

National Regulations

Belgium (Flanders) - IWT



Participating organisation:

IWT, Agency for Innovation by Science and Technology (500kEUR-1500 kEUR, depending on thematic restrictions and fit in subsidy programme)

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Name of & link to the funding programmes:

- Integrated projects for agriculture: landbouwtrajecten <http://www.iwt.be/subsidies/LA-trajecten>
- Optionally (if involvement of industrial research): Integrated projects for industry: VIS-trajecten <http://www.iwt.be/subsidies/vis-trajecten> and/or industrial research projects for sme's (kmo-innovatieprojecten) <http://www.iwt.be/subsidies/kmo-innovatie>, aswell as for big enterprises based in Flanders (bedrijfsprojecten en SPRINT): <http://www.iwt.be/subsidies/http://www.iwt.be/subsidies/oeno-bedrijfsproject> and <http://www.iwt.be/subsidies/sprint>

Minimum and/or maximum project duration:

For the integrated projects (LA-trajecten and VIS-trajecten) projects may last from 12 to 36 months

For the industrial research projects may last from 6 to 24 months

Minimum and/or maximum funding per project:

The minimum and maximum funding per project follows national rules of funding scheme (mostly a minimum budget of 50 kEUR will be mandatory, maximum budget varies from 250 kEUR to 500 kEUR.

Funding percentage follows national rules of funding scheme

At 1/1/2015 the max. funding percentage for LA-trajecten is 90%, for VIS-trajecten is 80% and for industrial research projects is 25-80% (depending on size of the enterprise and depending on TRL level).

Who can be eligible for funding (incl. industry participation)?

For LA-trajecten only Flemish centres for agricultural research (praktijkcentra), universities and university colleges (hogescholen) and research institutes that are recognized as eligible (as ILVO, VITO, ...) in past evaluations according to EU regulation. Each project needs a solid base of partnership from the bio-economy sector (represented by an usercomité) that is responsible for the cofinancing of the project.

For VIS-trajecten the eligible partners are VIS-organisations (associations of Flemish enterprises) and collective research centres according to Wet De Groote (as Centexbel, Sirris, ...); RTO's are mostly subcontractors for the research. Each project needs a solid base of partnership from the industrial sector(s) that benefit from projectresults (represented by an usercomite) that is responsible for the cofinancing of the project.

For industrial research projects the eligible partners are Flemish enterprises (with legal entity in Vlaams Gewest. Enterprises can involve subcontractors and RTO's as subcontractor in the project.

National priorities:

No priorities as long as the projects fit in the program (no thematic restrictions). Military applications are excluded.

Focus on multi-actor approach in integrated projects, focus on economic benefits for involved Flemish companies.

Application for funding via IWT:

IWT will provide information on the IWT-website <http://www.iwt.be/subsidies/extrasteun/era-facce-surplus> for applicants with additional templates to be completed. Those templates are mandatory to check the national eligibility and must be sent towards IWT on date of deadline of pre-proposals (**documents received latest on 04.03.2015**). We kindly ask applicants to apply for a meeting with IWT before the end of February to check eligibility aspects.

Belgium (Flanders) - FWO



Participating organisation:

Research Foundation Flanders - FWO (200.000 EUR = indicative budget, virtual common pot principle)

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Name of & link to the funding programmes:

Research Projects <http://www.fwo.be/en/fellowships-funding/research-projects/research-project/>

Minimum and/or maximum project duration:

36 months

Minimum and/or maximum funding per project:

An indicative budget of 200.000 EUR/1 project/3 years through the virtual common pot principle

Who can be eligible for funding (incl. industry participation)?

Concerning applications for FWO funding under this ERA-NET call, the FWO-regulation on the regular research projects is applicable (<http://www.fwo.be/Documentatie.aspx?ID=399b8594-9710-4771-9289-426ff73731e1>).

In article 9 of that regulation it is stated who can apply as a (co)promoter for a research project.

art. 9

The supervisor and the co-supervisors who undertake to undertake or continue the subsidized research.

§1. The supervisor who is also the responsible spokesperson towards the FWO, shall be:

1° an Independent Academic Staff member with an appointment of more than 10% at a Flemish university;

2° an Independent Academic Staff member with an appointment of 10% at a Flemish university and whose main task is research;

3° an Independent Academic Staff member with an appointment of 5% at a Flemish university and with an appointment as (assistant) clinical head or an equal function in a university hospital;

4° an academic staff member with an appointment at the Evangelical Protestant Faculty in Leuven and the Faculty for Protestant Theology in Brussels;

5° a research director of the FWO;

6° a designated beneficiary of an ERC Starting Grant, an ERC Advanced Grant or an Odysseus II grant, with a Flemish university as a host institution.

§2. All co-supervisors have to be researchers of at least postdoctoral level. Co-supervisors have to be affiliated to a Flemish university, or a Flemish research institution, or a Flemish university hospital, or the Transnational University Limburg, or the Evangelical Protestant Faculty in Leuven, or the Faculty for Protestant Theology in Brussels, or a federal scientific institution where the co-supervisor belongs to the Dutch-speaking community. (Foreign researchers can participate as co-supervisor in the project without FWO funding, provided the collaboration is relevant for the project).

§3. If several universities are involved in the project, at least the supervisor or one co-supervisor shall meet the requirements set out in §1, 1°, 2°, 3°, and hold an appointment that fully covers the duration of the research project applied for.

§ 4. If the requirements set out in §1 are not met at the time of the application, the applicant needs to prove that this will be the case at the start of the agreement.

Art. 10.

In the special case of research that is carried out jointly by a supervisor and co-supervisors at different host institutions, each supervisor and each host institution must be involved in the agreement: the contract shall

stipulate all relevant provisions concerning the recruitment of staff, the administration of the allowances, and the ownership of the granted equipment.

National priorities:

The FWO will prioritize proposals on the basis of the scientific ranking by a transnational peer review.

Funding modalities

The maximum funding per project is 200.000 Euros to be shared between participating Flemish partners. Funding money can be used for staff, consumables and infrastructure.

Moreover, FWO pays the host institutions of a project 6% overhead on top of the funding amount.

Therefore, overhead is not an eligible cost category in the research proposals.

Funding cannot be used for training activities, apart from the opportunity for a researcher appointed within the project to obtain a PhD on the basis of the results from his/her project research.

