

# M-ERA.NET Call 2023

### **Guide for Proposers**

### Annex A

### National / regional regulations

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## Austria: FFG-Mobility

Name of Funding agency	FFG-Mobility
Geographical coverage (national/regional)	National
Name of the programme/initiative	FFG-Mobility
Programme website	https://www.ffg.at/mobilitaetderzukunft
Programme owner	Federal ministry of climate action
Program manager (executing funding organisation)	FFG
Contact person(s) (e-mail, tel.)	johannes.fritzer@ffg.at
Funding Commitment	500.000 €
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner	500.000 €
Type of research eligible for funding: eligible TRL range	Topic 1: Sustainable advanced materials for energy Topic 2: Innovative surfaces, coatings and interfaces Topic 3: High performance composites Topic 4: Functional materials TRL 2-8
Funding rates (approx.)	35% - 85%
Major eligibility criteria (e.g. types of organisations, thematic restriction, cost types and caps)	Types of organisations, thematic restrictions (especially mobility context)
Submission of the proposal at national/regional level (schedule, cut-off dates, deadlines, etc.)	Pre-Proposal: national 8.3. – 17.5. Full-Proposal -22.11.
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	
Further guidance	

### **Austria: FFG - Produktion**

Name of Funding agency	FFG - Austrian Research Promotion Agency	
Geographical coverage (national/regional)	National	
Name of the programme/initiative	Produktion und Material	
Programme website	https://www.ffg.at/produktionstechnologien/meranet2023 (available approx. 8 March 2023)	
Programme owner	Bundesministerium für Klimaschutz, Umwelt, Energie, Mobilität, Innovation und Technologie (BMK)	
Program manager (executing funding organisation)	FFG - Austrian Research Promotion Agency	
Contact person(s) (e- mail, tel.)	Name: Fabienne Nikowitz Phone: +43 (0) 57755 5081	
Funding Commitment	E-mail: fabienne.nikowitz@ffg.at 1.000.000,- EUR	
Anticipated number of fundable research partners		
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner	500.000,- EUR	
Type of research eligible for funding:	Industrial Research: TRL 2-4	
eligible TRL range Funding rates (approx.)	Experimental Development: TRL 5-7 Research organisation: Industrial Research - 85%, Experimental Development - 60% Micro/small enterprise: Industrial Research - 80%, Experimental Development - 60% Medium enterprise: Industrial Research - 70%, Experimental Development - 50% Large enterprise: Industrial Research - 55%, Experimental Development - 35%	
Major eligibility criteria (e.g. types of organisations, thematic restriction, cost types and caps)	Consortium restriction: minimum 1 Austrian industry partner. Thematic restriction: Produktion only supports M-ERA.NET topics: Topic 2: Innovative surfaces, coatings and interfaces Topic 4: Functional materials Topic 6: Next generation materials for advanced electronics Further restrictions: see under "Further guidance"	
(schedule, cut-off dates, deadlines, etc.)	Deadline for proposal submission via FFG eCall (https://ecall.ffg.at): National pre-proposal ("Kurzantrag"): 17 May 2023, 12:00 C.E.T. National full-proposal ("Nationale Ergänzung"): 22 November 2023, 12:00 C.E.T.	
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	Reports are submitted on an annual basis. Further information: see under "Further guidance"	

# **Belgium: F.R.S.-FNRS**

Name of Funding agency	Fund for Scientific Research – FNRS (F.R.SFNRS)
Geographical coverage (national/regional)	Wallonia Brussels federation – French speaking community of Belgium
Name of the programme/initiative	PINT-MULTI
Programme website	www.frs-fnrs.be
Programme owner	F.R.SFNRS
Program manager (executing funding organisation)	F.R.SFNRS
Contact person(s) (e-mail, tel.)	Florence Quist (+32 2 504 9351) or Joël Groeneveld (+32 2 504 9270) international@frs-fnrs.be
Funding Commitment	200.000 €
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	1
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner	200.000 € per project for 3 years
Type of research eligible for funding: eligible TRL range	1-3
Funding rates (approx.)	100%
Major eligibility criteria (e.g. types of organisations, thematic restriction, cost types and caps)	The F.R.SFNRS only funds public research institutions of the French Speaking Community of Belgium. All eligibility rules and criteria can be found in the <u>PINT-MULTI</u> <u>regulations</u>
Submission of the proposal at national/regional level (schedule, cut-off dates, deadlines, etc.)	Applicants to F.R.SFNRS funding must provide basic administrative data by submitting an administrative application on <u>e-space</u> within 5 working days after the general deadline of FLAG-ERA 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.SFNRS.
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	Financial reporting to the F.R.SFNRS: yearly by the finance department of the institution Scientific reporting: the joint M-ERA.NET reports replace the reporting for F.R.SFNRS.
Further guidance	https://www.frs-fnrs.be/fr/calendrier-des-appels

### **BELGIUM: SPW recherche**

Name of Funding agency	Service public de Wallonie
<b>Geographical coverage</b>	
(national/regional)	Regional (Wallonia)
Name of the programme/initiative	-
Programme website	https://recherche.wallonie.be/meranet
Programme owner	-
Program manager (executing funding organisation)	Jean-François HEUSE, inspecteur général
Contact person(s) (e-mail, tel.)	Pierre DEMOITIÉ   <u>pierre.demoitie@spw.wallonie.be</u>   32 81 33 45 40
Funding Commitment	1,000,000 €
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	-
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner	-
Type of research eligible for funding: eligible TRL range	3 - 6
Funding rates (approx.)	Between 60 and 100% depending from the beneficiaries
Major eligibility criteria (e.g. types of organisations, thematic restriction, cost types and caps)	There is no restriction but at least one Walloon SME must be in the consortium.
Submission of the proposal at national/regional level (schedule, cut-off dates, deadlines, etc.)	Same as the ERAnet calls
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	Yes (every 6 months); submitted online (Walloon ONTIME tool)
Further guidance	https://recherche.wallonie.be/meranet

# **Belgium (Flanders): VLAIO**

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Name of Funding agency	Flanders Innovation & Entrepreneurship (VLAIO)
Geographical coverage (national/regional)	Flanders region of Belgium
Name of the	Industrial research project
programme/initiative	Industrial development project
<b>D</b>	https://www.vlaio.be/nl/subsidies-financiering/onderzoeksproject
Programme website	https://www.vlaio.be/nl/subsidies-financiering/ontwikkelingsproject
Programme owner	Fund for Innovation and Entrepreneurship (formerly Hermesfund)
Program manager (executing funding organisation)	Flanders Innovation & Entrepreneurship (VLAIO)
	Name: Maarten ROCKELE / Elsie DE CLERCQ
Contact person(s) (e- mail, tel.)	Tel: +32 (0)2 432 43 27 / +32 (0)2 432 42 78
	E-mail: maarten.rockele@vlaio.be; elsie.declercq@vlaio.be
Funding Commitment	1.000.000 EUR
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	No hard limit on the number of Flanders research partners participating in an M- ERA.NET project. A typical M-ERA.NET project has 3 to 4 partners on average. Please observe eligibility requirements at the level of M-ERA.NET.
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner	The total funding given to all participating partners from Flanders together in a project should not exceed 500.000 euro.
Type of research eligible for funding:	Industrial research project (TRL 1-3)
eligible TRL range	Industrial development project (TRL 4-7)
Funding rates	Maximum 60%-50%, depending on the type of R&D (resp. research and development) including extra's for small and medium sized companies (SME).
(6pprox)	An extra incentive is provided for projects with a Flemish company and a Flemish university or research partner (none of which exceed 70% of the Flemish budget) leading to max. 70% for research and 60% for development.
Major eligibility criteria (e.g. types of organisations, thematic	Only companies with (future) economical added value in Flanders can submit proposals (large companies and SME's). Universities or research institutes can only participate as subcontractor (or research partner) to a Flanders based company. Foreign companies only as subcontractor without own exploitation.
restriction, cost types and caps)	A stand alone participation of only a research group from a university or research institute without a (co-financing) Flemish company is not eligible.
e	M-ERA.NET 3 call deadlines apply for M-ERA.NET proposals. In addition to the M-ERA.NET 3 pre-proposal also a "VLAIO Annex" has to be submitted to VLAIO with focus on the innovation goal and the valorisation potential of the Flemish

	participants. This needs to be done by the same deadline as for the M-ERA.NET 3 pre-proposal.
	The regular programme is open to all topics with continuous submission possible.
-	The reporting requirements of funded projects are described on the programme websites indicated above.
Further guidance	https://www.vlaio.be/nl/subsidies-financiering/subsidies-voor-ooi-een- internationaal-consortium/netwerken/m-eranet

### **BULGARIA: BNSF**

Name of Funding agency	Bulgarian National Science Fund
Geographical	
coverage	National
(national/regional)	
Name of the	
programme/initiati	M-ERA.NET
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Programme website	https://www.fni.bg/
	Pulgarian National Science Fund
	Bulgarian National Science Fund
Program manager	Dulgarian National Science Fund
organisation)	Bulgarian National Science Fund
Contact person(s) (e-mail, tel.)	Milena Aleksandrova, <u>aleksandrova@mon.bg</u> , +359 884 171 363
Funding	€ 383 468
Commitment	
Anticipated	
number of	Up to 3 projects
fundable research	
partners Maximum funding	
per grant awarded	
to a partner	Op to C 127 822
Type of research	
eligible for	
funding: eligible	1-4
TRL range	
Funding rates	
(approx.)	N/A
	Eligible institutions:
Major eligibility criteria	1) Accredited universities as defined in Art.85 para.1, p. 7 of the Higher Education Act;
(e.g. types of organisations, thematic	2) Research organizations as defined in Art. 47, para 1 of the Higher Education Act. http://lll.mon.bg/uploaded_files/zkn_visseto_obr_01.03.2016_EN.pdf
restriction, cost types and caps)	Eligible costs are specified in" National requirements and eligibility conditions" of Bulgarian National Science Fund available at: https://www.fni.bg/sites/default/files/competition/12_2016/ERA/BNSF_International_ Programs-2017_ENG.pdf
Submission of the proposal at national/regional level (schedule, cut-off dates, deadlines, etc.)	Applicants have to submit an application form for national eligibility when submitting the proposals. The application form, entitled "Administrative description of the project" should be filled in both Bulgarian and in English and signed. Application forms should be submitted electronically at: <u>https://enims.egov.bg/</u>

Submission of financial and scientific reports at	Specified in" National requirements and eligibility conditions" of Bulgarian National Science Fund available at:
the national/regional	https://www.fni.bg/sites/default/files/competition/12_2016/ERA/BNSF_International_ Programs-2017_ENG.pdf
Further guidance	N/A

