermanagement.php

GREECE

	Funding Organisation:	**General Secretariat for Research and Innovation**
National Contact Point (NCP)	**Name:**	**Email and Phone:**
	Georgia Anousaki	**g.anousaki@gsrt.gr** **+302131300128**
Funded modalities	Joint Transnational Call (JTC)	☒
	Early Career Researchers Call (ECR)	☐
	We do NOT fund the Early Career Researchers Call	
Eligible Institutions	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&D activities). Individuals as well as individual enterprises are not eligible under this scheme. Besides natural persons, the following categories of undertakings are also not eligible: An "undertaking in difficulty" (according to art.2 of Reg. (EU) 651/2014*), whose affairs are being administered by the court, who have entered into an arrangement with creditors, who have suspended business activities or who are in any analogous situation; An undertaking which is subject to an outstanding recovery order following a previous Commission decision declaring an aid illegal and incompatible with the internal market. Large enterprises are eligible to receive funding under the condition that a Greek SME participates in the consortium.	
Eligible Applicants	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.	

Eligible Costs	(a) **personnel costs**: researchers, technicians and other supporting staff to the extent employed on the project. (b) **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 (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** = flat rate of 25% of direct costs (except subcontracting 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.	
Funding Commitment	**Total Amount for the Call (national contribution)**	**Maximum Amount Per Proposal**
	1.000.000 EUR	**180.000 EUR (230.000 EUR if the Greek beneficiary is the project coordinator)**
Other Funding Criteria	Compliance with the National areas of intervention and respective Priorities of the sector: Environment and Circular Economy (4.6 Environment Observatories – Ecosystem-based Approach to Sustainable Development).	
Relevant documents	https://gsri.gov.gr/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/EnvironmentCyclical-Economy.pdf	

Additional Info

At national level, only eligibility check is conducted and not a full peer review at pre-proposal and full proposal stages, where the evaluation is 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.

Funding rates

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 etc).

Maximum funding percentages:

		Basic research	Industrial/ Applied Research	Experimental development/ innovation
Large Enterprises			50-65%	25-40%
Medium Enterprises			60-75%	35-50%
Small Enterprises			70-80%	45-60%
Universities, public research organisations		100%		
Public authorities with R&D activities		100%		
Associations without economic activities, NGOs	**Large**		50-65%	25-40%
	Medium		60-75%	35-50%
	Small		70-80%	45-60%

Useful Links

- General Secretariat for Research and Innovation
- COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) No 651/2014
- COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) 2021/1237

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HUNGARY

	Funding Organisation:	**Nemzeti Kutatási, Fejlesztési és Innovációs Hivatal (NKFIH)** NEMZETI KUTATÁSI, FEJLESZTÉSI ÉS INNOVÁCIÓS HIVATAL
National Contact Point (NCP)	**Name:**	**Email and Phone:**
	Dorottya Szemere	dorottya.szemere@nkfih.gov.hu +36(1)-795-4702
Funded modalities	Joint Transnational Call (JTC) ☒	
	Early Career Researchers Call (ECR) ☐	
	We do NOT fund the Early Career Researchers Call	
Eligible Institutions	Institution of higher education, other budgetary research institution, enterprise based research organisation, enterprise (non-research type), non-profit research organisation, urban/local authorities, municipal companies (as partners of research-oriented applicant). Funding rate:	
Eligible Applicants		

Organisation type	Basic research	Industrial/Applied research	Experimental development/innovation
Large enterprises	100%	65%	40%
Medium enterprises	100%	75%	50%
Small enterprises	100%	80%	60%
Universities, public research organisations	100%	100%	100%
Public authorities	-	65%	40%
Associations without economic activities, NGOs	100%	100%	100%

Eligible Costs	Personnel (temporary, permanent), subcontracting and services, including travel, consumables, equipment, coordination, travel, communication and dissemination, overhead (20%), overhead for travel related activities (5%)	
Funding Commitment	**Total Amount for the Call (national contribution)**	**Maximum Amount Per Proposal**
	330.000 EUR	**170.000 EUR (exception: 330.000 EUR for HU coordinator and further HU partner(s) – not subcontractors – involved in the same proposal)**
Other Funding Criteria	The Hungarian partners of winning proposals should submit a separate proposal for funding to NKFIH after having been informed of the international funding decision. The maximum amount that a Hungarian partner can request is 170 000 EURO. In case there is more than one Hungarian partner in a consortium than this amount should be shared among the Hungarian partners, except for the case where one of the HU partners is the coordinator and the other HU partner(s) are full partners (not subcontracted ones).	
Relevant documents	Proposals must be submitted to NKFIH through the dedicated call for Partnerships: https://nkfih.gov.hu/palyazoknak/nkfi-alap/horizont-europa-europai-partnersegek-magyar-szervezetek-tamogatasa-2024-121-he-partnerseg/palyazati-felhivas	
Additional Info	Information for Partners: All Hungarian entities are eligible to participate and receive funding in the Call. The top-up funding for universities affected by Council Implementing Decision 2022/2506 will be covered by the Hungarian Government's Guarantee Fund.	
Useful Links	**https://nkfih.gov.hu/palyazoknak/palyazatok/aktualis-felhivasok?save=1&cimke=NKFI**	

IRELAND

	Funding Organisation:	**Environmental Protection Agency**
National Contact Point (NCP)	**Name:**	**Email and Phone:**
	Niamh McCormack	research@epa.ie
Funded modalities	Joint Transnational Call (JTC) ☒	
	Early Career Researchers Call (ECR) ☒	
	The national eligibility rules for the proposals applying in the Joint Transnational Call and in the Early Career Researcher Call are the same and stated in this national annex.	
Eligible Institutions	For the purpose of this call, eligible institutions must be located in the Republic of Ireland. For more details on eligibility of institutions to apply for EPA funding, please refer to the EPA Research Programme 2021-2030 Guidelines and Terms & Conditions	
Eligible Applicants	For details on eligibility of applicants to apply for EPA funding, please refer to the EPA Research Programme 2021-2030 Guidelines and Terms & Conditions	
Eligible Costs	Funding requests to the EPA will be required to comply with our funding rules. For details on our funding rules, including eligible costs and funding rates, please refer to the EPA Research Programme 2021-2030 Guidelines and Terms & Conditions	
Funding Commitment	**Total Amount for the Call (national contribution)**	**Maximum Amount Per Proposal**
	700.000 EUR	**Eligible applicants in Ireland may request from the EPA:** • **Up to 200.000 EUR if participating as a Project Partner** • **Up to 350.000 EUR if participating as a Project Coordinator** **A Maximum of one IE organisation (Coordinator or Partner) may request**

		budget from the EPA within a consortium
Other Funding Criteria	N/A	
Relevant documents	EPA Research Programme 2021-2030 Guidelines and Terms & Conditions: https://www.epa.ie/publications/research/current-call-documents/epa-research-programme-2021-2030-guidelines-and-terms--conditions.php	
Additional Info	There is no requirement for applicants to send the EPA any paperwork related to their submission in advance of the call deadline. Any queries relating to eligibility for request funding from the EPA should be submitted by email. No queries relating to the scope of the proposal will be answered. Applicants are advised to carefully read the National Regulations and to review the Water4All call document, particularly with regard to requirements relating to changes to the budget or consortium after submission. Should the proposal be successful and the project awarded, the participant in Ireland requesting budget from the EPA will be required to create an application and upload relevant information to the EPA's Online Grants Management System. This will include a review of the budget requested from the EPA for compliance with our funding rules. Irish participants requesting budget from the EPA on successful projects will be required to comply with EPA's interim and final reporting requirements and funding rules. Detailed information on funding rules and reporting requirements can be found in the EPA Research Programme 2021-2030 Guidelines and Terms & Conditions.	
Useful Links	https://www.epa.ie/our-services/research/	

ISRAEL

	Funding Organisation:	**Ministry of Energy and Infrastructure**
National Contact Point (NCP)	**Name:**	**Email and Phone:**
	Dr. Olga Zlatkin	olgaz@energy.gov.il
Funded modalities	Joint Transnational Call (JTC) ☒	
	Early Career Researchers Call (ECR) ☐	
	We do NOT fund the Early Career Researchers Call	
Eligible Institutions	Research institutes, under "Academia" programme (see at https://www.gov.il/he/departments/guides/rd_grants (Hebrew)	
Eligible Applicants	Research institutes for "Academia"; Research will not be funded simultaneously by MoE on more than one grant (EC programme or national cal).	
Eligible Costs	Eligible costs are for salaries, equipment, materials and subcontractors. Funding rates are 100% for "Academia".	
Funding Commitment	**Total Amount for the Call (national contribution)**	**Maximum Amount Per Proposal**
	TBD	**The following will be used as national eligibility criteria:** **Up to 750.000 Sh (Ca. 180.000 EUR) for "Academia" programme (see at https://www.gov.il/he/departments/guides/rd_grants (Hebrew)**
Other Funding Criteria	According to the "Academia" programme (see at https://www.gov.il/he/departments/guides/rd_grants (Hebrew)	
Relevant documents		

