**E-Rare Joint Transnational Call for Proposals 2015**

**"Transnational Research Projects on Rare Diseases"**

**Guidelines for applicants**

**Submission deadlines**

**Pre-proposals: February 18, 2015**

**Full proposals: June 2, 2015**

**Useful links**

**The links to pre-proposal template, electronic proposal submission, call text and further information including “Looking for collaborations module” and Interactive FAQ can be found at on the E-Rare website**

[**www.e-rare.eu**](http://www.e-rare.eu)

**Further information**

**http://www.e-rare.eu**

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**BACKGROUND**

Under the umbrella of E-Rare-3 (ERA-Net for research programmes on rare diseases), the funding organisations mentioned in the call text have agreed to fund the seventh E-Rare joint transnational call (JTC 2015) for collaborative research projects on Rare Diseases. The E-Rare funding organisations particularly wish to promote interdisciplinary collaboration and to encourage translational research proposals.

**REGISTRATION**

Research consortia who intend to submit a transnational project proposal should register at the electronic proposal system as soon as possible ([https:/www.pt-it.de/ptoutline/ERARE15](https://www.pt-it.de/ptoutline/ERARE15)). The system will be opened in the third week of January 2015 latest. To register, please fill in the data sheet of the system. The same data sheet can later be used for the final electronic proposal submission.

**PROPOSAL SUBMISSION**

There will be a **two-stage submission procedure for joint applications: pre-proposals and full proposals**. In both cases, one joint proposal document (in English) shall be prepared by the partners of a joint transnational proposal, and must be submitted to the Joint Call Secretariat (JCS) by one spokesperson, the coordinator.

**Electronic pre-proposal** submission is mandatory. To apply, please use the pre-proposal template provided on the E-Rare web page (www.e-rare.eu). Joint pre-proposals (in English) must be received by the JCS in an electronic version no later than **18th February 2015 at 05 p.m. GMT**.

**Electronic full proposals** submission is mandatory. Please note that joint full proposals will be only accepted from those applicants explicitly invited by the JCS to submit them. Full proposals (in English) must be received by the JCS in an electronic version no later than

**2nd June 2015 at 05 p.m. GMT.**

Please note that project coordinators will be provided with the opportunity of studying the assessments of external reviewers and commenting on their evaluations of full proposals (for details see point *5.3.3. Rebuttal stage* in the “Call text”). The applicants will have up to one week **(between second and third week of July)** for this **optional response to the reviewers’ comments.**

Please note that a signed paper version of your proposal will not be solicited. However, both the electronic pre-proposals and full proposals need to be signed (electronic signature or a scan of the paper containing the signature will be accepted)

Please take into account that the online data entry may be overloaded on the days of the deadlines. It is therefore recommended to transfer all obligatory data in good time.

**PRE-PROPOSAL STRUCTURE**

One joint pre-proposal document (in English) shall be prepared by the partners of a joint transnational proposal, and must be submitted to the JCS by one spokesperson, the coordinator. Only transnational projects will be funded (please see consortium properties described in the “Call text”).

Please note that only the **pre-proposal templates** provided on the E-Rare web page ([www.e-rare.eu](http://www.e-rare.eu)) will be accepted. The pre-proposal document must respect the format (DIN-A4, Arial 11, single-spaced) and the length indicated. **Pre-proposals exceeding these limitations will be rejected.**

Pre-proposals must include the following information:

1. Project title and acronym
2. Name and full affiliation of the project coordinator designated by the consortium to act as its representative
3. Names and full affiliations of the principal investigators participating in the joint transnational project
4. Duration of the project (months)
5. Total funding applied for (€)
6. Keywords (between three and seven keywords representing the scientific content)
7. Abstract (max. 1600 characters including spaces)
8. Description of the project (once converted into Pdf document: max. 5 pages DIN-A4, Arial 11, single-spaced, and margins of 1.27 cm). The summary must contain:
   * Background and present state of the art in the research field and preliminary results obtained by the consortium members
   * Description of the working program including the objectives, the rationale and the methodology, highlighting the novelty, originality and feasibility of the project
   * Unmet medical and patient need that is addressed by the proposed work and the potential health impact that the results of your proposed work will have
   * Added value of the proposed transnational collaboration

*If the application concerns a request for extension of a project funded in previous E-Rare calls, add 1 page describing the scientific results achieved in that project so far.*

1. Diagrams of the work plan, timeline, work flow and interconnections of work packages (Gantt chart, Pert or similar, max. 1 page)
2. In addition, two more pages can be added to the pre-proposal (*optional*):

* a list of references (max. 1 page)
* a page of diagrams, figures, etc. to support the work plan description (max. 1 page)

1. Budget plan of the project
2. Brief CV for each principal investigator including a description of the main domain of research and a list of the 5 most relevant publications within the last five years regarding the proposal (once converted into Pdf document: max. 1 page DIN-A4, Arial 11, single-spaced, margins of 1.27 cm per principal investigator)
3. Date and signature of the coordinator

**FULL PROPOSAL STRUCTURE**

The information given in the pre-proposal is binding. Thus, any fundamental changes between the pre- and full proposals, e.g. composition of the consortium, objectives of the project, must be communicated to the JCS with detailed justification and will only be allowed by the Call Steering Committee (CSC) under exceptional circumstances.

Please note that only the **full-proposal templates** provided on the E-Rare web page ([www.e-rare.eu](http://www.e-rare.eu)) will be accepted. The proposal document must respect the format and the length indicated. **Full-proposals exceeding these limitations will be rejected.**

Full proposals must include the following information:

* Project title and acronym
* Name and full affiliation of the project coordinator
* Names and full affiliations of each principal investigator and other personnel participating in the transnational project
* Duration of project
* Total project cost and total budget requested
* Scientific summary (max. ½ page)
* Keywords (5 to 7)
* Background and present state of the art in the research field (max. 2 pages)
* Previous results (if the application concerns a request for extension of a project previously funded in an E-Rare Joint Transnational Call, description of the scientific results achieved in that project so far, including: publications, collaboration, impact on clinical and public health applications and relevance to patients’ needs.) (max. 2 pages, only if applicable)
* Work plan (aims, methodology, involvement of participants clearly defining the responsibilities and workloads [expressed in person months] of each participating research partner, time plan, project coordination and management, references; max. 15 pages)
* Financial summary for each consortium member
* Added value of the proposed transnational project collaboration (max. 1 page)
* Unmet medical and patients’ need that are addressed by the proposed work, the potential health impact that the results of your proposed work will have and exploitation / dissemination of project results (max. ½ page)
* Description of patents and present/future position with regard to intellectual property rights, both within and outside the consortium, if applicable (e.g. any barriers to sharing materials or results; max. ½ page)
* Description of ongoing research projects of each participating partner related to the present topic (indicating funding sources [include at least: ID number, amount and duration of funded project; funding agency] and possible overlaps with the proposal max. ½ page per research partner)
* Ethical issues of the project proposal. When applicable, ethical and legal issues (e.g. informed consent, ethical permits, data protection, use of animals) according to partner country and/or regional regulations (max. ½ page)
* Concept for sustainability of infrastructures initiated by the project (e.g. registries, cohorts, biobanks, databases, etc.) and their possible interaction with European Infrastructure Initiatives (where applicable, e.g. BBMRI, ELIXIR, EATRIS, ECRIN, EU-Openscreen, etc.) (max. 1 page)
* Description of participation/engagement of Industry and/or patient organizations within the proposal, including their role and contribution (max. 1 page, only if applicable).
* Scientific justifications of requested budget (rational distribution of resources in relation to project’s activities, partners responsibilities and time frame; when applicable specifying co-funding from other sources necessary for the project (max. ½ page per research partner)
* Brief CVs for each participating principal investigator with a list of up to five relevant publications within the last five years demonstrating the competence to carry out the project (max. 1 page each)
* When requested by a national’s eligibility criteria, additional information must be provided. The information provided will be checked by the corresponding national organisation

Applicants are invited to **name potential experts** suited for the evaluation of their full proposals These experts should not have any conflict of interest (e.g. co-publication in the past three years or current close collaboration) with the partners involved, otherwise they will not be considered. Experts not suited due to conflict of interest (e.g. direct competition) could be also named in the electronic proposal submission system form.

