



TRANSCAN-3

Joint Transnational Call for Proposals 2022 (JTC 2022):

"Novel translational approaches to tackle the challenges of hard-to-treat cancers from early diagnosis to therapy"

Guidelines for Applicants

Submission deadlines

Pre-proposals: 18 July 2022 at 12:00 CEST

Full proposals: 15 December 2022 at 12:00 CET

Electronic proposal submission system: https://ptoutline.eu/app/transcan2022

(Online submission will be possible from 6 June 2022)

For further information, please visit www.transcan.eu or

contact the Joint Call Secretariat (JCS) at:

Alliance Against Cancer, Italy

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Background

Under the umbrella of TRANSCAN-3 (ERA-NET: Sustained collaboration of national and regional programmes in cancer research), 24 funding organisations have agreed to launch a Joint Transnational Call (JTC 2022) for collaborative research projects on **"Novel translational approaches to tackle the challenges of hard-to-treat cancers from early diagnosis to therapy".**

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 2022 will be implemented through a two-stage submission procedure: preproposals 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 <u>TRANSCAN website</u>.

The submission must be made through the dedicated electronic submission system PT-Outline exclusively, at https://ptoutline.eu/app/transcan2022.

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.

Timeline of the call

23 May 2022	Publication of the call
6 June 2022 at 16:00 (CEST)	Opening of the online submission system for pre- proposals
18 July 2022 at 12:00 (CEST)	Deadline for pre-proposal submission
3 November 2022	Communication of results of pre-proposal assessment and invitation to full-proposal stage
17 November 2022 at 16:00 (CET)	Opening of the online submission system for full proposals
15 December 2022 at 12:00 (CET)	Deadline for full-proposal submission
Expected for April 2023	Communication of the funding decisions to the applicants
September 2023	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.

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 <u>before</u> 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
- 4. Alliance Against Cancer (ACC), Italy
- 5. Chief Scientist Office Ministry of Health (CSO-MOH), Israel.

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.

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

For additional information, please contact: **JTC 2022 Joint Call Secretariat (JCS)** Valentina Trapani

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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 <u>Electronic Submission System</u>, 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.

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Please note that once the JTC 2022 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 before the official start date of the project. 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 2022 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 members 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.



ANNEX 1. National /Regional Regulations

Country	Austria	
Funding organisation	Austrian Science Fund (FWF)	
National contact persons	Herbert MAYER herbert.mayer@fwf.ac.at +43 (1) 505 67 40 8212 Kathrina PROSCHINGER kathrina.proschinger@fwf.ac.at +43 (1) 505 67 40 8217	
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	Non-profit organisations, e.g. universities, university hospitals, non-university research institutes Please refer also to the general FWF Funding Guidelines: <u>https://www.fwf.ac.at/fileadmin/files/Dokumente/Antragstellung/Einzelprojekte/p_application-guidelines.pdf</u> <u>https://www.fwf.ac.at/en/research-funding/application/international-programmes/joint-projects-era-nets/</u>	
Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member	Individual researcher working in any kind of non-profit organisation, e.g. university, university hospital, non-university research institute.	
	NOTE: Current FWF-restriction of project submissions: Please note that starting from August 1, 2018, the number of ongoing/approved/submitted projects in which one researcher can serve as principal investigator will be limited to three in the Stand-Alone Projects Programme, International Programmes	



	(including ERA-Net projects), Clinical Research and Arts-Based Research Programmes. Principal investigators who already have three ongoing/approved/submitted projects will not be permitted to submit another application within those programmes until 12 months before the end of one of their ongoing projects. You are strongly advised to contact the national representative in case you may be affected by this regulation.
	https://www.fwf.ac.at/fileadmin/files/Dokumente/Antragstellung/project_number_limit.pdf
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	For scientists funded by the FWF, funding is limited to "project-specific costs, i.e. personnel and non- personnel costs that are essential to carry out the project and that go beyond the resources made available from the research institution's infrastructure, according to the general FWF Funding Guidelines published at
	https://www.fwf.ac.at/fileadmin/files/Dokumente/Antragstellung/Einzelprojekte/p_application- guidelines.pdf
	This includes: Personnel, Consumables, Animals, Subcontracts, Equipment, Travel, Documentation (Note: publication costs are handled according to FWF Stand-Alone projects). Overheads are not eligible costs.
	FWF does not finance infrastructure or basic equipment at research institutions. 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.
	The current FWF salary scale (<u>https://www.fwf.ac.at/en/research-funding/personnel-costs/</u>) indicates the salaries that may be requested.
Submission of the proposal at the	FWF Submission:
national level	In addition to the application at the JCS, administrative data (in accordance with FWF guidelines for Stand-Alone projects) must be submitted online to FWF at https://elane.fwf.ac.at/
	This is required already at the pre-proposal stage via the programme category "IK – International Projects" (preproposal deadline 18 July 2022).
	For the full proposal stage applicants must choose the programme category "I – International Projects".
	Both steps are mandatory.
	For submissions to be valid, the cover sheet generated at the end of the online submission process must be printed out and signed. This cover sheet must be sent to the FWF a) by conventional mail with the



	handwritten signature of the applicant and the handwritten signature(s) of the authorised signatory or signatories of the research institute(s) and the stamps of the research institute(s), or by email (<u>office@fwf.ac.at</u>) with a scan of the signature(s) and stamps(s) of the research institute(s) and signed using the applicant's qualified electronic signature (Citizen Card/Mobile Phone Signature), or c) by email (<u>office@fwf.ac.at</u>) and signed using the qualified electronic signature of the research institute(s) and the applicant.	
	Further information may be found on the Internet	
	https://www.fwf.ac.at/fileadmin/files/Dokumente/Antragstellung/Internationale_Programme/i_infosheet- era-net.pdf	
Further guidance	https://www.fwf.ac.at/en/	