Additional Info	
Useful Links	

ITALY

	Funding Organisation:	**MINISTERO DELL'UNIVERSITA' E DELLA RICERCA (MUR)**
National Contact Point (NCP)	**Name:**	**Email and Phone:**
	Aldo Covello	**Aldo.covello@mur.gov.it** **+39 375 510 2431**
Funded modalities	Joint Transnational Call (JTC) ☒	
	Early Career Researchers Call (ECR) ☒	
	The national eligibility rules for the proposals applying in the Joint Transnational Call and in the Early Career Researcher Call are the same and stated in this national annex.	
Eligible Institutions	Eligible partners are the following legal entities having stable organization in Italy: • Private legal entities: enterprises, foundations and other not-for-profit registered legal entities • Universities/higher education institutions (State universities and legally recognized universities as defined in L. 29 July 1991, n. 243) • Public research institutions (as listed in D.Lgs. n. 218/2016 Art 1) • Public and private research organisations ('organismo di ricerca') in accordance with EU Reg. n. 651/2014 of the European Commission - June 17, 2014. IMPORTANT NOTICE: Public and private legal entities carrying out research activities by a local unit (laboratory, research centre, workshop, plant, branch, agency etc.) located in the regions of: Basilicata, Calabria, Campania, Molise, Puglia, Sardegna, Sicilia, are supported primarily through the Structural Funds (ERDF) component and shall therefore select the appropriate option in the application form (transnational and national). IMPORTANT NOTICE: The presence of enterprises is recommended in any proposals requiring funds through Structural funds. Other specific eligibility requirements or restrictions may apply to applicants supported by Structural Funds component. Further details will be included	

	in the “Avviso integrativo nazionale”, published at a later stage.
Eligible Applicants	No restrictions
Additional eligibility criteria	**Call topics eligibility:** 1. Enhancement of water circularity in industries **(eligible only for entities requesting support through Structural funds)** 2. Urban water circularity **NOT ELIGIBLE** 3. Resource recovery and valorisation (eligible for all entities) 4. Economic, environmental and social implications of water reuse and recovered products (eligible for all entities) **Applicants shall:** • not be defaulting with regard to other funding received by the Ministry of University and Research • not have requested/got any other funding for the same project • be compliant to the Italian law "D.Lgs. n 159 del 6/09/2011 e successive modificazioni ed integrazioni" • not be subject to bankruptcy proceedings as of art. 5, comma 4, letter b) of DM 1314/2021 or must not be a company in difficulty according to the definition under number 18) of article 2 "Definitions" of Regulation (EU) no. 651/2014 • be in compliance with the obligations laid down in the contributory and social security regulations (DURC) Applicants shall demonstrate their viability and financial soundness regarding their own contribution to the project. For any private entity, if the following financial criteria listed under a) and b), calculated using the data reported in the last approved balance sheet, are not fulfilled, the applicant can be funded only if a bank guarantee is provided: a) 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 b) OF/F < 8%

	Where: • OF = financial charges (Oneri finanziari) • F = turnover (Fatturato) • IMPORTANT NOTICE: Specific eligibility requirements or restrictions may apply to applicants supported by Structural Funds component. Further details will be included in the "Avviso integrativo nazionale", published at a later stage.	
Eligible Costs	All costs incurred during the lifetime of the project under the following categories are eligible: • A) Personnel, • B) Consulting and equivalent services (subcontracting) • C.1) Travel and subsistence • C.2) Equipment • C.3) Other goods and Services • E) Indirect Costs/Overheads ("Spese generali") calculated at 25% flat rate of all direct costs excluding cost category B) Consulting and equivalent services [E) = 25% of A) + C.1) + C.2) + C.3]. All R&D activities considered as: Industrial research and Experimental development are eligible for funding. Basic research is eligible only for proposals supported with national funds However, **Basic Research and Industrial research activities must be predominant** with respect to Experimental development activities (in terms of budget share). IMPORTANT NOTICE: Specific eligibility requirements or restrictions may apply to applicants supported by Structural Funds component. Further details will be included in the "Avviso integrativo nazionale", published at a later stage	
Funding Commitment	**Total Amount for the Call (national contribution)**	**Minimum/Maximum Amount Per Proposal**
	National Fund FIRST: 1.000.000 EUR	**Min. 100.000 – max. 250.000 EUR**
	Structural Funds ERDF: 1.000.000 EUR	**Min. 100.000 – max. 350.000 EUR**

Other Funding Criteria	The amount of funding which can be granted to each beneficiary is calculated multiplying the eligible costs for the funding rates listed hereafter: Basic research: 70% Industrial Research: 70% Experimental Development: 25%
Relevant documents	Applicable laws and rules: • Decreto legge n. 83/2012 • Decreto Ministeriale n. 1314 del 14 dicembre 2021 • Decreto Ministeriale n. 1368 del 24 dicembre 2021 • Avviso integrativo nazionale
Additional Info	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", which will be published on the MUR website, and in the applicable Italian laws. **National additional application:** In addition to the project proposal which shall be submitted at European level, Italian participants are **requested to submit a national additional application to MUR**, through the national web platform, available at the following link: https://banditransnazionali.mur.gov.it (NEW PLATFORM) The national additional application **must be submitted by the same deadline established in the international joint call.** Participant who does not submit national documentation by the deadline are considered **not eligible for funding.** More information on the national documentation to be submitted to MUR is available at the web page dedicated to the Water4All Joint Call 2024: http://www.ricercainternazionale.mur.gov.it/era/european-partnership-2021-27/water4all.aspx **It is recommended to contact the National Contact Persons already in early stage of project preparation.** The admission to funding is subject to the adoption of the necessary accounting and administrative measures for the allocation of the resources.

	National Reporting Funded participants will be requested to submit financial and scientific reports to MUR.
Useful Links	http://www.ricercainternazionale.mur.gov.it/era/european-partnership-2021-27/water4all.aspx

LATVIA

	Funding Organisation:	**Latvijas Zinatnes padome (LZP)** Latvijas Zinātnes padome
National Contact Point (NCP)	**Name:**	**Email and Phone:**
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Funded modalities	Joint Transnational Call (JTC) ☒	
	Early Career Researchers Call (ECR) ☒	
	The national eligibility rules for the proposals applying in the Joint Transnational Call and in the Early Career Researcher Call are the same and stated in this national annexe.	
Eligible Institutions	R&D institutions (research institutes, universities, higher education establishments, research centres etc.) and enterprises. R&D institutions must be listed in the Registry of Research Institution operated by the Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Latvia. Private entities must be registered in the Registry of Enterprises of the Republic of Latvia and provide most of its R&D&I activities in the Republic of Latvia.	
Eligible Applicants	See above. No more than two partners from Latvia may participate in the same project.	
Eligible Costs	Eligible costs are: 1. Direct costs: personnel costs, travel costs, subcontracts (up to 25% of total direct costs), equipment (only depreciation costs), materials and other direct costs such as consumables, publication costs etc. 2. Indirect costs: can reach a maximum of 25% of total direct costs, excluding subcontracting costs	

Funding Commitment	Total Amount for the Call (national contribution)	Maximum Amount Per Proposal
	570.000 EUR	**100.000 EUR per project year per partner**
Other Funding Criteria	Double funding of the same project, as a whole or in part, is prohibited, whether the funding comes from LZP or from another source.	
Relevant documents	The funding of RTD activities is provided pursuant in accordance with: - the 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) - the COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) No 651/2014 of 17 June 2014 declaring certain categories of aid compatible with the internal market in application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty	
Additional Info	Eligible for funding is fundamental research, applied research and experimental development (TRL1 -TRL8)	
Useful Links	Further information on the conditions for receiving funding can be found on the LZP website: www.lzp.gov.lv	

LITHUANIA

	Funding Organisation:	**Research Council of Lithuania (LMT)** Lietuvos mokslo taryba
National Contact Point (NCP)	**Name:**	**Email and Phone:**
	Viktoras Mongirdas	viktoras.mongirdas@lmt.lt +370 676 19613
Funded modalities	Joint Transnational Call (JTC) ☒	
	Early Career Researchers Call (ECR) ☒	
	The national eligibility rules for the proposals applying in the Joint Transnational Call and in the Early Career Researcher Call are the same and stated in this national annex.	
Eligible Institutions	Eligible implementing institution – Lithuanian research and higher education institution which is included in the Register of Education and Research institutions	
Eligible Applicants	Implementing institution together with partners - a public or private legal entities	
Eligible Costs	Personal, travel, purchase (assets, services), indirect, subcontracting	
Funding Commitment	**Total Amount for the Call (national contribution)**	**Maximum Amount Per Proposal**
	300.000 EUR	**200.000 EUR (Coordinator)** **150.000 EUR (Partner)**
Other Funding Criteria	Maximum project duration: up to 36 months VAT is included in the budget Subcontracting costs must be incurred in accordance with the provisions of the Law on Public Procurement of the Republic of Lithuania. Expenses incurred according to service and/or copyright agreements where such agreements were concluded for performing minor tasks in the project are eligible.	
Relevant documents	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 4th of April, 2019.
Additional Info	No national official paperwork until positive evaluation decision
Useful Links	https://lmt.lrv.lt/lt/veiklos-sritys/mokslo-finansavimas/tarptautinio-bendradarbiavimo-priemones/europos-partnerystes-era-net-ir-kitos-koordinavimo-veiklos/water4all/

LUXEMBOURG

	Funding Organisation: Luxembourg National Research Fund	**FNR** Luxembourg National Research Fund
National Contact Point (NCP)	**Name:**	**Email and Phone:**
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Funded modalities	Joint Transnational Call (JTC) ☒	
	Early Career Researchers Call (ECR) ☐	
	The national eligibility rules for the proposals applying in the Joint Transnational Call are stated in this national annex. We do NOT fund the Early Career Researchers Call	
Eligible Institutions	The following Luxembourg based institutions are eligible for financial support from the FNR, i.e. i) public institutions performing research in Luxembourg; ii) non-profit associations, societal impact companies (SIS), and foundations performing research in Luxembourg that have obtained a special authorization from the Luxembourg Ministry for Higher Education and Research. Please check the FNR website for more details: https://www.fnr.lu/fnr-beneficiaries/	
Eligible Applicants	For Luxembourg Principal Investigators, the general FNR Requirements for principal investigators and supervisors must be fulfilled (download available here https://www.fnr.lu/fnr-beneficiaries/how-we-fund-research/). A principal investigator may act in one proposal only.	
Eligible Costs	The maximum amount of requested funding per project is 350.000 EUR. Projects must run for a minimum duration of two years. If the project involves the recruitment of a PhD student, the PhD candidate could be supported for up to four years (see FNR INTER guidelines). The details on the eligibility for the various budget categories are available within the FNR Financial Regulations .	

