2019 Joint Call of the ERA-NET Cofund on Food Systems and Climate

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National and Regional Funding Regulations

Applicants are advised that this annex is for general guidance only. For more detailed rules and regulations please refer to the National or Regional funding organizations and Contact Person.

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BELGIUM – The Research Foundation – Flanders

Funding Organization: The Research Foundation – Flanders (FWO)

Indicative Budget: 700.000 € in total. This budget implies the funding of 2-3 projects with a max. applicable amount of 350.000 € per project/consortium.

Funding Programme: Both the FWO Strategic Basic Research Projects (SBO), next to the more fundamental research projects (FO), are integrated in this call, each with specific regulations. It is, in the light of the projects eligibility, of utmost importance to respect the appropriate regulations. For example, when it comes to the **mandatory valorisation aspect for the SBO projects.** Consequently it is strongly advised to contact the FWO contact points (see below), in order to verify the eligibility of the proposals and avoid ineligible projects/research consortia. See links below for the appropriate regulations.

National/Regional Contact Point:

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Eligibility criteria:

Minimum and/or maximum project duration:

Projects may last up to 36 months, which implies the funding has to be budgeted and spent accordingly. Extensions are not allowed in this phase.

Minimum and/or maximum funding per project:

The maximum requested budget per partner amounts to 350.000 EUR (incl. overhead).
Beware, the funding rules differ per FWO funding channel (FO and SBO):

- **FO**: a 6% structural overhead should be calculated on the direct costs. Example: the sum of all costs (personnel, consumables, travel, etc.) is 300.000 EUR, then the overhead will amount to 18.000 EUR (6% of 300.000 EUR) and the total requested cost 318.000 EUR. This total requested cost may never exceed 350.000 EUR. (for additional information see chapters 7 and 8 in the project regulations)

- **SBO**: The SBO cost model applies.

Who can be eligible for FWO funding?

The eligibility of institutions and its researchers can be verified in the relevant regulations:
→ For Fundamental research, see articles 10-12
→ For Strategic Basic Research, see articles 4-8

Additional conditions for FWO funding:

When the Flemish sub-proposal has a strategic orientation, and thus the strategic basic research channel would be the appropriate choice of funding, **we ask researchers to provide us with a 'valorisation plan' before the pre-proposal submission deadline**. There is no fixed format and one A4 page should suffice. What the FWO wants to know is how the valorisation within Flanders - and potentially internationally – will take place and which Flemish actors are involved in this. This information can be submitted to the general eranet@fwo.be email address.

Researchers have to inform the central research coordination units, at their host institutions, about their participation.

One and the same researcher can only participate in 2 different research projects/consortia when applying for FWO funding, within the same call. Double funding is not allowed.

National/regional topic priorities:

No priorities as long as the projects fit into the SBO or FO funding channels scope (no thematic restrictions).

However, valorisation – with an economic and/or societal finality - is an essential feature for the SBO programme.

More details:

Call page for European programmes (ERA-NET)
https://www.fwo.be/nl/mandaten-financiering/europese-programmas/era-net/oproepen/

SBO programme
https://www.fwo.be/nl/mandaten-financiering/onderzoeksprojecten/sbo-projecten/

FO programme
https://www.fwo.be/nl/mandaten-financiering/onderzoeksprojecten/junior-en-senior-onderzoeksproject/



BELGIUM – Fonds de la Recherche Scientifque – FNRS (F.R.S.-FNRS)

Funding Organisation: Fonds de la Recherche Scientifque – FNRS(F.R.S.-FNRS)

Indicative Budget: 200.000 € (1 project)

Funding Programme: PINT-MULTI

National/Regional Contact Point:

contact person:	email:	telephone:
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Eligibility criteria:

Who can apply?

- All eligibility rules and criteria can be found in the PINT-MULTI regulations. **This call is co-funded by the European Commission (see article III.3).**
- Basic research (low Technology Readiness Level) carried out in a research institution from the "Fédération Wallonie-Bruxelles".
- The F.R.S.-FNRS will not fund industrial partners.

Eligible costs and funding limit

- The maximum amount allocated per project is 200.000 EUR.
- All eligibility rules and criteria can be found in the PINT-MULTI regulations. **This call is co-funded by the European Commission (see article III.3).**

"Overhead" is not an eligible cost. If the project is selected for funding, these costs will be subject to a separate agreement between the institution of the beneficiary and the FNRS. General rules and regulations of FNRS apply: http://www.frs-fnrs.be

Additional Requirements

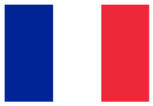
Applicants must provide basic administrative data by submitting an administrative application on Semaphore for the same deadline as the consortium application is submitted. Please select the "PINT-MULTI" funding instrument when creating the administrative application. Proposals invited to the second 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.

National/regional topic priorities:

No thematic restrictions

More details:

http://ncp.fnrs.be/index.php/appels/era-nets



FRANCE – National Research Agency

Funding Organisation: National Research Agency (ANR)

Indicative Budget: 2.000.000 €.

Funding Program: ANR Work Program 2020

National/Regional Contact Point:

contact person:	email:	telephone:
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Eligibility criteria:

To be eligible, partners requesting funding from ANR must meet all the following criteria:

Similarity with another proposal

The French part of the project proposal must not be judged similar to a project that is already funded by ANR. A project proposal will be judged similar to another if its principal objectives are the same, or results from a simple adaptation to the terms of the call for proposals **AND** the composition of the consortium is largely identical.

Requested funding

The funding requested from ANR for a project must be between 15.000 € and 250.000 €. If there are several partners requesting funding from ANR, the 250.000 € have to be shared. If a partner requesting funding from ANR is coordinator of a proposal, the maximum amount of funding requested can reach 300.000 €.

Consortium composition

ANR may finance Partners that have their primary establishment in France and/or Partners established in the EU and that can prove that they have a secondary establishment in France. To be eligible, the consortium must include at least one French public research organization (EPA, EPSCP, EPST, EPIC).

The involvement of an enterprise is encouraged but not mandatory.

Project partners' commitment:

Access to genetic resources and traditional knowledge associated with genetic resources

Pursuant to the Nagoya Protocol, ANR must obtain documentary evidence of Due Diligence Declarations (DDDs) for all research projects that it funds. Projects funded will be asked to make a declaration on potential utilization of genetic resources during their projects.

