



# EU Funding Opportunities for Cooperation with the Global South

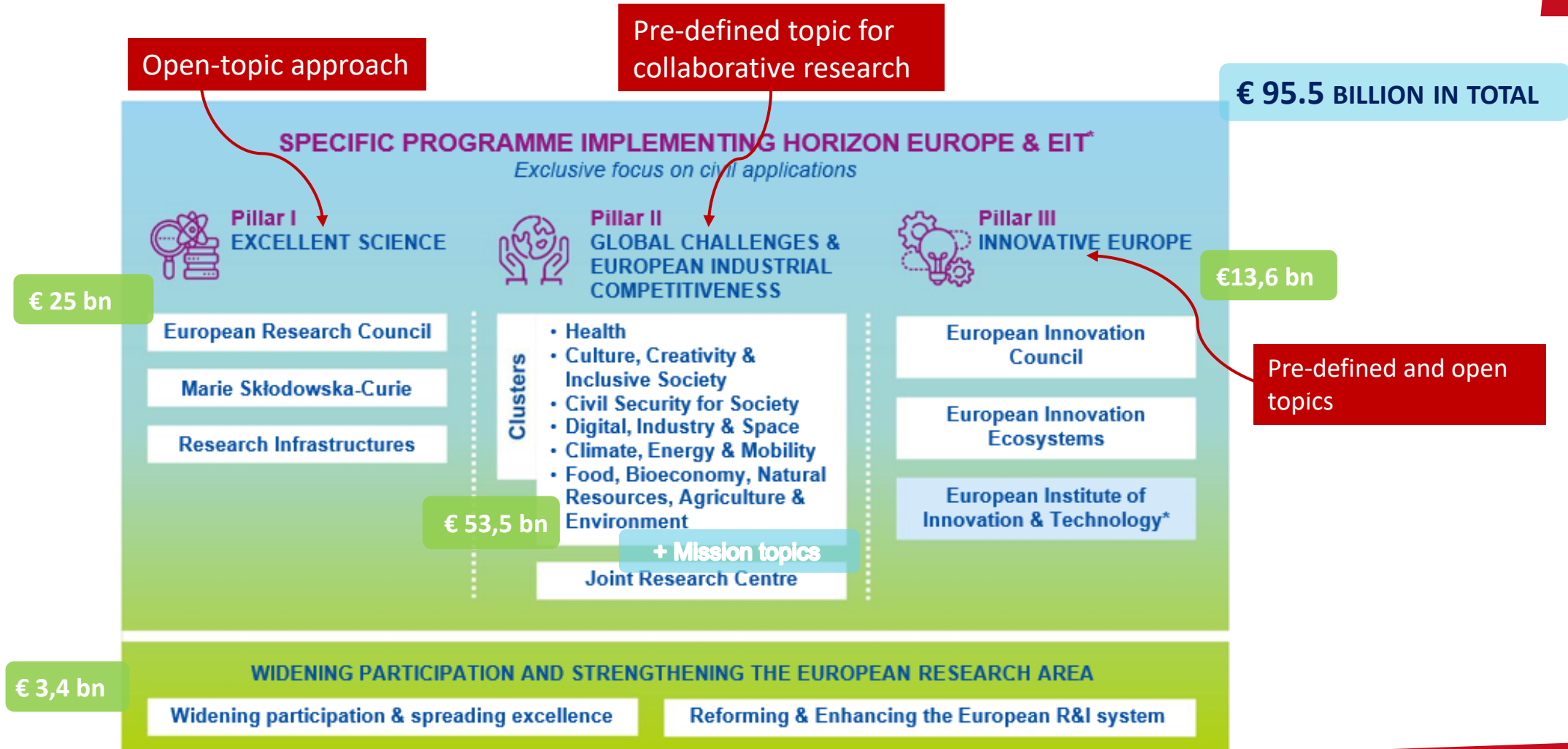
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# OVERVIEW



- Horizon Europe (HEU) – Framework Programme for Research & Innovation
  - ✓ THE PROGRAMME AND ITS RULES FOR (INTERNATIONAL) PARTICIPATION
  - ✓ COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH: *Global Challenge* and *European Industrial Competitiveness*
  - ✓ INDIVIDUAL FUNDING: *Marie Skłodowska-Curie – Postdoctoral **Global** Fellowships*
  - ✓ INNOVATIVE EUROPE: *European Innovation Council (EIC) and European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT)*
- *European Partnerships (within Horizon Europe & beyond )*

# HORIZON EUROPE – THE PROGRAMME STRUCTURE







# Horizon EUROPE's GUIDING PRINCIPLES



# HORIZON EUROPE – WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?



## *ENTITIES FROM...*


- ✓ 27 EU Member States (MS) 
- ✓ HEU Associated Countries (AC) 
- ✓ EU institutions (e.g. Joint Research Centre) & International European Research Organisations 
- ✓ ...*Third Countries* 

# Horizon Europe – WHICH THIRD COUNTRY CAN PARTICIPATE...



## ...AND WHICH ONE RECEIVES FUNDING?

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Low &amp; middle income countries,</li><li>• Countries targeted by enlargement &amp; neighborhood policies</li></ul> <p>(See the list of <u>&gt; 100 <b>Third Countries</b></u> eligible for funding in <a href="#">Horizon Europe</a>)</p>	<b>Eligible for funding</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Industrialised countries (e.g. USA, Australia)</li><li>• “Emerging Economies” (e.g. Brazil, China)</li></ul>	<b>Eligible for funding in exceptional cases</b>
<p>In force with several countries: e.g. <a href="#">Brazil</a>, <a href="#">China</a>, <a href="#">Japan</a>, <a href="#">India</a> – complete overview: <a href="#">here</a></p> <p><b>! Additional <u>co-fund mechanisms</u> have to be established !</b></p>	<b>Bi-lateral Science &amp; Technology agreements</b>





## *KEY FIGURES – WORK PROGRAMME 2023-2024*

**160**

Call topics\* dedicated to international cooperation

**62**

Actions target cooperation with specific countries or regions of Global South

**Africa, Southern  
Mediterranean, China**

**SPECIFIC FOCUS**



## ***Specific focus***

...on **Sub-Sahara Africa**: 30 dedicated call topics (14 in 2024) in various fields, e.g. climate, energy, mobility, digital...

...on **Southern Mediterranean Countries**: 37 dedicated call topics in various fields, e.g. climate, health, energy, food, natural resources (only 3 left in 2024)

## ***Co-fund mechanism – example of India and China***

### ***India***

**Opportunities:** 11 call topics – two are open in 2024 (see [EU India Euraxess website](#))

**The fields:** Food, Energy, Health...

### ***China (flagship initiatives)***

**Opportunities:** Research topics that contribute to the 2 EU-China research flagship initiatives **FAB**\* (2 open topics in 2024) & **CCB**\* (2024 topic is closed)

**The fields:** Food, Agriculture, Biotechnology (FAB) & Climate Change and Biodiversity (CCB)



# HORIZON EUROPE'S

## GLOBAL CHALLENGES & EUROPEAN INDUSTRIAL COMPETITIVENESS **Pillar**

### AND ITS **Call Topics**

## THEMATIC AREAS IN SIX **CLUSTERS**

**CL 1** – Health

**CL 2** – Culture, Creativity & Inclusive Society

**CL 3** – Civil Security for Society

**CL 4** – Digital, Industry & Space

**CL 5** – Climate, Energy & Mobility

**CL 6** – Food, Bioeconomy, Natural Resources,  
Agriculture & Environment

*...and Actions of the Joint Research Center*

## + TOPICS FROM **5 MISSIONS...**

- [Adaptation to climate change](#)
- [Cancer](#)
- [Climate-neutral and smart cities](#)
- [Restore our oceans and waters](#)
- [A soil deal for Europe](#)

