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Annex B - National/regional requirements

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AUSTRIA – Austrian Research Promotion Agency (FFG)

a) National/Regional information and eligibility criteria

<p>Contact Point</p>	<p>FFG – Program Manager:</p> <p>Paul Kuttner paul.kuttner@ffg.at</p> <p>For Call Module 5: Johannes Fritzer johannes.fritzer@ffg.at +43 57755 5032</p>
<p>Funding commitment</p>	<p>Call Module 1: 0,4 Mio. € Call Module 5: 1,5 Mio. € Call Module 8: 0,8 Mio. € Call Module 9: 2 Mio. €</p> <p>Call Modules 1, 5 & 8 Federal <i>Ministry for Climate Action, Environment, Energy, Mobility, Innovation and Technology</i> (BMK)</p> <p>Call Modules 9 from Climate & Energy Fund</p>
<p>Anticipated number of projects to be funded</p>	<p>n.a.</p>
<p>Maximum funding per awarded project/per partner</p>	<p>Max. funding per project € 2 mio.</p>
<p>Eligible types of organisations</p>	<p>Companies, Research Organizations (Universities etc.) and others (Municipalities, NPOs)</p>

Eligible Call Modules	Call Modules 1,5,8 & 9
Eligible types of RDI and TRL	Industrial research & experimental development TRL 3 – 8
Submission of proposal /documentation at national/regional level	Yes
Additional eligibility criteria	<p>For Call Module 5 Applications: Thematic restriction for Austrian participants to green hydrogen (as a fuel, produced by electrolysis or based on biogenic raw materials) or fuels produced by the use of green hydrogen as a reactant (e.g. Power-Liquid, Power-to-Gas, Power-to-Ammonia ...).</p> <p>The contribution of Austrian participants in submitted proposals should be focused on the development and use of hydrogen and fuel cells in mobile applications. According to the goals of Austria's National Hydrogen Strategy the proposals must concentrate on applications in the transport sector, where electrification is difficult to achieve (aviation, heavy-duty road and rail transport, shipping).</p>
Eligible costs	<p>All project related costs (e.g. Personnel, Equipment, Consumables, Training, Travels, etc.)</p> <p>Costs must be allocated directly to the project, incurred during the funding period in addition to normal operating expenses, correspond to the funding contract and can be proven</p>
Information available at	https://www.ffg.at/CETPartnership
Other	<p>Applicants are strongly encouraged to contact FFG before submitting a preproposal.</p> <p>In parallel to the submission of the joint proposal by the coordinator, a simplified national application is to be submitted via the FFG electronic submission system eCall by participants requesting funding by FFG (both in the preproposal and in the full proposal stage).</p>

b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises	n.a.	55%	35%
Medium Enterprises	n.a.	70%	50%
Small Enterprises	n.a.	80%	60%
Universities, public research organisations	n.a.	85%	60%
Public authorities	n.a.	80%	60%
Associations without economic activities, NGOs	n.a.	55%	35%

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BELGIUM-FLANDERS – FONDS INNOVATIE EN ONDERNEMEN (FIO/VLAIO)

a) National/Regional information and eligibility criteria

Contact Point	Frank Verschraegen , frank.verschraegen@vlaio.be , +32 471 55 98 19
Funding commitment	1.000.000 euro, excluding EC topup
Anticipated number of projects to be funded	2-3
Maximum funding per awarded project/per partner	500.000 euro per awarded project
Eligible types of organisations	VLAIO is involving the Programmes for Development projects and Research projects. Therefore the involvement of at least one private company (SME or large company) based in Flanders is mandatory (with the possibility to cooperate with research organisations).
Eligible Call Modules	All Modules.
Eligible types of RDI and TRL	Research projects and Development projects, up to TRL 7.
Submission of proposal /documentation at national/regional level	An annex is to be submitted together with the international project proposal to Flanders Innovation and Entrepreneurship. The annex(es) must be read together with the international project proposal. For this reason the focus of this annex should <u>only</u> be on the role of the (Flemish) company in the project, the nature of the activities to be carried out by the Flemish partners and the impact of the project results for the company in particular.
Additional eligibility criteria	Applicants should motivate how the realization of the project will create added value for the company in Flanders. Subsidies range from: 35-60% for development projects 60-70% for research projects

<p>Eligible costs</p>	<p>Personnel costs and related direct and indirect costs according to VLAIO rules.</p>
<p>Information available at</p>	<p>Application process for research project grant Agentschap Innoveren en Ondernemen (vlaio.be)</p> <p>The template annex for international and interregional projects can be found under the documents section. The template budget application can also be found here.</p> <p>Subsidies voor O&O&I in een internationaal consortium Agentschap Innoveren en Ondernemen (vlaio.be)</p>
<p>Other</p>	<p>It is advised to contact VLAIO before submission (see contact point above), in order to avoid ineligible projects and consortia.</p>

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b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages (in case the Flemish company cooperates with 1 or more Flemish research organisations):

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises	N/A	65%	40%
Medium Enterprises	N/A	70%	50%
Small Enterprises	N/A	70%	60%
Universities, public research organisations	N/A	As research partner of the enterprise, same funding rates as above.	As research partner of the enterprise, same funding rates as above.
Public authorities	N/A	Not funded	Not funded
Associations without economic activities, NGOs	N/A	Not funded	Not funded

Maximum funding percentages (in case the Flemish company does not cooperate with 1 or more Flemish research organisations):

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises	N/A	60%	35%
Medium Enterprises	N/A	60%	45%
Small Enterprises	N/A	60%	50%
Universities, public research organisations	N/A	As research partner of the enterprise, same funding rates as above.	As research partner of the enterprise, same funding rates as above.
Public authorities	N/A	Not funded	Not funded
Associations without economic activities, NGOs	N/A	Not funded	Not funded

BELGIUM-WALLONIA – Service Public de Wallonie (SPW)

a) National/Regional information and eligibility criteria

Contact Point	Suleau Marie marie.suleau@spw.walonie.be Gilles Tihon gilles.tihon@spw.wallonie.be
Funding commitment	1 500 000
Anticipated number of projects to be funded	/
Maximum funding per awarded project/per partner	/
Eligible types of organisations	Participation of a private company is mandatory (minimum 40% of total Walloon budget). According to the rules of SPW. - Industrial Researches (TRL 3 to 5) : Universities, Research Centers, SME, large companies, settled in Wallonia -Experimental Development (TRL 6 to 7 (8)) : only SMEs and large companies settled in Wallonia -other companies or NGOs for promotion activities
Eligible Call Modules	All TRI 1 to 7
Eligible types of RDI and TRL	RI & RIA All TRL, regarding the conditions on TRL per call module
Submission of proposal /documentation at national/regional level	The pre-proposal has also to be submitted on our own portal by our “regional partner”. The pre-proposal can be in English. If selected for presenting a proposal, this proposal must be in French AND English

<p>Additional eligibility criteria</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -The partners in Wallonia MUST give a pdf file from their 2021 balance published on Banque Nationale de Belgique - The project cannot receive double funding; a specific form has to be filled in; - The budget for the Walloon partners should follow the SPW-EER (DGO6) cost model; - The funding rate will be the maximum allowed by the decree of the 3rd of July 2008, modified; - The beneficiary must have a stable financial situation; A financial viability check has to be carried out before being recommended for full proposal. - The beneficiary must have Operational offices in the Walloon Region; - The project must add benefit to the regional economy; - All information needed for evaluation should be available;
<p>Eligible costs</p>	<p>Available : https://recherche.wallonie.be/guide-depenses-eligibles</p>
<p>Information available at</p>	<p>Will be published on https://recherche.wallonie.be/home.html and https://energie.wallonie.be/fr/index.html?IDC=6018</p>
<p>Other</p>	

b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises	65%	65%	40%
Medium Enterprises	75%	75%	50%
Small Enterprises	80%	80%	60%
Universities, HE	100%	100%	100%
Research Centers	75%	75%	75%

All the conditions are available on : <https://recherche.wallonie.be/home/nos-aides-1/minscrire-dans-une-demarche-internationale-international.html>

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CANADA-ALBERTA – Emissions Reduction Alberta (ERA)

a) National/Regional information and eligibility criteria

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Funding commitment	<p>Total ERA funding envelope is \$3 million CAD (~€2 million at current exchange rate, tbc). The indicative budget for the following areas is: \$1 million CAD is allocated to CCUS, \$1 million CAD is allocated to Renewable Fuels, and \$1 million CAD is allocated to Hydrogen.</p> <p>ERA in its sole discretion reserves the right to modify the total funding available under this Call.</p>
Anticipated number of projects to be funded	<p>Approximately 5-7 anticipated. No minimum or maximum specified.</p>
Maximum funding per awarded project/per partner	<p>\$1 million CAD (~€0.66 million at current exchange rate) per project. ERA in its sole discretion reserves the right to modify the maximum funding awarded per project.</p>
Eligible types of organisations	<p>ERA funding is open to all categories of applicant, including technology developers, industry, industrial associations, small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs), research and development (R&D) organizations, universities, municipalities, not-for-profit organizations, government research labs, and individuals.</p>
Eligible Call Modules	<p>All focus areas mentioned in the CETP-TRI3 Joint Call 2023 guidelines are eligible for Alberta/Canada. However, the following areas for CCUS & Hydrogen are NOT eligible for Canada/Alberta region:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acid gas injection • Offshore storage • Projects whose primary focus is point-to-point transportation or sequestration elements. <p>For all focus areas, ERA funding will NOT be provided to projects whose primary focus is commercially proven technologies/processes, activities assessed to be business-as-usual, or to address only financial barriers.</p>
Eligible types of RDI and TRL	<p>ERA funding is targeted for projects at the technology scale-up, field pilot, commercial demonstration, or commercial implementation stages (TRL 5-9).</p>
Submission of proposal /documentation at national/regional level	<p>In addition to the CETP-TRI3 proposal, ERA may require applicants, during the <u>full proposal stage</u> ONLY, to provide supplemental information to support due diligence and portfolio reporting. This information may include detailed budget information, financial report(s), an extended Greenhouse Gas benefits analysis, and/or additional information on the specific alignment with the Alberta market. Supplemental information relates to</p>

	<p>both the overall project and the component of the project based in Alberta. The final document for the Supplemental Information must be no more than 20 pages in length excluding appendices. Financial reporting will be required for the Alberta-based partner(s) on the project and is mandatory for the project partner that will receive funding from ERA. The Supplemental Information document, budget sheet and appendices must be submitted via email to ERA Applications at applications@eralberta.ca.</p>
Additional eligibility criteria	<p>Applicants are NOT required to be located in Alberta, but all applicants must demonstrate a clear value proposition for the province. Applicants must demonstrate how the proposed technology or application thereof is an innovative solution for emissions reduction in Alberta.</p>
Eligible costs	<p>ERA will match applicant contributions toward eligible expenses on a one-to-one (1:1) basis. The maximum ERA contribution to a single project will be no more than 50% of the project's eligible expenses.</p> <p>ERA will not match other government funds provided directly for the proposed project (federal, provincial, or international), or future revenue associated with the outcomes of the project such as offset credits or emissions performance credits associated with the project, tax incentives associated with the project (e.g., Canadian SR&ED credits), revenue from sales of the project's end-products (e.g., from offtake agreement), or non-eligible contributions. Applicants must justify the amount of funding requested.</p> <p>For information about eligible expenses and costs, please refer to the <i>ERA Eligible Expenses and Cost Instructions</i> document available at https://erims.outcome-plus.com/Content/Files/ERIMS/Files/ERA%20Eligible%20Expenses%20and%20Cost%20Instructions_November%202021.pdf.</p>
Information available at	<p>https://eralberta.ca</p>

<p>Other</p>	<p>Alberta is home to the Alberta Carbon Conversion Technology Centre (ACCTC), a real-world test bed for carbon capture and conversion technologies. Applicants are strongly encouraged to consider piloting or testing their technology at the ACCTC. See https://innotechalberta.ca/research-facilities/alberta-carbon-conversion-technology-centre-acctc/ for more information.</p> <p>Hydrogen Centre of Excellence (HCOE) is led by Alberta Innovates, with the applied research and engineering expertise of InnoTech Alberta and C-FER Technologies. The HCOE is a funding program, testing and service facility, and forum for facilitating partnerships to de-risk hydrogen technology development. Applicants may reach out to the HCOE for assistance with developing partnerships in the hydrogen community. See https://albertainnovates.ca/programs/hydrogen-centre-of-excellence/ for more information.</p> <p>InnoTech Alberta has a set of services for hydrogen production, infrastructure, and end-use applications. Applicants are encouraged to consider the expertise or facilities needed for testing hydrogen technologies at InnoTech Alberta. See https://innotechalberta.ca/services/hydrogen/ for more information.</p> <p>C-FER Technologies has a collection of services for hydrogen & CO₂ pipeline integrity, hydrogen & CO₂ underground storage, and ensuring hydrogen & CO₂ can be transported and used safely. Applicants are encouraged to consider the expertise or facilities needed for testing hydrogen and CO₂ technologies at C-FER Technologies. See https://www.cfertech.com/hydrogen/ for more information.</p> <p>The International CCS Knowledge Centre (Knowledge Centre) offers insight into practical CCS deployment considerations. It is dedicated to advancing the understanding and use of a large-scale CCS/CCU as a means of managing GHG (greenhouse gas) emissions. Applicants may engage with the Knowledge Centre for assistance with proposal development or project delivery at their own expense. See https://ccsknowledge.com for more information.</p> <p>Shell Quest and the Alberta Carbon Trunk Line projects are notable large-scale CCS projects in Canada. Applicants are encouraged to consider leveraging or partnering with commercial-scale projects or infrastructure under development in Canada. See https://www.alberta.ca/carbon-capture-utilization-and-storage-funded-projects-and-reports.aspx for more information.</p>
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b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises	-	-	-
Medium Enterprises	-	-	-
Small Enterprises	-	-	-
Universities, public research organisations	-	-	-
Public authorities	-	-	-
Associations without economic activities, NGOs	-	-	-

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CYPRUS – RESEARCH AND INNOVATION FOUNDATION (RIF)

a) National/Regional information and eligibility criteria

Contact Point	ANNA MARIA CHRISTOFOROU
Funding commitment	€1.500.000 (tbc)
Anticipated number of projects to be funded	3
Maximum funding per awarded project/per partner	€500.000
Eligible types of organisations	Legal entities established and based in the areas, which are under the effective control of the Republic of Cyprus. Research Organisations, Enterprises (small, medium, large), Other Private Sector Organisations, Other Public and Broader Public Sector Organisations
Eligible Call Modules	ALL
Eligible types of RDI and TRL	Type of research (basic research, applied research, experimental development) Projects must include experimental development activities. TRL 1-8
Submission of proposal /documentation at national/regional level	YES IRIS Portal: https://iris.research.org.cy
Additional eligibility criteria	Please check National Regulations at: www.research.org.cy https://iris.research.org.cy/
Eligible costs	Research & Development Cost Categories <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personnel Cost • Costs for Instruments and Equipment • Costs for External Services • Consumables • Other Specific Costs • Overheads
Information available at	RPF Website: www.research.org.cy IRIS Portal: https://iris.research.org.cy

Other	Please check National Regulations at: www.research.org.cy https://iris.research.org.cy/
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b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages (under specific conditions):

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises	100%	65%	40%
Medium Enterprises	100%	75%	50%
Small Enterprises	100%	80%	60%
Universities, public research organisations	100%	100%	100%
Public authorities	100%	100%	100%
Associations without economic activities, NGOs (according to corresponding type of enterprise (small, medium, large))	100%	80% 75% 65%	60% 50% 40%

CZECH REPUBLIC – Technology Agency of the Czech Republic (TA CR)

a) National/Regional information and eligibility criteria

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Funding commitment	760 000 EUR
Anticipated number of projects to be funded	4-5
Maximum funding per awarded project/per partner	Maximum funding rate (intensity) per project (Czech part): 80 % Maximum funding (amount) per project (Czech part): 175 000 EUR per project
Eligible types of organisations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enterprises (according to Annex 1 of the Regulation) • Enterprises who act as natural persons according to Annex 1 of the Regulation engaged in an economic activity pursuant to Act no. 455/1991 coll. on Trades (Trade Act). • Research organisations (according to Article 2 paragraph 83 of the Regulation) <p>TA CR excludes the disbursement of individual aid to an enterprise:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • against which a recovery order has been issued which is unpaid • meeting the definition of an “undertaking in difficulty” • which has not met the obligation to publish the financial statements for the years 2019, 2020, 2021 in the respective register - the so-called “Veřejný rejstřík” • which has not disclose its ownership structure in the so-called “Evidence skutečných majitelů”
Eligible Call Modules	<p><i>* Czech Applicants are eligible to participate in Call Modules under TRI 1, TRI 3, TRI 5 and TRI 7.</i></p> <p>Eligible Call Modules:</p> <p>CM 1 CM 2</p> <p>CM 4 CM 5</p>