Funding Commitment	Total Amount for the Call (national contribution)	Maximum Amount Per Proposal
	350.000 EUR	**350.000 EUR**
Other Funding Criteria	The FNR supports all topics of the Water4All Joint Call 2024. Proposals must be submitted by the coordinating institutions' administrations (not by the PI) in electronic format to the online submission system (FNR Grant Management System) the latest 7 days after the deadline as the consortium application is submitted. Please select the "INTER" – "Water4All" funding instrument when creating the administrative application. The FNR INTER guidelines provide details about the basic administrative data and the documents to be provided. 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 FNR. General rules and regulations of FNR apply: https://www.fnr.lu/fnr-beneficiaries/how-we-fund-research/ The FNR attaches great importance to the impact of research outputs on science, industry, policy making and society in general. To maximise the possibilities for impact of research outputs, results from FNR-(co)funded research are expected to be disseminated via high-quality, peer-reviewed publications that are made freely available (FNR Policy on Open Access). Researchers and research institutions are expected to ensure appropriate stewardship and curation of research data generated within FNR funded projects, in accordance with the FNR Policy on Research Data Management. As a signatory of the DORA declaration, the FNR encourages applicants to list a range of research outputs (including datasets and software, training of researchers, intellectual property). Applicants should not use journal-based metrics, such as Journal Impact Factors, as a surrogate measure of the quality of individual research articles, but rather focus on the scientific content. Financial support from FNR must be acknowledged in all publications and other forms of media communication, including media appearances, press releases and conferences, in compliance with the FNR Communication Guidelines.	
Relevant documents	The FNR INTER guidelines and FNR INTER programme description provide details about the basic administrative data and the documents to be provided.	
Additional Info	Please do not hesitate to contact the NCP if you require any additional information.	

Useful Links	FNR INTER guidelines https://www.fnr.lu/fnr-beneficiaries/how-we-fund-research/ FNR Policy on Open Access FNR Policy on Research Data Management

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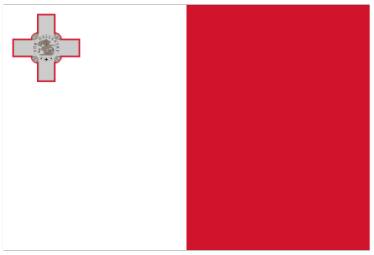	**Funding Organisation:**	GOVERNMENT OF MALTA MINISTRY FOR THE ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY AND REGENERATION OF THE GRAND HARBOUR
National Contact Point (NCP)	**Name:**	**Email and Phone:**
	Ministry for Environment, Energy and Regeneration of the Grand Harbour	water4all@gov.mt +356 20953115
Funded modalities	Joint Transnational Call (JTC) ☒	
	Early Career Researchers Call (ECR) ☐	
	We do NOT fund the Early Career Researchers Call	
Eligible Institutions	Applications may be submitted by Public Entities, which do not carry out any form of economic activity.	
Eligible Applicants	A Maltese Public Service Department or Maltese Public Sector Entity, or any Maltese Legal Entity which has more than 50% government shareholding. Public Service refers to all Ministries and Departments; and Public Sector Entities refers to authorities and agencies. Public Entities also include foundations, local councils and public academic entities. In the case of public academic entities, this includes but is not limited to a higher education entity or a research institute, whether as a whole body or as a component unit or department within such body, provided that the entity's ongoing education and research is scientifically in line with the subject of the application being submitted during this call provided that the higher education entity must be in possession of a license for Higher Education according to the Further and Higher Education (Licensing, Accreditation and Quality Assurance) Regulations – Subsidiary Legislation 327.433.	
Eligible Costs	Eligible Costs cover costs incurred directly by the project partner during the duration of the project and used primarily for the purpose of achieving the objectives of the project. All expenses must be incurred between the Start Date and the End Date of the project and must be limited to the budgeted value as indicated in the Grant Agreement, and shall be classified under the following cost-categories: (a) Personnel Costs (b) Specialised Equipment and research consumables (c) Travel Costs (d) Subcontracted Services	

	(e) Indirect Costs and Overheads	
Funding Commitment	**Total Amount for the Call (national contribution)**	**Maximum Amount Per Proposal**
	300.000 EUR	**150.000 EUR** for all Maltese partners in case a Maltese partner is not the coordinator. **200.000 EUR** for all Maltese partners in case a Maltese partner is the coordinator of a proposal
Other Funding Criteria	- Only up to 2 Maltese entities can participate in a consortium. Where a consortium includes two partners, the budget allocated to a single partner shall not be less than 25% of the total allocation requested for Maltese partners. - The Project duration shall not exceed a maximum of three years. The earliest possible starting date for projects will be fixed at the beginning of the contract negotiations. - The Lead Researcher of any Maltese partner can only participate in the submission of one project application.	
Relevant documents	Water4All – National Rules for Participation for Maltese Entities	
Additional Info	Eligible expenses will be fully funded.	
Useful Links	https://sustainability.gov.mt/	

MOLDOVA

	Funding Organisation:	**National Agency for Research and Development (NARD)** ANCD
National Contact Point (NCP)	**Name:**	**Email and Phone:**
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Funded modalities	Joint Transnational Call (JTC) ☒	
	Early Career Researchers Call (ECR) ☒	
	The national eligibility rules for the proposals applying in the Joint Transnational Call and in the Early Career Researcher Call are the same and stated in this national annex.	
Eligible Institutions	Public research organisations	
Eligible Applicants	Project coordinator must hold a PhD degree	
Eligible Costs	a) Remuneration of the staff who are part of the research team, in compliance with the limits provided by the legislation in the budgetary sector and the related normative framework - up to 50%, including the taxes paid by the employer; Note: scientific researchers expected to be remunerated from the state budget will take into account not to exceed the work norm of 1.5 salary. b) Procurement of raw materials, consumables, including reagents, laboratory inventory necessary for carrying out experiments for the purpose of realizing the project - as needed; c) Organization of scientific events (conferences, seminars, symposia, workshops, etc.) during the duration of the project - up to 5%; d) Business trips abroad and in the country according to normative acts - up to 10%;	

	e) Editing and publication of monographs, scientific articles, including the publication fee - up to 10%; f) Services related to the project (experimental and production works) - as needed; g) Laboratory equipment - up to 30%; h) Computing technique and related accessories – up to 5%.	
Funding Commitment	**Total Amount for the Call (national contribution)**	**Maximum Amount Per Proposal**
	200.000 EUR	**100.000 EUR**
Other Funding Criteria		
Relevant documents	- The Science and Innovation Code of the Republic of Moldova - GD 382/2019 regarding the Methodology for financing projects in the fields of research and innovation. - GD no. 267 of 20.10.2021 for the modification of annexes no. 1 and no. 2 to Government Decision no. 382/2019 regarding the approval of the Methodology for financing projects in the fields of research and innovation.	
Additional Info	For full details of the general NWO funding process, please refer to www.ancd.gov.md	
Useful Links	**https://ancd.gov.md/ro/content/anunt-preliminar-pentru-concursul-water-circular-economy**	

