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TRANSCAN-3

Joint Transnational Call for Proposals 2024 (JTC 2024):

"Combination therapies against cancer: new opportunities for translational research"

Guidelines for Applicants

Submission deadlines

Pre-proposals: 05 July 2024 at 12:00 CEST

Full proposals: 29 November 2024 at 12:00 CET

Electronic proposal submission system: <https://ptoutline.eu/app/transcan2024>

(Online submission will be possible from 26 April 2024)

For further information, please visit <https://www.transcan.eu/>

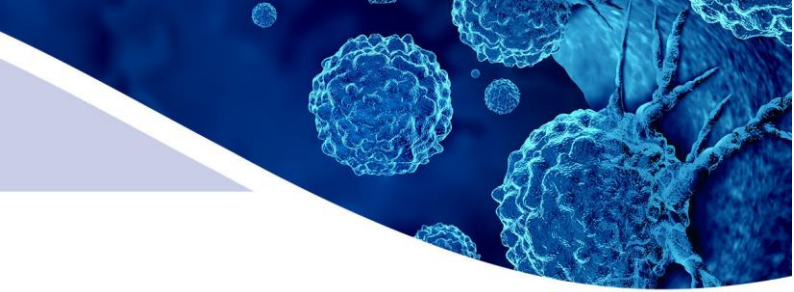
or

contact the **Joint Call Secretariat (JCS)** at:

National Institute of Health Carlos III (ISCIII), Spain

Mauricio García-Franco

E-mail: TRANSCAN_JTC2024@isciii.es



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Background

Under the umbrella of TRANSCAN-3 (ERA-NET: Sustained collaboration of national and regional programmes in cancer research), 21 funding organisations have agreed to launch a Joint Transnational Call (JTC 2024) for collaborative translational research projects on **cancer combination therapies**.

Participating TRANSCAN-3 funding organisations wish to promote innovative interdisciplinary collaboration and truly translational research projects.

Research projects submitted within this call should be based on novel ideas stemming from consolidated previous results and will be endowed with a strong translational research orientation. Project proposals should also clearly demonstrate their potential health impact as well as added value of transnational collaboration. Sharing of relevant results, data sets and/or resources within transnational research consortia is a prerequisite for funding.

Research proposals should be built on an effective, multidisciplinary and multi-professional collaboration between academic, clinical, epidemiological or public health research teams and industry. Researchers' exchanges within the consortium are encouraged.

In order to ensure target-oriented projects, availability of and/or access to clinical biomaterial banks (cells, tissue, blood, DNA, organs, fluids etc.) and related clinical data of subjects (patient cohorts with comprehensive clinical documentation and characterisation) must be secured and explained. Biomaterial banks must be maintained with "Standard Operation Procedures" (SOPs for extraction, transport, processing, storage and further usage) and previous use and benefit documented by respective publications.

Submission of proposals

The TRANSCAN-3 JTC 2024 will be implemented through a two-stage submission procedure: pre-proposals and full proposals.

Both pre- and full proposals must be written in English and must be submitted by the coordinator of the project as PDF files, using the form that can be downloaded from the electronic submission system or from the [TRANSCAN website](#).

The submission must be made through the dedicated electronic submission system PT-Outline exclusively, at <https://ptoutline.eu/app/transcan2024>.

Registration is required before submission of the proposal.

Original signed versions of either pre- or full proposals are not required. For the second stage, please note that full proposals will only be accepted from applicants explicitly invited by the JCS to submit them.

Both pre-proposals and full proposals must be submitted **within the deadlines indicated below**. Please note that in addition the submission of the proposal via the central online submission system, a submission of documents on the national level might be necessary. Please check below "ANNEX 1. National /Regional Regulations".



Timeline of the call

27 March 2024	Publication of the call
26 April 2024 at 16:00 (CEST)	Opening of the online submission system for pre-proposals
05 July 2024 at 12:00 (CEST)	Deadline for pre-proposal submission
18 October 2024	Communication of results of pre-proposal assessment and invitation to full-proposal stage
18 November 2024	Opening of the online submission system for full proposals
29 November 2024 at 12:00 (CET)	Deadline for full-proposal submission
Expected for May 2025	Communication of the funding decisions to the applicants
September 2025	Expected project start (also subject to regional/national procedures)

Call deadlines will be strictly enforced and the electronic system will not allow submissions after call deadlines. Please take into account that online data entry may be overloaded on the deadline. It is therefore recommended to upload all the required material in due time.

Partners

In case of interest in finding partners to the consortium, it is recommended to use the Partner Search Tool - Partfinder, provided by the National Centre for Research and Development (NCBR) on the website <https://partfinder.ncbr.gov.pl>. The usage of the aforementioned tool is voluntary and free of charge.¹

Eligibility Check

Prior to proposal submission, applicants must contact the respective national/regional funding organisation contact persons and refer to the national/regional eligibility criteria and requirements (Annex 1).

***NOTE:** An eligibility check before pre-proposal submission is mandatory for the following funding organisations:*

- 1. The Ministry of Health (IT-MOH), Italy*
- 2. Fondazione Regionale per la Ricerca Biomedica (FRRB), Lombardy, Italy*
- 3. Tuscany Region (TuscReg), Italy*

¹ All terms and conditions related to Partfinder are available here: <https://partfinder.ncbr.gov.pl/portal/regulations.html>



4. *National Institute of Health Carlos III (ISCIII) and The Scientific Foundation of the Spanish Association Against Cancer (FCAECC), Spain*
5. *The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Türkiye (TÜBİTAK), Türkiye (Applicants from Türkiye should apply to the TÜBİTAK 1071 Programme via <https://uidb-pbs.tubitak.gov.tr/> in parallel to the 1st stage submission).*

Please read national/regional regulations (Annex 1) and contact the national/regional contact persons.

After submission, the JCS will check proposals to ensure that they meet the call's formal criteria (e.g. date of submission; number of research groups/countries, type of project partners: academic, clinical/public health and industrial/SMEs, document length, and inclusion of all necessary information in English). In parallel, the JCS will forward the proposals to the relevant TRANSCAN-3 national/regional funding organisations that will perform a formal check for compliance with their respective eligibility criteria. Proposals passing both checks will be evaluated by independent international scientific experts.

Please note that after submission it is not possible to amend the proposal or to add further documents.

Pre-proposal structure

One joint pre-proposal (in English) shall be prepared by the partners and be submitted to the JCS by the project coordinator.

Please note that it is mandatory that applicants use the pre-proposal application form provided within the PT-Outline [Electronic Submission System](#), and that pre-proposals comply with the length indicated for each section. Pre-proposals that do not comply with these rules will be rejected. Proposals must be written in English and submitted to the JCS by the project coordinator as a PDF file through the electronic system exclusively.

Full proposal structure

Information provided in the pre-proposal application is binding for the entire application process. Thus, any substantial changes between pre-proposal and full proposal (e.g. title, acronym, composition of the consortia, objectives of the project, etc.) must be communicated in advance to the JCS with detailed justification and will only be allowed by the Call Steering Committee (CSC) under exceptional circumstances.

Please note that it is mandatory to use the full proposal application form downloaded from the on-line submission system and to comply with the length indicated. Full proposals not complying with these rules will be rejected.



Important reminders for all applicants

Applicants should refer to the national/regional eligibility criteria and requirements (Annex 1) and should contact their respective national/regional funding organisation contact persons prior to submitting their application. An **eligibility check** is mandatory for some national/regional funding organisations before the submission deadline (see above).

The JCS will assess proposals to ensure that they meet the call's formal criteria [e.g. date of submission; number of participating research groups, type of project partners (academic, clinical/public health and industrial/SMEs), and inclusion of all necessary information in English, document length]. In parallel, the JCS will forward proposals to the relevant TRANSCAN national/regional funding organisations that will perform a formal check of compliance with their respective eligibility criteria. Proposals passing both checks will be forwarded to independent international scientific experts for evaluation.

Please note that once the JTC 2024 is closed it is not possible to amend an application or add additional documents.

Start of the projects and Consortium Agreement

In order to ensure a proper conduct of the project activities, a Consortium Agreement (CA) must be signed between the partners. The research consortium is strongly encouraged to sign this CA before the official project start date. In any case the CA must be signed no later than six (6) months after the official project start date. The CA must address the following issues: governance structure and decision-making process, responsibilities between the partners and subsequent liability, reporting, ownership and use of research results, IPR, publications, confidentiality. Upon request, copy of the CA will be communicated to the concerned TRANSCAN-3 JTC 2024 funding organisations.

Consortium partners of projects selected for funding will decide between them on a common start date for the project, which would be the reference date for yearly and final reports and extensions. The official start date shall be communicated by the project coordinator to the JCS and **shall appear in the consortium agreement**.

