E-Rare Joint Transnational Call for Proposals 2016

"Clinical research for new therapeutic uses of already existing molecules (repurposing) in rare diseases"

Guidelines for applicants

Submission deadlines

Pre-registration: February 1, 2016
Full proposals: March 3, 2016
Rebuttal / modified full proposals: July 18, 2016

Useful links

The links to proposal template, electronic proposal submission and call text can be found at on the E-Rare website

www.e-rare.eu

Further information

http://www.e-rare.eu

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BACKGROUND

Under the umbrella of E-Rare-3 (ERA-Net for research programmes on rare diseases), the funding organisations mentioned in the call text have agreed to fund the eighth E-Rare joint transnational call (JTC 2016) for collaborative research projects on Rare Diseases. The E-Rare funding organisations particularly wish to promote interdisciplinary collaboration and to encourage transnational research proposals.

REGISTRATION

Research consortia that intend to submit a transnational project proposal should register at the electronic proposal system as soon as possible (https://www.pt-it.de/ptoutline/application/erare16) and before the **1st of February 2016**. The system will be opened on January 4, 2016 the latest. To register, please fill in the data sheet of the system. The same data sheet shall later be used for the final electronic proposal submission.

PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

Two types of projects are eligible for this call:

- Type A: Preclinical studies to verify target engagement and to perform additional toxicity testing if necessary (for example in the case of paediatric indications where juvenile animal studies might be warranted) in a disease model for a maximum period of one year followed by the implementation of Phase 1b or Phase 2a clinical trials at the beginning of the second year of the project. For this call, Phase 1b, and Phase 2a trials are defined as follows: Phase 1b trials are defined as studies usually conducted in the target patient population to establish feasibility (e.g., target engagement, pharmacodynamics/pharmacokinetics (PD/PK), initial dosing of the Agent) prior to a Phase 2a trial. Phase 2a clinical trials provide data on the relationship of dosing and response for the particular intended use (including trials on the impact of dose ranging on safety, biomarkers, and proof of concept).
- Type B: Milestone-driven Phase 2 clinical trials to demonstrate that the Agent modulates the target and has the potential to yield the desired clinical outcome in the proposed disease population for a period up to three years.

There will be a **two-stage submission/evaluation procedure:**
Stage 1: Submission of a full joint application
Stage 2: Submission of rebuttal/modified proposal
In both cases, one joint proposal document (in English) shall be prepared by the partners of a joint transnational proposal, and must be submitted to the Joint Call Secretariat (JCS) by one spokesperson, the coordinator.

Electronic full-proposal submission is mandatory. To apply, please use the proposal template provided on the E-Rare web page (www.e-rare.eu). Joint proposals (in English) must be received by the JCS in an electronic version no later than **3rd of March 2016 at 05 p.m. GMT**.

Project coordinators will be provided with the opportunity of studying the assessments of external reviewers and commenting on their evaluations of full proposals (for details see point *5.2.3. Rebuttal/modification stage* in the “Call text”).

Electronic joint rebuttal / modified proposals submission is mandatory. Please note that joint rebuttal / modified proposals will be only accepted from those applicants explicitly invited by the JCS to submit them. Rebuttal / modified proposals (in English) must be received by the JCS in an electronic version no later than **18th of July 2016 at 05 p.m. GMT.**

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

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

FULL PROPOSAL APPLICATION FORM STRUCTURE

The Full-proposal application form must be submitted for Type A and Type B projects.
Type A projects must also complete the Pre-clinical Annex Application Form (see next section).

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

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

Full proposals must include the following information:

- Project title and acronym
- Name and full affiliation of the project coordinator
- Names and full affiliations of each principal investigator and other personnel participating in the transnational project
- Duration of project
- Total requested funding
- Lay summary (max. 1 page)
- Keywords (5 to 7)
- Clinical trial synopsis
- Description of the medical problem
- Study design and endpoints (description of interventions, endpoints, relevant guidance and regulatory documents, orphan designation, studied population, bias protection, statistical analysis, safety information)
- Conduct of the trial (schedule for study conduct including milestones, trial timeline flow, recruitment strategy, study management, data and sample management, Sponsor, coordinating centre(s) and committees, study medication)
- Ethical, legal and social issues (ELSI) implications for the clinical trial
- Quality assurance and safety of the clinical trial
- Description of all participants involved in the clinical trial (including sponsor, management, statistician, supporting facilities, recruiting centres, etc.)

- Financial details of the clinical trial
- Added value of the proposed transnational project collaboration (max. 1 page)
- Description of the expected impact and exploitation / dissemination of project results (max. ½ page)
- Description of patents and present/future position with regard to intellectual property rights, both within and outside the consortium, if applicable (e.g. any barriers to sharing materials or results; max. ½ page)
- Description of ongoing research projects of each participating partner related to the present topic (indicating funding sources [include at least: ID number, amount and duration of funded project; funding agency] and possible overlaps with the proposal max. ½ page per research partner)
- Concept for sustainability of instruments initiated by the project (e.g. registries, cohorts, biobanks, databases, etc.) and their possible interaction with European Infrastructure Initiatives (where applicable, e.g. BBMRI, ELIXIR, EATRIS, ECRIN, EU-Openscreen, etc.) (max. 1 page)
- Description of participation/engagement of Industry and/or patient organizations within the proposal, including their role and contribution (max. 1 page, only if applicable).
- Brief CVs for each participating principal investigator with a list of up to five relevant publications (complete reference required) within the last five years demonstrating the competence to carry out the project (max. 1,5 page for each investigator)
- When requested by a national's eligibility criteria, additional information must be provided. The information provided will be checked by the corresponding national organisation.

PRECLINICAL ANNEX APPLICATION FORM STRUCTURE

The Preclinical Annex Application Form has to be completed only for Type A projects.
Type A projects that do not submit the Full-proposal application form AND the Preclinical Annex Application Form will not be eligible.