*...that are of particular urgency and have*

*...bold, inspirational and measurable goals within a set timeframe\**

# HORIZON EUROPE – GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR COLLABORATIVE PROJECTS



## *HOW TO PARTICIPATE – CONSORTIUM SIZE*

### *MINIMUM\*:*

3 different institutions from  
3 different EU Member  
States or HEU Associated  
Countries,

Mandatory: thereof 1 from  
an EU MS



+ X Partners, also  
from Third Countries

# GLOBAL CHALLENGES & EUROPEAN INDUSTRIAL COMPETITIVENESS

## – CALL TOPIC EXAMPLE –



Topic: [HORIZON-CL5-2024-D2-01-02](#): Non-Li Sustainable Batteries with European Supply Chains for Stationary Storage (IA)

*Opening: 07 Dec 2023*

*Deadline: 18 Apr 2024*

*Call topic budget: 21 m. €*

*Rec. budget/proposal: 7m. €*

### Expected Outcome:

*Which effects shall be achieved in the medium run?*

- **Development of post-lithium cell chemistries** with target cell- and system-level cost, safety, energy density and power metrics **suitable for the selected stationary energy storage markets**
- **Demonstration** of system operated in end-user conditions for at least 3,000 hours.
- ...

### Scope:

*What has to be done?*

- **Advance the development of non-Li battery systems**, show their potential **to be manufactured at scale at a cost the market will bear**, and which meet **regulatory requirements** [...]
- **Demonstrate a credible commercial and technical path**, from end-of-project outcomes to a stationary-energy-storage product [...]
- ... **! In order to achieve the expected outcomes, international cooperation is encouraged for use cases, particularly with India, Africa and Australia.**

# HORIZON EUROPE – INDIVIDUAL GRANTS

EXCELLENT SCIENCE'S  
*MARIE SKŁODOWSKA CURIE –*  
*POSTDOCTORAL GLOBAL FELLOWSHIPS*

# HORIZON EUROPE – MSCA POSTDOCTORAL GLOBAL FELLOWSHIPS



## INTERNATIONAL DIMENSION OF MSCA – POSTDOCTORAL GLOBAL FELLOWSHIPS

- ✓ **2 to 3 years project** for excellent research, tailor-made training and career development
- ✓ Starts with: **1-2 years outgoing phase to a *third country***; and subsequent **12 months mandatory return phase** at (sending) host institution
- ✓ Funding of all activities: from **basic research to innovation**

**IN WHICH DISCIPLINES:** all fields of research can be freely chosen = “**bottom-up approach**”

## WHO CAN APPLY:

- ✓ Postdocs with **nationality from EU MS/AC or their long-term residents**
- ✓ supported by a senior researcher acting as supervisor
- ✓ + institution from **third country** (outside EU MS/AC)
- ✓ Further criteria: **doctoral** degree, max. **8 years research experience** (FTE) after dissertation who comply with the **mobility rule**\*

Individual grant

Next deadline 11 Sep 2024

\* MSCA-PF mobility rule:  
max. 12 months stay in  
the **third country** during  
the 3 years prior to call  
deadline

# Links



## *In search of suitable call topics – collaborative research*

- [Horizon Europe's Funding & Tenders \(F&T\) opportunities portal](#)
- Horizon Europe's F&T Portal – [call topics for international cooperation](#)
- Horizon Europe's F&T Portal – [call topics EU-Africa cooperation](#)

## *In search of individual funding*

- MSCA – [Postdoctoral Fellowships](#)

## *In search of information*

- EU Commission: [Website on international cooperation](#)
- EU Commission: [Website EU-Africa-cooperation in R&I](#)
- EU Commission: [Website EU's Mediterranean Initiative](#)
- Euraxxess: [Worldwide](#), incl. [India](#) & [Africa](#)

# HORIZON EUROPE – PILLAR III

## INNOVATIVE EUROPE

### *EIC AND EUROPEAN PARTNERSHIPS*



# European Innovation Council (EIC)



- Europe's **flagship innovation programme** to identify, develop and scale up **breakthrough technologies** and **companies**
  - Achieve **green and digital transition**
  - Create **new markets**
  - Ensure **strategic autonomy** in critical technologies
  - Develop **high-risk** technologies in **critical areas** for society
- Supports **innovative researchers** and entrepreneurs developing **high-risk**, high-impact **breakthrough innovation**
- 3 funding instruments: Pathfinder, Transition, Accelerator

# EIC Calls: Pathfinder



- Supports **science-towards-technology breakthrough** research
- Develop **radically new technology**, with potential to **create new markets**
  
- Funding 3 to 4 million €
- Technology Readiness Levels 1-4
- Highly competitive
  
- Open topic and challenge-based calls
- Open: consortia of 3+ different entities
- Challenge: single applicants, small consortia, 3+ consortia

# EIC Calls: Pathfinder



- **Pathfinder Open**

- Last deadline 07 March 2024

- **Pathfinder Challenges**

- Next deadline 16 October 2024
- “Solar-to-X” devices towards cement and concrete as a carbon sink
- Nature inspired alternatives for food packaging and films
- Nanoelectronics for energy-efficient smart edge devices
- Protecting EU space infrastructure

# EIC Calls: Transition



- Innovation activities that go **beyond the experimental proof of principle** and address both **technology** and **market/business development**
- Must address **market readiness** towards **commercialisation** and **deployment**
- Funding up to 2.5 million €
- Technology Readiness Levels 3-6
- **Restricted to results** generated by previous EIC/ERC/Horizon projects
- Single applicants, small consortia, consortia of 3-5 entities

# EIC Calls: Transition



- **Transition Open**
  - Next deadline 18 September 2024
- **No Transition Challenges** this year due to budget cuts

# EIC Calls: Accelerator



- Supports individual **startups and spinout companies** to develop and **scaleup high impact innovations** with the potential to **create new markets**
- Gives **support** where significant funding is needed over a long timeframe **before returns can be generated**
- Grant funding up to 2.5 million €
- **Investment** of up to 15 million €
- Technology Readiness Levels 6-9
- Only single startups/SMEs

# EIC Calls: Accelerator



- **Accelerator Open**

- two-stage; next deadline full application 3 October 2024

- **Accelerator Challenges**

- two-stage; next deadline full application 3 October 2024
- Human Centric Generative AI
- Virtual worlds and augmented interaction, including support to Industry 5.0
- Enabling the smart edge & quantum technology components
- Food from precision fermentation and algae
- Monoclonal antibody-based therapeutics for emerging viruses
- Renewable energy sources and their whole value chain

# European Partnerships



- Bring **European Commission** and **private** or **public** partners together
- Implement European **key priorities**: European Green Deal, Digital Transformation
- Bring forward **competitiveness** and **innovation** in Europe
  
- **Added value** for researchers:
  - **Co-designing** upcoming calls
  - Increased chances of **project funding**
  - **Access** to thematic European **networks**
  - Potential influence on **agenda-setting** and **policy-making**



# Relevant European Partnerships for International Cooperation



- **Global Health EDCTP3 Joint Undertaking**
- Personalised Medicine
- Rare Diseases
- One Health Antimicrobial Resistance
- Processes4Planet
- Clean Hydrogen
- Europe's Rail
- Clean Energy Transition
- **European Biodiversity Partnership**
- **Water Security for the Planet**
- Sustainable Food Systems, to start soon
- **JPI PRIMA**: Partnership for Research & Innovation in the Mediterranean Area, previous generation of partnerships

# EU Office: Our services



- **Advice** on the full range of **European research funding opportunities**, such as
  - Collaborative Projects
  - ERC Grants
  - MSCA Projects
  - KICs, Partnerships
- **Personalised analysis** of European funding programmes
- University-wide **access** to the third-party funding **database** ResearchConnect
- Learn more on our website



Thank you!