THE NETHERLANDS

	Funding Organisation:	**Dutch Research Council (NWO)**
National Contact Point (NCP)	**Name:**	**Email and Phone:**
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Funded modalities	Joint Transnational Call (JTC) ☒	
	Early Career Researchers Call (ECR) ☐	
	NWO does NOT take part in the Early Career Researchers Call	
Eligible Institutions	See eligible applicants	
Eligible Applicants	For scientists based in the Kingdom of the Netherlands, the NWO eligibility criteria apply. Full, associate and assistant professors, lectors, senior researchers and other researchers with a comparable position* may submit an application (i.e. participate in a consortium and request NWO funding) as Dutch **main applicant**, 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: • universities located in the Kingdom of the Netherlands; • university medical centres; • Institutes affiliated to the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences (KNAW) or NWO; • Universities of applied sciences as referred to in Article 1.8 of the Higher Education and Scientific Research Act (WHW); • the Netherlands Cancer Institute; • the Max Planck Institute for Psycholinguistics in Nijmegen; • Naturalis Biodiversity Center; • Advanced Research Centre for NanoLithography (ARCNL); • Princess Máxima Center. • TO2 institutes In addition, for this Call for proposals, IHE-Delft Institute for Water Education researchers with a comparable position* to full, associate and assistant professors, lectors or senior researchers AND a tenured position (and therefore a paid position for an indefinite period) or a tenure track agreement, can be a **Dutch co-applicant. This**	

	means there should be another, eligible, Dutch main applicant applying for NWO funding. Furthermore, researchers who are interested to apply for NWO funding as co-applicants in a national consortium but are not employed at an organisation listed above as eligible applicants could be eligible if their organisation meets the following cumulative criteria: - be established in the Netherlands; - have a public service mission; - *receives at least 50 percent public funding;* - carry out research independently; - have no profit motive other than for the purposes of conducting further research. Based on the above, capital companies and partnerships are in any case excluded from participating in the consortium as co-applicants. Other legal forms will be assessed against the cumulative criteria. 'The conduct of research' from the sub criterion 'is independent in the conduction of research' means that conducting research, as defined in the NWO Grant Rules 2017, chapter 5, is the main task of the research organisation; evidenced by official documentation as the statutes, deed of incorporation or other formal documentation. In addition, the research must be conducted by the organisation's own employees with a salaried employment contract. ***Please note:*** prior to the submission of an application, NWO will assess whether an organisation satisfies these cumulative criteria and may therefore participate as a co-applicant. NWO carries out this assessment amongst other things to check there is no provision of forbidden state support. To this end, the organisation of the intended co-applicant should submit the following documents by email to water4all@nwo.nl at least ten working days prior to the call deadline, Tuesday 13 November 2024 before 15:00:00 CET: - a recent extract from the Netherlands Chamber of Commerce; - the deed of incorporation or current articles of association or other formal document evidencing the public service mission and absence of profit motive; - the latest available annual accounts accompanied by an audit statement. Other relevant documentation may be added. NWO may request additional information if the above documents are not sufficiently conclusive to determine whether there would be the provision of forbidden state support or whether the organisation may act as a co-applicant. *If the applicant's organisation does not submit the necessary documents for this check in time, NWO cannot accept the organisation as a co-applicant.* **A comparable position refers to a researcher that has a demonstrable and comparable number of years of experience in carrying out scientific research and supervising other researchers as a full, associate or assistant professor.*

	*** Lectors employed at a university of applied sciences and researchers employed at a TO2 institute may also submit provided that they have at least a salaried position for a limited period of time.* Persons with a zero-hour employment agreement or with a contract for a limited period of time may not submit a proposal, except for a tenure track appointment and the exception stated above for lectors and researchers employed at a TO2 institute. It could be the case that the applicant's tenure track agreement ends before the intended completion date of the project for which funding is applied for, or that before that date, the applicant's tenured contract ends due to the applicant reaching retirement age. In that case, the applicant needs to include a statement from their employer in which the organisation concerned guarantees that the project and all project members for whom funding has been requested will receive adequate supervision for the full duration of the project. Applicants employed by a university of applied sciences or a TO2 institute whose employment ends before the intended completion date of the project for which funding is applied must also include such a statement. Applicants with a part-time contract should guarantee adequate supervision of the project and all project members for whom funding is requested.
Eligible Costs	The NWO budget modules (including the maximum amount) available for this Call for proposals are listed in the table below. Apply only for funding that is vital to realise the project. Proposals are required to have at least one personnel position of 12 full-time months. ***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, TO2 institutes and IHE Delft* rates based on Handleiding Overheidstarieven (HOT) (Manual for Dutch Government Fees) - *Material costs* – max. €15,000 per year per full-time scientific position (postdoc) or 0.2 FTE scientific employee applied for at a university of applied sciences, TO2 organisation or IHE Delft - *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 for proposals, due to the maximum project duration of 3 years. The budget items "overhead", "equipment" and "subcontracting costs" in the Water4All 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.

	It is **recommended** to use the NWO budget template in the pre-proposal stage to confirm eligibility of budget items. Submission of a completed budget form to NWO is **obligatory** at full proposal phase. See 'Relevant documents' below for the budget template and more details. Do not hesitate to **contact the national contact person in case of questions**.	
Funding Commitment	**Total Amount for the Call for proposals (national contribution)**	**Maximum Amount Per Proposal**
	1.500.000 EUR	**325.000 EUR**
Other Funding Criteria	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. Co-applicants on a national level are allowed. An applicant may only request NWO funding for one project (part of a European consortium) in this Call for proposals of the European Water4All Partnership. Applicants may not apply for a post-doc position for themselves. Submission of financial and scientific reports at national level is required in accordance with the rules of NWO.	
Relevant documents	Full details for project funding in this Call for proposals and relevant forms are available on the NWO website: https://www.nwo.nl/calls/partnership-water4all-water-for-circular-economy This includes a **mandatory NWO budget form** the applicants are required to submit by the deadline for full proposals. The completed budget form can be submitted to NWO via water4all@nwo.nl.	
Additional Info	Impact of the research is at the heart of this Call for proposals of the European Water4All Partnership. Please refer to the detailed description of requirements and evaluation criteria, including impact, in the full call announcement of the Water4All Partnership. Stakeholder engagement is essential to maximize the chances of reaching impact and NWO considers engagement of stakeholders an important asset, starting with the design of your project, as well as the definition of active roles for each of them during the course of the project. Valorisation of stakeholder engagement in the project (as self financed industrial and/or societal partner) in the form of in kind or in cash contributions from stakeholders is therefore strongly recommended by NWO. Submission of financial and scientific reports at national level is required in accordance with the rules of NWO. The budget for The Netherlands in this Call for proposals is brought together by the Dutch Ministry of Infrastructure and Water Management (IenW), the Dutch Ministry of	

	Agriculture, Nature and Food Quality (LNV) and the Dutch Research Council (NWO). The budget for The Netherlands in this Call for proposals is brought together by the Dutch Ministry of Infrastructure and Water Management (IenW), the Dutch Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries, Food Security and Nature (LVVN) and the Dutch Research Council (NWO).
Useful Links	For full details of the general NWO funding process, please refer to: https://www.nwo.nl/en/apply-funding-how-does-it-work The NWO Grant Rules 2017 and the Agreement on the Payment of Costs for Scientific Research 2008 are applicable to the part of the project's budget covered by the grant from NWO and can be found on the NWO website: - www.nwo.nl/en/nwo-grant-rules - www.nwo.nl/en/approval-funding-scientific-research-2008 Under the Dutch General Administrative Law Act, any interested party has the right to lodge an objection to the decision taken by NWO within six weeks of the date of the decision letter. Further information about the objections procedure can be found on the NWO website: https://www.nwo.nl/en/lodging-objection

POLAND

	Funding Organisation:	**National Centre for Research and Development (NCBR)**
National Contact Point (NCP)	**Name:**	**Email and Phone:**
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Funded modalities	Joint Transnational Call (JTC) ☒	
	Early Career Researchers Call (ECR) ☐	
	We do NOT fund the Early Career Researchers Call	
Eligible Institutions	N/A	
Eligible Applicants	1. Enterprises - SME and Large[1], 2. Research organisations (research and knowledge-dissemination organisations)[2] , 3. Groups of enterprises composed of at least two enterprises, 4. Groups of entities composed of at least one research organisation and at least one enterprise, 5. Group of entities composed of at least two research organisations.	

[1] Defined in Annex I to Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014 of 17 June 2014 declaring certain categories of aid compatible with the internal market in application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty (hereinafter referred to as "Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014");

[2] Defined in Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014;

	Entities must be established as a legal person[3] and must conduct its business, R&D or any other activity on the territory of the Republic of Poland, confirmed by an entry into the relevant register[4]. A condition for the participation of a group of entities as the Applicant in the call is its formal existence on the date of submission of the pre-proposal, confirmed by its members concluding, at least conditionally, an agreement on the creation of a group of entities.
Eligible Costs	The eligible costs shall be the following: 1. **personnel costs** (researchers, technicians and other supporting staff to the extent employed on the research project); 2. **costs of subcontracting**, costs of consultancy and equivalent services used exclusively for the research activity; this cost type cannot account for more than 70% of all eligible costs of a project; the subcontracting can be obtained from consortium partner only in justified case, this need will be verified by a national experts panel 3. **operating costs including** (depending on the type of eligible institution): **Research Organizations:** • costs of instruments and equipment, technical knowledge and patents to the extent and for the period used for the research project; if such instruments and equipment are not used for their full life for the research project, only the depreciation costs corresponding to the life of the research project, as calculated on the basis of good accounting practice, shall be considered eligible; • costs for buildings and land, to the extent and for the duration used for the research project; with regard to buildings, only the depreciation costs corresponding to the life of the research project, as calculated on the basis of good accounting practice shall be considered eligible; for land, costs of commercial transfer or actually incurred capital costs shall be eligible; • other operating costs including: costs of materials, supplies and similar products incurred directly as a result of the research activity; training costs; travel costs including conference fees; cost of required external audit, costs of project promotion (e.g. articles, project webpage);

[3] Legal person (juridical person) - an entity that is capable of having and amend legal rights and obligations within a certain legal system, such as to enter into contracts, sue, and be sued, excluding natural persons;

[4] If applicable.

