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**FWF Austrian Science Fund (FWF)**  
**Funding Program: Principal Investigator Projects**  
**([PIP \(PROFI mode\) \(fwf.ac.at\)](http://www.fwf.ac.at))**

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**National/regional regulation**

Indicative budget	1.000.000 € (2-3 projects)						
Maximum funding per project	The FWF generally does not have any minimum or maximum limits but, given the limited nature of the financial commitment of the FWF to this Call (see above), we do expect Austrian participations not to exceed the average range of an FWF stand-alone Project (typically € 300.000 to €450.000)						
Project duration	Optional: Min. <u>no</u> limitaion					Max. 36 months	
Topics to be funded:							
Topic 1	Topic 2			Topic 3			
Yes	Yes			Yes			
Exceptions for funding of the research topics based on your national/regional priorities							
Link to funding programme and other relevant information	Please refer also to the general FWF Funding Guidelines: Application guidelines Principal Investigator Project (PROFI mode) (fwf.ac.at) <a href="http://www.fwf.ac.at">Application guidelines Principal Investigator Project (PROFI mode) (fwf.ac.at)</a>						
Following partners are eligible for funding:							
Universities	Universities of applied sciences	Research institutes	Non-profit legal entities	SMEs	Large enterprises	Public bodies	Other
Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No
Any additional national/regional rules or documents or information:							

No more than two for funding eligible partners from Austria participating in the call will be accepted within one consortium! Please note that Austrian participants cannot participate in a consortium under the widening option at the full proposal stage.

Researchers are eligible to apply if their publication record over the last five years has been internationally visible and if their current career stage is commensurate with the career progression expected in their field. (see [1.4.1 General requirements](#))

The current FWF salary scale ([Personnel costs \(fwf.ac.at\)](#)) indicates the salaries that may be requested. For scientists funded by the FWF, the funding is limited to “project-specific costs”, i.e. personnel and non-personnel costs that are essential to carry out the project and that go beyond the resources made available from the research institution’s infrastructure, according to the general FWF Funding Guidelines published at [Application guidelines Principal Investigator Project \(PROFI mode\) \(fwf.ac.at\)](#)

The FWF does not finance infrastructure or basic equipment at research institutions. Overheads may not be requested. Subcontracts must be well justified, i.e. must represent the only or the most economical way to have the work performed, please contact the FWF directly for clarification of individual cases.

#### **FWF Submission:**

In addition to the application to the call secretariat, **pre-proposals** must be submitted online to the FWF at <https://elane.fwf.ac.at> via the programme category “PIK – International Projects” (preproposal)”. The deadline for submission is 15th of January 2025, 2 pm CET (local time in Vienna)

For the **full-proposal** stage, applicants must choose the programme category “PIN – International Projects” The deadline for full-proposal submission is 09th of July 2025, 2 pm CEST (local time in Vienna)

#### **Both steps are mandatory.**

All proposals must be submitted using the elane online portal. Project funding is administered through the research institution (PROFI); for this reason, the submission must be approved in the application portal both by the applicant and by the respective research institution.

Please note that the number of ongoing/approved projects in which one researcher can serve as principal investigator is limited to three in the Stand-Alone Projects Programme, International Programmes, Clinical Research and Arts-Based Research Programmes. Information on the limit of the number of ongoing/approved projects and the limit of applications that can be submitted can be found at [project\\_number\\_limit.pdf \(fwf.ac.at\)](#)



## Fonds de la Recherche Scientifique (F.R.S.-FNRS) Funding Program: PINT-MULTI ([PINT-MULTI regulations](#))

### National/ regional contact point

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### National/ regional regulation

Indicative budget	300 000€						
Maximum funding per project	300 000€						
Project duration	Max. 36 months. 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 see article III.6 of the <a href="#">PINT-MULTI regulations</a> .						
<b>Topics to be funded:</b>							
Topic 1	Topic 2	Topic 3					
Yes	Yes	Yes					
Exceptions for funding of the research topics based on your national priorities	<p>Please note that personnel costs (Article III.6) have an annual average cap of 80,000 euros for this call.</p> <p>For “overhead” costs:</p> <p>Operating expenses: up to 1% within the granted budget. This percentage should be included in the requested operating budget.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Please check the <a href="#">Practical guide on costs</a> for any other questions.</p>						
Link to funding programme and other relevant information	<a href="#">PINT-MULTI</a>						
<b>Following partners are eligible for funding:</b>							
Universities	Universities of applied sciences	Research institutes	Non-profit legal entities	SMEs	Large enterprises	Public bodies	Other

Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Any additional national/regional rules or documents or information:</b>							
<p>Applicants to F.R.S.-FNRS funding must provide basic administrative data by submitting an administrative application on <a href="#">e-space</a> within 5 working days after the general deadline of the FutureFoodS 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.</p>							



The Research Foundation – Flanders (FWO)

National/regional contact point

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National/regional regulation

Indicative budget	700.000 euro	
Maximum funding per project	350.000 euro (overhead included)	
Project duration	Max. 36 months	
Topics to be funded:		
Topic 1	Topic 2	Topic 3
Yes	Yes	Yes
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	<p>The FWO integrates two of its national/regional funding channels within this multilateral framework. The choice of FWO funding channel depends on the <u>type of project</u> the researchers from Flanders wish to undertake (i.e. more fundamental in nature vs. strong valorization potential).</p> <p>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:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <a href="#">FWO Research Projects (FO)</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">Strategic Basic Research (SBO)</a></li> </ul> <p>Or by contacting the FWO contact points mentioned above.</p>	
Eligible Costs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o The FWO foresees a budget of 700.000 euro, which guarantees at least two projects.</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The respective funding channel regulations apply (see links to national rules above). Both are <b>capped at max. 350.000 euro per project/consortium</b> (incl. overhead, for which the calculation method diverges per funding channel - see explanation below).</li> <li>○ For the <b>overhead calculation</b>, 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 <b>6% for ‘FO projects’</b>, and a <b>17% overhead rate for ‘SBO projects’</b>. Some practical examples: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ <i>FO: the sum of all costs (personnel, consumables, travel, subcontracting, etc.) amounts to 200.000 EUR, then the overhead will amount to 12.000 EUR (6% of 200.000 EUR) and the total requested cost is 212.000 EUR. This <b>total requested cost may never exceed the max. available amount of 350.000 EUR.</b></i></li> <li>➤ <i>SBO: 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 <b>total requested cost may never exceed the max. available amount of 350.000 EUR.</b></i></li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><i>Overhead should be mentioned in the FutureFoods budget table, but it should <b>not</b> be inserted in the national/regional FWO pre-registration form on the <a href="#">FWO E-loket</a> (see below under ‘Other Funding Criteria’).</i></p>
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Following partners are eligible for funding:

Universities	Universities of applied sciences	Research institutes	Non-profit legal entities	SMEs	Large enterprises	Public bodies	Other
Yes (restrictions might apply)	Yes (restrictions might apply)	Yes (restrictions might apply)	No	No	No	No	/

**Other Funding Criteria**

<p><b>!! IMPORTANT !!</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Applicants for FWO funding must submit a <b>mandatory administrative application via the <a href="#">FWO E-loket</a></b>. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- For fundamental research projects (FO) select the application type: ‘Research projects – European programme fundamental research’.</li> <li>- For strategic basis research projects (SBO) select the application type: ‘Research projects – European programme strategic basic research’.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>In case the consortium includes more than one partner requesting funding from FWO, a <u>single online form</u> should be submitted by the main PI (promotor(-spokesperson)) itself, through its personal ‘e-loket’, containing all relevant information for the different Flemish partners.</p>
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**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.**
- 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**.

<b>Additional info</b>	It is <b>strongly advised</b> to approach the FWO contact points ('NCPs') mentioned above, in order not to jeopardize any research projects/consortia.
<b>Useful Links</b>	<a href="https://www.fwo.be/en/support-programmes/european-framework-programme/">https://www.fwo.be/en/support-programmes/european-framework-programme/</a>





Public service of Wallonia (SPW)  
Service Public de Wallonie

Funding Program: FutureFoods partnership

National/ regional contact point

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National/ regional regulation

Indicative budget	1.000.000,00 euros						
Maximum funding per project	1.000.000,00 euros						
Project duration	Min. 24 months	Max. 36 months					
Topics to be funded:							
Topic 1	Topic 2	Topic 3					
Yes	Yes	No					
Exceptions for funding of the research topics based on your national priorities	Participants must present an innovative R&D project that has a positive impact on the Walloon economy and is aligned with the priority of strategic innovation area (DIS) of the regional Smart Specialisation Strategy (S3 Wallonia)						
Link to funding programme and other relevant information	<a href="https://recherche.wallonie.be/partenariats">https://recherche.wallonie.be/partenariats</a>						
Following partners are eligible for funding:							
Universities	Universities of applied sciences	Research institutes	Non-profit legal entities	SMEs	Large enterprises	Public bodies	Other
Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No
Any additional national/regional rules or documents or information:							
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Applicants to SPW funding must submit their pre-proposal on the regional application platform ONTIME. Proposals invited to the second stage must also be submitted on the same platform. The submission deadlines are the same as the general deadline of the FutureFoods call.</li> </ul>							

**Applicants who want to submit a proposal are requested to contact SPW at least 4 weeks before the submission deadline.**

- Participants must be companies, universities/higher education institutions, accredited or certified research centers, established in the Walloon Region and conduct R&D activities within the project.
- Walloon partners in the consortium must include at least one company, and the research budget of the Walloon partner companies must account for at least 40% of the total research budget of all Walloon partners.
- Participants must be based in Wallonia, and the Walloon companies must have an operational unit in Wallonia.
- Participants cannot receive any other public funding for the same activities.
- Participants must have fulfilled their obligations under any previous support granted by the Region.
- At the time of submission, companies must not be in difficulty according to the European Union guidelines.
- Projects must focus solely on civilian technologies, products, processes, and services.
- Participants must present an innovative R&D project that has a positive impact on the Walloon economy and aligns with the priority of the regional Smart Specialization Strategy (S3 Wallonia).
- Participants must demonstrate their ability to carry out the tasks assigned to them in the project, to exploit its results, and to have a positive socio-economic and sustainable development impact on Wallonia.
- The project cannot start at a TRL (Technology Readiness Level) lower than 3.



Name of organisation: VLAIO

Funding organism: FIO

## Funding Programs: Bedrijfssteun - TETRA

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### National/regional regulation

Indicative budget		Bedrijfssteun : 2 000 000 euro – TETRA : 750 000 euro					
Maximum funding per project		Bedrijfssteun : 500 000 euro – TETRA : 375 000 euro					
Project duration		Min. 24 months				Max. 36 months	
Topics to be funded:							
Topic 1		Topic 2			Topic 3		
Yes		Yes			Yes		
Exceptions for funding of the research topics based on your national/regional priorities		None					
Link to funding programme and other relevant information		<a href="#">Onderzoeksproject   VLAIO</a> <a href="#">Ontwikkelingsproject   VLAIO</a>  <a href="#">TETRA   VLAIO</a>					
Following partners are eligible for funding:							
Universities	Universities of applied sciences	Research institutes	Non-profit legal entities	SMEs	Large enterprises	Public bodies	Other : high schools
Yes as a subcontract or or project partner	Yes as a subcontract or or project partner/ Yes if industrial engineer (TETRA)	Yes as a subcontractor or project partner	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes (TETRA)

**Any additional national/regional rules or documents or information:**

For the company support (onderzoeksprojecten – ontwikkelingsprojecten) program research institutes, high schools and universities can be part of the Flemish consortium as a project partner or as a subcontractor. They cannot submit a proposal directly.