Country	Belgium (Flanders, FWO)	
Funding organisation	Research Foundation - Flanders (FWO)	
National contact persons	Kristien PEETERS (SBO)	
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	Toon MONBALIU (FO)	
	+32 (0)2 550 15 70	
	eranet@fwo.be	
National programme	Both the FWO Strategic Basic Research (SBO) and (junior/senior) research project (FO) funding	
	channels are integrated in this call	
Funding commitment	0.35 M €	
Anticipated number of fundable project	1	
partners		
Maximum funding per grant awarded to	350 000 EUR (overheads included)	
a project partner		
Eligibility of projects	FWO does not fund clinical trials.	
	Please refer to the Call Text.	
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary	Both the FWO Strategic Basic Research (SBO) and junior/senior research project (FO) funding channels	
institution	are integrated in this call, each with specific regulations. It is, in the light of the projects eligibility, of utmost	
	importance to respect their particular modalities. For example when it comes to the mandatory valorisation aspect for the SBO projects (see 'additional conditions for FWO funding' below).	
	Who can be eligible for FWO funding?	
	The eligibility of institutions and its researchers can be verified in the relevant regulations:	
	\rightarrow For junior/senior research projects (FO), see articles 10-12	
	\rightarrow For Strategic Basic Research (SBO), see articles 4-8	



	Additional conditions for FWO funding:	
	1) When the strategic basic research channel (SBO) would be the appropriate source of funding, we ask researchers to provide us with a 'valorisation plan' before the pre-proposal submission deadline (and preferably one week in advance). There is no fixed format and one/two A4 page(s) should suffice. What the FWO wants to know is i) how the valorisation within Flanders - and potentially internationally – will take place and ii) which Flemish actors are involved in this. This information can be submitted to the general eranet@fwo.be email address. If no valorisation plan is submitted by the call deadline, the project will not be eligible for the SBO trajectory.	
	2) SBO projects aiming at the development of a spin-off company are not eligible here.	
	 Researchers have to inform the central research coordination units, at their host institutions, about their participation. 	
	 One and the same researcher can only participate in 2 different research projects/consortia when applying for FWO funding, within the same call. Double funding is not allowed. 	
	 Projects may last up to 36 months, which implies the funding has to be budgeted and spent accordingly. 	
	6) The PI, for each of the participating institutions from Flanders, must hold an <u>eligible appointment</u> <u>that fully covers the duration of the research project</u> . Additionally, the FWO Emeritus professorship regulation for <u>junior/senior research projects</u> ('FO'; art. 10, §7) does not apply in this framework.	
	ERA-NET participation does not interfere with the 'regular' project submission framework, and is consequently not taken into account for calculating the max. available number of new applications and running projects combined.	
Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member	See above: "Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution" for eligibility requirements.	
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	The regular FWO cost categories from the (junior/senior) <u>'research project'</u> or <u>SBO project</u> funding channels are eligible:	
	The maximum requested budget per partner amounts to 350 000 EUR (incl. overhead). Beware, the funding rules differ per FWO funding channel (FO and SBO):	



	 FO: a 6% structural overhead should be calculated on the direct costs. E.g., as a practical example: when the sum of all costs (personnel, consumables, travel, etc.) amounts to 300 000 EUR, then the overhead will be 18 000 EUR (6% of 300 000 EUR) and the total requested cost 318 000 EUR. This total requested cost may never exceed 350 000 EUR (for further detailed financial information, see chapters 6, 7 and 8 in the project regulations). SBO: The <u>SBO cost model</u> applies. A maximum 17% overhead rate is applicable (which is the standard rate for Flemish Universities). 	
Submission of the proposal at the national level	No submission at the national/regional level is required. However, when SBO, a valorisation plan has to be submitted.	
Further guidance	It is always strongly advised to contact the FWO before submission, in order to verify the eligibility of the researchers and avoid ineligible projects/research consortia.	



Country	Belgium (French speaking community, F.R.SFNRS)	
Funding organisation	Fonds de la Recherche Scientifique – FNRS (F.R.SFNRS)	
National contact persons	Joël GROENEVELD	
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	+32 2504 9270	
	Florence QUIST	
	florence.quist@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	1	
fundable project partners		
Maximum funding per grant awarded	The maximum amount of requested funding per project is 200 000 EUR for a total period of three years. If	
to a project partner	the project involves the recruitment of a PhD student, the project duration of the F.R.SFNRS sub-project	
	could be up to four years.	
Eligibility of projects		
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary		
institution	All eligibility rules and criteria can be found in the PINT-MULTI regulations.	
Eligibility of principal investigator or		
other research team member		
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps		
Submission of the proposal at the	Applicants to F.R.SFNRS funding must provide basic administrative data by submitting an	
national level	<u>administrative application via</u> <u>e-space</u> within 5 working days after the general deadline of the JTC2022	
	to be eligible. Please select the "PINT-MULTI" funding instrument when creating the administrative	
	application. Proposals invited to the second stage will be able to complete the pre-proposal form and	
	provide information for the full proposal upon validation by the F.R.SFNRS.	
Further guidance	Please contact one of the National contact persons listed if you have questions regarding the above.	