**PLEASE NOTE**

Some advice to succeed with your proposal:

* **read several times the call text**, including the aim of the call and the evaluation criteria
* make sure that your proposal falls into the **scope of the call**
* make sure that your proposal fulfills the **eligibility criteria of the joint call**
* make sure that the consortium members have understood the **national eligibility criteria and requirements (Annex 2) and that they fulfill these criteria**
* contact your national representative and confirm eligibility with your respective funding organisations in advance of submitting an application (see annex 2)
* prepare your proposal in advance
* enter the requested information on the submission site as soon as possible
* use the proposal templates provided on the E-Rare web site ([www.e-rare.eu](http://www.e-rare.eu))
* respect the length limitations of each section in the proposals

Only the pre-proposal and full proposal templates provided on the E-Rare web page ([www.e-rare.eu](http://www.e-rare.eu)) will be accepted. Proposals exceeding the length limitations of each section **will be discarded without further review.**

Please note that proposals not meeting the formal criteria or the national eligibility criteria and requirements **will be declined without further review.**

Applicants are advised to read the national eligibility criteria and requirements and confirm eligibility with their respective funding organisations in advance of submitting an application (Annex 2).

**PROJECT START AND CONSORTIUM AGREEMENT**

Consortium members of projects selected for funding must fix a common project start date, which would be the reference date for yearly and final reports and extensions. This common project start date must appear in the Consortium Agreement.

It will be the responsibility of the research consortium coordinators to draw up a Consortium Agreement (CA) suitable to their own partner in order to manage the delivery of the project activities, finances, intellectual right properties (IPR) and to avoid disputes which might be detrimental to the completion of the project.

The research consortium is strongly encouraged to sign this CA before the official project start date, and in any case the CA has to be signed no later than six months after the official project start date. Please note that national regulations may apply concerning the requirement for a CA (ANR will require the CA to be signed before the start of the project, Please contact your national contact point or check the country-specific information below).

The purpose of this document will be:

* to underpin the research partners’ collaboration and provide the research partners with mutual assurance on project management structures and procedures, and their rights and obligations towards one another;
* to assure the CSC that the research consortium has a satisfactory decision making capability and is able to work together in a synergistic manner.

The following subjects (as a minimum) should be addressed by the CA:

* purpose of and definitions used in the CA
* names of organisations involved
* common start date of the research project
* organisation and management of the project
* role and responsibilities of the research consortium coordinator and the research partners: person in charge, their obligations and key tasks, conditions for their change
* deliverables (transnational reports and if relevant requirements for national reports where coordination is required)
* resources and funding
* confidentiality and publishing
* Intellectual Property Rights (how this issue will be handled between research partners)
* decision making within the consortium
* handling of internal disputes
* the liabilities of the research partners towards one another (including the handling of default of contract)

**ANNEX 1: Overheads in each country/region**

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| **COUNTRY/REGION** | **FUNDING AGENCY** | **OVERHEADS** |
| Austria | The Austrian Science Fund (FWF) | Overheads are not eligible costs for FWF |
| Austria | Austrian Research Promotion Agency (FFG) | R&D relevant overhead costs include all costs accruing to the company/cost centre that are indirectly related to the R&D project, but cannot be directly allocated to it. They can only be claimed as surcharge on personnel costs. Overheads include all indirect costs (e.g. rent, operating costs, maintenance, office material, administration, accounting/controlling, payroll accounting, IT) and must not be additionally charged as direct costs. For further information please refer to <https://www.ffg.at/sites/default/files/downloads/page/kostenleitfaden_v1_4_2014_en.pdf> contact the Austrian national contact point for this E-Rare call |
| Belgium (Flanders) | Research Foundation Flanders (FWO) | Overheads are not eligible costs for FWO. |
| Belgium | Fund for Scientific Research - FNRS (F.R.S.-FNRS) | Overheads are not eligible costs for FNRS. |
| Canada | Canadian InstitutEs for Health Research (CIHR) | Overheads are not eligible costs for CIHR. |
| Canada (Quebec) | Fonds de recherche du Québec-Santé (FRQS) | Overheads are not eligible costs for FRQS. |
| Canada | Genome Canada (GC) | Overheads are not eligible costs for Genome Canada. |
| France | French National Research Agency (ANR) | Please note that at the ANR « overheads » means « frais de gestion », and you must apply 4% of the total eligible costs if you belong to a public research organization or 68% of the total personnel costs if you belong to another category |
| Germany | German Federal Ministry for Education and Research (BMBF) | Overheads refer to “Gemeinkosten” (applicable for Helmholtz-centres and Fraunhofer-Society) as well as “Projektpauschale” (applicable for universities and university hospitals). Starting from 2016, the “Projektpauschale” generally will amount to 22% of the applied total project expenditure. For further information on the “Projektpauschale” please refer to <https://foerderportal.bund.de/easy/module/easy_formulare/download.php?datei=179> (Pos. 0865) or contact the German national contact point for this E-Rare call |
| Germany | German Research Foundation (DFG) | The “Programmpauschale” generally will amount to 22% of the applied total project expenditure. See [www.dfg.de](http://www.dfg.de) for further details. |
| Greece | General Secretariat for Research and Technology (GSRT) | 5% of the direct costs of the project. |
| Hungary | Hungarian Scientific Research Fund (OTKA) | 20% of direct costs of the project. Applicants should consult general OTKA regulations for details. |
| Israel | Chief Scientist Office, Ministry of Health (CSO-MOH) | 10% of the direct costs of the project |
| Italy | Ministry of Health (MoH) | Up to 10% of the direct cost of the project, intended to cover the general cost of the institution that hosts the research team and which cannot be used by the research team |
| Italy | Regione Emilia-Romagna - Agenzia Sanitaria e Sociale Regionale (RER-ASSR) | Up to 10% of the direct cost of the project, intended to cover the general cost of the institution that hosts the research team and which cannot be used by the research team |
| Latvia | Latvian Academy of Sciences (LAS) | Indirect costs (up to 20% of direct costs with justification, normally 10% of direct costs) |
| Poland | National Centre for Research and Development (NCBR) | That costs cannot account for more than 25% of eligible project costs, and are counted as a multiplication by percentage given above and the rest of direct costs, excluding subcontracting. Project Investigators should contact their national contact point for details. |
| Portugal | Foundation for Science and Technology (FCT) | Overheads based on the real costs incurred due to execution of the project and which are imputable to it on a pro-rated basis according to a fair and equitable method of calculation duly justified and periodically reviewed, up to a limit of 20% of the eligible direct costs of the corresponding participation in the project; the methodology for clearing these charges may be replaced by the application of a flat rate system, on the basis of the direct expenditure resulting from the project, under conditions to be determined by the Instituto Financeiro para o Desenvolvimento Regional, IP (IFDR) |
| Romania | Executive Agency for Higher Education, Research, Development & Innovation Funding (UEFISCDI) | Up to 20% of the direct costs (excluding subcontracting) |
| Spain | National Institute of Health Carlos III (ISCIII) | Up to 21% of the direct costs. |
| Switzerland | Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF) | Overheads are not eligible costs for SNSF |
| The Netherlands | The Netherlands Organization for Health Research and Development (ZonMw) | In most cases (e.g. in case of university/university medical centers) overhead is not allowed: please see the ZonMw Grant terms and Conditions applicable as from 1st July 2013 (<http://www.zonmw.nl/fileadmin/documenten/Corporate/Grant_Terms_and_Conditions_from_1st_July_2013.pdf>). |
| Turkey | The Scientific and Technological Research council (TUBITAK) | Overheads are not eligible costs for TUBITAK on ERA-NET funded projects, there are special agreements with universities in addition to the project budgets, (10% of the direct costs of the project, intended to cover the general management costs of the organisation that hosts the research team and the use of the amount depends on the internal regulations of the organization) |

**ANNEX 2: National/regional regulations**

**It is strongly advised that all applicants contact their E-Rare-3 National Contact Point in good time before the submission of a proposal**

**AUSTRIA, FWF**

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| **Country** | Austria |
| **Funding organisation** | Fonds zur Förderung der Wissenschaftlichen Forschung (FWF) / Austrian Science Fund  <http://www.fwf.ac.at> |
| **National contact person** | **Dr. Stephanie Resch**  **Phone:** +43 (1) 505 67 40-8201**, E-mail**: [stephanie.resch@fwf.ac.at](mailto:stephanie.resch@fwf.ac.at)  **Mag. Iris Fortmann**  **Phone:** +43 (1) 505 67 40-8211, **E-mail:** [iris.fortmann@fwf.ac.at](mailto:iris.fortmann@fwf.ac.at) |
| **Funding commitment** | 0,75 M € |
| **Anticipated number of fundable research partners** | 3 research partners |
| **Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner** | Generally no limitation; amount of typical (sub)projects: 0.2-0.3 M € for a three-year project |
| **Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution** | Individual researcher or teams of researchers, working in any kind of non-profit organisation: e.g. University, University hospital, Non-university research institute |
| **Eligibility of costs, types and their caps** | Only project-specific costs (see rules for FWF stand-alone project)  No overhead allowed (according to national regulation there are 5% general costs) |
| **Submission of the proposal at the national level** | Only Proposals reaching 2nd stage (full proposal) of the call: PI has to submit **one-page project summary** in English and in German,  **application forms** (application form, itemization of requested funding and forms for international research partners) and **justification** for the costs.  Details please see  <http://www.fwf.ac.at/en/research-funding/application/international-programmes/joint-projects-era-nets/> |