For more details, see the FWO-regulation on the regular research projects on the FWO website (<http://www.fwo.be/Documentatie.aspx?ID=399b8594-9710-4771-9289-426ff73731e1>).)

Belgium (French-speaking Community) - FNRS



Participating organisation:

Fonds de la Recherche Scientifique – FNRS

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Name of & link to the funding programmes:

Projets de Recherche ERA-Nets: <http://www.ncp.fnrs.be/index.php/appels/era-nets>

Minimum and/or maximum project duration:

36 months

Minimum and/or maximum funding per project:

Maximum funding per project is 240.000 EUR.

Who can be eligible for funding (incl. industry participation)?

- Basic research (low Technology Readiness Level) carried out in a research institution from the “Fédération Wallonie-Bruxelles”
- The FNRS will not fund industrial partners or any activity related to the private sector.

Eligibility of applying scientists

The applicant must be affiliated to a research institution from the Fédération Wallonie-Bruxelles. The applicant should also:

- be a permanent researcher of F.R.S. - FNRS (Chercheur qualifié, Maître de recherches or Directeur de recherches),
- or hold a tenure track position (or an assimilated position including pending tenure track) within a research institution from the Fédération Wallonie-Bruxelles,
- or be a permanent research staff member in the 'Ecole Royale Militaire',
- or be a permanent research staff member of a federal scientific institution in which case he can act as a co-promotor only.

The applicant should not have reached retirement at the starting date of the project. If the applicant reaches the age of retirement in the course of the project, he should precisely describe in the proposal how the handover will be managed.

Eligible cost items

The maximum amount allocated per project is **240.000 EUR**. The following costs are eligible:

- **Personnel:**
 - Scientifique doctorant € 36.400/year
 - Scientifique non postdoctoral € 62.000/year
 - Scientifique postdoctoral € 72.300/year
 - Technicien € 52.600 (full time/year) - € 26.600 (half time/year)
 - Chercheur temporaire postdoctoral € 46.600/year

The categories « scientifique doctorant » and « chercheur temporaire postdoctoral » can only be Full time positions. The category « vétérinaire clinicien-chercheur spécialiste » is a part-time position. The three other positions can be filled in either Full time or part-time.

- **Equipment (max. 30.000 EUR/year)**
- **Running costs: (max. 15.000 EUR/year):** travel expenses; organisation of small scientific events in Belgium; consumables and the following support costs:

- Conception d'ouvrage
- Réalisation de dictionnaire
- Achat de livre
- Encodage
- Location de licence de logiciel
- Inscription à un congrès
- Ordinateur
- Scannage

“Overhead” is not an eligible cost. If the project is selected for funding, these costs will be subject to a separate agreement between the institution of the beneficiary and the F.R.S.-FNRS. General rules and regulations of FNRS apply: www.frs-fnrs.be

Cyprus



Participating organisation:

Research Promotion Foundation - RPF

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Name of & link to the funding programmes:

Funding programme for ERANET Cofund Joint call: International Cooperation

http://www.research.org.cy/EN/national_programmes/nfprtd200920010/v/internationalcooperation/index.html

Minimum and/or maximum project duration:

Proposed participations may last from 12 to 36 months

Minimum and/or maximum funding per project:

The available national funding is approximately 235,000 € and is consisted of 200,000 € national funding plus EC top-up.

Each project can request up to 120,000 € (if two proposals with Cypriot participation succeed, the first project can receive up to 120.000 € and the second one can receive the remaining amount of the available funding).

Who can be eligible for funding (incl. industry participation)?

Beneficiaries

Participants could be Research / Academic Organisation, Public Benefit Organisation and Enterprises located permanently in the areas under the control of the Republic of Cyprus (excluding the UK Sovereign Base Areas).

Conditions for participation

The general conditions for participation in project proposals are the following:

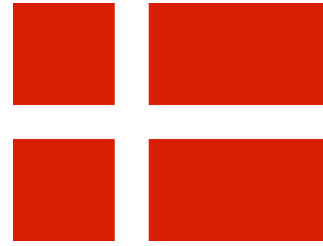
- Each individual is allowed to participate in two project proposals only under the same Call for Proposals, regardless of the role he/she undertakes in each proposal.
- Each individual can participate in project proposals under one organisation only or as an Independent Researcher, regardless of his/her employment in more than one organisations.
- The participation of organisations and individuals, which/whom the RPF's Board of Directors has decided to exclude from its Programmes, is forbidden.
- Only one Independent Researcher (IR) may be included in each project proposal.

National priorities:

Research Promotion Foundation (RPF) will fund projects that cover any theme described in the call text. Proposals submitted under this call should relate to at least one of these themes.

For more information regarding the eligibility criteria please see the relevant Call for Proposals in the RPF's website (www.research.org.cy) and/or contact the national contact point for the specific call, Dr Rebecca Chrysafi (rchrysafi@research.org.cy , 00357-22205041).

Denmark



Participating organisation:

Innovation Fund Denmark

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Name of & link to the funding programmes:

The Innovation Fund Denmark

Minimum and/or maximum project duration:

Projects may last up to 36 months

Minimum and/or maximum funding per project:

The Innovation Fund expects to finance up to five projects

Who can be eligible for funding (incl. industry participation)?

The Innovation Fund may fund activities at public-sector and private institutions and enterprises in Denmark and abroad.

Please read the national guidelines for The Innovation Fund Denmark.

[http://innovationsfonden.dk/fileadmin/user_upload/documents/5_udgave_Guidelines -
_Transnational calls 2014 opdateret 13102014.pdf](http://innovationsfonden.dk/fileadmin/user_upload/documents/5_udgave_Guidelines_-_Transnational_calls_2014_opdateret_13102014.pdf)

Estonia



Participating organisation:

Estonian Ministry of Agriculture (Budget 100 000 €)

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Name of & link to the funding programmes:

- National programme “Applied Research and Development in Agriculture 2015-2021”, is the main funding programme, <http://agri.ee/et/eesmargid-tegevused/teadus-arendus-ja-nouanne/teadus-ja-arendustegevus#rakendusuuritud-arendustegevus>
- The topics related to plant breeding will be funded by „National Programme for Plant Breeding 2009–2019“, <http://agri.ee/et/sordiaretusprogramm-aastatel-2009-2019>

Minimum and/or maximum project duration:

The proposed projects may last up to 36 months.