General Data Protection Regulation

The following Data Privacy Notice applies:

By submitting an application to the call, applicants consent to the use, processing and retention of their data, in line with the above notice and for the purposes of:

- processing and evaluating the application where processing shall be lawful -only if and to the extent that processing is necessary for the performance of a task carried out in the public interest or in the exercise of official authority vested in the controller;
- administering any subsequent funding award;



- managing the Funding Party's relationship with them;
- analysing and evaluating the call;
- providing aggregate data to regional/national and European surveys and analyses;
- complying with audits that may be initiated by the funding organisations.

The members² of the ERA-NET TRANSCAN-3 consortium may share an applicant's data with third parties (some of which may be based outside the European Economic Area) in relation to the above activities including evaluators, auditors and the European Commission (or its agencies).

The members of the ERA-NET TRANSCAN-3 consortium may link the data that applicants provide in the application with regional/national, bibliographic or external research funding data which is available through public subscription-based databases (e.g. Scopus, Web of Science, etc.) or other regional/national/open datasets.

The members of the ERA-NET TRANSCAN-3 consortium may also link the data that applicants provide in their application with future data that applicants provide as part of the ongoing management and reporting.

Data on Funding Parties including contact details of CSC members are kept for the purpose of the call communication. The information will be published with prior consent of the respective management bodies.

² Canada (CIHR) will not share applicant's data with third parties.

ANNEX 1. National /Regional Regulations

Country	Austria
Funding organisation	Austrian Science Fund (FWF)
National contact persons	<p>Herbert MAYER herbert.mayer@fwf.ac.at +43 676 83487 8212</p> <p>Kathrina PROSCHINGER kathrina.proschinger@fwf.ac.at +43 676 83487 8217</p>
National programme	
Funding commitment	1.2 M €
Anticipated number of fundable project partners	4
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project partner	
Eligibility of projects	Please refer to the Call Text
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	<p>Non-profit organisations, e.g. universities, university hospitals, non-university research institutes</p> <p>Please refer also to the general FWF Funding Guidelines and to the appropriate section of the FWF website for International-Multilateral Initiatives.</p>
Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member	<p>All Austrian research institutions are eligible to apply. Please note: Research institutions must be registered in the FWF's research institution portal. The proposed research must be carried out in Austria under the auspices of the Austrian lead research institution. Applications are submitted by the research institution where the project is to be carried out. A principal investigator is responsible to carry out the project. Neither a specific academic degree nor</p>

	<p>Austrian citizenship is required to act as principal investigator. The principal investigator must, however, have appropriate scientific qualifications (see section 1.5 of the Guidelines) and sufficient time resources to carry out the proposed research. The research institution must provide the necessary infrastructure.</p> <p>The principal investigator must be employed at the Austrian research institution applying for funding at the time the project is scheduled to begin. Their salary is financed either by the research institution or by the project as a grant-salaried researcher (see section 2.3.1.1 in the Guidelines). If the principal investigator is employed part-time at the start of the project, project funds can be used to increase the extent of employment to full time. Researchers who are predominantly working abroad during the project may act as principal investigators if they are employed at the Austrian research institution applying for funding at the time of application and for the entire duration of the project. The extent of employment at the Austrian research institution not funded by the FWF must be at least 25%.</p> <p>It should be noted that for principal investigators, the number of ongoing/approved projects in the Principal Investigator Projects, International, Clinical Research, and Arts-Based Research programs is limited to a maximum of 3 projects. For further information on restrictions concerning the permissible number of applications and ongoing projects, please see Restriction on the number of projects.</p>
<p>Eligibility of costs, types and their caps</p>	<p>Only project-specific costs are eligible for funding. These include personnel and non-personnel costs that are needed to carry out the project and that are not included in the infrastructure provided by the research institution (for more information please see section 2.3 of the Guidelines). This includes: Personnel, Consumables, Animals, Subcontracts, Equipment, Travel, Documentation. Overheads are not eligible costs. The FWF does not finance the infrastructure or basic equipment of research institutions.</p> <p>Subcontracts must be well justified, i.e. must represent the only or the most economical way to have the work performed; please contact FWF directly for clarification of individual cases.</p> <p>The current FWF salary scale indicates the salaries that may be requested.</p> <p>In addition, funding may be requested for project-specific work at the associated research institution(s) where associated research partner(s) work. Associated research partners are researchers working on a project-specific basis at other Austrian research institutions (associated research institutions) and who are making a significant</p>

	<p>scientific/scholarly contribution to the project. The <i>Associated Research Partner</i> form must be completed for these researchers, if applicable. This form is accessible during the submission procedure via elane (see below). Funds are disbursed from the lead research institution to the associated research institution(s). Associated research institutions report directly to the FWF to account for funds used at their institution. For information on applying for personnel costs for the principal investigator's own salary, please see section 2.3.1.1 of the Guidelines. Please note that exaggerated cost projections may be grounds for rejection, even if a proposal is otherwise excellent.</p>
<p>Submission of the proposal at the national level</p>	<p>FWF Submission:</p> <p>In addition to the application at the call secretariat administrative and financial data must be submitted online to the FWF using the elane digital application portal within the given deadline. This is required for both the preproposal and the full proposal stage.</p> <p>Project funding is administered through the research institutions (PROFI); this means the application must be approved for submission by both the applicant and the respective research institution (= lead research institution). All forms required for the application must be completed online; other required documents must be uploaded in full before the application can be approved for submission by the research institution. For additional information, please see the elane user manual.</p> <p>Please complete and upload the following documents as individual annexes to the national FWF application system:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget justification for the project part to be financed by FWF (according to Appendix A (section 6.1) of the Guidelines for Principal Investigator Projects). • CV of the applicant at FWF according to the Guidelines. • PI_publication.pdf: Two publications written by the applicant must be named, documenting that the applicant fulfils the general requirements to apply (see Template PI-publication). The FWF will base the applicant's eligibility to apply on these publications. <p>Please note that it is not necessary to upload the proposal itself as this document is provided to the FWF by the Joint Call Secretariat.</p>

Country	Belgium (French speaking community, F.R.S.-FNRS)
Funding organisation	Fonds de la Recherche Scientifique – FNRS (F.R.S.-FNRS)
National contact persons	Joël GROENEVELD joel.groeneveld@frs-fnrs.be +32 2504 9270 international@frs-fnrs.be
National programme	PINT-MULTI (https://www.frs-fnrs.be/fr/financements/credits-et-projets#pint)
Funding commitment	0.2 M €
Anticipated number of fundable project partners	1
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project partner	The maximum amount of requested funding per project is 200 000 EUR for a total period of three years. If the project involves the recruitment of a PhD student, the project duration of the F.R.S.-FNRS sub-project could be up to four years.
Eligibility of projects	All eligibility rules and criteria can be found in the PINT-MULTI regulations .
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	
Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member	
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	
Submission of the proposal at the national level	Applicants to F.R.S.-FNRS funding must provide basic administrative data by submitting an administrative application via e-space within 5 working days after the general deadline of the JTC2024 to be eligible . Please select the “PINT-MULTI” funding instrument when creating the administrative application. Proposals invited to the

	second stage will be able to complete the pre-proposal form and provide information for the full proposal upon validation by the F.R.S.-FNRS.
Further guidance	Please contact one of the National contact persons listed if you have questions regarding the above.

Country	Canada
Funding organisation	Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR)
National contact persons	Emma Ito cihr.icr@uhn.ca CIHR Contact Centre support-soutien@cihr-irsc.gc.ca
Funding commitment	CAD \$900,000
Anticipated number of fundable project partners	2
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project partner	CAD \$450,000
Eligibility of projects	Refer to call text
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	<p>Eligible individuals include but are not limited to researchers, knowledge users, scholars, health professionals, undergraduates, graduate students, and postdoctoral scholars. Among eligible organizations that CIHR may fund are non-governmental organizations with a research or knowledge translation mandate. Specifics regarding eligible applicants for a given competition will be specified in the funding opportunity.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Nominated Principal Applicant (NPA) must be an independent researcher.

- The NPA must have their [substantive role in Canada](#) for the duration of the requested grant term.
- The Institution Paid must be [authorized to administer CIHR funds](#) by the application deadline (see [List of CIHR Eligible Institutions](#)).

An [early career researcher \(ECR\)](#) is a researcher within five years of the date of their first independent research-related appointment.

Please note, only one Canadian research group will be funded per consortium.

Additional Requirements for Grant Programs Only:

- Individuals in the Nominated Principal Applicant (NPA) role leading the Canadian component must be an [independent researcher](#), affiliated with a Canadian postsecondary institution and/or its affiliated institutions (including hospitals, research institutes and other non-profit organizations with a mandate for health research and/or knowledge translation) at the time of funding. Individuals working with municipal, provincial and territorial governments are also eligible where the research proposed is not already funded by that government sector.
- Appointments/positions that can be renewed prior to the end of the requested grant term are eligible at the discretion of the administering institution.
- Federal government employees are not eligible in the Nominated Principal Applicant role.