# Canada/Québec: PRIMA Québec

Name of Funding	PRIMA Québec
agency Geographical coverage (national/regional)	Québec (Canada)
Name of the programme/initiative	Programme de soutien aux organismes de recherche et d'innovation (PSO - International)
Programme website	https://www.prima.ca/en/funding-programs/international-call-for-projects/
Programme owner	Ministère de l'Économie, de l'Innovation et de l'Énergie (MEIE)
Program manager (executing funding organisation)	PRIMA Québec
Contact person(s) (e- mail, tel.)	Michel Lefèvre, DIRECTOR – PROGRAMS & INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATIONS <u>Michel.lefevre@prima.ca</u> +1-514-284-0211 #227
Funding Commitment	0.7 M€ (1M\$ CAD)
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	Min 1 applicant with min 1 industrial partner per project
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner	500 000 \$CAD The CAD\$500,000 amount will include direct research costs, MEIE management fees (2%), as well as indirect research costs, where applicable.
Type of research eligible for funding: eligible TRL range	Collaborative research between industries and academics on advanced material In accordance with its strategic plan, PRIMA Québec encourages the submission of projects concerning the development of advanced materials applied to Quebec's key sectors, such as transportation and infrastructure, energy, environment, textiles, electronics and health. The technologies targeted by this call for projects concern all types of application sectors: The formulation and development of advanced materials such as: micro / nanoparticles, fibers, engineered wood, biomaterials, concrete, polymer, composite, multifunctional materials, glass, ceramics, metals and alloys, semiconductors; The integration of these materials into finished or semi-finished products; Advanced processes such as additive manufacturing, surface treatments, multiphysics simulation, modeling, composites and / or polymer shaping; Characterization instruments for advanced materials
Funding rates (approx.)	Funding contribution to the direct cost of the research budget

	• PRIMA max. 50%
	• Industries min.20%
	Complementary Funding 30%
	Maximum contribution from PRIMA : \$ 500 k/ for 3 years maximum
Major eligibility criteria	Applicants are university, CCTT or public research center
(e.g. types of organisations, thematic restriction, cost types and caps)	It is necessary to have at least one company (primarily an SME) with a presence in Quebec (production or R&D). Businesses outside Quebec are not eligible in the Quebec application if they do not have a presence in Quebec (production or R&D)
Submission of the proposal at national/regional level (schedule, cut-off dates, deadlines, etc.)	A funding request must be submitted to PRIMA at the same time as the M-Era.net pre-proposal deadline and full proposal deadline.
Submission of financial and scientific reports at	Every year
Further guidance	The applicant can go to the PRIMA website (https://www.prima.ca/) to download the guideline of the program for more information.

### **Croatia: MSE**

Name of Funding agency	Ministry of Science and Education (MSE)
Geographical coverage	National
(national/regional)	
Name of the programme/initiative	-
Programme website	-
Programme owner	Ministry of Science and Education
Program manager (executing funding organisation)	Ministry of Science and Education
Contact person(s) (e-mail, tel.)	Mateo Ante Bosnić, <u>mateoante.bosnic@mzo.hr</u> , +385 01 4594 166
Funding Commitment	150.000,00 EUR
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	1
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner	150.000,00 EUR
Type of research eligible for funding: eligible TRL range	1-4
Funding rates (approx.)	For Applicants from Private Sector: The maximum funding rate of eligible costs is 70%. For Applicants from Public Sector: 100% of eligible costs.
Major eligibility criteria (e.g. types of organisations, thematic restriction, cost types and caps)	<ul> <li>MSE funding is limited to Croatian project partners only. Croatian project partner could be consortium (consisting of at least two national legal entities) or a single legal entity.</li> <li>Eligibility criteria for Croatian project partners are as follows: <ul> <li>research organizations:</li> <li>public research institutes</li> <li>public higher education institutions</li> <li>other legal entities performing research activities:</li> <li>non-governmental and non-profit organizations (NGO's) or institutions whose main object is research activity of Justice and Public Administration or other relevant national body</li> <li>micro, small and medium enterprises (SME's) entered in the relevant National Register (<u>Court or Craftsmen</u>) and registered to perform research and development activities.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Project proposals already funded under separate financial instruments / call will not be reviewed and will not be eligible under this call.</li> <li>For Croatian applicants, general H2020 Programme rules on eligible and ineligible costs apply (can be found in the Annotated Model Grant Agreement (AGA) for H2020 Programme at the <u>link</u>).</li> </ul>

	Project consortia with SME applicants is encouraged but not mandatory. Also, other legal entities from business sector, which are not SME's can apply as project partners, but they must ensure their own funding for their participation in the project activities since they are not eligible for MSE funds.
Submission of the proposal at national/regional level (schedule, cut-off dates, deadlines, etc.)	Croatian applicants are required to inform the national contact point about the project application. Applicants are advised to consult the national contact point for the pre-eligibility check.
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	Submission of the financial and scientific reports in accordance with the national GA.
Further guidance	-

# **Czech Republic: TA CR**

Name of Funding agency	Technology Agency c	of the Czech Re	epublic (TA CR)		
Geographical coverage (national/regional)	National - Czech Rep	ublic			
Name of the programme/initiative	Programme SIGMA				
Programme website	https://www.tacr.cz/	/program/prog	gram-sigma/		
Programme owner	Technology Agency c		-		
Program manager (executing funding organisation)	Technology Agency c	of the Czech Re	epublic (TA CR)		
Contact person(s) (e- mail, tel.)	-	Kateřina Volfová katerina.volfova@tacr.cz Phone: +420 778 463 138			
Funding Commitment	€ 1 500 000				
Anticipated number of fundable research	4-6				
partners Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner	€ 350 000				
Type of research eligible for funding: eligible TRL range	3-9				
	according to the <u>Reg</u>	ulation (see ta	plicant in the project is ble below) and at the sa ech part of the project,	ame time must no	t exceed the maximum
	Applicant	Industrial research	Industrial research with a bonus for effective collaboration	Experimental development	Experimental development with a bonus for effective collaboration
	Small enterprise*	70 %	80 %	45 %	60 %
Funding rates (approx.)	Medium-sized enterprise*	60 %	75 %***	35 %	50 %
	Large enterprise	50 %	65 %	25 %	40 %
	Research Organisations**	100 %***	100 %***	100 %***	100 %***
		must satisfy the d	ion lefinition in the Act and the Fi ible aid intensity of 85 % per j		

	Eligible projects for TA CR
	<ul> <li>the project meets the definition of applied research</li> <li>the research results correspond to the national rules and are applicable / exploitable. (The project proposal has to include a clear description of the exploitation plan and results.)</li> <li>the aim of the project has to be relevant to the overall aim of the funding programme SIGMA</li> <li>the declared share of industrial research and experimental development corresponds to the activities of the Czech partner described in the project proposal</li> <li>the requested funding meets the national regulations for aid intensity</li> </ul>
	Czech applicants in this Call might be funded from the EU Recovery and Resilience Facility - Czech National Recovery Plan (Národní plán obnovy) their projects must therefore:
	<ul> <li>adhere to the "Do no significant harm" principle</li> <li>meet at least one of the objectives of digitalisation</li> </ul>
	Eligible applicants for TA CR
	<ul> <li>Enterprises (according to Annex 1 of the <u>Regulation</u>)</li> <li>Enterprises who act as natural persons according to Annex 1 of the <u>Regulation</u> engaged in an economic activity pursuant to Act no. 455/1991 coll. on Trades (Trade Act).</li> </ul>
	• Research organizations (according to Article 2 paragraph 83 of the <u>Regulation</u> )
Major eligibility criteria	TA CR excludes the disbursement of individual aid to an enterprise:
(e.g. types of organisations, thematic restriction, cost types and caps)	<ul> <li>against which a recovery order has been issued which is unpaid</li> <li>meeting the definition of an "<u>undertaking in difficulty</u>"</li> <li>which has not met the obligation to publish the financial statements for the years 2019, 2020, 2021 in the respective register - the so-called "Veřejný rejstřík"</li> <li>which has not disclose its ownership structure in the so-called "<u>Evidence skutečných majitelů</u>"</li> </ul>
	Supported results
	Projects that achieve at least one of the following types of results can be supported in this Call. The type of the result has to be clearly described in the project proposal:
	<ul> <li>P - patent</li> <li>G - technically realized results - prototype, functional sample</li> <li>Z - pilot plant, proven technology</li> <li>R - software</li> <li>F - results with legal protection - utility model, industrial design</li> <li>N - Certified methodologies and practices, treatment, conservation methods, procedures and specialized maps with professional expert content</li> </ul>
	O - Miscellaneous
	<ul> <li>Results supported only in combination with at least one other result listed above:</li> <li>H - results reflected in non-legislative directives and regulations binding within the competence of the respective provider and results reflected in the approved strategic and conceptual documents of the state or public administration</li> </ul>

	Budget & eligible costs
	Eligible costs are:
	<ul> <li>personnel costs (including scholarships)</li> <li>subcontracting costs (max. 20% of total eligible costs throughout the whole project period)</li> <li>other direct costs (write-offs, protection of intellectual property, operating expenses, travel costs, consumables)</li> <li>indirect costs (overheads) - full cost/flat rate 25% (indirect costs in the respective year are calculated as 25% of the sum of the personnel costs and other direct costs in the same year)</li> </ul>
	VAT is not an eligible cost.
	Specific categories of eligible costs are defined under Article 18 of the General Terms & Conditions.
	Thematic restriction
	TA CR can't fund costs connected to Regenerative medicine in Topic 5 ( <i>New strategies for advanced material-based technologies in health applications</i> ).
	Intellectual Property Rights
	The applicants are required to enter into a contract with their foreign partners (sign the so-called Consortium Agreement) which will define the conditions of cooperation on the project where, among other things, they specify the method of allocating rights to the research results, as well as adjustment and management of the rights imported or created during the project's implementation, which are necessary to address the project.
	Publicity obligations
	While promoting the project and its results Czech beneficiaries must follow the publicity rules of TA CR.
	In addition, Czech beneficiaries in this Call must also follow the publicity rules of Národní plán obnovy (described in <i>Metodický pokyn pro publicitu a komunikaci pro Národní plán obnovy na období 2021- 2016</i> ).
	Mandatory forms to be submitted
	The Czech applicants are requested to submit:
Submission of the proposal at national/regional level (schedule, cut-off dates, deadlines, etc.)	<ul> <li>A Sworn statement of the applicant</li> <li>Completed "TACR Application Form" Excel file (submitted by the main Czech applicant only)*</li> <li>if the applicant plans to achieve "Nmet" type of result, the mandatory form for Nmet result needs to be attached*</li> <li>if the applicant plans to achieve the "Patent" type of result, patent search must be substantiated*</li> <li>Sworn statement of the composition of the consortium (only if Czech enterprise is part of the project consortium; submitted by the main Czech applicant only)</li> <li>"Do no significant harm" declaration (submitted by the main Czech applicant only)</li> </ul>
	All mandatory documents to be found on <u>TA CR website</u> . Deadline for submitting all documents is the same as the deadline for submitting pre-proposals. All documents proving the eligibility of the Czech partner stated above shall be submitted via the TACR data box (TACR data box ID: <b>afth9xp</b> ). Please fill in the subject line as: "Horizon2020 - M-ERA.NET Call 2023 - prokázání způsobilosti - <i>project acronym</i> "

	*Applicants who will not submit this mandatory form (if relevant) via databox <u>before the deadline</u> will be considered as <b>not eligible</b> for TA CR funding. <u>Project start</u> Please note that following national legislation, Czech applicants shall start within 120 days from the funding decision being communicated by the Call Management (60-day period to enter into a contract + 60-day period to start the project).
	Czech beneficiaries must follow the rules of TA CR for reporting on the project (i.e. submission of
financial and scientific	interim and final reports and reports on the implementation of the results).
reports at the	
national/regional level	
Further guidance	"Guide for Czech applicants" and all mandatory forms will be available on <u>TA CR website</u> (in Czech).