Preclinical Annex must include the following information:

- Background and present state of the art in the research field
- Preliminary results obtained by the consortium members
- Description of the working program including the objectives, the rationale and the methodology, highlighting the novelty, originality and feasibility of the project
- Diagrams of the work plan, timeline, work flow and interconnections of tasks (max. 1 page)
- Financial summary for each consortium member
- Scientific justifications of requested budget (rational distribution of resources in relation to project's activities, partners responsibilities and time frame; when applicable specifying co-funding from other sources necessary for the project (max. ½ page per research partner)
- Ethical issues of the project proposal. When applicable, ethical and legal issues (e.g. informed consent, ethical permits, data protection, use of animals) according to partner country and/or regional regulations (max. ½ page)

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

PLEASE NOTE

Some advice to succeed with your proposal:

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

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

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

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

PROJECT START AND CONSORTIUM AGREEMENT

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

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

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

The purpose of CA document will be:

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

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

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

ANNEX 1: Overheads in each country/region

COUNTRY/REGION	FUNDING AGENCY	OVERHEADS
Austria	Austrian Research Promotion Agency (FFG)	R&D relevant overhead costs include all costs accruing to the company/cost centre that are indirectly related to the R&D project, but cannot be directly allocated to it. Overhead costs are added to the personnel costs, costs of infrastructure use, costs of materials and travel costs charged at a fixed rate of 25%. For further information please refer to https://www.ffg.at/sites/default/files/dok/cost_guideline_v_2_0.pdf or contact the Austrian national contact point for this E-Rare call
Austria	Austrian Science Fund (FWF)	Overheads are not eligible costs for FWF.
Belgium (Flanders)	Research Foundation – Flanders (FWO)	FWO pays the host institutions of a project 6% overhead on top of the funding amount.
Canada	Canadian Institutes for Health Research (CIHR)	Overheads are not eligible costs for CIHR.
Canada (Quebec)	Fonds de recherche du Québec-Santé (FRQS)	Overheads means “frais indirects de recherche” and will be managed separately by the FRQS. They should not be included in the requested budget. Please refer to http://www.frqs.gouv.qc.ca/documents/11314/710199/FAQ_FIR_juillet2015.pdf/f8e1a7ea-4543-4462-8a2b-55cb8e2857b6 for further details.
France	French National Research Agency (ANR)	Please note that at the ANR « overheads » means « frais de gestion », and you must apply 4% of the total eligible costs if you belong to a public research organization or 68% of the total personnel costs if you belong to another category
France	Ministère des Affaires sociales, de la Santé et des Droits des femmes (DGOS)	
Germany	German Federal Ministry for Education and Research (BMBF)	Overheads refer to “Gemeinkosten” (applicable for Helmholtz-centres and Fraunhofer-Society) as well as “Projektpauschale” (applicable for universities and university hospitals). The “Projektpauschale” generally will amount to 20% of the applied total project expenditure. For further information on the “Projektpauschale” please refer to

		https://foerderportal.bund.de/easy/module/easy_formulare/download.php?datei=179 (Pos. 0865) or contact the German national contact point for this E-Rare call
Germany	German Research Foundation (DFG)	The "Programmpauschale" generally will amount to 22% of the applied total project expenditure. See www.dfg.de for further details.
Hungary	National Research, Development and Innovation Office (NKFIH)	20% of direct costs of the project. Applicants should consult general NKFIH regulations for details.
Israel	Chief Scientist Office, Ministry of Health (CSO-MOH)	10% of the direct costs of the project
Italy	Ministry of Health (MoH)	Up to 10% of the direct cost of the project, intended to cover the general cost of the institution that hosts the research team and which cannot be used by the research team
Latvia	State Education Development Agency (Valsts izglītības attīstības aģentūra VIAA)	Indirect costs (up to 25% of direct costs exempt subcontracting, with justification and auditable evidence in contract stage)
Poland	National Centre for Research and Development (NCBR)	Overheads cannot account for more than 25% of eligible project costs excluding subcontracting. Project Investigators should contact their national contact point for details.
Portugal	Foundation for Science and Technology (FCT)	Overheads based on the real costs incurred due to execution of the project and which are imputable to it on a pro-rated basis according to a fair and equitable method of calculation duly justified and periodically reviewed, up to a limit of 20% of the eligible direct costs of the corresponding participation in the project; the methodology for clearing these charges may be replaced by the application of a flat rate system, on the basis of the direct expenditure resulting from the project, under conditions to be determined by the Instituto Financeiro para o Desenvolvimento Regional, IP (IFDR)
Spain	National Institute of Health Carlos III (ISCIII)	Up to 21% of the direct costs.
Switzerland	Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF)	Overheads are not eligible costs on funded projects. They are paid ex post and are based on a flat-rate. (http://www.snf.ch/SiteCollectionDocuments/ueb_overhead_reglement_e.pdf)
Turkey	The Scientific and Technological Research council (TUBITAK)	No overhead costs should be stated in international application. The overhead costs and all other payments to the Principle Investigators and Co-Principle Investigators (PTI payments) for the ARDEB 1001 Research Projects Programme application will be calculated later by TÜBİTAK.

ANNEX 2: National/regional regulations

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

AUSTRIA, FFG

Country / Region	Austria
Funding organisation	Oesterreichische Forschungsfoerdungsgesellschaft mbH / FFG http://www.ffg.at
National contact person	Dr. Corinna Wilken Phone: +43 (0)5 7755-1317 E-Mail: corinna.wilken@ffg.at Mag. Barbara Braun Phone: +43 (0)5 7755-1209
Funding commitment	2 M € (funding is typically awarded by a mix of non-repayable subsidies and low-interest loans)
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	4 companies
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner	Generally no limitation; but a typical amount of (sub)projects would be approx. 0,5 M € for a three-year project
Eligibility of project duration	Up to 3 years.
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Legal bodies, private companies and sole traders are eligible to receive funding provided they are not part of the federal administration. Natural persons and partners from Academia can only be considered as subcontractors. However, subcontractors are not partners in the sense of a Cooperative R&D Project. They have no right to exploit project results but provide defined tasks for partners, which are listed under the cost category “third-party costs“.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	All costs attributed to the project are eligible provided they result directly, actually and additionally (to the normal operational costs) during the duration of the research activity being supported. Detailed information on eligible and non-eligible costs are given in the “Guidelines for the Accounting of Project Costs in Funding Applications and Reports”, which may be found under the Internet address https://www.ffg.at/sites/default/files/dok/cost_guideline_v_2_0.pdf
Submission of the proposal at the national level	Proposals have to be submitted via the national submission tool the so called ecall according to national rules. Detailed information may be found under the Internet adress https://www.ffg.at/erare3

Submission of other information at the national level	
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national level	Yes, according to national regulations (https://www.ffg.at/erare3)
Further guidance	https://www.ffg.at/erare3

