


SPAIN – National Funding Regulations of ISCIII

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 | <p>EUR 750,000.00 € (topic 3.1 Global Health & topic 3.2 Infectious diseases)</p> <p>Maximum funding from ISCIII per awarded Spanish project partner</p> <p>If a Spanish Partner requesting funding to the ISCIII IS NOT the Coordinator of the transnational project:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 220,000.00 € (overheads included), if there is only one Spanish Partner requesting funding to the ISCIII in the proposal. • 275,000.00 € (overheads included), if there are two Spanish Partners requesting funding to the ISCIII in the proposal. <p>If a Spanish Partner requesting funding to the ISCIII is the Coordinator of the transnational project:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 300,000.00 € (overheads included), if there is only one Spanish Partner in the proposal, acting as a coordinator. • 400,000.00 € (overheads included), if there is one Spanish Partner in addition to the Spanish Coordinator in the proposal, both requesting funding to the ISCIII. <p>Overheads according to Acción Estratégica en Salud (Líneas Estratégicas de Investigación en Salud 2024-2027) AES - LEIS 2025: 25%</p> <p>Projects' duration: from 24 months to 36 months.</p> <p>The level of funding will take into account the evaluation of the collaborative proposal, the scientific quality of the Spanish group, the added value of the international collaboration, the participation of the primary health care and the financial resources available.</p> |

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



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| Eligible institutions | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accredited Health Research Institutes (Institutos de Investigación Sanitaria acreditados, IIS). Accredited according to the RD 279/2016 (These institutions may manage research via a foundation regulated according to the Spanish Act 50/ 2002, of December 26th). See the list of IIS in this link. • Hospitals, primary health care or public health administration of the Spanish National Health System (SNS). These institutions may manage research via a foundation regulated in accordance to the Spanish Act 50/2002, of December 26th (a copy of the foundation’s statutes may be submitted). • CIBER. Only one PI can be eligible by ISCIII per consortium, fulfilling that the team members applying to the call must be from at least two groups belonging to CIBER in two different home institutions and one of these two should be a hospital, primary health care or public health administration of the Spanish National Health System (SNS) or Accredited Health Research Institutes (Institutos de Investigación Sanitaria acreditados, IIS). Please contact CIBER (pai@ciberisciii.es) for more information related to CIBER’s eligibility. • Public Research Institutions (OPIs) as defined in article 47 of Law 14/2011, of 1 June, in accordance with the provisions of Royal Decree 202/2021, of 30 March, private health entities and institutions, public Universities and private Universities with proven R&D activity capacity, other public R&D centres. These entities can only participate if they apply together with Hospitals, primary health care or public health settings of the Spanish National Health System (SNS), or Accredited Health Research Institutes (Institutos de Investigación Sanitaria acreditados, IIS) in the same proposal. It is not allowed to apply independently, thus there must be two beneficiary Spanish institutions requesting funding to ISCIII in the same proposal. • Applicants from ISCIII. They are eligible in the same conditions as Public Research Institution (OPI) above-mentioned. Eligibility criteria from AES-LEIS 2025 apply. <p>NOT eligible institutions:</p> <p>Those declared by AES-LEIS 2025 as ineligible to receive funds by ISCIII.</p> <p>PLEASE NOTE:</p> <p>I. Please be aware that in 2025 some Institutions may be declared as ineligible to receive funds by ISCIII in this call. Spanish Applicants should check in the web page of ISCIII for this.</p> <p>II. Same beneficiary institution cannot participate with more than one</p> |
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| | partner in the same project proposal. |
| Additional eligibility criteria | Due to administrative and legal regulations, the Institute of Health Carlos III establishes the national deadline for the decision on fundable project consortia which includes Spanish partners to be funded by ISCIII according to the National application period stated in AES-LEIS 2025. Any concerned applicant in a proposal for which no final decision has been made by the deadline of 31.10.2025, could be declared not fundable by ISCIII. |
| Eligibility of PI and team members | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Principal investigators (PIs) shall mandatory have PhD degree. • Principal Investigators (PI) can only participate in one project proposal per call. • Principal Investigators (PIs) belonging to an Accredited Health Research Institutes (IIS) could apply ONLY from the IIS. • The Principal Investigator (PI) and all members of the research group must belong to the eligible institutions in the call. • Only one PI per beneficiary institution may be funded within the same proposal. • PIs that have an ongoing International Collaboration (PCIN) project of the 4th EU-LAC Joint Call in STI 2022 and the project has an ending date after the 31st of December 2025 will not be able to apply for this call. This incompatibility will affect only to the PI. And this incompatibility will not apply in the case that the PI participate as coordinator in the new application or in the ongoing project. • For additional incompatibilities please check AES-LEIS 2025. <p>Excluded personnel as Principal Investigator (PI):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Those undergoing a postgraduate training in Health Specialization (MIR, EIR, FIR, QIR, BIR, PIR, RFIR). - Those undergoing research training (e.g. PhD students, or “Río Hortega” contracts). - Those undergoing postdoctoral training (e.g. “Sara Borrell” or “Juan de la Cierva” contracts). - Researchers contracted by a RICORs and platforms funded by ISCIII. |
| Eligible costs | <p>Personnel costs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Personnel costs will be eligible for contracts with the needed professional category (superior technician, BSc (grado), MSc (máster), PhD (doctor) for the project development according to the published salary tables in ISCIII’s webpage. Personnel costs will precisely adhere to the salary tables, no other amount will be considered, either upper or lower. |