	Enterprises: • costs of instruments and equipment, technical knowledge and patents to the extent and for the period used for the research project; if such instruments and equipment are not used for their full life for the research project, only the depreciation costs corresponding to the life of the research project, as calculated on the basis of good accounting practice, shall be considered eligible; • costs for buildings and land, to the extent and for the duration used for the research project; with regard to buildings, only the depreciation costs corresponding to the life of the research project, as calculated on the basis of good accounting practice shall be considered eligible; for land, costs of commercial transfer or actually incurred capital costs shall be eligible. 4. **additional overheads** incurred indirectly as a result of the research project (depending on the type of eligible institution); **Research Organizations:** additional overheads for research organizations should account 25% of all eligible direct costs; That costs (4) are counted as a multiplication by percentage given above (called x%) and the rest of direct costs for research organizations, excluding subcontracting (2); It means 4=(1+3)*25%. **Enterprises:** additional overheads for enterprises include also other operating costs, eg. costs of materials, supplies and similar products incurred directly as a result of the research activity, training costs; travel costs including conference fees; cost of required external audit, costs of project promotion (e.g. articles, project webpage). That costs should account 20% of all eligible direct project costs; Additional overheads (4) are counted as a multiplication by percentage given above (called x%) and the rest of direct costs for enterprises; It means 4=(1+2+3)*20%.	
Funding Commitment	**Total Amount for the Call (national contribution)**	**Maximum Amount Per Proposal**
	1.500.000 EUR	**up to 300.000 EUR for one Polish partner in the project** **up to 350.000 EUR for all Polish partners in the project**
Other Funding Criteria	Funding quota for Polish participants may be up to 100% for universities and research organisations. In case of enterprises, funding quota will be decided on a case-by-case basis depending on the size of the company and type of research/development under Section 2 of the Regulation of the Minister of Science and Higher Education of 19 August 2020 on granting state aid by the	

National Centre for Research and Development, published in Journal of Laws item 1456, 2020.
In any case only Industrial Research and Experimental Development will be funded. Other type of activities (e.g. coordination, dissemination, management) cannot be included into separate task.

For entrepreneurs independently undertaking projects at the national level (meaning there is no Polish group of entities or Polish group of enterprises), there is no possibility of increasing the intensity of state aid for industrial research and experimental development based on the condition of effective cooperation between entrepreneurs or between entrepreneurs and research organisations. For more details please check the information available in the call announcement at: www.ncbr.gov.pl, in particular the files "Information for applicants (…)" and "National application form"[5]

Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

	Basic research	**Industrial/ Applied Research**	**Experimental development**
Large Enterprises	not eligible	Up to 50+5/15/25 (max 75 %)	Up to 25+5/15/25 (max 50 %)
Medium Enterprises	not eligible	Up to 50+10+5/15/25 (max 80 %)	Up to 25+10+5/15/25 (max 60 %)
Small Enterprises	not eligible	Up to 50+20+5/15/25 (max 80 %)	Up to 25+20+5/15/25 (max 70 %)

[5] Files available after launch of the call in September.

	Universities, public research organisations	not eligible	Up to 100%	Up to 100%
	Public authorities	not eligible	not eligible	not eligible
	Associations without economic activities, NGOs	not eligible	not eligible	not eligible

Relevant documents	All proposals must be aligned with national regulations, inter alia: • The Act of 20 July 2018 - Law on Higher Education and Science; • The Act of 30 April 2010 on the National Centre for Research and Development; • The Regulation of the Minister of Science and Higher Education of 19 August 2020 on granting state aid by the National Centre for Research and Development, which is in line with the Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014 of 17 June 2014 declaring certain categories of aid compatible with the internal market in application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty (General Block Exemption Regulation); • The Regulation of the Minister of Science and Higher Education of 17 September 2010 on the detailed mode of performance of tasks of the National Centre for Research and Development.
Additional Info	• Applicant must be registered in Poland. • For enterprises it is strongly advised to state in the Pre-proposal application form the KRS number of the enterprise and the size of the enterprise (micro/small, medium, large). • Polish applicants shall declare the TRL of their research in the pre-proposals and full proposals. • Please note that group of entities counts as two project partners from Poland (it meets the limit on the number of participants from the same country, please refer to call text for details). • Polish Participants will be informed and invited to submit Polish full proposal once the international evaluation and the ranking list will be established. • Only projects recommended for funding will be asked to submit a national application form (NAF). • The Polish participants are obliged to use the rate of exchange of the European Central Bank dated on the day of opening of the call.

	• If more than one Polish entity participates in the project, the national application is submitted by a consortium (group of entities) of all Polish entities.
Useful Links	Detailed information about scope, financial rules, national procedure and national regulations is available on the NCBR's homepage: https://www.gov.pl/web/ncbr/wniosek-krajowy

PORTUGAL

	Funding Organisation:	**FCT** fct Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia
National Contact Point (NCP)	**Name:**	**Email and Phone:**
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Funded modalities	Joint Transnational Call (JTC)	x
	Early Career Researchers Call (ECR)	☐
	We <u>do NOT fund</u> the Early Career Researchers Call	
Eligible Institutions	For eligible institutions see **article 3** of FCT Regulation.	
Eligible Applicants	For eligible applicants and projects see **articles 5** and **6** of FCT Regulation.	
Eligible Costs	For form of support and financing rate, eligible expenses and non-eligible expenses see **Articles 7, 8** and **9** of FCT Regulation. • Also consult FCT's Normas de Execução Financeira. • For the purposes of defining the budget, the terms defined in **article 8** of FCT Regulation apply to **eligible expenses** and in **article 9** to **non-eligible expenses**. • Excluded from the range of eligible expenses are the **salaries and other remuneration supplements** of teachers, researchers and other staff with a previously established indefinite contract with the Public Administration. • Expenditure on **adapting buildings and facilities** is limited to a maximum of 10% of the project's total eligible expenses. • The **project's indirect costs** are based on the application of a flat rate of **25%** of the direct eligible costs. In accordance with no. 1 of **article 7** of FCT Regulation, the funding to be granted to proposals requesting funding from FCT under this call is non-reimbursable and is based on **real costs.** As such it must be justified through invoices paid or other accounting documents of similar probationary value, under the terms of no. 5 of **article 8** of FCT Regulation.	

	Total Amount for the Call (national contribution)	Maximum Amount Per Proposal
Funding Commitment	**500 000,00€**	The following funding limits are considered eligibility criteria. Proposals not respecting these limits could be declared ineligible: • **200 000,00 € Coordination of proposal** **100 000,00 € Participation in proposal**
Other Funding Criteria	• If more than one Portuguese applicant participating in the **same international consortium** applies for funding by FCT, the **combined funding** demanded by all the Portuguese applicants **may not exceed the maximum financial threshold for proposals with a Portuguese coordination** (200 000,00 €) or **with Portuguese participants only** (100 000,00 €). Portuguese Coordinators and/or project participants in the same international consortium will therefore have to share the funding that will be granted by FCT. For information on funding rates, see no. 2 of **article 7** of FCT Regulation.	
Relevant documents	• FCT Regulation Normas de Execução Financeira	
Additional Info	• **Within 10 working days after the deadline for submitting the pre-proposal**, a **Statement of Commitment** duly signed by the Researcher in Charge (partner and/or coordinator) and by the legal representative of the Portuguese Proposing Institution must be sent to **the NCPs:** germana.santos@fct.pt and pedromiguel.ferreira@fct.pt. • The stamp or white seal of the Portuguese Proposing Institution will not be required on a digitally signed Statement of Commitment, as long as it is signed, in the Authenticação.gov application, with professional attributes that identify the functions performed by the signatory. • The percentage of time dedicated to transnational projects **will not be added** to the percentage of time dedicated to existing national projects. • Portuguese applicants of transnational consortia that do not apply for funding from FCT do not need to submit the Statement of Commitment to FCT. Check FCT Regulation for admission and acceptance of proposals and projects, namely concerning the update of technical and financial reports and return of funds of ongoing/concluded projects, and situation of proposals previously submitted to FCT regarding pending decisions, scientific areas and other calls.	
Useful Links	• The information provided in this table is a summary only. Portuguese institutions must follow FCT Regulation and other relevant documents. Therefore, it's necessary to consult the detailed and complete information in the FCT webpage dedicated to this call (link). For more information, please see the call's page on FCT website.	