### Estonia: ETAG

Name of Funding agency	Estonian Research Council
Geographical coverage (national/regional)	National
Name of the	
programme/initiative	
Programme website	
Programme owner	
Program manager (executing	ETAG
funding organisation)	
Contact person(s) (e-mail, tel.)	Margit Suuroja, <u>margit.suuroja@etag.ee</u> , +372 731 7360
Funding Commitment	150 000 EUR
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	1
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner	150 000 EUR
Type of research eligible for funding: eligible TRL range	1-6
Funding rates (approx.)	
Major eligibility criteria (e.g. types of organisations, thematic restriction, cost types and caps)	<ol> <li>Project Participants</li> <li>The Host Institution may be any legal entity that is registered and located in Estonia and has an Estonian bank account.</li> <li>The Host Institution (the final recipient) is the institution to which the grant will be allocated.</li> <li>After the submission deadline (in case of two-stage application, after the preproposal deadline) and upon the notice from the Funding Organisation, the Host Institution must confirm to the Funding Organisation in the written form that the project can be carried out on their premises in Estonia and that they will employ the Principal Investigator during the proposed project, should the project receive funding.</li> <li>If the Host Institution is a for-profit institution, the State aid and de minimis aid regulations must be taken into account.</li> <li>If the State aid or de minimis aid regulations apply, the funding will not be granted to a Host Institution who has been subject to a funding withdrawal decision pursuant to a previous European Commission decision that deemed the aid illegal and incompatible with the common market, if that decision has not been complied with.</li> <li><b>1.2 The Principal Investigator</b> is a researcher who acts as the Estonian team leader in the project proposal. He/she will be responsible for how the grant is used and how the Estonian part in the project is executed. The Principal Investigator:         <ol> <li>1.2.1 must have an updated public profile in the Estonian Research Information System (ETIS) by the submission deadline;             <li>2.2 must hold a doctoral degree or an equivalent qualification. The degree must be awarded by the submission deadline of the grant application at the latest;             <li>2.3 must have published at least three articles that comply with the requirements of Clauses 1.1 of the ETIS classification of publications, or at least five articles that comply with the requirements of Clauses 1.1 of the ETIS classification of publications.&lt;</li></li></li></ol></li></ol>

or 3.1, within the last five calendar years prior to the proposal submission deadline. International patents are equalled with publications specified under Clause 1.1. A monograph (ETIS Clause 2.1) is equalled with three publications specified in Clause 1.1 if the number of authors is three or fewer. If the applicant has been on pregnancy and maternity or parental leave or performed compulsory service in the Defence Forces, or has another good reason, they can request the publication period requirement to be extended by the relevant period of time.

If the Principal Investigator has received the PhD degree outside Estonia, its correspondence to an Estonian doctoral degree must be recognised by either the Estonian ENIC-NARIC Center or the Host Institution in accordance with the Regulation of the Government of the Republic of April 6, 2006, No. 89 "Evaluation and academic recognition of documents proving foreign education and the name of the qualification awarded in the foreign education system terms and conditions of use". The Funding Organisation may ask for a relevant Evaluation Report.

If several Estonian institutions participate in a proposal, all institutions must have a Principal Investigator who meets the national eligibility requirements.

#### 2. Budget

2.1 Research expenses consist of direct costs (personnel costs, travel costs and other direct costs) and subcontracting costs. The research expenses must be used to carry out the project and be separately identifiable.

#### **2.2 Direct costs**

2.2.1 Personnel costs are monthly salaries with social security charges and all other statutory costs of the project participants, calculated according to their commitment and in proportion to their total workload at their Host Institution.

2.2.2 Other direct costs are:

- travel costs that may cover expenses for transport, accommodation, daily allowances and travel Insurance only for travels abroad;

consumables and minor equipment related to the project;

publication and dissemination of project results;

organising meetings, seminars or conferences (room rent, catering);

- fees for participating in scientific forums, conferences and other events related to the project;

patent costs;

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

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

**2.4 Indirect costs (overhead)** may not exceed 15% of the personnel costs and should cover the general expenses of the Host Institution. Costs for equipment and services intended for public use (e.g. a copy machine or a printer that is publicly used, phone bills, copy service, etc.) should be covered from the overhead.

2.5 Double funding of activities is not acceptable.

2.6 If several Estonian institutions participate in one proposal, the sum of their requested budgets may not exceed the maximum contribution of the respective national Funding Organisation indicated in the call documents.

	<ul> <li>3. State Aid</li> <li>EU Regulations on State aid and de minimis aid must be taken into account when requesting funding.</li> <li>4. Grant Agreement</li> <li>If a positive funding decision is made, the Funding Organisation enters into a grant agreement with the Host Institution. Information on the transnational project must be entered into ETIS once the agreement has been signed.</li> <li>The Consortium Agreement should be signed six months after the grant agreement has been signed at the latest. If one year has elapsed and the CA has not been signed, the next instalment of funding will not be paid out.</li> </ul>
Submission of the proposal at national/regional level (schedule, cut-off dates, deadlines, etc.)	no
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	yes
Further guidance	https://www.etag.ee/valiskoostoo/euroopa-horisont/partnerlused/era-net- projektid/

## **Finland: AKA**

Name of Funding agency	Academy of Finland
Geographical coverage	
(national/regional)	National
Name of the programme/initiative	Critical materials in Circular Economy of Cities
Programme website	Critical Materials in Circular Eco - Academy of Finland (aka.fi)
Programme owner	Academy of Finland
Program manager (executing funding organisation)	Saila Seppo
Contact person(s) (e-mail, tel.)	saila.seppo@aka.fi
Funding Commitment	1.25 million euros
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	-
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner	-
Type of research eligible for funding: eligible TRL range	Basic research, TRL 1-2
Funding rates (approx.)	300 000 euros
Major eligibility criteria (e.g. types of organisations, thematic restriction, cost types and caps)	We are funding PIs from Finnish research organizations
Submission of the proposal at national/regional level (schedule, cut-off dates, deadlines, etc.)	-
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	-
Further guidance	-

### **Finland: Business Finland**

Name of Funding agency	Business Finland
Geographical coverage	
(national/regional)	Finland
Name of the	Sustainable Manufacturing Finland Describenized Cities
programme/initiative	Sustainable Manufacturing Finland, Decarbonized Cities
	https://www.businessfinland.fi/en/for-finnish-
	customers/services/programs/sustainable-manufacturing-finland
Programme website	
	https://www.businessfinland.fi/en/for-finnish- customers/services/programs/decarbonized-cities
Programme owner	Business Finland
Program manager	
(executing funding	Business Finland
organisation)	
Contact person(s) (e-mail,	Sampo Tukiainen ( <u>sampo.tukiainen@businessfinland.fi</u> ) (contact person details
tel.)	to be updated in spring 2023)
Funding Commitment	1.000.000 € (more Business Finland funding can be considered in case of
Funding Commitment	highly ranked projects)
Anticipated number of	n/a
fundable research partners	
Maximum funding per	n/a
grant awarded to a partner	
Type of research eligible for	2-7
funding: eligible TRL range	
Funding rates (approx.)	SMEs max. 65%, large companies max. 40%, universities and research
	organizations 60-80%
	Applicant organisations must be legal entities registered in Finland. Business Finland's normal funding terms and conditions apply.
	r mand 's normal funding terms and conditions appry.
	SMEs and large companies can participate in consortia either independently or
Majar aligibility anitaria	together with other Finnish partners. Finnish companies can either apply for
Major eligibility criteria (e.g. types of organisations,	Business Finland funding or act as an in-kind partner in the consortium.
thematic restriction, cost	
types and caps)	Research organisations must work in parallel with companies. Consortia must
	include at least three companies of which at least two are Finnish companies (SMEs or large companies) to be eligible for funding.
	(SMES of large companies) to be engible for funding.
	All applicants are required to contact Business Finland in advance before
	submitting of applications.
Submission of the proposal	
at national/regional level	End of February 2024
(schedule, cut-off dates,	
deadlines, etc.)	
Submission of financial and	Departing appording to Dusiness Finland standard reporting practices
scientific reports at the national/regional level	Reporting according to Business Finland standard reporting practices.
Further guidance	https://www.businessfinland.fi/en/for-finnish-customers/services/funding
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### France: ANR

Name of Funding agency	Agence Nationale de la Recherche
Geographical coverage (national/regional)	National
Name of the	
programme/initiative	-
Programme website	
Programme owner	ANR
Program manager (executing funding organisation)	ANR
Contact person(s) (e- mail, tel.)	Dr. Aymen Ben Amor ( <u>aymen.benamor@agencerecherche.fr</u> )
Funding Commitment	1 000 000 € (expected number of projects to be supported: 4-5)
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	-
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner	No predefined maximum. Requested funding should be justified with respect to the project work plan.
Type of research eligible for funding: eligible TRL range	Projects must be positioned at "basic research" segment or at the first segment of "applied research": TRL start-end range from 1 to 5.
Funding rates	Funding rates vary based on the type of research and the type of partners requesting
(approx.)	support, please consult for more details <u>https://anr.fr/fr/rf/</u>
Major eligibility criteria	The standard funding rules of ANR apply (please consult <u>https://anr.fr/fr/rf/</u> for more details). Within this framework, personnel costs, consumables, subcontracts (within 50% of the eligible costs for the partner), equipment and travel costs may be eligible. Eligible costs depend on the type of partners requesting support.
(e.g. types of organisations, thematic restriction, cost types	Topics <b>not covered</b> by ANR:
and caps)	Topic 2 (Innovative surfaces, coatings and interfaces) Topic 3 (High performance composites) Topic 5 (Advanced materials and technologies for health applications).
Submission of the proposal at	Submissions at stage 1 are done at the centralized M-ERANET level.
national/regional level (schedule, cut-off dates, deadlines, etc.)	Projects invited to stage 2 will be contacted by email (deadlines and precise address will be specified) to submit their full proposal to the ANR platform.
	Financial reporting at the national level is needed, following specific requirements
and scientific reports at the national/regional level	regarding the final financial reporting. Please consult the appendix for partners requesting funding from ANR to this call on the ANR website. The M-ERA.NET level scientific reporting substitutes the ANR reporting.
Further guidance	Applicants requesting support from ANR must read the specific appendix available at the above-mentioned link ("Programme website").