	<p>CM 8</p> <p>CM 10A CM 10B</p>
<p>Eligible types of RDI and TRL</p>	<p>Applied research (industrial research and experimental development)</p> <p>TRL: 3-9</p>
<p>Submission of proposal /documentation at national/regional level</p>	<p><u>Mandatory forms to be submitted</u></p> <p>The Czech applicants are requested to submit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● A Sworn statement of the applicant ● Completed “TACR Application Form” Excel file (submitted by the main Czech applicant only)* ● if the applicant plans to achieve “Nmet” type of result, the mandatory form for Nmet result needs to be attached* ● if the applicant plans to achieve the “Patent” type of result, patent search must be substantiated* ● Sworn statement of the composition of the consortium (only if Czech enterprise is part of the project consortium; submitted by the main Czech applicant only) <p>All mandatory documents to be found on TA CR website. Deadline for submitting all documents is the same as the deadline for submitting pre-proposals. All documents proving the eligibility of the Czech partner stated above shall be submitted via the TACR data box (TACR data box ID: afth9xp).</p> <p>*Applicants who will not submit this mandatory form (if relevant) via databox <u>before the deadline</u> will be considered as not eligible for TA CR funding.</p> <p><u>Project start</u></p> <p>Please note that following national legislation, Czech applicants shall start within 120 days from the funding decision being communicated by the Call Management (60-day period to enter into a contract + 60-day period to start the project).</p>

<p>Additional eligibility criteria</p>	<p><u>Eligible projects for TA CR</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the project meets the definition of applied research • the research results correspond to the national rules and are applicable / exploitable. (The project proposal has to include a clear description of the exploitation plan and results.) • the aim of the project has to be relevant to the overall aim of the funding programme SIGMA • the declared share of industrial research and experimental development corresponds to the activities of the Czech partner described in the project proposal • the requested funding meets the national regulations for aid intensity <p><u>Supported results</u></p> <p>Projects that achieve at least one of the following types of results can be supported in this Call. The type of the result has to be clearly described in the project proposal:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P - patent • G - technically realised results - prototype, functional sample • Z - pilot plant, proven technology • R - software • F - results with legal protection - utility model, industrial design • N - Certified methodologies and practices, treatment, conservation methods, procedures and specialised maps with professional expert content • O - Miscellaneous <p>Results supported only in combination with at least one other result listed above:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • H - results reflected in non-legislative directives and regulations binding within the competence of the respective provider and results reflected in the approved strategic and conceptual documents of the state or public administration <p><u>Intellectual Property Rights</u></p> <p>The applicants are required to enter into a contract with their foreign partners (sign the so-called Consortium Agreement) which will define the conditions of cooperation on the project where, among other things, they specify the method of allocating rights to the research results, as well as adjustment and management of the rights imported</p>
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	<p>or created during the project's implementation, which are necessary to address the project.</p> <p><u>Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national/regional level</u></p> <p>Czech beneficiaries must follow the rules of TA CR for reporting on the project (i.e. submission of interim and final reports and reports on the implementation of the results).</p> <p><u>Publicity obligations</u></p> <p>While promoting the project and its results Czech beneficiaries must follow the publicity rules of TA CR.</p> <p>.</p>
<p>Eligible costs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • personnel costs (including scholarships) • subcontracting costs (max. 20% of total eligible costs throughout the whole project period) • other direct costs (write-offs, protection of intellectual property, operating expenses, travel costs, consumables) • indirect costs (overheads) - full cost/flat rate 25% (indirect costs in the respective year are calculated as 25% of the sum of the personnel costs and other direct costs in the same year) <p>Specific categories of eligible costs are defined under Article 18 of the General Terms & Conditions.</p>
<p>Information available at</p>	<p>ERA-NET Cofund Scheme on TA CR website (in Czech)</p> <p>ERA-NET Cofund Scheme on TA CR website (in English)</p> <p>National research programme SIGMA (in Czech)</p> <p>National research programme SIGMA (in English)</p> <p>“Guide for Czech applicants” and all mandatory forms will be available on TA CR website (in Czech).</p>

b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

The aid intensity for each Czech applicant in the project is determined based on the type of entity according to the [Regulation](#) and at the same time must not exceed the maximum permissible aid intensity for the Czech part of the project, which is **80 %** of the total eligible costs.

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises	X	50-65* %	25-40* %
Medium Enterprises	X	60-75* %	35-50* %
Small Enterprises	X	70-80* %	45-60* %
Universities, public research organisations**	X	up to 100 %***	up to 100 %***
Public authorities	X	same as enterprises	same as enterprises
Associations without economic activities, NGOs	X	50-80 %	25-60 %

* If the "bonus for effective collaboration" is achieved

**Research organisations must satisfy the definition in the Act and the Framework

***While respecting the maximum permissible aid intensity of 85 % per project

DENMARK – Energy Technology Development and Demonstration Programme (EUDP)

a) National/Regional information and eligibility criteria

Contact Point	Wickie Lassen Agdal wbl@ens.dk +45 33 92 92 73
Funding commitment	1.340.000 EUR
Anticipated number of projects to be funded	N/A
Maximum funding per awarded project/per partner	1.340.000 EUR
Eligible types of organisations	Public and private business enterprises, as well as knowledge institutions, are eligible for aid. However, it is required that at least one Danish private business enterprise participates as an active partner. - <i>An active partner should have a significant expected contribution to generate growth and/or employment in a Danish context, and/or contribute to the Danish climate policy objectives (e.g. CO₂-reductions and independence from</i>
Eligible Call Modules	All NB: The applicant should choose “Innovation Fund Denmark” for more research-focused projects and “EUDP” for more development-focused projects. Please contact the relevant national contact point for guidance as early in the application process as possible.
Eligible types of RDI and TRL	EUDP supports projects focused on development and demonstration of new energy technology (TRL 4-8) . EUDP can also support projects that includes a <i>smaller</i> research element if it prepares or directly support the development and demonstration in the same project.
Submission of proposal /documentation at national/regional level	EUDP require submission of specific appendices for national eligibility check . The appendices and more information are available at: https://eudp.dk/soeg-tilskud .
Additional eligibility criteria	EUDP Assessment Criteria for National Applications under CETPartnership can be found in the EUDP document package from https://eudp.dk/soeg-tilskud .

<p>Eligible costs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personnel costs. • Instruments and equipment. • Buildings. • Other operating expenses, including materials. • External/sub-supplies. • Overhead costs. • Other/travelling/dissemination. <p>Danish applicants must comply with the EUDP rules which can be found in the link below (section 3): Danish version / English version</p> <p>It is not possible to receive funding for activities, which aim to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop business models, market analyses, direct sales promotion and other commercial market activities, including deploying existing technology or commercial operation of plant and similar. • Expand infrastructure. • Implement preproduction planning or to streamline production or control processes and similar. • Establish new institutions or continue existing institutions through operating grants etc. • Fund operating expenses in connection with partnerships, as these are expected to be paid by the participating parties. • Purchase land and to fund related costs. • Complete case-processing by the authorities in connection with building projects, environmental approvals and similar. • Obtain patents and similar rights.
<p>Information available at</p>	<p>https://eudp.dk/soeg-tilskud</p>
<p>Other</p>	<p>It is recommended that you reach out to the national contact point prior to submitting the application.</p>

b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises	N/A	65 %	40 %
Medium Enterprises	N/A	75 %	50 %
Small Enterprises	N/A	80 %	60 %
Universities, public research organisations	N/A	90 %	90 %
Public authorities	N/A	65 %	40 %
Associations without economic activities, NGOs	N/A	Depends on organisation size	Depends on organisation size

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DENMARK – Innovation Fund Denmark (IFD)

a) National/Regional information and eligibility criteria

Contact Point	Martin.sondergaard@innofond.dk thorbjoern.moth.gilberg@innofond.dk Internationale@innofond.dk
Funding commitment	1,5 M Euro
Anticipated number of projects to be funded by the funding partner	5-7
Maximum funding per awarded project/per partner	500,000 Euro per project and maximum 300,000 per partner (incl. overhead).
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	<p>Danish universities, companies, industry organisations, local/regional governments, research organisations and NGOs. Innovation Fund Denmark encourage Danish research partners to include Danish industrial partners in the consortium in order to maximize the potential impact in Denmark.</p>
Eligible call modules	All
Eligible type of research and TRL	<p>IFD can fund all types of research and innovation within the call mentioned above, however, for call modules where the other Danish funding organisation, Energy Technology Development and Demonstration Programme (EUDP) also participate the applicant must choose IFD for more research-focused projects and EUDP for more development-focused projects. Further information can be found in IFD guidelines or your national contact.</p>
Submission of the proposal at national/regional level	<p>Danish applicants will be invited to upload a pdf of the international application and other initial documents on our national e-grant platform after the official date.</p>
Additional eligibility criteria for the funding agency	<p>If two projects with Danish partners have the same rating, IFD will prioritize the project which include both a Danish research organisation and a Danish industrial partner.</p>

Eligible costs	Please refer to IFD guidelines .
Information available at	www.innovationsfonden.dk
Other	Please refer to IFD guidelines .

b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages*:

	Basic research	Industrial Research	Experimental development
Large Enterprises	65%	65%	40%
Medium Enterprises	75%	75%	50%
Small Enterprises	75%	75%	50%
Universities, public research organisations	90%	90%	90%
Public authorities	90%	90%	90%
Associations without economic activities, NGOs**	90%	90%	90%

 *For information about de minimis funding and overhead rates please see IFD [guidelines](#).

** Funding rates for Danish Approved Technological Services Institutes (GTS) is 60%.

ESTONIA – Estonian Research Council (ETAG)

a) National/Regional information and eligibility criteria

Contact Point	Maria Habicht E-Mail: maria.habicht@etag.ee Phone: +372 51 74 058
Funding commitment	150 000
Anticipated number of projects to be funded	1
Maximum funding per awarded project/per partner	150 000
Eligible types of organisations	Large enterprises, medium enterprises, small enterprises, universities, public research organisations, public authorities, associations without economic activities, NGOs
Eligible Call Modules	All topics
Eligible types of RDI and TRL	Basic research, industrial/applied research, TRL 1-6
Submission of proposal /documentation at national/regional level	No
Additional eligibility criteria	N/A

<p>Eligible costs</p>	<p>Budget</p> <p>1 Research expenses consist of direct costs (personnel costs, travel costs and other direct costs) and subcontracting costs. The research expenses must be used to carry out the project and be separately identifiable.</p> <p>2 Direct costs</p> <p>2.1 Personnel costs are monthly salaries with social security charges and all the other statutory costs of the project participants, calculated according to their commitment and in proportion to their total workload at their Host Institution.</p> <p>2.2 Travel costs may cover expenses for transport, accommodation, daily allowances and travel insurance.</p> <p>3 Other direct costs are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - consumables and minor equipment related to the project; - publication and dissemination of project results; - organising meetings, seminars or conferences (room rent, catering); - fees for participating in scientific forums, conferences and other events related to the project; - patent costs; - all other costs that are identifiable as clearly required for carrying out the project (e.g. translation, copy editing, webpage hosting, etc.) and comply with the eligible costs. <p>4 Subcontracting costs should cover only the additional or complementary research related tasks (e.g. analyses, conducting surveys, building a prototype, etc.) performed by third parties. Subcontracting costs should not be included in the overhead calculation. The activities and budget should be described in the proposal. Core project tasks should not be subcontracted. Subcontracting costs may not exceed 15% of the total costs.</p> <p>5 Indirect costs are overhead from the personnel costs only, which may not exceed 15% and should cover the general expenses of the Host Institution. Costs for equipment and services intended for public use (a copy machine or a printer that is publicly used, phone bills, copy service, etc.) should be covered from the overhead.</p> <p>6. Double funding of activities is not acceptable.</p>
<p>Information available at</p>	<p>https://etag.ee/en/cooperation/horizon-europe/eu-partnerships/era-nets/</p>

Other

State Aid

EU Regulations on State aid and de minimis aid must be taken into account when requesting funding from the Estonian Research Council (ETAg).

Support is not considered to be State aid for research and development, if the project has ties to the non-economic activities of the Research (or Host) Institution, as long as the research and development activities and the related costs, funding and revenue can be clearly separated, thus avoiding the cross subsidization of economic activity.

The criteria defined in Clauses 17-22 of Communication from the European Commission – Framework for State aid for research and development and innovation (2014/C 198/01) forms the basis for determining whether the activities carried out are economic activities and whether the Host Institution is an undertaking who is considered to be a State aid recipient when it receives support.

When an entity applies for State aid or de minimis aid, it has to fill in the **State aid form**. No tax arrears are allowed on the proposal submission date.

If State aid and de minimis aid are given, the documents related to giving the support must be kept for 10 years as of the date when the agreement was entered into.

State aid pursuant to the Block Exemption Regulation

If the support is considered to be State aid, then support is given on the basis of Article 25, 25a or 25c of Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014 declaring certain categories of aid compatible with the internal market in application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty (OJ L 187, 26.6.2014, p. 1–78) (hereinafter the Block Exemption Regulation), and the provisions of the Commission Regulation and Section 34² of the Estonian Competition Act apply.

State aid is not given in cases specified under Articles 1(2) to (5) of the Block Exemption Regulation.

If State aid is given on the basis of Article 25, the eligible costs of the project activities must comply with the requirements specified under Article 25(3) of the Block Exemption Regulation (except clause (c)), and the maximum aid intensity must comply with Articles 25(5) and (6). For State aid given on the basis of Articles 25a or 25c, see rules laid down in mentioned Articles accordingly.

If the support applied for can be considered to be State aid, the application must include the information specified in Article 6(2) of the Block Exemption Regulation, and the application has to be submitted before the start of the activities.

If State aid is given, then the costs of the activities carried out before application submission will not be eligible for aid.

De minimis aid

If support is considered de minimis aid, then giving support is subject to Commission Regulation (EU) No 1407/2013 on the application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union to de minimis aid (OJ L 352, 24.12.2013, p. 1–8) (hereinafter the De Minimis Aid Regulation), and the provisions of the Regulation and Section 33 of the Estonian Competition Act apply. Article 3 of the De Minimis Aid Regulation.

	<p>De minimis aid is not given in cases specified under Article 1(1) of the De Minimis Aid Regulation.</p> <p>In case of de minimis aid, the maximum aid intensity must comply with Article 3 of the De Minimis Aid Regulation.</p> <p>De minimis aid given to the Host Institution together with de minimis aid applied for as support cannot exceed 200,000 euros during the current financial year and the two previous financial years.</p> <p>Article 5 of the De Minimis Aid Regulation applies to cumulating de minimis aid.</p> <p>A single undertaking is an undertaking specified in Article 2(1) of the De Minimis Aid Regulation.</p> <p>Grant Agreement</p> <p>If a positive funding decision is made, the Estonian Research Council enters into a grant agreement with the Host Institution. Information on the transnational project must be entered into ETIS once the agreement has been signed.</p> <p>The Consortium Agreement should be signed at the latest six months after the grant agreement has been signed. If one year has elapsed and the CA has not been signed, the next instalment of funding will not be paid out.</p> <p>Research Involving Human Subjects or Animal Testing</p> <p>If human research or animal testing are intended in the project, a positive resolution by the Human Research Ethics Committee or the Authorisation Committee for Animal Experiments must be submitted to the Estonian Research Council by the start of the relevant activities.</p> <p>Nagoya Protocol</p> <p>By applying for funding by the Estonian Research Council, the applicants agree to consider the relevance of the Nagoya protocol for their research, and to submit the Due Diligence Declaration, if applicable.</p>
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b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises	100%	100%	N/A
Medium Enterprises	100%	100%	N/A
Small Enterprises	100%	100%	N/A
Universities, public research organisations	100%	100%	N/A
Public authorities	100%	100%	N/A
Associations without economic activities, NGOs	100%	100%	N/A

a) National information and eligibility criteria

Contact Point	Name: Siret Talve E-mail: siret.talve@mkm.ee Tel.: +372 639 7660
Funding commitment	150 000 €
Anticipated number of projects to be funded by the funding partner	1
Maximum funding per awarded project / per partner	150 000 €
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	<p>1. Project Participants</p> <p>1.1. The Principal Investigator is a researcher who acts as the Estonian team leader in the project proposal. The Principal Investigator is responsible for how the Estonia's part in the grant budget is allocated and how Estonia's part in the project is executed in case of a positive funding decision.</p> <p>The Principal Investigator:</p> <p>1.1.1. Must have an updated public profile in the Estonian Research Information System (ETIS) by the submission deadline;</p> <p>1.1.2. Must hold a doctoral degree or an equivalent qualification. The degree must be awarded at the latest by the submission deadline of the grant application;</p> <p>1.1.3. Must have published or received formal acceptance for at least three articles that comply with the requirements of Clause 1.1 of the ETIS classification of publications, or at least five articles that comply with the requirements of Clauses 1.1, 1.2, 2.1 or 3.1, within the last five calendar years prior to the proposal submission deadline. 1 International patents are equalled with publications specified under Clause 1.1. A monograph (ETIS Clause 2.1) is equalled with three publications specified in Clause 1.1 if the number of authors is three or fewer. If the applicant has been on pregnancy and maternity or parental leave or performed compulsory service in the Defence Forces, or has another acceptable reason, they can request the publication period requirement to be extended by the relevant period of time.</p> <p>1.2. The Host Institution may be any legal entity that is registered and located in Estonia. The Host Institution must confirm to the Estonian Ministry of the Environment (with a confirmation letter after the submission deadline) that the project can be carried out on their premises and that they will employ the Principal Investigator during the proposed project, should the project receive funding. If the Host Institution is a for-profit institution, then State aid and de minimis aid regulations must be taken into account (see Section 3</p>