**AUSTRIA, FFG**

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| **Country / Region** | Austria |
| **Funding organisation** | Oesterreichische Forschungsfoerdungsgesellschaft mbH / FFG  http://www.ffg.at |
| **National contact person** | Dr. Corinna Wilken  Phone: +43 (0)5 7755-1317 E-Mail: corinna.wilken@ffg.at  Dr. Birgit Tauber  Phone: +43 (0)5 7755-1305 |
| **Funding commitment** | 2 M € (funding is typically awarded by a mix of non-repayable subsidies and low-interest loans) |
| **Anticipated number of fundable research partners** | 4 companies |
| **Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner** | Generally no limitation; but a typical amount of (sub)projects would be approx. 0,5 M € for a three-year project |
| **Eligibility of project duration** | Up to 3 years. |
| **Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution** | Legal bodies, private companies and sole traders are eligible to receive funding provided they are not part of the federal administration. Natural persons and partners from Academia can only be considered as subcontractors. However, subcontractors are not partners in the sense of a Cooperative R&D Project. They have no right to exploit project results but provide defined tasks for partners, which are listed under the cost category “third-party costs“. |
| **Eligibility of costs, types and their caps** | All costs attributed to the project are eligible provided they result directly, actually and additionally (to the normal operational costs) during the duration of the research activity being supported.  Detailed information on eligible and non-eligible costs are given in the “Guidelines for the Accounting of Project Costs in Funding Applications and Reports”, which may be found under the Internet address https://www.ffg.at/sites/default/files/downloads/page/kostenleitfaden\_v1\_4\_2014\_en.pdf. |
| **Submission of the proposal at the national level** | Only Proposals reaching 2nd stage (full proposal) of the call according to national rules. Detailed information may be found under the Internet address https://www.ffg.at/era-net. |
| **Submission of other information at the national level** | In the 1st stage further information on financial viability (incl. annual accounts of the last three business years, balance list, representation of the rest financing etc.) has to be provided. |
| **Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national level** | Yes, according to national regulations (<https://www.ffg.at/era-net>) |
| **Further guidance** | <https://www.ffg.at/era-net> |

**BELGIUM, FWO**

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| **Country / Region** | Belgium, Flanders |
| **Funding organisation** | Research Foundation - Flanders (FWO)  <http://www.fwo.be/> |
| **National contact person** | Olivier Boehme  Phone: 00 32 2 550 15 45; Email: eranet@fwo.be |
| **Funding commitment** | 400.000 € |
| **Anticipated number of fundable research partners** | 2 research partners |
| **Eligibility of project duration** | Up to 3 years (regulation FWO research projects) |
| **Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution** | A Flemish university or a Belgian scientific institution collaborating with a Flemish university (regulation FWO research projects) |
| **Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member** | Professors of an eligible university (regulation FWO research projects)  <http://www.fwo.be/en/fellowships-funding/research-projects/research-project/regulations-for-research-projects/> |
| **Eligibility of costs, types and their caps** | No overhead allowed |
| **Submission of the proposal at the national level** | No parallel national application required |
| **Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national level** | Only following the requirements of the E-Rare regulations |
| **Further guidance** | <http://www.fwo.be/Documentatie.aspx?ID=399b8594-9710-4771-9289-426ff73731e1&L=nl> |

**BELGIUM, FNRS**

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| **Country / Region** | Belgium (French Speaking Community) |
| **Funding organisation** | Fund for Scientific Research - FNRS (F.R.S.-FNRS) |
| **National contact person** | Arnaud Goolaerts +32 2 504 93 28, Freia Van Hee, +32 2 504 93 09 |
| **Funding commitment** | 240.000 Euros |
| **Anticipated number of fundable research partners** | 1 research partner |
| **Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner** | 240.000 euros |
| **Eligibility of project duration** | 3 years |
| **Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution** | Basic research (low Technology Readiness Level) carried out in a research institution from the “Fédération Wallonie-Bruxelles”  The FNRS will not fund industrial partners or any activity related to the private sector. |
| **Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member** | The applicant must be affiliated to a research institution from the Fédération Wallonie-Bruxelles. The applicant should also:  - be a permanent researcher of F.R.S. - FNRS (Chercheur qualifié, Maître de recherches or Directeur de recherches),  - or hold a tenure track position (or an assimilated position including pending tenure track) within a research institution from the Fédération Wallonie-Bruxelles,  - or be a permanent research staff member in the ‘Ecole Royale Militaire’,  - or be a permanent research staff member of a federal scientific institution in which case he can act as a co-promotor only.  The applicant should not have reached retirement at the starting date of the project. If the applicant reaches the age of retirement in the course of the project, he should precisely describe in the proposal how the handover will be managed.  A single applicant may only participate once in a consortium applying to this call. |
| **Eligibility of costs, types and their caps** | No overhead allowed  [Eligible](file:///C:\Users\Groeneveld\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\Temporary%20Internet%20Files\Content.Outlook\6U3GA6YY\Eligible) cost items can include: Personnel, equipment, running costs. See more detailed information at: http://www.ncp.fnrs.be/index.php/appels/era-nets |
| **Submission of the proposal at the national level** | Not required |
| **Submission of other information at the national level** | Applicant should contact the FNRS prior to their application. |
| **Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national level** | Financial report required / E-RARE scientific report must be sent to FNRS |
| **Further guidance** | <http://www.fnrs.be/> and http://www.ncp.fnrs.be/index.php/appels/era-nets |

**CANADA, CIHR-IG**

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| **Country** | Canada |
| **Funding organisation** | Canadian Institutes of Health Research Institute of Genetics (CIHR-IG) |
| **National contact person** | Marilyn Desrosiers  Deputy Director, Strategic Program Design and Analytics  Canadian Institute of Health Research  Telephone: 613-954-6242  Email: [marilyn.desrosiers@cihr-irsc.gc.ca](mailto:marilyn.desrosiers@cihr-irsc.gc.ca) |
| **Funding commitment** | The total amount available from CIHR-IG is $500,000 (CAD) per year for a term of three years.  The maximum amount that can be requested in support of a Canadian component is $150,000 (CAD) per year for up to 3 years from all Canadian funding sources (CIHR-IG, Genome Canada, FRQS and their funding partners). |
| **Anticipated number of fundable research partners** | It is anticipated that funding will be available to support up to 6 to 8 from all Canadian funding sources (CIHR-IG, Genome Canada, FRQS and their funding partners). CIHR-IG is providing funding for up to 3 to 4 teams as outlined in the call text. Canadian funders will be working together to maximize participation from the Canadian research community |
| **Eligibility of project duration** | Up to three years |
| **Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution** | Refer to the Individual Eligibility Requirements (http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/22630.html#1-D2) regarding the eligibility requirements for institutions. |
| **Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member** | Refer to the Individual Eligibility Requirements (http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/22630.html#1-D1) regarding the eligibility requirements for individuals. |
| **Eligibility of costs, types and their caps** | The maximum amount per grant from CIHR-IG is $150,000 per annum for a term up to three years.  Applicants should review the Use of Grant Funds (http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Professors-Professeurs/FinancialAdminGuide-GuideAdminFinancier/FundsUse-UtilisationSubventions\_eng.asp) section of the Tri-Agency (CIHR, NSERC and SSHRC) Financial Administration Guide for a complete listing and description of allowable costs and activities. |
| **Submission of the proposal at the national level** | Additional application material is required to be submitted to CIHR **at the full application stage**. This information can be obtained from the national contact person identified above. |
| **Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national level** | Successful applicants funded through this funding opportunity and any other persons working on the project must comply fully with the [CIHR Funding Policies](http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/204.html) (www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/204.html). Policies and guidelines cover areas such as Applicant Responsibilities, Official Languages policy, Access to Information and Privacy Acts, and Acknowledgement of CIHR's Support. Successful applicants will be informed of any special financial requirements prior to the release of funds or when they receive CIHR's Authorization for Funding (AFF) document. |
| **Further guidance** | See national call available on the CIHR website: *will be available shortly* |