Country	Estonia	
Funding organisation	Estonian Research Council (ETAg)	
National contact persons	Argo SOON Argo.Soon@etag.ee Margit Suuroja margit.suuroja@etag.ee	
National programme		
Funding commitment	0.1 M € (0.15 M € if the project coordinator is from Estonia)	
Anticipated number of fundable project partners	1	
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	Legal bodies such as universities, research institutions, enterprises, NGOs and other, provided	
institution	availability of research staff that meets eligibility criteria described below.	
Eligibility of principal investigator or	The Principal Investigator:	
other research team member	• must have an updated public profile in the Estonian Research Information System (ETIS) or, as an alternative, convert his/her ETIS publications table into a PDF and send it directly to the ERA-NET's contract point at ETAg:	
	 contact point at ETAg; must hold a doctoral degree or an equivalent qualification. The degree must be awarded by the submission deadline of the grant application, at the latest; 	
	 must have published research articles that meet requirements set by <u>"National Eligibility Criteria for</u> grant application in ERA-Net Calls". 	
	• Senior research staff of the project participates in the substantial performance of the project. They must hold at least master's degree or an equivalent qualification.	
Eligibility of costs, types and their	Research expenses consist of direct costs (personnel costs incl. scholarships, travel costs and other	
caps	direct costs) and subcontracting costs. Research expenses must be used to carry out the project and	
	be respectively identifiable. Detailed description of eligible costs is given in <u>"National Eligibility Criteria</u> for grant applications in ERA-NET Calls"	
National phase		
National phase	Not required. Only submission of the joint proposal is required.	



Further guidance	Estonian Research Council funds basic and applied research in terms of Organisation of Research and Development Act. Proposals may be submitted by the Estonia based research and development institutions in terms of Organisation of Research and Development Act. For further information see <u>"National Eligibility Criteria for grant applications in ERA-NET Calls"</u>
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Country	France	
Funding organisations	French National Cancer Institute (INCa)	ARC Foundation for Cancer Research (ARC Foundation)
	For INCa:	For ARC Foundation:
National contact persons	Charlotte GUDEWICZ, Research and Innovation Division 52 avenue André Morizet 92513 Boulogne Billancourt Cedex cgudewicz@institutcancer.fr + 33 (0)1 41 10 15 14	Charlotte Audoynaud Translational Research & Innovation – Fondation ARC pour la recherche sur le cancer 9 rue Guy Môquet 94803 Villejuif Cedex, France caudoynaud@fondation-arc.org
Funding commitment	INCa: 1.5 M€	+33 (0)1 45 59 58 45 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	INCa and ARC Foundation do not have a maximum funding per grant; the amount depends on the scientific and medical needs and should be justified in the requested budget. However, it is highly recommended to respect the available budget and anticipated number of fundable research groups mentioned above.	
Eligibility of projects	Please refer to the Call Text	
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	 Public research institutions (university, EPST, EPIC, etc.) Non-profit organisations (associations, foundations, etc.) Hospitals or other health care providers (CHU, CRLCC, etc.) 	
Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member	Reminder: Each transnational consortium must nominate a coordinator from one of the JTC countries/regions. The coordinator will be responsible for the internal scientific management and for the external representation towards the JCS and the CSC. Each consortium partner will be represented by one principal investigator, who will be the contact person for the respective national/regional funding organisation.	



Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	 Public research institutions (university, EPST, EPIC, etc.) Non-profit organisations (associations, foundations, etc.) Hospitals or other health care providers (CHU, CRLCC, etc.) 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. For the research project:
	 Equipment: up to 150 000 € including taxes per equipment; the total amount of the "equipment" expenses should not exceed a maximum of 30% of the total grant awarded Consumables and subcontracting Personnel costs 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. Travel and accommodation: 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%) Indirect costs/overheads: not eligible. For the capacity building activities (Important reminder: These additional expenses should be asked to specifically reach the objectives mentioned in the dedicated section of the application forms): Part of salary for scientist, physician, veterinarian or pharmacist (short term training, PhD student, post-doctoral fellowship); Travel and accommodation for exchange programmes. Costs for project management workshops and dissemination events such as symposia are not eligible in this section.
National phase	Not required. Only submission of the joint proposal is required.
Further guidance	Not applicable.



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 Isabel Aller Isabel.aller@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	BMBF does not have a maximum funding per grant; the requested budget depends on the scientific needs and must be duly justified. However, it is highly recommended to respect the available budget and anticipated number of fundable research groups mentioned above.
Eligibility of projects	Please refer to the Call Text.
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	 Public research institutions; Non-profit organisations (associations, foundations, etc.); Hospitals or other health care providers; Enterprises.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	 Personnel costs; Consumables and subcontracting; Equipment; Travel and accommodation.
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. <u>klara.horvath@nkfih.gov.hu</u> +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	2-3
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: 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); 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/era-net-ejp-cofund-2019-217-era-net/palyazati-felhivas-2019- 217-era-net



Country	Ireland
Funding organisation	Health Research Board (HRB)
National contact persons	Siobhan HACKETT Amanda DALY eujointprogrammes@hrb.ie
Funding commitment	0.37 M€
Anticipated number of fundable project partners	1-2
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project partner	Maximum funding 370 000 EUR (inclusive of overheads and pension contributions) in total over 36 months It is expected that one or two awards will be awarded depending on the funding requested from applications with Irish partner(s).
Eligibility of projects	See under Further Guidance below for areas that are out of scope for funding by HRB.
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	The Lead Applicant (PI, Irish Partner) must be affiliated with a HRB host institution (<u>Policy on Approval of HRB Host Institutions</u>). See additional criteria for Lead Applicants in the HRB Guidance Notes for this call in HRB Funding Schemes
Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member	 The Lead Applicant (PI or consortium coordinator) must: a. Hold a post (permanent or a contract that covers the duration of the award) in a HRB recognised Host Institution in the Republic of Ireland (the "Host Institution") as an independent investigator. For clinicians, an adjunct position in a HRB recognised Host Institution is acceptable OR b. Be an individual who will be recognised by the Host Institution upon receipt of an award as an independent investigator who will have a dedicated office and research space for the duration of award, for which he/she will be fully responsible. The Lead Applicant does not necessarily need to be employed by the Host Institution at the time of the application submission. They must show evidence of achievement as an independent researcher in their chosen research field by: a) Demonstrating a record of research output, with at least one publication of original research in peer reviewed journals as senior author (first, last or corresponding or in those fields where