	State Aid).
Eligible topics	All topics
Eligible type of research and TRL	Applied research TRL: 3-7
Submission of the (pre)proposal at the national level	No
Additional eligibility criteria for the funding agency	Private enterprises should submit the state aid information.
Eligible costs	<p>2. Requested Budget</p> <p>2.1. Research expenses consist of direct costs, indirect costs and subcontracting costs. The research expenses must be used to carry out the project and be separately identifiable.</p> <p>2.2. Direct costs</p> <p>2.2.1. Personnel costs are monthly salaries with social security charges and all the other statutory costs of the project participants, calculated according to the person's commitment and in proportion to the person's total workload at their Host Institution.</p> <p>2.2.2. Scholarships may be paid to master's and doctoral students. Alternatively, remuneration can be paid as salary to students. All payments to the students should be done according to the usual practices of the Host Institution, following the Estonian legal acts.</p> <p>2.2.3. Travel costs may cover expenses for transport, accommodation, daily allowances and travel insurance. Fringe benefits are ineligible costs.</p> <p>2.2.4. Other direct costs include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - consumables, IT software, licences and minor equipment related to the project; - publication and dissemination of project results; - organising meetings, seminars or conferences (room rent, catering); - fees for participating in scientific forums, conferences and other events related to the project; - all other costs that are identifiable as clearly required for carrying out the project (e.g. translation, copy editing, webpage hosting, etc.). <p>2.3. Subcontracting costs should cover only the additional or complementary research related tasks (e.g. analyses, conducting surveys, building a prototype, etc.) performed by third parties. Core project tasks should not be subcontracted. Subcontracting costs should not be included in the overhead calculation. The activities and budget should be described in the proposal. Subcontracting costs may not exceed 15% of the total requested budget.</p> <p>2.4. Overhead costs are indirect costs, which may not exceed 15% of the eligible personnel costs (order of the Minister of the Environment on the overhead costs: https://adr.envir.ee/et/document.html?id=36a914d4-a430-438e-85b1-91b3e1584044) and should cover the general expenses of the Host Institution. Overhead costs of the Host Institution may</p>

	<p>include include costs of office supplies; communication services; current expenditure on postal and electronic communications; maintenance and repair costs for IT and office equipment; utility costs; rental cost; costs of opening and managing a bank account and transfer fees only related to the project; security service; land tax.</p> <p>2.5. Double funding of activities is not acceptable.</p>
Maximum amount of requested funding	150 000
Website with additional information	(not yet public)
Additional information	<p>3. State Aid</p> <p>EU Regulations on State aid and de minimis aid must be taken into account when requesting funding from the Estonian Ministry of the Environment.</p> <p>The grant is not considered to be State aid for research and development, if the project has ties to the non-economic activities of the Research (or Host) Institution, as long as the research and development activities and the related costs, funding and revenue can be clearly separated, thus avoiding the cross subsidisation of economic activity. The criteria defined in Clauses 17–22 of Communication from the European Commission – Framework for State aid for research and development and innovation (2014/C 198/01) forms the basis for determining whether the activities carried out are economic activities and whether the Host Institution is an undertaking that is considered to be a State aid recipient when it receives support.</p> <p>When an entity applies for State aid or de minimis aid, it has to fill in the State aid form. No tax arrears are allowed on the proposal submission date.</p> <p>If State aid and de minimis aid are given, the documents related to giving the support must be kept for 10 years as of the date when the agreement was entered into.</p> <p>If the grant is considered State aid or de minimis aid, then it will not be granted to a Host Institution that is subject to a support withdrawal decision pursuant to a previous European Commission decision deeming the aid illegal and incompatible with the common market, if that decision has not been complied with.</p> <p>3.1. State aid pursuant to the Block Exemption Regulation</p> <p>If the grant is considered to be State aid, then it is allocated on the basis of Article 25 of Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014 declaring certain categories of aid compatible with the internal market in application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty (OJ L 187, 26.6.2014, p. 1–78) (hereinafter the Block Exemption Regulation), and the provisions of the Commission Regulation and Section 34² of the Estonian Competition Act apply.</p> <p>State aid is not given in cases specified under Articles 1(2) to (5) of the Block Exemption Regulation.</p> <p>In case of State aid, the eligible costs of the project activities must comply with the requirements specified under Article 25(3) of the Block</p>

Exemption Regulation (except clause (c)), and the maximum aid intensity must comply with Articles 25(5) and (6).

If the grant applied for can be considered to be State aid, then the application must include the information specified in Article 6(2) of the Block Exemption Regulation, and the application has to be submitted before the start of the activities.

3.2. De minimis aid

If the grant is considered de minimis aid, then the funding is subject to the Commission Regulation (EU) No 1407/2013 on the application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union to de minimis aid (OJ L 352, 24.12.2013, p. 1–8) (hereinafter the De Minimis Aid Regulation), and the provisions of the Regulation and Section 33 of the Estonian Competition Act apply.

De minimis aid is not given in cases specified under Article 1(1) of the De Minimis Aid Regulation.

In case of de minimis aid, the maximum aid intensity must comply with Article 3 of the De Minimis Aid Regulation.

De minimis aid given to the Host Institution together with de minimis aid applied for cannot exceed 200,000 euro during the current financial year and the two previous financial years.

Article 5 of the De Minimis Aid Regulation applies to cumulating de minimis aid.

A single undertaking is an undertaking specified in Article 2(1) of the De Minimis Aid Regulation.

4. Grant Agreement

If a positive funding decision is made, the Estonian Ministry of the Environment enters into a grant agreement with the Host Institution and the Principal Investigator. Information on the transnational project must be entered into ETIS once the agreement has been signed.

The Consortium Agreement (CA) should be signed at the latest six months after the grant agreement has been signed. If one year has elapsed and the CA has not been signed, the next instalment of funding will not be paid out.

5. Research Involving Human Subjects or Animal Testing

If human research or animal testing are intended in the project, a positive resolution by the Human Research Ethics Committee or the Authorisation Committee for Animal Experiments must be submitted to the Estonian Ministry of the Environment by the start of the relevant activities.

6. Nagoya Protocol

By applying for funding by the Estonian Ministry of the Environment, the applicants agree to consider the relevance of the Nagoya protocol for their research, and to submit the Due Diligence Declaration, if applicable.

b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises*	NA	Up to 100%*	Up to 100%*
Medium Enterprises*	NA	Up to 100%*	Up to 100%*
Small Enterprises*	NA	Up to 100%*	Up to 100%*
Universities, public research organisations	NA	100%	100%
Public authorities	NA	100%	100%
Associations without economic activities, NGOs*	NA	100%	100%

* State Aid regulations must be taken into account

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ESTONIA – Ministry of Economic Affairs and Communications (MKM)

a) National information and eligibility criteria

Contact Point	Name: Raili Allmae E-mail: raili.allmae@kliimaministeerium.ee Name: Andro Truuverk E-mail: andro.truuverk@kliimaministeerium.ee
Funding commitment	150 000 €
Anticipated number of projects to be funded by the funding partner	1
Maximum funding per awarded project / per partner	150 000 €
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	<p>1. Project Participants</p> <p>1.1. The Principal Investigator is a researcher who acts as the Estonian team leader in the project proposal. The Principal Investigator is responsible for how the Estonia's part in the grant budget is allocated and how Estonia's part in the project is executed in case of a positive funding decision.</p> <p>The Principal Investigator:</p> <p>1.1.1. Must have an updated public profile in the Estonian Research Information System (ETIS) by the submission deadline;</p> <p>1.1.2. Must hold a doctoral degree or an equivalent qualification. The degree must be awarded at the latest by the submission deadline of the grant application;</p> <p>1.1.3. Must have published or received formal acceptance for at least three articles that comply with the requirements of Clause 1.1 of the ETIS classification of publications, or at least five articles that comply with the requirements of Clauses 1.1, 1.2, 2.1 or 3.1, within the last five calendar years prior to the proposal submission deadline.¹ International patents are equalled with publications specified under Clause 1.1. A monograph (ETIS Clause 2.1) is equalled with three publications specified in Clause 1.1 if the number of authors is three or fewer. If the applicant has been on pregnancy and maternity or parental leave or performed compulsory service in the Defence Forces, or has another acceptable reason, they can request the publication period requirement to be extended by the relevant period of time.</p>

	<p>1.2. The Host Institution may be any legal entity that is registered and located in Estonia. The Host Institution must confirm to the Estonian Ministry of the Environment (with a confirmation letter after the submission deadline) that the project can be carried out on their premises and that they will employ the Principal Investigator during the proposed project, should the project receive funding. If the Host Institution is a for-profit institution, then State aid and de minimis aid regulations must be taken into account (see Section 3 State Aid).</p>
Eligible topics	All topics
Eligible type of research and TRL	Applied research TRL: 3-7
Submission of the (pre)proposal at the national level	No
Additional eligibility criteria for the funding agency	Private enterprises should submit the state aid information.
Eligible costs	<p>2. Requested Budget</p> <p>2.1. Research expenses consist of direct costs, indirect costs and subcontracting costs. The research expenses must be used to carry out the project and be separately identifiable.</p> <p>2.2. Direct costs</p> <p>2.2.1. Personnel costs are monthly salaries with social security charges and all the other statutory costs of the project participants, calculated according to the person's commitment and in proportion to the person's total workload at their Host Institution.</p> <p>2.2.2. Scholarships may be paid to master's and doctoral students. Alternatively, remuneration can be paid as salary to students. All payments to the students should be done according to the usual practices of the Host Institution, following the Estonian legal acts.</p> <p>2.2.3. Travel costs may cover expenses for transport, accommodation, daily allowances and travel insurance. Fringe benefits are ineligible costs.</p> <p>2.2.4. Other direct costs include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - consumables, IT software, licences and minor equipment related to the project; - publication and dissemination of project results; - organising meetings, seminars or conferences (room rent, catering); - fees for participating in scientific forums, conferences and other events related to the project; - all other costs that are identifiable as clearly required for carrying out the project (e.g. translation, copy editing, webpage hosting, etc.). <p>2.3. Subcontracting costs should cover only the additional or complementary research related tasks (e.g. analyses, conducting surveys, building a prototype, etc.) performed by third parties. Core</p>

	<p>project tasks should not be subcontracted. Subcontracting costs should not be included in the overhead calculation. The activities and budget should be described in the proposal. Subcontracting costs may not exceed 15% of the total requested budget.</p> <p>2.4. Overhead costs are indirect costs, which may not exceed 15% of the eligible personnel costs (order of the Minister of the Environment on the overhead costs: https://adr.envir.ee/et/document.html?id=36a914d4-a430-438e-85b1-91b3e1584044) and should cover the general expenses of the Host Institution. Overhead costs of the Host Institution may include include costs of office supplies; communication services; current expenditure on postal and electronic communications; maintenance and repair costs for IT and office equipment; utility costs; rental cost; costs of opening and managing a bank account and transfer fees only related to the project; security service; land tax.</p> <p>2.5. Double funding of activities is not acceptable.</p>
Maximum amount of requested funding	150 000
Website with additional information	(not yet public)
Additional information	<p>3. State Aid</p> <p>EU Regulations on State aid and de minimis aid must be taken into account when requesting funding from the Estonian Ministry of the Environment.</p> <p>The grant is not considered to be State aid for research and development, if the project has ties to the non-economic activities of the Research (or Host) Institution, as long as the research and development activities and the related costs, funding and revenue can be clearly separated, thus avoiding the cross subsidisation of economic activity.</p> <p>The criteria defined in Clauses 17–22 of Communication from the European Commission – Framework for State aid for research and development and innovation (2014/C 198/01) forms the basis for determining whether the activities carried out are economic activities and whether the Host Institution is an undertaking that is considered to be a State aid recipient when it receives support.</p> <p>When an entity applies for State aid or de minimis aid, it has to fill in the State aid form. No tax arrears are allowed on the proposal submission date.</p> <p>If State aid and de minimis aid are given, the documents related to giving the support must be kept for 10 years as of the date when the agreement was entered into.</p> <p>If the grant is considered State aid or de minimis aid, then it will not be granted to a Host Institution that is subject to a support withdrawal decision pursuant to a previous European Commission decision deeming the aid illegal and incompatible with the common market, if that decision has not been complied with.</p>

3.1. State aid pursuant to the Block Exemption Regulation

If the grant is considered to be State aid, then it is allocated on the basis of Article 25 of Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014 declaring certain categories of aid compatible with the internal market in application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty (OJ L 187, 26.6.2014, p. 1–78) (hereinafter the Block Exemption Regulation), and the provisions of the Commission Regulation and Section 34² of the Estonian Competition Act apply.

State aid is not given in cases specified under Articles 1(2) to (5) of the Block Exemption Regulation.

In case of State aid, the eligible costs of the project activities must comply with the requirements specified under Article 25(3) of the Block Exemption Regulation (except clause (c)), and the maximum aid intensity must comply with Articles 25(5) and (6).

If the grant applied for can be considered to be State aid, then the application must include the information specified in Article 6(2) of the Block Exemption Regulation, and the application has to be submitted before the start of the activities.

3.2. De minimis aid

If the grant is considered de minimis aid, then the funding is subject to the Commission Regulation (EU) No 1407/2013 on the application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union to de minimis aid (OJ L 352, 24.12.2013, p. 1–8) (hereinafter the De Minimis Aid Regulation), and the provisions of the Regulation and Section 33 of the Estonian Competition Act apply.

De minimis aid is not given in cases specified under Article 1(1) of the De Minimis Aid Regulation.

In case of de minimis aid, the maximum aid intensity must comply with Article 3 of the De Minimis Aid Regulation.

De minimis aid given to the Host Institution together with de minimis aid applied for cannot exceed 200,000 euro during the current financial year and the two previous financial years.

Article 5 of the De Minimis Aid Regulation applies to cumulating de minimis aid.

A single undertaking is an undertaking specified in Article 2(1) of the De Minimis Aid Regulation.

4. Grant Agreement

If a positive funding decision is made, the Estonian Ministry of the Environment enters into a grant agreement with the Host Institution and the Principal Investigator. Information on the transnational project must be entered into ETIS once the agreement has been signed.

The Consortium Agreement (CA) should be signed at the latest six months after the grant agreement has been signed. If one year has elapsed and the CA has not been signed, the next instalment of funding will not be paid out.

5. Research Involving Human Subjects or Animal Testing

	<p>If human research or animal testing are intended in the project, a positive resolution by the Human Research Ethics Committee or the Authorisation Committee for Animal Experiments must be submitted to the Estonian Ministry of the Environment by the start of the relevant activities.</p> <p>6. Nagoya Protocol</p> <p>By applying for funding by the Estonian Ministry of the Environment, the applicants agree to consider the relevance of the Nagoya protocol for their research, and to submit the Due Diligence Declaration, if applicable.</p>
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b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises*	NA	Up to 100%*	Up to 100%*
Medium Enterprises*	NA	Up to 100%*	Up to 100%*
Small Enterprises*	NA	Up to 100%*	Up to 100%*
Universities, public research organisations	NA	100%	100%
Public authorities	NA	100%	100%
Associations without economic activities, NGOs*	NA	100%	100%

* State Aid regulations must be taken into account

FINLAND – Innovaatorahoituskeskus Business Finland (BF)

a) National/Regional information and eligibility criteria

Contact Point	Anssi Paalanen Anssi.paalanen@businessfinland.fi
Funding commitment	5 000 000 €
Anticipated number of projects to be funded	5-10
Maximum funding per awarded project/per partner	N/A
Eligible types of organisations	Companies of any size (min 2 full time employees), universities, public research organisations Domicile in Finland
Eligible Call Modules	All modules
Eligible types of RDI and TRL	TRL 3-7
Submission of proposal /documentation at national/regional level	All companies applying for funding from Business Finland must submit an export potential assessment at the first stage. All partners applying for funding from Business Finland must submit a national funding proposal at full proposal stage.
Additional eligibility criteria	Business Finland R&D funding requirements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Export potential sufficient (case by case assessment) - No financial and tax irregularities - No sanction listed owners - Public research organizations can't be the sole funded Finnish participant (i.e. a funded or self-funded Finnish company partner is required)

Eligible costs	Standard Business Finland R&D funding requirements, i.e. project related costs that are needed to reach the project goals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wages - Indirect employee costs (as stated in funding terms and conditions) - Overheads (as stated in funding terms and conditions) - Travel costs - Equipment and materials - Third party services
Information available at	https://www.businessfinland.fi/suomalaisille-asiakkaille/palvelut/rahoitus/rahoituksen-ohjeet-ehdot-lomakkeet
Other	

b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises	-	40 %	40 %
Medium Enterprises	-	50 %	50 %
Small Enterprises	-	50 %	50 %
Universities, public research organisations	-	80 %	80 %
Public authorities	-	-	-
Associations without economic activities, NGOs	-	-	-