## *EVALUATION: GENERAL CRITERIA*

- **3 Criteria:** Excellence, Impact, Implementation
- Score range 0-5 points: quality threshold per criteria: 3 of 5, overall : 10/15
- Special feature of Innovation Actions (IA): *Impact* section scores 1.5 times

## *FURTHER EVALUATION CRITERIA IN CASE OF EX AEQUO*

To be applied in the following order:

- (1) There are call topic aspects addressed, which have not been addressed in higher ranked proposals
- (2) Proposals identified under (1): prioritisation of proposals according to their *Excellence* and *Impact* scores
- (3) Gender balance in the team (as listed in the administrative form)
- (4) Geographical distribution of partners (number/budget of partners not receiving funding from higher ranked proposals of this call topic)
- (5) If still needed: panel defines further criteria on the basis of *call topic's targets*



## Funding Opportunities for Cooperation with the Global South (at national level)

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# Funding programmes at national level – the big players

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# DFG: German Research Foundation – an overview

- DFG supports international cooperation in all its funding programmes
  - **Individual and collaborative projects**
  - **Coordinated Programmes**
- Researchers at a German institution can submit funding proposals with researchers in any country at any time, in any subject area and with any topic
- DFG usually funds the German part of the project only; complementary financing is expected
  - Several agreements with funding organisations in many countries
  - Exceptions: **Cooperation with Developing Countries** and **Middle East Collaboration**
- **Special international programmes**
- **Joint Calls** with partner organisations of DFG



DFG: Individual and collaborative projects

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### DFG: Scientific Networks

<b>Purpose</b>	To promote multi-year scientific exchange and cooperation on a topic area of choice across locations (Germany and / or abroad)
<b>Applicant</b>	Qualified researchers (with a doctorate)
<b>Requirement</b>	The network must aim for a specific outcome, e.g. the preparation of joint research papers or an impetus for the further development of research methods
<b>Extent / Duration</b>	Travel and maintenance costs for work meetings and for thematically relevant guests, other costs (to support coordination) and publication costs; up to three years
<b>Deadline</b>	None
<b>Info / Contact</b>	<a href="https://www.dfg.de/en/research-funding/funding-opportunities/programmes/individual/scientific-networks">https://www.dfg.de/en/research-funding/funding-opportunities/programmes/individual/scientific-networks</a>
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	10–20 persons + temporary guests; the regulations of the Individual Research Grants apply

# DFG: Individual and collaborative projects

## DFG: Individual Research Grants

<b>Purpose</b>	To enable researchers to carry out a research project on a specifically defined topic within a limited time period
<b>Applicant</b>	Qualified researchers (with a doctorate)
<b>Requirement</b>	A research project of high scientific quality and originality, carried out at an international level
<b>Extent / Duration</b>	Personnel, equipment, consumables, travel expenses, publication costs; for several years
<b>Deadline</b>	First proposal: None; circa 6–8 months for review process Renewal proposal: At least six months before the approved funds have been exhausted
<b>Info / Contact</b>	<a href="https://www.dfg.de/en/research-funding/funding-opportunities/programmes/individual/research-grants">https://www.dfg.de/en/research-funding/funding-opportunities/programmes/individual/research-grants</a>
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	None

## DFG: Individual and collaborative projects

### DFG: Temporary Positions for Principal Investigators

<b>Purpose</b>	To carry out their own research project on a specifically defined topic within a limited time period as project leader
<b>Applicant</b>	Qualified researchers (Postdocs or after submission of dissertation) [from Germany or abroad]
<b>Requirement</b>	A research project of high scientific quality and originality, carried out at an international level
<b>Extent / Duration</b>	Personnel (incl. own position), equipment, consumables, travel expenses, publication costs; for initially 2–3 years.
<b>Deadline</b>	None; circa 6–8 months for review process
<b>Info / Contact</b>	<a href="https://www.dfg.de/en/research-funding/funding-opportunities/programmes/individual/research-grants">https://www.dfg.de/en/research-funding/funding-opportunities/programmes/individual/research-grants</a>
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	In principle, the regulations of the Individual Research Grants apply; assessment based on the applicant's level of scientific experience; declaration of the host university is necessary

## DFG: Individual and collaborative projects

### DFG: Walter Benjamin Programme

<b>Purpose</b>	Pave the way for increasingly independent research career and autonomy; fostering the <u>mobility and thematic career development</u>
<b>Applicant</b>	Young qualified researchers (Postdocs or after submission of dissertation)
<b>Requirement</b>	Only postdoctoral researchers at an early career phase are eligible to apply to this programme (“recognised researcher”, R2)
<b>Extent / Duration</b>	Own position (stipend / position); monthly allowance of 250 EUR for direct project costs (including travel and publication costs); max. two years
<b>Deadline</b>	None; circa 6–8 months for review process
<b>Info / Contact</b>	<a href="https://www.dfg.de/en/research-funding/funding-opportunities/programmes/individual/walter-benjamin">https://www.dfg.de/en/research-funding/funding-opportunities/programmes/individual/walter-benjamin</a>
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	The programme generally requires that the applicant change his or her current research institution; declaration of the host university is necessary

## DFG: Individual and collaborative projects

### DFG: Emmy Noether Programme

<b>Purpose</b>	To give the opportunity to fulfil the prerequisites for appointment as a university professor by leading an independent junior research group + performing relevant teaching duties; to attract outstanding researchers (back) to Germany from abroad
<b>Applicant</b>	Postdocs 2–4 years after completion of the doctorate
<b>Requirement</b>	Substantial international research experience; excellent research project
<b>Extent / Duration</b>	Position of the group leader; personnel, equipment, consumables, travel expenses, publication costs for 3+3 years
<b>Deadline</b>	None; circa eight months for review process
<b>Info / Contact</b>	<a href="https://www.dfg.de/en/research-funding/funding-opportunities/programmes/individual/emmy-noether">https://www.dfg.de/en/research-funding/funding-opportunities/programmes/individual/emmy-noether</a>
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	Junior research group generally not installed where the doctorate was obtained; declaration of the host university; foreign applicants need to continue their scientific career in Germany; start of funding within six months after approval

## DFG: Individual and collaborative projects

### DFG: Heisenberg Programme

<b>Purpose</b>	To enable outstanding researchers who meet all the requirements for appointment to a long-term professorship to prepare for a senior academic role while continuing their research work
<b>Applicant</b>	Researchers in all disciplines qualified for a professorship
<b>Requirement</b>	High scientific quality and originality of the research project at international level and suitability for further qualification as a university teacher
<b>Extent / Duration</b>	Stipend / Position / Professorship; flexible research funding or a general allowance for direct project costs; max. 3+2 years
<b>Deadline</b>	None; circa 6–8 months for review process
<b>Info / Contact</b>	<a href="https://www.dfg.de/en/research-funding/funding-opportunities/programmes/individual/heisenberg">https://www.dfg.de/en/research-funding/funding-opportunities/programmes/individual/heisenberg</a>
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	The university must transfer the Heisenberg professorship after the DFG funding permanently to its own budget; declaration of the host university is necessary for Heisenberg Position

# DFG: Individual and collaborative projects

## **Mercator Fellows (special Module)**

- Fellowships enable intensive, long-term, project-based collaboration between researchers from both domestic and foreign institutions
- German researchers apply for the Mercator Module to include their foreign partners
- Allowance to cover travel expenses + salary (depends on the fellows' qualifications); 6–12 months
- Mercator Fellowships can be applied for within the following programmes:
  - Individual Research Grants
  - The Emmy Noether Programme
  - (International) Research Training Groups
  - Collaborative Research Centres