For more information, refer to the [CIHR Guidelines on Determining Eligibility of Nominated Principal Applicant Individuals on Grants](#).

Additional Conditions of Funding:

- The nominated principal applicant will be required to submit, in addition to also meeting all TRANSCAN-3 reporting requirements, an electronic Final Report to CIHR. This online report will be made available to

	<p>the Nominated Principal Applicant on ResearchNet at the beginning of the grant funding period and can be filled in as the research progresses.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is incumbent upon the Canadian researchers to review and understand all expectations of the call text, including the requirement for a Consortium Agreement (CA). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The CA specifies the relationship among the funded researchers, outlines how the project will be organized and managed, and includes clauses related to Intellectual Property and FAIR data. ○ The nominated principal applicants who are successful in this competition will be expected to develop and sign a CA - depending on the composed consortium, different rules are applicable. ○ The successful nominated principal applicant must consult the relevant country National Rules and Requirement in this Annex, discuss and plan with your consortium partners when a signed CA is required. It is noted that CIHR does not retain or claim any rights to IP in relation to research that it funds. Accordingly, the Canadian researchers retain full freedom in negotiating the CA required, including whether or not to accept the IP conditions. ○ The NPA does NOT need to send a signed copy of the CA, nor a declaration of the CA to CIHR. The TRANSCAN-3 Joint Call Secretariat will contact you directly for a copy should it be needed. <p>Funding applications submitted to TRANSCAN-3 will be held in jurisdictions outside of Canada and will not be subject to the provisions of the <i>Privacy Act</i>. Information submitted to TRANSCAN-3 as part of the applications will be governed by the provisions of EU data protection laws, the European Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). Please note that all parties on applications must also comply with GDPR (2016/679).</p>
<p>Eligibility of costs, types and their caps</p>	<p>https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/InterAgency-Interorganismes/TAFA-AFTO/guide-guide_eng.asp</p>
<p>Submission of the proposal at the national level</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Canadian applicants must complete a CIHR Abbreviated Application and submit it using ResearchNet in addition to the proposal submitted to the Joint Call Secretariat. • Canadian applicants must submit an Operating Budget for the project with the amounts quoted in Canadian dollars, and a complete justification for funds requested as part of the CIHR Abbreviated Application using ResearchNet in addition to the proposal submitted to the Joint Call Secretariat. The

	<p>deadline for submission of this CIHR Abbreviated Application is different than the proposal deadline to the Joint Call Secretariat.</p>
<p>Further guidance</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The total amount available from CIHR for this funding opportunity is CAD \$900,000, enough to fund the Canadian component of up to two (2) transnational teams. This amount may increase if additional Canadian funding partners participate. The maximum amount per grant is CAD \$150,000 per year for up to 3 years, for a total of CAD \$450,000 per grant for the Canadian component of the transnational team. This amount should also cover any capacity building activities detailed in the project plan to promote the establishment of multidisciplinary teams and strengthen their capacity and quality of their research. • Of this CAD \$ \$900,000: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ CAD \$450,000 is available to fund the Canadian component of one (1) grant relevant to CIHR’s General Cancer research area. ○ CAD \$450,000 is available to fund the Canadian component of one (1) grant relevant to CIHR’s Breast Cancer research area. • Approved joint transnational teams may receive an across-the-board cut to the budget, if necessary, to maximize the number of funded opportunities. <p>For full details of CIHR’s requirements, please refer to the Funding Opportunity on ResearchNet.</p> <p>Further details will be provided by the national contact persons upon request.</p>

Country	France (INCa & ARC)	
Funding organisations	French National Cancer Institute (INCa)	ARC Foundation for Cancer Research (ARC Foundation)
National contact persons	For INCa: Charlotte GUDEWICZ , Research and Innovation Division 52 avenue André Morizet 92513 Boulogne Billancourt Cedex cgudewicz@institutcancer.fr + 33 (0)1 41 10 15 14	For ARC Foundation: Charlotte Audoynaud Translational Research & Innovation – Fondation ARC pour la recherche sur le cancer 9 rue Guy Môquet 94803 Villejuif Cedex, France preti@fondation-arc.org +33 (0)1 45 59 58 45
Funding commitment	INCa: 1.5 M€	ARC Foundation: 0.7 M€
Anticipated number of fundable project partners	INCa : 5-10	ARC Foundation: from 1 to 3 research teams
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project partner	Maximum funding per project: 0.3 M€. In case that two eligible partners will be involved in the Consortium, the sum of funding requested by both groups must not exceed 0.5 M€. Max. 2 beneficiary Institutions can be financed in the same project.	
Eligibility of projects	Please refer to the Call Text	
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Public research institutions (university, EPST, EPIC, etc.) - Non-profit organisations (associations, foundations, etc.) - Hospitals or other health care providers (CHU, CRLCC, etc.) 	

<p>Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member</p>	<p><i>Please note that for the reason that a personal investment is necessary for the good progress of the project, the PI is not allowed to coordinate simultaneously more than 3 projects funded by INCa.</i></p>
<p>Eligibility of costs, types and their caps</p>	<p>For the research project:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <u>Equipment</u>: the total amount of the “equipment” expenses should not exceed a maximum of 30% of the total grant awarded - <u>Consumables and subcontracting</u> - <u>Personnel costs</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Salary costs for permanent staff may be included in the budget with the exception of civil servants • Please note that salary for PhD student is not eligible outside activities for capacity building. - <u>Travel and accommodation</u>: only for the partner team members and for project management meetings; the total amount of the “Travel and accommodation” expenses should not exceed a maximum of 8% of the total grant awarded (Travel and accommodation costs to attend the intermediate and/or final TRANSCAN status symposium as specified in the Call Text can be included in addition to the 8%) - <u>Indirect costs/overheads</u>: not eligible. <p>For the capacity building activities (<u>Important reminder</u>: These additional expenses should be asked to specifically reach the objectives mentioned in the dedicated section of the application forms):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Part of salary costs for support staff (technician, engineer, etc.); - Part of salary for scientist, physician, veterinarian or pharmacist (short term training, PhD student, post-doctoral fellowship); - Travel and accommodation for exchange programmes. <p>Costs for project management workshops and dissemination events such as symposia are not eligible in this section.</p>
<p>National phase</p>	<p>Not required. Only submission of the joint proposal is required.</p>

Country	Germany
Funding organisation	Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF)
National contact persons	Project Management Agency of the German Aerospace Center (PT-DLR) - Health Research- Heinrich-Konen-Str. 1 D-53227 Bonn, Germany Sebastian Hückesfeld sebastian.hueckesfeld@dlr.de
National programme	Health Research Framework Programme
Funding commitment	3.0 M€
Anticipated number of fundable project partners	10-12
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project partner	Max. 300.000€ (including overheads and capacity building) per research consortium; i.e. if two German project partners participate in a consortium, the sum of funding requested by both groups must not exceed 300.000€ (incl. overheads and capacity building).
Eligibility of projects	Please refer to the Call Text.
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Public research institutions; - Non-profit organisations (associations, foundations, etc.) ; - Hospitals or other health care providers; - Enterprises (with a maximum of 50-60% of their costs).
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Personnel; - Consumables; - Equipment; - Subcontracting; - Travel;

	- Overheads.
National phase	Not required. Only submission of the joint proposal is required.

Country	Hungary
Funding organisation	National Research, Development and Innovation Office (NKFIH)
National contact persons	Klára HORVÁTH National Research, Development and Innovation Office Budapest 1077, Kéthly Anna tér 1. klara.horvath@nkfi.gov.hu +36 1 896 37 48
National programme	2019-2.1.7-ERA-NET national call
Funding commitment	0.3 M€
Anticipated number of fundable project partners	1-2
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project partner	NKFIH does not have a maximum funding per grant.
Eligibility of projects	Please refer to the Call Text.
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Eligible applicants from Hungary are entities falling under any of the following GFO codes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • enterprise with legal entity (GFO code: 11X); • non-profit organisation with legal entity (GFO code: 5XX); • budgetary units and entities (e.g. higher education institutions, municipalities;) (GFO code: 3XX);

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> enterprise with a registered office in the European Economic Area and a branch in Hungary (GFO: 226).
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	All research-related costs in accordance with government decree 380/2014 (XII.31) are eligible. In case a partner is subject to State Aid rules, funding intensity shall be set at a level that complies with the State Aid rules in force at the time of the funding decision.
National phase	Not required. Only submission of the joint proposal is required.
Further guidance	https://nkfih.gov.hu/palyazoknak/nkfi-alap/palyazat-era-net-cofund-ejp-cofund-egyeb-multilateralis-programok-2023-121-era-net/palyazati-felhivas