For the TETRA program high schools and industrial engineering departments of universities can submit a proposal as in the regular TETRA calls.

The Flemish applicants have to submit to Vlaio the following additional documents :

- Cost model for the Flemish part of the project (all Flemish partners)
- “Template annex internationale en interregionale projecten” (company support ) or “Template annex Vlaamse bijdrage bij een aanvraag Tetra-Partnerschap” (TETRA)
- International pre-proposal

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

**In order to perform the extended eligibility the national annexes have to be submitted latest 1 week before the international submission deadline.**

VLAIO will discuss the annex and the cost model with each applicant after the submission and before the end of the extended eligibility period.

## Bulgarian National Science Fund (BNSF)

### Фонд „Научни изследвания“

#### Funding Program: FutureFoodS

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##### National/regional regulation

Indicative budget	383 468 EUR						
Maximum funding per project	Up to 127 822 EUR per project						
Project duration	Min. 36 months					Max. 36 months	
Topics to be funded:							
Topic 1	Topic 2			Topic 3			
Yes	Yes			Yes			
Exceptions for funding of the research topics based on your national/regional priorities				Not applicable			
Link to funding programme and other relevant information							
Following partners are eligible for funding:							
Universities	Universities of applied sciences	Research institutes	Non-profit legal entities	SMEs	Large enterprises	Public bodies	Other
Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No
Any additional national/regional rules or documents or information:							
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Accredited universities as defined in Art.85 para.1, p. 7 of the Higher Education Act;</li> <li>Research organizations as defined in Art. 47, para 1 of the Higher Education Act.  <a href="http://lll.mon.bg/uploaded_files/zkn_viseto_obr_01.03.2016_EN.pdf">http://lll.mon.bg/uploaded_files/zkn_viseto_obr_01.03.2016_EN.pdf</a> </li> </ol>							
Applicants have to submit an application form for national eligibility when submitting the proposals. The form should be filled and electronically submitted in both Bulgarian and in English at: <a href="https://nims.egov.bg/login#/">https://nims.egov.bg/login#/</a>							
Each PI is obliged to send an annual report for the BNSF-funded project. BNSF provides templates and guidelines.							



The Danish Agricultural Agency (DAFA)

Funding Program: Grønt Udviklings- og Demonstrationsprogram (GUDP)

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National/regional regulation

Indicative budget	1,000,000 €						
Maximum funding per project	The maximum amount per Danish partner in international projects is EUR 300,000. Minimum amount is 50,000 EUR. The maximum amount for all Danish partners, if the project has two or more Danish partners, is EUR 500,000.						
Project duration	Min. 12 months					Max. 36 months	
Topics to be funded:							
Topic 1	Topic 2			Topic 3			
Yes	Yes			Yes			
Exceptions for funding of the research topics based on your national/regional priorities				NA			
Link to funding programme and other relevant information				<a href="https://gudp.lbst.dk/">https://gudp.lbst.dk/</a>			
Following partners are eligible for funding:							
Universities	Universities of applied sciences	Research institutes	Non-profit legal entities	SMEs	Large enterprises	Public bodies	Other
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	NA
Any additional national/regional rules or documents or information:							



Innovation Fund Denmark (IFD)

Funding Program: [International collaborations](#)

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National/regional regulation

Indicative budget	1,000,000 €						
Maximum funding per project	The maximum amount per Danish partner in international projects is EUR 300,000. Minimum amount is 50.000 EUR. The maximum amount for all Danish partners, if the project has two or more Danish partners, is EUR 500,000.						
Project duration	Min. 12 months	Max. 36 months					
Topics to be funded:							
Topic 1	Topic 2	Topic 3					
Yes	Yes	Yes					
Exceptions for funding of the research topics based on your national/regional priorities	NA						
Link to funding programme and other relevant information	<a href="#">Guidelines for International Collaborations</a>						
Following partners are eligible for funding:							
Universities	Universities of applied sciences	Research institutes	Non-profit legal entities	SMEs	Large enterprises	Public bodies	Other
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	NA
Any additional national/regional rules or documents or information:							



## Estonian Research Council (ETAG) Sihtasutus Eesti Teadusagentuur

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### National/regional regulation

Indicative budget		300 000 euros					
Maximum funding per project		100 000 euros if project partner and 300 000 euros if project coordinator					
Project duration		Min. 24 months				Max. 36 months	
Topics to be funded:							
Topic 1		Topic 2			Topic 3		
Yes		Yes			Yes		
Exceptions for funding of the research topics based on your national/regional priorities		-					
Link to funding programme and other relevant information		National Eligibility Criteria: <a href="https://etag.ee/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/Vastavusnouded-RV-uhiskonkurssidel_2024.pdf">https://etag.ee/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/Vastavusnouded-RV-uhiskonkurssidel_2024.pdf</a>					
Following partners are eligible for funding:							
Universities	Universities of applied sciences	Research institutes	Non-profit legal entities	SMEs	Large enterprises	Public bodies	Other
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Any additional national/regional rules or documents or information:							
If the Estonian partner participates in the project as partner, support of up to 100,000 euros can be requested for the Estonian sub-project. If several Estonian institutions are applying in one proposal as partners, the total							



requested budget can be still max 100 000 euros per proposal. If the Estonian partner participates in the project as a coordinator, support of up to 300,000 euros can be requested for the Estonian sub-project. If several Estonian partners participate in the application coordinated by Estonia, the total budget of all Estonian partners participating in this project can be max 300,000 euros.



REGIONAAL- JA  
PÕLLUMAJANDUSMINISTEERIUM

Ministry of Regional Affairs and Agriculture (REM)  
Regionaal- ja Põllumajandusministeerium

Funding Program: Research programme of the Ministry of Regional  
Affairs and Agriculture

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National/regional regulation

Indicative budget	100 000						
Maximum funding per project	100 000						
Project duration	N/A					Max. 36 months	
Topics to be funded:							
Topic 1	Topic 2			Topic 3			
Yes	Yes			Yes			
Exceptions for funding of the research topics based on your national/regional priorities				N/A			
Link to funding programme and other relevant information				For funding requirements, please see: <a href="https://etag.ee/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/Vastavusnouded-RV-uhiskonkurssidel_2024.pdf">https://etag.ee/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/Vastavusnouded-RV-uhiskonkurssidel_2024.pdf</a>			
Following partners are eligible for funding:							
Universities	Universities of applied sciences	Research institutes	Non-profit legal entities	SMEs	Large enterprises	Public bodies	Other
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Any additional national/regional rules or documents or information:							
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## Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry (MMM) (Maa- ja metsätalousministeriö)

### National/regional contact point

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### National/regional regulation

Indicative budget		600 000 €					
Maximum funding per project		250 000 € or max. 300 000.00 per project if the Finnish applicant is the project coordinator					
Project duration						Max. 36 months	
Topics to be funded:							
Topic 1		Topic 2			Topic 3		
Yes		Yes			Yes		
Exceptions for funding of the research topics based on your national/regional priorities							
Link to funding programme and other relevant information							
Following partners are eligible for funding:							
Universities	Universities of applied sciences	Research institutes	Non-profit legal entities	SMEs	Large enterprises	Public bodies	Other
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Any additional national/regional rules or documents or information:							
<p>MMM uses so called total cost model where funding for research organizations and universities covers 70 % of the project's gross eligible costs. For companies the maximum funding is 50% (please note the EU's state aid rules). Product development supporting individual companies will not be supported, neither machinery or equipment unless they have been specifically approved by ministry. The results of funded projects must be open for access by all potential user groups. Costs that are necessary and reasonable in view of the project work and which can be allocated to the project in accounting are considered acceptable costs. The costs must be incurred during the period of time indicated in the funding decision in order to be approved. Costs incurred before the application was submitted will not be approved as project costs.</p>							

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

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

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

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



**French National Research Agency (ANR)**  
**Agence Nationale de la Recherche**

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**National/regional regulation**

Indicative budget		2.000.000 €					
Maximum funding per project		300.000€, 350.000€ if the Coordinating Partner is requesting funding from ANR and eligible for funding by ANR					
Project duration		Min. 24 months			Max. 36 months		
Topics to be funded:							
Topic 1		Topic 2			Topic 3		
Yes		Yes			Yes		
Exceptions for funding of the research topics based on your national/regional priorities		N.A.					
Link to funding programme and other relevant information		ANR's Work Programme 2025 <a href="https://anr.fr/en/work-programme-2025/">https://anr.fr/en/work-programme-2025/</a>					
Following partners are eligible for funding:							
Universities	Universities of applied sciences	Research institutes	Non-profit legal entities	SMEs	Large enterprises	Public bodies	Other
See details in the section additional national/regional rules							
Any additional national/regional rules or documents or information:							
<p><b>Funding Commitment:</b></p> <p>The maximum amount that can be requested from ANR <u>by each proposal</u> with French applicant(s) is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 350.000 € if Coordinating Partner is requesting to funding to ANR and eligible for funding by ANR</li> <li>• 300.000 € (for standard French Partners)</li> </ul> <p>The minimum amount per beneficiary is 15 000€.</p>							

If there are several French partners requesting funds from ANR, the total requested funding from ANR (300 000 €, extended to 350 000 € if the coordinating partner is requesting funding to ANR) must be split among them.

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

#### **Eligible Institutions:**

ANR may fund research organisations and undertakings, as defined by the EC regulation on State aid for research, development and innovation (see the ANR Funding regulations for further reference). Only research organisations that have their primary establishment in France may be funded. As for undertakings, ANR may fund those that have their real head office in an EU member State and an establishment (primary or secondary) in France.

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

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

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

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

#### **Additional eligibility criteria:**

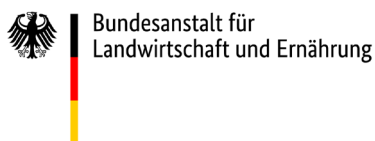
To be eligible, a proposal must not be deemed similar to another proposal still undergoing evaluation in another ANR call, or already funded.

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

#### **Regarding project partners' commitment:**

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

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



## Bundesanstalt für Landwirtschaft und Ernährung (BLE) on behalf of Bundesministerium für Landwirtschaft und Ernährung (BMEL)

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### National/regional regulation

Indicative budget	500.000 € for the call						
Maximum funding per project	250.00 €						
Project duration	Min. 24 months					Max. 36 months	
Topics to be funded:							
Topic 1	Topic 2			Topic 3			
Yes	Yes			Yes			
Exceptions for funding of the research topics based on your national/regional priorities							
Link to funding programme and other relevant information							
Following partners are eligible for funding:							
Universities	Universities of applied sciences	Research institutes	Non-profit legal entities	SMEs	Large enterprises	Public bodies	Other
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	
Any additional national/regional rules or documents or information:							
For detailed information on funding modalities please check the Call announcement at <a href="http://www.bundesanzeiger.de">www.bundesanzeiger.de</a>							



## Project Management Jülich (PtJ) on behalf of the Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF)

### Projektträger Jülich (PtJ) im Auftrag des Bundesministeriums für Bildung und Forschung

#### Funding Program: Nationale Bioökonomiestrategie

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##### National/regional regulation

Indicative budget	2.000.000						
Maximum funding per project	350.000 €						
Project duration	Min. 24 months	Max. 36 months					
Topics to be funded:							
Topic 1	Topic 2	Topic 3					
Yes	Yes	No					
Exceptions for funding of the research topics based on your national/regional priorities	Projects must have a clear added value to the national funding programme						
Link to funding programme and other relevant information	<a href="https://www.bmbf.de/SharedDocs/Publikationen/de/bmbf/FS/31617_Nationale_Biooekonomiestrategie_Langfassung_en.pdf">https://www.bmbf.de/SharedDocs/Publikationen/de/bmbf/FS/31617_Nationale_Biooekonomiestrategie_Langfassung_en.pdf</a>						
Following partners are eligible for funding:							
Universities	Universities of applied sciences	Research institutes	Non-profit legal entities	SMEs	Large enterprises	Public bodies	Other
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Any additional national/regional rules or documents or information:							