AUSTRIA, FWF

Country / Region	Austria
Funding organisation	Fonds zur Förderung der Wissenschaftlichen Forschung (FWF) / Austrian Science Fund http://www.fwf.ac.at
National contact person	**Dr. Stephanie Resch** **Phone:** +43 (1) 505 67 40-8201**, E-mail**: stephanie.resch@fwf.ac.at **Dipl. Ing. Anita Stürtz** **Phone:** +43 (1) 505 67 40-8206, **E-mail:** anita.stuertz@fwf.ac.at
Funding commitment	0,5 M €
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	2 research partners
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner	Generally no limitation; amount of typical (sub)projects: 0.2-0.3 M € for a three-year project
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Individual researcher or teams of researchers, working in any kind of non-profit organisation: e.g. University, University hospital, Non-university research institute
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Only project-specific costs (see rules for FWF stand-alone project) No overhead allowed (according to national regulation there are 5% general costs)
Submission of the proposal at the national level	Only Proposals reaching 2nd stage (full proposal) of the call: PI has to submit **one-page project summary** in English and in German, **application forms** (application form, itemization of requested funding and forms for international research partners) and **justification** for the costs. Details please see http://www.fwf.ac.at/en/research-funding/application/international-programmes/joint-projects-era-nets/
Further guidance	http://www.fwf.ac.at/en/research-funding/fwf-programmes/international-programmes/era-net-calls/

BELGIUM (FLANDERS), FWO

Country / Region	Belgium (Flanders)
Funding organisation	Research Foundation – Flanders (FWO)
National contact person	Olivier Boehme +32 2 550 15 45 Toon Monbaliu +32 2 550 15 70 eranet@fwo.be
Funding commitment	200 000€ (1 project)
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	1
Eligibility of project duration	Research contracts will, in principle, have a duration of 3 years (36 months).
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Art. 9 of the FWO-regulation on the regular research projects is applicable. In this article is stated who can apply as a Principal Investigator for a research project: - an Independent Academic Staff (ZAP) member with an appointment of more than 10% at a Flemish university; - an Independent Academic Staff member with an appointment of 10% at a Flemish university and whose main task is research; - an Independent Academic Staff member with an appointment of 5% at a Flemish university and with an appointment as (assistant) clinical head or an equal function in a university hospital; - an academic staff member with an appointment at the Evangelic Theological Faculty in Leuven and the Faculty for Protestant Theology in Brussels; - a research director of the FWO; - a designated beneficiary of an ERC Starting Grant, an ERC Advanced Grant, an ERC Consolidator Grant or an Odysseus II grant, with a Flemish university as a host institution. If more than one university is involved in the project, at least one promoter of each university has to fulfill the above mentioned eligibility criteria as well as to occupy a position covering entirely the period of the project that is applied for. The criteria have to be met with at the start of the project at the latest, which has to be proven at the date of submission. Funding money can be used for staff, consumables and infrastructure. The minimal and maximal amounts of money allowed per cost category, as applicable for the regular FWO-projects, are not applicable for the projects funded by FWO in ERA-NET. Moreover,

	FWO pays the host institutions of a project 6% overhead on top of the funding amount.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Funding money can be used for staff, consumables and infrastructure. The minimal and maximal amounts of money allowed per cost category, as applicable for the regular FWO-projects, are not applicable for the projects funded by FWO in ERA-NET. Moreover, FWO pays the host institutions of a project 6% overhead on top of the funding amount.
Submission of the proposal at the national level	No
Submission of other information at the national level	Changes in budget between full-proposal and rebuttal / modified proposals stage have to be reported.
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national level	Yes
Further guidance	http://www.fwo.be/en/fellowships-funding/european-programmes/era-net/ http://www.fwo.be/en/fellowships-funding/research-projects/research-project/regulations-for-research-projects/

CANADA, CIHR-IG

Country	Canada
Funding organisation	Canadian Institutes of Health Research - Institute of Genetics (CIHR-IG)
National contact person	Chaidwick Leneïs Telephone: +1-613-941-0848 Email: chaidwick.leneis@cihr-irsc.gc.ca Dr.Nathalie Gendron Telephone: +1-613-941-8596 Email: nathalie.gendron@cihr-irsc.gc.ca
Funding commitment	The total amount available from CIHR-IG is $500,000 (CAD) (312,500€) per year for a term of three years. Additional should be available through the inclusion of Canadian funding partners. The maximum amount that can be requested in support of a Canadian component is $150,000 (CAD) per year for up to 3 years from all Canadian funding sources (CIHR-IG, Genome Canada, FRQS and their funding partners).
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	It is anticipated that funding will be available to support up to 6 to 8 from all Canadian funding sources (CIHR-IG, Genome Canada, FRQS and their funding partners). CIHR-IG is providing funding for at least 2 teams as outlined in the call text. Canadian funders will be working together to maximize participation from the Canadian research community will increase the value of this funding opportunity.
Eligibility of project duration	Up to three years
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Refer to the Individual Eligibility Requirements (http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/22630.html#1-D2) regarding the eligibility requirements for institutions.
Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member	Refer to the Individual Eligibility Requirements (http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/22630.html#1-D1) regarding the eligibility requirements for individuals.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	The maximum amount per grant from CIHR-IG is $150,000 per annum for a term up to three years. Applicants should review the Use of Grant Funds (http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Professors-Professeurs/FinancialAdminGuide-GuideAdminFinancier/FundsUse-UtilisationSubventions_eng.asp) section of the Tri-Agency (CIHR, NSERC and SSHRC) Financial Administration Guide for a complete listing and description of allowable costs and activities.
Submission of the proposal at the national level	Additional application material is required to be submitted to CIHR **at the full application stage**. This information can be obtained from the national contact person identified above.

Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national level	Successful applicants funded through this funding opportunity and any other persons working on the project must comply fully with the CIHR Funding Policies (www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/204.html). Policies and guidelines cover areas such as Applicant Responsibilities, Official Languages policy, Access to Information and Privacy Acts, and Acknowledgement of CIHR's Support. Successful applicants will be informed of any special financial requirements prior to the release of funds or when they receive CIHR's Authorization for Funding (AFF) document.
Further guidance	See national call available on the CIHR website: *will be available shortly*

CANADA (FRQS)

Country	Canada - Québec
Funding organisation	Fonds de recherche du Québec – Santé (FRQS) http://www.frqs.gouv.qc.ca
National contact persons	Karine Genest (514) 873-2114, ext 1275 karine.genest@frq.gouv.qc.ca Dr. Anne-Cécile Desfaits (514) 873-2114, ext 1368 annececile.desfaits@frq.gouv.qc.ca
Funding commitment	Minimum of $500,000 (Additional funds from provincial partners maybe available) The maximum amount per grant is $150,000 per year for up to 3 years. The maximum amount that can be requested in support of a Canadian component is $150,000 (CAD) per year for up to 3 years from all Canadian funding sources (CIHR-IG, FRQS, Genome Canada and their funding partners). Funds are subject to availability of funds voted annually to FRQS by the National Assembly of Québec and FRQS Board of Directors' approval.
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	It is anticipated that funding will be available to support up to 6 to 8 from all Canadian funding sources (CIHR-IG, Genome Canada, FRQS and their funding partners). FRQS is providing funding for up to 1 to 2 Quebec teams as outlined in the call text. Canadian funders will be working together to maximize participation from the Canadian research community
Eligibility of project duration	Up to 3 years
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution. Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member	Quebec applicants must meet the eligibility criteria for FRQS research grants. Eligible institutions are Quebec Universities or Institutions within Quebec's health and social services network. Further information about eligibility are available on FRQS Common Rules and Regulations webpage (section one) at: http://www.frqs.gouv.qc.ca/en/financement/regles_generales_2015_2016/common-rules-2015-2016.pdf
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Operational costs (research personnel, consumables, animals) Costs related to scientific and ethical evaluation (clinical research projects) Coordination-related cost (project administration and travel expenses for attending joint meetings) Costs related to knowledge translation and translation Conference attendance (up to **3%** per year of the grant amount as of the second year) Further information about eligible costs is available at:

	http://www.frqs.gouv.qc.ca/en/financement/regles_generales_2015_2016/common-rules-2015-2016.pdf **Note: There is NO support for salaries of investigators or equipment.** **Overheads means "frais indirects de recherche" and will be managed separately by the FRQS. They should not be included in the requested budget. Please refer to http://www.frqs.gouv.qc.ca/documents/11314/710199/FAQ_FIR_juillet2015.pdf/f8e1a7ea-4543-4462-8a2b-55cb8e2857b6 for further details.** **Additional requirement: FRQS applicants invited to submit a rebuttal/modified proposal must also submit a budget to FRQS in Canadian dollars. A specific FRQS form will be sent to investigators.**
Submission of the proposal at the national level	Not required, except for the budget (in Canadian dollars) when Quebec applicants are selected to submit a full proposal.
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national level	Scientific reports according to E-Rare 3 template and requirements only. Annual financial reporting according to FRQS Common Rules and Regulations. http://www.frqs.gouv.qc.ca/en/financement/regles_generales_2013_2014/regles_gen.shtml

FRANCE, ANR

Country	France
Funding organisation	French National Research Agency (Agence nationale de la recherché –ANR-) http://www.agence-nationale-recherche.fr
National contact person	Health & Biology Department Agence Nationale de la Recherche –ANR- 50 avenue Daumensil - 75012 Paris, France **E-RareCalls@agencerecherche.fr** Juliane Halftermeyer - Phone : (33) (0) 1 78 09 80 22 Daria Julkowska - Phone : (33) (0) 1 78 09 80 78
Funding commitment	1 M€ - ANR will only fund the pre-clinical part of the projects
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	4 research partners
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner	The ANR has a maximum funding per partner for this call: Each research team can be funded with a maximum amount of 250 000 €.. There is a minimum amount per partner also: 15 000 €
Eligibility of project duration	2-3 years
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Eligible institutions: - Public research institutes such as EPST, EPIC, universities, university hospitals, non-university research institutes (max. rate of support: 100% of marginal costs) - Enterprises: large & SMEs (max. rate of support: 45% of total costs for SMEs & 30% for larger companies)
Additional eligibility criteria	- The coordinator (if from a French institution) must belong to a public research organisation. - ANR will avoid double funding and will not finance projects or part of projects that have been funded through other calls
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Personnel costs for temporary contracts; small equipment; consumables and animal costs; travel; and sub-contracting, if necessary to carry out the proposed activities (sub-contracting costs of max 50% of requested budget per partner). Please note that at the ANR « overheads » means « frais de gestion », and you must apply 4% of the total eligible costs if you belong to a public research organization or 68% of the total personnel costs if you belong to another category
Submission of the proposal at the national level/ OTHER	Only the submission of the joint proposal is required. Please see online the specific annexe document for research partners applying to this call for proposals for funding in France: http://www.agence-nationale-recherche.fr

FRANCE, DGOS

Country	France
Funding organisation	Ministère des Affaires sociales, de la Santé et des Droits des femmes (DGOS) http://www.sante.gouv.fr/innovation-recherche-clinique.html
National contact person	Noël Lucas noel.lucas@sante.gouv.fr Hélène Coulonjou Helene.COULONJOU@sante.gouv.fr Ariane Galaup-Paci Ariane.GALAUPPACI@sante.gouv.fr
Funding commitment	1,5 M€ - DGOS will only fund the clinical part of the project
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Eligible institutions: - "Etablissement de santé" as defined in Articles L.6111-1 and followings, L.6141-1 and followings and L.6161-1and followings in the French "code le la Santé Publique" - "Groupement de Coopération Sanitaire (GCS)" as defined in Articles L.6133-1 to -8 in the French "code le la Santé Publique"
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	**Eligible costs** : - Personnel costs (Title 1 of "Nomenclature comptable") - Consumables costs (Title 2 and 3 of "Nomenclature comptable") - Small equipment (less than 5 000€) **Non Eligible costs**: - Costs for PhD students - Amortization expenses - Subcontracting to private service providers if health facilities who are partner of the project can provide this service
Submission of other information at the national level	It is mandatory that the applicants fill out and return a « Modèle de grille budgetaire à utiliser pour les projets soumis dans le cadre des appels à projets 2015 » AND a certificate from the health facility that will be manager of the funds, signed by the legal representative, that confirm the submission of the project to E-RareCalls@agencerecherche.fr before the proposal submission deadline (March 3, 2016)
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national level	The completion of each following milestone is necessary to go through the next funding phase: 1- The project has all administrative and regulatory authorisations. 2- The project has included 50% of patients. 3- The project has finished inclusions and data are analysed. 4- The project drafts a manuscript for publication.