Country	Italy (IT-MOH)
Funding organisation	Ministry of Health (Ministero della Salute) IT-MOH www.salute.gov.it
National contact persons	Chiara CICCARELLI c.cicarelli@sanita.it Francesca TURCO f.turco@sanita.it
National programme	Framework National Programme "Health Research" of the Ministry of Health.
Funding commitment	2,4 M€
Anticipated number of fundable project partners	6

Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project partner	Maximum funding per project: 0.4 M€. In case that two eligible partners will be involved in the Consortium, the total amount will be shared between the beneficiary Institutions. Max. 2 beneficiary Institutions can be financed in the same project.
Eligibility of projects duration	Max 3 years
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	<p>ONLY IRCCS: Scientific Institutes for Research, Hospitalization and Health Care (Istituti di Ricovero e Cura a Carattere Scientifico pubblici e privati).</p> <p>Non fundable: Universities, research institutes.</p>
Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member	<p>The simultaneous participation in proposals submitted in 2024 to different transnational research calls, funded by IT-MOH, is not allowed to Italian Principal Investigators or other research team members.</p> <p>In order to expedite the eligibility check process, IT-MOH will grant an eligibility clearance to the applicants prior to the submission of the proposals. To this end, it is mandatory that the applicants fill out and return a pre-eligibility check form through IRCCS Scientific Directorate using WFR System before submitting their 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 proposal submission deadline. Applicants will be sent a written notification of their eligibility status. When the budget includes a sub-contract, the eligibility and the authorization to the sub-contract must be requested 20 working days before the deadline.</p>
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	<p>Direct Costs: Personnel (only temporary contracts) (max 50%); Consumables: no limit; Animals: no limit; Subcontracts (Max 20%); Equipment (only on hire); Travel (max 10%); Documentation (Max 1%).</p> <p>Indirect Costs: Overheads (max 10%); other indirect costs are not eligible</p>

National phase	After completion of the TRANSCAN-3 JTC 2024 peer review process and endorsement of the final (scientific) ranking list 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 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 http://www.salute.gov.it , section “Ricerca Sanitaria”, or requested to the national contact persons.

Country	Italy – Lombardy (FRRB)
Funding organisation	Fondazione Regionale per la Ricerca Biomedica (FRRB)
National contact persons	Giulia ROSSIGNOLO and Erica TORTI Piazza Città di Lombardia,1 20124 – Milano progetti@frrb.it +39 02 67650174/ +39 02 67650159
Regional programme	FRRB Action Plan 2024
Funding commitment	2 M€
Anticipated number of fundable project partners	4-5
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project partner	Maximum € 500. 000 per Project Maximum two partners from Lombardy per Project

Eligibility of projects	Please refer to the Call Text.
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	<p>Eligible applicants must be located in Lombardy:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Public or Private Italian IRCCS (Scientific Institutes for Health Research, Hospitalization and Health Care). They can apply as Partners or Coordinators of a Consortium. 2. Public Health Care Providers (ASST). They can apply as Partners or Coordinators of a Consortium. 3. Agenzie di Tutela della Salute (ATS). They can apply as Partners or Coordinators of a Consortium. 4. Azienda Regionale Emergenza Urgenza (AREU). They can apply as Partners or Coordinators of a Consortium. 5. Research Institutes - only in partnership with one of the organizations above (1,2,3,4). They can apply as Partners or Coordinators of a Consortium. 6. Universities - only in in partnership with one of the organizations above (1,2,3,4). They can apply only as Partners, not as Coordinators of a Consortium. <p>Please refer to the definition of research institutes and organisations on the FRRB webpage Enterprises and for-profit organisations are NOT eligible.</p>
Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member	<p>Rules regarding the Principal Investigator (PI):</p> <p>A Principal Investigator (PI) cannot simultaneously hold more than one FRRB grant. PIs who are currently FRRB grant holders cannot apply to a new JTC unless their project is closed before the deadline of the new JTC pre-proposals. A project is considered closed when the final financial and scientific reports have been sent to FRRB. This rule applies only to PIs, not to team members.</p> <p>Personnel costs of PIs who have a permanent contract with their own organisation are NOT eligible.</p>
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	<p>Direct costs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personnel (for public IRCCS and ASST, ATS and AREU, ONLY staff recruited specifically on the project). Personnel costs of PIs who have a permanent contract (contratto indeterminato) with their own organisation are NOT eligible.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consumables, animals purchase, maintenance and breeding. • Equipment (on hire or eligible amortization rate). • Travel: max 10% of the total direct costs (<i>overheads and subcontracting costs excluded</i>) • Publications (only open access): max 5% of the total direct costs (overheads and subcontracting costs excluded). • Other direct costs: please include here other costs, including those related to patient involvement (insurance, reimbursement, etc.). • Subcontracting: max 20% of the total direct costs (overheads costs excluded) <p>Indirect costs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overheads: 20% flat rate calculated on direct costs (Subcontracting costs excluded from this calculation). <p>FRRB will require the submission of a financial audit certificate together with the final financial report. This cost, to be included under the “Subcontracting” category will be eligible up to a maximum of € 8.000. Only costs generated over the lifetime of the project will be considered eligible.</p>
<p>National (regional) phase</p>	<p>According to internal procedures, FRRB will run a check on the potential applicants prior to the submission of the pre-proposals.</p> <p>The pre-eligibility check will be based on the verification of a dedicated form (“Pre-eligibility check form”), available on the FRRB TRANSCAN3 Call Webpage, to be completed and sent to FRRB (progetti@frrb.it) by the Principal Investigator at least 10 working days before the pre-proposal submission deadline.</p> <p>FRRB will provide feedback on the “Eligibility check form” ONLY in case of major non-eligibility issues.</p> <p>Principal Investigators (PIs) who submit a proposal without sending the “Pre-eligibility check form” to FRRB beforehand will be automatically excluded.</p> <p>In addition, FRRB provides an excel sheet to help applicants abide by FRRB funding rules. This form is meant to support the PIs in the elaboration of the proposal budget, but it does not need to be sent to FRRB.</p>

	Once the funded projects have been announced, FRRB will invite the PIs' host institutions of the projects approved for funding to sign a funding agreement.
Further guidance	Administrative and Financial guidelines will be provided by FRRB on the website in due time

Country	Italy – Tuscany (TuscReg)
Funding organisation	Tuscany Region (TuscReg)
Regional contact persons	Donatella TANINI +39 055 4383256 Teresa VIERI +39 055 4383289 transcan3@regione.toscana.it
Regional programme	Regional Health Reseach Programme
Funding commitment	0.3 M€ Maximum 300 000 € per project. MAXIMUM TWO PARTNERS FROM TUSCANY PER PROJECT (If there are two Tuscany partners in the same consortium, the amount of 300 000 € will be shared).
Anticipated number of fundable project partners	1-2
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project partner	0.3
Eligibility of projects	Please refer to the Call Text.

<p>Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution</p>	<p>A. Authorities of the Tuscany Health Service-SST (Local Health Authorities, University Hospitals) and the SST bodies that carry out institutional research activities (Fondazione Toscana Gabriele Monasterio and ISPRO Institute for Study, Prevention and Networking Oncology) located in the territory of Tuscany. B. Universities and other research institutes located in the territory of Tuscany.</p> <p>NB: Institutions referring to point B are eligible only in partnership with institutions referring to point A.</p>
<p>Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member</p>	<p>The Principal Investigator must be affiliated to one of the eligible bodies.</p>
<p>Eligibility of costs, types and their caps</p>	<p>Only costs generated over the lifetime of the project will be considered eligible:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Personnel (ad hoc temporary contracts ONLY) - Consumables (no limit); - Equipment (on hire/leasing or eligible amortisation rate ONLY); - Clinical Trials (patients costs) - Capacity building - Travel (Up to 10% of the requested funding) Travel expenses and subsistence allowances associated with activities only linked to the project; - Other direct costs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • dissemination of results (publications, organisation of meetings/workshops etc.- up to 5% of the requested funding); • Subcontracting (up to 20%of the direct costs of the projects) - Overheads (up to 10% of the direct costs of the project excepted subcontracting).
<p>Regional phase</p>	<p>Tuscany Region will grant an eligibility clearance to the potential applicants prior to the submission of their pre-proposals. Eligibility check will be performed by Tuscany Region offices after receiving a dedicated form (available on Tuscany Region institutional web-site or upon request to transcan3@regione.toscana.it) duly filled out and signed by the Tuscan Principal Investigator. The form should be sent to Tuscany Region (transcan3@regione.toscana.it) at least 10 days before the pre-proposal submission deadline.</p>