DDDs for research work can be submitted online using the special application on the MESRI website. Credentials to access the application can be obtained from the director of the host institution. For full details, go to:

http://www.enseignementsup-recherche.gouv.fr/pid37627/utilisation-ressources-genetiques-associees.html

Open Science

As part of the contribution of the ANR to the promotion and implementation of an open science, and in connection with the National plan for an open science, the applicants formally undertake, if they receive funding, to: (1) post the full texts of all scientific publications resulting from the research project in an open archive (either directly in HAL or via a local institutional archive); and (2) to provide a data management plan (DMP) within 6 months of the project start, as per the ANR Funding regulation (Règlement financier) and the arrangements communicated in the act allocating the grant. Besides, the ANR recommends that publications be made in reviews or books in native open access.

Terms, conditions, and important recommendations for partners requesting funding from ANR will be published on ANR website.

National/regional topic priorities:

ANR will support projects within the entire scientific scope.

More details:

It is important to read carefully the call text, the present document in its entirety, the document "Modalités de participation pour les partenaires solicitant une aide de l'ANR" on the ANR website and the ANR funding regulation (https://anr.fr/fr/rf/) before contacting the NCP and submitting a research project.

The project proposal must not be considered to infringe an intellectual property right characterizing a counterfeit within the meaning of intellectual property.



GERMANY – Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture represented by the Federal Office for Agriculture and Food

Funding Organisation: Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture (BMEL), represented by the Federal Office for Agriculture and Food (BLE)

Indicative Budget: 1.000.000 €. The maximum amount for each project has to not exceed 250.000 €. The max. project duration is up to 36 months.

Funding Programme: Specific Programme on International Research Cooperation and Global Food Security and other international research tasks regarding Food and Agriculture.

National/Regional Contact Point:

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Eligibility criteria:

BMEL funding is based on §§ 23 and 44 BHO (Bundeshaushaltsordnung) and associated administrative regulations. The main items are the following:

- The funding regulations, follow-up and reporting of publicly funded projects are regulated according to NABF (Nebenbestimmungen des Bundesministeriums für Bildung und Forschung für Zuwendungen zur Projektförderung auf Ausgabenbasis) and NKBF-2017 (Nebenbestimmungen des Bundesministeriums für Bildung und Forschung für Zuwendungen zur Projektförderung auf Kostenbasis an Unternehmen der gewerblichen Wirtschaft für Forschungs- und Entwicklungsvorhaben).
- Funding will be awarded as non-repayable project grant.
- Eligible applicants are universities, universities of applied sciences, non-university research institutions, SMEs domiciled in Germany as well as Federal and State institutions with research tasks. Research institutions which are jointly funded by the Federal Government and the 'Länder' may only be granted project funding under certain conditions and only for project-related expenditures in addition to their basic funding.

National/regional topic priorities:

BMEL will support projects within the entire scientific scope.

More details:

See the national Call announcement in the Bundesanzeiger (www.bundesanzeiger.de)



HUNGARY – National Research, Development and Innovation Office

Funding Organisation: National Research, Development and Innovation Office (NKFIH)

NEMZETI KUTATÁSI, FEJLESZTÉSI ÉS INNOVÁCIÓS HIVATAL

Indicative Budget: 200.000 €

Funding Programme: Call for proposals to support successful Hungarian participants in international ERA-NET COFUND and EJP COFUND programmes
Call Number: 2019-2.1.7-ERA-NET

National/Regional Contact Point:

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Eligibility criteria:
The aim of the call is to provide national funding for successful Hungarian participants in international joint calls of ERA-NET COFUND and European Joint Programme COFUND initiatives from the National Research, Development and Innovation Fund The call contributes to:

- fostering strategic cooperation amongst international organisations participating in projects funded by ERA-NET COFUND and EJP COFUND programmes,
- to helping Hungarian participants of projects funded by the ERA-NET COFUND and EJP COFUND programmes to gain experience in the field of international R+D cooperation, which can contribute to strengthening Hungarian participation in the Horizon 2020 framework programme int he given technological,
- establishing future scientific and economic cooperation.

General rules for participation for Hungarian institutions in the joint calls of the ERA-Net COFUND and EJP COFUND programmes are detailed in the Call Guidelines. Under the present call proposals can be submitted in the following topics, in line with the international evaluation:

- Reg-SyS ERA-NET
- ERA PERMED
- FLAG-ERA II.
- QuantERA
- EJP RD – European Joint Programme on Rare Diseases
- JPcofuND - Joint Programme – Neurodegenerative Disease Research" (JPND)
- M-ERA.NET 2
- **Food System and Climate Change (FOSC) ERA –NET**
- ICT-AGRI-FOOD ERA-NET (ICT-enabled agri-food systems)

Participation in these programmes contributes to achieving national R+D goals stipulated in the EU-2020 strategy and the alignment of the R+D programmes of member states and thus to more efficient exploitation of European R+D funds. By concentrating these funds, large-scale projects aimed at adddressing important issues can be realized as well as the competitiveness of the European industry can be increased.

Request for funding can be submitted individually or in the form of national consortium. Hungarian partners participating in the same international project shall submit their request for domestic funding in the form of a national consortium.

Project duration: maximum 36 months

Request for funding shall only be submitted by a Hungarian member of a consortium of a joint international project which was selected for funding according to the evaluation system of the international programme, or by a Hungarian member who joined the consortium of a joint international project which was selected for funding according to the evaluation system of the international programme at a later stage.

Activities eligible for funding: basic research, applied research, experimental development, activities related to information and dissemination activities, project coordination activities, access to market. Detailed information can be found in the guidelines.
In case of basic research activities, they can only be carried out by the applicants and cannot be outsourced to third parties.

Please note that activities eligible for funding vary from ERA-NET to ERA-NET. Please refer to the Guidelines for detailed information.

While applying for domestic funding, the professional content should be consistent with the professional content of the international project but the tasks of the Hungarian applicant should be presented in detail. The timeline for the request for funding should be consistent with the timeline of the international project, the milestones should be defined according to the international project.

Applicants should meet the ethics requirements of Horizon 2020 indicated in Articles 13. and 14. of the Regulation 1290/2013/EU of the European Parliament and the Council.

Details regarding funding intensity can be found in the Guidelines

Domestic funding is available according to the ranking list of the international evaluation and until the exhaustion of the available domestic funds.