	 alphabetic order authorship is the norm, joint author). Where appropriate, they should also provide evidence of other outputs (e.g., published book chapters, reports to government, research data and datasets, research materials, databases, audio/video products, national and/or international reports, patents, models and protocols, software production, evidence of influence on health policy and practice, outreach and/or knowledge exchange activities, media coverage or other relevant activities) and/or any other relevant outputs that have resulted in a significant impact in their field. b) Demonstrating record of independence by showing that they have secured at least one peerreviewed research grant for a research project/s, as either the Lead Applicant or a Co-Applicant. Funding received for travel to seminars/conferences and/or small personal bursaries <u>will not</u> be considered in this regard. c) Show evidence that they possess the capability and authority to manage the award.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	 Funding available is inclusive of overheads and pension contributions Personnel Salary-related costs for research personnel Stipends and fees (EU only) Small equipment costs (not expected to exceed 10k) Travel costs Direct running costs (including travel, or mobility costs) FAIR data management costs (See HRB Guidance Notes for eligible costs) Dissemination and knowledge exchange costs Overheads contribution
National phase	For full proposal stage: Irish partners are asked to provide a copy of the submitted full proposal to the HRB National contact person following online submission. In addition, Irish partners will be requested to provide a list of deliverables and supplementary budget information requested to the HRB National contact person. This will expedite contract negotiations with HRB in the case of successful consortia with applicants from Ireland. Relevant templates will be provided by the HRB.
Further guidance	The following research areas are explicitly out of scope and will not be supported under this call: Aims 1.2 Non-confirmatory clinical trials of ED&D technologies or approaches, in particular data and computation-driven approaches.



Aim 2.2 Development of novel therapeutics/therapeutic approaches, through phase I and II clinical trials. Furthermore, the HRB will not support the following in relation to all other Aims:
 Applications involving basic biomedical research; Applications seeking to evaluate a definitive intervention;* Applications seeking to evaluate a pilot or feasibility study; Applications from Irish partners that include Human Embryonic Stem Cell Research will be deemed ineligible.
*The HRB defines an intervention as "any method used to promote health, prevent, and treat disease and improve health care delivery".



Country	Israel
Funding organisation	The Chief Scientist Office of the Ministry of Health (CSO-MOH) http://www.health.gov.il/Subjects/research/International_cooperations/Pages/default.aspx
National contact persons	Liron EVEN-FAITELSON liron.ef@moh.gov.il Irit ALLON irit.allon@moh.gov.il
Funding commitment	0.3 M€
Anticipated number of fundable project partners	2
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project partner	Up to 140 000 € (in NIS) per project. An additional 20 000 Euros (in NIS) will be granted if the Israeli researcher is the coordinator
Eligibility of projects	Bio-Medical research at large
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Position in a university, research centre or hospital. Research authority must approve position prior to submission
Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member	PI should hold a Ph.D., M.D., D.M.D. or equivalent degree and employed by an eligible institution. Research will not be funded simultaneously by CSO-MOH on more than one grant (ERA-NET or national). Researchers can not apply for more than one grant from any ERA-NET funded by CSO-MOH or submit more than one proposal for any single program.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Personnel (students, technicians. applicants excluded); animals, materials and consumables; travel (up to 10%); overheads 10%. No permanent equipment.
National phase	Prior to submission, researchers must submit to CSO-MOH an abstract approved by their research authority including a detailed budget distribution. This is not the consortia abstract, but an abstract describing the activity of the Israeli researcher within the consortia and a budget table for the Israeli researcher. A template for the abstract can be found <u>here</u> . Lack of submission of an abstract can lead to disqualification of the whole application, as well as the consortium. Bioethics approvals, if applicable, should be submitted with the application or within 4 months later.



	Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national level is required annually.
Further guidance	Please see detailed instruction at: http://www.health.gov.il/Subjects/research/International_cooperations/Pages/default.aspx



Country	Italy (IT-MOH)
Funding organisation	Ministry of Health (Ministero della Salute) IT-MOH www.salute.gov.it
National contact persons	Chiara CICCARELLI <u>c.ciccarelli@sanita.it</u> Simona BIFOLCHI <u>s.bifolchi@sanita.it</u> Gaetano GUGLIELMI <u>g.guglielmi@sanita.it</u>
National programme	Framework National Programme "Health Research" of the Ministry of Health.
Funding commitment	3 M€
Anticipated number of fundable project partners	14
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project partner	Maximum funding per project: 0.25 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	ONLY IRCCS : Scientific Institutes for Research, Hospitalization and Health Care (Istituti di Ricovero e Cura a Carattere Scientifico pubblici e privati). Non fundable : Universities, research institutes.
Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member	The simultaneous participation in proposals submitted in 2022 to different transnational research calls, funded by IT-MOH, is not allowed to Italian Principal Investigators or other research team members. 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 <u>pre-eligibility check form</u> 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.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	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%). Indirect Costs: Overheads (max 10%); other indirect costs are not eligible
National phase	After completion of the TRANSCAN-3 JTC 2022 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 (ACC)
Funding organisation	Alliance Against Cancer (ACC)
National contact persons	Valentina TRAPANI
	trapani@alleanzacontroilcancro.it
Funding commitment	0.3 M €
Anticipated number of	1-2
fundable project partners	
Maximum funding per grant awarded	Up to 150 000 € per project
to a project partner	
Eligibility of projects	Please refer to the Call Text.
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Based on the D.Legs 229/99, eligible partners will be public and private Scientific Institutes for Research, Hospitalization and Health Care, i.e. Istituti di Ricovero e Cura a Carattere Scientifico (IRCCS), that are members of ACC. The following will be not fundable: Universities, research institutions other than the aforementioned, companies.
Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member	In full agreement with the procedures applied by the Italian Ministry of Health, Alliance Against Cancer will grant an eligibility clearance to applicants prior to pre-proposal submission. Applicants must fill out the dedicated form (available <u>here</u>) and submit it to ACC contact persons at least 10 working days before pre-proposal submission deadline. A written notification will be sent to clarify the applicant eligibility status.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Only costs generated over the lifetime of the project will be considered eligible. Personnel (only temporary contracts) (50%); Consumables; Animals; Subcontractors (max 20%); Equipment (only on hire); Travels (max 10%); Overheads (max 10%); Publications (max 1%); Travel expenses and subsistence allowances related to training activities of the projects.
National phase	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 negotiation (in agreement with the national regulation). Annual scientific and financial reports at the national level will be required.
Further guidance	Further details will be provided by the ACC contact person upon request.