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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Contracts for PhD students will be done in the framework of National Subprogramme for Training (scholarships are not eligible). - Personnel costs will be eligible with a maximum of 36 PM in total for the personnel contracts altogether. - Duration of the contracts: during the whole or part of the duration of the project. - Personnel costs will NOT be eligible when they correspond to civil servants or the equivalent personnel (as specified in the art. 3.4 of “Líneas Estratégicas de Investigación en Salud” AES-LEIS 2025) either employed by the beneficiary entities or belonging to the research team. - The hiring of permanent personnel already belonging to the beneficiary entity or members of the research team will not be considered eligible expenses, unless that applies the exception stated in AES-LEIS 2025 for eligible personnel costs, for contracts framed under the Law 17/2022, 5 September, article 23bis in the specified Entities of Public sector. <p>Other eligible costs: Current costs, small scientific equipment, disposable materials, travelling expenses, complementary expenses (use of central and general research support services of the beneficiary entity), publication and dissemination of results and other costs as included in AES-LEIS 2025 that can be justified as necessary to carry out the proposed activities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Overheads, according to AES-LEIS 2025: 25% <p>Double funding of the same concept is not allowed.</p> |
| Funding of public-private partnerships allowed | <p><i>YES. In the case of private partners, please be aware that ISCIII itself is only providing funds to private non-for-profit research institutions in the terms described at “Eligible Institutions” section.</i></p> |
| Funding of Early Career Researchers | <p>Yes. According to the ISCIII eligibility criteria for IPs.</p> |
| Mandatory acknowledgement | <p>Any publication, data base, product or event protected with IPR or not, resulting from the granted projects must acknowledge “Award no. XX by ISCIII through Acción Estratégica en Salud 2025 (Líneas Estratégicas de Investigación en Salud 2024-2027) and within the EU-LAC IG framework”, even after the end of the project, including other specific acknowledgments that could be requested by ISCIII to the granted project. For more information, please see ISCIII’s ROR here.</p> |
| Requirements on data and repositories | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Researchers funded by ISCIII must make public the human genomic data, as well as relevant data (phenotype and exposition data) generated inside the funded project and will use open access repositories. Researchers must also make public all the necessary information for the |



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| | <p>interpretation of these genomic data, including lab protocols, and data instruments survey tools. Regarding genomic data it is understood association of complete genomes (GWAS), matrixes of de polymorphism of a single nucleotide (SNP) and sequence of genome, and transcriptomic, metagenomic, epigenomic and gene expression data. The researchers whose projects are funded by ISCIII are recommended to store their scientific data at the "ELIXIR Core Data Resources" or if non-European repositories or data bases they must be certified by ELIXIR or the US National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ISCIII may no fund a project that requires the construction of new repositories and/or a data base without decommissioning plans or ensured sustainability after the project's end of funding. |
| <p>Requirements for clinical studies</p> | <p>Spanish groups that are involved on the performance of a clinical trial in the proposal, are recommended to include in their team a member from their scientific node of the EU Clinical Trials Network (SCReN or ECRIN-ERIC) or if it does not exit, a member from the personal of their Clinical Research Supporting Platform of their institutions (UIC).</p> |