

Europe / Latin America / Caribbean ERANet-LAC 3rd Multi-Thematic Joint Call 2017/2018

An initiative supported by the EU-CELAC¹ Interest Group towards the CRA

The present call announcement is a preliminary version which is not legally binding. It is provided for potentially interested applicants in order to start identifying partners and drafting proposals.

The final list of participating funding organisations will be published on 20th November 2017.

As an outcome of the EU funded bi-regional ERANet-LAC project, the EU-CELAC Interest Group was established, which is a group of funding agencies from CELAC, EU Member States and Associated Countries wishing to cooperate in bi-regional science, technology and innovation (STI) collaboration.

The members of the EU-CELAC IG in cooperation with ERANet-LAC will launch a Joint Call on **20th of November 2017**. The final submission date will be 8th of March 2018 at 15:00 CET. With this Joint Call, interested project consortia composed of partners from the countries listed below will be invited to submit project proposals.

The Funding Parties will provide funds and administrative services for supporting national beneficiaries in collaborative projects to be jointly selected.

One of the specificities of this upcoming joint call is that **it includes an energy topic based on sharing large R&I infrastructures in Ocean Energy Research Infrastructures**. The first Research Infrastructures (RI) invited to participate are Plataforma Océanica de Canaria (PLOCAN) and Instituto de Hidráulica Ambiental de la Universidad de Cantabria (IH Cantabria), both located in Spain, and Instituto de Mecánica de Fluidos e Ingeniería Ambiental (IMFIA), in Uruguay

The success of this topic will open the door for defining new calls in various thematic areas based in the CRA spirit of sharing S&T infrastructures and also facilitating the mobility of researchers of countries from both regions.

Applicants for the ERANet-LAC 3rd Multi-Thematic Joint Call 2017/2018

Applicants can represent public and private scientific, research, technological and innovation institutions on national, federal or European Union-Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC) regional level, research active industry and Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) and other institutions involved in research activities, as long as they are eligible for funding by their respective funding organizations (see list below) according to their respective national regulations.

¹ The Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC)

**Topics in the ERANet-LAC 3rd Multi-Thematic Joint Call 2017/2018
that refer to the thematic fields of
Biodiversity/Climate Change, Bioeconomy, Energy, Health and ICT**

The funding parties have selected the following 6 topics in the thematic fields of Biodiversity, Bioeconomy, Energy, Health and Information and Communication Technologies (ICT):

BIODIVERSITY

Observatories' Network on Biodiversity and Climate Change: Coordinating Data Acquisition and Fostering Data Access and Transfer.

Participating Funding Agencies: Bolivia (MINEDU), Brazil (FAPESP), Costa Rica (MICIT), Dominican Republic (MESCYT), Ecuador (SENESCYT), Germany (BMBF), Guatemala (CONCYT), Panama (SENACYT), Peru (CONCYTEC), Poland (NCBR), Spain (MINECO)

BIOECONOMY / BIOREFINERIES

Intermediate and/or High-Added Value Bioproducts

Participating Funding Agencies: Bolivia (MINEDU), Brazil (CNPq), Brazil (FAPESP), Dominican Republic (MESCYT), Ecuador (SENESCYT), Germany (BMBF), Guatemala (CONCYT), Panama (SENACYT), Peru (CONCYTEC), Poland (NCBR), Turkey (TUBITAK), Uruguay (ANII)

HEALTH

Infectious Diseases: Early Detection Research including both, Screening and Diagnosis

Participating Funding Agencies: Belgium (F.R.S. – FNRS, tbc), Bolivia (MINEDU), Brazil (CNPq), Brazil (FAPESP), Chile (CONICYT), Dominican Republic (MESCYT), Ecuador (SENESCYT), Germany (BMBF), Guatemala (CONCYT), Israel (CSO-MOH), Panama (SENACYT), Peru (CONCYTEC), Spain (ISCIII), Turkey (TUBITAK), Uruguay (ANII).