SLOVAKIA

	Funding Organisation:	**Slovak Academy of Sciences**
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Funded modalities	Joint Transnational Call (JTC) ☒	
	Early Career Researchers Call (ECR) ☐	
	We do NOT fund the Early Career Researchers Call	
Eligible Institutions	**Only research institutes and/or centers of the Slovak Academy of Sciences are eligible organisations for funding by SAS**	
Eligible Applicants	The main applicant must have, at the time of submission, a contract(s) with one or several of the institutes/centres equivalent to more than 50% of the full-time employment valid for the whole duration of the project. Each member of the applicant's team must also have an employment contract or a fellowship with the same or another SAS institute/center.	
Eligible Costs	Total eligible costs = Permanent salaries + Other costs (DC + IC) • Permanent salaries 45.000 EUR (36 months) • Other costs: 75.000 EUR (36 months) Direct costs (DC): Personnel (max. 15% of DC for the Project Partner, max. 30% of DC for the Project Coordinator), Consumables and Travel costs Indirect costs (IC, Overheads): max. 20 % of DC. No capital expenditures are allowed	
Funding Commitment	**Total Amount for the Call (national contribution)**	**Maximum Amount Per Proposal**
	240.000 EUR	**120.000 EUR**
Other Funding Criteria		

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Relevant documents	https://oms.sav.sk/dokumenty/dokumenty-referatu-medzinarodnych-projektov/
Additional Info	Consortium Agreement is required no later than 6 months after the start of the project
Useful Links	http://www.sav.sk/ https://oms.sav.sk/

SOUTH AFRICA

	Funding Organisation: Department of Science and Innovation	science & innovation Department: Science and Innovation REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA
National Contact Point (NCP)	**Name:**	Email and Phone:
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Funded modalities	Joint Transnational Call (JTC) ☒	
	Early Career Researchers Call (ECR) ☒	
	The national eligibility rules for the proposals applying in the Joint Transnational Call and in the Early Career Researcher Call are Not the same and are stated in this national annex	
Eligible Institutions	This call is open to working researchers residing in South Africa and affiliated with a recognised higher education or research institution such as a university, university of technology or science council, small, medium (SMEs) and large enterprises in the private sector and national system of innovation (NSI) organisations involved in R&D. 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. Universities of Technology are also encouraged to apply. The inclusion of emerging researchers and youth innovators is strongly encouraged.
Eligible Applicants	Eligible applicants/institutions as outlined above 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.
Eligible Costs	**Direct costs:** **Consumables and supplies** Any consumables necessary for the implementation of the project may be considered as direct eligible costs. Consumables are only eligible costs under the project if bought after the start date of the project. **Costs of personnel** DSI will cover personnel cost to be incurred during project implementation. DSI will cover personnel costs including MSc and PhD bursaries to be incurred during project implementation. **Subcontracting** DSI will not prevent SA applicants from subcontract activities within the project, but encourages SA researchers to commit to activities that they are mostly able to implement. And will not support subcontracting of parties outside South Africa. The co-investment contract will be between DST and the main SA applicant and not the subcontractor. Therefore DSI will not be involved in any agreements/arrangements regarding activities to be implemented and how the reimbursed will be done between main SA applicant and the subcontracted party. **Eligible costs** Each project will go through a financial negotiation process with the DSI to finalise the exact percentage funding and to ascertain what the funding will

	cover. The funding will be transferred in tranches in accordance with the project duration. The following costs will be covered; **Travel and Daily subsistence allowance including accommodation** The DSI will cover travel costs in line with the guidelines of South African government regulations. Consumables and supplies Any consumables necessary for the implementation of the project may be considered as direct eligible costs. Consumables are only eligible costs under the project if bought after the start date of the project.	
Funding Commitment	**Total Amount for the Call (national contribution)**	Maximum Amount Per Proposal
	400.000 EUR (300.000 EUR for JTC and 90.000 EUR ECR)	**100.000 EUR for JTC and; 45.000 EUR ECR.**
Other Funding Criteria	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.	
Relevant documents	Applicants are advised to present their proposal outline to the DSI at least one month before submission. This is to allow the DSI to ascertain the eligibility of the project to qualify for funding. Failure to liaise with the DSI may lead to automatic disqualification of the project from being funded. An official letter from your institution supporting your participation in the Call.	
Additional Info	South African applicants may access the National co-investment funding application through email and the ESASTAP website. These forms are only to be completed by successful applicants. DSI will enter into agreements with the applicant's institution for all funding instruments established to support South Africa's participation in the Co-funded project	
Useful Links	Upon email request to the National Contact Points or information can be accessed on the following link: https://www.esastap.org.za/.	

SPAIN

	Funding Organisation:	GOBIERNO DE ESPAÑA · MINISTERIO DE CIENCIA E INNOVACIÓN · CDTI INNOVACIÓN
National Contact Point (NCP)	**Name:**	**Email and Phone:**
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Funded modalities	Joint Transnational Call (JTC) ☒	
	Early Career Researchers Call (ECR) ☐	
	We do NOT fund the Early Career Researchers Call	
Eligible Institutions	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.	
Eligible Applicants	For-profit enterprises (large or SMEs) established and carrying out RTDI activities in Spain.	
Eligible Costs	Projects should support transnational collaboration; therefore, no single participant or country can exceed 70% of the total project costs. Eligible costs • Staff costs related to technical staff directly involved in the R&D project. Project management costs, max. 58 hours per month (approximately 0,4PM) • Instrument and equipment costs • Implementation costs e.g., technical knowledge, patents, or consultancy services, intended exclusively for the research project and procured from external sources at market price. • Other costs including goods and services to be used exclusively for the research project e.g.: (national) audit costs max 2.000 EUR per year/beneficiary, travel costs associated with the implementation of the project, (8.000 EUR max. for the duration of the project). Overheads (indirect costs as a percentage of personnel costs) are calculated automatically by CDTI´s electronic submission system.	

	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.	
Funding Commitment	**Total Amount for the Call (national contribution)**	**Maximum Amount Per Proposal**
	400.000 EUR	**N/A**
Other Funding Criteria	A minimum financeable budget of 200.000 EUR is recommended.	
Relevant documents	**Each Spanish company participating in a project and requesting funding from CDTI, must apply via CDTI´s electronic submission system (https://sede.cdti.gob.es).** CDTI´s application process consists of completing an online application form which is accompanied by a short technical report written in Spanish. The report must focus on the activities (and associated budget) that the company will assume in the project (please check *Type of research funded* and *Eligible costs* sections in this table). **Deadline to complete CDTI´s application process: The same end date as the first phase international application.** Applicants are strongly advised to check the detailed information available on CDTI website and to contact the NCP for advice about national funding rules, before submitting a proposal.	
Additional Info	**The CDTI will finance up to 70% of the project budget through grants.** **Please note that failing to comply with the national application process by the deadline, will deem the company ineligible to participate in the call.**	
Useful Links	https://www.cdti.es/	

SPAIN

	Funding Organisation:	Agencia Estatal de Investigación (AEI)
National Contact Point (NCP)	**Name:**	**Email and Phone:**
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Funded modalities	Joint Transnational Call (JTC) ☒	
	Early Career Researchers Call (ECR) ☒	
	The national eligibility rules for the proposals applying in the Joint Transnational Call and in the Early Career Researcher Call are the same and stated in this national annex.	
Eligible Institutions	**Eligible entities** for the AEI funding are: Non-profit research organizations (such as universities, public research institutions, technological centres and other private non-profit institutions performing RDI activities in Spain), which must comply with the requirements established by this transnational call and with the rules on eligibility defined in the corresponding Spanish national funding instrument "Proyectos de Colaboración Internacional - PCI" (see PCI 2024-1 as an example) and the PCI Requirements document. They must have been previously beneficiaries of any of the AEI calls, as stated in the PCI Requirements document. They must ensure contractual relationship with the Principal Investigator (PI) during all the implementation of the project.	
Eligible Applicants	**Principal Investigators (PIs)** requesting funding to the AEI must: • Be eligible in the corresponding PCI call (see PCI 2024-1 as an example) and the PCI Requirements document • Demonstrate experience as investigators in projects funded by the different Plan Estatal I+D+i: 2013-2016, 2017-2020, 2021-2023, 2024-2027, ERC Grants, European Framework Programmes or other relevant national or international programmes. **Incompatibilities:** The following must be considered when participating in different ERA-Nets, European Co-funded Partnerships (in particular DUT, Biodiversa+, PRIMA and	

	SBEP) or other international initiatives: • PIs will not be eligible for funding if they apply (i) in more than one proposal in this transnational joint call, (ii) in more than one proposal in the same PCI call and/or (iii) in PCI calls of consecutive years. **This means that the same PI may not apply in two or more international calls funded with PCI that are open simultaneously (e.g. DUT, Biodiversa+ and Water4All), neither can they be awarded PCI grants in two consecutive years.** • If the same PI submits two or more proposals in this transnational call, they will all be declared ineligible except one, without the possibility of changing the PI. • A PI that has been granted a PCI the previous year will be declared ineligible, without the possibility of changing the PI. • Changes of the PI between the 2 steps of the transnational call are not allowed • PI must remain unchanged between the proposal in this transnational call and the corresponding PCI call should the proposal be recommended for funding **Important:** In the application form, the applicants should include the PI's full name (with both surnames) and the full name of their institution as stated in the Sistema de Entidades (SISEN).
Eligible Costs	• Research and innovation activities are eligible. Mere dissemination, communication or other similar activities will not be eligible unless they are supporting the research activities. • Only personnel costs for new temporary employment dedicated to the project are eligible. This must be clearly stated in the contract. The costs of permanent staff linked to the beneficiary entity or members of the research team will not be considered eligible costs. • Direct costs such as current costs, small scientific equipment, disposable materials, travelling expenses, coordination costs and other costs that can be justified as necessary to carry out the proposed activities. • Indirect costs (25% of all direct costs, including the subcontracting costs). • **Minor changes of the budget** might be accepted between the pre-proposal stage and the full proposal stage, provided that the maximum requested amount does not exceed the maximum funding per project allowed. A request of change must be submitted to the AEI at least two weeks before the deadline for submitting full proposals. • The AEI will avoid double funding (overlapping with other EU or National funding) and will not grant projects or parts of projects already funded.