	Once a definitive ranking list will be generated and endorsed by the Call Steering Committee, the coordinators and principal investigators of the projects granted for funding will enter the formal national/regional negotiation (in agreement with the national regulation). Periodic scientific and financial reports at the national/regional level might be required.
Further guidance	Financial guidelines: Decreto dirigenziale n. 20197 del 19.11.2021 (http://www301.regione.toscana.it/banccadati/atti/DettaglioAttiID.xml?codprat=2021AD00000022801)

Country	Latvia
Funding organisation	Latvian Council of Science (LCS)
National contact persons	Maija BUNDULE maija.bundule@lzp.gov.lv +371 26514481 Uldis BERKIS uldis.berkis@lzp.gov.lv +371 29472349 Latvijas Zinātnes padome Smilšu iela 8, LV-1050 Rīga
National programme	Support is provided according to Provisions Nr 259, 26.05.2015 of the Latvian Cabinet of Ministers http://likumi.lv/ta/id/274671-atbalsta-pieskirsanas-kartiba-dalibai-starptautiskas-sadarbibas-programmaspetniecibas-un-tehnologiju-joma . Limitations and requirements of these provisions apply without exceptions.
Funding commitment	0.6 M€

Anticipated number of fundable project partners	2
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project partner	Max 100 000 EUR/year (300 000 EUR for a 3-year project)
Eligibility of projects	The projects should correspond to the priorities of the JTC2024. Duration of the project: up to 3 years. The activities must correspond to “research” according to Latvian Law on Scientific Activity.
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	<p>Only the following legal bodies can apply:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) universities, state research institutes; other research institutions which should be listed in the Latvian register of research institutions operated by Ministry of Education and Science. They shall correspond to the definition of Research and Knowledge dissemination organisation (Regulation 651/2014). 2) Enterprises entered into the Latvian Commercial registry are eligible, assumed they are eligible to do the specific research and can prove possession of research resources in Latvia, and their main activity including research activity is in Latvia. Limitations of EU legislation apply (R 651/2014) together with financial reporting requirements. They must present statements for 2 closed years and correspond to all requirements designated in Provisions Nr 259, 26.05.2015 of the Latvian Cabinet of Ministers http://likumi.lv/ta/id/274671-atbalsta-pieskirsanas-kartiba-dalibai-starptautiskas-sadarbibas-programmaspetniecibas-un-tehnologiju-joma
Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member	Principal investigator – researcher holding a doctoral degree and experienced in the field related to the project thematic. Other research team members - researchers, physicians, technicians, assistants and supporting staff.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	<p>Project eligible costs are as follows:</p> <p>For the research project:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Personnel costs (researchers, technicians and other supporting staff to the extent employed on the research project) and relevant personnel taxes, maximum rates must be respected, 2. Other direct costs such as consumables, equipment (only depreciation costs), reagents, animals,

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Subcontracting (up to 25% of total direct costs), with justification, includes also external patents and licenses and all external services, core activities can not be subcontracted, 4. Travels and allowances, 5. Overheads can reach a maximum of 25% of the direct project costs exempt subcontracting, and must include only indirect cost categories <p>For the capacity building and training activities: Short term training related to the project needs – covering possible only to direct travel costs. Core activities cannot be subcontracted. No funding for partnerships, no funding for non-research activities. For enterprises the support rate is determined by Regulation 651/2014.</p>
National phase	<p>The project participant of the project recommended for the implementation by the TRANSACAN-3 Call Steering Committee must apply to the LZP for granting support for the implementation of the project. A copy of the project Consortium Agreement signed by the consortium shall be presented to LZP.</p> <p>In the contract phase, annual scientific and financial reports will be required. Final research project cost statement must be audited by a dedicated auditor. Ethics and regulatory permissions are responsibility of the consortium.</p> <p>Latvian legislation requires conclusion of Consortium Agreement in order Latvian partner to be fundable. The signed Consortium Agreement must be presented to LCS to obtain funding.</p>
Further guidance	<p>http://likumi.lv/ta/id/274671-atbalsta-pieskirsanas-kartiba-dalibai-starptautiskas-sadarbibas-programmas-petniecibas-un-tehnologiju-joma</p>

Country	Luxembourg
Funding organisation	National Research Fund (FNR)
National contact persons	Sean Sapcariu sean.sapcariu@fnr.lu Gideon Giesselmann gideon.giesselmann@fnr.lu
National programme	INTER funding scheme - https://www.fnr.lu/funding-instruments/inter/
Funding commitment	0.3 M€
Anticipated number of fundable project partners	1
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project partner	300 000 EUR
Eligibility of projects	Please refer to the Call Text.
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Research-performing institutions eligible for funding by FNR. All information concerning eligibility rules for Luxembourg participants are detailed in the FNR INTER Application Guidelines (download available at https://www.fnr.lu/funding-instruments/inter/)
Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member	Please see “FNR requirements for principal investigators and supervisors on FNR-funded projects” - http://storage.fnr.lu/index.php/s/g4OPmRwEYhYwRkZ
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Personnel, Equipment, Consumables, Travel. Further details provided in the “INTER application guidelines”, download available here: https://www.fnr.lu/funding-instruments/inter/
National phase	Proposals (pre- and full proposals) must be submitted by the PI’s host institution’ administration (not by the PI) in electronic format to the FNR’s grant management system no later than 5 working days after the JTC 2024 submission deadline.

	<p>In addition, the following is needed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) At both proposal stages, the following 3 documents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • INTER budget sheet, • INTER budget details (justification), • INTER project plan to be submitted by the Luxembourg PI to the FNR's grant management system, jointly with a pdf of the proposal submitted to the JTC 2024. 2) Before start of the project: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A consortium agreement (at least clarifying publication and IP rights) signed by all project partners. <p>FNR will accept a maximum of 1 JTC 2024 applications from an individual applicant.</p>
Further guidance	<p>Please consult the "INTER application guidelines" for further details, download available here: https://www.fnr.lu/funding-instruments/inter/</p>

Country	Norway (RCN & NCS)	
Funding organisations	Research Council of Norway (RCN)	Norwegian Cancer Society (NCS)
National contact persons	Tine THORBJØRSEN tth@rcn.no	
Funding commitment	0.5 M€	0.5 M€
Anticipated number of fundable project partners	2-4 in total from both funders together	
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project partner	300 000 EUR for partners per project, and 400 000 EUR for project coordinators, from both funders together.	
Eligibility of projects	Translational studies allowing a rapid implementation into public health-related decisions or into the clinic are encouraged.	
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Norwegian universities, university colleges, hospitals, independent research institutes and other publicly funded research groups. Private industry is eligible within the regulations of the Stated Aid Rules.	
Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member	The project manager/PI should have completed a doctoral degree or have corresponding qualifications.	
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	For the research project: Payroll expenses, procurement of R&D services, consumables. For the capacity building activities: Exchange programs, trainings, travels relevant for the project.	

Country	Poland
Funding organisation	National Centre for Research and Development (NCBR) (http://www.ncbr.gov.pl)
National contact persons	Paulina Puchalska paulina.puchalska@ncbr.gov.pl Hanna Sroczynska hanna.sroczynska@ncbr.gov.pl
Funding commitment	0.9 M€
Anticipated number of fundable project partners	3-4 projects
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project partner	Max. 300 000 EUR per project (regardless of the number of Polish partners in the project).
Eligibility of projects	Please refer to the Call Text.
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member	Following entities are eligible to apply: 1. Enterprises ³ - Micro, Small, Medium and Large, 2. Research organisations (research and knowledge-dissemination organisations) ⁴ , 3. Groups of entities composed of at least two enterprises, 4. Groups of entities composed of at least one research organisation and at least one enterprise,

³ defined in Annex I to Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014 of 17 June 2014 declaring certain categories of aid compatible with the internal market in application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty (hereinafter referred to as “Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014”);

⁴ Defined in Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014;

	<p>5. Group of entities composed of at least two research organisations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eligibility criteria resulting from Joint Transnational Call for Proposals 2024 (JTC 2024) shall be met. • Entities must be established as a legal person⁵ and must conduct its business, R&D or any other activity on the territory of the Republic of Poland, confirmed by an entry into the relevant register⁶. • Eligible entities must be registered in Poland. • Polish applicants shall declare the TRL of their research in the pre-proposals and full proposals. • For enterprises it is strongly advised to state in the Pre-proposal application form the KRS number of the enterprise and the size of the enterprise (micro/small, medium, large). • A condition for the participation of a group of entities as the Applicant in the call is its formal existence on the date of submission of the pre-proposal, confirmed by its members concluding, at least conditionally, agreement on the creation of a group of entities. • If more than one Polish entity participates in the project, the national application is submitted by a consortium (group of entities) of all Polish entities.
<p>Eligibility of costs, types and their caps</p>	<p>The eligible costs shall be the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. personnel costs (researchers, technicians and other supporting staff to the extent employed on the research project); 2. costs of subcontracting, costs of consultancy and equivalent services used exclusively for the research activity; this cost type cannot account for more than 70% of all eligible costs of a project; the subcontracting can be obtained from consortium partner only in justified case, this need will be verified by a national experts panel; 3. operating costs including (depending on the type of eligible institution): <p>Research Organizations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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,