## France: RNAQ

Name of Funding agency	Region Nouvelle-Aquitaine
Geographical coverage	
(national/regional)	Regional
Name of the programme/initiative	Regulation for the support to cies
Programme website	https://les-aides.nouvelle-aquitaine.fr/economie-et-emploi/projets-de-recherche- collaboratifs-publicprive
Programme owner	Region Nouvelle-Aquitaine
Program manager (executing funding organisation)	Region Nouvelle-Aquitaine
Contact person(s) (e- mail, tel.)	Emmanuelle Pallier ; <u>emmanuelle.pallier@nouvelle-aquitaine.fr</u> ; +33 (0)5 55 45 00 80 Hélène Boisserie ; <u>Helene.boisserie@nouvelle-aquitaine.fr</u> ; +33 (0) 5 56 56 38 53
	- (0)6 71 56 92 89
Funding Commitment	500 000€
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	N/A
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner	No maximum funding. The regulation supports R&D collaborative projects carried by companies in partnership with competency centres.
Type of research eligible for funding: eligible TRL range	2 to 7
Funding rates (approx.)	80% max.
Major eligibility criteria (e.g. types of organisations, thematic restriction, cost types and caps)	<ul> <li>Beneficiaries : companies of all sizes / research and knowledge transfert organisms</li> <li>The consortium must include a company;</li> <li>No thematic restriction;</li> </ul>
Submission of the proposal at national/regional level (schedule, cut-off dates, deadlines, etc.)	As soon as the project has passed the M-EraNet selection, the partner has to submit an application form to the Regional instruction. Projects have to be approved by the Standing Committee (Regional Council)
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	A synthesis report is asked at the end of the project for the payment of the balance.
Further guidance	

## **Germany/Freestate of Saxony: SMWK**

Name of Funding agency	Saxon State Ministry for Science, Culture and Tourism (SMWK)
Geographical coverage (national/regional)	regional - Saxony
Name of the programme/initiative	Richtlinie des SMWK zur Gewährung von Zuwendungen für Maßnahmen im Rahmen der wettbewerblichen EU-Förderprogramme für Forschung und Innovation (RL EuProNet)
Programme website	https://revosax.sachsen.de/vorschrift/17180-RL-EuProNet
Programme owner	SMWK
Program manager (executing funding organisation)	SMWK
Contact person(s) (e- mail, tel.)	Gabriele Süptitz e-mail: <u>gabriele.sueptitz@smwk.sachsen.de</u> , _EuProNet@smwk.sachsen.de Phone: +49351 564-64210
Funding Commitment	Approx. 3 Mio. EUR
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	No limitations
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner	No limitations
Type of research eligible for funding: eligible TRL range	<ul><li>For Saxon universities and research institutions all type of research and TRL is eligible for funding.</li><li>For Saxon SMEs only project parts with industrial research or experimental development above TLR 4 are eligible for funding.</li></ul>
Funding rates (approx.)	For Saxon universities and research institutions: see RL EuProNet For Saxon SMEs: see also FRL EFRE/JTF Technologieförderung 2021 bis 2027
Major eligibility criteria	No thematic restrictions; Saxony will support projects within the entire scientific scope outlined in the Call Announcement,
(e.g. types of organisations,	Other eligible criteria:
thematic restriction, cost types and caps)	For Saxon universities and research organisations: see RL EuProNet For Saxon SMEs: see also FRL EFRE/JTF Technologieförderung 2021 bis 2027
Submission of the proposal at	No regional schedules, cut-off dates or deadlines
national/regional level (schedule, cut-	Only in the case of a positive funding recommendation of the full proposal, Saxon applicants will be asked to submit a regional application according to the related
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off dates, deadlines, etc.)	Saxon guideline RL EuProNet (for SMEs: see also FRL EFRE/JTF Technologieförderung 2021 bis 2027
Submission of	
financial and scientific reports at the national/regional	Financial and scientific reports are to be submitted after the funding decision according to the obligations of the regional "Zuwendungsbescheid"
level	
Further guidance	In case of further questions please contact SMWK/Gabriele Süptitz gabriele.sueptitz@smwk.sachsen.de

# **Hungary: NKFIH**

Name of Funding agency	National Research, Development and Innovation Office
Coographical coverage	
Geographical coverage (national/regional)	National
Name of the programme/initiative	
Programme website	www.nkfih.gov.hu
Programme owner	National Research, Development and Innovation Office
Program manager (executing funding organisation)	National Research, Development and Innovation Office
	Dr. Elod Nemerkenyi
	elod.nemerkenyi@nkfih.gov.hu
Contact person(s) (e-mail, tel.)	36-1-896-3987
Funding Commitment	EUR 300.000 (three hundred thousand)
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner	EUR 130.000 (one hundred and thirty thousand)
Type of research eligible for funding: eligible TRL range	Basic research
Funding rates (approx.)	100%
Major eligibility criteria (e.g. types of organisations, thematic restriction, cost types and caps)	Institutions of higher education and research institutions only – call 2019-2.1.7- ERA-NET: <u>https://nkfih.gov.hu/english/nrdi-fund/support-of-hungarian-organisations-participating-in-joint-international-programmes-2019-217-era-net/call-for-project-proposals-2019-217-era-net</u>
Submission of the proposal at national/regional level (schedule, cut- off dates, deadlines, etc.)	
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	Annual
Further guidance	

# **Italy: Regione Calabria**

Name of Funding agency	Regione Calabria
Geographical coverage (national/regional)	Calabria
Name of the programme/initiative	PR Calabria FESR-FSE+ 2021/2027 – Azione 1.1.1 – Sostegno a progetti di ricerca, sviluppo e innovazione, anche in collaborazione con organismi di ricerca, nelle Aree e nelle traiettorie prioritarie della S3
Programme website	https://calabriaeuropa.regione.calabria.it/
Programme owner	Regione Calabria
Program manager (executing funding organisation)	Regione Calabria
	Rosalba Maida Anna Perani
Contact person(s) (e- mail, tel.)	Email <u>rosalba.maida@regione.calabria.it</u>
	PEC: universitaricerca@pec.regione.calabria.it
	+39-0961-852073
Funding Commitment	0,5 M€ upgradeable if necessary
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	3
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner	0,5
-	Industrial research and experimental development:
Type of research eligible for funding: eligible TRL range	From TRL 3 – Experimental proof of concept To TRL 7 – System prototype demonstration in operational environment
	Enterprises
Funding rates (approx.)	<ul> <li>For Industrial Research Activities up to 60% in case of medium enterprises and up to 70% in case of small enterprises</li> <li>For Experimental Development Activities up to 35% in case of medium enterprises and up to 45% in case of small enterprises</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Universities and public research institutions, research organizations (public)</li> <li>For Industrial Research Activities 70%</li> <li>For Experimental Development Activities 45%</li> </ul>

Major eligibility criteria (e.g. types of organisations, thematic restriction, cost types and caps)	Types of organizations: SMEs and partnership between SMEs, Universities and research institutions Thematic restriction: in according with the Smart Specialization Strategy of Calabria Region, the projects to be funded must focus exclusively on Calabria S3 innovation areas
Submission of the proposal at national/regional level (schedule, cut-off dates, deadlines, etc.)	Transmission by pec respecting the same dates of Joint Call 2023
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	Transmission by pec respecting the same model of Joint Call 2023
Further guidance	Regional additional documents must be sent to Regione Calabria by the same deadline established in the international joint call. You can find the Regional additional documents

### **Israel: National Technological Innovation Authority**

Name of Funding agency	The National Technological Innovation Authority ("Innovation Authority")
Geographical coverage (national/regional)	National
Name of the programme/initiative	Innovation Authority program (No. 1) – The R&D Fund – M-ERA.NET
Programme website	https://innovationisrael.org.il/content/m-eranet
Programme owner	Innovation Authority
Program manager (executing funding organisation)	Innovation Authority
Contact person(s) (e-mail, tel.)	Rachel Loutaty, <u>rachel.1@iserd.org.il</u> , +972 (3) 5118152
Funding Commitment	500kEUR
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	-
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner	-
Type of research eligible for funding: eligible TRL range	Applied research
Funding rates (approx.)	Up to 50% of the R&D budget
Major eligibility criteria (e.g. types of organisations, thematic restriction, cost types and caps)	Consortium restriction: minimum 1 Israeli industry partner. Israeli participants approved by M-era.NET for funding will be required to submit a proposal to the Innovation Authority program R&D fund and will be funded according to the national rules.
Submission of the proposal at national/regional level (schedule, cut-off dates, deadlines, etc.)	In accordance with the M-ERA.NET secretariat deadlines
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	Annually
Further guidance	Please visit: https://innovationisrael.org.il/content/m-eranet

### Israel: MOST-IL

Name of Funding agency	Ministry of Innovation, Science, and Technology (MOST)
Geographical coverage (national/regional)	National - Israel
Name of the programme/initiative	Ministry of Innovation, Science, and Technology (MOST)
Programme website	https://www.gov.il/he/departments/ministry of science and technology/govil- landing-page
Programme owner	Ministry of Innovation, Science, and Technology (MOST)
Program manager (executing funding organisation)	Ministry of Innovation, Science, and Technology (MOST)
	Avi Raveh, Ph.D.
Contact person(s) (e- mail, tel.)	<u>AviR@most.gov.il</u> Office: +972 (2) 5411136
Funding Commitment	500,000 Euro (1,900,000 ILS)
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	5
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner	Max 100,000 Euro (380,000 ILS) per project for 3 years
Type of research eligible for funding: eligible TRL range	Eligible TRL range: 2-4
Funding rates (approx.)	100%
	ELIGIBILITY:
	Proposals must meet the following preconditions. Proposals not meeting the preconditions will be automatically rejected and will not be passed on for review and evaluation.
Major eligibility criteria (e.g. types of organisations, thematic restriction, cost types and caps)	<ol> <li>Principal Investigators (PI) and co- PI must be affiliated with an academic institution or a research institute ("Affiliated Institution"), or be a professor emeritus who continues working on research in affiliation with the Affiliated Institution. An Affiliated Institution is determined in Israel as follows:</li> <li>An accredited Institution of Higher Education, according to the Council for Higher Education Law, 5718-1958; or a Research Institute which is a nonprofit</li> </ol>
	organization, a government company or a governmental unit. For the purposes of this Call, a "Research Institute" in Israel is a research institute whose main activity is the advancement of cutting-edge scientific knowledge, which possesses appropriate infrastructure and equipment, which employs researchers

	who, inter alia, publish articles related to their research in leading scientific journals, and who present their research at international symposia.
	<ol> <li>The PI will meet the requirements for Principle Investigators outlined in the MOST Procedures Regarding Scientific Projects Funded by MOST.</li> <li>In compliance with MOST's Procedures Regarding Scientific Projects Funded by MOST ("MOST Regulations"), an Israeli PI that has or will have an active grant from any of MOST's international cooperation programs, whose funding will be concurrent to the funding of this program, is not eligible to apply. No parallel funding is allowed in the international cooperation program. A researcher who is not eligible to submit a proposal as PI due to an active grant may submit one additional proposal in the international cooperation program as co-PI, if he does not have an active grant in the international program in which he acts as co-PI.</li> <li>A researcher having submitted a proposal for any MOST international cooperation call during the current calendar year, may not submit another proposal for any other MOST international cooperation call.</li> <li>Sabbatical Leave: Israeli researchers who intend a sabbatical leave in the first year of the project cannot be approved as a PI of the research proposal.</li> <li>Proposals must be for research projects in one of the areas and its subtopics as detailed in the Call.</li> </ol>
	<ol> <li>Proposals must meet a Technology Readiness Level TRL2-4. Please note, regardless of the terms of the acceptable TRL determined regarding each of the topics and sub topics listed in the Call, proposals submitted to MOST will NOT be passed on for review and evaluation if the TRL of the proposal is outside of the scope of TRL 2-4.</li> </ol>
	Please see full funding provisions on MOST Procedures Regarding Scientific Projects Funded by MOST ("MOST Regulations"). All activities and funding pursuant to this Call must be in accordance with <u>MOST Regulations</u> unless otherwise specified.
Submission of the proposal at national/regional level (schedule, cut- off dates, deadlines, etc.)	Directly to M-era-Net website
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	In accordance with the terms of the "standard MOST Procedures Regarding Scientific Projects Funded by MOST" and the "MOST Standard Contract for Scientific Projects". Within three months of the conclusion of the project, Israeli PIs must submit a final report in English to MOST at Reports@most.gov.il. It should include a final scientific and financial report covering the work and cooperation carried out during the entire project period, in accordance with the contract's requirements.
Further guidance	All procedures and activities under this Call or the projects approved hereunder, including the eligibility of Affiliated Institutions via which applications must be filed, are subject to MOST Regulations and to MOST Standard Contract for Scientific Projects ("Standard Terms").