Submission of national proposal:
Proposers shall submit their request for funding after the approval of the international projects. The online application form and programme can is available at www.palyazat.gov.hu.
Deadline for submission: 30 November, 2020.

National/regional topic priorities:
no thematic restrictions

More details:
www.nkfih.gov.hu (please use Firefox or Chrome), e-mail: nkfialap@nkfih.gov.hu

INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATION – International Centre for Advanced Mediterranean Agronomic Studies

Funding Organisation: International Centre for Advanced Mediterranean Agronomic Studies (CIHEAM-IAMB)

Indicative Budget: 210.000 €

Funding Programme: International cooperation

National/Regional Contact Point:

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Eligibility criteria:

Post graduates young researchers from NON EU Countries which are contributing countries in FOSC, are entitled to be included in a secondment plan foreseen by the proposed research projects.
Each proposal may include up to 3 mobility grants per project, of the duration of one year (9 months effective secondment for a total of 30.000 Euros each).

Grants will be assigned to young post graduate researchers from the funded projects in order to attend the 1st year course at CIHEAM-Bari.

After the approval of the projects, the project co-ordinator - in agreement with the partner(s) from the above mentioned countries - and on the base of a clear research mobility module, will be entitled to submit to CIHEAM Bari the list of the candidates for the secondment. The acceptance of the candidates is related to the fulfilment of the conditions of admission to CIHEAM Bari courses.

Two or more young researchers might be seconded simultaneously in the frame of the same project. Each grant will foresee and cover the following activities: travel, accommodation and subsistence, medical insurance, training and research.

National/regional topic priorities:
N/A

More details:
N/A



IRELAND – Department of Agriculture Food and the Marine

Funding Organisation: Department of Agriculture Food and the Marine (DAFM)

An Roinn Talmhaíochta, Bia agus Mara
Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine

Indicative Budget: 500.000€

Funding Programme: Research Stimulus Fund

National/Regional Contact Point:

contact person:	email:	telephone:
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Eligibility criteria:

Where applications include two Irish RPOs, each must account for at least 10% of the overall combined grant requested from DAFM. This requirement will not apply to third and subsequent Irish partners on any project. Any project that does not comply with this requirement will be deemed ineligible at the national eligibility check at the pre-proposal stage of the evaluation. The total public funding to Irish RPOs shall not be greater than €500.000 per project. As the FOSC Call invites proposals for three-year projects, the scientific work should be completed within the first three years in collaboration with the European partners to comply with FOSC requirements as the overall project will have to present a final report to FOSC after three years.

National/regional topic priorities:

Eligibility: All DAFM approved RPOs in Ireland are eligible to participate and submit proposals. Public RPOs based in Northern Ireland are not eligible. The involvement of industry is also encouraged on a self-financing basis subject to the need to respect the 'public good' nature of DAFM Research Funding Programmes and compliance with the National IP Protocol.

Funding: The total indicative funding provided by DAFM in respect of this Call shall not exceed €500,000.

Admitted costs. Eligible costs will be allowed in the categories of:

(a) Staff Costs
(b) Equipment
(c) Travel and Subsistence (T&S)
(d) Consumables
(e) Overheads
(f) Other agreed costs e.g. Sub-Contracting

More details:

N/A



ITALY – Ministry of Agriculture, Food, Forestry and Tourism Policies

Funding Organisation: Ministry of Agriculture, Food, Forestry and Tourism Policies (MIPAAF)

Indicative Budget: 600.000 €

Funding Programme: Strategic Plan 2014-2020 for Innovation and Research in the Agricultural, Food, and Forestry Sector

National/Regional Contact Point:

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Eligibility criteria:

1. **Applicant eligibility**

National public research institutions as well as no-profit private bodies can be funded, under the condition that "performing research activities" and not only "promoting or supporting research activities" must be present among their institutional and statutory scopes. Furthermore SME's and other organisms with different statutory nature may participate at their own (or other external) resources, proven that they provide the project an added value. The same research institutions (but not the same person/research group) can apply for more than 1 project in each topic.

2. **Financing and cost eligibility**

The maximum requested budget to Mipaaf from one project (including 1 or more national participant institutions) is 200.000 € including coordination cost.

In defining cost of the projects national applicants must refer to regulations indicated in the standing User's Manual

https://www.politicheagricole.it/flex/cm/pag-es/ServeBLOB.php/L/IT/IDPagina/10656*)*

The selected national institutions will be financed up to 99% of the approved eligible costs.

- Eligible costs

A) Personnel
1) Salaries – For public institutions/universities only non-permanent scientific staff; for private no-profit institutions also permanent scientific staff; administrative staff can be included only in the coordination activity, if the research unit is also coordinator.
2) Travel expenses – for permanent and non permanent staff declared in the project
B) Consumables

C) External activity costs – advisory/consultant services, services supply (scientific, logistics for meetings, devices and machine rent and/or , etc.)
The costs at point C) need to be indicated and detailed as "Other costs" in the financial plan of the joint call application form (online submission)
D) Equipments – Only use cost (related to the project duration) for scientific equipment will be reimbursed.
E) Overheads – no more than 12% of the total amount of the above mentioned costs (A+B+C+D)
F) Coordination - if the Italian institution is also playing the role of coordinator the eligible costs are those indicated in the User's manual. In the joint call Mipaaf will pay the coordination cost calculated on the total request of the project, including the amount not paid with national resources. Requested cost for national expert (project monitoring) is not applicable in this call.

3. National document to be presented

By the pre-proposal application deadline no documents have to be submitted to Mipaaf by applicant public institutions, other than the application through the online joint call submission platform. But no-profit private research bodies participating in a project proposal must send, by the application deadline, copy of the documents stating their research mission (statute and/or articles of incorporation or memorandum of association, etc.) to this following PEC: aoo.cosvir@pec.politicheagricole.gov.it (Office DISR IV) specifying in the object "ERANET FOSC Cofund joint Call 2019 - documenti bando – ente privato".

After the funding decision, and the official communication by the Call Office to the coordinator of the winning projects, Mipaaf DISR4 will request to each Italian research unit of the selected projects to fill in the national template necessary to apply for the granted contribution. These forms must be written in Italian and follow the standing User's Manual and any other specifications reported in the letter requesting the national template for the grant.