FRANCE – Agence de la transition écologique – (ADEME)

a) National/Regional information and eligibility criteria

Contact Point	Name: Kherrouf Samira E-mail: samira.kherrouf@ademe.fr Tel: +33 4 93 95 79 06
Funding commitment	1,0 M€
Anticipated number of projects to be funded	5 – 7
Maximum funding per awarded project/per partner	300k€
Eligible types of organisations	Universities, research institutes, SME's and large companies, public authorities, NGOs...
Eligible Call Modules	TRI1 – CM1 : DC technologies for networks TRI 1-2 – CM2 : Power production technologies, storage and system integration TRI3 – CM4 : Only on CCS/CCU and ADEME does not wish to cofund projects on DAC (Direct Air Capture) and DACCS (Direct Air Carbon Capture and Storage). TRI6 – CM9 : Only CCU
Eligible types of RDI and TRL	applied research, experimental development, TRL5-8
Submission of proposal /documentation at national/regional level	No

<p>Additional eligibility criteria</p>	<p>https://www.ademe.fr/nos-missions/financement/</p>
<p>Eligible costs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Personnel costs ○ Operational costs ○ Investment costs ○ Indirect costs (10% of personnel +operational costs) ○ Subcontracting
<p>Information available at</p>	<p>https://www.ademe.fr/nos-missions/accompagner-la-recherche/</p>
<p>Other</p>	

b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises	50%	50%	25%
Medium Enterprises	60%	60%	35%
Small Enterprises	70%	70%	45%
Universities, public research organisations (non-economic activity)	100%	50%	50%
Public authorities	100%	50%	50%
Associations without economic activities, NGOs	100%	50%	50%

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FRANCE – Agence Nationale de la Recherche (ANR)

a) National/Regional information and eligibility criteria

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Funding commitment	3 000 000 €
Anticipated number of projects to be funded	8 to 10
Maximum funding per awarded project/per partner	<p>500 000 € per project as a maximum in exceptional and highly justified cases. However, ANR expects typical funding requests per project to range between 200 000 and 350 000 €, depending on the number of ANR-funded partners involved and whether the coordinator of the project is funded by ANR or not.</p>

<p>Eligible types of organisations</p>	<p>Please consult the ANR Funding regulations and the Appendix for applicants to ANR on the ANR website for detailed information https://anr.fr/CETP-2023</p> <p>Within this framework, public research organisations (such as Universities, EPST or EPIC) as well as private entities (such as companies, NGOs and foundations) and public authorities may be eligible (provided that at least one French public research organisation requesting funding to ANR is involved in the consortium).</p>
<p>Eligible Call Modules</p>	<p>Only the following Call Modules are eligible for ANR:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - TRI1 CM1: DC technologies for power networks - TRI2 CM3A: Advanced renewable energy technologies for power production (ROA) - TRI3 CM4: Carbon capture, utilisation, and storage (CCUS) - TRI3 CM5: Hydrogen and renewable fuels. Concerning hydrogen production only green hydrogen production will be eligible for ANR. - TRI4 CM6: Heating and cooling technologies - TRI4 CM7: Geothermal energy technologies - TRI7 CM10A: R&I for clean energy integration in the built environment (ROA)
<p>Eligible types of RDI and TRL</p>	<p>Basic Research, Industrial/ Applied Research/ Experimental development. TRL 3-5 (activities at TRL above 5 are possible but must be marginal for partners requesting funding from ANR).</p>
<p>Submission of proposal /documentation at national/regional level</p>	<p>No for the pre-proposal stage. For the full-proposal stage, partners requesting funding from ANR will be asked to apply on the ANR submission platform.</p>

<p>Additional eligibility criteria</p>	<p>A project proposal cannot be similar in whole or in part to another proposal submitted for a call currently being evaluated by ANR (all calls for proposals and evaluation stages considered) or already funded by ANR. The similarity between two projects is established when these projects (in their entirety or in part) describe identical main objectives or result from a simple adaptation.</p> <p>The minimal funding per partner by ANR is 15 000 €.</p> <p>Companies with economic difficulties are excluded from ANR subventions.</p> <p>Partners from countries subject to sanctions applicable to the research field by the European Union authorities are excluded from this call for ANR. ANR will declare Partners requesting its support ineligible if they apply with Partners established in these countries. At the date of publication, these exclusions concern Partners from the following countries: Russia, Belarus. This list may evolve in case of new sanctions decided by the European Union.</p>
<p>Eligible costs</p>	<p>ANR funds basic, industrial research and experimental development activities.</p> <p>The eligibility of costs and rates of funding depend on types of partners, consortia composition and types of research activities. See ANR funding regulations for more details: https://anr.fr/fr/rf/</p>
<p>Information available at</p>	<p>A specific web page on the ANR web site is published at the opening of the Call, with details for potential applicants to ANR. https://anr.fr/CETP-2023</p>
<p>Other</p>	<p>It is highly recommended to contact the national contact persons during the preparation of the project.</p> <p>Depending on the consortium composition, a Consortium Agreement may be mandatory for ANR at the funding stage for successful applications. Please refer to the ANR funding regulations for more details: https://anr.fr/fr/rf/</p>

b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises	30 %	30 %	25 %
Medium Enterprises	45 %	35 – 45 %	35 – 45 %
Small Enterprises	45 %	35 – 45 %	35 – 45 %
Universities, public research organisations, foundations	see ANR funding regulations https://anr.fr/fr/rf/	see ANR funding regulations https://anr.fr/fr/rf/	see ANR funding regulations https://anr.fr/fr/rf/
Public authorities	see ANR funding regulations https://anr.fr/fr/rf/	see ANR funding regulations https://anr.fr/fr/rf/	see ANR funding regulations https://anr.fr/fr/rf/
Associations and NGOs (fitting the EU definition of a research organisation)	50 %*	50 %*	50 %*

 *For more information see ANR funding regulations <https://anr.fr/fr/rf/>

FRANCE - PAYS DE LA LOIRE – Pays de la Loire Region Council – (RPL)

a) National/Regional information and eligibility criteria

Contact Point	Eric MATHIEU +33 (0)6 07 68 29 99 e.mathieu@solutions-eco.fr
Funding commitment	1,5M€
Anticipated number of projects to be funded	-
Maximum funding per awarded project/per partner	No maximum funding
Eligible types of organisations	Small, Medium and large companies established and carrying out R&D activities in Pays de la Loire. Other entities such as universities, public research institutions, technological centres, and other private non-profit institutions may also participate : they will be funded only if a company from Pays de la Loire is also partner of the consortium and is funded. Project activities in the proposed work plan funded by the Regional Council Pays de la Loire must be implemented in Pays de la Loire, or at least mobilise resources based in Pays de la Loire.
Eligible Call Modules	TRI2 – Call Module 3B (Innovation Oriented Action) : Advanced Renewable Energy (RE) technologies for power production
Eligible types of RDI and TRL	Projects may comprise industrial/applied research or experimental activities. Projects (IOA) are expected to make relevant progress towards the demonstration of technology to TRL 6 or above (target TRL).
Submission of proposal /documentation at national/regional level	No additional submission of proposal at regional level --> https://cetp-submission.mur.gov.it/
Additional eligibility criteria	Companies must have been created since more than one year and have generated sufficient revenues.
Eligible costs	Personnel costs i.e. the cost of researchers, technicians and other supporting staff to the extent employed on the relevant project or activity (gross salary, without overheads). Indirect costs: 15% of personnel costs. Contractual research costs, technical knowledge and patents bought or licensed from outside sources at market prices, and costs for consulting and equivalent services intended exclusively for the research activity. Other operating expenses, including costs for material, supplies and similar products, which result directly from the research project. Instrument and equipment costs, to the extent and during the period in which they are used for the research project.

Information available at	https://www.paysdelaloire.fr/clean-energy-transition-partnership-cetp
Other	

b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises	Ineligible	65%	40%
Medium Enterprises	Ineligible	75%	50%
Small Enterprises	Ineligible	80%	60%
Universities, public research organisations	Ineligible	75% of total eligible costs or 100% of marginal costs	75% of total eligible costs or 100% of marginal costs
Public authorities	Ineligible	Ineligible	Ineligible
Associations without economic activities, NGOs	Ineligible	Ineligible	Ineligible

Support levels will be determined by the legal status of the applicant, the size of company and the proposed activity. The support level may vary from one work package to another. A part of the funding may be attributed through loans. The final support level and its form will be definitively defined after the selection phase.

GERMANY - Federal – Forschungszentrum Jülich, Project Management Jülich on behalf of BMWK (PtJ (BMWK))

a) National/Regional information and eligibility criteria

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	JC2023-01: Power production technologies, storage and system integration	
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	JC2023-02: Direct Current technologies for networks	
	Ralf Eickhoff: r.eickhoff@fz-juelich.de ,	9419
	Stephan Schulte: s.schulte@fz-juelich.de ,	96649
	JC2023-03: Advanced renewable energy technologies for power production	
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Franciska Klein (Wind): f.klein@fz-juelich.de	8803	
Tarik Schwarzer (CSP, STE): t.schwarzer@fz-juelich.de	9157	
JC2023-04: Carbon capture utilisation, and storage (CCUS)		
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JC2023-05: Hydrogen and renewable fuels		
Margret Waschbüsch: m.waschbuesch@fz-juelich.de	9108	
JC2023-06: Heating and cooling technologies		
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JC2023-07: Geothermal energy technologies		
Stephan Schreiber: k.schreiber@fz-juelich.de ,	4743	
JC2023-08: Integrated regional energy systems		
Ralf Eickhoff: r.eickhoff@fz-juelich.de ,	9419	
Stephan Schulte: s.schulte@fz-juelich.de ,	96649	
JC2023-09: Integrated industrial energy systems		
Dmitri Tabakajew: d.tabakajew@fz-juelich.de ,	1665	
JC2023-10: Clean energy integration in the built environment		
Erke Bunte: e.bunte@fz-juelich.de ,	1646	

Funding commitment	18 000 000 €
Anticipated number of projects to be funded by the funding partner	Not applicable
Maximum funding per awarded project/per partner	Not applicable
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	<p>Potentially private and public applicants are funded, e.g. (non-exclusive)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Private – SME • Private – large companies • Private – Non-profit research organisations • Higher education institutions (e.g., universities) • Public research organisations • Public organisations and municipalities
Eligible topics	<p>All Call Modules are supported.</p> <p>Please note the exception in JC2023-03 “Advanced renewable energy technologies for power production”: Bioenergy for power generation with negative carbon emissions is not eligible for Federal funding of BMWK! German partners with own financing or funding are possible as “fully self-financed partners”.</p> <p>Please note that bioenergy applications for fuel production are not in the scope of JC2023-03 “Breakthrough R&I projects for RE to increase efficiency or reduce costs”!</p>
Eligible type of research and TRL	<p>Focus on applied research (TRL 5 – 8, lower TRL down to 3 only in special and justified cases)</p>
Submission of the proposal at national/regional level	<p>Full Proposal Phase We may request additional documents (e.g. German project description, credit rating documents, cost breakdown, etc.) for successful pre-proposals in individual call modules. These documents must be submitted with the Full Proposals and contain information on the evaluation criteria of the valid Energy Research Programme (https://www.energieforschung.de/energieforschungspolitik/energieforschungsprogramm). Detailed Information will follow after a successful pre-proposal.</p> <p>Successful proposals Successfully selected full proposals must later submit formal national applications (“Anträge”) and additional, tangible exploitation plans via the national application system easy-online. (Applicants will be informed about the direct link for submission).</p>

Additional eligibility criteria for the funding agency	The projects must fit thematically into the currently effective Energy Research Programme of the Federal Government.
Eligible costs	<p>All project related costs (e.g., personnel, equipment [depreciations], consumables, travel expenses, etc.).</p> <p>Funding rates will be granted based on the targeted TRL, type of organisation, expected impact of results and financial situation of applicants. An appropriate self-financial engagement of the industry is mandatory.</p> <p>Applicants are strongly advised to consult the BMWK guidelines on eligible costs (Richtlinien für Zuwendungsanträge (AZA/AZK): http://foerderportal.bund.de/easy/easy_index.php?auswahl=formularschrank_foerderportal&formularschrank=bmwk).</p>
Information available at	<p>Valid Energy Research Programme of the Federal Government</p> <p>https://www.energieforschung.de/energieforschungspolitik/energieforschungsprogramm</p>
Other	We strongly recommend to contact the above named contact persons in advance.

b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research¹	Experimental development/innovation¹
Large Enterprises	n.a.	50%	40%
Medium Enterprises	n.a.	60%	50%
Small Enterprises	n.a.	70%	60%
Universities, public research organisations	n.a.	100%	90%
Public authorities	n.a.	100%	100%
Associations without economic activities, NGOs	n.a.	100%	50%

¹ All funding percentages must adhere to Article 25 of COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) No 651/2014.

GERMANY - NRW – Forschungszentrum Jülich – Projektträger Jülich on behalf of MWIKE (PtJ(MWIKE))

a) National/Regional information and eligibility criteria

Contact Point	Forschungszentrum Jülich GmbH Projektträger Jülich Geschäftsbereich ETN Melanie Dürr: me.duerr@fz-juelich.de , +49 2461 61-84026 Timur Galiullin: t.galiulin@fz-juelich.de , +49 2461 61-84090
Funding commitment	1 000 000€
Anticipated number of projects to be funded	Depends strongly on the single project volumes.
Maximum funding per awarded project/per partner	No limitation (Maximum funding per partner may of course not exceed the total funding commitment mentioned above.)
Eligible types of organisations	The Agency potentially supports all private and public applicants, namely: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Private – SME • Private – large companies • Private – Non-profit research organisation • Higher education institution • Public research organisation • Public organisation
Eligible Call Modules	We participate in all call modules from TRI1, TRI2, TRI3, TRI6. (Applicants from NRW should also compare the conditions for the funding owner Federal Republic of Germany, where all TRI can be supported.) For further information have a look at the funding guidelines of the state of North Rhine-Westphalia progres.NRW-Innovation (see link below at “Information available at”).
Eligible types of RDI and TRL	The Agency potentially supports the following types of RTD, namely: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Industrial / applied research • Experimental Development TRL level: 3-7
Submission of proposal	Winners of the joint call that are funded by the federal state of NRW

/documentation at national/regional level	have to fill out the regional application form. Please contact one of the responsible persons mentioned below.
Additional eligibility criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • good credit standing • depreciation for investments has to be considered • overhead costs are funded according progress.NRW (see link below)
Eligible costs	Personnel costs, travel costs, Consumables / Equipment, Subcontracts
Information available at	<p>Applicants from North Rhine-Westphalia have the opportunity to receive funding from the Federal State of NRW or by the Federal Republic of Germany. The Federal State of NRW supports TRI1, TRI2, TRI3 and TRI6, while the Federal Republic of Germany supports all TRI.</p> <p>To maximise funding opportunities please contact Projektträger Jülich, Forschungszentrum Jülich GmbH as soon as possible.</p> <p>Projects funded by the federal state of NRW are bound by the funding guideline progress.NRW-Innovation: https://www.ptj.de/projektfoerderung/progres-nrw/progres-nrw-innovation</p> <p>Contacts: Melanie Dürr: me.duerr@fz-juelich.de, +49 2461 61-84026 Timur Galiullin: t.galliulin@fz-juelich.de, +49 2461 61-84090</p>
Other	

b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises	0	65%	40%
Medium Enterprises	0	75%	50%
Small Enterprises	0	80%	60%
Universities, public research organisations	0	100%	100%
Public authorities	0	N.N.	N.N.
Associations without economic activities, NGOs	0	N.N.	N.N.