⁵ Legal person (juridical person) - an entity that is capable of having and amend legal rights and obligations within a certain legal system, such as to enter into contracts, sue, and be sued, excluding natural persons;

⁶ if applicable.

only the depreciation costs corresponding to the life of the research project, as calculated on the basis of good accounting practice, shall be considered eligible;

- costs for buildings and land, to the extent and for the duration used for the research project; with regard to buildings, only the depreciation costs corresponding to the life of the research project, as calculated on the basis of good accounting practice shall be considered eligible; for land, costs of commercial transfer or actually incurred capital costs shall be eligible;
- other operating costs including: costs of materials, supplies and similar products incurred directly as a result of the research activity; training costs; travels costs including conference fees; costs of project promotion (e.g. articles, project webpage);

Enterprises:

- costs of instruments and equipment, technical knowledge and patents to the extent and for the period used for the research project; if such instruments and equipment are not used for their full life for the research project, only the depreciation costs corresponding to the life of the research project, as calculated on the basis of good accounting practice, shall be considered eligible;
- costs for buildings and land, to the extent and for the duration used for the research project; with regard to buildings, only the depreciation costs corresponding to the life of the research project, as calculated on the basis of good accounting practice shall be considered eligible; for land, costs of commercial transfer or actually incurred capital costs shall be eligible.

4. **additional overheads** incurred indirectly as a result of the research project (depending on the type of eligible institution);

Research Organizations:
additional overheads for research organizations should account 25% of eligible direct costs; That costs (4) are counted as a multiplication by percentage given above (called x%) and the rest of direct costs for research organizations, excluding subcontracting (2); It means $4=(1+3)*25\%$.

Enterprises:

additional overheads for enterprises include also other operating costs, eg. costs of materials, supplies and similar products incurred directly as a result of the research activity, training costs; travels costs including conference fees; costs of project promotion (e.g. articles, project webpage). That costs should account 20% of all eligible direct project costs; Additional overheads (4) are counted as a multiplication by percentage given above (called x%) and the rest of direct costs for enterprises; It means $4=(1+2+3)*20\%$.

Projects requesting more than PLN 3 million funding are entitled to claim the cost of the audit. For more details on eligible costs, please check the guidelines in the call announcement on NCBR webpage.

Only Industrial/Applied Research and Experimental Development (TLR 2-9) will be funded. Basic research will not be funded. Other types of activities (e.g. coordination, dissemination, management) are not eligible for funding as separate WP/Task.

National funding rates:

Funding quota of Polish participants can be up to 100% for 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.

The following maximum funding quotas apply:

Type of Organization/ Type of Activity	Micro/Small Enterprises	Medium Enterprises	Large Enterprises	Research Organizations

	Industrial Research	Up to 50+20+5/15/25 (max 80 %)	Up to 50+10+5/15/2 5 (max 80 %)	Up to 50+5/15/25 (max 75 %)	Up to 100%
	Experimental development	Up to 25+20+5/15/25 (max 70 %)	Up to 25+10+5/15/2 5 (max 60 %)	Up to 25+5/15/25 (max 50 %)	Up to 100%
National phase Further guidance	<p>After international evaluation of full proposals and the selection of projects to be funded, Polish participants will be invited to submit a National Application Form (NAF) with required attachments. The NAFs will be examined for the appropriateness of funding requested. The Polish participants are obliged to use the rate of exchange of the European Central Bank dated on the day of opening of the call.</p> <p>Detailed information about scope, financial rules, national procedure and national regulations is available on the NCBR's homepage: https://www.gov.pl/web/ncbr/wniosek-krajowy</p>				
National funding rates	<p>All proposals must be aligned with national regulations, inter alia:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Act of 20 July 2018 - Law on Higher Education and Science; • The Act of 30 April 2010 on the National Centre for Research and Development; • The Regulation of the Minister of Science and Higher Education of 19 August 2020 on granting state aid by the National Centre for Research and Development, which is in line with the Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014; 				

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Regulation of the Minister of Science and Higher Education of 17 September 2010 on the detailed mode of performance of tasks of the National Centre for Research and Development.
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Country	Romania
Funding organisation	Executive Agency for Higher Education, Research, Development and Innovation Funding (UEFISCDI), Romania (UEFISCDI)
National contact persons	Mihaela MANOLE mihaela.manole@uefiscdi.ro
National programme	3 rd National RDI Plan, Horizon 2020 Subprogramme
Funding commitment	0.3 M€
Anticipated number of fundable project partners	1-2
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project partner	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 250 000 euro in case a Romanian institution is the coordinator (together with other Romanian partner(s) – if it is the case); • 200 000 for one/all Romanian partner(s) participating in a proposal.
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Eligibility of project duration: up to 36 months Eligible entities for funding are universities, public institutions, R&D national institutions, joint-stock companies, SME's and Large companies, NGOs (associations, foundations, etc.), others. Funding rates vary in accordance with state aid legislation.
Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member	https://uefiscdi.gov.ro/parteneriate-si-misiuni-europene
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	For more information: https://uefiscdi.gov.ro/parteneriate-si-misiuni-europene Cost eligibility:

	<p>a. Staff costs;</p> <p>b. Logistics expenses</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Capital expenditure 30% of the funding from the public budget; - Expenditure on stocks - supplies and inventory items; - Expenditure on services performed by third parties cannot exceed 25 % of the funding from the public budget. The subcontracted parts should not be core/substantial parts of the project work; <p>c. Travel expenses;</p> <p>d. Overheads (indirect costs) are calculated as a percentage of direct costs: staff costs, logistics costs (excluding capital costs and cost for subcontracting) and travel expenses. Indirect costs will not exceed 20 % of direct costs.</p>
Further guidance	<p>https://uefiscdi.gov.ro/parteneriate-si-misiuni-europene</p>

Country	Slovak Republic
Funding organisation	Slovak Academy of Sciences (SAS) http://www.sav.sk
National contact persons	Katarina BIBOVA bibova@up.upsav.sk Martin NOVAK mnovak@up.upsav.sk
Funding commitment	0.12 M€
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project partner	Up to 120 000€ per project
Eligibility of projects	Maximum duration 36 months

<p>Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution</p>	<p>Only research Institutes of the Slovak Academy of Sciences are eligible organisations for funding by SAS (up to 100%).</p>
<p>Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Slovak principal investigator must have more than 50% working hours in the SAS organization for which the project proposal or participation in the project proposal is submitted. 2. Other researchers, except for doctoral students, must have a working relationship with the SAS organization. 3. Each researcher of the Slovak partner research team of a project consortium (other than the Slovak Principal Investigator) must have a job contract with or a fellowship with the Slovak Principal Investigator, lasting until the end of the project or beyond 4. The Slovak principal Investigator of the research team of a project consortium must be a senior researcher having a job contract with such a project partner, lasting until the end of the granted project or beyond.
<p>Eligibility of costs, types and their caps</p>	<p>Total eligible costs = Permanent salaries + Other costs (DC + IC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Permanent salaries 45 000 € (36 months) • Other costs: 75 000 € (36 months) <p>Direct costs (DC): Personnel (max. 15% of DC for the Project Partner, max. 30% of DC for the Project Coordinator), Consumables and Travel costs Indirect costs (IC, Overheads): max. 20 % of DC.</p> <p>https://oms.sav.sk/wp-content/uploads/Financne-pravidla-na-udelovanie-grantov-SAV-na-medzinarodne-vyskumne-projekty-platne-na-vyzvy-zverejnene-od-1.12.2023.pdf</p>
<p>National phase</p>	<p>Submission of the proposal at the national level will be required once the international evaluation has taken place and the ranking list has been endorsed by the Joint Call Steering Committee (CSC). The Slovak partner will be informed about recommendation for funding by the project consortium coordinator and invited by SAS to submit the national proposal form (MVTs form). The Presidium of SAS makes the final decision concerning the approval of funding (according to internal rules of SAS).</p>

Further guidance	http://www.sav.sk/; 133 Act of February 19, 2002 on the Slovak Academy of Sciences, Principles of allocation of funds for the institutes of SAS to support projects in the field of international scientific cooperation (Financial rules for awarding SAS grants for international research projects)
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Country	Spain (ISCIII)	
Funding organisation	National Institute of Health Carlos III, (<i>ISCIII</i>) www.isciii.es	
National contact persons	Mauricio GARCÍA-FRANCO mauriciog@isciii.es Tel: (+34) 91 822 28 85	Cándida SÁNCHEZ-BARCO cbarco@isciii.es Tel: +34 91 822 2063
National programme	Acción Estratégica en Salud (AES 2025)	
Funding commitment	2 M€ Maximum grant duration: 36 months Duration of projects: 24-36 months	
Anticipated number of fundable project partners	4-6 groups may be funded	
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project partner	A maximum of two Spanish Principal Investigators (IP) may participate in the same project proposal and their beneficiary institutions must be different. Spanish applicants can request funding to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ISCIII + FCAECC • ISCIII alone Depending on the number of Spanish participants in the consortium the following maximum figures per funding institution and total apply:	