National/regional topic priorities:
N/A

More details:
N/A



THE NETHERLANDS – Ministry of Agriculture, Nature and Food Quality

Funding Organisation: Ministry of Agriculture, Nature and Food Quality (LNV)

Indicative Budget: 1.000.000 € with a maximum funding of 250.000 € per project.

Funding Programme: Open programming

Regional Contact Point:		
contact person:	**email:**	**telephone:**
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Eligibility

Minimum and/or maximum project duration:
Projects may last up to 36 months, which implies the funding has to be budgeted and spent accordingly. Extensions are not allowed in this phase. Terms and Conditions: the conditions of "ARVODI- 2018" will be applied. The funding from the ministry will be maximally 1.000.000 euro in total for duration of the ERA-net.

Minimum and/or maximum funding per project:
The maximum requested budget per partner amounts to 250.000 euro; 300.000 euro if a Dutch organization is included as the coordinator.
• Funding will be awarded as non-repayable project grant.
• Eligible applicants are Dutch universities, universities of applied sciences, non-university research institutions, knowledge organizations (research and knowledge-dissemination organisations), and small and medium enterprises (SMEs), including start-ups, domiciled in The Netherlands.
Dutch project partners will sign a separate contract with the Ministry.

National/regional topic priorities:

Projects must be well embedded in a food system approach, also including interactions and interdependencies between actors (and their activities).

Research topics must be related to the NL food system, within the broader global context. Proposals should provide insights into trade-offs, synergies and unintended consequences within the system from a supply and demand perspective. Proposals must 'visibly' build on, and not duplicate, existing research.

Understanding what interventions may be needed, at which point in the system, and from which sector (or actor) is of interest. Where appropriate, proposals should consider the potential levers for

change. The Programme would welcome multi-disciplinary research proposals which provide insight into new and emerging vulnerabilities, risks and threats impacting on the resilience of the NL food system within a global context.

Technology is an important game changer; but it's also crucial to highlight the social dimension in the project.

More details:
N/A



NORWAY – The Research Council of Norway

Funding Organisation: The Research Council of Norway (RCN)
Indicative Budget: 2.000.000 €

Funding Programme:
The funding provided by Norway is from activities that have responsibility for research on the agricultural sector, land-based and bio-based industries, including bioresources, food processing and the food industry.
BIONAER - Sustainable Innovation in Food and Bio-based Industries. National website:
https://www.forskningsradet.no/en/about-the-research-council/programmes/bionar/

National/Regional Contact Point:		
contact person:	**email:**	**telephone:**
Thorbjørn Gilberg	thgi@rcn.no	+45 22037433

Eligibility criteria:

The RCN can fund projects that fall within fundamental research (F), industrial research (I) and experimental development (D).

The RCN can fund projects where the Norwegian coordinator/partner is a Norwegian research organisation or company while Norwegian companies/trade and industry organizations and Norwegian research organisations can be partners or subcontractors.

The maximum grant for Norwegian participation is set to 400.000 € per proposal.

State aid guidelines

If project support from the Research Council of Norway is awarded to a company, or "undertaking" (i.e. an actor that carries out an economic activity consisting of offering products or services on a given market), the aided part of the research and development project is set by the State Aid Rules;

https://www.forskningsradet.no/en/apply-for-funding/funding-from-the-research-council/Conditions-for-awarding-state-aid/

Open access
The RCN has stipulated requirements relating to self-archiving and open access to scientific articles produced in connection with R&D projects funded by the Council. Read more about The Research Council's Principles for Open Access to Scientific Publications.
https://www.forskningsradet.no/forskningspolitisk-radgivning/apen-forskning/

Other issues

The Norwegian participation must follow RCN's General Terms and Conditions for R&D Projects. Norwegian project partners will sign a separate contract with the RCN. Norwegian partners that are coordinators of the projects will be asked to also coordinate the Norwegian partners of the projects. Project partners of funded projects will be requested to register the application of the Norwegian activities after invitation from the National Contact Person.

National/regional topic priorities:
NA

More details:
NA



SWEDEN – The Swedish Research Council for Environment, Agricultural Sciences and Spatial Planning

Funding Organisation: The Swedish Research Council for Environment, Agricultural Sciences and Spatial Planning (FORMAS)

Indicative Budget: 1.500.000 €

Funding Programme:

National/Regional Contact Point:

contact person:	email:	telephone:
Susanne Johansson	susanne.johansson@formas.se	+46 8 7754020

Eligibility criteria:

Eligible institutions:

Grants for research projects can only be administered by a Swedish university, university college or other Swedish public organisation that fulfils the grant administrating organisation eligibility requirements of Formas. Please check: Formas Eligible Institutions

Eligible applicants:

To be eligible to apply for grants from Formas, main applicants and co-applicants must have a doctoral degree. Other people participating in the project (e.g. doctoral students, technicians, lab assistants) do not need to have a doctoral degree.

Eligible costs:

Project grants from Formas may be used for financing of salary for researchers, doctoral students (up to three years) and technical staff (including social-security contributions). Grants may also be used to finance running costs (e.g. consumables, equipment under 500 kSEK, travel, conferences, publication in open access journals), equipment depreciation costs and premises costs.

For existing employment positions, the current salary at the time of application (including social-security contributions) must be used for each of the subsequent years. For new employment positions the starting salary at the grant administrating organisation must be used for each subsequent year. Note that the total salary costs awarded by Formas for an individual researcher, doctoral student or other member of the project may never exceed 100 per cent of a full-time position.

Budget specification

- Personnel: Salary costs including social fees and LKP

- Travel (Missions): Traveling cost for meetings, data collection and so on.
- Consumables (Running costs): All the costs that are related to the research activities as well as equipment under 500 kSEK, publications in open access journal, equipment depreciation costs and premises costs.
- Overhead: Formas funds overhead costs according to the Swedish universities or institutions policies.
- Subcontracting: Total costs for the subcontractors including their overheads and premises costs.

Swedish applicants involved in proposals invited to step 2 are requested to also submit a proposal to Formas/Prisma after instructions from Formas NCP.

The maximum amount which can be requested by each proposal with Swedish applicant(s) is limited to:

300.000 Euro if Swedish Participant(s)

500.000 Euro if a Swedish Coordinator is included

Ethical guidelines and open access:

For information regarding Formas' ethical guidelines and issues concerning public and open access to research results and scientific data. Please check:

http://www.formas.se/en/Financing/Ethical-Policy/

Reporting of projects awarded funding

Each Swedish PI awarded funding must submit financial reports annually, and financial and scientific reports when the project has ended to Formas.