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GERMANY - SAXONY – Saxon State Ministry for Science, Culture and Tourism (SMWK)

a) Regional information and eligibility criteria

Contact Point	Gabriele Süptitz E-Mail: gabriele.sueptitz@smwk.sachsen.de Phone: +49351 564-64210
Funding commitment	Approx. 3 Mio. EUR
Anticipated number of projects to be funded	No limitations
Maximum funding per awarded project/per partner	No limitations
Eligible types of organisations	For Saxon Universities and Research Institutions: see RL EuProNet For Saxon Enterprises: <u>see also RL EFRE/JTF Technologie-förderung 2021 bis 2027</u>
Eligible Call Modules	All Call Modules are eligible for funding.
Eligible types of RDI and TRL	For Saxon universities and research institutions: all type of research and TRL is eligible for funding. For Saxon enterprises: only project parts related to applied research or experimental development are eligible for funding (TRL 2-7)
Submission of proposal /documentation at national/regional level	No regional schedules, cut-off dates or deadlines No additional submissions of regional applications during the evaluation processes (pre- and fullproposal stage) Only in the case of a positive funding recommendation of the full proposal, Saxon applicants will be asked to submit a regional application according to the related Saxon guidelines (for Saxon universities and research organisations: RL EuProNet; for Saxon enterprises: RL EFRE/JTF-Technologieförderung <u>2021 bis 2027</u>)

<p>Additional eligibility criteria</p>	<p>No thematic restrictions; Saxony will support projects within the entire scientific scope outlined in the Call Announcement,</p> <p>Other eligible criteria:</p> <p>For Saxon universities and research organisations: see RL EuProNet.</p> <p>For Saxon enterprises: <u>see RL EFRE/JTF –Technologieförderung 2021 bis 2027</u></p>
<p>Eligible costs</p>	<p>For Saxon universities and research organisations: see RL EuProNet</p> <p>For Saxon SMEs/large industries: see <u>RL EFRE/JTF – Technologieförderung 2021 bis 2027</u></p>
<p>Information available at</p>	<p>https://revosax.sachsen.de/vorschrift/17180-RL-EuProNet https://www.revosax.sachsen.de/vorschrift/19834-FRL-EFRE-JTF-Technologieforderung-2021-bis-2027</p>
<p>Other</p>	<p>In case of further questions please contact SMWK/Gabriele Süptitz gabriele.sueptitz@smwk.sachsen.de</p>

b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

For Saxon universities and research organisations: see RL EuProNet

 For Saxon SMEs/large industries: see RL EFRE/JTF –Technologieförderung 2021 bis 2027

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises	-	<u>see RL EFRE/JTF – Technologieförderung 2021 bis 2027</u>	<u>see RL EFRE/JTF – Technologieförderung 2021 bis 2027</u>
Medium Enterprises	-	up to 75% <u>see RL EFRE/JTF – Technologieförderung 2021 bis 2027</u>	up to 50% <u>see RL EFRE/JTF – Technologieförderung 2021 bis 2027</u>
Small Enterprises	-	up to 80% <u>see RL EFRE/JTF – Technologieförderung 2021 bis 2027</u>	up to 60% <u>see RL EFRE/JTF – Technologieförderung 2021 bis 2027</u>
Universities, public research organisations	up to 100% (see RL EuProNet)	up to 100% (see RL EuProNet)	up to 100% (see RL EuProNet)
Public authorities			
Associations without economic activities, NGOs			

GREECE – GENERAL SECRETARIAT FOR RESEARCH AND INNOVATION (GSRI)

a) National/Regional information and eligibility criteria

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Funding commitment	Initial investment 500.000,00€
Anticipated number of projects to be funded	2-3
Maximum funding per awarded project/per partner	Upper limit of the total public funding will be 200.000 € per project (including indirect costs). Please note that this amount can be increased to 250.000 € <u>per project</u> if Greek partner assumes the project coordination. The maximum state
Eligible types of organisations	<p>GSRI potentially supports all private and public legal entities namely: private enterprises (such as SMEs, large-companies etc), research organizations, higher education institutions, and other public organizations with R&D activities). Individuals as well as individual enterprises are not eligible under this scheme.</p> <p>Applicants may submit, if they are enterprises, up to two (2) proposals from the same enterprise in the current call, and for Public research Institutes and Universities up to (2) proposals at the level of the same Laboratory or School or Institute or Department.</p>
Eligible Call Modules	Call Modules 1, 2, 4, 5

<p>Eligible type of RDI and TRL</p>	<p>TRL3-(8) in compliance with the (COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) 2021/1237 of 23 July 2021 amending Regulation (EU) No 651/2014 declaring certain categories of aid compatible with the internal market in application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty, page 3, article 13)</p>
<p>Submission of proposal /documentation at national/regional level</p>	<p>At national level, only eligibility check is conducted and not a full peer review at pre-proposal and full proposal stages. We rely on the evaluation made by the Call Evaluation Committee and external reviewers.</p> <p><i>Submission at the national level is required at a later stage.</i> A national procedure will follow for the approved for funding, at the transnational level, proposals only. For more information please contact the NCP.</p>
<p>Additional eligibility criteria</p>	<p></p>

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Eligible costs

➤ **Aid of intensity**

Public research Institutes and Universities: the aid intensity can reach 100% for performing non-economic activities in accordance with point 19, article 2.1.1 of the «Framework for State aid for research and development and innovation» (2014/C 198/01).

Private Sector: (a) 50% of the eligible costs for industrial research; (b) 25% of the eligible costs for experimental development; (c) 50% of the eligible costs for feasibility studies.- The aid intensities for industrial research and experimental development may be increased up to a maximum aid intensity of 80% of the eligible costs as follows:

(a) by 10 percentage points for medium-sized enterprises and by 20 percentage points for small enterprises;

(b) by 15 percentage points if one of the following conditions is fulfilled:

(i) the project involves effective collaboration:

— between undertakings among which at least one is an SME, or is carried out in at least two Member States, or in a Member State and in a Contracting Party of the EEA Agreement, and no single undertaking bears more than 70 % of the eligible costs, or

— between an undertaking and one or more research and knowledge-dissemination organisations, where the latter bear at least 10 % of the eligible costs and have the right to publish their own research results;

(ii) the results of the project are widely disseminated through conferences, publication, open access repositories, or free or open source software.

-The aid intensity for feasibility studies may be increased by 10 percentage points for medium-sized enterprises and by 20 percentage points for small enterprises.

➤ **Foreseen cost categories:**

(a) personnel costs: researchers, technicians and other supporting staff to the extent employed on the project.

(b) costs on fixed assets i.e. b1) costs of instruments and equipment to the extent and for the period used for the project. Where such instruments and equipment are not used for their full life for the project, only the depreciation costs corresponding to the life of the project, as calculated on the basis of generally accepted accounting principles are considered as eligible and b2) costs for buildings and land, to the extent and for the duration period used for the project. With regard to buildings, only the depreciation costs corresponding to the life of the project, as calculated on the basis of generally accepted accounting principles are considered as eligible. For land, costs of commercial transfer or actually incurred capital costs are eligible.

(c) costs of contractual research, knowledge and patents bought or licensed from outside sources at arm's length conditions, as well as costs of consultancy and equivalent services used exclusively for the project.

(d) additional general costs and other operating expenses, including costs of materials, supplies, travel expenses, organization of meetings, dissemination/publicity costs, audit costs, incurred directly as a result of the project implementation.

(e) indirect costs = 25% of direct costs. Indirect costs are eligible for all legal entities and include costs that do not incur directly as a result of the project implementation (e. g. administrative and management costs, utility costs).

In compliance with the (COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) 2021/1237 of 23 July 2021 amending Regulation (EU) No 651/2014 declaring certain categories of aid compatible with the internal market in application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty.

Information available at	https://gsri.gov.gr/en/ https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/HTML/?uri=CELEX:32014R0651&from=EN https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/HTML/?uri=OJ:L:2021:270:TOC
Other	

b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises	-	50-65	25-40
Medium Enterprises	-	60-75	35-50
Small Enterprises	-	70-80	45-60
Universities, public research organisations	100	-	-
Public authorities with R&D activities	100	-	-
Associations without economic activities, NGOs	100	80	60

HUNGARY – NATIONAL RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT AND INNOVATION OFFICE (NKFIH)

a) National/Regional information and eligibility criteria

Contact Point	István BALÁZS KÁPLI balazs.kapli@nkfih.gov.hu
Funding commitment	1 160 000 EUR
Anticipated number of projects to be funded	3-4 projects
Maximum funding per awarded project/per partner	max. 300 000 EUR per awarded project
Eligible types of organisations	Institution of higher education, Other budgetary research institution, Enterprise-based research organisation, Enterprise (non-research type), Non-profit research organisation, Urban/local authorities, municipal companies (as partners of main applicant)
Eligible Call Modules	TRI 1: Integrated Net-zero-emissions Energy System TRI 2: Enhanced zero emission Power Technologies TRI 3: Enabling Climate Neutrality with Storage Technologies, Renewable Fuels and CCU/CCS TRI 4: Efficient zero emission Heating and Cooling Solutions TRI 5: Integrated Regional Energy Systems TRI 6: Integrated Industrial Energy Systems TRI 7: Integration in the Built Environment
Eligible types of RDI and TRL	Fundamental research, Industrial research, Experimental development, Protection of industrial property rights, Market entry TRL: 1-9
Submission of proposal /documentation at national/regional level	Successful proposals following the international selection procedure must be submitted through NKFIH in the dedicated call for co-funded partnerships
Additional eligibility criteria	<i>*Please note that the new national level funding requirements are currently being revised.*</i>
Eligible costs	Personnel (temporary, permanent), subcontracting and services, including travelling, consumables, equipment, coordination, including certain travelling, communication and dissemination, overheads. <i>*Please note that the new national level funding requirements are currently being revised.*</i>

Information available at	tbc
Other	

b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

Please note that the new national level funding requirements are currently being revised.

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises	100%	50%	25%
Medium Enterprises	100%	60%	35%
Small Enterprises	100%	70%	45%
Universities, public research organisations	100%	100%	100%
Public authorities	<i>TBC</i>	<i>TBC</i>	<i>TBC</i>
Associations without economic activities, NGOs	<i>TBC</i>	<i>TBC</i>	<i>TBC</i>

ICELAND – THE ICELANDIC CENTRE FOR RESEARCH (RANNIS)

a) National/Regional information and eligibility criteria

Contact Point	Sigurdur Björnsson sigurdur.bjornsson@rannis.is Svandis Unnur Sigurdardottir svandis.u.sigurdardottir@rannis.is Tel.: +354 515 5800 https://www.rannis.is/
Funding commitment	€1 million
Anticipated number of projects to be funded	3-5
Maximum funding per awarded project/per partner	€300k
Eligible types of organisations	Applicants have to follow the general guidelines of the Technology Development Fund, where own contribution can vary – further information on https://www.rannis.is/sjodir/rannsoknir/taeknithrounarsjodur/
Eligible Call Modules	Call modules no. 4, 5, 6 and 7 (TRI3 and TRI4)
Eligible types of RDI and TRL	Industrial/Applied research and Experimental development/innovation TRL 4+
Submission of proposal /documentation at national/regional level	Not required but registration at Rannis of Icelandic applicants in a proposal is requested
Additional eligibility criteria	Applicants have to follow the general guidelines of the Technology Development Fund, where own contribution can vary – further information on https://www.rannis.is/sjodir/rannsoknir/taeknithrounarsjodur/

Eligible costs	Applicants have to follow the general guidelines of the Technology Development Fund, where own contribution can vary – further information on https://www.rannis.is/sjodir/rannsoknir/taeknithrounarsjodur/
Information available at	https://www.rannis.is/
Other	Applicants have to follow the general guidelines of the Technology Development Fund, where own contribution can vary – further information on https://www.rannis.is/sjodir/rannsoknir/taeknithrounarsjodur/

b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises	N/A	50 - 65	25 - 40
Medium Enterprises	N/A	60 - 75	35 - 50
Small Enterprises	N/A	70 - 80	45 - 60
Universities, public research organisations	N/A	80	80
Public authorities	N/A	N/A	N/A
Associations without economic activities, NGOs	N/A	N/A	N/A

IRELAND – Geological Survey Ireland (GSI)

a) National/Regional information and eligibility criteria

Contact Point	Aoife Braiden, Geological Survey Ireland (Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications) research@gsi.ie
Funding commitment	€200,000
Anticipated number of projects to be funded	1-2
Maximum funding per awarded project/per partner	€200,000
Eligible types of organisations	<p>SMEs and research organisations are eligible to apply.</p> <p>All funding must be in line with State Aid (it is the responsibility of the beneficiary to ensure compliance)</p>
Eligible Call Modules	Geothermal Call Module, TRI4
Eligible types of RDI and TRL	<p>Geothermal heating and cooling. For example: resource estimation, resource management, subsurface management, geoscience data, social acceptance of geothermal energy, geology and geotechnical engineering related to subsurface thermal storage.</p> <p>Applicants must check in advance with GSI if the proposed topic is eligible</p> <p>TRL 1-7 eligible</p>
Submission of proposal /documentation at national/regional level	<p>Applicants must be eligible under GSI rules to apply – all applicants must contact GSI in advance of submission.</p> <p>The proposal will not be reviewed for quality of scientific content at national level, but will be assessed to ensure the topic is within the remit of the GSI and adhering to budget and eligibility rules.</p>

<p>Additional eligibility criteria</p>	<p>Eligibility check will be conducted regarding (a) topic, (b) eligibility of the host organisation and (c) budget.</p>
<p>Eligible costs</p>	<p>Direct costs (staff, fieldwork, travel, consumables etc) + indirect costs, max 15% (of total direct costs). Durable equipment of <€10,000 is eligible but must be clearly justified and depreciation rules applied. Applicants must have pre-approval from GSI for any equipment > €10,000 with depreciation and standard accounting rules applied.</p>
<p>Information available at</p>	<p>research@gsi.ie GSI website</p>
<p>Other</p>	

b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises			
Medium Enterprises	100	75	
Small Enterprises	100	75	
Universities, public research organisations	100	100	
Public authorities			
Associations without economic activities, NGOs	100	100	

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IRELAND – Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland (SEAI)

a) National/Regional information and eligibility criteria

Contact Point	Joanne Fitzgerald energyresearch@seai.ie
Funding commitment	€500,000
Anticipated number of projects to be funded	
Maximum funding per awarded project/per partner	€200,000
Eligible types of organisations	<p>SEAI research funding programmes are open to public and private sector organisations based in the Republic of Ireland (including Irish subsidiaries of overseas companies) who wish to carry out projects in Ireland. Applications will be accepted from companies, 3rd level educational bodies, public sector bodies and semi-state bodies who are based in the Republic of Ireland.</p> <p>It is strongly recommended that interested applicants contact the SEAI national contact point in the early stages of project proposal preparation.</p>
Eligible Call Modules	<p>All Call Modules, where proposals align with SEAI's remit and the overarching objectives of the SEAI National Energy Research, Development and Demonstration (RD&D) Funding Programme are eligible to apply.</p> <p>Applicants should refer to the SEAI website and the following link for an overview of the RD&D programme objectives: https://www.seai.ie/grants/research-funding/research-development-and-demonstration-fund/</p>
Eligible types of RDI and TRL	<p>Applicants should refer to the SEAI RD&D Budget Policy and to the SEAI website for further details of SEAI's remit and SEAI research funding programme objectives and eligibility guidelines.</p> <p>SEAI RD&D Budget Policy: SEAI-RDD-Budget-Policy.pdf</p>
Submission of proposal /documentation at	<p>Separate national application required. Please contact the SEAI national contact point for further details on the national application</p>

national/regional level	process.
Additional eligibility criteria	<p>Applicants should refer to the SEAI RD&D Budget Policy and to the SEAI website for further details of SEAI's remit and SEAI research funding programme objectives and eligibility guidelines.</p> <p>SEAI RD&D Budget Policy: SEAI-RDD-Budget-Policy.pdf</p>
Eligible costs	<p>Eligible costs are those actual, necessary and economic costs that are incurred during the grant duration. Only costs directly associated with delivery of a project are considered eligible costs.</p> <p>Please review the SEAI RD&D Budget Policy for further guidance on budgetary policies and financial requirements associated with the SEAI National Energy RD&D Funding Programme, including further guidance in relation to eligible costs and funding rates.</p>
Information available at	<p>SEAI National Energy Research Development and Demonstration (RD&D) Funding Programme: https://www.seai.ie/grants/research-funding/research-development-and-demonstration-fund/</p> <p>SEAI RD&D Budget Policy document: SEAI-RDD-Budget-Policy.pdf</p>
Other	

b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

Applicants should refer to the SEAI RD&D Budget Policy for guidance on eligible research categories and funding rates (Page 12-13): [SEAI-RDD-Budget-Policy.pdf](#)

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises			
Medium Enterprises			
Small Enterprises			
Universities, public research organisations			
Public authorities			
Associations without economic activities, NGOs			

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ISRAEL – Ministry of Energy and Infrastructures (MoE)

a) National/Regional information and eligibility criteria

Contact Point	Israel Ministry of Energy and Infrastructures
Funding commitment	2.4M euro
Anticipated number of projects to be funded	7-10
Maximum funding per awarded project/per partner	Depending on the program: Academic 181K Euro / Startup193K Euro / Pilot 387K Euro
Eligible types of organisations	Academic Institutions, Companies, Municipalities, citizens from Israel
Eligible Call Modules	ALL Call Modules
Eligible types of RDI and TRL	All TRL levels
Submission of proposal /documentation at national/regional level	After submission to the CETP, a national level application is required, through the MoE public tenders: Academia tender and Pilot& start-ups tender. Sign to mailing list to be updated on the MoE CSO call: sign to CSO mailing list NOW

<p>Additional eligibility criteria</p>	<p>There are specific criteria according to the three different support programs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pilot and Demonstration Support Program • Startups Support Program • Academic Support Program <p>More details in the MoE page in Hebrew: About MoE grants</p>
<p>Eligible costs</p>	<p>All costs related to a development project, except overhead type of costs (e.g. office lease, insurance, office supplies), which are already covered as overhead. Salaries cannot exceed 16,666 ILS per month per full time job.</p>
<p>Information available at</p>	<p>About MoE grants</p>
<p>Other</p>	<p>sign to CSO mailing list NOW</p>

b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises	-	50%	50%
Medium Enterprises	-	50%	50%
Small Enterprises	62.5%	62.5%	62.5%
Universities, public research organisations	100%	-	100%
Public authorities	-	-	-
Associations without economic activities, NGOs	-	-	-