ICT

ICT Platform for Learning and Inclusion

Participating Funding Agencies: Barbados (CSF), Bolivia (MINEDU), Brazil (FAPESP), Brazil (CNPq), Chile (CONICYT), Dominican Republic (MESCYT), Ecuador (SENESCYT), Finland (AKA), Guatemala (CONCYT), Panama (SENACYT), Peru (CONCYTEC), Poland (NCBR), Turkey (TUBITAK), Uruguay (ANII)

ICT for Urban Sustainability: Nature-Based Solutions, Citizen Science and Systemic Urban Planning

Participating Funding Agencies: Argentina (MINCYT), Belgium (F.R.S. – FNRS, tbc), Bolivia (MINEDU), Brazil (CNPq), Brazil (FAPESP), Chile (CONICYT), Dominican Republic (MESCYT), Ecuador (SENESCYT), Germany (BMBF), Guatemala (CONCYT), Panama (SENACYT), Poland (NCBR), Turkey (TUBITAK), Uruguay (ANII)

ENERGY

Ocean Energy: Development of Technologies for the Energy Valorization of Marine Resources within existing Large Research Infrastructures

Participating Funding Agencies: Argentina (MINCYT), Brazil (FAPESP), Costa Rica (MICIT), Dominican Republic (MESCYT), Ecuador (SENESCYT), Germany (BMBF), Guatemala (CONCYT), Mexico (CONACYT), Panama (SENACYT), Spain (MINECO), Uruguay (ANII)

Transnational consortia are invited to submit proposals related to these topics.

Funding Organisations that have indicated their commitment in participating in the ERANet-LAC 3rd Multi-Thematic Joint Call 2017/2018

The following programme owners confirmed their participation in the Group of Funding Parties (GPF) and their readiness to pledge financial contributions for funding the proposals selected through the Joint Call:

1. Argentina: Ministerio de Ciencia, Tecnología e Innovación Productiva, MINCYT
2. Barbados: Caribbean Science Foundation, CSF
3. Belgium: Fonds de la Recherche Scientifique, F.R.S.-FNRS (tbc)
4. Bolivia: Ministerio de Educación - Vice Ministerio de Ciencia y Tecnología, MINEDU
5. Brazil: Conselho Nacional de Desenvolvimento Científico e Tecnológico, CNPq
6. Brazil: Fundação de Amparo à Pesquisa do Estado de São Paulo, FAPESP
7. Chile: Comisión Nacional de Investigación Científica y Tecnológica, CONICYT
8. Costa Rica: Ministerio de Ciencias, Tecnología y Telecomunicaciones, MICITT CONICIT
9. Dominican Republic: Ministerio de Educación Superior, Ciencia y Tecnología, MESCyT
10. Ecuador : Secretaría de Educación Superior, Ciencia, Tecnología e Innovación, SENESCYT
11. Finland : Suomen Akatemia, AKA, Academy of Finland Research Council for Culture and Society
12. Germany: Bundesministerium für Bildung und Forschung, BMBF
13. Guatemala: Consejo Nacional de Ciencia y Tecnología, CONCYT
14. Israel: Ministry of Health, CSO-MOH
15. Mexico: Consejo Nacional de Ciencia y Tecnología, CONACYT
Secretaría de Energía, SENER
16. Panama: Secretaria Nacional de Ciência, Tecnologia e Innovación, SENACYT
17. Peru: Consejo Nacional de Ciencia Tecnología e Innovación Tecnológica, CONCYTEC
18. Poland: Narodowe Centrum Badań i Rozwoju, NCBR
19. Spain : Instituto Carlos III, ISCIII
20. Spain: Ministerio de Economía, Industria y Competitividad, MINECO
Agencia Estatal de Investigación, AEI
21. Turkey: Türkiye Bilimsel ve Teknolojik Arastirma Kurumu, TUBITAK
22. Uruguay: Agencia Nacional de Investigación e Innovación, ANII

- **The duration of a project may not exceed 36 months.**
- **Call documents will be available as of November 20th at <https://www.eucelac-platform.eu/joint-actions>**
- **The Call will be open from 20th Nov. 2017 to 8th March 2018.**

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