National/regional topic priorities:

Formas will support projects within the entire scope of the call.

More details:

Please also see Formas home page: https://www.formas.se/en/



TURKEY – The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey

Funding Organisation: The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TUBITAK)

Indicative Budget: 600.000 €

Funding Programme:
ARDEB 1071 - Support Programme for Increasing Capacity to Benefit from International Research Funds and Participation in International R&D Cooperation
https://www.tubitak.gov.tr/sites/default/files/3125/ar-ge_ve_yenilik_bilgi_notu.pdf
Projects in which partner from Turkey is only responsible for demonstration actions cannot be supported by TUBITAK.

National/Regional Contact Point:

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Serkan Tuna	serkan.tuna@tubitak.gov.tr	+90 3122981266

Eligibility criteria:

The budget requested from TUBITAK by the Turkish partners involved in the same project can be maximum **1.500.000 TL** excluding Project Incentive Bonus (PTI) and overhead costs. For each Turkish partner in the project team, budget limitations below should be used;

- The maximum funding per project for Turkish partners from Universities (public and private), research institutes, and public institutions is **720.000 TL**. This amount excludes Project Incentive Bonus (PTI) and overhead costs.
- The maximum funding per project for Turkish partners from private corporations is **1.000.000 TL** for Turkish partners. This amount excludes overhead costs.

Percentage of Funding:
Universities (public and private), research institutes and public institutions: 100% of budget of the project will be funded by TUBITAK.
Large-size Enterprises: 60% of budget of the project will be funded by TUBITAK.
Small and Medium-size Enterprises: 75% of budget of the project will be funded by TUBITAK.

Eligibility of Project Team:
Principal Investigator*, Researchers and Advisors:
University personnel should have a PhD degree,

Those working in a public institution or a private corporation should have an undergraduate diploma,

The Principal Investigator (PI) of Turkish team should be the permanent staff of the organization making the project proposal,

The PI and researchers (Co-PI) should reside and work in Turkey (Foreign nationals can be PI/researcher in the projects if they are working in an organization in Turkey),

A researcher should have a contribution of at least 10% of the project workload,

An advisor is allowed if the project requires special expertise on a specific subject. The number of advisors in a project is limited to the number of specific subjects in the project. The role of advisor in the projects should be explained in detail in the project proposal.

For detailed information, please look at national call announcement.

*University presidents and vice presidents, surgeon generals, vice surgeon generals, hospital presidents, institution/company presidents, and institution/company vice presidents are not allowed to be PI.

Eligible Costs: Eligible types of funding under this programme are limited to personnel costs, travel and subsistence, equipment that would be used for R&D purposes, consumables and subcontracting/services need for R&D work. Projects intended to build infrastructure cannot be supported.

National Application: Project coordinator of consortium must send English application form to call secretariat via online application tool. At the same time, project coordinator of Turkish team in the consortium must apply 1st stage via project application system of TUBITAK by using Turkish application form available on project application system of TUBITAK (uidb-pbs.tubitak.gov.tr). All Turkish partners in the same international project should submit one application form to national application system. If the Turkish team is invited for the 2nd stage, same procedure is to be followed by project coordinator of the Turkish team.

For further information, applicants should follow the announcements regarding this call under the official website of TUBITAK.

National/regional topic priorities:
N/A

More details:
http://www.tubitak.gov.tr/tr



UNITED KINGDOM – Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

Funding Organisation: Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA)

Indicative Budget: 350,000 €

Funding Programme: Defra Agri-Food Chain Directorate Food Science Programme

National/Regional Contact Point:

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Heather Alford	heather.alford@defra.gov.uk	+44 2085654892

Eligibility criteria:

The Defra funding can only support R&D that addresses policy priorities supporting increasing productivity sustainably with positive environmental impact. In framing research to help address a safe, secure and resilient food system, applicants will need to consider the wider policy context in terms of productivity, sustainability and climate change goals, including Defra's 25 year environment plan and the UK Government's Net-Zero GHG emissions 2050 target. Research taking a whole food systems approach and taking a food supply chain perspective (e.g. food production, processing, manufacture, retail, and consumption) is in scope. Research on human/clinical health impacts of food consumption; and education is out of scope.

National/regional topic priorities:

Assessing climate related risks; promoting innovative technology; improving resilience; are in scope. Research on food losses can only be funded if it forms part of wider food systems research .

Research topics must include consideration of the UK food system, within the broader global context. Proposals should take a food supply chain view (e.g. spanning primary production, food manufacture, processing, retail, and consumers), and provide insights into trade-offs, synergies and unintended consequences within the system from a supply and demand perspective . Proposals must build on, and not duplicate, existing research.

Technology has an important role to play in meeting our sustainability and climate change goals. Proposals that address the role of technology in driving change and improving resilience, whilst simultaneously enhancing resource efficiency, inputs, food quality, reducing environmental burden and increasing productivity of food systems, would be welcomed. Understanding what interventions may be needed, at which point in the system, and from which sector (or actor) – is of interest. Where appropriate, proposals should consider the potential levers for change, as well as their associated metrics.

The Programme would welcome multi disciplinary research proposals which provide insight into new and emerging vulnerabilities, risks and threats impacting on the resilience of the UK food system

within a global context. This should be from both a supply and demand perspective, coupled with mitigation and adaptation strategies. Where appropriate, proposals should include scenario analysis to inform research outcomes.

Applicants **must** comply with Defra's standard Terms & Conditions for Research and Development. Please contact UK coordinator for details. Specific information is given in the 'details' section below.

We would anticipate applications for funding to be in the region of £150k, although this is indicative only, depending on the project.

More details:

Additional eligibility funding criteria from the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra), United Kingdom

We anticipate Defra's contribution towards each project to be in the region of £150k. This is indicative only depending on the project.
Bidders must contact the Defra FOSC representatives (Duncan Harding and Heather Alford) prior to submitting bids for funding.