Country	Italy – Lombardy (FRRB)
Funding organisation	Fondazione Regionale per la Ricerca Biomedica (FRRB)
National contact persons	Paola BELLO Marcello DE AMICO Via Taramelli 12, 20124 – Milano progetti@frrb.it +39 02 67650174
Regional programme	FRRB Action Plan
Funding commitment	1.5 M€
Anticipated number of fundable project partners	3-4
Maximum funding per grant	Maximum € 500 000 per project
awarded to a project partner	MAXIMUM TWO PARTNERS PER PROJECT
Eligibility of projects	Please refer to the Call Text.
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	 Eligible applicants: Public or Private Italian IRCCS (Scientific Institutes for Health Research, Hospitalization and Health Care) Public Health Care Providers (ASST) Universities (only in in partnership with one IRCCS, public or private, or ASST located in Lombardy and requesting funding to FRRB) Research Institutes (only in in partnership with one IRCCS, public or private, or ASST located in Lombardy and requesting funding to FRRB) All applicants must be located in Lombardy. Enterprises and for-profit organisations are NOT eligible.



	
Eligibility of principal investigator	According to internal procedures, FRRB will run a check on the potential applicants prior to
or other research team member	the submission of the pre-proposals.
	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 (www.frrb.it/it/transcan-3-
	itc2022), 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.
	FRRB will provide feedback on the "Eligibility check form" ONLY in case of major non-
	eligibility issues.
	Principal Investigators (PIs) who submit a proposal without sending the "Pre-eligibility check form" to FRRB beforehand will be automatically excluded.
	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.
	A Principal Investigator (PI) cannot simultaneously hold more than one FRRB grant. PIs who
	are currently FRRB grant holders cannot apply to TRANSCAN-3 JTC 2022 unless their
	project is closed before the deadline for TRANSCAN-3 JTC 2022 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.
Eligibility of costs, types and their	Direct costs:
caps	• Personnel (for public IRCCS and ASST, only staff recruited specifically on the project);
•	Consumables, animals purchase, maintenance and breeding;
	 Equipment (on hire or eligible amortization rate);
	 Travel: max 10% of the total direct costs (overheads and subcontracting costs excluded);
	Publications (only Open Access): max 5% of the total direct costs (overheads and
	subcontracting costs excluded);
	• Subcontracting: max 20% of the total direct costs (overheads costs excluded);
	Other direct costs: please include here other costs, including those related to patient
	involvement (insurance, reimbursement, etc.).
	Overheads:
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	20% flat rate calculated on direct costs (subcontracting costs excluded from this calculation).
	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.
National (regional) phase	FRRB requires the pre-eligibility form (available on the FRRB TRANSCAN 3 Call webpage (<u>www.frrb.it/it/transcan-3-jtc2022</u>), at least 10 working days before the submission of the pre- proposal. 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 to the contact persons of the funded organisations.



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.
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	 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. NB: Institutions referring to point B are eligible only in partnership with institutions referring to point A.
Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member	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 working days before the
	pre-proposal submission deadline.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	 Only costs generated over the lifetime of the project will be considered eligible: Personnel (ad hoc temporary contracts ONLY) Consumables (no limit); Equipment (on hire/leasing or eligible amortisation rate ONLY); Travel (Up to 10% of the requested funding) Travel expenses and subsistence allowances associated with activities only linked to the project;
Regional phase	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/bancadati/atti/DettaglioAttiD.xml?codprat=2021AD0000022801)



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 Valsts izglītības attīstības aģentūra Vaļņu iela 1, LV-1050 Rīga
National programme	Support is provided according to Provisions Nr 259, 26.05.2015 of the Latvian Cabinet of Ministers <u>http://likumi.lv/ta/id/274671-atbalsta-pieskirsanas-kartiba-dalibai-starptautiskas-sadarbibas-</u> <u>programmaspetniecibas-un-tehnologiju-joma</u> .Limitations and requirements of these provisions apply without exceptions.
Funding commitment	0.6 M€
Anticipated number of fundable project partners	
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project partner	Max 70 000/year (210 000 EUR for a 3-year project)
Eligibility of projects	The projects should correspond to the priorities of the JTC2022. 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	Legal bodies: universities, state research institutes, other research institutions: should be listed in the Latvian register of research institutions operated by Ministry of Education and Science. Shall correspond to the definition of Research and Knowledge dissemination organisation (R 651/2014). 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 incl. research activity is in Latvia. Limitations of EU legislation apply (R 651/2014) together with financial reporting requirements. Must present statements for 2 closed years.