GERMANY, DFG and BMBF

Country	Germany
Funding organisation	German Federal Ministry for Education and Research (BMBF) www.gesundheitsforschung-bmbf.de German Research Foundation (DFG) www.dfg.de
Management organisation	Project Management Agency of the German Aerospace Centre (PT-DLR, for BMBF) www.pt-dlr.de German Research Foundation (DFG) www.dfg.de
National contact person	Project Management Agency of the German Aerospace Centre (PT-DLR) - Health Research - Heinrich-Konen-Straße 1 53227 Bonn Germany **Dr. Michaela Girgenrath** (++49) (228) 3821-1775 Michaela.girgenrath@dlr.de **Dr. Ralph Schuster** (++49) (228) 3821-1233 Ralph.Schuster@dlr.de **Sabrina Legies** (++49) (228) 38211212 Sabrina.Legies@dlr.de Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft Kennedyallee 40 53177 Bonn **Dr. Katja Grossmann** (++49) (228) 885-2565 katja.grossmann@dfg.de
Funding commitment	BMBF: About 3 M€; DFG: About 1.5 M€
Anticipated number of	About 13-15 research partners

fundable research partners	
Eligibility of project duration	Maximum 3 years
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Legal body: university, university hospital, non-university public research institute, industry (note for BMBF:industry is funded with a maximum of 50-60% of the total project cost; note for DFG: industry is not eligible; some restrictions for non-university public research institutes)
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Personnel, consumables, animals, subcontracts, equipment, travels, documentation according to national regulations. Overheads : BMBF : Overheads refer to “Gemeinkosten” (applicable for Helmholtz-centres and Fraunhofer-Society) as well as “Projektpauschale” (applicable for universities and university hospitals). The “Projektpauschale” generally will amount to 20% of the applied total project expenditure. For further information on the “Projektpauschale” please refer to https://foerderportal.bund.de/easy/module/easy_formulare/download.php?datei=179 (Pos. 0865). DFG: From 2016, the “Programmpauschale” generally will amount to 22% of the applied total project expenditure. See www.dfg.de for further details.
Submission of the proposal at the national level	BMBF: No; DFG: After proposal submission at the E-Rare-3-portal the proposals will be assigned to DFG and BMBF, respectively, by the management organisations. Proposals assigned to the DFG will then have to be uploaded at the ELAN-Portal of the DFG
Submission of other information at the national level	Yes (both DFG: and BMBF: only for proposals which are selected for funding.)
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national level	Yes, according to national regulations.
Further guidance	www.gesundheitsforschung-bmbf.de/de/4647.php http://www.dfg.de/en/research_funding/programmes/individual/research_grants/index.html

HUNGARY, NKFIH

Country	Hungary
Funding organisation	National Research, Development and Innovation Office (NKFIH) http://nkfih.gov.hu/; http://nkfih.gov.hu/english/
National contact person	National Research, Development and Innovation Office, Kéthly Anna tér 1, Budapest, H-1077, Hungary **Dr. Előd Nemerkényi** Assistant of International Affairs, Division of Research and Development, NKFIH +36-1-8963987 E-mail: elod.nemerkenyi@nkfih.gov.hu **Dr. Gábor Tóth** head of department, Department of Medical and Biological Sciences , Division of Research and Development, NKFIH +36-1-8961727 E-mail: gabor.toth@nkfih.gov.hu
Funding commitment	EUR 150.000
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	Up to 2
Eligibility of project duration	Up to 3 years
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Universities, academic and public research institutions, public health institutions (university or non-university hospitals and clinics)
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	All research-related costs (the guidelines to NKFIH/OTKA NN-type proposals should be consulted)
Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member	The principal investigator must hold a Ph.D., D.Sc., or equivalent degree and be employed by a university, public health institution, academic or public research institution. One researcher can be a principal investigator in a maximum of two research projects funded by NKFIH (including running OTKA projects). Researchers cannot participate in more than one proposal submitted to the same transnational joint call.
Submission of the proposal at the national level	Prior to submission, researchers will provide information to NKFIH, including applicant and institution data, as well as an estimation of the requested budget. The appropriate information form will be provided by the contact persons upon request. Upon the ERA-NET funding decision an NN-type proposal should be submitted to NKFIH (necessary for managing the project by NKFIH).
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national level	Annually

ISRAEL

Country	Israel
Funding organisation	Chief Scientist office, Ministry of Health (CSO/MOH) http://www.health.gov.il/
National contact person	**Prof. Avi Israeli, Dr.Irit Allon** Chief Scientist Office, Ministry of Health **Phone**: +972 (0)2 5082156/67; **E-mails**: avii@moh.health.gov.il, irit.allon@moh.health.gov.il
Funding commitment	Up to 200,000 €, depending on budget availability
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	Up to 2 research partners
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner	100,000 €
Eligibility of project duration	CSO-MOH usually funds projects up to 3 years. **Note that in this particular case preclinical experiments are limited to the first year of the project.**
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Position in a university, research center 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., D. Sc 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 programme.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Materials and consumables; Travel (up to 10%); No salaries for applicants; No heavy equipment, Institutional overhead 10%. **All expenses are for preclinical use as CSO-MOH cannot fund clinical trials.**
Submission of the proposal at the national level	Prior to submission, researchers will submit to CSO-MOH an abstract approved by their research authority including budget distribution. No submission of abstract can result in declaration of the consortium as ineligible.
Submission of other information at the national level	If the application involves human or animal experiments, bioethics approvals must be submitted with the application or up to 4 months later. **All expenses are for preclinical use as CSO-MOH cannot fund clinical trials.**
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national level	Required annually.