DFG: Coordinated programmes

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### DFG: International Research Training Groups (IRTG)

<b>Purpose</b>	IRTG provide opportunities for joint doctoral training programmes between German universities and universities abroad
<b>Applicant</b>	5–10 faculty members on each side (Germany, abroad)
<b>Requirement</b>	Interdisciplinary research focus with a joint programme
<b>Extent / Duration</b>	Personnel, equipment, consumables, travel expenses, workshops, coordination, ...; 5+4 years
<b>Deadline</b>	Draft proposals: None Full proposals: Consultation with the DFG's Head Office
<b>Info / Contact</b>	<a href="https://www.dfg.de/en/research-funding/funding-opportunities/programmes/coordinated-programmes/research-training-groups">https://www.dfg.de/en/research-funding/funding-opportunities/programmes/coordinated-programmes/research-training-groups</a>
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	Doctoral students complete a six-month research stay at the respective partner institution

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### DFG: Collaborative Research Centres (CRC)

<b>Purpose</b>	Development of priority areas and structural development at the applicant university/universities; interdisciplinary cooperation; support of early career researchers and equal opportunity for women and men in research
<b>Applicant</b>	Universities (and institutions of equivalent status entitled to confer doctorates)
<b>Requirement</b>	Long-term research programme; appropriate staffing, funding and infrastructure; convincing contributions to development of priority areas and structural development at the applicant universities; ...
<b>Extent / Duration</b>	Personnel, equipment, consumables, travel expenses, workshops, coordination, ...; three 4-year funding periods
<b>Deadline</b>	The establishment of a Collaborative Research Centre involves a two-stage decision process
<b>Info / Contact</b>	<a href="https://www.dfg.de/en/research-funding/funding-opportunities/programmes/coordinated-programmes/collaborative-research-centres">https://www.dfg.de/en/research-funding/funding-opportunities/programmes/coordinated-programmes/collaborative-research-centres</a>

# DFG: Coordinated programmes

## Integration of international researchers in coordinated programmes...

- ...in connection with a Priority Programme or Research Units
- Projects by researchers abroad can be funded directly by the DFG
  - If their project makes an important additional contribution to achieving the objectives and adds significant value to the projects planned in Germany
- Priority Programmes aim to give clear impetus to the advancement of science and the humanities through coordinated multi-location funding for important new topics

<https://www.dfg.de/en/research-funding/funding-opportunities/programmes/coordinated-programmes/priority-programmes>

- Research Units (comprising several researchers) aim to collaborate closely on specific medium-term research projects whose anticipated findings would not be able to be achieved within the scope of the individual grants programme (duration: 4+4 years)

<https://www.dfg.de/en/research-funding/funding-opportunities/programmes/coordinated-programmes/research-units>

## DFG: Coordinated programmes

### DFG: Research Units (FOR)

<b>Purpose</b>	Medium-term collaborative research projects whose anticipated findings would not be able to be achieved within the scope of the individual grants programme
<b>Applicant</b>	Circa 4–9 researchers (Germany, abroad)
<b>Requirement</b>	Outstanding researchers; scientific quality and originality of a research project at an international level
<b>Extent / Duration</b>	Personnel, equipment, consumables, travel expenses, workshops, coordination, ...; two 4-year cycles
<b>Deadline</b>	Draft proposals: None Full proposals: Consultation with the DFG's Head Office
<b>Info / Contact</b>	<a href="https://www.dfg.de/en/research-funding/funding-opportunities/programmes/coordinated-programmes/research-units">https://www.dfg.de/en/research-funding/funding-opportunities/programmes/coordinated-programmes/research-units</a>
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	Researchers abroad can be funded directly by the DFG if adds significant value to the projects planned in Germany

DFG: Special international programmes

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### DFG: Initiation of International Collaboration

<b>Purpose</b>	Serves to establish collaborative relationships between international partners
<b>Applicant</b>	Qualified researchers (with a doctorate)
<b>Extent / Duration</b>	Trips abroad or guest visits in Germany (each max. three month), exploratory workshops; max 12 months
<b>Deadline</b>	None
<b>Info / Contact</b>	<a href="https://www.dfg.de/en/research-funding/funding-opportunities/programmes/international-cooperation/initiation-international-collaboration">https://www.dfg.de/en/research-funding/funding-opportunities/programmes/international-cooperation/initiation-international-collaboration</a>

## DFG: Special international programmes

### DFG: Cooperation with Developing Countries

<b>Purpose</b>	Promote cooperation between researchers in Germany and in developing countries; research project on a specifically defined topic within a limited time period
<b>Applicant</b>	Qualified researchers (with a doctorate)
<b>Extent / Duration</b>	Personnel, equipment, consumables, travel expenses, publication costs <u>for all the partners*</u> (Germany + abroad); for several years  *...except there is a particular agreement
<b>Deadline</b>	None
<b>Info / Contact</b>	<a href="https://www.dfg.de/en/research-funding/funding-opportunities/programmes/international-cooperation/developing-countries">https://www.dfg.de/en/research-funding/funding-opportunities/programmes/international-cooperation/developing-countries</a>
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	The regulations of the Individual Research Grants apply



# DFG: Special international programmes

## DFG: International Scientific Events

<b>Purpose</b>	International conferences: Organisation of academic events of an international nature in Germany. Annual conferences: Presentations by speakers who are acknowledged experts in the field at annual conferences held by German scholarly societies or subject groupings at national level.
<b>Applicant</b>	Qualified researchers (with a doctorate) Authorised representatives of the scholarly society
<b>Extent / Duration</b>	Subsidies, e. g. towards travel expenses or towards the cost of digital implementations
<b>Deadline</b>	Latest six months before the start of the event
<b>Info / Contact</b>	<a href="https://www.dfg.de/en/research-funding/funding-opportunities/programmes/international-cooperation/international-events">https://www.dfg.de/en/research-funding/funding-opportunities/programmes/international-cooperation/international-events</a>

## DFG: Special international programmes

### DFG: Middle East Collaboration

<b>Purpose</b>	The aim is to strengthen cooperation between researchers in Germany and Israel. In addition, it is possible to integrate researchers from one of Israel's neighbours (Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Syria) as well as Palestinian researchers.
<b>Applicant</b>	Qualified researchers (with a doctorate)
<b>Extent / Duration</b>	Personnel, equipment, consumables, travel expenses, publication costs <u>for all the partners</u> (Germany + abroad); up to six years (with a three-year initial phase)
<b>Deadline</b>	None
<b>Info / Contact</b>	<a href="https://www.dfg.de/en/research-funding/funding-opportunities/programmes/international-cooperation/middle-east-collaboration">https://www.dfg.de/en/research-funding/funding-opportunities/programmes/international-cooperation/middle-east-collaboration</a>
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	The regulations of the Individual Research Grants apply

DFG: Joint calls

## DFG: Joint calls

- DFG has agreements with partner organisations in some countries about joint funding
- Projects can be applied for using a parallel application process
- Sometimes announced as calls; usually related to research grants or coordinated programmes
- Cooperating countries include: Egypt, Argentina, Brazil, Chile, China, Costa Rica, Ecuador, India, Indonesia, Iran, Jordan, Colombia, Morocco, Mexico, Mongolia, Mozambique, Philippines, Zambia, South Africa, Thailand, Vietnam
  - Full list of countries:  
<https://www.dfg.de/en/research-funding/funding-opportunities/countries-regions>
  - Current international calls:  
<https://www.dfg.de/en/news/news-topics/announcements-proposals/international-context>

## DFG: Joint calls

### Point Sud <http://pointsud.org/?lang=en>

- Open to humanities and social science research on Africa in Germany
- Applicants: Qualified researchers (with a doctorate)
- Networking activities between various partners in Africa
- Deadline: 6-page proposal on **06.06.2024**; collective application to the DFG in **July 2024**