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ITALY – Ministero delle Imprese e del Made in Italy (MIMIT)

a) National/Regional information and eligibility criteria

Contact Point	Giulio Aloia, Valentina Milazzo, Massimiliano Lippolis giulio.aloia@mise.gov.it valentina.milazzo@mise.gov.it massimiliano.lippolis@mise.gov.it
Funding commitment	€ 16 Mil
Anticipated number of projects to be funded	20
Maximum funding per awarded project/per partner	€ 1 million x project
Eligible types of organisations	The following entities are eligible: - Enterprises - Research centers, defined as enterprises with independent legal status - Universities, and research organizations - only in collaboration with enterprises and research centers with which to set up a Consortium or a Network of Companies.
Eligible Call Modules	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. CM2023-01 2. CM2023-02 3. CM2023-03B (IOA) 4. CM2023-04 5. CM2023-05 6. CM2023-06 7. CM2023-07 8. CM2023-09 9. CM2023-10B (IOA)
Eligible types of RDI and TRL	applied research, experimental development prevailing TRL: (TRL 3-9)
Submission of proposal /documentation at national/regional level	email address: dgai.div6@pec.mise.gov.it

Additional eligibility criteria	Specific rules established by Recovery and Resilience Plan such as DNSH, Tagging, and resources to be addressed to the South of Italy.
Eligible costs	All costs incurred during the lifetime of a project under the following categories are eligible: personnel, equipment, subcontracting, consumables, and overheads. Overheads are calculated as a fixed percentage 25% of eligible costs of the project, as established by art. 20 of the delegated regulation (EU) n 480/2014 and by art. 29 of the regulation (EU) n. 1290/2013. They include also communication, dissemination and travel expenses.
Information available at	<p>https://www.mimit.gov.it/it/</p> <p>https://www.mimit.gov.it/it/incentivi/sostegno-alla-transizione-energetica-cetp</p>
Other	

b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises		50%	25%
Medium Enterprises		60%	35%
Small Enterprises		70%	45%
Universities, public research organisations		50%	25%
Public authorities			
Associations without economic activities, NGOs			

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MALTA – MALTA COUNCIL FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (MCST)

a) National/Regional information and eligibility criteria

Contact Point	Ms. Martina Vella
Funding commitment	€500,000
Anticipated number of projects to be funded	A minimum of 1 (According to the number of applications received and the requested funding.)
Maximum funding per awarded project/per partner	€500,000
Eligible types of organisations	<p>Malta-based applicants that are Eligible Undertakings, with an Operating Base in Malta, which plan to carry out Fundamental, Industrial Research or Experimental Development projects are eligible for funding, subject to the terms and conditions laid out in the latest version of the National Rules. Eligible Undertakings can be: a) a partnership constituted under the Companies Act, being a partnership <i>en nom collectif</i>, <i>en commandite</i> or a limited liability company; or b) be duly registered as a co-operative society under the Co-Operative Societies Act, or c) professional body; or d) NGO; or f) Non-profit making entity (including Foundation).</p> <p>Any Public Entity or Public Research or Knowledge-Dissemination Organisation registered in Malta, that do not carry out an economic activity within the meaning of Article 107 TFEU, will be eligible for funding subject to the terms and conditions laid out in the latest version of the National Rules for Participation (Non-State Aid).</p>
Eligible Call Modules	All Call Modules within all Transition Initiatives
Eligible types of RDI and TRL	Fundamental Research, Industrial Research and Experimental Development TRL 3 - 7
Submission of proposal /documentation at national/regional level	A national application form must be submitted by the specified deadline within the National Rules. All national documentation will be available to download from https://mcst.gov.mt/funding-

	<p>opportunities/ .</p> <p>The national application form is to be sent by the stipulated deadline to eusubmissions.mcst@gov.mt .</p> <p>For any further information applicants can contact MCST as follows:</p> <p>Lead Call Manager – Ms. Martina Vella: martina.vella.5@gov.mt Alternate Call Manager – Ms. Annalisa Cartabia: annalisa.cartabia@gov.mt Generic email address: eusubmissions.mcst@gov.mt</p>
<p>Additional eligibility criteria</p>	<p>It is important for all national applicants to refer to MCST’s National Rules for detailed information on the call which can be accessed from MCST’s website: https://mcst.gov.mt/funding-opportunities/.</p>

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<p>Eligible costs</p>	<p>Any Public Entity or Public Research or Knowledge-Dissemination Organisation registered in Malta, that do not carry out an economic activity within the meaning of Article 107 TFEU are eligible to apply under the non-state aid route. The eligible costs included within non-state aid include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Personnel Costs - Costs of IP and Knowledge Transfer Activities - Instruments, Specialised Equipment and Research Consumables - Travel and Subsistence - Subcontracted Activities - Indirect Costs - Other Operating Expenses <p>Eligible Undertakings with an operating base in Malta which plans to carry out Fundamental, Industrial Research or Experimental Development projects may be funded under Regulation A (<i>de minimis</i>)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Personnel Costs - Costs of IP and Knowledge Transfer Activities - Instruments, Specialised Equipment and Research Consumables - Travel and Subsistence - Subcontracted Activities - Indirect Costs - Other Operating Expenses <p>Or under Regulation B (GBER), for which eligible costs are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Personnel Costs - Costs of IP and Knowledge Transfer Activities - Instruments, Specialised Equipment and Research (depreciation costs eligible to the extent and for the period used for the project) - Subcontracted Activities - Indirect Costs - Other Operating Expenses
<p>Information available at</p>	<p>Further information on the CETPartnership and the funding opportunities in this regard by the Malta Council for Science and Technology can be found on MCST's website: https://mcst.gov.mt/mcst-news/clean-energy-transition-partnership-cetpartnership/</p> <p>Any questions can be sent to eusubmissions.mcst@gov.mt</p>
<p>Other</p>	<p>N/A</p>

b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

MCST offers three funding modalities as follows:

- **Non-State Aid**

The financial contribution to an applicant (i.e., Public Entity or Public Research or Knowledge-Dissemination Organisation as defined above and in the National Rules for Participation) under non-state aid Rules for Participation shall be **100%** of the eligible costs incurred by that Partner.

- **State Aid – Regulation A (*de Minimis*)**

The financial contribution to a project partner (i.e., Eligible Undertaking as defined above and in the National Rules for Participation) applying under Regulation A (*de minimis*) shall be **up to 75%** of the eligible costs incurred on the project by that project partner. The partner must finance the remaining percentage of the eligible costs. It is not possible for a Partner to cover this percentage contribution 'in-kind'.

- **State Aid – Regulation B (GBER)**

The financial contribution to a project partner (i.e., Eligible Undertaking as defined above and in the National Rules for Participation) applying under Regulation B (GBER) shall following the current criteria:

Type of Research	Small Undertaking	Medium Undertaking	Large Undertaking
Fundamental Research	100%	100%	100%
Industrial Research	70%	60%	50%
Industrial Research with an effective collaboration and/or results are widely disseminated	80%	75%	65%
Experimental Development	45%	35%	25%
Experimental Development with an effective collaboration and/or results are widely disseminated	60%	50%	40%

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project involves **effective collaboration** if at least one of the following requirements is satisfied:

- Project is being handle between undertakings among which at least one is an SME, or is carried out in at least two Member States, or in a Member State and in a Contracting Party of the EEA Agreement, and no single undertaking bears more than 70% of the eligible costs.
- Between an undertaking and one or more Research and Knowledge-dissemination Organisation/s where the latter bear at least 10% of the eligible costs and have the right to publish their own research results.

For the results of the project to be considered as being widely disseminated, this must be done through conferences, publications, open access repositories, or free or open-source software at the beneficiary's **own** expense. The activities to be undertaken to satisfy these criteria must be clearly made visible in the National Application Form which is to be submitted by the stipulated deadline.

NETHERLANDS – Rijksdienst voor Ondernemend Nederland RVO

a) National/Regional information and eligibility criteria

Contact Point	Gerdi Breembroek Gerdi.breembroek@rvo.nl +31 6 5256 4480 Jirka Berka Jirka.berka@rvo.nl José van Koppen jose.vankoppen@rvo.nl
Funding commitment	8 million euros total commitment, from Regeling nationale EZK- en LNV-subsidies (RNES) § 4.2.10 'Demonstratie energie en klimaatinnovatie' (DEI+) and/or § 4.2.3 'Hernieuwbare energietransitie' (HER+). Actual funding will be adapted to volume of eligible projects. To be confirmed: No specific budget from HEP 'Horizon Europe Partnerships' § 4.2.18.
Anticipated number of projects to be funded by the funding partner	5-10 projects
Maximum funding per awarded project/per partner	For DEI+ and HER+: limitation as in funding instrument. For 'HEP': not applicable (to be confirmed)
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	All instruments: at least one company should be collaborating in the consortium. Municipalities and provinces are not eligible. For DEI+, companies should realise the majority of the project cost. For HER+, (any) involvement of research organisations should be balanced by involvement of companies. The consortium should be suitable to contribute to the aims of the instruments.

<p>Eligible topics</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Direct current (DC) technologies for power networks 2. Power production technologies, storage and system integration 3B. Advanced renewable energy technologies for power production 4. Carbon capture, utilisation, and storage (CCUS) 5. Hydrogen and renewable fuels 6. Heating and cooling technologies 7. Geothermal energy technologies 8. Integrated regional energy systems 9. Integrated industrial energy systems 10B. Clean energy integration in the built environment
<p>Eligible type of research and TRL</p>	<p>For DEI+: Pilots (experimental development) and demonstration, indicative TRL 6-9</p> <p>For HER+: Pilots and demonstration, experimental development and Industrial research (parts of the project), indicative TRL 4/5-9</p> <p>For HEP: (if applicable): Industrial research, experimental development, indicative TRL 4-7</p>
<p>Submission of the proposal at national/regional level</p>	<p>Please consult your national contacts with any questions!</p> <p><u>HER+</u></p> <p>Pre-proposal: Submission ‘Projectidee’ + ‘Onderbouwing HER+’ to RVO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Deadline 24 November 2023 - <u>‘Projectidee’</u>: highlight how the international project objectives contribute to the aim of HER+, and the role and activities of the Dutch partners in the project - <u>‘Onderbouwing HER+’</u>: instructions on: https://mijn.rvo.nl/tse-hernieuwbare-energietransitie, go to “bijlagen bij uw aanvraag”. Please make sure that you use the current version and fill out both calculation models where relevant. - Submit all of this through RVO’s ‘Projectidee’ tool, and by E-mail to the national contacts mentioned above as well. <p>Full proposal: Submission HER+ proposal to RVO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Deadline 2 April 2024, unless instructed otherwise by the national contacts. - Submission through RVO’s electronic submission system - Full national proposal, specifying the Dutch funding request roles and activities, with a full national project plan plus ‘Onderbouwing HER+’. The HER+ proposal should be readable on its own, without the need to refer to the international proposal. - Please note that “E-herkenning niveau 3” is required. <p><u>DEI+</u></p>

	<p>Pre-proposal: Submission 'Projectidee' to RVO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Deadline 24 November 2023 - 'Projectidee': highlight how the international project objectives contribute to the aim of DEI+, and the role and activities of the Dutch partners in the project - Submit through RVOs 'Projectidee' tool, and by E-mail to the national contacts mentioned above as well. <p>Full proposal: Submission DEI+ proposal to RVO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Deadline 2 April 2024, unless instructed otherwise by the national contacts. - Submission through RVO's electronic submission system - Full national proposal, specifying the Dutch funding request roles and activities, with a full national project plan. The DEI+ proposal should be readable on its own, without the need to refer to the international proposal. - Please note that "E-herkenning niveau 3" is required. <p><u>HEP</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Not applicable (to be confirmed)
<p>Additional eligibility criteria for the funding agency</p>	<p>The HER+ and DEI+ have their own requirements and conditions. In order to be eligible for one of these schemes, you have to positively meet the specific requirements of the scheme. Please consult the relevant information, see links below.</p>
<p>Eligible costs</p>	<p>Definitions according to the guidelines laid down in the General Block Exemption Regulation (GBER – In Dutch AGVV), Article 25 covers Research and development, other articles cover investment aid in specific categories.</p> <p>HER+: current GBER Articles 25, 38, 41, see Internet pages and manual (Dutch)</p> <p>DEI+: current GBER Articles 25, 36, 38, 41, 46, 47, 56, see Internet pages and manual (Dutch).</p>

Information available at	<p>www.rvo.nl/tse - select the relevant funding scheme. Please read the “Handleiding” (=manual) carefully</p> <p>for HER+ https://www.rvo.nl/subsidies-financiering/her Handleiding: https://www.rvo.nl/sites/default/files/2022-07/RVO-Handleiding-Hernieuwbare-energietransitie-juli-2022_0.pdf</p> <p>for DEI+ https://www.rvo.nl/subsidies-financiering/dei</p> <p>Handleiding: Go through DEI pages for the up-to-date version</p>
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The national evaluation process will be the customary process for DEI+ and HER+, please consult the respective manuals. International evaluation leading in case of ‘RNES § 4.2.18’. - For obvious reasons, the results of the national evaluation process shall be communicated after the trans-national funding recommendations have been made, irrespective of your date of submission. Without the international partners, the project cannot be implemented as proposed and will not be funded. - Customary national progress reporting will be required for all funded projects. - This annex must be regarded as a guide. The information contained herein is not complete about the national regulations. For specific details and conditions you should always consult the original regulation texts, manuals and websites. - It is strongly recommended to contact the national contact points to discuss the pre-proposal as well as full-proposal before submission.

b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises	Not applicable	See www.rvo.nl/tse	See www.rvo.nl/tse
Medium Enterprises	Not applicable	See www.rvo.nl/tse	See www.rvo.nl/tse
Small Enterprises	Not applicable	See www.rvo.nl/tse	See www.rvo.nl/tse
Universities, public research organisations	Not applicable	See www.rvo.nl/tse	See www.rvo.nl/tse
Public authorities	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Associations without economic activities, NGOs	Not applicable	See www.rvo.nl/tse	See www.rvo.nl/tse

NORWAY – The Research Council of Norway (RCN)

a) National information and eligibility criteria

Contact Point	<p>Main contact point: Aage Stangeland, ast@rcn.no</p> <p>Call Module contact points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call Module 1: DC technologies for energy networks: Marianne Haavardsholm Aandahl, mhaa@rcn.no • Call Module 4: Carbon capture, utilisation, and storage (CCUS): Aage Stangeland, ast@rcn.no • Call Module 6: Heating and cooling technologies: Per Arne Karlsen, pak@rcn.no
Funding commitment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NOK 30 M (approximately € 2.56 M) for Call Module 4: <i>CCUS</i> • NOK 24 M (approximately € 2.05 M) all together for Call Module 1: <i>DC technologies for energy networks</i> and Call Module 6: <i>Heating and cooling technologies</i>
Anticipated number of projects to be funded	<p>From 5 to 10</p>
Maximum funding per awarded project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maximum NOK 10 M for Call Module 4 projects • Maximum NOK 6 M for projects under Call Modules 1 and 6
Eligible types of organisations	<p>The call is open to approved Norwegian research organisations, actors from public sector entities, non-governmental organisations, and companies from the business/industrial sector.</p> <p>The main Norwegian partner must be either an approved Norwegian research organisation or a Norwegian company that has been issued an enterprise number under the Norwegian Register of Business Enterprises (Brønnøysundregistrene) and carry out economic activity in Norway.</p>
Eligible Call Modules	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call Module 1: DC technologies for energy networks • Call Module 4: Carbon capture, utilisation, and storage (CCUS) • Call Module 6: Heating and cooling technologies

<p>Eligible types of RDI and TRL</p>	<p>For Call Module 4 on CCUS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Norwegian activities must comply with topics listed in the CLIMIT Program Plan • Norwegian activities must lead to long-term CO₂ storage, and CCU activities without long-term CO₂ storage are in-eligible <p>For Call Modules 1 and 6:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Norwegian activities must comply with priorities within energy systems or heating and cooling as listed in the Portfolio Plan for Energy, transport and low emissions and the priorities in the Energy 21 strategy • TRL: maximum 6 at the end of the project
<p>Submission of proposal /documentation at national/regional level</p>	<p>A detailed budget for Norwegian partners must be sent on e-mail to the relevant RCN contact persons within November 24th 2023 end of business.</p> <p>The budget must include details listed at the RCN web site; Please specify all cost items per partner per year. A template may be provided from your RCN contact person upon request – send us an e-mail.</p>

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<p>Additional eligibility criterias</p>	<p>The Norwegian team of participants must meet one of the two alternative project types listed below:</p> <p>1. Knowledge building project</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Projects must aim at developing new knowledge and generate research competence needed by society or the business sector to address important societal challenges. - Collaboration between research group(s) and relevant actors from outside the research sector is required. The team must include at least one approved Norwegian research organisation and at least two relevant Norwegian companies. - Companies are not eligible for financial support. - The Norwegian applicants must document (in their budget) that at least 10 per cent of the Norwegian total costs will be used by the Norwegian industrial or end-user partners. - The Norwegian industrial or end-user partners may contribute with financial support (cash) in addition to the required in-kind efforts. - Letters of Intent from all Norwegian companies are required in stage 1 (pre-proposal), and Letters of Commitment in stage 2 (full proposal). (The letters can be sent on e-mail to the RCN contact persons if problem with uploading them in the submission portal) - Note: Applications without required industrial participation at stage 1 will be in-eligible and not evaluated for potential proceedings to stage 2 <p>2. Innovation project for the industrial sector</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Open for projects in which companies are engaged in business-led innovation and where research and development (R&D) is a critical part of the innovation process. - The main Norwegian applicant must be a Norwegian company. - Norwegian research organisation(s) may be partner(s). The cost for research organisation(s) must be covered by the company(ies). - The maximum funding rate for the Norwegian company(ies) is 50%
<p>Eligible costs</p>	<p>Eligible costs for Norwegian applicants are defined at the RCN website</p>
<p>Information available at</p>	<p>Relevant links are provided above</p>

Other	<p>Applied funding rates for all Norwegian applicants must comply with European state aid guidelines. Details are available at the RCN website.</p> <p>Please use exchange rates between NOK and Euro close to the due date for submission, and specify the exchange rate applied in the application</p>
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b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises	NA	0 / 50 *	0 / 25 **
Medium Enterprises	NA	0 / 50 *	0 / 25 **
Small Enterprises	NA	0 / 50 *	0 / 25 **
Universities, public research organisations	100	100	NA
Public authorities	100	100	NA
Associations without economic activities, NGOs	100	100	NA

* 0 % funding rate for Knowledge building projects and maximum 50 % funding rate for Innovation projects for the industrial sector.