Other general considerations:
Areas of specific interest for Defra for this call include:

- Research proposals should target increasing productivity and competitiveness alongside enhancing the environment within a systems approach. Multi- and interdisciplinary research expertise is encouraged.
- The UK part of the project must be developed within the UK and must not duplicate research funded elsewhere.
- Defra requires that all research proposals will have application and benefit to the UK food production system and support innovation and productivity in the UK.
- Defra is unable to fund UK partners to undertake research that involves assessment of health benefits or clinical trial research as this is outside of the Departments' remit.
- We welcome proposals that involve industry partnerships to add value and ensure 'real world' relevance. Industry partners will need to demonstrate compliance with State Aid rules.
- UK contractors will be paid by Defra in sterling. The exchange rate from Sterling to Euros applied will be that at the time of FOSC call publication.

Links of interest:
The UK Government is producing a National Food Strategy:
https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/developing-a-national-food-strategy-independent-review-2019

Defra Strategy 2018, Creating a great place for living:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/753513/defra-group-strategy-2018.pdf

25 Year Environment Plan
https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/25-year-environment-plan

Before submitting proposals, applicants are strongly advised to consult the national contacts to ensure bids are eligible and meet the national criteria. Applicants should also consult Defra's standard Terms and Conditions for funding research[1] available from network.procurement@defra.gov.uk
Please contact Duncan Harding or Heather Alford
(Duncan.harding@defra.gov.uk; Heather.alford@defra.gov.uk)

Bidders should ensure that they have considered VAT where applicable in their proposals.

Applicants **must** comply with Defra's standard Terms & Conditions for Research and Development – please contact UK coordinator for details

[1] Defra Contract for the provision of research and development (June 2018).



ALGERIA – Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research

Funding Party: Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research (MESRS)

Indicative Budget: 400.000 €

Funding Programme:

National/Regional Contact Point:

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Eligibility criteria:

Who can apply?

- The call is open to Algerian researchers affiliated to research laboratories or centers.
- A multi-institutional consortium with Companies' involvement is strongly encouraged. They may beconsidered as additional consortium partners involved in the execution of the project from the full proposal development phase onwards.
- The industry partners are expected to meet their participation costs (salaries) in the joint project. Travel and subsistence costs can be requested for such partners when taking part in the consortium meetings and workshops.
- Balanced involvement of female is another requirement.

What type of costs are eligible for funding?

Support will be provided for collaborative multilateral basic and applied research projects. Funds can be used to cover the following costs:

- Research related costs: all expenses related to field work such as conducting interviews, researchrelated trips, research equipment (small equipment) and consumables, publication related costs, etc.
- Exchange Programme: mobility expenses (transport and accommodation costs) of the research team between the partnering countries.
- Knowledge sharing costs: This is to cover the costs of activities organized by the consortium, such as joint workshops, seminars, conferences, symposia, lecture presentations, capacity building sessions, meetings, local/regional dissemination of results aimed at involving stakeholders and/or end users from outside the consortium with a minimum of 10% of the grant budget.
- Joint FOSC workshops: travel costs for the kick-off, mid-term and final conference for all granted projects should be included in the knowledge sharing costs.

Upper funding limits for the eligible costs per project

Max Budget per project (i.e. for 1 project): € 100,000 for 3-years, and will be paid in annual installments.

Additional Requirements

Socio-economic partnership is required for research and innovation projects.

National/regional topic priorities:

N/A

More details:

N/A



BURKINA FASO – National Fund for Research and Innovation for Development

Funding Organisation: National Fund for Research and Innovation for Development (FO.N.R.I.D.)

Indicative Budget: 100.000 €

Funding Programme: Food system and climate change

National/Regional Contact Point:

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Eligibility criteria:

This call is open to working researchers residing in Burkina Faso and affiliated with a recognized Burkinabe research, higher education or innovation institution such as a research institutes/centers, universities, university of technology or science council. The head of the Burkinabe team applicant must be in possession of a PhD. A multi-institutional/ consortia approach is encouraged.

Therefore, applicants are allowed to collaborate with other partners such as NGOs, Civil society bodies or private companies. However, the private companies/SMEs and/or industry participants are expected to meet their specific participation costs in the joint project. Joint projects that insole young scientists and pay attention to a balanced involvement of female researchers will be highly positively considered.

National/regional topic priorities:

Contribution to the improvement of safety and food sovereignty by developing technologies for the increase in agricultural productivity, the preservation, the development and the sustainable exploitation of natural resources for the well-being of populations in the context of climate change.

More details:

Contact: Dr Inoussa Zongo, email: zinoussa@hotmail.com
Website: www.fonrid.bf



EGYPT – Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research (MHESR)

Funding Organisation: Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research (MHESR) represented by Science and Technology Development Fund (STDF)

Indicative Budget: 500.000 €. The maximum amount for each project must not exceed 100.000 €. The max. project duration is up to 36 months.

Funding Programme: International cooperation- FOSC

National/Regional Contact Point:

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Aya Said	aya.said@stdf.eg	+20 2-27920134

Eligibility criteria:

Who can apply?

- Research proposals may be submitted by an Egyptian PhD holder, affiliated to an Egyptian research institution (Universities, Research Centers/institutes …etc.).
- An applicant, who is already participating as a principal investigator (PI) co-principal investigator (CO-PI) in two running STDF projects or participating as a team member in three running STDF projects, is not eligible for funding.
- Submission: It's a must that the applicant uploads two identical versions of the proposal
  - ❖ One on FOSC website.
  - ❖ The other on STDF website.

Note:

- Upon proposal acceptance, project contracts are made between three parties: STDF, the legal representative of the host institution, and the PI of the project. (Only one PI for each proposal)
- The fund is allocated to both the host institution and the PI, administered by the host institution's financial department, and managed by the PI of the project.
- Non-governmental host institutions are requested to either submit a Letter of Guarantee against the amount of fund, or follow a post-activity milestone payment schedule

Types of costs are eligible for funding

- **Incentives for the project's team/Personnel cost:** incentives are allowed for members of the project team, in accordance with their academic credentials and the percentage of time spent on performing project activities.
- **Equipment, spare parts, expendable supplies and material:** funds required for the purchase of equipment, spare parts, expendable supplies and material required to fulfil the objectives of the project are allowed.