	Total Amount for the Call (national contribution)	Maximum Amount Per Proposal
Funding Commitment	**1.500.000 EUR**	The following funding limits for direct costs for a three-year project are considered eligibility criteria. Proposals not respecting these limits could be declared ineligible. • If the consortium is NOT COORDINATED by an AEI-applicant: max. 140.000 EUR • If the consortium IS COORDINATED by an AEI-applicant: max. 220.000 EUR • If the consortium IS COORDINATED by an AEI-applicant and there is another AEI-applicant in the proposal, the amount for both Partners is: max. 260.000 EUR • Additional amount of 30.000 EUR maximum (direct costs) can be requested per proposal if the work plan includes substantial experimental tasks to be carried out by the AEI applicants and which must be clearly justified in the budget. • On top of the abovementioned direct cost limits, indirect costs must be added in the application: 25% of direct costs (<u>including the subcontracting costs</u>). **Important:** • only ONE applicant applying for funding to AEI is allowed per proposal • Two AEI-applicants are allowed in the same proposal only in cases when one of them is acting as Coordinator • **The direct costs (<u>including subcontracting</u>) in the application must be rounded to the thousands.**

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• Additional amount of 30.000 EUR maximum (direct costs) and the corresponding indirect costs can be requested per proposal if the work plan includes substantial experimental tasks carried out by the AEI applicants. Substantial experimental tasks are those required for the development of observational or experimental research projects. For instance, ecosystem sampling, design and execution of experiments, obtention of new data sets, use of analytical procedures for the quantification of physical, chemical, geological, or biological variables.
Tasks in which existing data are used or re-analyzed exclusively will not be considered substantial experimental tasks. Those tasks will be considered desk and not experimental research projects.
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<tr><td>Other Funding Criteria</td><td>• Centres formed by different Spanish legal entities will be considered as a unique entity, and thus the maximum funding should not exceed the limits per proposal established above (for example, mixed centres).
• Two centres or institutions belonging to the Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas (CSIC) will be treated as two separate partners one from another when one of them is acting as Coordinator of the proposal and their tasks and identity in the project are sufficiently separated and justified.
• Although private enterprises are not funded by the AEI, the Spanish industrial sector is welcome to participate in the transnational consortia principally obtaining funds from the CDTI participating in this transnational call (see CDTI's requirements), from other innovation and technological development funding agencies, or using own funds.
• The final funding will take into account the transnational evaluation of the collaborative proposal, the scientific quality of the Spanish group, the added value of the international collaboration, the participation of the industrial sector, and the financial resources available.
• All themes in this transnational call are eligible for funding.</td></tr>
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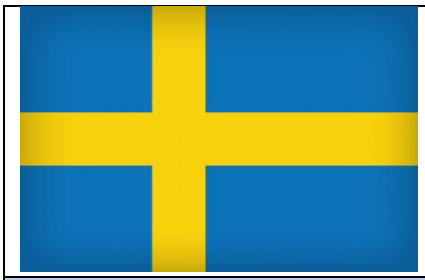
	managed by the Subdivisión de Programas Científico-Técnicos Transversales, Fortalecimiento y Excelencia (STRAN) of the AEI. **Funding Instrument:** The instrument funding the Spanish groups requesting funding to the AEI is the corresponding Spanish national call "Proyectos de Colaboración Internacional" (PCI) (to be published in due time). **Data Protection:** By submitting a grant application to the AEI, the applicants consent to communication of the data contained in the application to other public administrations, with the aim of further processing of the data for historical, statistical or scientific purposes, within the framework of the Organic Law 3/2018, of December 5, on Personal Data Protection and Guarantee of Digital Rights.
Additional Info	**Acknowledgement:** Any publication or dissemination activity resulting from the granted projects must acknowledge the AEI funding: "Project (reference nº XX) funded by Agencia Estatal de Investigación (AEI) through the PCI (year) call".
Useful Links	As a reference, the applicants are strongly advised to read the call text of **the PCI 2024-1 ("Resolución de 19 de febrero de 2024")** and especially the **PCI Requirements document** on **the national call website** as well as check their eligibility with the National Contact Point prior to the submission.

SWEDEN

	**Funding Organisation:**	**Formas – A Swedish Research Council for Sustainable Development** FORMAS
National Contact Point (NCP)	**Name:**	**Email and Phone:**
	Osman Tikansak	Osman.Tikansak@formas.se
Funded modalities	Joint Transnational Call (JTC) ☒	
	Early Career Researchers Call (ECR) ☒	
Eligible Institutions	Universities, research institutes, private companies, private and public organisations that engage in economic activity, public authorities, and NGOs. State aid rules apply when Formas provides grants to companies and other organisations engaged in economic activity. The applicant must be a Swedish legal entity. Specifications: Economic activity is generally defined as any activity consisting in offering goods or services on a given market. If an organisation falls in the economic activity category, then state aid rules apply. Please find more information on State aid rules below!	
Eligible Applicants	The main applicant in the Swedish project group does not need to be a researcher with a PhD, or from a research-performing organisation. However, at least one partner in the Swedish project group must have a PhD and be employed by a research-performing organisation. In the international submission platform you can have more than one Swedish partner together with a Swedish coordinator if you also take this role. However, there is a limit of the numbers of partners in each consortium. All applicants from Sweden will be calculated as differnt partners in the consortium.	
Eligible Costs	Formas' standard eligibility criteria apply. Please see Formas' general instructions: How it works - Formas VAT should not be included in the budget figure. Please note that all costs must be submitted in Euros (EUR) in the international submission platform for both pre and full proposals. If your proposal is invited to submit a full proposal, at the second stage, you must also submit a full	

	proposal in Swedish crowns (SEK) in the Swedish submission platform Prisma. You will then use the historic exchange rate (EUR to SEK) from the date when the first step for pre-proposals close. Formas will inform the applicants about the exact exchange rate that they should use when it is time to submit a full-proposal to Prisma.	
Funding Commitment	**Total Amount for the Call (national contribution)**	**Maximum Amount Per Proposal**
	1.800.000 EUR	**250.000 EUR per project and 300.000 EUR if the coordinator is from Sweden**
Other Funding Criteria	-	
Relevant documents	**-**	
Additional Info	It is a transnational eligibility requirement of this call that applications are written in English. You should write the application in English since the expert panel consists of international reviewers. Swedish applicants are also able to provide an additional Swedish version of their application. For additional applications, or parts of applications written in Swedish, these can be translated by professional translators into English. In such cases, it will not be possible for applicants to view or make linguistic adjustments to the application after it is translated and submitted to the expert panel for assessment. All scientific publications resulting from projects funded by Formas must be published using immediate open access (OA). Swedish applicants who have submitted a pre-proposal to the Water4All Partnership (the international submission platform) and are invited to submit a full proposal at the second stage, will be contacted by Formas for further information on how to register their full proposals with Formas' system Prisma. Swedish applicants in the same project consortium must apply in Prisma under one single project application after they have been invited (full proposal). Project duration is 3 years. Reports are to be submitted according to the regulations of both the Water4All Partnership and FORMAS. **Additional information on state aid rules** The provisions enabling Formas to provide funding to organisations are contained in the Swedish Government's Regulation (2017:195) on state aid for research and development and innovation in the environment, agricultural sciences and spatial planning. It is based on the European Commission's General Block Exemption Regulation (GBER) 651/2014 Article 25. Further information is provided via the links below:	

- Terms and Conditions for Grants - Formas
- State aid regulations – for private and public organisations that engage in economic activity – Formas

Applicants who would be receivers of state aid, in case funding is approved by Formas, need to be aware that the legal requirements for transparent reporting of state aid have been changed in 2023. This means that approved state aid which amounts to 100.000 EUR or more to one Project Party (or if the project concerns primary agriculture sector or fishery and aquaculture sector 10.000 EUR), must be reported openly within the EU. Formas is responsible for this reporting. Those who submit an application are considered to be informed about this requirement of reporting and are considered to approve that this reporting will be made above the legal thresholds.

Applicants engaged in economic activities are strongly advised to find the latest updated information on state aid rules on Formas' web page. State aid regulations – for private and public organisations that engage in economic activity – Formas

Funding rates

For an explanation of the numbers within brackets, see (in Swedish): Stödnivåer enligt Formas stödordning.pdf

Maximum funding percentages:

Organisation type	Basic research	Industrial research/Applied Research	Experimental development/ Innovation
Large Enterprises (GBER) Article 25	100%	50% (65%)	25% (40%)
Medium Enterprises (GBER) Article 25	100%	60% (75%)	35% (50%)
Small Enterprises (GBER) Article 25	100%	70% (80%)	45% (60%)
Universities, public research organisations Public authorities	100%		
Associations without economic activities, NGOs	100%		
Associations* with both economic and non-economic activities, who apply for aid only for non-economic activities	100%		

*Such applicants must be aware, that if the funding is used in the economic activity of the association, funding will be reclaimed in full with interest.

Please consult the "State aid regulations" webpage for details and documents regarding these funding rates. State aid regulations – for private and public organisations that engage in economic activity – Formas

Useful Links	www.formas.se

SWITZERLAND

	Funding Organisation:	**Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF)** Swiss National Science Foundation
National Contact Point (NCP)	**Name:**	**Email and Phone:**
	Martina Kern	**water4all@snf.ch** **+41 31 308 23 24**
Eligible Institutions	Applicants must comply with the SNSF Funding Regulations.	
Eligible Applicants	Applicants must comply with the SNSF Funding Regulations.	
Eligible Costs	**Eligible costs** are outlined in the SNSF Funding Regulations (Art. 28) and the SNSF General Implementation Regulations (Section 2). **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.	
Funding Commitment	**Total Amount for the Call (national contribution)**	**Maximum Amount Per Proposal**
	1.500.000 CHF **(about 1.500.000 EUR)**	The SNSF provides a **minimum grant of 100.000 Swiss francs per project**. The SNSF provides a **maximum of 250.000 Swiss francs annually per applicant** of a project and a maximum of 1 million Swiss francs annually for the project as a whole (SNSF-funded part). Applicants should bear in mind that **the SNSF anticipates funding between 3 and 5 projects** under this call.