Further guidance	Please see detailed instructions of application at the national level and reporting at http://www.health.gov.il/research-fund

ITALY

Country	Italy
Funding organisation	Ministry of Health (Ministero della Salute) www.salute.gov.it
National contact person	**Dr. Gaetano Guglielmi**- phone: +39 065994 2186. Head Office 3 (Health Research IRCCS), Directorate General for Health Research and Innovation Ministry of Health, Viale Giorgio Ribotta, 5. 00144 Rome, Italy E-mail:g.guglielmi@sanita.it
National programme	Framework National Programme "IRCCS Health Research" of the Ministry of Health.
Funding commitment	About 1 Mio. €
Anticipated number of fundable project partners	4-6
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project partner	~ 0.25 M€
Eligibility of project duration	Max 3 years
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Scientific Institutes for Research, Hospitalization and Health Care (Istituti di Ricovero e Cura a Carattere Scientifico pubblici e privati, IRCCS).
Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member	The simultaneous participation in proposals submitted to different transnational research calls, funded by the Ministero della Salute, is not allowed to Italian Principal Investigators or other research team members. In order to expedite the eligibility check process, the Ministry of Health will grant an eligibility clearance to the applicants prior to the submission of the proposals. To this end, it is mandatory that the applicants fill out and return a pre-eligibility check form trough 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.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Only costs generated during the lifetime of the project can be eligible. Personnel (only ad hoc contracts/consultants/fellowship, max 50% of the requested fund); travel costs and subsistence allowances (max 10% of the requested fund); equipment (rent/leasing only), consumables (no limit), dissemination of results (publications, meetings/workshops etc.- max 1% of the requested fund); data handling and analysis (no limit); overhead (maximum 10% of the requested fund). (All according to national regulations).

	Travel expenses and subsistence allowances associated with training activities only linked to the project.
Submission of other information at the national level	After the joint ERAREJTC 2016 peer review has been completed and the final (scientific) ranking list has been performed and endorsed by the Call Steering Committee, the Ministry of Health will invite the principal investigators of the projects approved for funding to enter the formal national negotiations (according to national regulations). The funding of this projects are under the Ricerca Corrente IRCCS rules.
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national level	Submission of annual scientific and financial reports at the national level could be required according to the rules of the Ministry of Health Ricerca Corrente IRCCS.
Further guidance	Further information on the rules of the Ministry of Health can be found at www.salute.gov.it, on the website page dedicated to the yearly national calls (Bando ricerca finalizzata e giovani Ricercatori and Riecrac Corrente), or requested to the national contact persons.

LATVIA, LAS

Country / Region	Latvia
Funding organisation	State Education Development Agency - VIAA viaa.gov.lv
National contact person	**Dr. Maija Bundule** Division of International Research programmes State Education Development Agency - VIAA Valnu iela 1, Riga, 1050 Latvia Tel: +371- 67785423 E-Mail: Maija.Bundule@viaa.gov.lv **Dr. Uldis Berkis** Division of International Research programmes State Education Development Agency - VIAA Valnu iela 1, Riga, 1050 Latvia Tel: +371-67785465 +371- 29472349 E-mail: Uldis.Berkis@viaa.gov.lv
Funding commitment	0,3 M€
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	1-2 research partners
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner	210 kEUR (max 70 kEUR/year)
Eligibility of project duration	3 years
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Teams of researchers, working in active research institutions registered in the Latvian Registry of Scientific Institutions, e.g. - Research Institutes - Universities Enterprises entered into the Latvian Commercial registry, assumed they are eligible to do the specific research and have specific capacity to do the research in Latvia. Limitations of EU legislation apply (R651/2014) together with financial reporting requirements. Activities subject to any of EU and Latvian state aid legislation scrutiny and/or reporting cannot be supported. The work carried out should be research. Support is provided according to Provisions Nr 259, 26.05.2015 of the Latvian Cabinet of Ministers http://likumi.lv/ta/id/274671-

	atbalsta-pieskirsanas-kartiba-dalibai-starptautiskas-sadarbibas-programmas-petniecibas-un-tehnologiju-joma These provisions should be respected without exceptions. The maximum rates should respect the Provisions.
Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member	Researcher's team leader, principal investigators, leading researchers should be researchers according to Latvian legislation ("zinātnieks", possessing doctoral degree and experience in relevant research field), and the work carried out should be research. At maximum 2 partners from Latvia allowed per project.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Personnel incl. social tax Consumables Animals Subcontracts (up to 25%), needs detailed justification, subject to approval. Includes all external services Equipment (only depreciation costs) Replaceable un fully consumable during project elements of equipment e.g. electrodes fully Travel (according to travel plan) Indirect costs (up to 25% of direct costs exempt subcontracting with justification) Core activities cannot be subcontracted.
Submission of the proposal at the national level	There is no special procedure at proposal stage. However, consulting national contact place is recommended.
Submission of other information at the national level	After selecting the project for funding all information necessary to fulfil the Provisions Nr 259, 26.05.2015 of the Latvian Cabinet of Ministers should be submitted, together with proof that the staff involved is affiliated to the participant institution/enterprise. The grant will be awarded if: - the submitted project proposal of the partner of Latvia is in accordance with the criteria in the present document; - the submitted project proposal is selected for the award by the Call Steering Committee; - the project Consortium Agreement is signed. The decision will be made by the State Education Development Agency – VIAA on the base of the project ranking list and/or funding recommendations by the Call Steering Committee. The available budget will be taken into account.
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national level	1. Pre-financing 2. Report of scientific progress and justification of expenses submitted to the person responsible for monitoring 3. Interim payments based on the progress reports 4. Comprehensive final report submitted at the end of the project together with sworn auditor's approval of costs
Further guidance	http://www.viaa.gov.lv/lat/zinatnes_inovacijas_progr/era_net_proj/par_era_net/

POLAND

Country	Poland
Funding organisation	National Centre for Research and Development (**NCBR**) (http://www.ncbir.pl)
National contact person	**Marcin Chmielewski**, Section for Research Projects BIOMED, Nowogrodzka Str. 47a, 00-695 Warsaw, Poland, phone: +48 22 39 07 109, e-mail: marcin.chmielewski@ncbr.gov.pl;
Funding commitment	0,4 Mio. €
Anticipated number of fundable research groups	1-3
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project partner	The NCBR does not have a maximum funding per grant. The amount depends on the scientific needs and justification for the budget.
Eligible institutions	Following entities are eligible to apply: • Research organizations • Micro, Small, Medium and Large Enterprise • Research consortia (according to The Act of 30 April 2010 on the Principles of Financing Science, published in Journal of Laws No. 96 item 615, 2010) Organization must be registered in Poland.
Additional eligibility criteria	All proposals must be aligned with National regulations, inter alia: • The Act of 30 April 2010 on the Principles of Financing Science, published in Journal of Laws No. 96 item 615, 2010; • The Act of 30 April 2010 on the National Centre for Research and Development, published in Journal of Laws No. 96 item 616, 2010;
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	The eligible costs shall be the following: 1. **personnel costs** (researchers, technicians and other supporting staff to the extent employed on the research project); 2. **costs of instruments and equipment, technical knowledge and patents** to the extent and for the period used for the research project; if such instruments and equipment are not used for their full life for the research project, only the depreciation costs corresponding to the life of the research project, as calculated on the basis of good accounting practice, shall be considered eligible; 3. **costs for buildings and land**, to the extent and for the duration used for the research project; with regard to buildings, only the depreciation costs corresponding to the life of the research project, as calculated on the basis of good accounting practice shall be considered eligible; for land, costs of commercial transfer or actually incurred capital costs shall be eligible; 4. **cost of contractual research**, costs of consultancy and equivalent services used exclusively for the research activity; this cost type cannot account for more than 70% of all eligible costs of a project; the subcontracting can be obtained from consortium partner only in justified case, this need will be verified by a national experts panel;