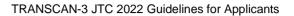
Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member	Principal investigator – researcher holding a doctoral degree and experienced in the field related to the project thematic. Other research team members - researchers, physicians, technicians, assistants and supporting staff.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	 Project eligible costs are as follows: For the research project: 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, Other direct costs such as consumables, equipment (only depreciation costs), reagents, animals, Subcontracting (up to 25% of total direct costs), with justification, includes also external patents and licenses and all external services, Travels and allowances, Overheads can reach a maximum of 25% of the direct project costs exempt subcontracting, and must be able shown to include only indirect cost categories 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.
National phase	No special national procedures in the application phase. 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. Latvian legislation requires conclusion of Consortium Agreement in order Latvian partner to be fundable. The signed Consortium Agreement must be presented to VIAA to obtain funding.
Further guidance	http://likumi.lv/ta/id/274671-atbalsta-pieskirsanas-kartiba-dalibai-starptautiskas-sadarbibas- programmas-petniecibas-un-tehnologiju-joma



Country	Luxembourg
Funding organisation	National Research Fund (FNR)
National contact persons	Sean SAPCARIU Sean.sapcariu@fnr.lu Helena BURG helena.burg@fnr.lu
National programme	INTER funding scheme - https://www.fnr.lu/funding-instruments/inter/
Funding commitment	0.35 M€
Anticipated number of fundable project partners	1
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project partner	350 000 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 <u>https://www.fnr.lu/funding-instruments/inter</u>)
Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member	Please see "FNR requirements for principal investigators and supervisors on FNR-funded projects" - <u>http://storage.fnr.lu/index.php/s/g4OPmRwEYhYwRkZ</u>
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Personnel, Equipment, Consumables, Travel. Further details provided in the "INTER application guidelines", download available here: <u>https://www.fnr.lu/funding-instruments/inter/</u>
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 2022 submission deadline.
	In addition, the following is needed:
	1) At both proposal stages, the following 3 documents:
	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 2022. Before start of the project: A consortium agreement (at least clarifying publication and IP rights) signed by all project partners.
	FNR will only accept a maximum of 2 JTC 2022 applications from an individual applicant.
Further guidance	Please consult the "INTER application guidelines" for further details, download available here: <u>https://www.fnr.lu/funding-instruments/inter/</u>





Country	Norway	
Funding organisations	Research Council of Norway (RCN)	Norwegian Cancer Society (NCS)
National contact persons	Tine THORBJØRNSEN 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 are encouraged	n into public health-related decisions or into the clinic
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Norwegian universities, university colleges, hospitals funded research groups. Private industry is eligible v	
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	<i>For the research project:</i> Payroll expenses, procur <i>For the capacity building activities:</i> Exchange pro	



Country	Poland
Funding organisation	National Centre for Research and Development (NCBR)
5 5	(http://www.ncbr.gov.pl)
National contact persons	Izabela RZEPCZYŃSKA
	Izabela.Rzepczynska@ncbr.gov.pl
	Joanna MAKOCKA
	Joanna.Makocka@ncbr.gov.pl
Funding commitment	0.6 M€
Anticipated number of fundable	3
project partners	
Maximum funding per grant awarded	Max. 200 000 EUR/project
to a project partner	
Eligibility of projects	Please refer to the Call Text.
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary	Following entities are eligible to apply:
institution	Research organisations
Eligibility of principal	Micro, Small, Medium and Large Enterprise
investigator or other	Eligible entities must be registered in Poland.
research team member	In addition, if two Delich perticipants take pertind the preject they must form a patienal concertium to
	In addition, if two Polish participants take part in the project, they must form a national consortium to
	sign the contract with NCBR. The national consortium should be created on the day of signing the national agreement at the latest. The Polish consortium counts as two project partners from Poland.
	For enterprises, it is strongly advised to state in the pre-proposal the KRS number of the enterprise and
	the size of the enterprise (micro/small, medium, large).
Eligibility of costs, types and their	1. Personnel costs;
caps	2. Operating costs including costs of instruments, equipment, technical knowledge and patents, buildings
	and land, costs of materials and supplies;
	3. Costs of subcontracting;
	4. Additional overheads: max 25% of total direct costs excluding subcontracting;
	in accordance with national funding rules.



	Other types of activities (e.g. coordination, dissemination, management) are not eligible for funding as separate tasks. They can be included in an appropriate cost category within research tasks. Industrial/Applied Research and Experimental development (TRL 2-9) activities are eligible. Basic research will not be funded.
National phase Further guidance	Polish Participants will be informed and invited to submit national application once full proposal evaluation is finalised and the ranking list is established.
National funding rates	Funding rate for Polish participants can be up to 100% for research organisations. In 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, under the Regulation of the Minister of Science and Higher Education of 19 August 2020 on criteria and rules on granting state aid and "de minimis" aid by the National Centre for Research and Development, published in Journal of Laws item 1456, 2020.



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	0.5 M€
Anticipated number of fundable project partners	1-2
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project partner	 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://www.uefiscdi.ro/pachet-de-informatii-suprogramul-3-2-orizont-2020
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	For more information: <u>https://www.uefiscdi.ro/pachet-de-informatii-suprogramul-3-2-orizont-2020</u> Cost eligibility: a. Staff costs; b. Logistics expenses - Capital expenditure; - 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; c. Travel expenses;



	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.
Further guidance	https://uefiscdi.ro/pachet-de-informatii-suprogramul-3-2-orizont-2020



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
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Only research Institutes of the Slovak Academy of Sciences are eligible organisations for funding by SAS (up to 100%).
Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member	 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. Other researchers, except for doctoral students, must have a working relationship with the SAS organization. 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 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.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	 Total eligible costs = Permanent salaries + Other costs (DC + IC) Permanent salaries 45 000 € (36 months) Other costs: 75 000 € (36 months) Direct costs (DC): Personnel (max. 15% of DC), Consumables, Equipment (max. 40% of DC) and Travel costs Indirect costs (IC, Overheads): max. 20 % of DC. Limitations and specifications are available:



	(Financial rules for awarding SAS grants for international research projects)
National phase	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).
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)