Minimum and/or maximum funding per project:

Project can require up to 100 000 € for a period of 36 months in Estonia.

Who can be eligible for funding (incl. industry participation)?

Participants must be universities or research organisations.

Estonian project partners are advised that the total requested funding for all Estonian partners within one consortium may not exceed 100 000 €.

Scientific results of the projects must be available for Estonian companies and producers.

Additional national application forms are not necessary, a transnational application to the central call office is sufficient. The national assessment of pre-proposals will correspond to the rules provided in the call.

Projects will be funded according to the ranking list of projects drawn up by the Review Panel.

Estonian project partners with positively evaluated full proposals will be invited by the Estonian Ministry of Agriculture to negotiate an agreement.

Finland



Participating organisation:

Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry: max. 200 000 €

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Name of & link to the funding programmes:

Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry: Research and Development

Minimum and/or maximum project duration:

Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry: no maximum, but usually projects are funded for 36 months

Minimum and/or maximum funding per project:

Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry: Funding is decided case by case; normally 70 % of the project's gross eligible costs are covered

Who can be eligible for funding (incl. industry participation)?

Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry: Enterprises are funded as well as research institutes; in both cases 70 % of the project's gross eligible costs are covered. The work carried out must be pre-competitive research

and/or prototype demonstration. **Product development supporting individual firms will not be supported.**
The results of funded projects must be open for access by all potential user groups.

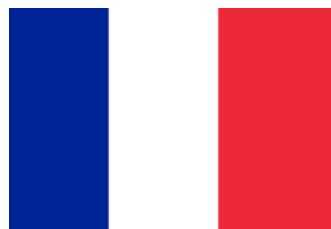
National priorities:

Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry: The main criterion is that the research shall benefit the field of the Ministry's responsibilities and bioeconomy.

Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry:

- Applicants are strongly advised to contact the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry before preparing applications for FACCE Cofund Call.
- The work carried out must be pre-competitive research and/or prototype demonstration.
- Applicants are required to make sure that the total sum of the budget includes all details for full cost model. More info (only in Finnish): http://www.mmm.fi/fi/index/tutkimus/tutkimuksenrahoitus_32.html
- Product development supporting individual firms will not be supported
- Financial involvement must be clearly stated in the application. The application must contain a plan for communication of results
- Funding does not cover expenditures for activities before the project has been granted. Normally 70 % of the project's gross eligible costs can be covered by the Ministry's funding.
- Applicants must provide the necessary apparatus for the project themselves. If a special apparatus is needed an explanation and application for funding for apparatus must be included. If the applicant has not earlier given the explanation for indirect **employer** costs and overheads the applicant has to give an account to the Ministry.

France - ANR



Participating organisation:

Agence Nationale de la Recherche (ANR), budget : 1 000 000 €

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Name of & link to the funding programmes:

Programme name: Specific European and international calls for proposal; department of Environment and Biological Resources.

The present document in its entirety and the regulations concerning the conditions of allocation of ANR funding can be downloaded here: link to come

Minimum and/or maximum project duration:

Proposed projects may not exceed 36 months.

Minimum and/or maximum funding per project:

One project can require a minimum of 15,000€ and up to 200,000€.

Who can be eligible for funding (incl. industry participation)?

Applicants must include at least one French partner in the research organization category (university, EPST – Scientific or Technical Public Institution, EPIC – Industrial or Commercial Public Institution). Participation of a French private partner is not mandatory but would be appreciated.

It is important to read carefully the call for proposals text, the present document in its entirety, and the regulations concerning the conditions of allocation of ANR funding (<http://www.agence-nationale-recherche.fr/RF>) before submitting a research project.

The French part of the project proposal must not be judged similar to a project that is already financed by the ANR or submitted to another ANR call for proposals in the 2015 edition.

The French part of the project proposal must not be considered to infringe an intellectual property right characterizing a counterfeit within the meaning of intellectual property.

Recommendations concerning the involvement of French personnel

- The French project coordinator should devote at least 30% of his/her research time to the project¹.
- The total (in person months) of the non-permanent personnel (postdocs, fixed-term contracts, temporary workers) receiving ANR funding should not exceed 30% of the total (in person months) of the staff (permanent and non-permanent personnel) of the French partners assigned to the project.
- The financing duration for each post-doctoral participant should not be less than 12 months.

Actions to be funded concerning scientific and technical culture, communication actions and capacity building

Actions relating to scientific and technical culture and communication are eligible for ANR funding inside the projects. They must be clearly linked to the project and have an ambitious target impact, specifying the specific audiences (e.g.: the media, youth, working populations, teaching professionals, etc.). It is recommended to associate scientific communication/mediation professionals in these actions for the conceptual design of the project (communication departments of research organizations and companies, scientific cultural operators, etc.). Training inside the project and exchange of PhD and post doc between the participants are recommended. The contribution of a project to the content of higher education courses can enhance its impact. Supporting the integration of current research themes in teaching programmes is a notable example. The projects funded by the ANR can integrate this type of initiative in their work programme. The proposed actions in favour of higher education must have a direct link with the content of the project. The actions can be diverse (construction of websites, design and development of original teaching tools based on research material, teaching conference cycles. The budget devoted to these tasks should not exceed 10% of the requested funding. These actions must form the subject of a clearly identified project task. They shall be evaluated as a factor in the overall impact of the project.

List of eligible costs

The funds allocated by the ANR to each French partner will be provided as a non-reimbursable grant in accordance with the provisions of the "Regulations relative to conditions of allocating ANR funds", which can be consulted on the ANR website.

¹ **Calculation of research time:** the evaluation of the time devoted to the project is based on the time devoted to research (taken to be 100%). Accordingly, a lecturer-researcher (or a member of an enterprise's personnel responsible for activities other than research) who devotes all his research time to a project for one year will be considered as a participant at 12 person.months. However, to calculate the total cost, his salary will be counted as equal to his actual full time (e.g. 50% of a lecturer-researcher's salary).

Subcontracting rules

Beneficiaries may have the possibility to subcontract with third parties outside the project for specific work excluding fundamental research, industrial research, experimental development and technical feasibility study prior to industrial research and experimental development. The cost of these benefits is given on an individual from operating expenses and must be less than or equal to 50% of total costs used in the base of the Help the Beneficiary, unless waived by the General management team of the ANR reasoned request.