- German applicants are strongly recommended to contact their National Contact Persons before submitting a proposal and to refer to the National Announcement (*The link will be made available as soon as the National Announcement is published (Bundesanzeiger)*).
- Non-profit organisations have to contact the National Contact Persons to approve eligibility.
- The maximum funding per project is 35.000 € (including overhead).
- BMBF funding of the 1<sup>st</sup> FutureFoodS call is provided as delineated in the national announcement "*FutureFoodS Call 2024: Transformation der Ernährungssysteme – Interaktionen neu gestalten, Innovationen vorantreiben und nachhaltige Ernährungsweisen stärken*" which is published in the Bundesanzeiger (*The link will be made available as soon as the National Announcement is published*).
- German applicants who are eligible to receive "Projektpauschale" must make sure, that this is drawn in the section "Finances" under "Overhead". Additional explanations are to be added in the section "Comments on finances". More information is available in the "FAQ zur Projektpauschale": <https://foerderportal.bund.de>
- Funding bases on §§23 and 44 BHO ("Bundeshaushaltsordnung") and associated administrative regulations. The main items are as follows:
  - The procedure ("Verfahren") is according to the above-mentioned protocol (see chapter "Application Procedure"). Funding will be awarded as non-repayable project grant.
  - The funding regulations, the follow up and reporting of publicly funded projects are regulated according to the national announcement "*FutureFoodS Call 2024: Transformation der Ernährungssysteme – Interaktionen neu gestalten, Innovationen vorantreiben und nachhaltige Ernährungsweisen stärken*" and NKBF 2017, NABF and BNBest-mittelbarer Abruf-BMBF, respectively. Additionally, reporting duties as delineated in this Call Announcement in the Chapter "Project monitoring and reporting" must be respected as well.
  - Research institutions, which receive basic financing, can be funded subject to specific conditions.
  - **Private companies** must be registered in Germany and must be well established in Germany with plants, laboratories, employees, etc. The proposed project must be beneficial to the national economy. In order to prove their financial ability to participate in the proposed project, **Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs)** have to submit the following documents to the contact person written below together with the electronic submission of the proposals (documents received latest on 15<sup>th</sup> of January 2025):
    - 1) Financial statements for the last two years (Jahresabschlüsse der letzten zwei Jahre)
    - 2) Confirmation of the financial own contribution (Erklärung zur Aufbringung des Eigenanteils)
    - 3) Business assessment (Aktuelle BWA)

The documents have to be submitted to:

[ptj-futurefoods@fz-juelich.de](mailto:ptj-futurefoods@fz-juelich.de)



## The Icelandic Centre for Research (Rannís)

Rannís

**Funding Program: Technology Development Fund Technology Development Fund | The Icelandic Centre for Research (rannis.is)**

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## National/regional regulation

Indicative budget	300.000						
Maximum funding per project	300.000						
Project duration	Min: 24 months	Max. 36 months					
Topics to be funded:							
Topic 1	Topic 2	Topic 3					
Yes	Yes	Yes					
Exceptions for funding of the research topics based on your national/regional priorities							
Link to funding programme and other relevant information		<a href="#">Tækniþróunarsjóður   Reglur Tækniþróunarsjóðs   Rannsóknamiðstöð Íslands (rannis.is)</a>					
Following partners are eligible for funding:							
Universities	Universities of applied sciences	Research institutes	Non-profit legal entities	SMEs	Large enterprises	Public bodies	Other
<a href="https://www.rannis.is/sjodir/rannsoknir/taeknithrounarsjodur/">https://www.rannis.is/sjodir/rannsoknir/taeknithrounarsjodur/</a>	<a href="https://www.rannis.is/sjodir/rannsoknir/taeknithrounarsjodur/">https://www.rannis.is/sjodir/rannsoknir/taeknithrounarsjodur/</a>	<a href="https://www.rannis.is/sjodir/rannsoknir/taeknithrounarsjodur/">https://www.rannis.is/sjodir/rannsoknir/taeknithrounarsjodur/</a>	<a href="https://www.rannis.is/sjodir/rannsoknir/taeknithrounarsjodur/">https://www.rannis.is/sjodir/rannsoknir/taeknithrounarsjodur/</a>	<a href="https://www.rannis.is/sjodir/rannsoknir/taeknithrounarsjodur/">https://www.rannis.is/sjodir/rannsoknir/taeknithrounarsjodur/</a>	<a href="https://www.rannis.is/sjodir/rannsoknir/taeknithrounarsjodur/">https://www.rannis.is/sjodir/rannsoknir/taeknithrounarsjodur/</a>	<a href="https://www.rannis.is/sjodir/rannsoknir/taeknithrounarsjodur/">https://www.rannis.is/sjodir/rannsoknir/taeknithrounarsjodur/</a>	<a href="https://www.rannis.is/sjodir/rannsoknir/taeknithrounarsjodur/">https://www.rannis.is/sjodir/rannsoknir/taeknithrounarsjodur/</a>
Any additional national/regional rules or documents or information:							

<https://www.rannis.is/sjodir/rannsoknir/taeknithrounarsjodur/>



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



## Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine (DAFM) & Agriculture and Food Development Authority (Teagasc)

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### National/regional regulation

Indicative budget	€1,000,000 (DAFM) €248,000 (Teagasc)						
Maximum funding per project	€350,000 (DAFM) €124,000 (Teagasc) Where funding from both DAFM and Teagasc is sought, the total combined DAFM/Teagasc maximum funding per project is: €474,000 per project. *Additional information on Teagasc funding is provided below in the additional information section						
Project duration	Min. 36 months	Max. 36 months					
Topics to be funded:							
Topic 1	Topic 2	Topic 3					
Yes	Yes	Yes					
Exceptions for funding of the research topics based on your national/regional priorities	DAFM/Teagasc will not be in a position to support research relating to cellular / synthetic meat or dairy.						
Link to funding programme and other relevant information	<a href="https://www.gov.ie/en/collection/9bd2a-research-and-codex/">https://www.gov.ie/en/collection/9bd2a-research-and-codex/</a>						
Following partners are eligible for funding:							
Universities	Universities of applied sciences	Research institutes	Non-profit legal entities	SMEs	Large enterprises	Public bodies	Other
Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No
Any additional national/regional rules or documents or information:							
National Eligibility Criteria							

- Grant applications will only be accepted from approved Irish RPOs (see section 4 of the Call Guidelines for Irish Applicants)
- The grant request by Irish RPOs must not exceed the maximum funding per project as set out above.
- Address at least one of the scientific areas related to the call scope (as set out in the central Call announcement/documents under the FutureFoodS 1<sup>st</sup> Co-funded Call)
- Avoid duplication of recent national and international research work already funded or ongoing that incorporates the scope of the scientific topic areas in the FutureFoodS 1<sup>st</sup> Co-funded Call.
- Closely align with relevant national policy and foresight documents including but not restricted to Food Vision 2030, IMPACT 2030, Programme for Government, Ag-Climatise, Climate Action Plan 2024, and Sectoral Adaptation Plan for Agriculture, and also align with relevant strategic research and innovation priority areas and agendas.

Applications that do not adhere to these criteria will be deemed ineligible and in such cases the application will not proceed for expert review.

### **Eligible Funding Partners**

Please note: Project partners that are not eligible for funding are encouraged on an in-kind or self-financing basis.

### **Teagasc Funding**

It is not mandatory for Irish applicants to request grant-aid from both DAFM and Teagasc.

Where grant-aid is sought from Teagasc, this must be stated clearly in the Finance Comments section of the pre-proposal and full proposal application forms.

The grant-aid from Teagasc must be in the form of €124,000 for a four-year Walsh Scholarship-funded PhD – please refer to the ‘Funding Rules’ (Section 5) of the Guidelines for Irish Applicants and to the Teagasc website ([Teagasc Walsh Scholarship Programme](#)) for more details on how the Walsh Scholarship funding is structured.

### **Call Guidelines for Irish Applicants**

Please see the ‘Call Guidelines for Irish Applicants’ located on the DAFM website which sets out in more detail the rules for Irish applicants seeking grant-aid from the FutureFoodS 1<sup>st</sup> Co-funded Call and must be read in conjunction with the requirements set out in this National Annex, the Call Announcement document and the Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda (SRIA) of the FutureFoodS Partnership.

### **Further Information**

Applicants should note that the discussions and decision regarding the eligibility of any Irish applicants to the Call or on the final selected projects is taken by DAFM only.



**Ministry of agriculture, food sovereignty and forestry**  
**Ministero dell'agricoltura, sovranità alimentare e delle foreste**  
**(MASAF)**

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**National/regional regulation (Note: this is a preliminary version, the information provided may be updated)**

Indicative budget	€ 1.100.000	
Maximum funding per project	<p>€ 300.000</p> <p>Please consider that one single beneficiary entity (Operative Unit = Unità Operativa, UO) as partner is allowed to request funding to Masaf as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ UO partner not acting as Coordinator max amount requested (own costs excluded) can be approved if not over 140.000 €</li> <li>✓ UO partner acting as Coordinator max amount requested (own costs excluded) can be approved if not over 160.000 €. Coordination costs can be requested up to a max amount following the rules indicated in the User Manual 2023 (see below further details on coordination costs).</li> <li>✓ Permanent personnel costs (not reimbursable in the most cases) must be indicated; this amount cannot be over 30% of the requested amount (including coordination if applicable)</li> </ul> <p>The requested funding must be indicated in the project financial section of the project proposal (see the submission tool) and must be consistent with all eligible costs which will be declared in the national financial forms (to be completed only if the project will be selected). The selected national institutions will be financed up to 99% of the eligible requested funding.</p>	
Project duration	<p>Min. 36 months</p> <p>The eligible project duration is 36 months, shorter projects will be declared not eligible for Italian applicants.</p>	<p>Max. 36 months</p>

Topics to be funded:							
Topic 1		Topic 2			Topic 3		
Yes		Yes			Yes		
Exceptions for funding of the research topics based on your national/regional priorities							
Link to funding programme and other relevant information				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ PSIR <a href="https://www.politicheagricole.it/flex/cm/pages/ServeBLOB.php/L/IT/IDPagina/9065">https://www.politicheagricole.it/flex/cm/pages/ServeBLOB.php/L/IT/IDPagina/9065</a> (or updated version is available at the submission deadline)</li> <li>➤ Masaf - International calls <a href="https://www.politicheagricole.it/flex/cm/pages/ServeBLOB.php/L/IT/IDPagina/9079">https://www.politicheagricole.it/flex/cm/pages/ServeBLOB.php/L/IT/IDPagina/9079</a></li> <li>➤ User's Manual 2023 <a href="https://www.politicheagricole.it/flex/cm/pages/ServeBLOB.php/L/IT/IDPagina/19644">https://www.politicheagricole.it/flex/cm/pages/ServeBLOB.php/L/IT/IDPagina/19644</a> <i>(Please refer to main document "Manuale Utente"; annex 2, annex 3)</i></li> </ul>			
Following partners are eligible for funding: All applicants requesting budget to Masaf are eligible if registered to the Italian National Research Register ("Anagrafe nazionale delle ricerche") – Registration number must be indicated in the partner description.							
Universities	Universities of applied sciences	Research institutes	Non-profit legal entities	SMEs*	Large enterprises*	Public bodies	Other
Yes	Yes	Yes (no profit)	Yes, but only if research is in the main tasks of the entity (statute must be sent).	No	No	Yes, referring to public research bodies	
* SMEs and organisations with other statutory nature are welcome as participants if an added value to the project is proven and their costs are covered by their own or other external resources. Costs cannot be covered by Masaf.							
Any additional national/regional rules or documents or information:							
<p>Applicants are advised that this annex is for general guidance only. For the detailed binding rules please refer to the national document <i>User Manual (Manuale Utente) 2023</i> <a href="https://www.politicheagricole.it/flex/cm/pages/ServeBLOB.php/L/IT/IDPagina/19644">https://www.politicheagricole.it/flex/cm/pages/ServeBLOB.php/L/IT/IDPagina/19644</a></p> <p>Indications (some applicable only to this call) are specified hereafter. <b>Project participation:</b> please note that the same person cannot be coordinator, participant or team member in more than one proposal <b>Project duration:</b> The eligible project duration is <b>36 months</b>, shorter or longer projects will be declared not eligible for Italian applicants. <b>Admitted costs</b></p>							