Country	Spain (FCAECC)
Funding organisation	The Scientific Foundation of the Spanish Association Against Cancer (FCAECC)
National contact persons	Esther AGUILAR esther.aguilar@contraelcancer.es Tel: (+34) 911111422 Patricia NIETO Tel: (+34) 695407384 patricia.nieto@contraelcancer.es
Funding commitment	0.45 M€
Anticipated number of fundable project partners	3-5
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project partner	up to 150 000€ (overheads not included)
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	 Accredited Health Research Institutes (Institutos de Investigación Sanitaria Acreditados, IIS). Accredited according to the RD 339/2004, of February 27th or 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 at 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 must be a Hospital, primary health care or public health administration of the Spanish National Health System (SNS) or IIS. Please contact Cristina Rodríguez (cristina.rodriguez@ciberisciii.es) for more information related to CIBER's eligibility. Academia or Other Research Centers (public or private non-for profit). These entities can only participate if they apply together with Hospitals, primary health care or public health settings of the SNS or IIS in the same proposal. It is not allowed to apply independently, thus there must be two beneficiary Spanish institutions requesting funding to ISCIII in the same proposal. Public Cancer Research Centres (those working exclusively in the field of cancer)



	PLEASE NOTE:
	 In order to sign the agreement between FCAECC and the beneficiary entity, the non for profit entities must be endorsed to the Spanish Act 49/2002, of December 23rd.
	 The national grant agreeement between FCAECC and the beneficiary entity setting out the general terms and conditions under which the research is to be conducted must be signed before December 1st, 2023.
	Applicants from ISCIII are eligible. Eligibility criteria from AESO 2023 apply.
	The same institution cannot participate with more than one partner in the same project proposal.
	 Only one PI per beneficiary institution may be funded within the same proposal.
	A given PI can apply only once to this call.
	 PIs with ongoing projects in 2024 funded in a TRANSCAN call are not eligible for funding by FCAECC in the current call unless the PI is the project coordinator in the new application or the ongoing project. There is no other incompatibility with FCAECC funding.
	 Incompatibility for application to any other call are subject to the provisions in the relevant call.
	 SMEs and other private companies are encouraged to participate at their own cost, as subcontractors.
	BUDGET CRITERIA
	For Spanish applicants simultaneously applying for funding from ISCIII and FCAECC:
Additional eligibility criteria	 Candidates shall comply with the eligibility criteria of both Institutions. Overheads are only eligible based exclusively on the figure requested from ISCIII.
	 In the Pre-proposal Application Form, it is compulsory to complete section "12. Global financial plan" the overall amounts requested to ISCIII and FCAECC (please specify as Funding Organization "ISCIII-FCAECC"). Additionally, each Spanish group, requesting funding from both agencies, must complete section "13. Individual financial plan" for both ISCIII and FCAECC, indicating the funding organization (#Partner a. & #Partner b).
	Eligibility of PI and team members
Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member	 Principal Investigators (PIs) can only participate in one project proposal per call. Principal Investigators (PIs) belonging to any IIS can apply only from the IIS or from any of the institutions belonging to the IIS.
	• The Principal Investigator (PI) and all members of the research group must belong to the eligible institution or be affiliated to CIBER or an IIS.



	 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). Researchers contracted by a RETIC/RICOR. Those undergoing postdoctoral training (e.g. "Sara Borrell" or "Juan de la Cierva" contracts).
	The items that can be requested to FCAECC are:
	 Personnel costs for temporary employment contracts (scholarships are not eligible), with a maximum of 36 PM in total for the personnel contracts altogether;
	Small scientific equipment;
	Travel and allowances*;
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	 Capacity building* and other costs that can be justified as necessary to carry out the proposed research activities. *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, allowances and visa expenses.
	PLEASE NOTE that consumables and overheads are not eligible and cannot be requested to FCAECC.
	Double funding of the same concept is not allowed.
Further guidance	 Additional requirements on data and repositories 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 <u>"ELIXIR Core Data Resources</u> " 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.
	Acknowledgements
	Any publication, database, product or event protected with IPR or not, resulting from the granted project must acknowledge "Award no. XX by the Scientific Foundation of the Spanish Association Against Cancer (FCAECC) and within the TRANSCAN framework" even after the end of the project.
Requirements for clinical studies	Spanish groups participating in a proposal performing a clinical study are encouraged to contact and include, as members of the team, personnel from the Clinical Trial Unit (Unidades de Investigación Clínica y Ensayos Clínicos - UICEC) belonging to the Clinical Research Supporting Platform of their institutions, the scientific node of the EU Clinical Trials Network (ECRIN-ERIC). Such personnel may be included as member of the group applying to the call or as another partner eligible for being funded by FCAECC.
Additional documents required to applicants requesting funding from ISCIII and FCAECC	 Please note that a PI can request funding to both ISCIII and FCAECC, provided compliance with eligibility criteria of both Institutions. Funding cannot be requested only to FCAECC. Spanish applicants simultaneously applying for funding from ISCIII and FCAECC must complete an additional document, Annex ISCIII-FCAECC. Please contact both funding organisations (national contact persons for ISCIII and FCAECC in Annex 1) to include the distribution of the funding among ISCIII and FCAECC, and send the additional document by preproposal deadline to both funding organisations.



Country	Spain (ISCIII)
Funding organisation	National Institute of Health Carlos III, (ISCIII) www.isciii.es
National contact persons	Cándida SÁNCHEZ-BARCO <u>cbarco@isciii.es</u> Tel: +34 91 822 2063
National programme	Acción Estratégica en Salud (AES 2023)
Funding commitment	1 M€ Maximum grant duration: 36 months
Anticipated number of fundable project partners	4-6 groups may be funded
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project partner	 Up to 175 000 € per partner (overheads included) Up to 250 000 € per coordinator (overheads included)
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	 Accredited Health Research Institutes (Institutos de Investigación Sanitaria Acreditados, IIS). Accredited according to the RD 339/2004, of February 27th or 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 at <u>this link</u>. 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 must be a Hospital, primary health care or public health administration of the Spanish National Health System (SNS) or IIS. Please contact Cristina Rodríguez (cristina.rodriguez@ciberisciii.es) for more information related to CIBER's eligibility. Academia or Other Research Centers (public or private non-profit). These entities can only participate if they apply together with Hospitals, primary health care or public health settings of the SNS or IIS in the same proposal. It is not allowed to apply independently, thus there must be two beneficiary Spanish institutions requesting funding to ISCIII in the same proposal. Public Cancer Research Centres (those working exclusively in the field of cancer).