Other Funding Criteria	**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. **Participation of Swiss-based partners requesting financial support from the SNSF is restricted to one project** (Art.7.3, SNSF Regulations on project funding). They may, however, participate in other consortia projects as self-financed partners. The maximum number of grants in the project funding scheme for the same funding period from the SNSF is limited to three grants, provided at least one grant is for an EU consortium project or has been granted on the basis of a lead agency, Weave or International Co-investigator scheme evaluation. **Swiss-based investigators who already hold three SNSF grants in project funding cannot request financial support from the SNSF to participate in this call** (Article 13 of the Amended Project Funding Regulations). **Proposals with overlapping funding periods with ongoing SNSF projects** are only approved if the research projects pursue different goals (Article 17 of the SNSF Funding Regulations).
Relevant documents	
Additional Info	**Mandatory, parallel submission of pre- and full-proposal via mySNF** Swiss partners must submit pre-proposals and full proposals **via *my*SNF** at the same submission deadline of the consortium application. These submissions are mandatory and do not replace the submission of the consortium application to the Call Secretariat. **Pre-proposal** forms are created by selecting "Projects: Partnership: Water4All: Pre-proposal". **Full-proposal** forms are created by selecting "Projects: Partnership: Water4All: Full proposal" and are to be linked to the pre-proposal by selecting its number in the data container "Relation to pre-proposal". **In case of multiple Swiss partners participating in the same consortium**, only one application is to be submitted on *my*SNF, 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 *my*SNF, they are to be declared as "consortium partners" instead and must apply for their funding at their respective research funding organisation. **Data management plan** Applicants will have to complete the DMP on *my*SNF 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. **Consortium agreement** Before the release of the funds, the SNSF requests the submission of a copy of the consortium agreement signed by all the partners. **Grant management** Grants will be managed according to standard SNSF rules described in SNSF Funding Regulations. Yearly financial reports for the use of SNSF funds must be submitted via *mySNF.* As a final scientific report, the SNSF requests the submission of the final scientific report submitted to the Water4All Call Secretariat. No other scientific report is requested.
Useful Links	Information available at: • SNSF Funding regulations • General Implementation Regulations • SNSF Regulations on Project Funding

TUNISIA

	Funding Organisation:	**Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research - MHESR** Tunisian Republic Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research
National Contact Point (NCP)	**Name:**	**Email and Phone:**
	Mrs. Hayet Souai Mrs. Saida Rafrafi	Hayet.Souai@mes.rnu.tn souaihayet@gmail.com Tel: +216 71 835 351 saida.rafrafi@mesrs.tn coopint2@gmail.com Tel: +216 71 835 351
Funded modalities	Joint Transnational Call (JTC) ☒	
	Early Career Researchers Call (ECR) ☐	
	We do NOT fund the Early Career Researchers Call	
Eligible Institutions	The Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research (MHESR) will fund activities, which will be carried out by research teams belonging to one or more MHESR research structures. 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)	
Eligible Applicants	The Tunisian principal investigator of the project should be: - Professor; - Associate Professor.	
Eligible Costs	Eligible costs are those spent directly by the project partner during the duration of the project and used exclusively for achieving the objectives of the project. All expenses must be incurred between the start date and the end date of the project and must be limited to the allocated budget the following expenses would be eligible: – Travel and daily allowances,	

	– Small equipment, logistics and consumables, – Service contracts and research contracts (non-permanent staff), – Organization and participation in the scientific events and meetings. – Publication and filing fees required (scientific publications, filing of patents), – Expenses for carrying out analyses and processing samples.	
Funding Commitment	**Total Amount for the Call (national contribution)**	**Maximum Amount Per Proposal**
	400.000 EUR	**100.000 EUR/proposal**
Other Funding Criteria	- The acquisition of computer and office equipment is an ineligible expense	
Relevant documents	**No**	
Additional Info	- The conditions of execution and financing of the projects upon the completion of the selection process shall be defined in the national grant award agreements, where the PI of the selected project for financing will sign an agreement with the MHESR/General Directorate of Scientific Research. - If several Tunisian partners are in the same project, the budget will be shared between them.	
Useful Links	www.mes.tn	

TÜRKİYE

	Funding Organisation:	**TÜBİTAK**
National Contact Point (NCP)	**Name:**	**Email and Phone:**
	Çağrı YILDIRIM **Meltem ÜNLÜ TOKCAER**	water4all@tubitak.gov.tr +90 312 298 1884 +90 312 298 1788
Funded modalities	Joint Transnational Call (JTC) ☒	
	Early Career Researchers Call (ECR) ☐	
	The national eligibility rules for the proposals applying in the Joint Transnational Call are stated in this national annex. We do NOT fund the Early Career Researchers Call	
Eligible Institutions	• Higher education institutions, training and research hospitals, public institutions and organizations (including public research centers, metropolitan/city municipalities), SMEs and large companies established in Turkey are eligible to be supported. • Applications are **NOT** accepted from foundations, associations and their economic enterprises, cooperatives, unions, sole proprietorships and unincorporated associations.	
Eligible Applicants	• The Principal Investigator (PI) and Lead Principal Investigator (LPI) from academia are expected to hold PhD. The LPI/PI from public institutions/organizations and private sector are expected to hold at least BA/BSc degree. • PI and researchers (except researchers abroad) must reside within the borders of Turkish Republic. A foreign national can take place in the project providing that she/he is employed at an institution within the borders of Turkish Republic.	
Eligible Costs	• Personnel Expenses (For private sector only) • Consumable Expenses • Travel Expenses	

	• Service Procurement Expenses (Consultancy and service purchase expenses from national and international project partners are not supported) • Tools and Equipment Expenses • Scholarship expenses (For universities and public sector only) • Project Incentive Premium (PIP) and overhead (For universities and public sector only) A balanced distribution between the project budget items is required.	
Funding Commitment	**Total Amount for the Call (national contribution)**	**Maximum Amount Per Proposal**
	500.000 EUR	The size of the grant may vary depending of the needs of each project and must be fully justified. TÜBİTAK-funded costs of each grant will be issued and managed by TÜBİTAK according to its funding guidelines and procedures (200.000 EUR/project is foreseen, for public organizations and universities PPI+Overhead will be added)
Other Funding Criteria	The national call text needs to be followed.	
Relevant documents	https://tubitak.gov.tr/sites/default/files/mevzuat/yonetmelik_iii_2_0.pdf https://tubitak.gov.tr/sites/default/files/2024-07/ARDEB_Idari_Mali_Esaslar_66YK_islenmis.pdf https://tubitak.gov.tr/sites/default/files/mevzuat/47_YK_370153.pdf https://tubitak.gov.tr/sites/default/files/tubitak_tarafindan_ozel_kuruluslar_ve_vakif_universitelerine_proje_karsiligi._yeni_2.pdf	
Additional Info		
Useful Links	https://www.tubitak.gov.tr/en https://ufukavrupa.org.tr/en/partnership/water4all	

UNITED KINGDOM

	Funding Organisation:	UK Research and Innovation
National Contact Point (NCP)	Name:	Email and Phone:
	Maria Calderon Munoz Andy Lawrence	TeamEngineering@epsrc.ukri.org
Funded modalities	Joint Transnational Call (JTC) ☒	
	Early Career Researchers Call (ECR) ☐	
	We do NOT fund the Early Career Researchers Call	
Eligible Institutions	Only Research Organisations eligible for UKRI funding can apply. For more information go to: Eligibility as an organisation – UKRI	
Eligible Applicants	For UK applicants, the standard UKRI eligibility criteria apply. More information can be found here: Eligibility as an individual – UKRI	
Eligible Costs	UKRI uses the Full Economic Cost (FEC) model of funding and typically fund 80% of the total cost of research projects. This means that for the majority of eligible costs, UKRI will provide 80% of the total cost of the research that will be funded through this call. For eligible costs please see: Costs you can apply for – EPSRC – UKRI All figures in the application call template should be provided at 100% of the Full Economic Cost for the UK budget, except the 'Funding requested in EUR' amount which should state the amount UKRI will be contributing to the project costs. Because of the funders' cost eligibility regulations, the total cost of a project will be greater than the amount of funding allocated.	
Funding Commitment	Total Amount for the Call (national contribution)	Maximum Amount Per Proposal
	£500.000 - 80% FEC (approx €590.000)	£160.000 - 80% FEC (approx €190.000)

Other Funding Criteria	• We will **only** fund the following topics: Topic 1: Enhancement of water circularity in industries. Topic 3: Resource recovery and valorization. • Proposals focusing on Topics 2 and 4 are not eligible for funding. • The majority of the research of the UK component should be within EPSRC's remit. More information can be found here: EPSRC remit – EPSRC – UKRI • Applicants are encouraged to contact EPSRC to discuss remit before submiting the proposal. • In line with UKRI funding guidelines, proposals will be funded at 80% FEC. • PhD studentships cannot be included.
Relevant documents	
Additional Info	Only successful candidates will need to submit their proposals to UKRI's funding system, TFS.
Useful Links	https://www.ukri.org/ https://www.ukri.org/councils/epsrc/