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<tr><td></td><td>5. other operating costs including costs of materials, supplies and similar products incurred directly as a result of the research activity;
6. additional overheads incurred indirectly as a result of the research project; that costs cannot account for more than 25% of eligible project costs; That costs (6) are counted as a multiplication by percentage given above (called x%) and the rest of direct costs, excluding subcontracting (4); It means 6=(1+2+3+5)*x%.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Submission of the proposal at the national level</td><td>Polish Participants will be informed and invited to submit Polish proposal once the international evaluation and the ranking list will be established.</td></tr>
<tr><td>National funding rates</td><td>Funding quota of Polish participants can be up to 100% for universities or research organisations. In the case of enterprises, funding quota will be decided on a case-by-case basis depending on the size of the company, type of research/development, risk associated with the research activities and commercial perspective of exploitation. Organization must be registered in Poland
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<tr><th></th><th>Large Enterprises</th><th>Medium Enterprises</th><th>Small Enterprises</th><th>Universities and research organizations</th></tr>
<tr><td>Fundamental/ Basic Research</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td>-</td></tr>
<tr><td>Industrial/Applied Research</td><td>Up to
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(max 65 %)</td><td>Up to
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100 %</td></tr>
<tr><td>Experimental development</td><td>Up to
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In case of enterprises only Industrial/Applied Research and Experimental Development will be funded. Other type of activities (e.g. coordination, dissemination, management) is not eligible for funding as separate research tasks in the project schedule.</td></tr>
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PORTUGAL

Country	Portugal
Funding organisation	Foundation for Science and Technology
National contact person	**Anabela Lopes Isidro, anabela.isidro@fct.pt; +351 21 391 1552; Carlos Pereira, carlos.pereira@fct.pt, +351 21 392 4397**
Funding commitment	0.25 Mio. €
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	1-2
Eligibility of project duration	3 years
Maximum funding per awarded project	**0.250 M€** for a proposal with **Portuguese coordination**; **0.150 M€** for a proposal with **Portuguese participation**
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Higher education institutions, their institutes and R&D centres; Associate laboratories; State laboratories; Private non-profit institutes whose main objective is to carry out S&T activities; Companies provided that they participate in projects headed by public or private non-profit institutions; Other public and private non-profit institutions which carry out or participate in scientific research activities.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Equipment, consumables, human resources, networks & consortium funding, mobility and overheads.
Submission of the proposal at the national level	Yes. Only for proposals which are selected for funding.
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national level	Yes. Submission of financial and annual scientific reports at national level is required according with the rules of FCT.
Information available at	http://alfa.fct.mctes.pt/apoios/projectos/regulamento.phtml.en

NOTE: The dedication time of researchers to project is not applicable for this JTC; Portuguese teams need to send a statement of commitment to the National Contact Point from FCT, duly signed, dated and stamped by the Head of the Portuguese applicant organisation and by the Principal Investigator, up to 10 days after application submission.

SPAIN

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<tr><td>Country</td><td>Spain</td></tr>
<tr><td>Funding organisation</td><td>National Institute of Health Carlos III (ISCIII) www.isciii.es</td></tr>
<tr><td>National contact persons</td><td>Eduard Güell
Email: eguell@isciii.es
Tel: (+34) 91 822 2454</td></tr>
<tr><td>Initial Funding commitment</td><td>• Up to 250.000 €
• Only 3-year projects
• 2-3 research groups</td></tr>
<tr><td>Maximum funding per awarded Spanish project partner</td><td>• Up to 100.000 € per partner (overheads included)
• Up to 150.000 € per coordinator (overheads included)</td></tr>
<tr><td>Eligible institutions</td><td>
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<tr><th></th><th>Coordinator</th><th>Partner</th></tr>
<tr><td>Hospitals, primary health care or public health settings of the Spanish National Health System (SNS)[1]</td><td>YES</td><td>YES</td></tr>
<tr><td>Research performing organisations belonging to EU-Openscreen preparatory phase (ChemBioBank Network)</td><td>YES</td><td>YES</td></tr>
<tr><td>Accredited Health Research Institutes (Institutos de Investigación Sanitaria acreditados, IIS)[2]</td><td>YES</td><td>NO</td></tr>
<tr><td>CIBER or CIBERNED</td><td>YES</td><td>NO</td></tr>
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1. 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)
2. Accredited according to the RD 339/2004, of February 27th (These institutions may manage research via a foundation regulated according to the Spanish Act 50/ 2002, of December 26th) http://www.eng.isciii.es/ISCIII/es/contenidos/fd-investigacion/fd-institutos-investigacion-sanitaria/listado-de-iis-acreditados.shtml
NOTE:
A. Only one partner per beneficiary institution may be funded within the same proposal
B. SMEs and other private companies are welcome to participate at their own cost, as subcontractors or funded by other sources including CDTI open calls for internationalization
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<tr><td>Additional eligibility criteria</td><td>
• Proposals including clinical trials performed by Spanish partners must include at least one partner belonging to ECRIN-ERIC via the Spanish Clinical Research Network (SCReN) and whose institution must be beneficiary institution.
• Only one proposal per partner is allowed
• Researchers with ongoing E-Rare projects in 2017 cannot apply to the current call except if the applicant is the coordinator
NOTE:
• There is no other incompatibility with AES call 2016
• Incompatibilities with other calls are subject to their respective specifications
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<tr><td>Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member</td><td>
• The Principal Investigator (PI) and all members of the research group must belong to the eligible institution or be affiliated to CIBER, CIBERNED or an IIS.
• Spanish PIs and teams involved in Clinical Trials must mandatorily belong to ECRIN-ERIC via the Spanish Clinical Research Network (SCReN), thus their institutions have to be a partner within the consortia.
Excluded personnel as Principal Investigator (PI):
• Those undergoing a postgraduate training in Health Specialization (MIR, FIR, QIR, BIR, PIR)
• Those undergoing research training (e.g. PhD students, or “Rio Hortega” contracts)
• Researchers contracted by a RETIC or a CONSOLIDER
• Those undergoing postdoctoral training (e.g. “Sara Borrell“ or “Juan de la Cierva” contracts)
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<tr><td>Personnel
Up to 3-year, full-time or part-time contracts (only for additional personnel)
Excluded: Students and fellowships</td><td>Total cost per annual full-time contract:
• Technical expert, higher degree: 29.500 €
• Technical expert, medium degree: 24.500 €
• Technical expert, FP II: 20.500 €</td><td>Not eligible</td></tr>
<tr><td>Small Equipment</td><td>Up to 40.000 €</td><td>Up to 20.000 €</td></tr>
<tr><td>Travel and Allowance</td><td>Up to 9.000 €</td><td>Up to 4.500 €</td></tr>
<tr><td>Consumables</td><td colspan="2">Up to 100% of direct cost</td></tr>
<tr><td>Subcontracting and other services</td><td colspan="2">Up to 50% of direct cost
Private (bio)companies and SMEs included</td></tr>
<tr><td>Overheads</td><td colspan="2">Up to 21% of direct cost</td></tr>
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<tr><td>National phase</td><td>National applications will be required from applicants officially invited by ISCIII</td></tr>
<tr><td>Mandatory acknowledgement</td><td>Any publication resulting from the granted projects must acknowledge “Award no. XX by ISCIII thorough AES 2016 and within the E-Rare framework” even after the end of the project</td></tr>
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SWITZERLAND