**CANADA (FRQS)**

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| **Country** | Canada - Québec |
| **Funding organisation** | Fonds de recherche du Québec – Santé (FRQS)  http://www.frqs.gouv.qc.ca |
| **National contact persons** | Karine Genest  (514) 873-2114, ext 1275  [karine.genest@frq.gouv.qc.ca](mailto:karine.genest@frq.gouv.qc.ca)  Dr. Anne-Cécile Desfaits  (514) 873-2114, ext 1368 [annececile.desfaits@frq.gouv.qc.ca](mailto:annececile.desfaits@frq.gouv.qc.ca) |
| **Funding commitment** | Minimum of $500,000 (Additional funds from provincial partners maybe available)  The maximum amount per grant is $150,000 per year for up to 3 years.  The maximum amount that can be requested in support of a Canadian component is $150,000 (CAD) per year for up to 3 years from all Canadian funding sources (CIHR-IG, FRQS, Genome Canada and their funding partners).  Funds are subject to availability of funds voted annually to FRQS by the National Assembly of Québec and FRQS Board of Directors’ approval. |
| **Anticipated number of fundable research partners** | It is anticipated that funding will be available to support up to 6 to 8 from all Canadian funding sources (CIHR-IG, Genome Canada, FRQS and their funding partners). FRQS is providing funding for up to 1 to 2 Quebec teams as outlined in the call text. Canadian funders will be working together to maximize participation from the Canadian research community |
| **Eligibility of project duration** | Up to 3 years |
| **Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution.**  **Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member** | Quebec applicants must meet the eligibility criteria for FRQS research grants.  Eligible institutions are Quebec Universities or Institutions within Quebec's health and social services network. Further information about eligibility are available on FRQS Common Rules and Regulations webpage (section one) at:  http://www.frqs.gouv.qc.ca/en/financement/regles\_generales\_2015\_2016/common-rules-2015-2016.pdf |
| **Eligibility of costs, types and their caps** | Operational costs (research personnel, consumables, animals)  Costs related to scientific and ethical evaluation (clinical research projects)  Coordination-related cost (project administration and travel expenses for attending joint meetings)  Costs related to knowledge translation and translation costs  Conference attendance (up to **3%** per year of the grant amount as of the second year)  Further information about eligible costs is available at: http://www.frqs.gouv.qc.ca/en/financement/regles\_generales\_2015\_2016/common-rules-2015-2016.pdf  **Note: There is NO support for salaries of investigators, training grants or equipment or overheads.**  **Additional requirement: FRQS applicants invited to submit a full proposal must also submit a budget to FRQS in Canadian dollars. A specific FRQS form will be sent to investigators.** |
| **Submission of the proposal at the national level** | Not required, except for the budget (in Canadian dollars) when Quebec applicants are selected to submit a full proposal. |
| **Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national level** | Scientific reports according to E-Rare 3 template and requirements only.  Annual financial reporting according to FRQS Common Rules and Regulations.  <http://www.frqs.gouv.qc.ca/en/financement/regles_generales_2013_2014/regles_gen.shtml> |

**CANADA, Genome Canada**

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| **Country / Region** | Canada |
| **Funding organisation** | Genome Canada |
| **National contact person** | Karen Dewar  Director, Genomics Programs  Telephone : 613-751-4460 extension 211  Email: kdewar@geneomecanada.ca |
| **Funding commitment** | The total amount available from Genome Canada is $1M (CAD) for a term of three years.  Successful proposals will include genomics or genomics in society approaches as a significant component.  Genome Canada’s contributions are subject to the availability of appropriate funds from Industry Canada. Genome Canada maintains the authority to reduce the amounts committed following budget reductions or availability of funds from Industry Canada.  The maximum amount that can be requested in support of a Canadian component is $150,000 (CAD) per year for up to 3 years from all Canadian funding sources (CIHR-IG, Genome Canada, FRQS and their funding partners). |
| **Anticipated number of fundable research partners** | 2-3 |
| **Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner** | The maximum amount that can be requested in support of a Canadian component is $150,000 (CAD) per year for up to 3 years from all Canadian funding sources (CIHR-IG, Genome Canada, FRQS and their funding partners). |
| **Eligibility of project duration** | Up to three years |
| **Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution** | |  | | --- | | Refer to the Eligibility Requirements (<http://www.genomecanada.ca/medias/PDF/en/guidelines-funding-research-projects-june-2014.pdf>) regarding the eligibility requirements for institutions. | |
| **Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member** | Refer to the Eligibility Requirements (http://www.genomecanada.ca/medias/PDF/en/guidelines-funding-research-projects-june-2014.pdf) regarding the eligibility requirements for individuals. |
| **Eligibility of costs, types and their caps** | Refer to the Eligibility Requirements (http://www.genomecanada.ca/medias/PDF/en/guidelines-funding-research-projects-june-2014.pdf) regarding the eligibility requirements for individuals. |
| **Submission of the proposal at the national level** | Additional application material is required to be submitted to Genome Canada **at the full application stage**. This information can be obtained from the national contact person identified above. |
| **Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national level** | |  | | --- | | Successful applicants funded through this funding opportunity and any other persons working on the project must comply fully with the Genome Canada Guidelines. Successful applicants will be informed of any special financial or reporting requirements prior to the release of funds or when they receive Genome Canada's Notice of Award (NOA) document. | |
| **Further guidance** | See national call available on the Genome Canada website: *will be available shortly* |

**FRANCE**

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| **Country** | France |
| **Funding organisation** | French National Research Agency (Agence nationale de la recherché –ANR-)  http://www.agence-nationale-recherche.fr |
| **National contact person** | Health & Biology Department  Agence Nationale de la Recherche –ANR-  7 rue de Watt - 75013 Paris, France  **Natalia Martin - E-mail**: [natalia.martin@agencerecherche.fr](mailto:natalia.martin@agencerecherche.fr); **Phone** : (33) (0) 1 73 54 81 33 |
| **Funding commitment** | 2 M€ |
| **Anticipated number of fundable research partners** | 8-10 research partners |
| **Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner** | The ANR has a maximum funding per partner for this call: Each research team can be funded with a maximum amount of 250 000 €.. There is a minimum amount per partner also: 15 000 € |
| **Eligibility of project duration** | 2-3 years |
| **Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution** | Eligible institutions:  - Public research institutes such as EPST, EPIC, universities, university hospitals, non-university research institutes (max. rate of support: 100% of marginal costs)  - Enterprises: large & SMEs (max. rate of support: 45% of total costs for SMEs & 30% for larger companies) |
| **Eligibility of costs, types and their caps** | Personnel costs for temporary contracts; small equipment; consumables and animal costs; travel; and sub-contracting, if necessary to carry out the proposed activities (sub-contracting costs of max 50% of requested budget per partner).  Please note that at the ANR « overheads » means « frais de gestion », and you must apply 4% of the total eligible costs if you belong to a public research organization or 68% of the total personnel costs if you belong to another category |
| **Submission of the proposal at the national level/ OTHER** | Only the submission of the joint proposal is required.  Please see online the specific annexe document for research partners applying to this call for proposals for funding in France: http://www.agence-nationale-recherche.fr  A copy of the signed consortium agreement established between the consortium partners must be provided to ANR before the first payment of the French researchers involved in the project selected for funding |

**GERMANY, DFG and BMBF**

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| **Country** | Germany |
| **Funding organisation** | German Federal Ministry for Education and Research (BMBF)  [www.gesundheitsforschung-bmbf.de](http://www.gesundheitsforschung-bmbf.de)  German Research Foundation (DFG)  [www.dfg.de](http://www.dfg.de) |
| **Management organisation** | Project Management Agency of the German Aerospace Centre (PT-DLR, for BMBF)  [www.pt-dlr.de](http://www.pt-dlr.de)  German Research Foundation (DFG)  [www.dfg.de](http://www.dfg.de) |
| **National contact person** | Project Management Agency of the German Aerospace Centre (PT-DLR) - Health Research -  Heinrich-Konen-Straße 1  53227 Bonn  Germany  **Dr. Michaela Girgenrath**  (++49) (228) 3821-1775  [Michaela.girgenrath@dlr.de](mailto:Michaela.girgenrath@dlr.de)  **Dr. Michaela Fersch**  (++49) (228) 38211268  [**Michaela.Fersch@dlr.de**](mailto:Michaela.Fersch@dlr.de)  **Dr. Ralph Schuster**  (++49) (228) 3821-1233  [Ralph.Schuster@dlr.de](mailto:Ralph.Schuster@dlr.de)  Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft  Kennedyallee 40  53177 Bonn  **Dr. Frank Wissing**  (++49) (228) 885-2735  [Frank.Wissing@dfg.de](mailto:Frank.Wissing@dfg.de) |
| **Funding commitment** | BMBF: About 3 M€; DFG: About 1 M€ |
| **Anticipated number of fundable research partners** | 14-18 research partners |
| **Eligibility of project duration** | Maximum 3 years |
| **Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution** | Legal body: university, university hospital, non-university public research institute, industry (note for BMBF:industry is funded with a maximum of 50-60% of the total project cost; note for DFG: industry is not eligible; some restrictions for non-university public research institutes) |
| **Eligibility of costs, types and their caps** | Personnel, consumables, animals, subcontracts, equipment, travels, documentation according to national regulations.  Overheads :  BMBF : Overheads refer to “Gemeinkosten” (applicable for Helmholtz-centres and Fraunhofer-Society) as well as “Projektpauschale” (applicable for universities and university hospitals). Starting from 2016, the “Projektpauschale” generally will amount to 22% of the applied total project expenditure. For further information on the “Projektpauschale” please refer to https://foerderportal.bund.de/easy/module/easy\_formulare/download.php?datei=179 (Pos. 0865).  DFG : From 2016, the “Programmpauschale” generally will amount to 22% of the applied total project expenditure. See [www.dfg.de](http://www.dfg.de) for further details. |
| **Submission of the proposal at the national level** | No |
| **Submission of other information at the national level** | Yes (DFG: only at the level of full proposal submission; BMBF: only for proposals which are selected for funding.) |
| **Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national level** | Yes, according to national regulations. |
| **Further guidance** | [www.gesundheitsforschung-bmbf.de/de/4647.php](http://www.gesundheitsforschung-bmbf.de/de/4647.php)  http://www.dfg.de/en/research\_funding/programmes/individual/research\_grants/index.html |