	 Please Note: Applicants from ISCIII are eligible. Eligibility criteria from AES 2023 apply. The same institution cannot participate with more than one partner in the same project proposal. Only one PI per beneficiary institution may be funded within the same proposal. A given PI can apply only once to this call. PIs with ongoing projects in 2024 funded in a TRANSCAN call are not eligible for funding by ISCIII in the current call unless the PI is the project coordinator in the new application or in the ongoing project. There is no other incompatibility with AES 2023. Incompatibility for application to any other call is subject to the provisions in the relevant call. SMEs and other private companies are encouraged to participate at their own cost, as subcontractors
Additional eligibility criteria	 BUDGET CRITERIA For Spanish applicants simultaneously applying for funding from ISCIII and FCAECC: Candidates shall comply with the eligibility criteria of both Institutions. 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. Global financial plan" 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. Individual financial plan" for both ISCIII and FCAECC, indicating the funding organisation (#Partner a. & #Partner b).
Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member	 Eligibility of PI and team members Principal Investigators (PIs) can only participate in one project proposal per call. Principal Investigators (PIs) belonging to any IIS can apply only from the IIS or from any of the institutions belonging to the IIS. The Principal Investigator (PI) and all members of the research group must belong to the eligible institution or be affiliated to CIBER or an IIS. 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).
	Researchers contracted by a RETIC/RICOR.
	 Those undergoing postdoctoral training (e.g. "Sara Borrell" or "Juan de la Cierva" contracts).
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	• Personnel costs for temporary employment contracts (scholarships are not eligible) with a maximum of 36 PM in total for the personnel contracts altogether.
	 Current costs, small scientific equipment, consumables, disposable materials, traveling expenses and other costs as included in AES 2023 that can be justified as necessary to carry out the proposed activities.
	 Overheads: up to 21% of direct costs (according to AES 2023)
	Double funding of the same concept is not allowed.
National phase	National applications will be required by ISCIII. Spanish Applicants should periodically check in the web
Further guidance	 National applications will be required by ISCIII. Spanish Applicants should periodically check in the web page of ISCIII if they are qualified. ISCIII may not send invitations to the mandatory national phase. https://www.isciii.es/QueHacemos/Financiacion/Paginas/Accion-Estrategica-en-Salud.aspx Due to administrative and legal regulations, the Institute of Health Carlos III establishes the national deadline for the decision on fundable project consortia which includes Spanish partners to be funded by ISCIII according to the National application period stated in AES 2023. Any concerned applicant in a proposal for which no final decision has been made by the deadline, could be declared not fundable by ISCIII.
Further guidance	Additional requirements on data and repositories
	 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, data instruments, 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. 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).



	• 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.
	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 2023 and within the TRANSCAN framework" even after the end of the project. For more information, please see ISCIII's ROR here.
Requirements for clinical studies	Spanish groups participating in a proposal performing a clinical study are encouraged to contact and include, as members of the team, personnel from the Clinical Trial Unit <i>(Unidades de Investigación Clínica y Ensayos Clínicos - UICEC)</i> belonging to the Clinical Research Supporting Platform of their institutions, the scientific node of the EU Clinical Trials Network (ECRIN-ERIC). Such personnel may be included as member of the group applying to the call or as another partner eligible for being funded by ISCIII.
Additional documents required to applicants requesting funding from ISCIII and FCAECC	 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 simultaneously applying for funding from ISCIII and FCAECC must complete an additional document, Annex ISCIII-FCAECC. Please contact both funding organisations (national contact persons for ISCIII and FCAECC in Annex 1) to include the distribution of the funding among ISCIII and FCAECC, and send the additional document by preproposal deadline to both funding organisations.



Country	Taiwan
Funding organisation	Ministry of Science and Technology (MoST) http://www.most.gov.tw/
National contact persons	Ching-Mei TANG <u>cmtom@most.gov.tw</u> +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	 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 MoST's internal review. The number of grants of each PI must comply with MoST's regulation of the maximum number of two international cooperation projects granted by MoST 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 MOST's regulation 'Operation Guidelines for MOST Research Grants': Applicant institutions (i.e., research conducting institutions) shall be approved by MoST to be eligible recipients of subsidisation in accordance with the 'Operation Guidelines for Institutions Applying for MoST Grants'. The eligible institutions are classified into three categories as follows: Taiwanese public/private colleges and universities; Taiwanese public/private research institutions; Taiwanese medical institutions. In principle, MoST does not directly subsidise industry.
Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member	 In compliance with MoST's regulation 'Operation Guidelines for MoST Research Grants': Principal Investigator(s) must meet several qualifications. For more information about the qualifications please refer to: <u>https://www.most.gov.tw/folksonomy/list/f6d5c23c-b3ce-438e-911b-12a705dbac5a?l=ch</u>
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	About budget requirements of the projects based on which applicants can apply to MoST for funding, please refer to: <u>https://www.most.gov.tw/folksonomy/list/f6d5c23c-b3ce-438e-911b-12a705dbac5a?l=ch</u>



National phase	 No official national application is needed in the pre-proposal or full proposal phase. However, applicants must notify the national contact person in the Ministry of Science and Technology of their application to the JTC2022 via email, attaching a copy of the application. Taiwanese project partners shall submit a proposal to MoST for national financing after the project has been selected and approved for funding through the JTC2022 evaluation procedure. Proposals must be submitted to MoST for funding as soon as possible, as the internal process of MoST generally takes 6 months.
	Please refer to: <u>https://www.most.gov.tw/folksonomy/rfpDetail/c1a582ae-95bc-4449-908f-</u> 590d6cb409ea?l=ch