Applicants are required to familiarize themselves with the Standard Terms before filing
an application under this Call. Filing an application constitutes a declaration that the
applicant has done so and agrees to be bound by the Standard Terms' provisions
thereof.

# LATVIA: LZP

Name of Funding agency	Latvijas Zinātnes padome (Latvian Council of Science)
Geographical	
coverage	National
(national/regional)	
Name of the	Support for participation in European Union's research and technology development
programme/initiative	programs
Programme website	https://lzp.gov.lv/starptautiskas-sadarbibas-programmas/atbalsts-projektiem/
Programme owner	Latvian Council of Science (LZP)
Program manager	
(executing funding	Latvian Council of Science (LZP)
organisation)	
or guinsution)	Maila Dava hala
Contact person(s) (e-	Maija Bundule
mail, tel.)	<u>maija.bundule@lzp.gov.lv</u> +371 26514481
<b>Funding Commitment</b>	
Anticipated number of	
fundable research	~ 4 - 5
partners	
Maximum funding per	
grant awarded to a	maximum 100 000 EUR per project year per partner
partner	
Type of research	
eligible for funding:	TRL1 - TRL8, basic research, applied research, experimental development
eligible TRL range	
	The funding of RTD activities is provided pursuant in accordance with the Regulation
Funding rates	of the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Latvia No 259 on the procedure for
(approx.)	providing support for participation in international cooperation programs for research
	and technology (adopted on 26 June 2015)
	R&D institutions (research institutes, universities, higher education establishments,
	research centres etc.) must be listed in the Registry of Research Institutions operated
	by the Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Latvia.
	Private entity must be registered in the Registry of Enterprises of the Republic of
Major eligibility criteria	Latvia, has to provide most of its R&D&I activities in the Republic of Latvia and be
	able to submit its financial statements for the last two closed financial years.
(e.g. types of organisations,	No more than two partners from Latvia may participate in the project.
thematic restriction,	i nore man two parmers nom Latvia may parucipate in the project.
cost types and caps)	Project eligible cost types:
cost types and caps)	<ul> <li>Direct costs: personnel costs, travels costs, subcontracts (up to 25% of total</li> </ul>
	direct costs), other direct costs such as materials and consumables, equipment
	(only depreciation costs), and etc.;
	<ul> <li>Indirect costs: can reach a maximum of 25% of total direct costs, excluding</li> </ul>
	subcontracting costs.
Submission of the	
proposal at	Submission of the project proposal at national level is not requested.
national/regional level	
(schedule, cut-off	After the M-era.Net 3 consortium has recommended the project for funding and the
dates, deadlines, etc.)	project coordinator has received this decision, the project participant shall submit to
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	the Latvian Council of Science "Application for granting support for the implementation of the project" and the project proposal.
	Once a year the project partner should submit to LZP the periodic scientific report and financial report.
Further guidance	
## Lithuania: LMT

Name of Funding agency	Research Council of Lithuania	
Geographical coverage (national/regional)	National	
Name of the programme/initiative	Not applicable	
Programme website	Not applicable	
Programme owner	Not applicable	
Program manager (executing funding organisation)	Not applicable	
Contact person(s) (e-mail, tel.)	saulius.marcinkonis@lmt.lt; +370 676 17256	
Funding Commitment	Up to 300 000 euro	
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	2	
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner	Up to $\notin$ 100.000 per project (for project partner) or up to $\notin$ 150.000 per project (for project coordinator)	
Type of research eligible for funding: eligible TRL range	All	
Funding rates (approx.)	Up to 100%	
Major eligibility criteria (e.g. types of organisations, thematic restriction, cost types and caps)	Applicants can submit proposals to all Call topics. The general funding rules of Research Council of Lithuania (LMT ) apply: the applicant is Lithuanian higher education and research institution (which is listed in the Register of Ministry of Education and Science of Republic of Lithuania); SME eligible to apply only in collaboration with Lithuanian higher education and research institution; The applicant who intends to act as a project leader (PL) or principal investigator (PI) has to be a scientist (researcher holding at least a Ph.D. degree); A person, acting as a PL, PI or a core group member can participate only in one proposal per Call. The workload of the core members of project team (PL and PI) must be ≥20 hours multiplied by the duration of the project in months. National funding will be provided according to the General Rules of the Research Council of Lithuania for the competitive funding of the Research and Dissemination Projects approved by the Order No V-176 of the Council	
Submission of the proposal at national/regional level (schedule, cut-off dates, deadlines, etc.)	Chairman on 4 April, 2019. Applicants not requested to submit any national forms during pre-proposal and full proposal submission stages.	

Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	Requested to submit regular financial, mid-term and final reports.
Further guidance	About programme: <u>https://www.lmt.lt/lt/mokslo-finansavimas/era-net-ir-kitos-koordinavimo-veiklos/m-era.net/389</u>
	About specific Calls: <u>https://www.lmt.lt/lt/mokslo-finansavimas/kalendorinis-kvietimu-planas/2287</u>

# Luxembourg: FNR

Name of Funding agency	Luxembourg National Research Fund / Fonds National de la Recherche	
Geographical coverage (national/regional)	National	
Name of the programme/initiative	INTER (Promoting International collaboration)	
Programme website	https://www.fnr.lu/funding-instruments/inter/	
Programme owner	Luxembourg National Research Fund (FNR)	
Program manager (executing funding organisation)	Luxembourg National Research Fund (FNR)	
	Christiane Kaell	
Contact person(s) (e-mail, tel.)	<u>christiane.kaell@fnr.lu</u>	
	+352 691 362 817	
Funding Commitment	500.000 €	
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	N/A	
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner	N/A	
Type of research eligible for funding: eligible TRL range	Basic research, applied research, innovation	
Funding rates (approx.)	Up to 100%	
Major eligibility criteria (e.g. types of organisations, thematic restriction, cost types and caps)	FNR funding limited to eligible Luxembourg public research institutions. A principal investigator may act in one proposal only.	
Submission of the proposal at national/regional level (schedule, cut-off dates, deadlines, etc.)	Proposals must be submitted to the FNR at latest 7 working days after the Meranet submission deadline	
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	Annually	
Further guidance		

## **NORWAY: RCN**

Name of Funding	The Research Council of Norway	
agency		
Geographical coverage (national/regional)	National	
Name of the programme/initiative	<ul> <li>Nanotechnology, Microtechnology and Advanced Materials</li> <li>Industry and services</li> </ul>	
Programme website	The Research Council of Norway	
Programme owner	The Research Council of Norway	
Program manager (executing funding organisation)	The Research Council of Norway	
	Lenka Hannevold	
Contact person(s) (e-	e-mail: <u>lha@rcn.no</u>	
mail, tel.)	Phone: +47 98 23 04 53	
Funding Commitment	2 400 000 €	
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	n.a.	
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner	Maximum budget pr. Norwegian partner is 480 000 € Total budget for Norwegian partners in a single project is 480 000 €	
Type of research eligible for funding: eligible TRL range	TRL 2-6	
Funding rates (approx.)	<ul> <li>Funding rates – according to national rules: <u>Budget (RCN)</u></li> <li>Companies can apply for funding to cover up to 50 per cent of the companies' costs in the project. The scope of funding for the company's project costs covered within the maximum 50 per cent limit depends on the size of the company and the type of R&amp;D activities to be carried out.</li> <li>Funding to Norwegian enterprises is granted in accordance with Article 25 of the General Block Exemption Regulation for state aid (Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014 of 17 June 2014). The general terms and conditions in Chapter I of the Regulation must also be satisfied.</li> <li>Contracts with RCN are made in NOK and transitions to NOK is based on the currency exchange rate in effect on the pre-proposal deadline date (16<sup>th</sup> May 2023).</li> </ul>	
Major eligibility criteria (e.g. types of organisations, thematic restriction, cost types and caps)	<ul> <li>The participation of Norwegian industrial partner is required.</li> <li>Only proposals with minimum one Norwegian industrial partner are eligible.</li> <li>Eligible Norwegian partners: <ul> <li>Approved Norwegian research organisations.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

	<ul> <li>Companies that have been issued an enterprise number under the Norwegian Register of Business Enterprises and that carry out economic activity in Norway</li> <li>Eligible costs - according to national rules: <u>Budget (RCN)</u></li> </ul>
Submission of the proposal at national/regional level (schedule, cut-off dates, deadlines, etc.)	n.a.
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	Yes, conforming with the contract agreement
Further guidance	Calls for proposals (RCN)

## **Poland: NCBR**

Name of Funding agency	National Centre for Res	search and Development		
Geographical coverage (national/regional)	National – Poland			
Name of the programme/initiative	International Programmes			
Programme website	https://www.gov.pl/wel	o/ncbr/platforma-konkurse	owa	
Programme owner	National Centre for Res	search and Development		
Program manager (executing funding organisation)	National Centre for Research and Development			
Contact person(s) (e- mail, tel.)	e-mail: krzysztof.jablor	Name: Krzysztof Jabłoński e-mail: <u>krzysztof.jablonski@ncbr.gov.pl</u> Phone: +48 22 25 66 702		
Funding Commitment	2,0 mln €			
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	~ 6 projects			
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner				
Type of research eligible for funding: eligible TRL range	Industrial research and experimental development. Other types of activities (e.g. coordination, dissemination, management) are not eligible for funding as separate tasks. They can be included in an appropriate cost category within research tasks. Projects should start from 3-6 TRL range and finish 5-8.			
		Industrial research	Experimental development	
Funding rates (approx.)	Research and knowledge- dissemination organisation	100%	100%	
	Micro/small enterprise	50+20+15 (max 80%)	25+20+15 (max 60%)	
	Medium enterprise	50+10+15 (max 75%)	25+10+15 (max 50%)	
	Large Enterprise	50+15 (max 65%)	25+15 (max 40%)	
Major eligibility criteria (e.g. types of organisations, thematic restriction, cost types and caps)	organisations only in co	nterprises; research and kn poperation with Polish ent n must contain at least on	erprises. The project cons	
Submission of the proposal at national/regional level	The same as in M-ERA	.NET 3 Call 2023		

(schedule, cut-off dates, deadlines, etc.)	
Submission of financial	
and scientific reports	Scientific reports submitted annually. Final report including the scientific and
at the national/regional	financial part.
level	
Further guidance	Applicant whose proposal will be included in the international list of projects recommended for funding will be asked to prepare a national proposal for funding, within the time limit and in the form available on the NCBR's website. The proposal will be assessed in terms of the legitimacy of the requested grant amount (the proposal will not be assessed in terms of content). Based on the assessment, the Director of the NCBR will decide on the amount of funding for Polish units.