**Greece, GSRT**

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| **Country / Region** | Greece |
| **Funding organisation** | General Secretariat for Research and Technology (GSRT)  www.gsrt.gr |
| **National contact person** | Mrs Danae FARMAKI  General Secretariat for Research and Technology (GSRT)  +30 210 7458093  [dfarmaki@gsrt.gr](mailto:dfarmaki@gsrt.gr)  Mrs Afroditi PATRONI  General Secretariat for Research and Technology (GSRT)  +30 210 7458095  [apatr@gsrt.gr](mailto:apatr@gsrt.gr) |
| **Funding commitment** | € 500.000 |
| **Anticipated number of fundable research partners** | Up to 5 research partners |
| **Eligibility of project duration** | Up to 3 years |
| **Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution** | For the Public Research Institutes and Universities, the ***Public contribution*** may cover maximum **up to** 100 %.  For private Companies and SMEs the ***Public contribution*** may cover maximum **up to** 70%, of the total budget of each partner in a project. Their own contribution must cover at least 30% of the total budget of the project. In case of Fundamental/Basic Research the maximum contribution may amount to 100% of the total budget. |
| **Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member** | Personnel costs are costs for scientific and administrative personnel, for researchers with employment contracts as well as for other supporting staff (temporary employees etc.) as they are employed on the research project. |
| **Eligibility of costs, types and their caps** | Any consumables necessary for the implementation of the project may be considered as direct eligible costs. Documentation according to national regulations. |
| **Submission of the proposal at the national level** | The Greek applicants are obliged to inform the General Secretariat for Research and Technology- GSRT/Ministry of Education and Religious Affairs on their participation in proposals and submit their papers before the closure date of the joint transnational call |
| **Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national level** | Yes, according to national regulations. |
| **Further guidance** | See national eligibility criteria and annex available on the GSRT website: will be available shortly |

**HUNGARY, OTKA**

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| **Country** | Hungary |
| **Funding organisation** | Hungarian Scientific Research Fund (OTKA) |
| **National contact person** | **Dr. Elod Nemerkenyi**  **Assistant of International Affairs**  **36-1-219-8757**  **E-mail :** [**nemerkenyi.elod@otka.hu**](mailto:nemerkenyi.elod@otka.hu) |
| **Funding commitment** | EUR 150.000 |
| **Anticipated number of fundable research partners** | 1-2 |
| **Eligibility of project duration** | Up to 4 years |
| **Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution** | University or research institution |
| **Eligibility of costs, types and their caps** | All research-related costs |
| **Submission of the proposal at the national level** | Upon ERA-NET funding decision (to prepare a contract) |
| **Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national level** | Annually |

**ISRAEL**

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| **Country** | Israel |
| **Funding organisation** | Chief Scientist office, Ministry of Health (CSO/MOH)  http://www.health.gov.il/ |
| **National contact person** | **Prof. Avi Israeli, Dr.Irit Allon**  Chief Scientist Office, Ministry of Health  **Phone**: +972 (0)2 5082156/67; **E-mails**: [avii@moh.health.gov.il](mailto:avii@moh.health.gov.il), [irit.allon@moh.health.gov.il](mailto:irit.allon@moh.health.gov.il) |
| **Funding commitment** | Up to 240,000 €, depending on budget availability |
| **Anticipated number of fundable research partners** | Up to 4 research partners |
| **Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner** | 60,000 € |
| **Eligibility of project duration** | Up to 3 years |
| **Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution** | University, hospital, academic and public research institutions |
| **Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member** | The Principal Investigator must hold a Ph.D., M.D.,D.Sc, DMD or equivalent degree, be employed by a university ,hospital or academic or public research institution, and must have completed the funding of previous grants from the CSO/MOH before a JTC 2015 project can start to be funded.  No simultaneous funding is possible on more than one grant (ERA-NET or national) for an applicant (PI or co-investigator) |
| **Eligibility of costs, types and their caps** | Personnel, consumables, animals, documentation (Salaries to the listed researchers can not be funded), Travel |
| **Submission of the proposal at the national level** | Submission of the proposal after approved for funding to the CSO-MOH is required. Please see instructions and forms for submission at <http://www.health.gov.il/Subjects/research/Pages/Research-Foundation.aspx> |
| **Submission of other information at the national level** | If the application involves human or animal experimentation, bioethics approvals must be submitted with the application or up to 4 months later. |
| **Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national level** | Submission of annual financial and scientific reports at national level is required. |
| **Further guidance** | Please see detailed instructions of application at the national level and reporting at <http://www.health.gov.il/pages/default.asp?maincat=14&catid=45&pageid=873> |

**ITALY**

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| **Country** | Italy |
| **Funding organisation** | Ministry of Health (Ministero della Salute)  [www.salute.gov.it](http://www.salute.gov.it) |
| **National contact person** | **Dr. Gaetano Guglielmi**- phone: +39 065994 2186.  Head Office 3 (Health Research IRCCS), Directorate General for Health Research and Innovation  Ministry of Health, Viale Giorgio Ribotta, 5. 00144 Rome, Italy  E-mail:[g.guglielmi@sanita.it](mailto:g.guglielmi@sanita.it) |
| **National programme** | Framework National Programme "Health Research" of the Ministry of Health. |
| **Funding commitment** | About 1 Mio. € |
| **Anticipated number of fundable project partners** | 4-6 |
| **Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project partner** | ~ 0.25 M€ |
| **Eligibility of project duration** | Max 3 years |
| **Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution** | Scientific Institutes for Research, Hospitalization and Health Care (Istituti di Ricovero e Cura a Carattere Scientifico pubblici e privati, IRCCS). |
| **Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member** | The simultaneous participation in proposals submitted to different transnational research calls, funded by the Ministero della Salute, is not allowed to Italian Principal Investigators or other research team members.  In order to expedite the eligibility check process, the Ministry of Health will grant an eligibility clearance to the applicants prior to the submission of the pre-proposals. To this end, it is mandatory that the applicants fill out and return a [pre-eligibility check form](file:///C:\Users\uldber\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\Temporary%20Internet%20Files\Content.Outlook\7UY33F7C\MinSal_pre-submission_eligibility_check_JTCs_2014.docx) trough IRCCS Scientific Directorate using WFR System before submitting their pre-proposals to the Joint Call Secretariat. It is strongly recommended that the form, completed and duly signed, is returned at least 10 working days before the pre-proposal submission deadline. Applicants will be sent a written notification of their eligibility status. |
| **Eligibility of costs, types and their caps** | Only costs generated during the lifetime of the project can be eligible.  Personnel (only ad hoc contracts/consultants/fellowship, max 50% of the requested fund); travel costs and subsistence allowances (max 10% of the requested fund); equipment (rent/leasing only), consumables, dissemination of results (publications, meetings/workshops etc.) (max 1% of the requested fund); data handling and analysis; overhead (maximum 10% of the requested fund). (All according to national regulations).  Travel expenses and subsistence allowances associated with training activities linked to the project. |
| **Submission of other information at the national level** | After the joint ERAREJTC 2015 peer review has been completed and the final (scientific) ranking list has been performed and endorsed by the Call Steering Committee, the Ministry of Health will invite the principal investigators of the projects approved for funding to enter the formal national negotiations (according to national regulations). |
| **Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national level** | Submission of annual scientific and financial reports at the national level will be required according to the rules of the Ministry of Health. |
| **Further guidance** | Further information on the rules of the Ministry of Health can be found at www.salute.gov.it, on the website page dedicated to the yearly national calls (Bando ricerca finalizzata e giovani ricercatori), or requested to the national contact persons. |