Conditions of funding of companies

The European Community Framework of State aids to companies places a number of conditions on the allocation of ANR funds to companies. If these conditions are not fulfilled by a company participating in a selected project, the ANR will not allocate funding to that company. General rules for funding companies are available on ANR website.

Regulatory and contractual obligations

The conditions of execution and financing of the research projects selected and funded by ANR on completion of the selection process shall be defined in the grant award agreements comprising general conditions available on the ANR website, and particular conditions (<http://www.agence-nationale-recherche.fr/RF>). The particular conditions of the grant award agreements shall be signed between the ANR and each of the French research project partners.

Consortium agreement

Under the supervision of the project coordinator, the partners must conclude an agreement specifying in particular:

- the sharing of the intellectual property rights of the project results;
- the conditions of publication / dissemination of the results;
- the technology transfer and the exploitation of the project results.

The French project partners will send a copy of this agreement to the ANR. A Consortium Agreement will need to be in place and reported to ANR before any payment will be made.

These agreements shall also enable the existence of any indirect financial support entering into the calculation of the maximum level of funding authorized under the European Community Framework for State aid for research, development and innovation (referred to hereinafter as the "EU Community Framework") to be determined.

It will be assumed that there is no indirect support if at least one of the following conditions is satisfied:

- the participating companies bear the totality of the research project costs;
- the results that do not give rise to intellectual property rights can be widely disseminated, and the research organization holds all the intellectual property rights, if any, resulting from its RDI activity;
- the research organization receives from the participating companies payment equivalent to the market price for the intellectual property rights resulting from the activities it carried out in the project

and which are transferred to the participating companies. Any contribution of the participating companies to the research organization's expenses must be deducted from the said payment.

Scientific follow-up of the projects

The scientific aspects of the funded projects shall be monitored by the ANR, in addition to the call for proposals follow-up activities (annual activity report, review meetings, collection of project impact information), during project execution and until one year after their completion. The intermediate progress reports provided under the call for proposals substitute for the reports usually requested by the ANR. The specific scientific follow-up by the ANR comprises:

- supply of up-to-date summaries of the project objectives, work and results, intended for the ANR publications on all media,
- participation in the seminars organized by the ANR (one or two participations).

The project proposals shall include the corresponding work load in their work programme.

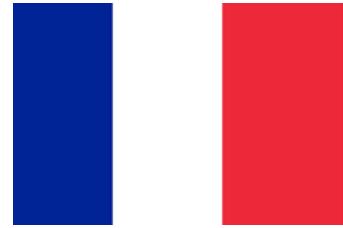
Moral responsibility

The funding of a project by the ANR does not relieve the French project partners of their obligations concerning the regulations and code of ethics and professional conduct applicable to their area of activity. The French partners undertake to keep the ANR informed of any change likely to modify the content, the partnership or the schedule of project performance between the time of project submission and publication of the list of selected projects. All the French partners undertake to follow the good research practices described in the code of ethics of the ANR project players available on the ANR website, equally well during the preparation of their submitted research project proposal as in its implementation if it is selected and funded by the ANR (<http://www.agence-nationale-recherche.fr/CharteDeontologieSoumission>).

Performance of ad-hoc reviews for the ANR

The scientific and technical leader of each French partner of the submitted project proposals may be invited by the ANR to perform ad-hoc reviews in the context of other calls for proposals and/or programmes. They undertake to examine such requests with diligence.

France - INRA



Participating organisation:

Institut National de la Recherche Agronomique (INRA)

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Who can be eligible for funding (incl. industry participation)?

Only French research teams from INRA will be eligible for INRA funds. INRA researchers are also eligible for ANR funding. In both cases, ANR rules apply.

Germany



Participating organisations:

- Bundesministerium für Bildung und Forschung (BMBF; 1 000 000 €)
- Bundesministerium für Ernährung und Landwirtschaft (BMEL; 500 000 €)

National Contact Person(s):

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Name of & link to the funding programmes:

- **BMBF:** National Research Strategy BioEconomy 2030, <http://www.bmbf.de/en/1024.php>, in particular “Richtlinien zur Förderung transnationaler Forschungsprojekte auf dem Gebiet der Biomasseproduktion und –konversion im Rahmen des ERA-Net Cofund FACCE SURPLUS,,
- **BMEL:** World Food Affairs, Innovation, Funding Pool “EH”
http://www.ble.de/EN/04_Programmes/Programmes.html

Minimum and/or maximum project duration:

BMBF and BMEL: proposed projects may last up to 36 months

Minimum and/or maximum funding per project:

BMBF: there is no minimum and/or maximum funding per project.

BMEL: maximum of 250 000 € per project

Who can be eligible for funding (incl. industry participation)?

BMBF: German applicants must be research groups from academia, universities, research organisations or industry. Enterprises, especially SMEs, may participate as partners provided they can prove their financial stability (see hereunder).

BMEL: German applicants must be research groups from academia, universities or research organisations.

National priorities:

BMBF: BMBF will support projects within the entire scientific scope outlined in the Call Announcement.

BMEL: BMEL will support projects under Subtheme 3 of the scientific scope as outlined in the Call Announcement: Sustainable intensification of integrated food and non-food systems of agriculture.