	Role / Number of partners	Maximum amount requested to ISCIII	Maximum amount requested to FCAECC	Total maximum amount
	Projects WITHOUT a Spanish coordinator			
	1. If there is only one Spanish partner	165.000 €*	85.000 €	250.000 €
	2. If there are two Spanish partners	200.000 €*	100.000 €	300.000 €
	Projects WITH a Spanish coordinator			
	3. If there is only one Spanish partner acting as a coordinator	250.000 €*	100.000 €	350.000 €
	4. If there are two Spanish partners and one of them acts as a coordinator	300.000 €*	150.000 €	450.000 €
	<p>*25% of Overheads included</p> <p>In scenarios with two Spanish participants (2 and 4) the total budget is to be divided fairly among them according to their role in the project. The funds allocated to each group can never exceed the individual maximum figures indicated above. The level of funding will take into account the evaluation of the collaborative proposal, the scientific quality of the Spanish group, the added value of the international collaboration and the financial resources available.</p>			
<p>Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accredited Health Research Institutes (Institutos de Investigación Sanitaria acreditados, IIS). Accredited according to the RD 279/2016 (These institutions may manage research via a foundation regulated according to the Spanish Act 50/ 2002, of December 26th). See the list of IIS in this link. • Hospitals, primary health care or public health administration of the Spanish National Health System (SNS). These institutions may manage research via a foundation regulated in accordance to the Spanish Act 50/2002, of December 26th (a copy of the foundation’s statutes may be submitted). • CIBER. Team members applying to the call must be from at least two groups belonging to CIBER in two different home institutions and one of these two should be a Hospital, primary health care or public health administration 			

	<p>of the SNS or IIS. Please contact Cristina Rodríguez (cristina.rodriguez@ciberisciii.es) for more information related to CIBER's eligibility.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public Research Centres exclusively working in the field of cancer. • Private health entities and institutions, Public Research Institutions (OPIs) as defined in article 47 of Law 14/2011, of 1 June, in accordance with the provisions of Royal Decree 202/2021, of 30 March, public Universities and private Universities with proven R&D activity capacity, other public R&D centers. These entities can only participate if they apply together with hospitals, primary health care or public health administration of the SNS or IIS in the same proposal. It is not allowed for these entities to apply independently, thus there must be two beneficiary Spanish institutions requesting funding to ISCIII in the same proposal. • Applicants from ISCIII are eligible in the same conditions as Public Research Institution (OPI) above-mentioned. Eligibility criteria from AESI 2025 apply. <p>Please Note:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The same beneficiary institution cannot participate with more than one partner in the same project proposal • SMEs and other private companies are encouraged to participate at their own cost, as subcontractors. • Budgets might be subjected to readjustment in case of budgetary restrictions, accordingly to AES 2025.
<p>Additional eligibility criteria</p>	<p>BUDGET CRITERIA</p> <p>For Spanish applicants simultaneously applying for funding from ISCIII and FCAECC:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Candidates shall comply with the eligibility criteria of both Institutions separately. Overheads are only eligible based exclusively on the figure requested from ISCIII. • In the <i>Pre-proposal Application Form</i>, it is compulsory to complete section "12. <i>Global financial plan</i>" with the overall amounts requested to ISCIII and FCAECC (please specify as Funding Organisation "ISCIII-FCAECC"). Additionally, each Spanish group requesting funding from both agencies must complete section "13. <i>Individual financial plan</i>" for both ISCIII and FCAECC, indicating the funding organisation (#Partner a. & #Partner b). <p>In case of exhaustion of funding from the FAECC and only when ISCIII still has funding available. ISCIII has the capacity to fund the Spanish participant independently of FAECC and in accordance with its budgetary capacity.</p>

<p>Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member</p>	<p>Eligibility of PI and team members</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Principal Investigators (PI) shall mandatory have PhD degree. • PIs can only participate in one project proposal per call. • PIs belonging to an Accredited Health Research Institutes (IIS) could apply only from the IIS. • The PI and all members of the research group must belong to the eligible institutions in the call. Only one PI per beneficiary institution may be funded within the same proposal. • PIs that have an ongoing International Collaboration (PCIN) project of the same initiative and purpose that this call and that the project has an ending date after 31 December 2025 will not be able to apply for this call. This incompatibility will affect only to the PI. And this incompatibility will not apply in the case that the PI participate as coordinator in the new application or in the ongoing project. • For additional incompatibilities please review AES 2025 Excluded personnel as Principal Investigator (PI): • Those undergoing a postgraduate training in Health Specialization (MIR, EIR, FIR, QIR, BIR, PIR, RFIR). • Those undergoing research training (e.g. PhD students, or “Río Hortega” contracts). • Those undergoing postdoctoral training (e.g. “Sara Borrell” or “Juan de la Cierva” contracts). • Researchers contracted by a RICORs and platforms funded by ISCIII.
<p>Eligibility of costs, types and their caps</p>	<p>Personnel costs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personnel costs will be eligible for contracts with the needed professional category (superior technician, BSc (grado), MSc (máster), PhD (doctor) for the project development accordingly to the published salary tables in AES 2025 / ISCIII’s webpage. Personnel cost will precisely adhere to the salary tables, no other amount will be considered, either upper nor lower. • Contracts for PhD students will be done in the framework of National Subprogramme for Training (scholarships are not eligible). • Personnel costs will NOT be eligible when they correspond to civil servants or the equivalent personnel (AES 2025) either employed by the beneficiary entities or belonging to the research team.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The hiring of permanent personnel already belonging to the beneficiary entity or members of the research team will not be considered eligible expenses. • Personnel costs will be eligible when corresponding to contracts under the frame of Art. 23bis of Law 14/2011, 1st June, following the specifications established in AES 2025. • Budget for personnel is simultaneously eligible for both FCAECC and ISCIII but not for the same employment contract <p>Other eligible costs: Current costs, small scientific equipment, disposable materials, travelling expenses, complementary expenses (use of central and general research support services of the beneficiary entity), publication and dissemination of results and other costs as included in AES 2025 that can be justified as necessary to carry out the proposed activities.</p> <p>Overheads: up to 25% of direct costs (according to AES 2025)</p> <p>Double funding of the same concept is not allowed.</p>
<p>National phase</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In order to expedite the eligibility check process, it is mandatory that all the applicants submit the CVA-ISCIII of the PI. This document shall be submitted by the PI by electronic email before the proposal submission deadline to: mauriciog@isciii.es or cbarco@isciii.es. • National applications will be required by ISCIII and its period to present it will be published in AES 2025. Due to administrative and legal regulations, the ISCIII will establish a national deadline for the decision on fundable project consortia which includes Spanish partners to be funded by ISCIII (see AES 2025). Any concerned applicant in a proposal for which no final decision has been made by the deadline, could be declared not fundable by ISCIII.
<p>Further guidance</p>	<p>Additional requirements on data and repositories</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Researchers funded by ISCIII must make public human genomic data, as well as relevant data (phenotype and exposition data) generated inside the funded project, and will use open access repositories. Researchers must also make public all necessary information for interpretation of these genomic data, including lab protocols,

	<p>data instruments and survey tools. Regarding genomic data it is understood: association of complete genomes (GWAS), single nucleotide polymorphism (SNP) arrays and sequence of genome, and transcriptomic, metagenomic, epigenomic and gene expression data. The researchers whose projects are funded by ISCIII are recommended to store their scientific data at the "ELIXIR Core Data Resources", or if non-European repositories or databases are to be used, they must be certified by ELIXIR or the US National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ISCIII may not fund any project that may require a repository and/or a database without a plan ensuring sustainability and decommissioning after the end of funding. <p>Acknowledgements Any publication, database, product or event protected with IPR or not, resulting from the granted project must acknowledge "Award no. XX by Instituto de Salud Carlos III (ISCIII) through AES 2025 and within the TRANSCAN framework" even after the end of the project. For more information, please see ISCIII's ROR here.</p>
<p>Requirements for clinical studies</p>	<p>Spanish groups that are involved on the performance of a clinical trial in the proposal, are recommended to include in their team a member from their scientific node of the EU Clinical Trials Network (SCReN or ECRIN-ERIC) or if it does not exist, a member from the personnel of their Clinical Research Supporting Platform of their institutions (UIC).</p>
<p>Additional documents required to applicants requesting funding from ISCIII and FCAECC</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please note that a PI can request funding to both ISCIII and FCAECC, provided compliance with the eligibility criteria of both Institutions. • Funding cannot be requested only to FCAECC. • Spanish applicants must complete an additional document, the ISCIII-FCAECC pre-eligibility form (link) to include the distribution of the funding and send it to both funding agencies before 28 June 2024. Please contact both funding organisations (national contact persons for ISCIII and FCAECC in Annex 1) in the case you need additional information.