### Funding Opportunities for Costa Rican-German Research Projects: First Joint Call (CONARE-DFG)

- Open to joint research projects in all fields of research, including the social sciences and humanities
- Applicants: Qualified researchers (with a doctorate)
- Funding: All requested cost items must be in accordance with the respective national administrative regulations

Deadline: Full proposals on **30.04.2024** and on **30.09.2024**

<https://www.dfg.de/de/aktuelles/neuigkeiten-themen/info-wissenschaft/2024/ifr-24-11>

## DFG: Joint calls

### **TWAS-DFG Cooperation Visits Programme (tba in spring/summer 2024)**

- Three-month ‘Cooperation Visit’ to a research institute in Germany
  - Postdoctoral researchers from Sub-Saharan Africa, including South Africa
- <https://twas.org/opportunity/twas-dfg-cooperation-visits-programme>

### **German-African Cooperation Projects in Infectiology (tba in early summer 2024)**

- Human and veterinary: investigation of neglected tropical infectious diseases
- Social and behavioural: consequences / conditions of neglected tropical infectious diseases
- Applicants: Qualified researchers (with a doctorate)

# Funding programmes at national level – the big players

DFG, German Research Foundation

Federal Funding (BMBF, BMWK, BMEL)

AvH, Alexander von Humboldt Foundation

## Federal Funding: BMBF

- The BMBF **International Bureau** supports international research and education cooperation between Germany and its partners
- It advises German universities, research institutions and companies on international cooperation
- And provides financial support to establish new contacts and facilitate cooperation
- Calls are published here: [https://www.internationales-buero.de/en/current\\_announcements.php](https://www.internationales-buero.de/en/current_announcements.php)
- **Kooperation international** portal (coordinated by BMBF) provides information on international research, innovation and cooperation and networks funding, research and educational organisations.
- Calls are published here: <https://www.kooperation-international.de/foerderung/bekanntmachungen>  
(more calls on German website rather the English website)



# Federal Funding: BMBF

## Southeast Asia – Europe Joint Funding Scheme for Research and Innovation

- Partner countries: Kambodscha, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Thailand, Türkiye
- Research and development projects and networking activities on the topic of "circular economy"
- Up to 100 TEUR (German project part; partner financed by local funding agencies); maximum 36 months
- Two-stage application process: **Drafts until 15.04.2024**

<https://www.bmbf.de/bmbf/shareddocs/bekanntmachungen/de/2023/12/2023-12-22-Bekanntmachung-Kreislaufwirtschaft.html>

## Artificial Intelligence for Sustainability as part of the Indo-German Science and Technology Center (IGSTC)

- Joint R&D projects of industrial relevance in 2+2 Mode of Partnership, i. e. involvement of at least one research/academic institute and one public/private industry from both the countries
- Up to 500.000 EUR for German partners; 36 months
- Two-stage application process: **Drafts until 16.05.2024**

<https://www.bmbf.de/bmbf/shareddocs/bekanntmachungen/de/2024/03/2024-03-20-Bekanntmachung-IGSTC.html>

## Federal Funding: BMBF

### Support Initiative Gender Equality Plan to strengthen scientific cooperation between Germany and the Eastern Partnership countries

- Partner countries: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Republic of Moldova, Ukraine
- Supports measures for international exploration and networking (exploratory trips, bi- and multilateral workshops, events) to establish new and expand existing collaborations
- Aim: Development or implementation of a Gender Equality Plan
- Up to 40.000 EUR; maximum 12–24 months
- Applicants: SMEs, Universities, etc.
- Two-stage application process: **Drafts until 24.04.2024**

<https://www.bmbf.de/bmbf/shareddocs/bekanntmachungen/de/2024/02/2024-02-01-Foederaufruf-UI-Gleich.html>

# Federal Funding: BMBF

## Measures to prepare joint applications by German research institutions and Eastern Partnership countries

- Partner countries: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Republic of Moldova, Ukraine
- Supports international individual or joint projects that enable the cooperation partners to form bil- or multilateral consortia
- Aim of multilateral consortia: preparing applications within the framework of the European research framework programs or other European research initiatives (e.g. EUREKA).
- Up to 40.000 EUR; maximum 24–36 months
- Applicants: SMEs, Universities, etc.
- Two-stage application process: **Drafts until 25.09.2024**

<https://www.bmbf.de/bmbf/shareddocs/bekanntmachungen/de/2023/12/2023-12-05-F%C3%B6rderaufruf-Bridge2ERA-EaP.html>

# Federal Funding: BMBF

## Lateinamerika.PotenziAL (regular calls tba)

- Collaboration on research and development projects
- Focus countries Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Columbia, Mexico
- Several Modules:
  - Measures for international exploration and networking designed to establish new collaborations
  - Measures to promote project-related mobility in order to intensify and consolidate existing collaborative partnerships
  - Measures to promote joint research and innovation projects with or without the participation of industry
  - Measures to promote research and junior research groups as a starting point for sustainable, long-term collaboration
  - Measures to establish or expand partner structures that are self-sustaining in the long term and become the nucleus of sustainable cooperation
- <https://www.bmbf.de/bmbf/de/europa-und-die-welt/vernetzung-weltweit/nord-und-suedamerika/lateinamerika/forschungsperspektive-lateinamerika.html>

## Federal Funding: BMBF

### Bilateral funding within the framework of the German-Egyptian Research Fund (tba in spring 2024)

- Support of innovative German-Egyptian joint projects in applied research on the topics
  - **One Health:**  
Human, animal and environmental health, including medical and veterinary research issues, environmental sciences, food-water-energy nexus, applied biotechnology and the health sector
  - **Green Transition:**  
Resource-efficient economy in the context of ecological change, including smart cities / (digital) urban development, circular economy, energy research, green mobility / sustainable transportation
- <https://www.internationales-buero.de/en/7012.php>

# Federal Funding: BMWK

**International Calls:** <https://www.zim.de/ZIM/Navigation/DE/Foerderangebote/International/international.html>

## **IraSME – International research activities by small and medium-sized enterprises**

- Funding: Cooperation and developing new products, processes or technical services that exceed the existing state of the art and have good market opportunities (at least two companies from two countries)
- Eligible applicants: SMEs from partner countries
- Partner countries: Austria, Belgium (Flanders + Wallonia), Brazil, Luxembourg, Switzerland, Türkiye, Germany
- Associated partners: Research and Technology Organisations from partner countries
- Project-related funding for 12–36 months
- Speciality: All German applicants additionally submit a **ZIM cooperation application**
- Deadline: **27.03.2024** (next round tba in June; deadline: 25.09.2024)

<https://www.ira-sme.net/>

## Federal Funding: BMWK

### **ZIM (Zentrales Innovationsprogramm Mittelstand): Central Innovation Programme for SME**

- Provides funding for Research and Development
  - (International) Cooperation Projects (at least 2 SMEs)
  - (International) Innovation Networks (at least 4 German SMEs + 2 SMEs from abroad)
- Applicants: SME (in cooperation with Research and Technology Organisations)
- No funding for the international partner if there are no particular country-specific agreements
- Proposals can be submitted at any time

<https://www.zim.de/ZIM/Navigation/DE/Meta/Englisch/englisch.html>

# Federal Funding: BMWK

## CORNET – COLlective Research NETworking

- Transnational cooperation projects in the field of collective research and technological development for the benefit of SMEs (at least two countries)
- Research topics are not pre-defined
- Eligible applicants: authorized industrial research associations
- 11 partner countries: a. o. Brazil, Peru, Türkiye
- Associated partners: Research and Technology Organisations from partner countries
- Project-related funding for max. 24 months
- Speciality: All German applicants apply via [Portal Industrielle Gemeinschaftsforschung](#)
- Deadline: **27.03.2024** (next round tba; deadline in September)  
[https://cornet.online/EN/Home/Home\\_node.html](https://cornet.online/EN/Home/Home_node.html)