#### **Poland - NCN**

Nome of Funding aganay	National Science Centre	
Name of Funding agency	National Science Centre	
Geographical coverage (national/regional)	national	
Name of the programme/initiative	M-ERA.NET	
Programme website	ttps://www.ncn.gov.pl/wspolpraca-zagraniczna/wspolpraca- vielostronna/konkurs-mera?language=en	
Programme owner	National Science Centre, Poland	
Program manager (executing funding organisation)	National Science Centre, Poland	
Contact person(s) (e-	Anna Kotarba, e-mail: <u>anna.kotarba@ncn.gov.pl</u>	
mail, tel.)	dr Mateusz Trochowski, mateusz.trochowski@ncn.gov.pl	
Funding Commitment	€ 1 200 000	
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	5-6	
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner	No maximum funding limit per partner.	
Type of research eligible for funding: eligible TRL range	TRL 1-4, only basic research	
Funding rates (approx.)	N/A	
Major eligibility criteria (e.g. types of organisations, thematic restriction, cost types and caps)	<ol> <li>Principal Investigator: Any researchers with a doctoral degree, employed at a Polish host institution may act as Principal Investigator or Project Leader.</li> <li>Eligible costs - Applicants are obliged to adhere to the rules included in the Annex to terms and regulations on awarding funding for research tasks funded or co-funded under international calls launched by the National Science Centre and carried out as multilateral collaboration UNISONO,</li> </ol>	
Submission of the proposal at national/regional level (schedule, cut-off dates, deadlines, etc.)	At the full proposal stage an NCN proposal covering the Polish part of the project must be prepared by the Polish research team and submitted to the NCN electronically via the <u>OSF submission system</u> . Submission deadline for NCN proposals in ZSUN/OSF: <b>28 November 2022, 4</b> <b>p.m. CET</b> (7 days following submission of full proposals in the M-era.Net Proposal Submission Platform). The EUR budget of the Polish part of the project in the joint proposal must be calculated according to the following exchange rate: <b>1 EUR = 4.7728 PLN.</b>	

Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	NCN requires submitting annual and final reports. Each report consist of scientific and financial parts.
	Detailed information on submitting proposals, project contracts, reporting and settlement of financed projects will be available in the call announcement on the NCN website:
	https://www.ncn.gov.pl/wspolpraca-zagraniczna/wspolpraca- wielostronna/konkurs-mera?language=en

## **Romania: UEFISCDI**

Name of Funding agency	Executive Agency for Higher Education, Research, Development & Innovation Funding (UEFISCDI)		
Geographical coverage (national/regional)	National		
Name of the programme/initiative	National Research, Development and Innovation Plan 2022-2027 (PNCDI IV)		
Programme website	https://www.research.gov.ro/transparenta-decizionala/planul-national- de-cercetare-dezvoltare-si-inovare-2022-2027/		
Programme owner	MCID		
Program manager (executing funding organisation)	UEFISCDI		
	cristina.cotet@uefiscdi.ro;		
Contact person(s) (e-mail, tel.)	<u>domnica.cotet@uefiscdi.ro</u>		
Funding Commitment	1.000.000 Euro		
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	7-8		
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner	<ul><li>250.000 euro if the Romanian applicant is coordinators (no matter how many Romanian applicants there are).</li><li>200.000 euro if the Romanian applicant is partner (no matter how many Romanian applicants there are).</li></ul>		
Type of research eligible for funding: eligible TRL range	2-7		
Funding rates (approx.)	100 for public organisation; 75% for private organisation		
Major eligibility criteria (e.g. types of organisations, thematic restriction, cost types and caps)	The general rules of UEFISCDI apply (cf. link below). Staff costs, consumables, equipment, subcontracts (within 25% of the eligible costs for the partner), travel costs and indirect costs (20% from direct costs) are eligible. The aid intensity is applying in respect of type of organization and type of eligible activity (cf. link below).		
Submission of the proposal at national/regional level (schedule, cut-off dates, deadlines, etc.)	No		
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	Reports are required at the national level, using the UEFISCDI procedures		
Further guidance	The Romanian applicants must read carefully the information available at the link <u>http://uefiscdi.gov.ro/articole/4536/Pachet-de-informatii-</u> ERANETERANET-Cofund.html		

# Slovak republic: SAS

Name of Funding agency	Slovak Academy of Sciences	
Geographical coverage (national/regional)	Slovak republic	
Name of the programme/initiative	Promoting knowledge-based research in selected areas	
Programme website	https://oms.sav.sk/en/	
Programme owner	Slovak Academy of Sciences	
Program manager (executing funding organisation)	Slovak Academy of Sciences	
Contact person(s) (e-mail, tel.)	Martin Novák, email: <u>mnovak@up.upsav.sk</u> , tel.: +421257510119 Zuzana Panisova,, email: <u>panisova@up.upsav.sk</u> , tel. +421257510245	
Funding Commitment	360 000 €	
Anticipated number of		
fundable research partners	3	
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner	120 000 €	
Type of research eligible for funding: eligible TRL range	n/a	
Funding rates (approx.)	Up to 100%	
Major eligibility criteria (e.g. types of organisations, thematic restriction, cost types and caps)	<ul> <li>Only research institutes and/or centres of the Slovak Academy of Sciences are eligible organisations for funding by SAS (up to 100%). The main applicant must have, at the time of submission, a contract(s) with one or several of the institutes/centres equivalent to more than 50% of the full- time employment valid for the whole duration of the project. Each member of the applicant's team must also have an employment contract or a fellowship with the same or another SAS institute/centre.</li> <li>Applicants from other Slovak R&amp;D centres (universities and/or other organisations from Slovakia) can join project consortia only as collaborators that have to secure their own funding.</li> <li>Costs regulation:</li> <li><u>Personnel costs</u> up to 15 % of all direct costs or up to 30% of all direct costs, if the Slovak team is the consortium's coordinator.</li> <li><u>Capital expenditures</u>: up to 40% of all direct costs</li> <li><u>Overhead</u>s up to 20% of all direct costs</li> </ul>	
Submission of the proposal at national/regional level (schedule, cut-off dates, deadlines, etc.)	no	
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	yes	
Further guidance	https://oms.sav.sk/en/documents/documents-of-the-department-of- international-projects/	

#### Slovenia: MVZI

Name of Funding agency	Ministrstvo za visoko solstvo, znanost in inovacije		
Geographical coverage (national/regional)	National		
Name of the programme/initiative	Programs of International Scientific Cooperation		
Programme website			
Programme owner	Ministrstvo za visoko solstvo, znanost in inovacije - MVZI		
Program manager (executing funding organisation)	Ministrstvo za visoko solstvo, znanost in inovacije - MVZI		
	Name: Doroteja Zlobec		
Contact person(s) (e-mail, tel.)	e-mail: doroteja.zlobec@gov.si		
	Phone:+386 (0)1 478 4624		
Funding Commitment	1.200.000,00 EUR		
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	4 projects with SI participants		
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner	300.000,00 EUR (100.000,00 EUR/year)		
Type of research eligible for funding: eligible TRL range	Fundamental or applied research. TRL 1-6 (activities of the Slovenian partner) The type of research conducted by Slovenian researchers <u>must be</u> <u>defined</u> and explained in the project proposal.		
Funding rates (approx.)	<ul> <li>Funding:</li> <li>100 % for research organization (such as universities, public and private research institutes) whose financed activity is noneconomic in accordance with the provisions of Community Framework for State Aid for Research and Development and Innovation. Wide dissemination of all research results on a nonexclusive and non-discriminatory basis is required.</li> <li>For research organizations whose financed activity is economic in accordance with the provisions of Community Framework for State Aid for Research and Development and Innovation the provisions of the Community Framework for State Aid for Research and Development and Innovation the provisions of the Community Framework for State Aid for Research and Development (DI EU C 198, 27. 6. 2014) and the national scheme for state aid in Research and Development (Program sodelovalnih raziskovalno-razvojnih in drugih projektov, ki so predmet državnih pomoči Ministrstva za izobrazevanje, znanost in sport 2022-2030), applies.</li> </ul>		

	Type of research	Large	Medium	Small	1
		Enterprises	Enterprises	Enterprises	
		Lincerprises	Litterprises	Litterprises	
	Fundamental				1
	Research	100 %	100 %	100 %	
	Applied				1
	Research	65 %	75 %	80 %	
	Eligibility of a partne				<u>l</u> nns
	as defined in the nat		-	-	
	(Zakon o znanstvenc				
	186/21)). All particip				
	Research Agency reg	-	-		
	raziskovalni dejavno	-			•
	Eligibility of principa	al investigator	and other research	team members:	The
	project activities of e	every Sloveniar	n partner have to be	under the	
	supervision of the <u>pr</u>	rimary investig	ator/primary researd	<u>cher </u> who fulfills t	the
	requirements for pro	oject leader as	defined in Art. 63 of	the national	
	Scientific Research and Innovation Activities Act (Zakon o				
	znanstvenoraziskovalni in inovacijski dejavnosti (Uradni list RS, št. 186/21)).				
	The criteria are further determined in the Rules on the Criteria for				
	Establishing Compliance with the Conditions for being the Head of a				
	Research Project ( <u>Kriteriji za ugotavljanje izpolnjevanja izkazovanja</u>				
	mednarodno primerljivih raziskovalnih rezultatov in obdobje zajema				
Major eligibility criteria (e.g. types of organisations,	mednarodno primerljivih raziskovalnih rezultatov za vodjo raziskovalnega				
thematic restriction, cost types	projekta in programa). All participating researchers have to be registered in				
and caps)	the Slovenian Research Agency register of researchers (Sicris) and must				
	have available resea	rch hours.			
	Total requested fur	nding ner proi	ect · for all Slovenian	nartners within	one
	<b>Total requested funding per project</b> : for all Slovenian partners within one consortium must not exceed 100.000,00 EUR per year (300.000,00 EUR for				
	the total project duration of 36 months).				
	Eligibility of costs: MIZS will fund all eligible costs of successful Slovenian				
	transnational projects, recommended for funding, in accordance with the				
	Decree on the scientific research funding from the budget of the Republic				
	of Slovenia ( <u>Uredba o financiranju znanstvenoraziskovalne dejavnosti</u>				
	iz Proračuna Republike Slovenije (Uradni list RS, št. 35/22 in 144/22)).				
	Providing the stipulated conditions are met, the Public Procurement Act (Zakon o javnem naročanju (Uradni list RS, št. 91/15, 14/18, 121/21, 10/22,				
	74/22 – odl. US in 1			7,10,121/21,10	ΥZZ,
		-	ting Article 64 of the	e Scientific Rese	arch
		•	on o znanstvenorazis		
	dejavnosti (ZZrID) (				