Bundesministerium für Bildung und Forschung (BMBF) / Projektträger Jülich

- BMBF funding of the FACCE SURPLUS call is provided as delineated in the announcement *Richtlinien zur Förderung transnationaler Forschungsprojekte auf dem Gebiet der Biomasseproduktion und –konversion im Rahmen des ERA-Net Cofund FACCE SURPLUS* published in December 2014.
- Funding bases on §§23 and 44 BHO (Bundeshaushaltsordnung) and associated administrative regulations. The main items are as follows:
 - ✓ Applications must be compatible with the above mentioned national announcement.
 - ✓ The procedure (“Verfahren”) is according to the above mentioned protocol (see Chapter “[Application Procedure](#)”). Funding will be awarded as non-repayable project grant.
 - ✓ The funding regulations, the follow up and reporting of publicly funded projects are regulated according to ANBest (Allgemeine Nebenbestimmungen), BNBest (Besondere Nebenbestimmungen), and NKBF 98 (Nebenbestimmungen für Zuwendungen auf Kostenbasis des Bundesministeriums für Bildung und Forschung an Unternehmen der gewerblichen Wirtschaft für Forschungs- und Entwicklungsvorhaben). Additionally, reporting duties as delineated in this Call Announcement in the Chapter „[Project monitoring and reporting](#)“ must be respected as well.
 - ✓ Eligible applicants are universities, research institutions and enterprises, especially SMEs, domiciled in Germany. Research institutions, which receive basic financing, can be funded subject to specific conditions.
 - ✓ For universities intending to request the “Projektpauschale” in the frame of the present call, the project costs budgeted in the pre-proposal must include this “Projektpauschale”. More information are available in the “FAQ zur Projektpauschale”: <https://foerderportal.bund.de>
 - ✓ Double funding is not possible.
 - ✓ In order to prove their financial ability to participate in the proposed project, **Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs)** have to submit, together with the electronic submission of the Pre-proposal **(documents received latest on 04.03.2015) the following documents:**
 - Financial statement for the last two years (*Jahresabschlüsse der letzten zwei Jahre*)
 - Confirmation of the financial own contribution (*Erklärung zur Aufbringung des Eigenanteils*)
 - Business assessment (*Aktuelle BWA*)
 - Liquidity planing for the duration oft he proposed project (*Liquiditätsplanung für die Laufzeit des vorgeschlagenen Projektes*)

The documents have to be submitted to:

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Nicolas Tinois

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GERMANY

Bundesministerium für Ernährung und Landwirtschaft (BMEL) /

Bundesanstalt für Landwirtschaft und Ernährung (BLE)

- BMEL funding of the FACCE-ERA-NET Cofund Call is provided as delineated in the national announcement „**Bekanntmachung über die Durchführung von transnationalen Forschungsprojekten zu nachhaltigen und widerstandsfähigen Landwirtschaftssystemen im Food und im Non-Food-Bereich**“ published in the Bundesanzeiger, link to be found on www.ble.de.

The main regulations are as follows:

- BMEL funding is based on §§23 and 44 BHO (Bundeshaushaltsordnung) and associated administrative regulations:
- The funding regulations, follow up and reporting of publicly funded projects are regulated according to ANBest-P (Allgemeine Nebenbestimmungen), BNBest-BMBF 98 (Besondere Nebenbestimmungen) and NKBF 98 (Nebenbestimmungen für Zuwendungen auf Kostenbasis des Bundesministeriums für Bildung und Forschung an Unternehmen der gewerblichen Wirtschaft für Forschungs- und Entwicklungsvorhaben).
- Proposed projects must be in line with the above mentioned national announcement.
- Funding will be awarded as non-repayable project grant.
- Eligible Applicants are universities and research institutions domiciled in Germany. Research institutions receiving basic financing can be funded subject to specific conditions.

Italy



Participating organisation:

Ministry of agricultural food and forestry policies – Mipaaf (Budget in € 100.000,00)

National Contact Person(s):

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Website: <http://www.politicheagricole.it/RicercaSperimentazione/default>

Name of & link to the funding programmes:

The initiative undertaken by the Ministry are in accordance with the National Research Programme (PNR): http://www.miur.it/Documenti/ricerca/pnr_2011_2013/PNR_2011-2013_23_MAR_2011_web.

Within this reference frame the Ministry over the last years has funded more than 80 M€ in project addressing different aspects of the bioeconomy even if with a major focus on the production of biogas and biofuels.

Minimum and/or maximum project duration:

Proposed projects may last from 12 to 36 months

Minimum and/or maximum funding per project:

A minimum funding budget per project is not fixed. It is highly recommended that the funding request of Italian partners for each project do not exceed € 30.000,00.

Who can be eligible for funding (incl. industry participation)

National public research institutions and no-profit private bodies, with among their institutional and statutory scopes include “performing research activities” and not only “promoting or supporting research activities”, can apply for funding.

National public institutions include public bodies supervised by Ministries, regional and provincial centres, university departments and institutes, university consortia, interdepartmental centres.

It is mandatory, for all the no-profit private research bodies defined above, that they state in the official documents (statute and/or articles of incorporation, memorandum of association) that among their missions they also “perform research activities”.

SME or other private bodies can participate, giving an added value to the research project, if they are able to provide their own financial resources to carry out the work. A short description of the Enterprise involved in a proposal, its role and the added value bring to the project with its participation must be included.

Financial contribution.

The contribution amount for national participants of the selected projects will be as follows:

- public Institutions and no profit private bodies can be financed up to 99% of the approved eligible project costs;
- SMEs and organisms with other statutory nature are welcome as participants if an added value to the project is proven and if their costs are covered by their own resources or by other external sources.

According to the national regulations the transfer of funds will occur in three steps:

- 1) 65% of the approved costs immediately at the issue of the Ministry decree (contract between the Ministry and the beneficiary);
- 2) 25% of the approved costs once the mid-term report (both scientific and administrative) has been approved;
- 3) 10% of the approved costs once the final report has been approved.

For no profit private bodies the documentation required to receive the financial contribution, private research bodies participating in the project consortium must send scanned copy of these documents: statute and/or articles of incorporation, memorandum of association by the pre-proposal submission deadline to Mipaaf.

Eligible costs

A) Personnel

1) Salaries – Only for non-permanent scientific staff of public institutions (including foreign visiting scientists, post docs, PhD students, fellowships and grants). Technical administrative staff can be included in the coordination. For no profit private institutions salaries of permanent and not permanent staff actually participating in the project activity can be funded.

2) Travel expenses – for permanent and not permanent staff.

B) Consumables

C) External activity costs – expenditures for activity carried out externally to the research applicant (Consultancy services, agreements, maintenance, repairs, material transportation when needed for the project implementation).

D) Equipments – Only depreciation charges (related to the project duration) for scientific equipment will be reimbursed.

E) Overheads – no more than 10% of the total amount of the above mentioned costs (A+B+C+D)

F) Coordination - if an Italian institution is also playing the role of coordinator the eligible costs are those indicated in the above mentioned National Decree.

Additional forms.

Once the project has been approved for funding, the Ministry will ask the Italian research units of the approved projects to fill in the model C and submit it to the funding Body (Mipaaf) to apply for contribution. In case of a research unit acting as coordinator, also the general project description, including the activity of all partners and the financial sheet for coordination activity (model A project form) have to be presented to the funding body.