** 0 % funding rate for Knowledge building projects and maximum 25 % funding rate for Innovation projects for the industrial sector.

SPAIN – Agencia Estatal de Investigación (AEI)

a) National/Regional information and eligibility criteria

Contact Points	<p>Representative: María Gavira Galocha E-mail: maria.gavira@aei.gob.es, era-energia@aei.gob.es</p> <p>Administrative and technical issues: Irene Carlos E-mail: irene.carlos@fecyt.es, era-energia@aei.gob.es</p> <p>Scientific Issues: Name: Dr. Pablo García Fernández E-mail: era-energia@aei.gob.es</p>
Funding commitment	1.700.000 €
Anticipated number of projects to be funded	8-10
Maximum funding per awarded project/per partner	<p>The following funding limits (including direct + indirect costs) are considered eligibility criteria. Proposals not respecting these limits could be declared ineligible. Total amount of direct costs requested must be multiple of 1000.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If a Spanish partner requesting funding to the AEI IS the Coordinator of the transnational project and: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - there is only one Spanish Partner in the proposal, acting as a coordinator, the maximum funding is € 300.000 - there is one Spanish Partner in addition to the Spanish Coordinator in the proposal, both requesting funding to the AEI, the maximum funding amount per proposal is € 350.000 • If a Spanish partner requesting funding to the AEI IS NOT the Coordinator of the transnational project and: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - there is only one Spanish partner requesting funding to the AEI in the proposal, the maximum funding is € 200.000 - there are two Spanish partners in the proposal requesting funding to the AEI, the maximum funding amount per proposal is € 250.000 <p>IMPORTANT: a maximum of two Spanish Partners requesting funding to the AEI in the same Proposal are allowed.</p>

Eligible types of organisations	<p>Non-profit research organizations (such as universities, public research institutions, technological centres and other private non-profit institutions performing RDI activities in Spain), as the general requirements established for PCI 2023-1 call. They must have been previously beneficiaries of any of the AEI calls. They have to ensure contractual relationship with the Principal Investigator during all the time of development of the project.</p> <p>IMPORTANT:</p> <p>Spanish legal entities which are part of mixed centres will be considered as a unique beneficiary, and thus the maximum funding should not exceed the limits per proposal established above.</p>
Eligible Call Modules	All
Eligible types of RDI and TRL	<p>AEI funds are intended to support excellent research and innovation developments and those tasks necessary to accomplish them. Management costs in case of project coordination can be also supported.</p> <p>Applicants mainly participating in tasks not directly involving research and innovation, such as entire communication work packages for the consortium not involving actual research activities, can be considered non-eligible.</p> <p>TRL: no constrains</p>
Submission of proposal /documentation at national/regional level	<p>Funding Programme:</p> <p>The framework for this funding action is the Plan Estatal de Investigación Científica, Técnica e Innovación 2021-2023 or future plans.</p> <p>Instrument for funding</p> <p>If the proposal is approved, the Spanish groups will need to apply to the call on <i>Proyectos de Colaboración internacional</i> (PCI), which is AEI's funding instrument.</p> <p>Applicants are encouraged to carefully read the call PCI 2023-1 and the general requirements.</p> <p>The PCI Call will be managed by the <i>Subdivisión de Programas Científico-Técnicos Transversales, Fortalecimiento y Excelencia</i> (STRAN) of the AEI.</p> <p>No further documentation is required at the preproposal stage, but it is highly recommended to check Principal Investigator (PI) and beneficiary eligibility.</p>
Additional eligibility criteria	<p>The Spanish PI must hold a PhD degree.</p> <p>PIs must be eligible according to the general requirements of PCI 2023-1</p>

	<p>call and must have experience as investigators (not necessarily as PIs) in projects funded by the Plan Nacional I+D+i 2008-2011, the Plan Estatal I+D+i 2013-2016, the Plan Estatal I+D+i 2017-2020, ERC Grants, European Framework Programmes or other relevant national or international programmes.</p> <p>Incompatibilities (these must be taken into account when participating in different ERA-Nets or other international initiatives):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PIs must remain <u>unchanged</u> between the pre- and full proposal of this transnational joint call, and the national PCI call. • PIs will not be eligible for funding if they apply as PIs to more than one proposal in this transnational joint call, to more than one proposal in the same Spanish PCI call and/or to PCI calls of consecutive years. • If the same PI submits two or more proposals to the present call, all but one will be declared ineligible, without the possibility of changing the PI. • A PI that has been granted a PCI the previous year will be declared ineligible, without the possibility of changing the PI. <p>The AEI will avoid double funding and will not grant projects or parts of projects already funded through other national or EU calls.</p>
<p>Eligible costs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only personnel costs for exclusive dedication to the project are eligible. The costs of permanent staff linked to the beneficiary entity or members of the research team will not be considered eligible costs. • Direct costs such as current costs, small scientific equipment, disposable materials, travelling expenses, coordination costs, and other costs that can be justified as necessary to carry out the proposed activities. • Indirect costs (overheads) are eligible costs (21% of total direct costs, including subcontracting). • Subcontracting should not exceed 25% of total final budget (excluding overheads). <p>Please consult “<i>Artículo 8. Conceptos financiables</i>” in PCI 2023-1 resolution since eligible cost will be similar.</p>
<p>Information available at</p>	<p>Please consult the requirements of PCI2023-1 as they will be similar. Applicants are encouraged to carefully read the call and the general requirements.</p>

Other	<p><u>Acknowledgements:</u> Any publication or dissemination activity resulting from the granted projects <u>must</u> acknowledge funding by the Agencia Estatal de Investigación according to AEI's web guidelines</p> <p><u>Data Protection:</u> By submitting a grant application, the applicants consent to communication of the data contained in the application to other public administrations, with the aim of further processing of the data for historical, statistical or scientific purposes, within the framework of the Organic Law 3/2018, of December 5, on Personal Data</p>
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b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises			
Medium Enterprises			
Small Enterprises			
Universities, public research organisations	100% of eligible costs	100% of eligible costs	100% of eligible costs
Public authorities	Check eligibility with the contact persons		
Associations without economic activities, NGOs	Check eligibility with the contact persons		

SPAIN – Centre for the Development of Technology and Innovation CDTI

a) National/Regional information and eligibility criteria

Contact Point	Marina Sopeña partenariadoshe@cdti.es +34 91 581 04 89
Funding commitment	1.500.000 €
Anticipated number of projects to be funded	N.A.
Maximum funding per awarded project/per partner	N.A.
Eligible types of organisations	Companies (large and SME) with tax residence or permanent establishment in Spain
Eligible Call Modules	All
Eligible types of RDI and TRL	Industrial research and/or experimental development activities, in accordance with the definitions of the COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) No 651/2014 of 17 June 2014 TRL 4-7
Submission of proposal /documentation at national/regional level	<p>Each Spanish company participating in a project and requesting funding from CDTI, must apply via CDTI's electronic submission system.</p> <p>CDTI's application process consists of completing an online application form which is accompanied by a short technical report written in Spanish. The report must focus on the activities (and associated budget) that the company will assume in the project (please check Type of research funded and Eligible costs sections in this table).</p> <p>Deadline to complete CDTI's application process: 22/11/2023 Please note that failing to comply with the national application process by the deadline, will deem the company ineligible to participate in the call.</p> <p>Applicants are strongly advised to check the detailed information available on CDTI website and to contact the NCP for advice about national funding rules, before submitting a proposal.</p>

Additional eligibility criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Projects should support transnational collaboration; therefore, no single participant or country can exceed 70% of the total project costs. • The Spanish applicant's activities must be carried out in Spain and represent a high scientific-technical quality and a relevant innovative nature. • Projects can have a duration of between 12 and 36 months.
Eligible costs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Costs of the personnel performing R&D tasks, including up to 58 hours per month for project management. • Overheads (up to 25% of personnel costs). • Instruments, equipment, materials, supplies and similar products incurred directly as a result of the project (to the extent that they are used and for the duration of the project). • Contractual research, knowledge and patents. • Subcontracting costs cannot exceed 50% of the participant eligible costs. • Subcontracting a consultancy firm (up to 8.000€). • Travel expenses (up to 8.000€). • Audit reports (up to 2.000€ per financial year). <p>Other operating expenses are not eligible for funding.</p> <p>The activities and tasks related to communication, dissemination, preparation for entry into the market, commercialisation, industrial-scale trials and registration of industrial property are not eligible for funding.</p> <p>Only the costs incurred during the project duration (since the project start date to the project end date) are eligible for funding.</p>
Information available at	https://www.cdti.es/index.asp?MP=101&MS=946&MN=3
Other	<p>It is recommended a minimum budget of 150.000€</p> <p>The funding will be implemented in the modality of grants. CDTI's funding is subject to final availability.</p>

b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises		40%	
Medium Enterprises		50%	
Small Enterprises		60%	
Universities, public research organisations			
Public authorities			
Associations without economic activities, NGOs			

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SPAIN - BASQUE – Departamento de Desarrollo Económico, Sostenibilidad y Medio Ambiente. Eusko Jaurlaritzza-Gobierno Vasco (EUSKADI)

a) National/Regional information and eligibility criteria

Contact Point	Cristina Ugarte. Innovation technician. SPRI cugartev@spri.eus
Funding commitment	1M€
Anticipated number of projects to be funded	
Maximum funding per awarded project/per partner	Up to 250 k€/year
Eligible types of organisations	Large, medium and small enterprises
Eligible Call Modules	All Call modules
Eligible types of RDI and TRL	Industrial/Applied Research and Experimental Development (TRL3-7)
Submission of proposal /documentation at national/regional level	Yes. Hazitek programme

<p>Additional eligibility criteria</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have a production facility in the Basque Country from where develop its economic activity and where it will have its own staff involved in the R&D project • Develop directly from its facilities in the Basque Country the eligible activities. • Minimum annual budget/project/year 100.000 € • Minimum annual budget per Basque company in the consortium 50.000 €
<p>Eligible costs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personnel expenses in the project (direct and indirect). • External advisory services and equivalent expenses. • Outsourcing highly specialized parts of the project. • Subcontracting expenses to Basque Science, Technology and Innovation Network agents. • Operating expenses (such as materials costs, supplies...) incurred directly as a result of the research activity. • Intellectual property rights expenses. • Amortization expenses for infrastructure and equipment used in the project.
<p>Information available at</p>	<p>Hazitek 2023. Apoyo a la I+D Empresarial - Ayudas SPRI</p>
<p>Other</p>	

b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises		45	30 (ED)
Medium Enterprises		45	30 (ED)
Small Enterprises		45	30 (ED)
Universities, public research organisations			
Public authorities			
Associations without economic activities, NGOs			

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SPAIN - BASQUE – Ente Vasco de la Energía (EVE)

a) National/Regional information and eligibility criteria

Contact Point	Joserra López (jrlopez@eve.eus) Olatz Ajuria (oajuria@eve.eus)
Funding commitment	1 000 000 € per Call
Anticipated number of projects to be funded	1-2
Maximum funding per awarded project/per partner	1 000 000 €
Eligible types of organisations	All legal entities, public or private. Public or private consortia, groupings, or associations of companies without legal personality. Companies submitting proposals can be located in any EU country.
Eligible Call Modules	Call Modules 3A & B (only wave and offshore wind technologies)
Eligible types of RDI and TRL	Pilot testing at the demonstration and validation phase of: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> full scale, or almost full scale, prototypes of wave energy converters. full scale, or almost full scale, prototypes of floating platforms for wind turbines. full scale, or almost full scale, prototypes of offshore wind turbines. prototypes of auxiliary equipment or components considered as complementary to any of the aforementioned prototypes. TRL: 5-8
Submission of proposal /documentation at national/regional level	Yes. Proposals must be submitted at regional level: ‘Aid programme for investment in the demonstration and validation of emerging marine renewable energy technologies’

Additional eligibility criteria	<p>All actions shall necessarily be carried out in open-sea testing facilities within the Autonomous Community of the Basque Country.</p> <p>Proposals shall necessarily be submitted with a signed commitment of acceptance from the open-sea testing facilities where the prototype is going to be tested.</p>
Eligible costs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Personnel expenses of the consortium, grouping or association of companies, resulting from the coordination of projects. For this concept of coordination, a maximum limit of 10% of the aid awarded for the action eligible for aid is established. In any case, the maximum aid to be awarded for this concept shall not exceed 100 000 €. · Costs of instruments and equipment, to the extent and for the period they are used for the action potentially eligible for aid under this aid programme, required to conduct the pilot testing on the prototypes, such as the costs of moorings and the umbilical cable, amongst others. The costs of the prototypes themselves shall be specifically excluded. · Costs of contractual research, technical knowledge and patents bought or licensed from outside sources at market prices, where the transaction has been carried out at arm's length and there is no element of collusion involved, as well as costs of consultancy and equivalent services used exclusively for the research activity and provided they have been incurred in the course of the pilot testing. · Additional overheads incurred directly as a result of performing the action eligible for aid, such as the rental costs of the open sea testing facilities.
Information available at	https://www.eve.eus/Programa-de-ayudas
Other	

b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises	-	-	25% (+15% collab.)
Medium Enterprises	-	-	35% (+15% collab.)
Small Enterprises	-	-	45% (+15% collab.)
Universities, public research organisations	-	-	25% - 45% (+15% collab.)
Public authorities	-	-	-
Associations without economic activities, NGOs	-	-	-

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SWEDEN – Swedish Energy Agency (SWEA)

a) National/Regional information and eligibility criteria

Contact Point	CETPartnership@energimyndigheten.se , +46 (0)16 544 2000, https://www.energimyndigheten.se/utlysningar/CETPartnership_2023
Funding commitment	7 MEUR available funding for Swedish partners
Anticipated number of projects to be funded	5 -15
Maximum funding per awarded project/per partner	No specific limitation
Eligible types of organisations	<p>All actors operating in Sweden are eligible for funding. For example Public and private entities such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Universities • Research institutes • Companies • Municipalities/Regions <p>Decisions on funding research, development and innovation in the energy area are taken according to the ordinance SFS 2008:761 in the Swedish Code of Statues.</p> <p>Decisions on funding research, development and innovation in the industry's climate transition area are taken according to the ordinance SFS 2017:1319 in the Swedish Code of Statues.</p> <p>Decisions on funding research, development and innovation for academia and research institutes are taken according to regulation 2022 for The Swedish Energy Agency: https://www.esv.se/statsliggaren/regleringsbrev/?rbid=22389</p>

Eligible Call Modules	<p>All call modules.</p> <p>International applications that include Swedish organizations will be evaluated by an internal group of experts from SWEA during the national eligibility check. This evaluation will check that formal requirements are fulfilled, and as well it will check that the application is relevant in relation to SWEA's energy and climate change mission.</p>
Eligible types of RDI and TRL	<p>Industrial research (TRL 4-6) and experimental development can be supported if overall project scope is relevant to the call text (TRL 7-9).</p>
Submission of proposal /documentation at national/regional level	<p>Only consortia selected for funding after final evaluation of full proposal will be invited to write a full proposal at the national level.</p>
Additional eligibility criteria	<p>Swedish sub-consortia need to include at least one non-research organisation.</p>
Eligible costs	<p>Personnel costs, travel costs, consultancy, material costs, laboratory costs, equipment costs, patent, indirect costs (only academia and research institutes).</p> <p>http://www.energimyndigheten.se/globalassets/utlysningar/anvisningar-foransokan.pdf</p> <p>For more information regarding eligible costs and SWEA's legislation see the Swedish national information on the call via the link below:</p>
Information available at	<p>information on CETPartnership call at the Swedish Energy Agency web page:</p> <p>https://www.energimyndigheten.se/utlysningar/CETPartnership_2023</p>

Other	<p>The Swedish Energy Agency (SWEA) funds research and innovation projects that support energy system transformation into a modern and sustainable, fossil-free society.</p> <p>Submission of the proposal at the national level: Following the full proposal stage of the international Expert Panel evaluation, the Swedish Principal Investigators in the projects recommended for funding will be invited to submit a national application to SWEA (via mina sidor).</p> <p>Information about the submission will be provided in the invitation and by the contact person.</p> <p>Submission of financial and progress reports at the national level: Following the national project decision: the funded projects will be required to submit one financial and one progress report annually to SWEA (via mina sidor)</p>
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b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises	n.a	50 %	25 %
Medium Enterprises	n.a	60 %	35 %
Small Enterprises	n.a	70 %	45 %
Universities, public research organisations	n.a	100 %	100 %
Public authorities	n.a	50 %	25 %
Associations without economic activities, NGOs	n.a	100 %	100 %