- **Services:** services necessary for fulfilling the objectives of the project are allowed. These include manufacturing of specimens & prototypes, registration and protection of the IP and publication, acquiring access to specialized reference source databases or computer software, fees for use of facilities in other national institutions, etc.
- **Events:** in general all costs directly related to the preparation, implementation and/or attendance of events like workshops, conferences, training courses etc. are eligible.
- **Travel:** the most economical means of transport consistent with effective pursuit of the project should be used. Upgrades to business class are to be done at one's own expense.
- **Daily subsistence (per diem) allowance:** calculated according to the current governing rules of the Mission Directorate - Ministry of Higher Education- and depending on the visited country. Sometimes it's limited by the internal regulations of the PI's institution.
- **Indirect cost:** costs incurred by the PI's institution in order to facilitate performing project activities, support financial administration, manage the facilities, etc. (overheads).

Upper funding limits for the eligible costs per project

- Each project can receive up to 100,000 € for the Egyptian partner(s).
- Incentives for the project's team must not exceed 25% of the Egyptian Total Project Budget. Also, STDF abides by its approved scheme for incentives which takes into consideration each team member's academic credentials and the percentage of time spent on performing the project's activities.
- Indirect Cost: must not exceed 20 % of (Total Direct Cost minus Equipment cost).

Note: Egyptian Total Project Budget is equal to the Total Direct Cost plus the Indirect Cost

Additional requirements

- Before Contracting:
  - ❖ The proposals of the Egyptian partner must include a scanned copy of the signed and stamped endorsement letter by the legal representative of the applicant's institution stating the project title, the name, position and affiliation of the applicant in charge of the proposal, that the project idea was not funded or submitted to another agency (national or international), or otherwise declare, and that the institution approves the project.
  - ❖ The applicant must submit evidence of obtaining all the clearances and permits needed by the relevant national authorities.

According to STDF rules, STDF must be acknowledged in all the published results and outcomes of its funded projects

National/regional topic priorities:

STDF will support projects within the entire scientific scope.

More details:

See the Call announcement (www.stdf.eg/).



IVORY COAST- Programme d'Appui Strategique a la Recherche Scientifique

Funding Organisation: Programme d'Appui Strategique a la Recherche Scientifique (PASRES)

Indicative Budget: 100.000 €.

Funding Programme: Fonds Interprofessionnel pour la Recherche et le Conseil – FIRCA + PASRES

National/Regional Contact Point:

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Eligibility criteria:

Applications submitted under this call must comply with the general rules and conditions governing the financing of projects at PASRES (www.csrs.ch/pasres).

Only researchers from universities and research institutes can apply for this call.

The duration of the project is 36 months maximum. An extension period of no more than 12 months can be organized on request. PASRES will carry out a budget and scientific evaluation for each research project.

Specific submission procedures must be scrupulously respected.

PASRES will allocate a budget of 20,000 euros per funded project.

These include a project duration of 3 years, a budget ceiling.

It is expected that applications for this call will be collaborative research grants with the composition of the consortium as defined in the call documents, and PASRES will fund the State of Côte d'Ivoire from any successful transnational collaboration.

National/regional topic priorities:

- Agriculture and Food Security
- Economics
- Energy
- Environment and Biodiversity
- Engineering and Technology
- Exact Sciences
- Human Sciences

- Legal Sciences
- Medical Sciences.

More details:

The official announcement of the national call in Côte d'Ivoire will be published on PASRES website: http://www.csrs.ch/pasres.

Applicants are advised to contact their National Contact Point before starting to prepare proposals for application.



KENYA – Ministry of Education Science and Technology

Funding Organisation: Ministry of Education Science and Technology (MOEST)

Indicative Budget: 300.000 €

Funding Programme:

National/Regional Contact Point:

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Eligibility criteria:

Who can apply?

Research proposals may be submitted by: Researchers from public and private institutions (Universities, Research Organisations, NGO's and Private Sector)

What type of costs are eligible for funding?

- Personal costs
- Travel
- Subsistence
- Equiment and materials
- Publication and dissemination
- Research exchange visits
- Project meetings

Additional requirements

Evidence of previous experience in managing donor funded scientific research and innovation collaborative projects outside Kenya.

National/regional topic priorities:

N/A

More details:

N/A



MOROCCO – Ministry of National Education, Professional training, Higher Education and Scientific Research

Funding Organisation: Ministry of National Education, Professional training, Higher Education and Scientific Research - Department of Higher Education and Scientific Research (DHESR

Indicative Budget: 400.000 €

Funding Programme:

Royau.Minime du Maroc
Ministère de l'Education Nationale, de la Formation
Professionnelle, de l'Enseignement Supérieur et de la Recherche Scientifique
Département de l'Enseignement Supérieur et de la Recherche Scientifique

National/Regional Contact Point:

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Eligibility criteria:

Who can apply?

- Public universities;
- Universities from the Public-private partnership in collaboration with public universities;
- Non-university institutions in partnership with public universities;
- Public research institutions in partnership with public universities.

What type of costs are eligible for funding?
Funds can be used to cover the following costs:

No levy by research institutions is allowed from the budget allocated to the research projects;

Permanent staff can not receive research allowances. The remuneration of the non-statutory staff (PhD students, post-docs and CDD) participating in the project can be financed (Comply with the joint decision of 14 January 2016 concerning the management of the own resources of public institutions of higher education and scientific research);

Costs requested for Research allowances, travel and mission expenses can not exceed 60% of the total budget allocated to the Moroccan team;

The budget requested for the first payment can not exceed 60% of the total budget allocated to the Moroccan team;
The second payment will be made only after validation of the mid-term report.

Eligible expenses

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

Additional Requirements

The maximum budget granted for each Moroccan partner is **65.000 €** with a ceiling of **130.000 €** per project;

National/regional topic priorities:

N/A

More details:

N/A



SENEGAL - Ministère de l'Enseignement supérieur de la Recherche et de l'Innovation (MESRI)

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MINISTERE DE L'ENSEIGNEMENT SUPERIEUR ET DE LA RECHERCHE

Funding Party: Ministère de l'Enseignement supérieur de la Recherche et de l'Innovation(MESRI)

Indicative Budget: 100 000 €

Funding: Programme: Fond d'impulsion de la recherche scientifique et technique (FIRST).

National/Regional Contact Point:

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Eligibility criteria:

Who can apply?

Research proposals may be submitted by:

- Researchers, inventors, research institutions of senegalese nationality
- Public and private sectors which support research and popularise research results
- Activities related to technological innovation and the intellectual protection of research results.

A multi-institutional approach is encouraged and pay attention to a balanced involvement of female and young researchers. This will be positively considered.