The forms will be made available on the Ministry website at the following address:
<http://www.politicheagricole.it/RicercaSperimentazione/default>

These forms must be written in Italian.

More details on eligible costs and other national requirements will be given by the Ministry in the national annex to the call (both in English and Italian) and published on the website. Applicants may also refer to the NCPs to have any detail.

National priorities:

The Ministry of agricultural food and forestry policies will give priorities to proposals aimed to address issues included in these two fields of actions:

Identifying and developing markets

- Combining production systems for food, feed, fibre and biomass for biorefinery with cascade use of agricultural products, by-products and waste for innovation and optimal use of agricultural products.
- Integrating the interactions of food and non-food regarding the determination by natural framework conditions as well as social and economic context of farming.
- Systems approaches assessing novel utilisation of agricultural products and exploring their potential for value creation linking scientific-technical and socio-economic aspects

Developing integrated, systems-based approaches to land management

- Assessing and increasing biological resource use efficiency of agricultural systems for a sustainable and environmentally friendly development of agricultural production also under climate change.

Italy



Participating organisation:

Ministry of Education, University and Research – MIUR
(Budget in euro: 500.000,00 as grant and 500.000,00 as loan.)

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Website: <http://www.ricercainternazionale.miur.it>

Name of & link to the funding programmes:

Projects are funded from the Fund for investments on Scientific and Technological Research (FIRST).
The criteria and provisions provided herewith are intended only for informative purpose. The complete list of criteria and provisions legally valid, which must be respected by all the Italian participants, is included in the “Avviso integrativo nazionale”, published on MIUR website and in the applicable Italian laws published on the Italian Official Journal.

Minimum and/or maximum project duration:

Proposed projects may last up to 36 months

Minimum and/or maximum funding per project:

A minimum funding budget per project is not fixed. The funding request, in terms of grant, of the Italian partners for each project cannot exceed € 250.000,00 .

Who can be eligible for funding (incl. industry participation)

All legal entities listed in art. 60 of the Decree-Law n. 83/2012 as detailed in the notices issued to implement the call are eligible for funding.

According to art. 60 of the Decree-Law n. 83/2012 and art. 4 of its implementing Ministerial decree 115/2013, the following entities are eligible: enterprises, universities, research institutions, research organizations or any other legal entity which owns the requirements required by the “Avviso integrativo nazionale”, providing that they have stable organization in Italy.

Legal/administrative/financial conditions

- The participant must not be defaulting with regard to other funding received by the Ministry.
- The participant must not have requested/got any other funding for the same project.
- The participant must respect the Italian law against "mafia".
- Companies must have the financial means to execute the project and a potential to use the results.

Financial conditions

For any private entity, the following financial criteria, calculated using the data reported in the last approved balance sheet, must be fulfilled

$$CN > (CP - I)/2$$

Where:

CN = net assets (Capitale netto)

CP = sum of the costs of all the projects for which public funding has been requested by the participant during the year

I = sum of the contributions received, approved or requested for the same projects

$$OF/F < 8\%$$

Where:

OF = financial charges (Oneri finanziari)

F = turnover (Fatturato)

d) Additional national documents

Financial contribution.

The contribution amount for national participants of the selected projects will be as follows:

Type of Organisation Type of activity	Percentage of costs covered by national funding	
	Enterprises, and any other private organization	Public Research Centers, Universities and any other public organization
Industrial/Applied Research	Grant: 20% Loan: 75%	Grant: 50% Loan: 0
Experimental development	Grant: 10% Loan: 70%	Grant: 25% Loan: 0

The “Avviso integrativo nazionale” may establish additional incentives for enterprises and any other private organization.

Eligible costs

All costs listed in DM 115/2013 are eligible for this call, including also the costs for dissemination activities and the costs for project coordinations (only for those participants which are project coordinators)

Additional forms.

All Italian participants must send to MIUR a set of additional national documents as defined in the “Avviso integrativo nazionale” published on the MIUR website.

The national additional documents must be sent by the end of the pre-proposal phase. Any participant who does not send its national documents by this deadline, will be considered ineligible.

National priorities:

All themes supported by the international call are eligible for funding.

Norway



Participating organisation:

The Research Council of Norway
(budget for this call: Up to 1 000 000 €)

National Contact Person(s):

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Name of & link to the funding programmes:

FACCE-JPI is established as an independent activity in line with national programmes. A website is under construction.

Minimum and/or maximum project duration:

Proposed projects may last up to 36 months

Minimum and/or maximum funding per project:

The maximum grant for Norwegian participation is set to 500.000 € per proposal.

Who can be eligible for funding (incl. industry participation)?

Norway will support Researcher Projects in this call. This implies that the responsible Norwegian partner in the project has to be a Norwegian research institution while Norwegian companies/groups of companies/trade and industry organizations are welcome to join the projects as partners or subcontractors.

Norwegian participation must fulfil RCN's requirements for researcher projects:

<http://www.forskningsradet.no/servlet/Satellite?c=Page&cid=1195592882768&pagename=ForskningsradetEngelsk%2FHovedsidemal>

The Norwegian participation must also follow RCN's General Terms and Conditions for R&D Projects:

<http://www.forskningsradet.no/servlet/Satellite?c=Page&cid=1138882213515&pagename=ForskningsradetEngelsk%2FHovedsidemal>

Only the Norwegian project partners of positively evaluated projects in the first step will be eligible for the second step. Project partners of financed projects will have to submit national application forms to The Research Council of Norway after notification.

National priorities:

No additional national priorities.

National information meeting:

The Research Council of Norway will arrange a national information meeting on January 23rd, 10:00-12:00, at Lysaker, for researchers and other stakeholders interested in participating in the call. For registration, please send an e-mail to kan@rcn.no before the 20th of January.

Information will also be given at www.forskningsradet.no/bionaer

Poland



Participating organisation:

The National Centre for Research and Development
(Narodowe Centrum Badań i Rozwoju), www.ncbr.gov.pl (500 000 €)

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Name of & link to the funding programmes:

- Funding programme BIOSTRATEG: www.ncbr.gov.pl/programy-strategiczne/srodowisko-naturalne-rolnictwo-i-lesnictwo---biostrateg

Minimum and/or maximum project duration:

Proposed projects may last up to 36 months.

Minimum and/or maximum funding per project:

In relation to the budget limit (500 000 €) it is recommended that one project can require up to 200 000 €.