<b>Period of eligibility of public expenditures</b> : as of budgetary year 2025 until the end of the budgetary year 2027.
<b>Period of eligibility of expenditures on the project</b> : From the starting date of the transnational project stipulated in the consortium agreement for a period of 36 months, with a prescribed additional 30 day period for the payment of invoices related to the project costs. The period of eligibility of expenditures on the project can only start <u>from the date the national contract enters into effect</u> . The exact duration of the project will be defined in the contract between MVZI and the selected Slovenian partner, after the consortium agreement between the selected consortium partners enters into force.
According to the timeline of transnational joint call.
No additional national proposal is needed in the pre- or full proposal phase.
National contracting negotiations will commence after the projects are selected for funding on the level of the transnational call. National documentation, including evidence of the starting date of the transnational project (in the form of a Consortia Agreement or statement on the starting date by the transnational project coordinator), will be a prerequisite for signing the contract on national level.
Every year
All Slovenian applicants are strongly advised to contact the Slovenian National Contact Person.
All Slovenian applicants must refer to the guidelines for Slovenian applicants published on the webpage: https://www.gov.si/drzavni-organi/ministrstva/ministrstvo-za-visoko-
solstvo-znanost-in-inovacije/javne-objave/
Legal basis – national regulation State Administration Act (Zakon o državni upravi (Uradni list RS, št. 113/05 – uradno prečiščeno besedilo, 89/07 – odl. US, 126/07 – ZUP-E, 48/09, 8/10 – ZUP-G, 8/12 – ZVRS-F, 21/12, 47/13, 12/14, 90/14, 51/16, 36/21, 82/21, 189/21, 153/22 in 18/23)) - Article 16 and 39; Public Finance Act (Zakon o javnih financah (Uradni list RS, št. 11/11 – uradno prečiščeno besedilo, 14/13 – popr., 101/13, 55/15 – ZFisP, 96/15 – ZIPRS1617, 13/18, 195/20 – odl. US in 18/23 – ZDU-1O))) - Article 106. j; Regulation on the procedure of standards and manners to allocate means for the promotion of the evolutional programme and the preferential tasks ( <u>Uredba o postopku</u> , merilih in načinih dodeljevanja sredstev za spodbujanje razvojnih programov in prednostnih nalog (Uradni list RS, št. 56/11)); Implementation of the Republic of Slovenia's Budget for 2022 and 2023 Act (Zakon o izvrševanju

proračunov Republike Slovenije za leti 2022 in 2023 (Uradni list RS, št. 187/21, 206/21 – ZDUPŠOP, 129/22, 140/22 – ZSDH-1A in 150/22 – ZIPRS2324))); Intergrity and Prevention of Corruption Act (Zakon o integriteti in preprečevanju korupcije (Uradni list RS, št. 69/11 – uradno prečiščeno besedilo, 158/20 in 3/22 – ZDeb)); Resolution on the Slovenian Scientific Research and Innovation Strategy 2030 (Resolucija o znanstvenoraziskovalni in inovacijski strategiji Slovenije 2030 (Uradni list RS, št. 49/22)); Decree on the scientific research funding from the budget of the Republic of Slovenia (Uredba o financiranju znanstevnoraziskovalne dejavnosti iz Proračuna Republike Slovenije (Uradni list RS, št. 35/22 in 144/22)), Rules on criteria for establishing compliance with the conditions for being the head of a research project (Pravilnik o kriterijih za ugotavljanje izpolnjevanja pogojev za vodjo raziskovalnega projekta, Uradni list RS št. 53/16 in 186/21 – ZZrID); Community Framework for State Aid for Research and Development and 108 Innovation the provisions of the Community Framework for State Aid for Research and Development and Innovation (OJ EU C 198, 27. 6. 2014) (Okvir <u>za državno pomoč za raziskave in razvoj ter inovacije</u> (2014/C 198/01)); National scheme for state aid in Research and Development (Program sodelovalnih raziskovalno-razvojnih in drugih projektov, ki so predmet državnih pomoči Ministrstva za izobrazevanje, znanost in sport 2022-2030); National strategy of open access to scientific publications and research data in Slovenia 2015-2020 (Nacionalna strategije odprtega dostopa do znanstvenih objav in raziskovalnih podatkov v Sloveniji 2015-2020, št. 60300-5/2015/5 z dne 3. 9. 2015).

## South Korea: KIAT

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	KIAT (Korea Institute for Advancement of Technology)			
Geographical coverage (national/regional)	National			
Name of the programme/initiative	International Industrial Technology Cooperation Program of MOTIE			
Programme website	www.kiat.or.kr	www.kiat.or.kr		
Programme owner	Ministry of Trade, Indus	stry and Energy (MOTI	E)	
Program manager (executing funding organisation)	KIAT			
Contact person(s) (e- mail, tel.)	<ul> <li>Joosuk KANG, Director of KIAT Europe office : <u>kangjs@kiat.or.kr</u> / + 32 (0) 431 0591</li> <li>Suyeon CHOI, Researcher : <u>chloechoi33@kiat.or.kr</u> / + 82 (0)2-6009-4102</li> </ul>			
Funding Commitment	1 Million Euros			
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	No hard limit on the nur ERA.NET project.	nber of Korean research	n partners participating in a M-	
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a	500,000,000 KRW/year (up to 3 years)			
partner	(Approx. 370,000 EUR/	year, up to 3 years)		
Type of research eligible for funding: eligible TRL range	TRL 3 ~ TRL 8			
Funding rates (approx.)	Up to 67% for SMEs, up to 100% for non-profit organizations (Universities, Governmental Research Institutes)			
Major eligibility criteria (e.g. types of organisations, thematic restriction, cost types and caps)	<ul> <li>Korean companies, non-profit research institutes and universities are eligible to request funding</li> <li>At least one Korean company(private) should be included in the Korean consortium</li> <li>All participating Korean companies must have been in business for more than 1 year as of the date indicated on the business registration certificate</li> <li>All participating Korean companies should have obtained the "Corporate R&amp;D Centre Accreditation" issued by KOITA(Korea Industrial Technology Association)</li> <li>Project funding is comprised of government contribution(grants) and civilian dues (cash and in-kind):</li> </ul>			
	Classification Large company Mid-tier company SME Other (non-profit)	Share of government contribution Up to 33% Up to 50% Up to 67% Up to 100%	Minimum required share of Cash from the civilian dues At least 60% At least 50% At least 40% Only if necessary	
Submission of the proposal at national/regional level (schedule, cut-off dates, deadlines, etc.)	<ul> <li>Korean consortium si M-ERA.NET submis</li> </ul>	hould contact KIAT aft ssion platform oposals will be invited	er submitting the Pre-proposal via to submit the national application	

Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	Korean consortium should submit the annual progress report and financial report. Final report should be submitted within 3 months after completing the project.
Further guidance	www.kiat.or.kr

## Spain: AEI

Name of Funding agency	Agencia Estatal de Investigación (AEI)		
Geographical coverage (national/regional)	National		
Name of the programme/initiative	Proyectos de Colaboración Internacional (PCI)		
Programme website	Proyectos de Colaboración Internacional		
Programme owner	Ministerio de Ciencia e Innovación		
Program manager (executing funding organisation)	AEI		
	Representative: Name: Severino Falcón Morales E-mail: <u>severino.falcon@aei.gob.es</u>		
Contact person(s) (e- mail, tel.)	Administrative and technical issues: Name: Jorge Sotelo Santos		
	E-mail: <u>era-mat@aei.gob.es</u> Scientific Issues:		
	Name: Dr. Roberto Pacios		
Funding Commitment	€1,000,000		
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	N/A		
	The following funding limits are considered eligibility criteria. Proposals not respecting these limits could be declared non eligible.		
	IMPORTANT: a maximum of two Spanish Partners requesting funding to the AEI in the same Proposal are allowed.		
	The following funding limits (including direct + 21 % of indirect costs) are considered eligibility criteria. Proposals not respecting these limits could be declared ineligible. Please, indicate separately direct and indirect cost and keep amounts multiple of 1000. In any case, the AEI will round the numbers to a multiple of 1000.		
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner	<ul> <li>Maximum amount per Proposal NOT coordinated by a Spanish partner funded by AEI:</li> <li>If there is only one Spanish partner in the proposal, the maximum funding is 200.000€.</li> <li>If there are two Spanish partners, the maximum funding amount per</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>proposal is 250.000€.</li> <li>If the Consortium is led by a Spanish Coordinator funded by AEI, the maximum funding amounts per proposal are the following: <ul> <li>if there is only one Spanish Partner in the proposal, acting as Coordinator: 300.000€.</li> <li>if there is one Spanish Partner in addition to the Spanish Coordinator: 350.000€.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		

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	Centers 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 centers).
Type of research	Fundamental/Basic Research, Applied Research, Experimental Research.
eligible for funding: eligible TRL range	All TRLs.
Funding rates (approx.)	100% of eligible costs
Funding rates (approx.) Major eligibility criteria (e.g. types of organisations, thematic restriction, cost types and caps)	<ul> <li>The eligible entities for the AEI funding are (check General requirements): Non-profit research organizations (such as universities, public research institutions, technological centres and other private non-profit institutions performing RDI activities in Spain), as per PCI call document (or equivalent).</li> <li>MANDATORY:</li> <li>The Spanish Principal Investigators (PIs) must be eligible as per PCI call (or equivalent) and must have experience as investigators in projects funded by the Plan Nacional I+D+i 2008-2011, the Plan Estatal I+D+i 2013-2016, the Plan Estatal I+D+i 2017-2020, ERC Grants, European Framework Programmes or other relevant international programmes.</li> <li>Incompatibilities (these must be taken into account when participating in different ERA-NETs or other international initiatives): <ul> <li>Principal Investigators will not be eligible for funding if they apply in more than one proposal of this transnational joint call, in more than one proposal in the same PCI call (or equivalent) and in PCI calls (or equivalent) of consecutive years.</li> <li>If the same PI submits two or more proposals to the present call, all but one will be declared ineligible, without the possibility of changing the PI.</li> <li>A PI that has been granted a PCI the previous year will be declared ineligible, without the possibility of changing the PI.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
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In the case two or more projects are considered equal with respect to their sc merits, the AEI will prioritise funding projects that comply with more of the following criteria:	
tollowing criteria.	
Consortium is led by a Spanish Coordinator funded by AEI	
Consortium includes a Spanish Industrial partner (requesting func-	ding or
participating with own funds)	
Scientific relevance of the Spanish team contribution	
Alignment with the Estrategia Española de Ciencia, Tecnología e	
Innovación 2021-2027 and the Plan Estatal de Investigación Cier	ntífica,
<u>Técnica y de Innovación 2021-2023</u> .	
Mandatory acknowledgement:	
Any publication or dissemination activity resulting from the granted projects	
acknowledge funding by the Agencia Estatal de Investigación: "Project (refe	
XX) funded by the Agencia Estatal de Investigación through the PCI XX cal	ll (or its
equivalent)".	
Submission of the Only for selected projects.	
proposal at	
<b>national/regional level</b> Please consult PCI 2022-2 for specific details of the procedure, since require	ments
(schedule, cut-off dates, will be similar	incines
deadlines, etc.)	
Submission of financial	
and scientific reports at Yes	
the national/regional	
level	
Instrument for funding the Spanish groups:	
The instrument for funding Spanish groups is the Spanish call on RDI project	ets
"Proyectos de Colaboración internacional (PCI)", applicants are encouraged	to
consult the call <u>PCI 2022-2</u> since the requirements will be similar.	
Funding Programme:	
The framework for this funding action is the Plan Estatal de Investigación C	
Técnica e Innovación 2021-2023. On a national level, the Call will be manage	
the Subdivisión de Programas Científico-Técnicos Transversales, Fortalecim	iento y
Excelencia of the AEI. Subdivisión de Programas Científico-Técnicos	
Transversales, Fortalecimiento y Excelencia of the AEI	
Further guidance	
Do No Significant Harm principle (DNSH)	
The projects granted under this call are encouraged to comply with the DNS	
criteria (do not significant harm) and state it so in the proposal (see article 6.	.3 <u>RC-</u>
<u>PCI2022-2</u> )	
Data Protection:	
By submitting a grant application to the AEL the applicants concert to	
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 sim of further processing of the data for historical	
administrations, with the aim of further processing of the data for historical,	/2019 of
statistical or scientific purposes within the framework of the Organic Law 2	
statistical or scientific purposes, within the framework of the Organic Law 3. December 5, on Personal Data Protection and Guarantee of Digital Rights.	/2018, 01