Country	Switzerland
Funding organisation	Swiss National Science Foundation www.snf.ch
National contact person	Dr. Raphael Banz Division of Biology and Medicine Swiss National Science Foundation Phone +41(0)31 308 21 82 E-mail: raphael.banz@snf.ch
Funding commitment	CHF 1 Mio: total amount available for a term of three years.
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	Max 5 research partners
Eligibility of project duration	Project funding: 36 months;
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Refer to SNSF funding regulations http://www.snf.ch/SiteCollectionDocuments/allg_reglement_16_e.pdf
Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member	Refer to SNSF funding regulations http://www.snf.ch/SiteCollectionDocuments/allg_reglement_16_e.pdf
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Refer to SNSF Funding Regulations and to General Implementation Regulations which will enter into force on 01.01.2016. Overhead contributions cannot be applied for. They are calculated on the basis of the research funding acquired by eligible institutions under eligible funding schemes. Contributions are paid in retrospect at a flat rate. http://www.snf.ch/SiteCollectionDocuments/ueb_overhead_reglement_e.pdf http://www.snf.ch/SiteCollectionDocuments/allg_reglement_16_e.pdf
Submission of the proposal at the national level	Submission of the formal proposal at national level will be carried out once the international evaluation is finalized. The Swiss project partner will then be invited by the SNSF to submit a proposal.

Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national level	Refer to SNSF funding regulations: http://www.snf.ch/SiteCollectionDocuments/allg_reglement_16_e.pdf
Further guidance	Important note: SNSF eligibility check refers to formal and material criteria. Applicants must show that they have successfully carried out research work for several years, and must be capable of running a project under their sole responsibility and leading the project team engaged for the (sub) project. Proposals that are manifestly inadequate to be forwarded to external experts for review or show obvious substantial insufficiencies in any of the SNSF scientific assessment criteria are rejected and not forwarded to external review. For eligibility check please contact the national contact person identified above.

TURKEY

Country	Turkey
Funding organisation	The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TÜBİTAK) http://www.tubitak.gov.tr and http://www.h2020.org.tr
National contact person(s)	Dr. Jale ŞAHİN Ayşenur OKATAN Phone: +90-312-298 9439 / +90-312 298 9404 E-mail: jale.sahin@tubitak.gov.tr , ncphealth@tubitak.gov.tr
Funding commitment	0,6 M €
Anticipated number of fundable research partners	4-5 Research Partners
Maximum funding per grant awarded to a partner	Maximum funding per grant is 360.000 TL for 36 months , which is approximately 120.000-130.000 EUR
Eligibility of project duration	up to 36 months
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Legal body: university, university hospital, public research institutes.
Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member	Principal investigators from universities and university hospitals should at least have a PhD degree. Principal investigators from public research institutes and industry should at least have a university degree. Institutes, Universities to be funded via 1001 programme has to prepare the project proposals according to the rules of their national funding programme and go through an administrational check and revision of the budget if required. There are other requirements related to principal investigator and other research team members. This information should be checked thoroughly by the Turkish partner from the web site http://www.tubitak.gov.tr/tr/destekler/akademik/ulusal-destek-programlari/1001/icerik-kimler-basvurabilir for 1001 programme before organising the research team.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Personnel, consumables, animals, subcontracts, equipment, travel, documentation

Submission of the proposal at the national level	If the project requires ethical review; After the results of the international evaluations announced (after the e-mail sent by Call Secretariat), the applicants who are awarded to be fund have to submit necessary documents stated in the rules of "The Support Programme for Scientific and Technological Research Projects – 1001" in 120 days at the latest. If the project does not require ethical review; After the results of the international evaluations announced (after the e-mail sent by Call Secretariat), the applicants who are awarded to be fund have to submit necessary documents stated in the rules of "The Support Programme for Scientific and Technological Research Projects – 1001" in 45 days at the latest.
Submission of other information at the national level	Original version of the "Ethics Committee Approvals - ECA" should be submitted for the projects in which ECA is needed (Letter of Applications for ECA will not be accepted for the submission).
Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national level	1. Pre-financing 2. Report of scientific progress and justification of expenses submitted to the person responsible for monitoring 2 times a year 3. Interim payments based on the progress reports 4. Comprehensive final report submitted at the end of the project
Further guidance	Further information should be checked via TUBITAK's web page on the national programme: http://www.tubitak.gov.tr/tr/destekler/akademik/ulusal-destek-programlari/icerik-1001-bilimsel-ve-teknolojik-arastirma-projelerini-destekleme-pr