Who can be eligible for funding (incl. industry participation)?

Following entities are eligible to apply:

- Research organisations
- Micro, Small, Medium and Large Enterprise.

Organization must be registered in Poland.

National priorities:

Funding agency recommends that proposed projects should be in line with the National Research Programme and thematic areas of BIOSTRATEG (national strategic programme).

Additional eligibility criteria:

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

- The Act of 30 April 2010 on the Principles of Financing Science, published in Journal of Laws No. 96 item 615, 2010;
- The Act of 30 April 2010 on the National Centre for Research and Development, published in Journal of Laws No. 96 item 616, 2010;

Eligible costs:

The eligible costs shall be the following:

1. **personnel costs** (researchers, technicians and other supporting staff to the extent employed on the research project);
2. **costs of instruments and equipment, technical knowledge and patents** to the extent and for the period used for the research project; if such instruments and equipment are not used for their full life for the research project, only the depreciation costs corresponding to the life of the research project, as calculated on the basis of good accounting practice, shall be considered eligible;
3. **costs for buildings and land**, to the extent and for the duration used for the research project; with regard to buildings, only the depreciation costs corresponding to the life of the research project, as calculated on the basis of good accounting practice shall be considered eligible; for land, costs of commercial transfer or actually incurred capital costs shall be eligible;
4. **cost of contractual research**, costs of consultancy and equivalent services used exclusively for the research activity; this cost type cannot account for more than **70%** of all eligible costs of a project; the subcontracting can be obtained from consortium partner only in justified case, this need will be verified by a national experts panel;
5. **other operating costs** including costs of materials, supplies and similar products incurred directly as a result of the research activity;
6. **additional overheads** incurred indirectly as a result of the research project; that costs cannot account for more than **25%** of all eligible project costs; That costs (6) are counted as a multiplication by percentage given above (called x%) and the rest of direct costs, excluding subcontracting (4); It means $6=(1+2+3+5)*x\%$.

National funding rates:

Funding quota of Polish participants can be up to 100% for research organisations. In the case of enterprises, funding quota will be decided on a case-by-case basis depending on the size of the company, type of research/development, risk associated with the research activities and commercial perspective of exploitation. Organizations must be registered in Poland.

	Large Enterprises	Medium Enterprises	Small Enterprises	Universities and research organizations
Fundamental/Basic Research				Up to 100 %
Industrial/Applied Research	Up to 50+15 (max 65 %)	Up to 50+10+15 (max 75 %)	Up to 50+20+15 (max 80 %)	Up to 100 %
Experimental development	Up to 25+15 (max 40 %)	Up to 25+10+15 (max 50 %)	Up to 25+20+15 (max 80 %)	Up to 100 %

In case of enterprises only Industrial/Applied Research and Experimental Development will be fund. Other type of activities (e.g. coordination, dissemination, management) is not eligible for funding as separate research tasks in the project schedule.

Romania



Participating organisation(s):

Executive Unit for Financing Higher Education, Research, Development and Innovation (UEFISCDI) - 500.000 Euro.

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Name of & link to the funding programmes:

<http://uefiscdi.gov.ro/Public/cat/593/Parteneriate.html>

<http://www.cdi2020.ro/wp-content/uploads/2014/02/pn-cdi-2014-2020.pdf>

http://www.cdi2020.ro/wp-content/uploads/2014/02/STRATEGIA_Versiunea-tehnica_Februarie-2014.pdf

Minimum and/or maximum project duration:

Proposed projects may last up to 36 months.

Minimum and/or maximum funding per project:

One project can require up to 250.000 €.

Who can be eligible for funding (incl. industry participation)?

Eligible entities for funding are universities, public institutions, R&D national institutions, joint-stock companies, SME's and Large companies, NGOs (associations, foundations, etc.), others. We can fund only Romanian research teams. For universities, public institutions, R&D national institutions funding is 100%, and for SMEs and Large companies, financing is under the permit N 542/2007 of the European Commission.

Eligible costs:

For the fundamental research activities, industrial research and experimental development, according to HG 134/2011, types of expenses are eligible, as follow:

a. Staff costs;

b. Logistics expenses

Capital expenditure ;

Expenditure on stocks - supplies and inventory items;

Expenditure on services performed by third parties cannot exceed 25 % of the funding from the public budget. The subcontracted parts should not be core/substantial parts of the project work;

c. Travel expenses;

d. Overhead (indirect costs) is calculated as a percentage of direct costs: staff costs, logistics costs (excluding capital costs) and travel expenses. Indirect costs will not exceed 20 % of direct costs, excluding the cost for subcontracting.

Spain



Participating organisation(s):

INIA, Instituto Nacional de Investigación y Tecnología Agraria y Alimentaria (National Institute of Agricultural and Food Research and Technology) (300,000 €)

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Name of & link to the funding programmes:

- INIA's funding programme for this ERA-NET CoFund: fundamental research projects for agricultural resources and technologies in partnership with autonomous regions, and of complementary actions <http://www.inia.es/inia/>

Minimum and/or maximum project duration:

Proposed projects may last from 12 to 36 months

Minimum and/or maximum funding per project:

One project can require up to 75.000 €. There can be several Spanish partners per project proposal.

Who can be eligible for funding (incl. industry participation)?

Applicants must be national public research organisations and public universities. The rest of organisations (ONGs, foundations, enterprises, SME, etc.) are also welcome to participate by their own resources.

National priorities:

- Economic and environmental assessment of integrated food and biomass systems under different agro-ecological conditions and a whole chain assessment of biorefining technologies and production systems based on green biomass.
- Combining production systems for food, feed, fibre and biomass for biorefinery with cascade use of agricultural products, by-products and waste for innovation and optimal use of agricultural products.
- Assessing and increasing biological resource use efficiency of agricultural systems for a sustainable and environmentally friendly development of agricultural production also under climate change.
- Choice of plant species suited for pluriannual productions (e.g. short rotation coppice) as well as for applications and multi-purpose processes: Managing the trade-offs between choice of multi-purpose species vs. of versatile plants vs specialized crops.
- Options for synergy between ecosystem services and biomass harvest from semi-natural grasslands via biorefinery creating high value products and bioenergy.
- Land-use strategies around biomass production to minimize land requirement to provide a given volume of biomass including also global-scale modeling for indirect effects.
- Increased sustainability by more efficient use of available resources (light, water, major nutrients, minerals).