**ITALY, ASSR**

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| **Country / Region** | Italy/Regione Emilia-Romagna |
| **Funding organisation** | Regione Emilia-Romagna - Agenzia Sanitaria e Sociale Regionale (RER-ASSR) |
| **National contact person** | Antonio Addis  Head of RER-ASSR Governance of Research Department  Viale Aldo Moro 21, Bologna,Italy  Tel: +390515277541; e.mail: [AAddis@regione.emilia-romagna.it](mailto:AAddis@regione.emilia-romagna.it)  <http://assr.regione.emilia-romagna.it> |
| **Funding commitment** | Up to 750.000 €  The applicants have to show in the proposal a synergie with the activities of the Emilia Romagna Region Network for Rare diseases. (<http://www.geneter.it/>) |
| **Anticipated number of fundable research partners** | 3-4 projects |
| **Maximum funding per awarded project from RER-ASR** | Up to 250.000 € if the Applicant is the transnational project consortium coordinator.  Up to 150.000 € if the Applicant is NOT the transnational project consortium coordinator. |
| **Eligibility of project duration** | Maximum duration: 3 years |
| **Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution** | Institutions eligible for funding under the RER-ASSR Region-University Programme: all University Hospital-AOU and the following Scientific Institutes for Health Research and Health Care (IRCCS): IRRCS Istituto Ortopedico Rizzoli (Bologna), IRCCS Istituto delle Scienze Neurologiche (Bologna) and Baggiovara Hospital (Modena), as defined by the agreement signed between the universities and the Regional Administration.  (\*) All applicants have to submit the pre-submission eligibility check form (available on [www.e-rare.eu](http://www.e-rare.eu)) to the Regione Emilia-Romagna - Agenzia Sanitaria e Sociale Regionale using the Regional Research Workflow System (http://wf-emiliaromagna.cbim.it), max 10 days before the pre-submission deadline, in order to confirm eligibility issues, in relation also with the recognized scientific area.  Non fundable: University, research institute and other research institute not integrated into the Regional Health Service. |
| **Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member** | Applicants are Investigators affiliated to regional institutions eligible for funding  It is required that the PI belongs to a Department whose activities are functionally integrated within the regional health system |
| **Eligibility of costs, types and their caps** | Personnel (only temporary contracts) (max 50%), consumables, animals, subcontracts, equipment (only rent), travel (max 3%)  Overhead (max 10%), Pubblications. |
| **Submission of the proposal at the regional level** | Yes |
| **Submission of financial and scientific reports at the regional level** | Yes |
| **Further guidance** | For further details and contacts:  RER-ASSR Region-University Programme, describing our activities in terms of launching calls for research dedicated to Regional Institutions: University Hospital-AOU and Scientific Institutes for Health Research and Health Care-IRRCS:  <http://assr.regione.emilia-romagna.it/it/servizi/pubblicazioni/dossier/doss243-abs> |

**LATVIA, LAS**

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| **Country / Region** | Latvia |
| **Funding organisation** | Latvian Academy of Sciences  www.lza.lv |
| **National contact person** | Dr. Uldis BerKis  Centre of European Programs  Latvian Academy of Sciences  1 Akademijas laukums, Riga, 1050 Latvia  Tel: +371 67409242  E-mail: uberkis@latnet.lv |
| **Funding commitment** | 0,21 M€ |
| **Anticipated number of fundable research partners** | 1-2 research partners |
| **Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner** | 210 TEUR |
| **Eligibility of project duration** | 3 years |
| **Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution** | Teams of researchers, working in active research institutions registered in the Latvian Registry of Scientific Institutions, e.g.  - Research Institutes  - Universities  Enterprises entered into the Latvian Commercial registry, assumed they are eligible to do the specific research. Limitations of EU legislation apply (R800/2008) together with financial reporting requirements.  Activities subject to any of EU and Latvian state aid legislation, control and/or reporting cannot be supported.  The work carried out should be research.  Support is provided according to Provisions Nr 414, 19.06.2012 of the Latvian Cabinet of Ministers http://www.likumi.lv/doc.php?id=249571 These provisions should be respected without exceptions. |
| **Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member** | Researcher’s team leader, principal investigators, leading researchers should be researchers according to Latvian legislation (“zinātnieks”, possessing doctoral degree and experience in relevant research field), and the work carried out should be research. |
| **Eligibility of costs, types and their caps** | Personnel incl. social tax   Consumables   Animals   Subcontracts (up to 25%, normally 10%), needs detailed justification, subject to approval. Includes all external services.   Equipment (only depreciation costs)   Replaceable un fully consumable during project elements of equipment e.g. electrodes fully   Travel (according to travel plan)   Indirect costs (up to 20% of direct costs with justification, normally 10% of dc)  Core activities cannot be subcontracted. |
| **Submission of the proposal at the national level** | There is no special procedure at proposal stage. However, consulting national contact place is recommended. |
| **Submission of other information at the national level** | After shortlisting the project all information necessary to fulfil the Provisions Nr 414, 19.06.2012 of the Latvian Cabinet of Ministers http://www.likumi.lv/doc.php?id=249571 should be submitted, together with proof that the staff involved represents Latvian research institutions as a permanent staff.  The grant will be awarded if:  - the submitted project proposal of the partner of Latvia is in accordance with the criteria in the present document;  - the submitted project proposal is selected for the award by the Call Steering Committee;  - the project Consortium Agreement is signed.  The decision will be made by the Latvian Academy of Sciences on the base of the project ranking list and/or funding recommendations by the Call Steering Committee. The available budget will be taken into account. |
| **Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national level** | 1. Pre-financing  2. Report of scientific progress and justification of expenses submitted to the person responsible for monitoring 1x a year  3. Interim payments based on the progress reports  4. Comprehensive final report submitted at the end of the project |
| **Further guidance** | http://www.lza.lv/index.php?option=com\_content&task=blogcategory&id=121&Itemid=214 |

**POLAND**

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| **Country** | Poland |
| **Funding organisation** | National Centre for Research and Development (**NCBR**)  (http://www.ncbir.pl) |
| **National contact person** | **Marcin Chmielewski**, Section for Research Projects BIOMED, Nowogrodzka Str. 47a, 00-695 Warsaw, Poland,  phone:+48 22 39 07 109, e-mail: [marcin.chmielewski@ncbr.gov.pl](mailto:marcin.chmielewski@ncbr.gov.pl); |
| **Funding commitment** | 0,5 Mio. € |
| **Anticipated number of fundable research groups** | 3 – 5 |
| **Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project partner** | The NCBR does not have a maximum funding per grant. The amount depends on the scientific needs and justification for the budget. |
| **Eligible institutions** | Following entities are eligible to apply:   * Research organizations * Micro, Small, Medium and Large Enterprise * Research consortia (according to The Act of 30 April 2010 on the Principles of Financing Science, published in Journal of Laws No. 96 item 615, 2010)   Organization must be registered in Poland. |
| **Additional eligibility criteria** | All proposals must be aligned with National regulations, inter alia:   * The Act of 30 April 2010 on the Principles of Financing Science, published in Journal of Laws No. 96 item 615, 2010; * The Act of 30 April 2010 on the National Centre for Research and Development, published in Journal of Laws No. 96 item 616, 2010; |
| **Eligibility of costs, types and their caps** | The eligible costs shall be the following:  1. **personnel costs** (researchers, technicians and other supporting staff to the extent employed on the research project);  2. **costs of instruments and equipment, technical knowledge and patents** to the extent and for the period used for the research project; if such instruments and equipment are not used for their full life for the research project, only the depreciation costs corresponding to the life of the research project, as calculated on the basis of good accounting practice, shall be considered eligible;  3. **costs for buildings and land**, to the extent and for the duration used for the research project; with regard to buildings, only the depreciation costs corresponding to the life of the research project, as calculated on the basis of good accounting practice shall be considered eligible; for land, costs of commercial transfer or actually incurred capital costs shall be eligible;  4. **cost of contractual research**, costs of consultancy and equivalent services used exclusively for the research activity; this cost type cannot account for more than 70% of all eligible costs of a project; the subcontracting can be obtained from consortium partner only in justified case, this need will be verified by a national experts panel;  5. **other operating costs** including costs of materials, supplies and similar products incurred directly as a result of the research activity;  6. **additional overheads** incurred indirectly as a result of the research project; that costs cannot account for more than **25%** of eligible project costs; That costs (6) are counted as a multiplication by percentage given above (called x%) and the rest of direct costs, excluding subcontracting (4); It means 6=(1+2+3+5)\*x%. |
| **Submission of the proposal at the national level** | Polish Participants will be informed and invited to submit Polish proposal once the international evaluation and the ranking list will be established. |
| **National funding rates** | Funding quota of Polish participants can be up to 100% for universities or research organisations. In the case of enterprises, funding quota will be decided on a case-by-case basis depending on the size of the company, type of research/development, risk associated with the research activities and commercial perspective of exploitation. Organization must be registered in Poland |
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**PORTUGAL**