Not exhaustive indications are given hereafter:

**A) Personnel**

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

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

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

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

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

**B) Consumables**

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

C1) Consultants/professional job (IVA)

C2) Services

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

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

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

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

***NOTE The following will be updated after a verification of template in submission system***

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

<b>If specifications are needed (see column notes of the table), please provide them in the specific box “Finance Comments” Masaf item</b>	<b>FutureFoodS (financial table submission system)</b>	<b>Notes</b>
A1 and A2 Personnel/Personale	Personnel	Personnel not reimbursed must be indicated as “own contribution” (Own contribution of permanent personal can not be omitted and it will be proportional to the activity carried out)
	Travel	travel costs are not a separate item for Masaf rules; these costs are foreseen



B. Consumables/Materiali di consumo	Consumables and equipment	and included within the lump-sum – column “other” (Table 2 Submission tool) Specify the amount respectively for consumables and equipment (only use quote)
C. External activities/Attività esterne	Subcontracts	In the submission system under this item please include also: Item E (Lump sum), Item F (Coordination Costs), specifying the amount for each item included in “Subcontracts”. Use cell „overheads“ for Lump sum.
D. Equipment/Attrezzature	Consumables and equipment	Specify the amount respectively for consumables and equipment (only use quote)
E. Lump sum /Spese forfetarie di funzionamento	Subcontracts (cell „overheads“)	Specify the amount for lump sum
F. Coordination/ Coordinamento (if any)	Subcontracts	Specify amount for coordination cost

#### Additional information

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

Public entities/Universities

No documents have to be submitted to Masaf.

No-profit private research bodies

Documentation stating their research mission (statute and/or articles of incorporation or memorandum of association, etc.) must be sent to the following PEC address:

[aoo.disr@pec.masaf.gov.it](mailto:aoo.disr@pec.masaf.gov.it) specifying in the object “Project *acronym* - Bando FutureFoodS 2024 – ente privato no profit”.

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

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

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



**MUR - Ministry of University and Research**  
**Ministero dell'Università e della Ricerca**  
**Ricerca Internazionale**

**Funding Program: FIRST - IGRUE**

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**National/regional regulation**

Indicative budget	1.000.000,00						
Maximum funding per project	250.000,00 in case the coordinator is Italian and 200.000 if not.						
Project duration	N/A					Max. 36 months	
<b>Topics to be funded:</b>							
Topic 1	Topic 2			Topic 3			
Yes	Yes			Yes			
Exceptions for funding of the research topics based on your national/regional priorities			No exceptions				
Link to funding programme and other relevant information			<a href="http://www.ricercainternazionale.miur.it/era/european-partnership-2021-27">http://www.ricercainternazionale.miur.it/era/european-partnership-2021-27</a>				
<b>Following partners are eligible for funding:</b>							
Universities	Universities of applied sciences	Research institutes	Non-profit legal entities	SMEs	Large enterprises	Public bodies	Other
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
<b>Any additional national/regional rules or documents or information:</b>							
In addition to the project proposal, which shall be submitted at European level, the Italian participants are requested to submit further documentation to MUR, through the national web platform, available at the following link: <a href="https://banditransnazionali.mur.gov.it">https://banditransnazionali.mur.gov.it</a>							

These national additional documents must be submitted by the same deadline established for the pre-proposal phase submission as defined in the international call. Any participant who does not submit its national documents by the deadline of the pre-proposal phase will be considered not eligible for funding.

The complete list of criteria and provisions legally valid, which must be respected by all the Italian participants, is included in the “Avviso integrativo nazionale”, to be published on the dedicated web page on MUR website: <http://www.ricercainternazionale.miur.it/era/european-partnership-2021-27> and in the national web platform <https://banditransnazionali.mur.gov.it>



## Autonomous Province of Bolzano / Bozen (BOZEN)

### Funding Program: Progetti europei / EU Projekte – FutureFoodS 1<sup>st</sup> call

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#### National/regional regulation

Indicative budget	225.000,00 €		
Maximum funding per project	300.000,00 €		
Project duration	Min: 12 months	Max. 36 months	
Topics to be funded:			
Topic 1	Topic 2	Topic 3	
Yes	Yes	Yes	
Exceptions for funding of the research topics based on your national/regional priorities	/		
Link to funding programme and other relevant information	<a href="https://innovation-forschung.provincia.bz.it/de/beihilfen-ausschreibungen">https://innovation-forschung.provincia.bz.it/de/beihilfen-ausschreibungen</a>  <a href="https://innovazione-ricerca.provincia.bz.it/it/agevolazioni-bandi">https://innovazione-ricerca.provincia.bz.it/it/agevolazioni-bandi</a>		
Following partners are eligible for funding:			
Universities	Universities of applied sciences	Research institutes	Non-profit legal entities
			SMEs
			Large enterprises
			Public bodies
			Other

Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes (see below: Eligible partners)
<b>Any additional national/regional rules or documents or information:</b>							
<p>The projects submitted within this call will be treated by the Autonomous Province of Bolzano/Bozen as “Joint Projects –International cooperation projects”, as defined in the Decree of the Director of the Department for Innovation, Research, University and Museums of the Autonomous Province of Bolzano/Bozen no. 19779 / 2021 and will be managed along the “Guidelines regarding eligible expenditures for research projects” as approved by Decree of the Director of the Department for Innovation, Research, University and Museums of the Autonomous Province of Bolzano/Bozen no. 7599 / 2024.</p> <p><b>Eligible partners:</b></p> <p>Partners must be Research and Knowledge Dissemination Organisations based in South Tyrol, as defined in article 2, point 1, letter from a) to f), of the “Criteria for the promotion of scientific research (Provincial Law no. 14/2006)”, as approved by Resolution of the Provincial Council no. 1063 / 2019.</p> <p>The funding rate is 100%.</p> <p>Companies may participate, but cannot be funded, unless their primary activity is research or knowledge dissemination and they are based in South Tyrol.</p> <p><b>Eligible costs</b></p> <p>The eligible costs are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-personnel costs</li> <li>-travel costs</li> <li>-costs for equipment</li> <li>-consumables</li> <li>-costs for external services (max 30% of the overall admitted budget per partner)</li> <li>-management or indirect costs (max 10% of the overall admitted budget per partner).</li> </ul> <p>VAT cost is eligible, if it cannot be deducted.</p> <p>The Guidelines regarding eligible costs for research projects apply (see Decree of the Director of the Department for Innovation, Research, University and Museums of the Autonomous Province of Bolzano/Bozen no. 7599/2024).</p> <p><b>Submission of the pre- and full proposal and other administrative requirements to be completed at the national/regional Level</b></p> <p><u>1st step:</u> South Tyrolian partners have to provide an additional budget divided into the Joint Project costs categories: the document must be sent per certified email (Pec) to the Office of Scientific Research of the Autonomous Province of Bolzano/Bozen within 10 days after the call-deadline for the submission of the pre-proposals.</p> <p>Shouldn't be possible in this phase to provide details, a more detailed budget should be sent at step 2.</p> <p><u>2nd step:</u> A provisional division of costs per years and activities (Time schedule of the costs “Cronoprogramma delle spese –Zeit-und Kostenplan”) must be submitted to the same office within 10 days after the call-deadline for the submission of the full proposals.</p> <p>An additional detailed budget divided into the Joint Project’ costs categories must also be submitted, in case this was not already provided in step 1 or upon request.</p> <p>In case of purchase of equipment with a value over 5000,00 euros, at least a quotation must be submitted as well.</p>							

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

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

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

In addition to the mid-term and final report, a financial and an activity report must be sent to the Office of Scientific Research of the Autonomous Province of Bolzano/Bozen by July 31st, of each year following the year in which the activities have been carried out (e.g. activities carried out in 2026 must be reported by July 31st, 2027). The financial report lists the detailed expenses. The activity report briefly describes the project development and in particular the activities of the South Tyrolian partner that generated those expenses.

Please, note: the activity report is neither the mid-term report nor the final report of the call. Concerning the financial and the activity reports, the "Guidelines regarding eligible expenditures for research projects" as approved by Decree of the Director of the Department for Innovation, Research, University and Museums of the Autonomous Province of Bolzano/Bozen no. 7599/ 2024 apply.

#### **Request for funding**

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

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

The forms/ templates will be available on the webpage (se EU projects / FutureFoodS call):

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

or

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

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



**Research Council of Lithuania**  
**Lietuvos mokslo taryba/ Research Council of Lithuania**

**Funding Program: FutureFoodS**

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**National/regional regulation**

Indicative budget	300 000 € for the call						
Maximum funding per project	150 000-250 000€						
Project duration	Min. 36					Max. 36 months	
Topics to be funded:							
Topic 1	Topic 2			Topic 3			
Yes	Yes			Yes			
Exceptions for funding of the research topics based on your national/regional priorities	n/a						
Link to funding programme and other relevant information	<a href="https://lmt.lrv.lt/lt/veiklos-sritys/mokslo-finansavimas/tarptautinio-bendradarbiavimo-priemones/europos-partnerystes-era-net-ir-kitos-koordinavimo-veiklos/futurefoods/">https://lmt.lrv.lt/lt/veiklos-sritys/mokslo-finansavimas/tarptautinio-bendradarbiavimo-priemones/europos-partnerystes-era-net-ir-kitos-koordinavimo-veiklos/futurefoods/</a>						
Following partners are eligible for funding:							
Universities	Universities of applied sciences	Research institutes	Non-profit legal entities	SMEs	Large enterprises	Public bodies	Other
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes/ No	Yes/ No	Yes/ No	Yes/ No	Non-profit legal entities, SMEs, large enterprises and public bodies are

							eligible to fund only as a partner of the main applicant according to mutual agreement
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**Any additional national/regional rules or documents or information:**

Eligible for funding institutions (main applicant from Lithuania) are Lithuanian research and higher education institutions that are included in the Register of Education and Research institutions.

A legal entity of Lithuania can be a partner of the main applicant from Lithuania – eligible Lithuanian research and higher education institution.

Within a single project proposal, the maximum funding can be: up to EUR 150 000 – for a consortium partner (main applicant or main applicant and legal entity (or entities) of Lithuania); up to EUR 200 000 – for a coordinator or 2 consortium partners; up to EUR 250 000 – for a coordinator and 1 consortium partner.

The applicant who intends to act as a principal investigator for Lithuanian institution has to be a scientist (researcher holding at least a Ph.D. degree).

A person may only submit one proposal for the same Call as PI (principal investigator) or PPI (primary project implementer).

Work scope of each PPI (including PI) within the project must be at least 20 hours of project time multiplied by the duration of the project in months.

No National official paperwork at application stage is required.

For more information about Lithuanian conditions for funding, please consult the call text in Lithuanian.





THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE  
OF THE REPUBLIC OF LITHUANIA

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(ŽŪM)

LIETUVOS RESPUBLIKOS ŽEMĖS ŪKIO MINISTERIJA

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National/regional regulation

Indicative budget	120 000 EUR						
Maximum funding per project	120 000 EUR						
Project duration	Min. 36 months					Max. 36 months	
Topics to be funded:							
Topic 1	Topic 2			Topic 3			
Yes	Yes			Yes			
Exceptions for funding of the research topics based on your national/regional priorities			No exceptions				
Link to funding programme and other relevant information			-				
Following partners are eligible for funding:							
Universities	Universities of applied sciences	Research institutes	Non-profit legal entities	SMEs	Large enterprises	Public bodies	Other
Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No
Any additional national/regional rules or documents or information:							

The rules for the administration of international research and experimental development projects of the ministry of agriculture for the period 2024-2027 approved on the 15 th December 2023 by the order of the Minister of Agriculture of the Republic of Lithuania No. 3D-862.

<https://e-seimas.lrs.lt/portal/legalAct/lt/TAD/Od116fb09b8b11ee8172b53a675305ab?positionInSearchResults=0&searchModelUUID=ef57bd22-4266-40c7-9ea8-96509f64ae38>

## The Research Council of Norway (RCN)

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### National/regional regulation

Indicative budget	NOK 15 million, current currency rate about 1,3 mill €						
Maximum funding per project	NOK 3 million						
Project duration	Min. 24 months					Max. 36 months	
Topics to be funded:							
Topic 1	Topic 2			Topic 3			
Yes	Yes			Yes			
Exceptions for funding of the research topics based on your national/regional priorities				No exceptions			
Link to funding programme and other relevant information				<a href="#">Links to funding programme(s)</a>			
Following partners are eligible for funding:							
Universities	Universities of applied sciences	Research institutes	Non-profit legal entities	SMEs	Large enterprises	Public bodies	Other
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Any additional national/regional rules or documents or information:							
<p><b>Terms and Conditions:</b></p> <p>Following specific eligibility rules apply for the Norwegian partners in the proposal. Funding from the RCN is only intended to cover Norwegian parts of the project costs.</p> <p><b>Eligibility:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Norwegian partners from trade and industry sector are eligible for participation. <a href="#">The state aid rules</a> impose restrictions on such funding.</li> <li>Aid may not be granted to undertakings that have not complied with the requirements for repayment following a previous decision by the ESA/EU Commission declaring the aid illegal and incompatible with the internal market. Nor may aid be granted to undertakings in difficulty within the meaning of EEA law.</li> <li>Only proposals which also are relevant for the context of <b>Norwegian circumstances</b> are eligible for funding. The Norwegian applicants are encouraged to make clear how this criterium is fulfilled.</li> <li><b>Sole proprietorships ("enkelpersonforetak")</b> are eligible as partners. However, payroll and indirect expenses will not be covered for the owner and the spouse. The payroll and indirect expenses for any</li> </ul>							

other employees of sole proprietorships can be covered, as well as expenses relating to participation in a project, provided that they are described in the sole proprietorship's accounts.

**Admitted costs:**

Norwegian applicants can apply for funding to cover actual costs that are necessary to carry out the project. The detailed and important information regarding the eligible costs is described on the website about [What to enter into the project budget](#).

**General information:**

- If the project is awarded funding, it is required to sign a Consortium Agreement before the partner(s) funded by RCN can receive funding.
- Project partners of funded projects will have to submit national application forms to RCN after notification. The budget for the Norwegian partners shall follow RCN cost model and RCN regulations. For more information about RCN conditions for funding, please read: [General application requirements](#).
- Reporting to RCN: <https://www.forskningsradet.no/en/financing/received-funding/project-reports/>
- Support from the RCN constitutes state aid when it is awarded to an "undertaking", i.e. an actor that carries out an economic activity consisting of offering products or services on a given market.
- The budget applied for shall be stated in Euro. Conversion from Euro to Norwegian kroner is based on the official **exchange rate** per application date for preproposals. The official exchange rate can be found here: [Exchange rate \(InforEuro\) \(europa.eu\)](#)

**Any other information:**

- Once the pre-proposal applications have been received, the RCN will first check that all preliminary and formal requirements have been met.
- Applications that do not satisfy the formal requirements will be rejected.



## FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FUNDAÇÃO PARA A CIÊNCIA E A TECNOLOGIA

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### National/regional regulation

Indicative budget	500.000,00 € (to be confirmed, pending ministerial approval)	
Maximum funding per project	<p>The maximum amount of funding to be requested to FCT by a consortium with a <b>Portuguese Main Applicant is 250.000,00 €.</b></p> <p>The maximum amount of funding to be requested to FCT by a consortium with a <b>Portuguese Project Applicant is 150.000,00 €.</b></p> <p>If more than one Portuguese applicant participating in the <b>same international consortium</b> applies for funding by FCT, the <b>combined funding</b> demanded by all the Portuguese applicants <b>may not exceed the maximum financial threshold for proposals with a Portuguese Main Applicant (250.000,00 €) or with a Project Applicant (150.000,00 €).</b> Portuguese Main Applicants and/or Project Applicants in the same international consortium will therefore have to share the funding that will be granted by FCT.</p> <p>For information on funding rates, see no. 2 of article 7 of <a href="#">FCT Regulation</a>.</p>	
Project duration	Max. 36 months	
Topics to be funded:		
Topic 1	Topic 2	Topic 3
Yes	Yes	Yes
Exceptions for funding of the research topics based on your national/regional priorities		

Link to funding programme and other relevant information				To be provided as soon as possible			
Following partners are eligible for funding:							
Universities	Universities of applied sciences	Research institutes	Non-profit legal entities	SMEs	Large enterprises	Public bodies	Other
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	*
<p><b>*Any additional national/regional rules or documents or information:</b> For information on the type of beneficiaries eligible for FCT funding under this call, see article 3 of <a href="#">FCT Regulation</a>.</p> <p><b>Applicable regulation:</b> Applications requesting funding from FCT under this call will be subject to <a href="#">FCT Regulation</a> (as amended by the Regulation no. 5/2024, of 3 January), and to other applicable national and EU legislation.</p> <p><b>Criteria of beneficiaries' eligibility:</b> For information on the criteria of beneficiaries' eligibility, see article 5 of <a href="#">FCT Regulation</a>.</p> <p><b>Criteria of projects' eligibility:</b> For information on the criteria of projects' eligibility, see article 6 of <a href="#">FCT Regulation</a>.</p> <p><b>Rules and limits to the expense eligibility:</b> For the purposes of defining the budget, the terms defined in article 8 of <a href="#">FCT Regulation</a> apply to <b>eligible expenses</b> and in article 9 to <b>non-eligible expenses</b>. Excluded from the range of eligible expenses are the <b>salaries and other remuneration supplements</b> of teachers, researchers and other staff with a previously established indefinite contract with the Public Administration. Expenditure on <b>adapting buildings and facilities</b> is limited to a maximum of 10% of the project's total eligible expenses. The <b>project's indirect costs</b> are based on the application of a flat rate of 25% of the direct eligible costs.</p> <p><b>Applicable forms of payment:</b> <a href="#">In accordance with no. 1 of article 7 of FCT Regulation</a>, the funding to be granted to proposals requesting funding from FCT under this call is non-reimbursable and is based on <b>real costs</b>. As such it must be justified through invoices paid or other accounting documents of similar probatory value, under the terms of no. 5 of article 8 of <a href="#">FCT Regulation</a>.</p> <p><b>Further additional information:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The percentage of time dedicated to transnational projects will <b>not</b> be added to the percentage of time dedicated to existing national projects.</li> </ul> <p><b>Statement of Commitment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Within 10 working days after the deadline for submitting the pre-proposal, a <b>Statement of Commitment</b> duly signed by the Researcher in Charge (partner and/or coordinators) and by the legal representant of the Portuguese Proposing Institution must be sent to both the following e-mails: <a href="mailto:pedromiguel.ferreira@fct.pt">pedromiguel.ferreira@fct.pt</a> and, <a href="mailto:marta.norton@fct.pt">marta.norton@fct.pt</a></li> <li>The stamp or white seal of the Portuguese Proposing Institution will not be required on a digitally signed Statement of Commitment.</li> </ul> <p>Portuguese applicants of transnational consortia that <u>do not apply for funding from FCT do not need to submit the Statement of Commitment to FCT.</u></p>							



The Executive Agency for Higher Education,  
Research, Development and Innovation Funding - UEFISCDI

Unitatea Executivă pentru Finanțarea Învățământului Superior a  
Cercetării, Dezvoltării și Inovării – UEFISCDI

Funding Program: National R&D and Innovation Plan for the period  
2022 - 2027 (PNCDI IV) <https://uefiscdi.gov.ro/pncdi-iv>

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National/regional regulation

Indicative budget	500.000 euros	
Maximum funding per project	The maximum funding for one project from the public budget is 250,000€ if Romania is the coordinator of the transnational project;  The maximum funding for one project from the public budget is 200,000€ if Romania is partner in the transnational project.	
Project duration		Max. 36 months
Topics to be funded:		

Topic 1		Topic 2			Topic 3		
Yes		Yes			Yes		
Exceptions for funding of the research topics based on your national/regional priorities							
Link to funding programme and other relevant information				National rules available <a href="#">here</a> .			
Following partners are eligible for funding:							
Universities	Universities of applied sciences	Research institutes	Non-profit legal entities	SMEs	Large enterprises	Public bodies	Other
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
<b>Any additional national/regional rules or documents or information:</b>							
<p>Legal entities established in Romania are eligible to get funding, i.e. public and private accredited universities, national R&amp;D institutes, other research organizations, SMEs, large industrial enterprises with R&amp;D activity within their domains. We can fund only Romanian research teams. For universities, public institutions, R&amp;D national institutions funding is 100%, and for SMEs and Large companies, financing is under the permit OMCID no. 21.324/02.11.2023 approving the scheme of State aid for Program 5.8: European and international cooperation.</p> <p>The following categories of expenses are eligible:</p> <p>A. <b>Staff costs</b> (researchers, technicians and support staff, including all corresponding state and social contributions; these contributions are subject to national regulations in force);</p> <p>B. <b>Consumables</b> (materials, supplies or similar);</p> <p>C. <b>Equipments</b> (in full compliance with state aid regulations), no more than 30% of the total funding from the public budget;</p> <p>D. <b>Subcontracting</b> (max. 25% of the total funding from the public budget);</p> <p>E. <b>Travel expenses</b> (in Romania or abroad, only for project teams' members);</p> <p>F. <b>Overheads</b> (calculated as a percentage of direct costs: staff costs, travel expenses and logistics costs - excluding capital costs). Indirect costs will not exceed max. 25% of direct costs, excluding subcontracting. Expenses are eligible if incurred after signature of the contract.</p> <p>To EU countries: no</p> <p>To Non-EU countries: no</p> <p>Subcontracting special tasks (i.e. IT services, etc): Yes, expenditure on services performed by third parties cannot exceed 25 % of the funding from the public budget. The subcontracted parts should not be core/substantial parts of the project work.</p> <p>No official paperwork and/or supporting information are requested by UEFISCDI before the submission deadline.</p>							





## Agencia Estatal de Investigación

### Funding Program: Plan Estatal de Investigación Científica, Técnica e Innovación 2024-2027

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#### National/regional regulation

Indicative budget	1.000.000 € for the call						
Maximum funding per project	Detailed bellow						
Project duration	Min. 24 months			Max. 36 months (preferably)			
Topics to be funded:							
Topic 1	Topic 2			Topic 3			
Yes	Yes			Yes			
Exceptions for funding of the research topics based on your national/regional priorities							
Link to funding programme and other relevant information				As a reference, the applicants are strongly advised to read the call text of the <a href="#">PCI 2024-2 ("Resolución de 16 de septiembre de 2024")</a> and especially the <a href="#">PCI Requirements document</a> on <a href="#">the national call website</a> as well as check their eligibility with the National Contact Point prior to the submission.			
Following partners are eligible for funding:							
Universities	Universities of applied sciences	Research institutes	Non-profit legal entities	SMEs	Large enterprises	Public bodies	Other
Yes	Yes	Yes	Read conditions	No	No	Read conditions	Read conditions
Any additional national/regional rules or documents or information:							

### Eligible entities

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

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

### Eligible Applicants

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

- Be eligible in the corresponding PCI call and the PCI Requirements document.
- Demonstrate experience as investigators in projects funded by the different Plan Estatal I+D+i: 2013-2016, 2017-2020, 2021-2023, 2024-2027, ERC Grants, European Framework Programmes or other relevant national or international programmes.

