

POLAND - National Funding Regulations of NCBR

Applicants will be advised to check with the respective national **Call Contact Person** the eligibility as to who may apply and what costs are eligible before a consortium submits the complete application.

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Initial Funding Commitment	600,000.00 Euros

Who can apply?

- Research organisations (research and knowledge-dissemination organisations)
- Enterprises - SME and Large
- Groups of entities comprising of enterprises and/or research organisations or mixed

Entities must conduct its business, R&D or any other activity on the territory of the Republic of Poland, confirmed by an entry into the relevant register.

What types of costs are eligible for funding?

The eligible costs shall be the following:

1. **personnel costs** (researchers, technicians and other supporting staff to the extent employed on the research project);
2. **costs of subcontracting**, costs of consultancy and equivalent services used exclusively for the research activity; this cost type cannot account for more than 70% of all eligible costs of a project; the subcontracting can be obtained from consortium partner only in justified case, this need will be verified by a national experts panel;
3. **operating costs including:**
 - **costs of instruments and equipment**, technical knowledge and patents to the extent and for the period used for the research project; if such instruments and equipment are not used for their full

life for the research project, only the depreciation costs corresponding to the life of the research project, as calculated on the basis of good accounting practice, shall be considered eligible;

- **costs for buildings and land**, to the extent and for the duration used for the research project; with regard to buildings, only the depreciation costs corresponding to the life of the research project, as calculated on the basis of good accounting practice shall be considered eligible; for land, costs of commercial transfer or actually incurred capital costs shall be eligible;
- **other operating costs** including costs of materials, supplies and similar products incurred directly as a result of the research activity;

4. **additional overheads** incurred indirectly as a result of the research project; that costs should account 25% of all eligible project costs; That costs (4) are counted as a multiplication by percentage given above (called x%) and the rest of direct costs, excluding subcontracting (2); It means $4=(1+3)*25\%$.

Upper funding limits for eligible costs?

Polish applicants can submit project proposals in the following topics:

- 1.1. Global Challenges I - EU-LAC Cooperation: Interactions and integration between the climate science, SSH and other communities
- 2.1. Health I – EU-LAC Cooperation in Personalised Medicine

Funding limit for eligible costs for Polish participants: **€ 100,000/per one entity applying for funding**.

The NCBR's total allocation for the 4th EU-LAC Joint Call in STI 2021/22 is **€ 600,000** including € 300,000 for topic 1.1. and € 300,000 for topic 2.1.

The maximum duration of a project is **36 months**.

In the 4th EU-LAC Joint Call in STI 2021/22 the following types of research/development are eligible:

- Industrial/Applied research: for research organisations, enterprises.
- Experimental development: for research organisations, enterprises.
- Fundamental research: for research organisations applying for funding in topic no. 1.1.

The eligible costs of **fundamental research** may comprise a **maximum of 10% of total eligible costs of the Project**. **Funding for fundamental research may be granted only to research organisations applying for funding in topic no. 1.1 in cases justified by the specificity of the Project.**

We advise potential applicants to read and use 'The Guidelines for Qualifying Tasks in the Socio-Economic R&D Projects': <https://www.gov.pl/web/ncbr/podrecznik-kwalifikowania-zadan-w-projektach-br-o-charakterze-spoeczno-ekonomicznym> (in Polish only).

The state aid intensity is presented in the table below:

	Micro/Small Enterprises	Medium Enterprises	Large enterprises	Research organisations
Fundamental/Basic Research	not eligible	not eligible	not eligible	Up to 100 %; The eligible costs of fundamental research may comprise a maximum of 10% of total eligible costs of the Project; Costs of fundamental research eligible only for projects submitted in the topic no. 1.1.
Industrial/Applied Research	Up to 50+20+15 (max 80 %)	Up to 50+10+15 (max 75 %)	Up to 50+15 (max 65%)	Up to 100 %
Experimental development	Up to 25+20+15 (max 60 %)	Up to 25+10+15 (max 50 %)	Up to 25+15 (max 40%)	Up to 100 %

Funding quota of Polish participants may be up to 100% for research organisations. In case of enterprises, funding quota will be decided on a case-by-case basis depending on the size of the company and type of research/development under Section 2 of the Regulation of the Minister of Science and Higher Education of 19 August 2020 on granting state aid by the National Centre for Research and Development, published in Journal of Laws item 1456, 2020.

In any case only Industrial Research, Experimental Development and Fundamental Research will be funded. Other type of activities (e.g. coordination, dissemination, management) cannot be included into separated task.

Additional national eligibility criteria for the proposal beyond the general criteria in the Terms of Reference of the Joint Transnational Call

All proposals must be aligned with national regulations, inter alia:

- The Act of 20 July 2018 - Law on Higher Education and Science;
- The Act of 30 April 2010 on the National Centre for Research and Development;
- The Regulation of the Minister of Science and Higher Education of 19 August 2020 on granting state aid by the National Centre for Research and Development, which is in line with the Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014 of 17 June 2014 declaring certain categories of aid compatible with the internal market in application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty (General Block Exemption Regulation);
- The Regulation of the Minister of Science and Higher Education of 17 September 2010 on the detailed mode of performance of tasks of the National Centre for Research and Development.



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Other Information:

Polish Participants will be informed and invited to submit Polish proposal once the international evaluation and the ranking list will be established.

Only projects recommended for funding will be asked to submit a national application form.

All eligible entities, invited to submit Polish proposal are obliged to use the rate of exchange of The European Central Bank dated on the day of opening the call.

If more than one Polish entity participates in the project, the national application is submitted by a consortium (group of entities) of all Polish entities.