## Federal Funding: BMEL

### Promotion of bi- and multilateral research cooperation and knowledge exchange for international sustainable forest management

- Addressing forest science issues to improve international sustainable Forest Management
- Funding: Transmission, distribution and exchange of knowledge
- All kinds of basic and applied research
- Eligible applicants are Research and Technology Organisations and companies
- Project-related expenses (max. 500 TEUR for companies) for several years
- Two-stage application process: **Drafts until 01.06. and 01.12. each year**

[https://www.ble.de/DE/Projektfoerderung/Foerderungen-Auftraege/Internationale-Waldwirtschaft/internationale-waldwirtschaft\\_node.html](https://www.ble.de/DE/Projektfoerderung/Foerderungen-Auftraege/Internationale-Waldwirtschaft/internationale-waldwirtschaft_node.html)

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# AvH: General funding instruments, incoming

## Humboldt Research Fellowship

- Above-average qualified postdoctoral researchers (<4 years after doctorate) and experienced researchers (<12 years after doctorate)
- All countries (excluding Germany), all disciplines
- Fellowship, allowances and subsidies
- 6–24-month research stay in Germany
- Deadlines: Selection Committee responsible for reviewing applications meets every March, July and November  
<https://www.humboldt-foundation.de/en/apply/sponsorship-programmes/humboldt-research-fellowship>

## Sofja Kovalevskaja Award (temporary closed)

- Top-rank junior researchers (<6 years after doctorate)
- All countries (except Germany), all disciplines
- Up to €1.65 million for 5 years to head a research group in Germany)

# AvH: General funding instruments, incoming

## Alexander von Humboldt Professorship

- Top researchers
- All countries (excluding Germany), all disciplines
- €5 million for experimental disciplines and €3.5 million for theoretical disciplines
- To finance a professorship for the first five years
- Candidates must be nominated by universities
- Deadlines: **15.04. and 15.09. each year**

<https://www.humboldt-foundation.de/en/apply/sponsorship-programmes/alexander-von-humboldt-professorship>

- ...and many prizes / awards including a possible research stay of up to 12 months in Germany

<https://www.humboldt-foundation.de/en/apply/sponsorship-programmes/programmes-a-to-z>

# AvH: General funding instruments, outgoing

## Feodor Lynen Research Fellowship

- Above-average qualified postdoctoral researchers (<4 years after doctorate) and experienced researchers (<12 years after doctorate)
  - From Germany, all disciplines
  - Fellowship, allowances and subsidies
  - 6–24-month research stay abroad
  - Deadlines: Selection Committee responsible for reviewing applications meets every March, July and November
- <https://www.humboldt-foundation.de/en/apply/sponsorship-programmes/feodor-lynen-research-fellowship>

# AvH: Specific funding instruments, incoming

## Georg Forster Research Fellowship

- Above-average qualified postdoctoral researchers (<4 years after doctorate) and experienced researchers (<12 years after doctorate)
  - Developing or transition countries in accordance with OECD (excluding PR China and India)
  - All disciplines
  - Fellowship, allowances
  - 6–24-month research stay in Germany
  - Deadlines: Selection Committee responsible for reviewing applications meets every March, July and November
- <https://www.humboldt-foundation.de/en/apply/sponsorship-programmes/georg-forster-research-fellowship>

## AvH: Specific funding instruments, incoming

### **Georg Forster Research Award (next nomination round begins in summer 2024)**

- Internationally recognised researchers working on research-based solutions to the specific challenges facing transition and developing countries
- Developing and transition countries in accordance with OECD (excluding PR China and India)
- €60,000 award money (research stay of up to 12 months in Germany possible)

<https://www.humboldt-foundation.de/en/apply/sponsorship-programmes/humboldt-research-fellowship>

Miscellaneous



# Miscellaneous

## Foundations funding all subjects

- Alexander von Humboldt Stiftung
- Alfred Krupp von Bohlen und Halbach Stiftung
- Carl Friedrich von Siemens Stiftung
- Daimler und Benz Stiftung
- Einstein Stiftung Berlin
- Friede Springer Stiftung
- Fritz Thyssen Stiftung
- Lotto Stiftung Berlin
- Robert Bosch Stiftung
- Stifterverband für die Deutsche Wissenschaft
- VolkswagenStiftung

## Additional foundations

There is a large number of foundations that may be suitable for your topic:

<https://stiftungssuche.de/> or

<https://www.deutsches-stiftungszentrum.de/stiftungen>

## Scholarships

Another alternative option for personal or project funding is scholarships. You can obtain information on this directly from the scholarship providers. On the following pages you can get an overview:

[Centre for Junior Scholars](#)

[E-fellows database](#)

[DAAD database](#)

## Additional Databases

[ResearchConnect](#) – (EN)

[ELFI: Elektronische ForschungsförderInformation](#) – (DE)

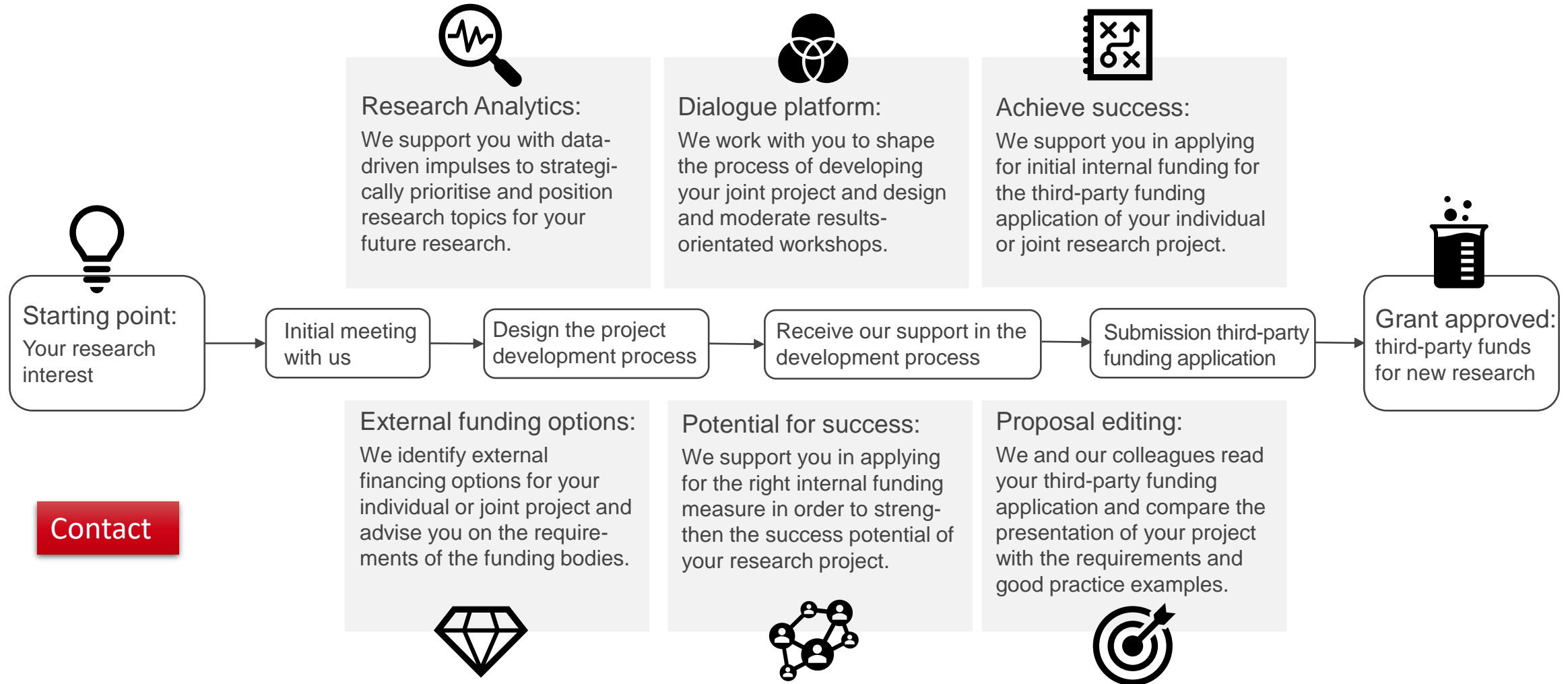
Both are available to all TU Berlin researchers and employees free of charge

[Our Newsletter](#) about national third-party funding opportunities.