Country	Spain (FCAECC)			
Funding organisation	The Scientific Foundation of the Spanish Association Against Cancer (FCAECC)			
National contact persons	Estela Cepeda estela.cepeda@contraelcancer.es Tel: (+34) 91 3108222 – ext. 90850			
Funding commitment	1 M €			
Anticipated number of fundable project partners	4-6			
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project partner	Spanish applicants can request funding to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ISCIII + FCAECC • ISCIII alone Depending on the number of Spanish participants in the consortium the following maximum figures per funding institution and total apply:			
		Maximum amount requested to ISCIII	Maximum amount requested to FCAECC	Total maximum amount
	Projects WITHOUT a Spanish coordinator			
	3. If there is only one Spanish partner	165.000 €*	85.000 €	250.000 €
	4. If there are two Spanish partners	200.000 €*	100.000 €	300.000 €
	Projects WITH a Spanish coordinator			
5. If there is only one Spanish partner acting as a coordinator	250.000 €*	100.000 €	350.000 €	

	<p>6. If there are two Spanish partners and one of them acts as a coordinator</p>	300.000 €*	150.000 €	450.000 €
<p>Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution</p>	<p>See ISCIII guidelines above.</p>			
<p>Additional eligibility criteria</p>	<p>See ISCIII guidelines above.</p>			
<p>Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member</p>	<p>See ISCIII guidelines above.</p>			
<p>Eligibility of costs, types and their caps</p>	<p>The items that can be requested to FCAECC are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personnel costs for employment contracts (scholarships are not eligible), with a maximum effort of 36 PM per agency. Budget for personnel is simultaneously eligible for both FCAECC and ISCIII but not for the same employment contract. • Small scientific equipment • Travel and allowances. Please note that the eligible costs for attending a conference or workshop are travel, meals and accommodation; eligible costs for short stays (i.e. short stay in another laboratory to perform experiments or learn techniques/methodologies) are travel, visa expenses. • Capacity building and other costs that can be justified as necessary to carry out the proposed research activities. <p>Not eligible for FCAECC:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consumables and overheads are not eligible and cannot be requested to FCAECC. 			

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Double funding of the same concept is not allowed. <p>PLEASE NOTE THAT BUDGETS WILL BE REVISED AND MAY BE SUBJECTED TO READJUSTEMENTS ACCORDING TO FCAECC CRITERIA.</p> <p>IN CASE OF AWARD, AGREEMENTS WITH FCAECC MUST BE SIGNED BEFORE DECEMBER 1ST 2025</p>
<p>National Phase Further guidance</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spanish applicants are required to do a national eligibility check with both agencies at least one week prior to call deadline submitting the ISCIII-FCAECC pre-eligibility form. See ISCIII table above. <p>Additional requirements on data and repositories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Researchers funded by FCAECC must make public human genomic data, as well as relevant data (phenotype and exposition data) generated inside the funded project, and will use open access repositories. Researchers must also make public all necessary information for interpretation of these genomic data, including lab protocols, data instruments, survey tools. Regarding genomic data it is understood the following: association of complete genomes (GWAS), single nucleotide polymorphism (SNP) arrays and sequence of genome, and transcriptomic, metagenomic, epigenomic and gene expression data. Researchers whose projects are funded by FCAECC are recommended to store their scientific data at the "ELIXIR Core Data Resources" or, if non-European repositories or databases are to be used, they must be certified by ELIXIR or the US National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI). • FCAECC may not fund any project that may require a repository and/or a database without a plan ensuring sustainability and decommissioning after the end of funding.
<p>Requirements for clinical studies</p>	<p>See ISCIII table above</p>
<p>Additional documents required to applicants requesting funding from ISCIII and FCAECC</p>	<p>See ISCIII table above</p>

Country	Taiwan
Funding organisation	National Science and Technology Council (NSTC), https://www.nstc.gov.tw/?l=ch
National contact persons	Ching-Mei TANG cmtom@nstc.gov.tw +886-2-2737-7557
Funding commitment	0.81 M€
Anticipated number of fundable project partners	2-3
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project partner	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maximum funding per project is 90 000 EUR/year (about 3 000 000 NTD). • The decision regarding to the exact amount of the grant is dependent on the result of NSTC's internal review. • The number of grants of each PI must comply with NSTC's regulation of the maximum number of two international cooperation projects granted by NSTC for the same duration.
Eligibility of projects	Please refer to the Call Text.
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	In compliance with the NSTC's regulation 'Operation Guidelines for NSTC Research Grants': <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Taiwanese public/private colleges and universities; 2. Taiwanese public/private research institutions; 3. Taiwanese medical institutions. • In principle, NSTC does not directly subsidise industry.
Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member	In compliance with NSTC's regulation 'Operation Guidelines for NSTC Research Grants': <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Principal Investigator(s) must meet several qualifications. For more information about the qualifications please refer to: https://www.nstc.gov.tw/folksonomy/list/f6d5c23c-b3ce-438e-911b-12a705dbac5a?l=ch

Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	About budget requirements of the projects based on which applicants can apply to NSTC for funding, please refer to: https://www.nstc.gov.tw/folksonomy/list/f6d5c23c-b3ce-438e-911b-12a705dbac5a?!=ch
National phase	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No official national application is needed in the pre-proposal or full proposal phase. However, applicants must notify the national contact person in the National Science and Technology Council of their application to the JTC2024 via email, attaching a copy of the application. • Taiwanese project partners shall submit a proposal to NSTC for national financing after the project has been selected and approved for funding through the JTC2024 evaluation procedure. • Proposals must be submitted to NSTC for funding as soon as possible, as the internal process of NSTC generally takes 6 months.
Further guidance	Please refer to: https://www.nstc.gov.tw/folksonomy/rfpDetail/c1a582ae-95bc-4449-908f-590d6cb409ea?!=ch

Country	Türkiye
Funding organisation	The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Türkiye (TÜBİTAK)
National contact persons	N. Selcan TURKER, PhD selcan.turker@tubitak.gov.tr
Funding commitment	0.5 M€
Anticipated number of fundable project partners	2-3
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project partner	200.000 Euro per project excluding overhead costs (if there are 2 or more Turkish institutions in a project). 100.000 Euro for higher education institutions, training and research hospitals and public institutions and organizations (100% funding rate) 100.000 euro for private institutions (60% for large enterprises -75% funding rate for SMEs)
Eligibility of projects	Maximum 36 months
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	The funding is granted to Principal Investigators from universities, public or private sector. The PI is subject to eligibility check. Applicants from Türkiye should apply to TÜBİTAK 1071 Programme via https://uidb-pbs.tubitak.gov.tr/ in parallel to the 1 st stage application.
Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member	<p>Project Manager, Researchers and Advisors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - University personnel should have a PhD degree or specialization in medical degrees. - Those working in a public institution or a private corporation should have an undergraduate degree of 4 years. - The project manager and researchers should reside and work in Türkiye. - An advisor is allowed if the project requires special expertise on a specific subject. The number of advisors in a project is limited to the number of specific subjects in the project. The role of advisor in the project should be explained in detail in the project proposal. <p>NOTE:</p>

	The highest level managers of public institutions/organizations (Chief Physician, Hospital Manager, General Manager etc.) cannot take charge as project manager, but can participate as researcher if they are working in those positions as of the application date.		
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps		Coordinator	Partner
	Personnel Up to 3-year, full-time or part-time contracts (only for additional personnel) and fellowships for students. Excluded: PI	The costs for PIs must be declared in the project budget, it will provided by TUBITAK as an extra grant as a maximum of 13 750 TL X 36 months for PI and a maximum of 15 250 TL x 36 months for coordinator. (Proje Teşvik İkramesi - PTI)	PI is excluded. Other researchers are eligible for funding. PTI will be provided as an extra
	Small Equipment	Must be used for the project	
	Travel and Allowance	Up to maximum of 311.000 TL per organisation	
	Consumables	Up to 100% of direct costs	
	Subcontracting and other services		
	Overheads	Provided as extra, a maximum of 650.000 TL	
	Capacity building activities are not eligible for funding from TUBITAK.		
National phase Further guidance	Participants from Türkiye should also submit their proposals in Turkish to TUBITAK 1071 Programme electronically via uidb-pbs.tubitak.gov.tr for pre-proposals. Applicants will be invited for full proposal application to 1071 Programme after TRANSCAN-3 JTC2024 funding decision.		