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

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

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

### Eligible Costs

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

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

### Funding

- Maximum funding committed by the AEI in the Future Foods call 2024: 1.000.000€

#### •Maximum funding for a 36 months project:

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

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

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

#### Important:

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

### Other Funding Criteria

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

in this transnational call (see CDTI's requirements), from other innovation and technological development funding agencies, or using own funds.

- The final funding will take into account the transnational evaluation of the collaborative proposal, the scientific quality of the Spanish group, the added value of the international collaboration, the participation of the industrial sector, and the financial resources available.
- All themes in this transnational call are eligible for funding.

### **Relevant information and documents**

#### **Funding Programme:**

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

#### **Funding Instrument:**

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

#### **Data Protection:**

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

#### **Acknowledgement:**

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

#### **Useful links:**

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



## Centro para el Desarrollo Tecnológico y la Innovación (CDTI)

**Funding Program: SERA** (<https://www.cdti.es/financiacion-nacional-sera>)

### National/regional contact point

Name	E-Mail	Phone
Cristina Gracia	<a href="mailto:cristinateresa.gracia@cdti.es">cristinateresa.gracia@cdti.es</a> ; partenariadosHE@CDTI.ES	(+34) 91 581 05 93

### National/regional regulation

Indicative budget	1.000.000 €						
Maximum funding per project	Non aplicable						
Project duration	Min. 12 months			Max. 36 months			
Topics to be funded:							
Topic 1	Topic 2			Topic 3			
Yes	Yes			Yes			
Exceptions for funding of the research topics based on your national/regional priorities			Non aplicable				
Link to funding programme and other relevant information			<a href="https://www.cdti.es/financiacion-nacional-sera">https://www.cdti.es/financiacion-nacional-sera</a>				
Following partners are eligible for funding:							
Universities	Universities of applied sciences	Research institutes	Non-profit legal entities	SMEs	Large enterprises	Public bodies	Other
No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	
Any additional national/regional rules or documents or information:							
<p><b>Activities eligible for funding:</b> CDTI will only fund technology-based activities <b>within industrial research and/or experimental development</b> 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. <b>R&amp;D activities to be financed must be within the TRL 4-7 range and be implemented in Spain.</b></p> <p><b>National requirement:</b> Submission of the (pre)proposal at the national level is needed. Each Spanish company participating in a project and requesting funding from CDTI, must apply via CDTI's electronic submission system. CDTI's application process consists of completing an online application form (PAR</p>							

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.

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.

**Funding:**

- No maximum nor minimum per project.
- Projects should support transnational collaboration; therefore, no single participant or country can exceed 70% of the total project costs.

**Admitted costs:**

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

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



## BASQUE GOVERNMENT- DEPARTMENT OF FOOD, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES

### ELIKA - NEKAZARITZAKO ELIKAGAIEN SEGURTASUNERAKO EUSKAL FUNDAZIOA

#### Regional contact point

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#### National/regional regulation

Indicative budget	100 000						
Maximum funding per project	100 000						
Project duration	Max. 36 months						
Topics to be funded:							
Topic 1	Topic 2			Topic 3			
Yes	Yes			Yes			
Exceptions for funding of the research topics based on your regional priorities				No exception			
Following partners are eligible for funding:							
Universities	Universities of applied sciences	Research institutes	Non-profit legal entities	SMEs	Large enterprises	Public bodies	Other
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Any additional regional rules or information:							
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The partner to apply must be sited in Basque Country.</li> <li>Only one proposal per Basque partner will be accepted.</li> <li>Applicants must contact the Regional Contact Point and send an abstract of the proposal including the partners list at least 15 days before the closing date of the call.</li> <li>The project should be at least TRL (Technology Readiness Level) 4.</li> </ul>							

- Funding will be according to the standard research procedures of the Quality and Food Industry Directorate of the Basque Government, funder of the projects with Basque participants (i.e. collaboration agreement between the Regional Contact Point and the Basque participant of the project).
  
- Admitted costs  
The applicants should break down the costs per year, as following:
  1. Personal costs:  
Salaries of personnel working for the project.  
Travel expenses only for personnel included in the project.
  2. Equipment and material: Essential equipment and material acquired for the project will be included.
  3. Indirect costs (15% of personal costs)





**SPAIN/ASTURIAS - Agencia de Ciencia, Competitividad Empresarial e Innovación Asturiana (SEKUENS) / Fundación para el Fomento en Asturias de la Investigación Científica Aplicada y la tecnología (FICYT)**

**National/regional contact point**

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**a) Regional regulation**

Indicative budget	250.000€	
Anticipated number of projects to be funded	Expected: 2-3 projects.	
Maximum funding per project	Maximum: €150.000 per partner and per project.* Expected: 100.000€.*	
Project duration	Max. 36 months	
<b>Topics to be funded:</b>		
<b>Topic 1</b>	<b>Topic 2</b>	<b>Topic 3</b>
Yes	Yes	Yes
Exceptions for funding of the research topics based on your regional priorities	All topics of FFS are eligible	
Link to funding programme and other relevant information	Pending	
<b>Following partners are eligible for funding:</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Micro, small, medium and large enterprises</li> <li>• University of Oviedo</li> <li>• Research organisations</li> <li>• Technology centers</li> <li>• Private non-profit research centers</li> </ul>		
<b>Any additional regional rules or documents or information:</b>		

The applicants will have to submit a proposal at regional level, meeting all the requirements of the regional call.

**Additional eligibility criteria**

- The eligible budget must be at least of €100.000.\*
- The contribution of the regional partner to the proposal must be an R&D project.
- The project will not start before the submission of the application at regional level.
- Only actions to be carried out by applicants located in the Principality of Asturias will be eligible for funding.

*For companies only:*

Eligible budgets submitted by applicants to any R&D call launched by SEKUENS in the same year must be less than, or equal, to 50% of the turnover of the last financial year (except for companies less than 2 years old).

**Eligible costs**

The following costs are eligible if related to the project:\*

- Personnel costs: new researchers and/or technicians hired for the project. Only staff under Group 1,2 or 3 will be eligible.
- Only for companies: own staff hired under Group 1, 2 or 3 (excluding social security costs). Supporting staff will be eligible only in case of coordination of the proposal. Indirect costs (15% of eligible personnel costs).
- Costs of materials and supplies.
- Equipment costs.
- Costs of contractual research, knowledge, patents and consultancy services.
- Travel, accommodation and subsistence costs.
- Other direct costs, like audit fees.
- Subcontracting costs (up to the maximum limit of 50% of the budget).

\* Subject to changes according to the publication of the regional regulations and call

**b) Funding rates**

Maximum funding percentages\*:

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises/ Technology centers		65%	40%
Medium Enterprises/ Technology centers		75%	50%

Small Enterprises/ Technology centers		80%	60%
Universities, research organisations.	100%	100%	100%

\* The percentages shown in this table are subject to changes according to the publication of the regional regulations and call.



**Swedish Research Council for Sustainable Development (Formas)**  
 Funding Program: FutureFoodS



**Sweden's Innovation Agency**  
 Sweden's Innovation Agency, VINNOVA

Funding Program: Innovation for sustainable food systems for the future

National/regional contact point

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National/regional regulation

Indicative budget	2.700.000€	
Maximum funding per project	300.000€ per project 450.000€ per project if the project consortia is coordinated by a Swedish organisation	
Project duration	Min. 12 months	Max. 36 months
Topics to be funded:		
Topic 1	Topic 2	Topic 3
Yes	Yes	Yes
Exceptions for funding of the research topics based on your national/regional priorities	-	
Link to funding programme and other relevant information	Formas <a href="#">Livsmedel - Formas</a> Vinnova <a href="#">Innovation for sustainable food systems of the future   Vinnova</a>  Looking for an industry partner in the Swedish food sector? Contact Sweden Food Arena <a href="#">Sweden Food Arena - Om arenan</a>  Swedish actors who plan to apply to the FutureFoodS call for proposals can apply for planning grant from Vinnova. Activities that strengthen the proposal or the composition of the team can be funded. <a href="#">Planning grant for international</a>	

Following partners are eligible for funding:

Universities	Universities of applied sciences	Research institutes	Non-profit legal entities	SMEs	Large enterprises	Public bodies	Other
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes*	Yes	Yes	civil society organisations* / NGO's*

Any additional national/regional rules or documents or information:

\*Vinnova and Formas only supports legal entities.

The Swedish national Agencies Vinnova and Formas will hereafter be referred to as "Swedish Funders".

### Eligible organisations

Universities, research institutes, companies, private and public organisations that engage in economic activity, public authorities, and NGOs are eligible to receive funding from Swedish Funders for this call. The grants paid out by Swedish Funders must be administrated by a Swedish organisation, i.e. they need to be a Swedish legal entity with a Swedish organisation registration number.

Formas' and Vinnova's standard eligibility criteria apply.

First payment from Swedish Funders will be administrated from the earliest January 2026 (project start may still be end of 2025).

### State aid rules

The rules on state aid apply to organisations that carry out economic activities. 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<sup>1</sup>.

In this call for proposals, when we grant funding to these organisations, we do so with the support of EU Commission Block Exemption Regulation (GBER):

- Fundamental Research (9 § / art. 25)
- Industrial research (9 § / art. 25).
- Experimental development (9 § / art. 25).
- Aid for process and organisational innovation (13 § / art. 29).

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<sup>1</sup> Applicants who would be receivers of state aid, in case funding is approved by Swedish Funders, 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 euro or more to one Project Party (or if the project concerns primary agriculture sector or fishery and aquaculture sector 10 000 euro), must be reported openly within the EU. Swedish Funders 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.

In addition to support according to GBER, we can provide support according to the government's regulation on support of minor importance (EU 2023/2831). This type of support is also called de minimis support (2 § 2 p. / EU Regulation nr 1407/2013).

Read more:

State aid for economic activities: [Rules for funding | State aid for economic activities | Vinnova](#)

Support levels, definitions, etc. for funding: [stodgrunder-och-stodnivaer---230929.pdf](#)

Universities, research institutes and non-profit legal entities as well as public bodies may receive funding of up to 100 % of their eligible costs, provided that the project is part of their non-economic activities.

### **Eligible Costs**

Our funding may only go to certain types of costs. These are called eligible costs. In this call for proposals these types of costs are eligible:

- Personnel costs: Salaries, social security contributions and other personnel costs
- Equipment, land and buildings: Instruments, equipment and rent for premises other than regular business premises
- Consulting and licensing costs: Consulting services, knowledge and patents purchased or used under license from an external actor. Consultancy costs should not exceed 10-20% of a project part's budget
- Other direct costs: For example materials, stock items and travel necessary to carry out the project
- Indirect costs (overhead): Costs that are not incurred as an immediate consequence of but can be related to the project, for example regular premises and cleaning. Indirect costs may constitute a maximum of 30 percent of personnel costs.