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<https://search.myresearchconnect.com/>
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Available to all TU Berlin researchers and employees free of charge  
<https://www.sumo.elfi.info/>
- **Newsletter** about national third-party funding opportunities  
<https://www.tu.berlin/go197908/>

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# Seed Funding for cooperation with partners in the Global South 2024

Department of International Affairs | International Projects Section | 21 March 2024

# Erasmus+ Programme

- **What is Erasmus+?**

Erasmus+ is the European Union's program to support education, youth and sport.

- **What are the program's objectives?**

It funds the mobility of learners and supports people of all ages to acquire job-related skills and intercultural competences. Erasmus+ further funds European and international educational collaborative projects and helps the participating countries to modernize their educational systems and supports them in their work in the area of youth projects.

- **Duration: 2021-2027**

# Erasmus+ Horizontal Priorities

## **Inclusion and Diversity**

Inclusion and Diversity Strategy

## **Digital Transformation**

Digital Education Action Plan

## **Environment and fight against climate change**

European Green Deal

## **Participation in democratic life, common values and civic engagement**

## Erasmus+ Key Actions in Higher Education

- Key Action 1: Learning Mobility of Individuals
  - KA 131: Mobility with Programme Countries
  - **KA 171: Mobility with Partner Countries**
- Key Action 2 : Cooperation among Organisations and Institutions
  - KA220 Cooperation Partnerships
  - KA2 Alliances for Innovation
  - **KA2 Capacity Building**
  - KA2 Erasmus Mundus Actions
  - KA2 European Universities
- Key Action 3: Support to Policy Development and Cooperation
- Jean Monnet Activities



# Erasmus+ Programme and Partner Countries

## Programme countries

- EU 27
- Iceland, Liechtenstein, North Macedonia, Norway, Turkey, Serbia

## Partner countries:

- all other countries
- divided into region 1 – 14

## KA 171: Mobility with partner countries

- Mobility of individuals for the purposes of learning, teaching and continuing education (not participation at conferences)
- Between higher education institutions
- Budget and type of eligible mobilities vary according to partner country region
- Duration of project: up to 36 months  
(for example Project 2023: 1 August 2023 – 31 July 2026)

# KA 171: Funding period and amount

(information refers to: *Projects 2022-2025, 2023-2026 & 2024-2027*)



	Funding period	Project 2022&23*	Project 2024*
Students (BSc, MSc, PhD) from partner countries	3-12 months	EUR 850 /month	EUR 900 /month
Students (BSc, MSc, PhD) from Germany**	3-12 months	EUR 700 /month	EUR 700 /month
Students (PhD) – ‚short PhD‘ in- and outgoing	5-30 days	EUR 70 /day***	EUR 79 /day***
University staff going to Germany	5-60 days	EUR 160 /day***	EUR 190 /day***
University staff from Germany	5-60 days	EUR 180 /day***	EUR 190 /day***

\* plus lump sum travel costs supplement depending on distance (EUR 180 – 1500)

\*\* Bachelor and master students from Germany are not eligible for funding in all partner countries

\*\*\* until the 14th day, thereafter 70% of the daily rate

## KA 171 at TU Berlin

- One application per university!
- Selection of countries: committee led by Dep. of International Affairs
  - Projects 2022 & 2023 selection: Ghana and South Africa
  - Project 2024 selection: Ghana, South Africa, Tanzania, Egypt, India and Thailand
- Coordination of applications and projects at TU Berlin:
  - International Projects Section (INT IP)
  - Central announcement of scholarships via INT IP
- Involvement of interested academic chairs in the application process > preferential consideration when awarding scholarships

# KA 171: application + schedule

(information refers to: *Call 2024*)



Stage	Deadline
Decision concerning partner universities	October 2023
Preliminary work of interested chairs + partner universities to INT IP	November / December 2023
Application deadline for central TU Berlin application	February 2024 online to NA DAAD
Selection decisions	Late summer 2024
Start of funding period	August - September 2024

## KA 2: Capacity-Building in Higher Education (CBHE)

- Transnational cooperation projects of consortia of higher education institutions (HEIs) of Erasmus + programme countries and eligible partner countries
- Goal: modernization of higher education institutions and higher education systems in partner countries
- Project funding in the area of higher education with aspects related to the action field of development policy

## CBHE – Project Examples at TU Berlin

- ❖ **UPGRADE** – Urban and transPortation reGeneration for Reducing Automobile Dependency in mEna area (2020 – 2023; [UPGRADE \(tu.berlin\)](#))
- ❖ **YEBO!** – Development of the Internationalization of PhD studies in South-Africa (2017 – 2021; [YEBO \(tu.berlin\)](#))
- ❖ **CAMINOS** Enhancing and Promoting Latin American Mobility (2016 – 2019; [CAMINOS \(tu.berlin\)](#))
- ❖ **MIELES** – Modernizing and Enhancing Indian eLearning Educational Strategies (2016 – 2019; [MIELES \(tu.berlin\)](#))

## CBHE: Three Project Strands *(information refers to: Call 2024)*

### **PS1: Fostering access to cooperation in higher education**

- Target group: „Newcomers“, HEIs in remote regions, students and staff with fewer opportunities, HEIs from „least developed countries“
- Duration: 24 or 36 months; Grant: EUR 200,000 – 400,000

### **PS2: Partnerships for transformation in higher education**

- Strengthening the link between HEIs and economic and social environment
- Duration: 24 or 36 months; Grant: EUR 400,000 – 800,000

### **PS3: Structural reform projects**

- Modernisation of HE systems (governance) in close cooperation with the authorities and ministries of partner countries
- Duration: 36 or 48 months; Grant: EUR 800,000 – 1,000,000
- Digital education environment in Ukraine: up to EUR 5,000,000



## CBHE: Consortium and Financial Support *(refers to: Call 2024)*

### Consortium

- Based in programme country or eligible partner country
- At least 1 HEIs from 2 different programme countries
- At least 1 partner country with at least 2 HEIs (exceptions possible)
- At least as many HEIs from partner countries as from programme countries

### Financial support

- Lump sum funding model
- Grant max. 90 per cent of total budget (co-funding principle)
- Costs may comprehend: staff costs, travel and subsistence costs, equipment costs and subcontracting, among others

## CBHE: Consortium *(information refers to: Call 2024)*

- **Multi-country projects** (min. 2 partner countries) are possible in all regions
- **National projects** (1 partner country) are only possible in the following regions:

2	Neighborhood East (Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Moldova, Ukraine)
3	South-Mediterranean countries (Algeria, Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Palestine, Syria, Tunisia)
5A	Asia A (Bangladesh, Bhutan, Cambodia, China, DPR Korea, India, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Maldives, Mongolia, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand and Vietnam)
6	Central Asia (Afghanistan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan)
7A	Middle East A (Iran, Iraq, Yemen)
8A	Pacific A (Cook Islands, Fiji, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Nauru, Niue, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Timor-Leste, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu)
9	Sub-Saharan Africa (Angola, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Cabo Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Congo, Congo - Democratic Republic of the, Côte d'Ivoire, Djibouti, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Eswatini, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, and others)

## CBHE: Application and Schedule *(information refers to: Call 2024)*

Stage	Deadline
Application	8 February 2024 17:00 (CET, Brussels time) Online to EACEA
TU Berlin's internal application	25 January 2024
Selection process (in consultation with partner countries)	March – July 2024
Results of selection procedure	August 2024
Signing of Grant Agreement	November 2024
Start of funding period	starting in November (tbc)

## CBHE: Further Information

Project Strand 1 – [Call 2024](#)

Project Strand 2 – [Call 2024](#)

Project Strand 3 – [Call 2024](#)

Email address for inquiries at DAAD National Agency: [capacitybuilding@daad.de](mailto:capacitybuilding@daad.de)

## DAAD: Funding for individual mobility

### Databases:

Scholarships for individual mobility (DAAD and other funders):

- [Incoming](#)
- [Outgoing \(in German only\)](#)

[DAAD country information and network abroad](#)

## DAAD: Researcher mobility outgoing (selected programs)

	Doctoral candidates	PostDocs	Senior Researchers
Research stays	1-12 months	3-6 months / 12 months abroad + 6 months reintegration	-
Bilateral researcher exchange	-	2 weeks – 3 months	2 weeks – 3 months
Lecture trips / congress trips	yes	yes	yes
Guest lectureships	4 weeks – 6 months	4 weeks – 6 months	4 weeks – 6 months

## DAAD: Researcher mobility incoming (selected programs)

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Research stays	1-3 months / 1-6 months / 7-12 months	1-3 months / 1-6 months	1-3 months
Bilateral researcher exchange	-	2 weeks – 3 months	2 weeks – 3 months
Sandwich / Cotutelle	12 – 24 months (for stays in Germany)		
Doctoral studies in Germany	1-4 years		

## DAAD: Funding for cooperation projects

### Focus of DAAD-funding:

- mobility,
- joint development of study opportunities,
- capacity building, outreach
- usually no pure research funding

Result oriented project planning and monitoring (WoM)

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## DAAD: Ta'ziz partnership for democracy – Short Measures

- **Countries:** focus: Tunisia, Sudan, Lebanon, Iraq;  
in addition: Algeria, Egypt, Yemen, Jordan, Libya, Morocco
- **Objective:** establishment/intensification/expansion and/or consolidation of cooperation and knowledge exchange between German higher education institutions and non-university partners with higher education institutions in partner countries; innovative teaching; academic freedom, support for reform at partner university
- **Funding:** fact-finding-missions; project related exchange of students/ lecturers/ scientists/ management staff; events (workshops, conferences, summer schools etc.); development of concepts and products relating to teaching, research, higher education management (curricula, processes, publications etc.)
- **Budget:** 40.000 EUR
- **Who can apply:** German universities and research organisations
- **Funding period:** 10 or 4 months
- **Deadline:** 31.05.2024 for measures between 01.09. – 31.12.2024

## DAAD: PPP joint research (bilateral cooperation)

- **Countries:** bilaterally funded with 27 specific countries – incl.: Argentina, Brasil, Colombia, Egypt, India, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Turkey
- **Objective:** Initiation or intensification of joint research, focus on qualification of junior researchers
- **Funding:** research stays of German and international university teachers, academic scholars, graduates, PhD candidates, PostDocs);
- **Budget:** approx. 8.000 – 10.000 EUR/year
- **Who can apply:** parallel application by HEI or research institutions in Germany & partner country
- **Funding period:** 2 years
- **Next call:** opens: depends on country (approx. beginning of April); deadline: depends on country

## DAAD: SDG Partnerships

- **Countries:** OECD-DAC Countries
- **Objective:** partnerships between universities in Germany and developing countries and sustainable structural improvements at the partner institutions; contribution to SDGs
- **Areas:** teaching, higher education management, research
- **Funding:** development of teaching/study materials; events; continuing education activities; project-related stays; target-group oriented public relations work; relevant research work
- **Budget:** 75.000,- EUR/year + 25.000,- EUR for projects with more than 1 South partner
- **Who can apply:** German universities
- **Funding period:** 4 years
- **Next call:** expected 02 April, deadline end June

(Successor program to Subject Related Partnerships, PAGEL, Partnerships to Promote Biodiversity, DIES Partnerships)

# DAAD: University-Business-Partnerships

between higher education institutions and business partners in Germany and in developing countries



- **Countries** (call 2023): Egypt, Ethiopia, Morocco, Tunisia, Ghana, Côte d'Ivoire, Rwanda, Senegal (thematic clusters per country)
- **Objective:** Improved practical orientation of study programs in partner countries and orientation of universities towards the economy (employability, brain-drain prevention)
- **Funding:** visits (by German and international university teachers, academic scholars, students, graduates, PhD candidates and alumni); organisation of events (e.g. workshops and conferences); research and teaching; field trips; development of digital teaching and learning materials & corresponding technical infrastructure
- **Budget:** 645.000,- EUR (105.000,- EUR in 2023, 180.000,- EUR 2023-25)
- **Who can apply:** German universities, their institutes and departments
- **Funding period:** 3,5 years
- **Next call:** expected in 2025 (no call in 2024!)

# Seed Funding

## for cooperation with partners in the Global South 2024



### What is the Seed Funding for?

Support for TU-researchers to initiate and strengthen cooperation with partners in the Global South

### What are the objectives?

- Encourage research collaboration of TU Berlin with Partners in the Global South
- Excellent and innovative, transdisciplinary ideas responding to global challenges and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
- Aim: Support preparation of proposal(s) for third-party funding applications

## SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



# Seed Funding

## for cooperation with partners in the Global South 2024



### Which partners in the Global South?

- Definition “Global South”: low- and middle-income countries, least-developed countries
  - Check the [OECD DAC-List of ODA recipients](#)
- Partners can be:
  - ✓ Higher Education Institutions
  - ✓ Research centers
  - ✓ NGOs
  - ✓ Public institutions
  - ✓ Companies as associate partners

# Seed Funding

## for cooperation with partners in the Global South 2024



### What can be funded?

- Short exploratory / research visits to partners and/or field for the preparation of a project proposal
- Short exploratory / research visits to TU Berlin of partners involved in the preparation of the project proposal
- Preparatory workshops for the elaboration of a project proposal (no material resources)

### Eligible Costs

- Up to 7.000 EUR/per applicant – Total pool funding available: 30.000 EUR
- Budget for travel according to the Federal Travelling Expenses Act (BRKG) for TU Berlin staff / fixed rates for international partners
- Travel expenses from company staff are **not** eligible for funding





# Seed Funding

## for cooperation with partners in the Global South 2024



### Who can apply?

- Application must be submitted by a TU Berlin Chair
- Involve TU researchers & junior researchers
- Selected candidates are expected to prepare a project proposal for a third party funding application

### What is the time frame?

- Call for application: open, 21 February – 24 March 2024
- Application Deadline: 24 March 2024
- Notification: end of April 2024
- Funding & Implementation: May until November 2024

# Seed Funding

## for cooperation with partners in the Global South 2024



- [Call for applications](#)
- Examples of [implemented projects](#) 2019, 2020, 2022 and 2023

### Application Documents

- [Application form](#), duly completed and signed by the applicant (TU Berlin Chair)
- [Budget form](#) (please use template provided)
- Letter of support from partner institution(s) in the Global South

**Many thanks!**

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