What type of costs are eligible for funding?

Funds can be used to cover the following costs:

- Research related costs: Activities to be supported here may include related costs to communication and publication, research-related trips, research equipment (small equipment) and consumables etc.
- Doctoral and postdoctoral research placements: Activities to be support here concern young researchers
- Salaries for technicians
- Travel costs, Meeting costs
- Exchange programmes: To support transport and accommodation costs of the research team between the partnering countries.
- Knowledge sharing costs: Cover the costs of activities organised by the consortium, such as joint workshops, seminars, conferences, symposia, lecture presentations, capacity building sessions, meetings.

Additional Requirements

Companies or NGOs involved in the joint projects are expected to cover their own costs of participation.

National/regional topic priorities: N/A

More details: N/A



SOUTH AFRICA – National Research Foundation

Funding Party: National Research Foundation (NRF)

Indicative Budget: 295.000 € (around R4.8 mil) total budget

Funding Programme:

- A total of 4 projects/consortia will be funded.
- Each project will be provided a max of R1.2 mil for over 36 months to be paid in annual instalments of R400K per annum per project.

National/Regional Contact Point:

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Eligibility criteria:

Who can apply?

This call is open to working researchers residing in South Africa and affiliated with a recognised South African higher education or research institution such as a university, university of technology or science council. The South African applicant (i.e. the main Principal Investigator) must be in possession of a PhD. A multi-institutional/ consortia approach is welcomed. Therefore, applicants are allowed to collaborate with other partners such as science councils, universities, NGOs, and private companies/ SMEs. However, the NGO and/or industry/ SME participants are expected to meet their own participation costs in the joint project. Joint projects that involve young, emerging and/or early-career researchers (through exchange programmes or short placements) and pay attention to a balanced involvement of female and black researchers will be positively considered. In terms of South Africa's transformation agenda, applications from historically disadvantaged higher education institutions and the involvement of previously disadvantaged individuals will be prioritised.

What type of costs are eligible for funding?

Support will be provided for collaborative, multilateral basic and applied research projects. Funds can be used to cover the following costs:

Research related costs: Activities to be supported may include expenses relating to field work such as conducting interviews, research-related trips, research equipment (small equipment) and consumables, publication related costs, etc.

Exchange programmes: To support short term mobility or travel expenses (i.e. transport and accommodation costs) of the research team between the partnering countries.

Doctoral and postdoctoral research placements: The placements should enable young researchers to (1) learn valuable new skills or techniques; (2) access facilities or resources not readily available at home; (3) build relationships with potential new collaborators; and (4) advance complementary collaborative research. The duration of each placement is expected to be 3-6 months; with flexibility to split the

placement into several shorter visits. Longer placements may be undertaken where this would add value and these should be justified within the application. Placements must enhance, not replace, the standard training and study support that both the doctoral and postdoctoral researchers receive.

Knowledge sharing costs: In support of activities organised by the consortium, such as joint workshops, seminars, conferences, symposia, lecture presentations, capacity building sessions, meetings, local/regional dissemination of results aimed at involving stakeholders, and/or end users from outside the consortium.

Joint FOSC workshops: Travel costs for the kick-off, mid-term and final conference for all granted projects should be included in the knowledge sharing costs.

The following will NOT be funded from this grant allocation:

- Salaries, temporary staff fees and consultant's fees
- Educational expenses (i.e. scholarships and/or bursaries, etc.)
- Large equipment
- Project management fees

Additional Information

Please note that the funds indicated above cannot be used for educational expenses such as scholarships/ bursaries. However, the South African applicants (main Principal Investigators) interested in encouraging their students within their FOSC projects to apply for the NRF postgraduate scholarship opportunities should please follow the following steps:

- Upon submitting a FOSC application to the NRF, the Principal Investigator will receive a Reference number.
- The Principal Investigator should then encourage his or her students to apply when the NRF Call for Student Support get published using the reference number of the Principal Investigator. The use of the reference number will apply to students seeking support in 2021.
- Students seeking support from 2022 must use the UID number that the Principal Investigator will receive from the NRF upon the awarding of the FOSC grant.
- Please note that the NRF Call for Students Support opens the beginning of April each year. Award letters to successful applicants is usually made before the end of December each year.

Student applications for funding must be submitted through the NRF Online Submission System: https://nrfsubmission.nrf.ac.za/. Further instructions on the Student Support application process can be accessed through the **Application and Funding Guide for the Masters and Doctoral Scholarships** for full-time studies.

National/regional topic priorities:
No thematic restrictions. The NRF will support projects within the entire scientific scope

More details:

The South African applicants (i.e. the main Principal Investigators) should submit their applications through the NRF Online Submission System: https://nrfsubmission.nrf.ac.za/.



BRAZIL – São Paulo Research Foundation (FAPESP)

Funding Organisation: São Paulo Research Foundation (FAPESP)

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Indicative Budget: 1.000.000 €

Funding Programme: <name of the funding programme to be added>

National/Regional Contact Point:

contact person:	email:	telephone:
Alexandre Roccatto	Chamada-bf-fosc@fapesp.br	

Eligibility criteria:
For national/regional eligibility criteria, contact the contact person

National/regional topic priorities:
For national/regional topic priorities, contact the contact person

More details:
For more details, contact the contact person



HONDURAS – Honduras Foundation for Agricultural Research

Funding Party: Honduras Foundation for Agricultural Research (FHIA)

Indicative Budget: 226,000 € (250,000 USD)

Funding Programme: Research and implementation resilient agroforestry production systems in the humid tropical with farmers for food safety, protection of natural resources, biodiversity and sustainable economic development.

National/Regional Contact Point:

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Eligibility criteria:
The amount financed by FHIA should be transferred to research groups with specific interest towards diversification programs, banana and cacao Agroforestry in Honduras.

National/regional topic priorities:
Agroforestery productions systems, climate change adaptation food security, natural resource restoration and conservation.

More details:
More information in www.fhia.org.hn



PANAMA – National Secretary of Science, Technology and Innovation

Funding Party: National Secretary of Science, Technology and Innovation (SENACYT)

Indicative Budget: 27.000 € (30.000 USD)

Funding Programme:

National/Regional Contact Point:

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Eligibility criteria:

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National/regional topic priorities:

Climate change adaptation, agriculture, food chain, sustainable production, food security, natural resources restoration and conservation.

More details:

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