For more detailed information on which costs we can finance, see the instruction on eligible costs below.

For a cost to be eligible, it must be necessary for the activities of the project. Project costs must also be properly accounted for and reported separately from the organisation's other costs. An organisation may also not take up someone else's costs as its own. For more detailed information on which eligibility requirements, limitations and exceptions apply, see the instruction on eligible costs.

The Vinnova instruction on eligible costs : [Vinnova's general terms and conditions for funding | Vinnova](#)

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

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

### **Additional guidance**

Swedish applicants may be contacted by the Swedish Funders after the pre-proposal has been sent in and asked to provide information on their application in the national application portal.

After the transnational evaluation process each successful application with Swedish participants will be assigned to one administrating Swedish Funder, either Formas or Vinnova.

Successful Swedish applicants will be contacted by their designated Swedish Funder and asked to provide a Swedish application in their application portal.

If two or more Swedish partners participate in the same application one of them will act as the Swedish coordinator in relation to the Swedish Funder (even if the international project is not coordinated by a Swedish organisation). The national application shall for example entail a short project description, a description of the Swedish contribution and budget specifications for Swedish applicants. More information will be given in due time.

Swedish consortia shall abide by this designated funder's terms and conditions for grants:

- [Terms and Conditions for Grants - Formas](#)
- [Vinnova's general terms and conditions for funding | Vinnova](#)

### **Additional information**

**Swedish Funders follow the principle of public access to official records according to Swedish law. Swedish Funders performs a confidentiality review before releasing any documents. For more detailed information see: [Requesting an official document | Vinnova](#) or [The principle of public access to official documents - Government.se](#)**



Rijksoverheid

## MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES, FOOD SECURITY AND NATURE (LVVN)

### Funding Program:

### European partnership for a sustainable Future of Food Systems

<https://futurefoodpartnership.eu>

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Scheidegger Nathalie	n.m.i.scheidegger@minlnv.nl	0031 6 21834636

#### National/ regional regulation

Indicative budget	€ 2.000.000 for the call		
Maximum funding per project	- € 350.000 (including VAT) - € 450.000K (including VAT), in case a Dutch project partner is the Coordinator of the transnational project. Maximum 100K for projectmanagement.		
Project duration	Min. 24 months	Max. 36 months	
Topics to be funded:			
Topic 1	Topic 2	Topic 3	
Yes	Yes	Yes	
Exceptions for funding of the research topics based on your national priorities	Projects must have a clear added value to the national funded projects.		
Link to funding programme and other relevant information	<a href="https://futurefoodpartnership.eu/">https://futurefoodpartnership.eu/</a>		
Following partners are eligible for funding:			
Universities	Universities of applied sciences	Research institutes for applied research	Non-profit legal entities
			SMEs
			Large enterprises
			Public bodies
			Other



Yes, as co-applicant	Yes, as co-applicant	Yes, as main applicant or co-applicant	Yes, as co-applicant	Yes, as co-applicant	No: alle drie	Yes, as co-applicant	Yes, as co-applicant
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**Any additional national/regional rules or documents or information:**

Terms and conditions

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

Eligible applicants are from Dutch universities, universities of applied sciences, research institutions and public bodies domiciled in The Netherlands.

Eligible non-profit organizations, SME's and others must be registered and well established in the Netherlands. These organizations may apply and are advised to contact the National Contact Person of the Ministry to approve eligibility and to get further terms and conditions.

An application for funding from the Ministry has a single main applicant. This main applicant is from a research institute and responsible for the project- and financial management of all co-applicants/project members for whom funding is requested. Co-applicants within an application for the Ministry funding are then allowed.

An applicant may only request funding of the Ministry for one project (part of a European Consortium) in this Call of proposals.

The subsidy is coming from the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries, Food Security and Nature (LVVN). The following conditions apply:

1) For Wageningen Research (WR) and other TO2 institutes (research institutes for applied science):  
The 'TO2-regulation' (<https://wetten.overheid.nl/BWBR0040605/2018-07-25>) and the tariff agreement under it apply.

2) For other research and knowledge dissemination organizations and universities:  
De Kaderwet EZK- en LNV subsidies (<https://wetten.overheid.nl/BWBR0007919/2019-01-01/> - article 2a) applies.

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

All co-applicants that are to receive the grant from the Ministry through the main applicant, are subject to the de-minimis regulation (Regulation (EU) no. 1407/2013 of the European Commission of 18 December 2013), except for research organizations. Based on the de-minimis regulation, co-applicants may receive a maximum of €300,000 in government support over a period of three years. By completing the de-minimis statement, consortium partners declare that in the event of the award of a grant by the ministry, they will not exceed the de-minimis threshold. If a consortium partner finds that the de-minimis threshold will be exceeded with the

grant from SIA (and other possible de-minimis aid), this consortium partner cannot receive funding from the ministry through the main applicant. The main applicant must take this into account when drawing up the application budget, and must therefore check for each consortium partner that will be involved as a co-applicant whether the subsidy amount applied for does not exceed the de-minimis threshold. The de-minimis statement, completed separately by each consortium partner, forms part of the full proposal.”

In case a co-applicant is a company involved in primary agricultural production this agriculture the following de-minimis regulation applies: <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A32013R1408>

In case a co-applicant is a company involved in de primary fishery- and aquaculture sector the following de-minimis regulation applies: <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/NL/TXT/HTML/?uri=CELEX:02014R0717-20231025>

#### In-kind contribution

A minimum in-kind contribution of 10% is required. The in-kind contribution may be delivered by the research institutes of its partners. The in-kind contribution may exist of either personnel or material costs. Do not hesitate to contact the national contact person of the ministry in case of questions.

Once proposals are selected for funding, the consortia will be notified by the FutureFoodS Call Office and subsequently, the national granting process will be initiated by the Ministry.

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

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

Please note: researchers based in the Netherlands who are interested to apply for funding in this Call for proposals, are recommended to carefully read the national annexes of the three participating Dutch funding organisations: the Dutch Research Council (NWO), Taskforce for Applied Research SIA, and the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries, Food Security and Nature (LVVN). Please do not hesitate to contact the relevant contact points in case of questions.



## Dutch Research Council (NWO)

### Nederlandse Organisatie voor Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek

### Funding Program: FutureFoodS (NWO)

#### National/Regional contact point

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Indicative budget	€ 2,000,000 for the full call					
Maximum funding per project	€ 400,000					
Project duration	Min. 24 months			Max. 36 months		
Topics to be funded:						
Topic 1	Topic 2			Topic 3		
Yes	Yes			Yes		
Exceptions for funding of the research topics based on your national/regional priorities	N/A					
Link to funding programme and other relevant information	<a href="http://www.nwo.nl/futurefoods">www.nwo.nl/futurefoods</a>					
Following partners are eligible for funding:						
Universities	Research institutes	Non-profit organizations	Consumer / citizens	Civil society representatives	Private companies	Other
Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No
Any additional national/regional rules or documents or information:						
<b>Please note:</b> researchers based in the Kingdom of the Netherlands who are interested to apply for funding in this Call for proposals, are recommended to carefully read the national annexes for the three participating Dutch funders: the Dutch Research Council (NWO), Taskforce for Applied						

Research SIA, and the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries, Food Security and Nature (LNV). Please contact the relevant contact points in case of questions.

### **Who may apply?**

An application for funding from NWO has a single (main) applicant, with the possibility of co-applicants within the same application for NWO funding.

Researchers may submit an application 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 research organisations:

- universities as referred to in Article 1.8 paragraph 1 of the Higher Education and Scientific Research Act (WHW) and universities listed in the Policy Rules for Universities located in the Kingdom of the Netherlands;
- university medical centres by which is meant academic hospitals as referred to in Article 1.13 paragraph 1 of the WHW;
- institutes affiliated to the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences (KNAW) or NWO;
- Netherlands Cancer Institute;
- the Max Planck Institute for Psycholinguistics in Nijmegen;
- Naturalis Biodiversity Center;
- Advanced Research Centre for NanoLithography (ARCNL);
- Princess Máxima Center.

Persons with a zero-hour employment agreement or with a contract for a limited period of time (other than a tenure track appointment) may not submit a proposal.

It could be the case that a 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 a researcher the applicant reaching retirement age. In that case, the researcher 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. Such a statement should be submitted in the full proposal stage.

Applicants with a part-time contract should guarantee adequate supervision of the project and all project members for whom funding is requested.

Furthermore, researchers may be interested to apply as a co-applicant within an application for NWO funding. Co-applicants within an application for NWO funding may be affiliated to the research organisations listed above, to universities of applied sciences, and to other research organisations as referred to in Article 1.1, paragraph 4 of the NWO Grant Rules which meet the following cumulative conditions.

The organisation must:

- be established in the Netherlands;

- be a foundation, association or legal entity governed by public law;
- have as its primary goal the independent conduct of its own fundamental research, industrial research or experimental development;
- be able to state that the organisation keeps separate accounts with regard to economic/non-economic activities and that undertakings with decisive influence on the organisation do not enjoy preferential access to the organisation's results.

NWO will not fund research organisations under this Call for proposals that are primarily engaged in the wide dissemination of the results of research activities by way of teaching, publication or knowledge.

**Please note:** Prior to the submission of an application NWO assesses on the basis of the above-mentioned conditions whether an organisation complies with Article 1.1, paragraph 4 of the NWO Grant Rules and may therefore participate as a co-applicant. NWO performs this assessment to preclude the granting of prohibited state aid. This assessment must also be conducted if an organisation was assessed within another NWO programme. A research organisation that was approved as an applicant prior to the submission of a pre-proposal or full proposal does not need to be reassessed prior to the submission of the proposal.

The organisation of the prospective co-applicant must provide the following documents prior to the submission deadline for pre-proposals and no later than 6 January 2025 before 13:00:00 CET by email to [futurefoods@nwo.nl](mailto:futurefoods@nwo.nl):

- a recent extract from the Netherlands Chamber of Commerce;
- the deed of incorporation or current articles of association;
- the latest available annual accounts accompanied by an audit statement ;
- the completed Declaration Research organisation, available on the funding page of this Call for proposals on the NWO website.

Other relevant documentation may be added. NWO may request additional information if the above documents are not sufficiently conclusive to determine whether the organisation may act as a co-applicant.

If the organisation of the prospective co-applicant does not submit the necessary documents for this assessment in time, NWO cannot accept the organisation as a co-applicant. If new co-applicants are added to the consortium in the full proposal and these new co-applicants are not affiliated to an institution listed above, these conditions will also be checked for this organisation/these organisations. The documents listed above must then be submitted by email no later than 26 June 2025 13:00:00 CEST.

#### **Additional eligibility criteria**

An application for NWO funding has a single applicant, responsible for scientific and financial management. Co-applicants within an application for NWO funding are allowed (see 'Who may apply').

- A researcher may only request NWO funding for one project (part of a European consortium) in this Call for proposals, either as applicant or co-applicant within an application for NWO funding.
- Researchers may not apply for a scientific or post-doc position for themselves.

## Eligible costs

Available budget modules are as follows.