# **Basque Country (Spain): EJ-GV**

Name of Funding agency	EJ-GV (EUSKO JAURLARITZA – GOBIERNO VASCO)			
Geographical coverage (national/regional)	Regional: The Basque Country (Spain)			
Name of the programme/initiative	HAZITEK			
Programme website	https://www.euskadi.eus/ayuda_subvencion/2023/hazitek-2023/web01- tramite/es/			
Programme owner	Consejería de Desarrollo Económico, Sostenibilidad y Medio Ambiente– Eusko Jaurlaritza - Gobierno Vasco / Basque Government - The Ministry for Economic Development, Sustainability and Environment			
Program manager (executing funding organisation)	Innobasque – Agencia Vasca de la Innovación / Innobasque - Basque Innovation Agency			
Contact person(s) (e-mail, tel.)	Judith De Prado Olivenza / Catalina Chamorro Silgado jdeprado@innobasque.eus / cat-chamorro@euskadi.eus +34 944 209 488 / +34 945 018 210			
Funding Commitment	500.000 €			
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	No limit			
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner	250.000€ funding per beneficiary and per year			
Type of research eligible for funding: eligible TRL range	TRL: 4 - 7			
Funding rates (approx.)	Up to 45% of eligible costs in the case of Industrial research and up to 30% in the case of experimental development. Maximum amount of funding: 250,000€ funding per beneficiary and per year. Minimum annual budget for a Basque company: 50.000 € to be eligible			
Major eligibility criteria (e.g. types of organisations,	<ul><li>Beneficiaries: Small, medium and large companies and company associations. Research centers, universities and public entities only if subcontracted by the beneficiaries.</li><li>Type of research eligible for funding: Industrial research and experimental development.</li></ul>			
thematic restriction, cost types and caps)	Thematic restriction and other remarks: Proposals must fit within Basque Country's strategic specialization areas defined in the PCTI 2030: smart industry, cleaner energies, personalised healthcare, healthy food, eco- innovation, sustainable cities, creative Basque Country			
Submission of the proposal at national/regional level (schedule, cut-off dates, deadlines, etc.)	Basque partners must submit the proposal (in Spanish or Basque) to the regional programme in 2024 call. Deadlines are defined yearly.			
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	During the first trimester (1st January – 31th March)			
Further guidance				

#### Asturias - ES: IDEPA

	IDEPA	A - Instituto de F	Desarrollo Econ	ómico del Principa	do de Asturias
Name of Funding agency		nal Economic D		1	
Geographical coverage (national/regional)		Regional			
Name of the programme/initiative	IDEPA	A grants for inter	rnational R&D	projects in Asturia	s under ERA.net Schemes
Programme website	/asset_	https://www.idepa.es/detalle-ayuda/- /asset_publisher/EorU9gEBOv3g/content/subvenciones-para-proyectos- colaborativos-transnacionales-de-i-d-para-el-sector-materiales-meranet-empresas-			
Programme owner	IDEPA	Δ			
Program manager (executing funding organisation)	IDEPA	IDEPA			
Contact person(s) (e-	Ms Ana E. Fernández Monzón				
mail, tel.)	anae@	anae@idepa.es			
Funding Commitment	300.00	300.000€			
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	2-3	2-3			
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner	200.000€ (100.000€ - most probable)				
Type of research eligible for funding: eligible TRL range	4-7				
			Industrial Research	Experimental Development	Secondment of highly qualified personnel from a research organization
Funding rates (approx.)		Small size	80%	60%	50%
		Medium Size	75%	50%	50%
		Large Companies	65%	40%	

	Types of organisations
	Only companies (whatever sized) operating in the industrial sector or in services to support industrial activities are eligible.
	Companies in other activities can be considered under singular conditions.
	R&T Centres & University are welcome as subcontractors.
Major eligibility criteria (e.g. types of organisations, thematic restriction, cost types and caps)	<ul> <li>Eligible costs: <ul> <li>(a) Personnel costs (experienced researchers and technicians).</li> <li>(b) Depreciation costs of instruments and equipment corresponding to the life of the research project, calculated based on good accounting practices.</li> <li>(c) Cost of contractual research: technical knowledge and patents bought or licensed at market prices, and costs of consultancy and equivalent services used exclusively for the research activity.</li> <li>(d) Costs of materials, supplies and similar products directly linked to the research activity.</li> <li>(e) Travelling costs incurred directly as a result of the research project.</li> <li>(f) Cost of the audit aimed to certificate the correct execution of the project.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Regional applicants - minimum budget 150.000€</li> <li>Project category and thematic content</li> <li>The contribution of the regional partners to the international project must fall within the category of Industrial Research or Experimental Development as described in the Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014 of 17 June 2014.</li> </ul>
	The activities to be carried out by the regional partners must be aligned with the S3 strategy.
Submission of the proposal at	Yearly call.
national/regional level (schedule, cut-off dates, deadlines, etc.)	One step procedure.
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	Only one final report, at the end of the project
Further guidance	Project duration recommended: 24 months (36 months possible)

#### Sweden: Vinnova

Name of Funding agency	Verket för innovationssystem (Vinnova)		
Geographical coverage			
(national/regional)	National		
Name of the			
programme/initiative	Sustainable industry		
Programme website	https://www.vinnova.se/m/hallbar-industri/		
Programme owner	Vinnova		
Program manager (executing funding organisation)	Vinnova		
Contact person(s) (e-mail, tel.)	Anders Marén, <u>anders.maren@vinnova.se</u> , 08-473 31 88		
Funding Commitment	10.000.000 SEK (10 MSEK)		
Anticipated number of	Not exection		
fundable research partners	Not specified		
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner	Maximum total funding to Swedish consortium partners is 3.500.000 SEK per funded project		
Type of research eligible for funding: eligible TRL range	TRL 2 - TRL 7		
Funding rates (approx.)	Rates per Swedish consortium partner up to the limits set by EU state aid rules		
Major eligibility criteria (e.g. types of organisations, thematic restriction, cost types and caps)	The following categories of costs may be eligible (subject to some limitations, see <u>vinnovas-general-terms-and-conditions-for-grants2023-multi- participant-engelsk-version.pdf</u> for details): 1. personnel costs, to the extent that personnel work in the project, 2. costs of equipment, land and buildings to the extent and for the period used for the project, 3. costs of consultants and licenses etc., 4. other direct costs, 5. actual indirect costs per participant up to maximum 30 % of eligible personnel costs (this limit does not apply to universities and higher education establishments). Costs for services performed by third parties (consultants/subcontractors) may not exceed 20 % of the public funding. Minimum 30 % of the total costs for Swedish participation in a project must be incurred by companies.		
Submission of the proposal at national/regional level (schedule, cut-off dates, deadlines, etc.)	Application for national funding of Swedish participation in selected projects to be submitted immediately after the full proposal selection process has been finalised.		
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	Financial and progress report every six months. Final report one month after project ending.		
Further guidance			

## **TAIWAN: NSTC**

Name of Funding agency	National Science and Technology Council (NSTC), Taiwan		
Geographical coverage (national/regional)	National		
Name of the programme/initiative	M-ERA.NET		
Programme website	https://www.nstc.gov.tw/?l=en		
Programme owner	National Science and Technology Council (NSTC), Taiwan		
Program manager (executing funding organisation)	National Science and Technology Council (NSTC), Taiwan		
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Funding Commitment	0.75 M€		
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	2-3		
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner	<ul> <li>The maximum amount per year per project is €90,000.00 (about NTD3,000,000).</li> <li>The decision regarding the exact amount of the grant is dependent on the result of the NSTC's internal reviews.</li> <li>The number of grants of every principle investigator must comply with NSTC's regulation of the max number of two international cooperation projects granted by MOST for the same duration.</li> <li>For more about the budget requirements of the projects based on which applicants can apply to NSTC for funding, please refer to <u>https://www.nstc.gov.tw/folksonomy/list/f6d5c23c-b3ce-438e-911b-12a705dbac5a?l=ch</u></li> </ul>		
Type of research eligible for funding: eligible TRL range	TRL 2-9		
Funding rates (approx.)	The maximum amount per year per project is €90,000.00 (about NTD3,000,000)		
Major eligibility criteria (e.g. types of organisations, thematic restriction, cost types and caps)	<ul> <li>In compliance with the NSTC's regulation 'Operation Guidelines for NSTC Research Grants':</li> <li>Applicant institutions (i.e., research conducting institutions) shall be approved by NSTC to be eligible recipients of subsidisation in accordance with the 'Operation Guidelines for Institutions Applying for NSTC Grants'. The eligible institutions are classified into three categories as follows:         <ol> <li>Taiwanese public/private colleges and universities.</li> <li>Taiwanese public/private research institutions.</li> <li>Taiwanese Medical institutions.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Principal Investigator(s) must meet several qualifications. For more information about the qualifications please refer to:         <ol> <li><u>https://www.nstc.gov.tw/folksonomy/list/f6d5c23c-b3ce-438e-911b-12a705dbac5a?l=ch</u></li> </ol> </li> <li>In principle, the NSTC (Taiwan) does not directly subsidise the industry.</li> </ul>		

Submission of the proposal at national/regional level (schedule, cut-off dates, deadlines, etc.)	<ul> <li>Taiwanese project partners shall submit a proposal to the NSTC for national financing after the project has been selected and approved for funding through the M-ERA.NET evaluation and selection process.</li> <li>The proposals are required to be submitted to NSTC for funding as soon as possible as the internal process of the NSTC generally takes 6 months.</li> </ul>
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	please refer to: <u>https://www.nstc.gov.tw/folksonomy/list/f6d5c23c-b3ce-438e-911b-12a705dbac5a?l=ch</u>
Further guidance	please refer to: <u>https://www.nstc.gov.tw/folksonomy/rfpDetail/c1a582ae-95bc-</u> 4449-908f-590d6cb409ea?l=ch

# TÜRKİYE: TÜBİTAK

Name of Funding agency	The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Türkiye-TÜBİTAK
Geographical coverage (national/regional)	Türkiye (National)
Name of the programme/initiative	1071 Programme - Support Programme for Increasing Capacity to Benefit from International Research Funds and Participation in International R&D Cooperation
Programme website	http://www.tubitak.gov.tr/sites/default/files/256_sayili_bk_islenmis_hali-1071-1_0.pdf
Programme owner	TÜBİTAK
Program manager (executing funding organisation)	TÜBİTAK
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Funding Commitment	
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	-
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner	To be announced on <u>TUBITAK web-site</u> .
Type of research eligible for funding: eligible TRL range	1-8
Funding rates (approx.)	SMEs can receive funds as 75% of all eligible R&D costs and large companies receive funds as 60 % of all eligible R&D costs.
	Higher education institutions, their institutes, research hospitals and R&D centres can receive funds as 100% of all eligible R&D costs
Major eligibility criteria (e.g. types of organisations, thematic restriction, cost types and caps)	The programme is open for all technology areas. To be announced on <u>TUBITAK</u> web-site.
Submission of the proposal at national/regional level (schedule, cut-off dates, deadlines, etc.)	To be announced on <u>TUBITAK web-site</u> .
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level	To be announced on <u>TUBITAK web-site</u> .
Further guidance	