Eligibility

The call is addressed to national public research institutions and public universities.

The requested contribution for Spanish partners in a project consortium shall not exceed 75.000 Euro.

Project consortiums have to be composed by at least three countries participating in the call.

All areas mentioned in the call text are eligible, although the topics listed in the previous section (National priorities) will be prioritized.

Interdisciplinary research proposals and participation of enterprises and SMEs will be prioritized.

Funding

Funding can be granted to research teams according to the rules and procedures of INIA.

Funding will be subject to availability of the national budget and under the Spanish rules (Ley 38/2003, de 17 de noviembre, General de Subvenciones).

It is advisable to communicate the intention to submit a proposal, and its details, to INIA (NCP) at least 7 days before the closing date for pre-proposals and full proposals, respectively.

Admitted costs

Only costs arising after the start of the project are eligible, funding does not cover expenditure for activities implemented before the project has been granted. Subcontracts to carry out considerable parts of the research are not admitted costs, applicants should implement the project and should have the necessary resources to that end.

The beneficiary should break down the costs per year, as following:

Direct costs:

- Personal: Only for non-permanent scientific staff and non-permanent technicians hired for the project. Under no condition are eligible expenses for permanent staff. Grants will not be eligible as personal costs.
- Consumables/Equipment: Any consumables necessary for the implementation of the project can be provided. Only essential scientific equipment purchased specifically for the project will be eligible.
- Travel:—can be charged as eligible costs in accordance with national rules (INIA web <http://www.inia.es/>) and only for personnel included in the project.

Indirect costs:

Overhead costs must be calculated and must not exceed 20 % of the direct costs. Electricity, heating, some consumables (office supplies, toners for prints) and repairs are considered overheads.

The funds will be transferred to the beneficiary in annual payments. First annual will be transferred in an advance payment at the start of the project and the other(s) after scientific and financial justification by corresponding to each year. Annual scientific report in Spanish and English will be needed. Standards economic and scientific rationale for all beneficiaries of calls ERA-nets in which the funder is INIA are available at:

<http://www.inia.es/IniaPortal/goUrlDinamica.action?url=http://wwwsp.inia.es/RelInt/Era-nets/Noticias>

NCP: For further information please contact the INIA representatives:

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National Institute of Agriculture and Food Research and Technology (INIA)

The Netherlands



Participating organisation(s):

Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (1.750.000 €)

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Name of & link to the funding programmes:

NWO Earth and Life Sciences (www.nwo.nl/alw): Funding for international activities in the economic priority areas Agri&Food and Horticulture & Propagation Materials, linked to FACCE-JPI.

Minimum and/or maximum project duration:

Proposed participations may last up to a maximum of 36 months.

Minimum and/or maximum funding per project:

A single Dutch partner may request a maximum of 250.000 €, consisting of approx. 200.000 € for personnel and max. 50.000 € for materials (consumables and travel). For personnel funding can be requested for post-doc researchers (temporary position) only, with the exception of senior researchers with a fixed position at TO2 or HBO institutes for whom funding can be requested at post-doc level in this specific call (see additional criteria).

The maximum number of Dutch participants (applicable for funding) per consortium is two. Leading to a maximum funding of 500.000 € per project.

Who can be eligible for funding (incl. industry participation)?

Funding can be applied for by associate, assistant and full professors or researchers with a comparable position who work within the earth and life sciences and hold an appointment at a Dutch university or a research institute recognised by NWO. For this specific call, this includes TO2 and HBO institutes (see additional criteria).

Non-eligible Dutch partners (e.g. private companies, foundations) may participate in a consortium at their own expense (i.e. as non-funded partner). These partners should provide written confirmation of their participation using the format provided in Annex C of the call for proposals.

Link to the national page of the call

<http://www.nwo.nl/financiering/onze-financieringsinstrumenten/alw/era-net-surplus/era-net-surplus.html>

Additional criteria

Unless indicated otherwise on the national page for this call, criteria applied for Dutch participation in this ERA-NET Cofund call of JPI-FACCE are similar to those of the Open Competition of NWO-ALW.

An individual Dutch applicant may request funding for only one project (part of a consortium) in this JPI-FACCE call.

As agreed with the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Ministry of Education, Culture and Science concerning the rules for international funding of transnational calls, the funding rates (post-doc/senior researcher level) applied to universities as well as TO2 and HBO institutes will be in accordance with the VSNU contract in the context of '[Akkoord bekostiging wetenschappelijk onderzoek](#)'.

TO2 institutes are defined as TNO, DLO (research institutes of Wageningen UR), the National Aerospace Laboratory (NLR), Energy research Centre of the Netherlands (ECN), Deltares and the Maritime Research Institute Netherlands (Marin). HBO institutes are defined as government funded HBO institutes as included in article 1.8 of the "[Wet op het hoger onderwijs en wetenschappelijk onderzoek](#) (WHW)".

United Kingdom



Participating organisation(s):

Department for Environment Food and Rural Affairs (Defra): € 1.000.000

National Contact Person(s):

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Name of & link to the funding programmes:

The funding programme for this ERANet is Defra's Sustainable and Competitive Farming Strategy (SCFS) research and development programme under the combined SCFS/Sustainable Land and Soils Evidence Plan:

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/221058/pb13928-evidenceplan-land-soils-farming-strategy.pdf

This forms part of Defra's Departmental Evidence Strategy:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/evidence-strategy-for-defra-and-its-network>

Minimum and/or maximum project duration:

Projects may be from 12 to 36 months in duration

Minimum and/or maximum funding per project:

There is no maximum or minimum funding per project

Who can be eligible for funding (incl. industry participation)?

Funding will be provided according to the standard research requirement procedures of Defra at 100% of eligible costs over the project lifespan. Any UK researcher or organisation is eligible to bid within eligible transnational consortia. If UK research providers are involved in a successful proposal, then contracting and payments will be according to Defra's standard procedures and standard terms and conditions. Detailed information can be found in the research documents on the Defra website:

<http://www.defra.gov.uk/evidence/funding/>

While proposals relating to all three Subthemes in the Call are eligible, Defra has a particular interest in and will prioritise projects that are aligning national research projects with proposals in Subtheme 3 on 'The sustainable intensification of integrated food and non-food systems of agriculture'