SWITZERLAND – Swiss Federal Office of Energy (SFOE)

a) National/Regional information and eligibility criteria

Contact Point	Dr Michael MOSER, michael.moser@bfe.admin.ch , +41 58 465 36 23 Dr Stefano BENATO, stefano.benato@bfe.admin.ch , +41 58 465 92 79
Funding commitment	€ 10'000'000 from SFOE P+D Programme € 300'000 from SFOE R+D Programme for CM2023-07 only (Note that proposals to CM2023-07 can be submitted either to the R+D OR the P+D programme as R+D and P+D funding cannot be cumulated)
Anticipated number of projects to be funded	10-15
Maximum funding per awarded project/per partner	No maximum per project/per partner. The SFOE P+D Programme covers max. 40% of the eligible project costs, while the R+D Programme covers max. 80% (CM2023-07 only) of the eligible project costs.
Eligible types of organisations	In principle, all types of partners such as universities (including ETH-domain), universities of applied science, public authorities, NGOs, research organizations and the private sector in Switzerland are eligible. Federal authorities can be involved but are not eligible for funding. All partners must comply with the SFOE Directive for energy research and P+D projects .
Eligible Call Modules	CM2023-02: Energy system flexibility: renewables production, storage and system integration CM2023-03B: Advanced renewable energy (RE) technologies for power production CM2023-04: Carbon capture, utilization and storage (CCUS) CM2023-05: Hydrogen and renewable fuels CM2023-06: Heating and cooling technologies CM2023-07: Geothermal energy technologies (also R+D projects) CM2023-08: Integrated regional energy systems CM2023-09: Integrated industrial energy systems
Eligible types of RDI and TRL	P+D projects: TRL 4-9 (all CM2023) R+D projects: TRL 1-4 (CM2023-07 only) (Note that proposals to CM2023-07 can be submitted either to the R+D OR the P+D programme, not to both simultaneously)
Submission of proposal /documentation at national/regional level	Please use the SFOE proposal templates documents at www.bfe.admin.ch/cetp
Additional eligibility criteria	

Eligible costs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personnel costs • Operational costs (P+D projects only) • Investment costs (P+D projects only) • Subcontracting <p>Please refer to the SFOE Directive for energy research and P+D projects</p>
Information available at	For details see SFOE call text at www.bfe.admin.ch/cetp
Other	<p>The funded Swiss partner may use and commercialize the project results. In return the project results will be made publicly available by SFOE. SFOE disclaims the IPRs. The subsidy recipients can utilize the project results.</p> <p>Direct communication with the national contact point at SFOE is strongly recommended by 15 October 2023.</p>

b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises		80 % (CM2023-07 only)	40 %
Medium Enterprises		80 % (CM2023-07 only)	40 %
Small Enterprises		80 % (CM2023-07 only)	40 %
Universities, public research organisations		80 % (CM2023-07 only)	40 %
Public authorities		80 % (CM2023-07 only) federal authorities can be involved but are not eligible for funding	40 % federal authorities can be involved but are not eligible for funding
Associations without economic activities, NGOs		80 % (CM2023-07 only)	40 %

SWITZERLAND – Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF)

a) National/Regional information and eligibility criteria

Contact Point	Cédric Leroux E-mail: cetp@snf.ch Tel: +41 31 308 22 22
Funding commitment	600'000.- (approx € 600.000)
Anticipated number of projects to be funded	1 – 2
Maximum funding per awarded project/per partner	The SNSF provides a minimum grant of 100 000 Swiss francs per projet . The SNSF provides a maximum of 250,000 Swiss francs annually per applicant of a project and a maximum of 1 million francs annually for the project as a whole.
Eligible types of organisations	Applicants must comply with the SNSF Funding Regulations .
Eligible Call Modules	CM 4, CM 8, CM 9, and CM 10A
Eligible types of RDI and TRL	The SNSF exclusively funds basic research conducted for purposes that are not directly commercial. Pursuant to the Research and Innovation Promotion Act (RIPA) and the legal framework of the SNSF, no research grants are awarded if the relevant research is conducted for directly commercial purposes or if the persons involved in the research work are not scientifically independent. Thus, the SNSF can fund basic research and applied research without commercial goals only. TRL: 1 to maximum 4
Submission of proposal /documentation at national/regional level	Mandatory, parallel submission of pre- and full-proposal via mySNF Swiss-based partners must submit pre-proposals and full proposals via mySNF at the same submission deadline of the consortium application. These submissions are mandatory and do not replace the submission of

	<p>the consortium application to the Call Secretariat.</p> <p>Pre-proposal forms are created by selecting "Projects: Partnership: CETP: Pre-proposal".</p> <p>Full-proposal forms are created by selecting "Projects: Partnership: CETP: Full proposal" and are to be linked to the pre-proposal by selecting its number in the data container "Relation to pre-proposal".</p> <p>In case of multiple, Swiss-based partners participating in the same consortium, only one application is to be submitted on <i>mySNF</i>, whereby one Swiss-based partner must act as "corresponding applicant" and the other Swiss-based partners are to be listed as "other applicants".</p> <p>International partners of the consortium applying for funding at different funding agencies from the SNSF cannot be declared as "project partners" in the sense of article 11.2 of the SNSF Funding Regulations. For the submission via <i>mySNF</i>, they are to be declared as "consortium partners" instead and must apply for their funding at their respective research funding organisation.</p>
<p>Additional eligibility criteria</p>	<p>Participation of Swiss-based partners requesting financial support from the SNSF is restricted to one project (Art.7.3, SNSF Regulations on project funding). They may, however, participate in other consortia projects as self-financed partners.</p> <p>The maximum number of grants in the project funding scheme for the same funding period from the SNSF is limited to three grants, provided at least one grant is for an EU consortium project or has been granted on the basis of a lead agency, Weave or International Con-investigator scheme evaluation. Swiss-based investigators who already hold three SNSF grants in project funding cannot request financial support from the SNSF to participate in this call.</p> <p>Proposals with overlapping funding periods with ongoing SNSF projects are only approved if the research projects pursue different goals (Article 17 of the SNSF Funding Regulations).</p>

Eligible costs	<p>Eligible costs are outlined in the SNSF Funding Regulations (Art. 28) and the SNSF General Implementation Regulations (Section 2).</p> <p>Project overhead costs cannot be applied for. They are calculated on the basis of the research funding acquired by eligible institutions under eligible funding schemes. Overhead contributions are paid in retrospect at a flat rate to the institutions of the SNSF awardees.</p>
Information available at	<p>Information available at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - SNSF Funding regulations
Other	<p>Data management plan</p> <p>Applicants will have to complete the DMP on <i>mySNF</i> once the project is approved, regardless of whether a DMP is requested by the consortium. The DMP has to cover the research data, which are collected, observed, generated or reused in the Swiss part of the project and has to comply with the SNSF Open Research Data Policy.</p> <p>Consortium agreement</p> <p>Before the release of the funds, the SNSF requests the submission of a copy of the consortium agreement signed by all the partners.</p> <p>Grant management</p> <p>Grants will be managed according to standard SNSF rules described in SNSF Funding Regulations. Yearly financial reports for the use of SNSF funds must be submitted via <i>mySNF</i>. As a final scientific report, the SNSF requests the submission of the final scientific report submitted to the CETP Call Secretariat. No other scientific report is requested.</p>

b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises	n/a	n/a	n/a
Medium Enterprises	n/a	n/a	n/a
Small Enterprises	n/a	n/a	n/a
Universities, public research organisations	100%	100% for applied research; 0% for industrial research (see above)	n/a
Public authorities	n/a	n/a	n/a
Associations without economic activities, NGOs	n/a	n/a	n/a

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TUNISIA – Ministry of Higher Education and scientific Research (MHESR)

a) National/Regional information and eligibility criteria

Contact Point	Hayet Souai E-mail : souaihayet@gmail.com Saida RAFRAFI FARHAT E-mail : coopint2@gmail.com
Funding commitment	400 000 €
Anticipated number of projects to be funded	4
Maximum funding per awarded project/per partner	100 000 €
Eligible types of organisations	Tunisian public research institutions: - Institutes or research centers; - Research laboratories/units based at the universities.
Eligible Call Modules	all
Eligible types of RDI and TRL	Research and development project TRL 2-8
Submission of proposal /documentation at national/regional level	No

<p>Additional eligibility criteria</p>	<p>The Tunisian Principal Investigator (PI) of the research and innovation project should be a:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Professor; - Associate Professor, - Assistant professor.
<p>Eligible costs</p>	<p>Eligible costs are those spent directly by the project partner during the duration of the project and used exclusively for achieving the objectives of the project. All expenses must be incurred between the start date and the end date of the project and must be limited to the allocated budget</p> <p>the following expenses would be eligible:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Travel and daily allowances, – Other operating expenses directly related to the project, – Small equipment, logistics and consumables, – Service contracts (non-permanent staff), – Organization and participation in the scientific events and meetings. – Publication and filing fees required (scientific publications, filing of patents), – Expenses for carrying out analyzes and processing samples
<p>Information available at</p>	<p>www.mes.tn</p>
<p>Other</p>	<p>The conditions of execution and financing of the projects upon the completion of the selection process shall be defined in the national grant award agreements, where the PI of the selected project for financing will sign an agreement with the MHESR/General Directorate of Scientific Research.</p>

b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises	x	x	x
Medium Enterprises	x	x	x
Small Enterprises	x	x	x
Universities, public research organisations	x	100%	100%
Public authorities	x	x	x
Associations without economic activities, NGOs	x	x	x

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TÜRKİYE – The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Türkiye (TÜBİTAK)

a) National/Regional information and eligibility criteria

Contact Point	Çağrı YILDIRIM and Hanife TUZCUOGLU E-mail: cetp@tubitak.gov.tr
Funding commitment	1.000.000 €
Anticipated number of projects to be funded	n.a
Maximum funding per awarded project/per partner	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3.000.000 TRY per project (excluding Project Incentive Payment and Overhead costs), • Per partner <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Higher education institutions, training and research hospitals and public institutions and organisations (including city, metropolitan and district municipalities) 1.500.000 TRY (excluding Project Incentive Payment and Overhead costs) ▪ Private entities: 3.000.000 TRY
Eligible types of organisations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Higher education institutions, • Training and research hospitals, • Public institutions and organisations (including city, metropolitan and district municipalities), • SMEs and large companies established in Turkey
Eligible Call Modules	All call modules
Eligible types of RDI and TRL	Type of research: strategic (basic) research, applied research, experimental development TRL: 1-8
Submission of proposal /documentation at national/regional level	Electronic application is required via: https://uidb-pbs.tubitak.gov.tr/

Additional eligibility criteria	<p>National "1071 Programme - Support Programme for Increasing Capacity to Benefit from International Research Funds and Participation in International R&D Cooperation" Programme will be implemented.</p> <p>Further information will be announced on http://www.ufukavrupa.org.tr</p>
Eligible costs	<p>Personnel, travel, equipment/tool/software, consultancy and service procurement, consumables are eligible for funding.</p>
Information available at	<p>Further information will be announced on http://www.ufukavrupa.org.tr and www.tubitak.gov.tr</p>
Other	

b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises	60%	60%	60%
Medium Enterprises	75%	75%	75%
Small Enterprises	75%	75%	75%

Universities, public research organisations	100%	100%	100%
Public authorities	100%	100%	100%
Associations without economic activities, NGOs	N/A	N/A	N/A

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UNITED KINGDOM - SCOTLAND – SCOTTISH ENTERPRISE (SE)

a) National/Regional information and eligibility criteria

Contact Point	Karen Fraser karen.fraser@scotent.co.uk Richard Buxbaum richard.buxbaum@scotent.co.uk
Funding commitment	5.7m Euro (£5m)
Anticipated number of projects to be funded	6-10 projects, but flexible
Maximum funding per awarded project/per partner	No maximum
Eligible types of organisations	<p>Companies (SME or large) that are legal entities registered, operating and carrying out research and development activities within Scotland or companies intending to establish a presence within the area to carry out research and development activities.</p> <p>Universities or other research organisations (ROs) that are legal entities registered and operating in Scotland, subject to the following conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ROs will only be eligible if there are at least two companies involved in the collaborative project, one of which must be a company eligible for and requesting Scottish Enterprise funding; • The work being carried out by the research organisation should be of direct relevance to at least one of the participating Scottish companies; • The budget of the Scottish research organisations should be no greater than the combined budgets of the Scottish companies involved in the collaborative project and seeking funding from Scottish Enterprise.
Eligible Call Modules	We will consider applications under all Call Modules. However, as part of our eligibility process, projects will be expected to demonstrate relevance to Scottish Government energy strategies and expected contribution to economic development in Scotland.
Eligible types of RDI and TRL	No specific rules on TRLs; please refer to CETP call modules. Projects should include the development of new products, processes or services for Scottish companies.
Submission of proposal /documentation at national/regional level	Yes, at Full Proposal stage. Further information will be provided to applicants invited to Stage 2.

<p>Additional eligibility criteria</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The project / activity must be strategically important to the Scottish company(ies) and in line with its business plan. • The project must involve research and development activity in Scotland. However, testing in a demonstration site outside Scotland is also eligible. • Projects must have the potential to deliver benefits to Scotland’s economy and the new product, process or service must, in the case of non-SMEs, be able to compete in a global marketplace. • Proposals must demonstrate how the project will be implemented to ensure capability building and sustainability in Scotland to enhance the companies’ future competitiveness and research and development capacity. • For large companies seeking support, the project must demonstrate the incentive effect of the grant (i.e. how the applicant’s level of R&D expenditure or R&D jobs will be increased as a result of support). <p>As part of their Fair Work Action Plan the Scottish government has set out the goal to make Scotland a Fair Work Nation by 2025. To help achieve this goal, applicants for Scottish Enterprise grant support will be assessed against the Scottish Government’s seven Fair Work First Criteria. Please note that to secure a R&D grant, you must be able to demonstrate that your business has met or will meet the Fair Work First Criteria within six weeks of signing any contract of award. If you are unable to commit to the criteria, Scottish Enterprise may not be able to offer you an award at this time.</p>
<p>Eligible costs</p>	<p>Project-specific costs including salaries, overheads, equipment, sub-contracting, consultancy, training, materials, trials, IP management (SMEs only), travel and subsistence, and audit certificates for financial claims (SMEs only). Detailed guidance available on request.</p>
<p>Information available at</p>	<p>From contacts above</p>
<p>Other</p>	<p>Please speak to Scottish Enterprise contact prior to submitting a proposal to discuss the project scope.</p>

b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises	Up to 40%	Up to 40%	Up to 40%
Medium Enterprises	Up to 50%	Up to 50%	Up to 50%
Small Enterprises	Up to 50%	Up to 50%	Up to 50%
Universities, public research organisations	Up to 100% (or 80% FEC)	Up to 100% (or 80% FEC)	Up to 100% (or 80% FEC)
Public authorities	n/a	n/a	n/a
Associations without	n/a	n/a	n/a

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA – Department of Energy Office of Fossil Energy and Carbon Management (DOE FECM)

a) National/Regional information and eligibility criteria

Contact Point	John Litynski, john.litynski@hq.doe.gov , (Contact point for Carbon storage and Transport) Robert Schrecengost, Robert.schrecengost@hq.doe.gov , (Contact point for Blue Hydrogen) Aaron Fuller, aaron.fuller@hq.doe.gov , (Contact point for Carbon Utilization/Conversion) Andrew Hlasko, Andrew.hlasko@hq.doe.gov , (Contact point for Carbon Capture)
Funding commitment	Up to USD 6M (approx. € 6 M) for TRI3 CCUS and Hydrogen (2M Capture, 2M Transport & Storage; 1M Utilization; 1M Hydrogen)
Anticipated number of projects to be funded	Between 6-12
Maximum funding per awarded project/per partner	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maximum USD 1 M pr project for TRI3 CCU/CCS Call Module • Maximum USD 1 M pr project for TRI3 Hydrogen and Renewable fuels Call Module
Eligible types of organisations	3. The call is open to U.S. National Laboratories and their public or private research partners. 4. The main U.S. partner must be one of the designated DOE national laboratories.
Eligible Call Modules	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TRI3 CCU, CCS, CO2 Transport, and Hydrogen Call Module: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Information on the R&D areas of interest to the United States may be found in the DOE FECM Strategic Vision o Activities that do not strongly align with these areas will be deemed ineligible
Eligible types of RDI and TRL	The U.S. team must meet all requirements related to the DOE strategies defined in the DOE FECM Strategic Vision ranging from TRL 3-6 as defined in the U.S. DOE Technology Readiness Assessment Guide
Submission of proposal /documentation at national/regional level	No

Additional eligibility criteria	Yes. The United States applicants must meet all eligibility criteria related application types listed under "Eligibility type of research and TRL"
Eligible costs	Eligible costs for United States applicants are defined in the DOE <u>Guide to Financial Assistance</u> .
Information available at	The DOE FECM web site; https://www.energy.gov/fecm/office-fossil-energy-and-carbon-management
Other	N/A

b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
National Laboratories	100	100	100