### - *Personnel*

- Personnel at a university in the Kingdom of the Netherlands, umc or a research organisation, as referred to in Article 1.1, first paragraph, subparagraphs c to h of the NWO Grant Rules:
  - Postdoc: at least 1 position, for at least 12 months, for at least 0.5 fte, according to UNL or NFU rates, a benchfee is applicable
  - Non-scientific personnel (NWP): according to UNL or NFU rates
  - Research leave: max. 5% of the grant amount, according to UNL or NFU rates
- Personnel of universities of applied sciences and other research organisations as referred to in Article 1.1, paragraph 4 of the NWO Grant Rules: according to HOT rates
- Students: according to the usual internship fee or HOT rates, may be added to material costs

- *Material*: for project-specific material costs, up to 25% of the grant amount allocated for personnel costs

- *Knowledge utilisation*: for activities that promote the use of knowledge from the research following the Impact Plan approach, obligatory 5-20% of the grant amount

- *Projectmanagement*: up to 5% of the grant amount

Please note the following:

- PhD positions cannot be applied for in this call, due to the maximum project duration of 3 years.
- NWO funds project-related costs. Therefore overhead costs are not eligible for NWO funding.

A more detailed explanation of the budget modules and eligible costs can be found on the funding page on the NWO website.

It is **recommended** to use the NWO budget template (obligatory in full proposal phase) in the pre-proposal stage to confirm eligibility of budget items. For Full Proposals, it is **mandatory** to submit the NWO budget form for the funding requested at NWO at the time of the transnational deadline. Please submit it to [futurefoods@nwo.nl](mailto:futurefoods@nwo.nl).

## Further information

Once proposals are selected for funding, the consortia will be notified by the FutureFoodS Call Office and subsequently, the national granting process will be initiated by NWO.

The NWO Grant Rules and the Approval of funding for scientific research 2008 are applicable to the part of the project's budget covered by the grant from NWO. Any arrangements made regarding the part of the project's budget covered by the grant from NWO, for instance in a Consortium Agreement, must comply with the NWO Grant Rules 2024 and the European legislation on state aid.

As stipulated in the NWO Grant Rules, Article 3.2, paragraph 2, the project cannot start until the conditions set out in the grant award decision regarding the start of the project are met. Please note, these conditions will include a signed Consortium agreement by all partners in the transnational project.

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-an-objection>.

NWO will, if necessary, apply a one-off indexation of personnel costs when awarding the grant. The UNL/NFU/HOT rate at the time of the decision date applies and the date on which the rates take effect is used for this purpose.

Submission of financial and scientific reports at national level is required in accordance with the rules of NWO. Granted consortia will be informed in due time.

**Please note:** an application for NWO funding can be combined with, but cannot be the same as an application for funding to either Taskforce for Applied Research SIA or LVVN for this Call for proposals. In case of questions, please contact the relevant contact persons well ahead of the submission deadline.



## Taskforce for Applied Research SIA

Funding Program: [www.regieorgaan-sia.nl/ffs](http://www.regieorgaan-sia.nl/ffs)

### National/ regional contact point

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### National/ regional regulation

Indicative budget	€ 900.000 for the call						
Maximum funding per project	€ 300.000						
Project duration	Min. 18 months					Max. 36 months	
<b>Topics to be funded:</b>							
Topic 1	Topic 2			Topic 3			
Yes	Yes			Yes			
Exceptions for funding of the research topics based on your national priorities			No exceptions				
Link to funding programme and other relevant information			<a href="http://www.regieorgaan-sia.nl/ffs">www.regieorgaan-sia.nl/ffs</a>				
<b>Following partners are eligible for funding:</b>							
Universities	Universities of applied sciences	Research institutes	Non-profit legal entities	SMEs	Large enterprises	Public bodies	Other
Yes, as co-operation partner	Yes, as main applicant	Yes, as co-operation partner	Yes, as co-operation partner	Yes, as co-operation partner	No	Yes, as co-operation partner	Yes, as co-operation partner
<b>Any additional national/regional rules or documents or information:</b>							
<b>Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution</b>							
Only Universities of applied sciences (UAS) as referred to in Article 1.8 of the Dutch Higher Education and Research Act ( <i>Wet op het hoger onderwijs en wetenschappelijk onderzoek</i> , WHW) are eligible as <i>main applicant</i> . Main applicants are required to submit a mandatory SIA budget form in the Full Proposal stage, as well as a <i>de-minimis</i> form for each partner receiving funding if applicable. The							



budget form and the de-minimis form will be made available on the callpage of Regieorgaan SIA [www.regieorgaan-sia.nl/ffs](http://www.regieorgaan-sia.nl/ffs) before the full proposal phase. All other applicants are cooperation partners and can only apply in cooperation with the main applicant.

Please note: researchers based in the Netherlands who are interested to apply for funding in this Call for proposals, are recommended to carefully read the national annexes of the three participating Dutch funding organisations: the Dutch Research Council (NWO), Taskforce for Applied Research SIA, and the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries, Food Security and Nature (LVVN). Please do not hesitate to contact the relevant contact points in case of questions.

#### **Additional eligibility criteria for SIA**

The board of the UAS has to be informed about the submission of this proposal and needs to agree with its content.

At the full proposal phase, it is required to attach a SIA financial details form to the application (similar to RAAK-Publiek). This form will be available via [www.regieorgaan-sia.nl/ffs](http://www.regieorgaan-sia.nl/ffs).

All cooperation partners that are to receive the grant from SIA through the main applicant, are subject to the *de-minimis* regulation Regulation (EU) no. 2023/2831 of the European Commission of 13 december 2023), except for the research organisations summed up in article 1.1, paragraph 1, of the NWO Grant Rules. Based on the *de-minimis* regulation, cooperation partners may receive a maximum of €300,000 in government support over a period of three years, except for some sectors which may have other thresholds. By completing the *de-minimis* statement, consortium partners declare that in the event of the award of a grant by SIA, they will not exceed the *de-minimis* threshold. If a consortium partner finds that the *de-minimis* threshold will be exceeded with the grant from SIA (and other possible *de-minimis* aid), this consortium partner cannot receive funding from SIA through the main applicant. The main applicant must take this into account when drawing up the application budget, and must therefore check for each consortium partner that will be involved as a cooperation partner whether the subsidy amount applied for does not exceed the *de-minimis* threshold. The *de-minimis* statement, completed separately by each consortium partner, forms part of the full proposal.

#### **Eligible costs**

Funding for Universities of Applied Sciences: no limit on number of positions.

Other partners (than UAS), like SMEs, public authorities and/or NGO's may be funded within the project. Maximum funding percentage for these partners is 50% of their costs.

In total the maximum allowed funding for other consortium partners, excluding the universities of applied sciences, is 25% of the funding by SIA.

#### **Personnel**

Funding can be applied for staff of universities of applied sciences (UAS), TO2 institutes, other educational institutions and other organizations, including public organizations and SMEs. Rates are determined using the most recent Handleiding Overheidstarieven (HOT), table 2 'gemiddelde totale loonkosten per salarisschaal', column 'Uurtarief productieve uren, excl. btw'. The salary scale of the requested position determines the rate from the HOT table. This rate applies for the entire duration of the project. For academic universities, the UNL rate at the time of the decision date apply.

For organizations that do not use the collective bargaining agreement (cao) of the central government or a comparable collective bargaining agreement (including those of UAS, secondary vocational education, and lower authorities), the following salary scales from the HOT apply: Project support worker: scale 6. Junior (researcher): salary scale 10. Medior (researcher): salary scale 12. Senior (researcher): scale 13. Director: scale 16.

Other partners (than UAS), like SMEs, public authorities and/or NGO's may be funded within the project as consortium partners. Maximum funding percentage for these partners is 50% of their costs.

#### *Students*

Students may work on the project. If the students contribute as part of their curriculum, the rate applies according to the usual internship fee of the UAS. If students contribute as a side job in addition to their studies as student assistants, the rate according to HOT Table 2 scale 1 applies.

#### **Material Costs**

Funding can be requested for all costs for the project and its knock-on effects regarding, among other things, consumables, purchase of services, materials, small instruments, access to (inter)national facilities, software and resources that have no economic value after use. Travel and accommodation costs (national and international) for all people working on the project including foreign guest researchers, costs for the organization of (international) workshops and symposia, costs for data management, publications, and costs in the context of *citizen science* also fall under this module.

Travel expenses (national and international) will only be reimbursed on the basis of second class/economy class fares. For publications, the provisions in the [Beleidsregel Open Access](#) apply.

It is not allowed to include costs for:

- organizational infrastructure and overhead, including a fully functioning workplace, housing, office automation, personnel administration, commuting expenses, training, facility management, HR advice and corporate care, documentary information services and home office allowance.
- use and maintenance of in-house developed scientific infrastructure.
- regular educational activities.

#### **In-kind contribution**

A minimum in-kind contribution of 10% is required. The in-kind contribution may be delivered by the UAS or its partners. The in-kind contribution may exist of either personnel or material costs.

Do not hesitate to contact the national contact person in case of questions.

#### **Additional information**

The NWO Grant Rules are applicable to the part of the project's budget covered by Regieorgaan SIA. Under the Dutch General Administrative Law Act, any interested party has the right to lodge an objection to the decision taken by Regieorgaan SIA, within six weeks of the date of the decision letter. Further information about the objections procedure can be found on the SIA website: <https://regieorgaan-sia.nl/financiering/bezwaar-maken/>



General Directorate of Agricultural Research and Policies (TAGEM)  
Tarımsal Araştırmalar ve Politikalar Genel Müdürlüğü (TAGEM)

National/ regional contact point

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National/ regional regulation

Indicative budget	200.000 €						
Maximum funding per project	100.000 €						
Project duration	Min. 24 months	Max. 36 months					
Topics to be funded:							
Topic 1	Topic 2	Topic 3					
Yes	Yes	Yes					
Exceptions for funding of the research topics based on your national priorities							
Link to funding programme and other relevant information		<a href="https://www.tarimorman.gov.tr/TAGEM">https://www.tarimorman.gov.tr/TAGEM</a>					
Following partners are eligible for funding:							
Universities	Universities of applied sciences	Research institutes	Non-profit legal entities	SMEs	Large enterprises	Public bodies	Other
No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No
Any additional national/regional rules or documents or information:							
General Directorate of Agricultural Research and Policies (TAGEM) is the R&D management unit of the "Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry" which has 49 agricultural research institutes and 23 authorized control institutes and laboratories located at different parts of Türkiye. These 72 institutions are eligible to benefit from funding of TAGEM under FutureFoodS calls.							



The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Türkiye (TÜBİTAK)  
Türkiye Bilimsel ve Teknolojik Araştırma Kurumu (TÜBİTAK)

Funding Program: 1071 - Support Programme for Increasing Capacity to Benefit  
from International Research Funds and Participation in International R&D  
Cooperation

<https://tubitak.gov.tr/en/funds/academic/international-support-programs/1071-program>

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National/regional regulation

Indicative budget	500.000 Euro	
Maximum funding per project	150.000 Euro 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.	
Project duration	Min. 36 months	Max. 36 months
Topics to be funded:		
Topic 1	Topic 2	Topic 3
Yes	Yes	Yes
Exceptions for funding of the research topics based on your national/regional priorities	No exceptions	

<b>Link to funding programme and other relevant information</b>	1071 - Support Programme for Increasing Capacity to Benefit from International Research Funds and Participation in International R&D Cooperation <a href="https://tubitak.gov.tr/en/funds/academic/international-support-programs/1071-program">https://tubitak.gov.tr/en/funds/academic/international-support-programs/1071-program</a>						
<b>Following partners are eligible for funding:</b>							
Universities	Universities of applied sciences	Research institutes	Non-profit legal entities	SMEs	Large enterprises	Public bodies	Other
Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A
<b>Any additional national/regional rules or documents or information:</b>							
Applicants from Turkey must make a national application through TUBITAK application system: <a href="http://uidb-pbs.tubitak.gov.tr/">http://uidb-pbs.tubitak.gov.tr/</a>							