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| **Country** | Portugal |
| **Funding organisation** | Foundation for Science and Technology |
| **National contact person** | **Anabela Lopes Isidro,** [**anabela.isidro@fct.pt**](mailto:anabela.isidro@fct.pt)**; +351 21 391 1552; Carlos Pereira,** [**carlos.pereira@fct.pt**](mailto:carlos.pereira@fct.pt)**, +351 21 392 4397** |
| **Funding commitment** | 0.325 Mio. € |
| **Anticipated number of fundable research partners** | 2-3 |
| **Eligibility of project duration** | 3 years |
| **Maximum funding per awarded project** | Up to **200,000** € if the Applicant is the transnational project consortium coordinator.  Up to **125,000 €** if the Applicant is NOT the transnational project consortium coordinator. |
| **Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution** | Higher education institutions, their institutes and R&D centres; Associate laboratories; State laboratories; Private non-profit institutes whose main objective is to carry out S&T activities; Companies provided that they participate in projects headed by public or private non-profit institutions; Other public and private non-profit institutions which carry out or participate in scientific research activities. |
| **Eligibility of costs, types and their caps** | Equipment, consumables, human resources, networks & consortium funding, mobility and overheads. |
| **Submission of the proposal at the national level** | YesOnly for proposals which are selected for funding. |
| **Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national level** | Yes. Submission of financial and annual scientific reports at national level is required according with the rules of FCT. |
| **Information available at** | <http://alfa.fct.mctes.pt/apoios/projectos/regulamento.phtml.en> |

**NOTE:** Portuguese teams need to send a statement of commitment to the National Contact Point from FCT (Anabela Isidro), duly signed, dated and stamped by the Head of the Portuguese applicant organization and by the Principal Investigator, available on FCT website http://www.fct.pt/apoios/cooptrans/eranets/erare/index.phtml.en**,** until the pre-proposal submission deadline.

**ROMANIA**

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| **Country** | Romania |
| **Funding organisation** | Executive Agency for Higher Education, Research, Development and Innovation Funding |
| **National contact person** | Simona Cristina STOIAN  Phone: +40213023893  E-mail: [simona.stoian@uefiscdi.ro](mailto:simona.stoian@uefiscdi.ro) |
| **Funding commitment** | 0.5 M€ |
| **Anticipated number of fundable research partners** | 1-6 |
| **Eligibility of project duration** | Up to 36 month |
| **Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution** | Eligible entities for funding: universities, research institutes, large enterprises, SMEs, NGOs, public administration. |
| **Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member** | Principal investigators must hold a PhD degree. This condition does not apply if the Romanian host institution is an enterprise in the sense of the state aid legislation. .  The Principal Investigator must be permanently employed at host institution or fixed term employee covering at least the duration of the project. |
| **Eligibility of costs, types and their caps** | The following categories of expenses can be funded within this programme: personnel, logistics, travel, overheads. |
| **Submission of the proposal at the national level** | Not required |
| **Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national level** | Not required |
| **Further guidance** | www.uefiscdi.gov.ro |

**SPAIN**

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| **Country** | Spain |
| **Funding organisation** | The National Institute of Health Carlos III (Instituto de Salud Carlos III / ISCIII) <http://www.isciii.es> |
| **National contact persons** | SG de Programas Internacionales de Investigación y Relaciones Institucionales (ISCIII-SGPIIRI)   * Mr. Eduard Güell; Email: [eguell@isciii.es](mailto:eguell@isciii.es); Tel: (+34) 9182 22454 |
| **National programme** | Strategic Action for Health Research (AES / Acción Estratégica en Salud)  [www.isciii.es/ISCIII/es/contenidos/fd-investigacion/fd-financiacion/convocatorias-ayudas-accion-estrategica-salud.shtml](http://www.isciii.es/ISCIII/es/contenidos/fd-investigacion/fd-financiacion/convocatorias-ayudas-accion-estrategica-salud.shtml) |
| **Funding commitment** | **Up to 0.5 M €** |
| **Anticipated number of fundable project partners** | Up to 3-5 research groups |
| **Maximum funding per awarded Spanish project partner** | Only one 3 year grant per fundable project partner:   * Up to 100,000 € per project partner (up to 150,000 € per project for the whole Spanish part funded by ISCIII in case more than one Spanish partner participates in the same proposal); * Up to 150.000 € per project coordinator (up to 200.000 € for the whole Spanish part funded by ISCIII in case one Spanish eligible institution coordinates the project consortium).   *Funding by ISCIII is subject to the approval of the relevant annual appropriations by the Spanish Parliament* |
| **Eligibility of projects** | Only one application can be submitted per Spanish project partner:   * Additional submissions will be rejected   Researchers with ongoing E-Rare projects in 2016 will be discarded:   * Exceptions: when the Spanish project partner (PI) is the consortium coordinator. Compatibility regarding ongoing projects/parallel applications within the R+D+I Plan of Spain, European Union or International frameworks is subject to the specifications stated in the relevant calls |
| **Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution** | **Eligible organisations:**   * **Hospitals, primary health care or public health settings of the Spanish National Health System (SNS) with legal address in Spain** (These must be part of the SNS and manage research via a foundation, in accordance to the Spanish Act 50/2002, of December 26th (a copy of the foundation’s statutes must be submitted)) * Health Research Institutes (IIS) certified according to the RD 339/2004, of February 27th (managed via a foundation according to the Spanish Act 50/ 2002, of December 26th) and **only if the Spanish applicant is the consortium coordinator** * CIBERs only if the Spanish applicant is the consortium **coordinator** * Participation of SME’s and other private (Bio) companies **at their own cost or as subcontractors** is strongly encouraged. Spanish applicants should be aware and they are encouraged to foster it   **GENERAL REMARK**: Maximum number of projects partners in the same project from the same beneficiary institution is up to 2. |
| **Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member** | **Eligibility of PIs** and other research team members:   * PI must be a senior researcher and have a contractual relationship with an eligible organisation * Research team members must have a contractual relationship/fellowship with an eligible organisation **Excluded personnel as Principal Investigator (PI)**: * Those undergoing a Postgraduate training in Health Specialisation * Those currently undergoing research training (e.g. PhD students, or “Rio Hortega Programme”) * Research personnel contracted by a RETICS or a CONSOLIDER * Those undergoing Post-doctoral training (e.g. “Sara Borrell“ or “Juan de la Cierva” contracts) |
| **Eligibility of costs, types and their caps** | Only expenses committed and invoices dated and charged within the legal frame of the Spanish grant provided by ISCIII  Personnel: Hiring full-time or part-time technical manpower is limited to three years (other than core research team members):   * Excluded: Students or fellowships are not eligible * **Only in case the Spanish applicant is the consortium coordinator**:   Prefixed bulk cost (salary + taxes + social security, etc.) per annual full-time contract:   * Technical expert, higher degree: € 29,500.00 * Technical expert, medium degree: € 24,500.00 * Technical expert, FP II: € 20,500.00   Small Equipment: up to € 40,000.00 (up to € 20,000.00 if the Spanish project partner is not the consortium coordinator)  Consumables.  Travel and allowance just for the research team members:   * If the Spanish partner is **not** the consortium coordinator: up to € 6,000.00 (project meetings, presentation of results and presentation of field studies must be foreseen) * If the Spanish PI is the consortium coordinator: up to € 10,000.00 can be dedicated to travel and allowance.   Commissions: subcontracting up to the 50% of awarded budget for direct cost. When appropriate, subcontracting with private (bio)companies and SMEs is encouraged  Overheads (ex officio): up to + 21% of the Spanish National funds. Please make sure when estimating the project’s budget that you include 21% to the grant provided by ISCIII. |
| **National phase** | Spanish PIs invited to the second phase (full proposal stage) will be invited by ISCIII to submit the application to the National phase and only those recommended for funding by the Call Steering Committee may be funded. Once that European’s ranking list is endorsed, the Joint Call Secretariat will inform the consortium coordinator on the results, and project consortium coordinators shall then inform the interested partners. |
| **Evaluation outcome** | Once that European’s ranking list is endorsed, the Joint Call Secretariat will inform the consortium coordinator on the results, and project consortium coordinators shall then inform the interested partners |
| **Mandatory acknowledgement** | All publications/presentations arising from a E-RARE project funded by ISCIII must state “Award n° XX by ISCIII thorough AES and within E-Rare-3 framework“, even after completion of the funding period |

**SWITZERLAND**

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| **Country** | Switzerland |
| **Funding organisation** | Swiss National Science Foundation  [www.snf.ch](http://www.snf.ch) |
| **National contact person** | Christoph Meier  Swiss National Science Foundation  Phone +41(0)31 308 23 62  E-mail: christoph.meier@snf.ch |
| **Funding commitment** | CHF 1 Mio: total amount available for a term of three years. |
| **Anticipated number of fundable research partners** | Max 5 research partners |
| **Eligibility of project duration** | Up to 36 months |
| **Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution** | Refer to SNSF funding regulations <http://www.snf.ch/SiteCollectionDocuments/allg_reglement_e.pdf> |
| **Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member** | Refer to SNSF funding regulations <http://www.snf.ch/SiteCollectionDocuments/allg_reglement_e.pdf> |
| **Eligibility of costs, types and their caps** | Refer to SNSF Funding Regulations and to General Implementation Regulations.  Overhead contributions cannot be applied for. They are calculated on the basis of the research funding acquired by  eligible institutions under eligible funding schemes. Contributions are paid in retrospect at a flat rate.  <http://www.snf.ch/SiteCollectionDocuments/allg_reglement_e.pdf>  <http://www.snf.ch/SiteCollectionDocuments/allg_ausfuehrungsreglement_e.pdf> |
| **Submission of the proposal at the national level** | Submission of the formal proposal at national level will be carried out once the international evaluation is finalized. The Swiss project partner will then be invited by the SNSF to submit a proposal. |
| **Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national level** | Refer to SNSF funding regulations |
| **Further guidance** | Important note: SNSF eligibility check refers to formal and material criteria. Applicants must show that they have successfully carried out research work for several years, and must be capable of running a project under their sole responsibility and leading the project team engaged for the (sub) project. Proposals that are manifestly inadequate to be forwarded to external experts for review or show obvious substantial insufficiencies in any of the SNSF scientific assessment criteria are rejected and not forwarded to external review. For eligibility check please contact the national contact person identified above. |

**THE NETHERLANDS**

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| **Country** | The Netherlands |
| **Funding organisation** | ZonMw, The Netherlands organisation for health research and development, PO Box 93245, 2509 AE The Netherlands, http://www.zonmw.nl |
| **National contact persons** | Dutch applicants are strongly advised to contact  Dr. Sonja van Weely  E-mail (preferred): weely@zonmw.nl  Phone: +31-(0)70 349 5220  Dr. Harald Moonen  Phone: +31-(0)70 349 53 49  E-mail: moonen@zonmw.nl |
| **National programme** | Priority Medicines for Rare Diseases and Orphan Drugs (PM Rare) |
| **Funding commitment** | 1.8 M€ maximum |
| **Anticipated number of fundable Dutch project partners** | ~ 8-12project partners |
| **Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project partner** | Up to 250.000 euro for a project partner for a 3-year project proposal |
| **Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project with two national research partners** | Up to 250.000 euro for a 3-year project proposal. In case a project consists of two Dutch project partners the total amount of the ZonMw funding for the project is still up to 250,000 euro. |
| **Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution** | Dutch universities, research institutes affiliated to universities, university medical centres, research hospitals, health promotion institutes and knowledge institutes, settled in The Netherlands. Collaboration with patient organisations is welcomed. Companies are not eligible for funding of ZonMw in this call, however cofinancing by companies or in kind contribution of companies is encouraged. |
| **Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member** | The principle investigator should have (or get upon granting of the project) an employment contract at the eligible institution for at least the duration of the project; the principle investigator does not need to have a permanent position at the institute. A letter from the department head or other responsible official of the institute has to be submitted at the deadline of application of the full proposal in which information on the employment contract of the principle investigator is indicated. Furthermore, in this letter the department head or other responsible official should also guarantee that the applicant will have the time and facilities to perform the research properly and according to plan. The principle investigator should show strong commitment to (the results of) the project. |
| **Eligibility of costs, types and their caps** | Costs for personnel can be part of the application of the Dutch applicant. Scientific personnel has to be appointed at a scientific institution in The Netherlands. Furthermore, consumables, animals, equipment, travels, costs for dissemination of results (implementation) are eligible (see the ZonMw grant terms and conditions from 1st July 2013: <http://www.zonmw.nl/fileadmin/documenten/Corporate/Grant_Terms_and_Conditions_from_1st_July_2013.pdf>.  Subcontracting is allowed only under exceptional circumstances; please contact the Dutch contact persons. In most cases (e.g. in case of university/university medical centers) overhead is not allowed: please see the mentioned ZonMw grant terms and conditions. Use the ZonMw budget formats as basis for the budget calculations (http://www.zonmw.nl/nl/subsidies/voorwaarden-en-financien/). |
| **Eligibility of project duration** | Up to 3 years |
| **National phase** | - Submission of the proposal to ZonMw will be carried out once the international evaluation and the ranking list have been performed and endorsed by the Call Steering Committee.  - The Dutch consortium partners in honoured consortia have to comply with ZonMw procedures for honoured projects (e.g. uploading via ProjectNet - including the ZonMw budget format, and reporting annually). Scientific personnel has to be appointed at a scientific institution in The Netherlands. Honoured consortia with a Dutch partner have to draw up and sign a Consortium Agreement in which also the intellectual property rights are incorporated. |
| **Further guidance** | - The ZonMw grant terms and conditions (as of 1st July 2013) apply for Dutch consortium partners (more information:<http://www.zonmw.nl/fileadmin/documenten/Corporate/Grant_Terms_and_Conditions_from_1st_July_2013.pdf>. . |

**TURKEY**

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| **Country** | Turkey |
| **Funding organisation** | The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TÜBİTAK)  <http://www.tubitak.gov.tr> and http://www.h2020.org.tr |
| **National contact person(s)** | A.Özge GÖZAY  Phone: +90-312-468 53 00 / 1007  E-mail: [ncphealth@tubitak.gov.tr](mailto:ncphealth@tubitak.gov.tr) |
| **Funding commitment** | 1M€ |
| **Anticipated number of fundable research partners** | 8 to 9 research partners |
| **Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner** | Maximum funding per grant is 360.000 TL for 3 years, which is approximately 120.000-130.000 EUR |
| **Eligibility of project duration** | 3 years |
| **Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution** | Legal body: university, university hospital, public research institutes, industry, SMEs |
| **Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member** | Principal investigators from universities and university hospitals should at least have a PhD degree. Principal investigators from public research institutes and industry should at least have a university degree.  Industrial organisations to be funded via 1509 programme has to go through a national evaluation to determine the funding budget.  There are other requirements related to principal investigator and other research team members. This information should be checked [thoroughly](http://tureng.com/search/thoroughly) by the Turkish partner from the web site <http://www.tubitak.gov.tr/tr/destekler/akademik/ulusal-destek-programlari/1001/icerik-kimler-basvurabilir> for 1001 programme and <http://www.tubitak.gov.tr/en/funds/industry/international-support-programmes/content-1509-tubitak-international-industrial-rd> for industrial 1509 programme before organising the research team. |
| **Eligibility of costs, types and their caps** | Personnel, consumables, animals, subcontracts, equipment, travel, documentation |
| **Submission of the proposal at the national level** | If the project requires ethical review;  After the results of the international evaluations announced (after the e-mail sent by Call Secretariat), the applicants who are awarded to be fund have to submit necessary documents stated in the rules of “The Support Programme for Scientific and Technological Research Projects – 1001” in 120 days at the latest.  If the project does not require ethical review;  After the results of the international evaluations announced (after the e-mail sent by Call Secretariat), the applicants who are awarded to be fund have to submit necessary documents stated in the rules of “The Support Programme for Scientific and Technological Research Projects – 1001” in 45 days at the latest.  For industry:  Companies have to submit their applications to “TUBITAK International Industrial R&D Projects Grant Programme – 1509” for national assessment by the deadline of the call. |
| **Submission of other information at the national level** | Original version of the “Ethics Committee Approvals - ECA” should be submitted for the projects in which ECA is needed (Letter of Applications for ECA will not be accepted for the submission). |
| **Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national level** | 1. Pre-financing 2. Report of scientific progress and justification of expenses submitted to the person responsible for monitoring 2 times a year 3. Interim payments based on the progress reports 4. Comprehensive final report submitted at the end of the project |
| **Further guidance** | Further information should be checked via TUBITAK’s web page on the national programme: <http://www.tubitak.gov.tr/tr/destekler/akademik/ulusal-destek-programlari/icerik-1001-bilimsel-ve-teknolojik-arastirma-projelerini-destekleme-pr>  <http://www.tubitak.gov.tr/tr/destekler/sanayi/uluslararasi-ortakli-destek-programlari/icerik-1509-tubitak-uluslararasi-sanayi-ar-ge-projeleri-destekleme-programi> |