

POLAND

National Centre for Research and Development

The following call topics of the joint call are supported by NCBR:

1. Nanotechnologies

- Advanced nano-sensors for environment and health
- Novel functional nanomaterials based on design and modelling
- Nanomaterials for efficient lighting

2. Environment/Climate change

- Increasing the reliability of regional climate projections: models and measurement
- Environmental impact and risk of raw materials extraction and transportation
- Extreme climate events and their impact on the environment

3. Health

- Molecular mechanisms of brain function and pathology
- Regenerative medicine and biomaterials
- Drug discovery for cancer, cardiovascular and infectious diseases

Who can apply?

1. Research entity,
2. Enterprise (micro, small, medium, large),
3. Scientific consortium (consisting of min. one research entity and min. one enterprise or of min. 2 research entities).

What types of costs are eligible for funding?

1. **Personnel costs (W)** - researchers, technicians and other supporting staff to the extent employed on the research project;
2. **Costs of instruments, equipment (A) and intangible assets** (such as patents, certificates etc.) to the extent and for the period used for the research project; if they 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. **Purchase of land and real estate (G)** 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;
4. **Costs of subcontracting (E)**, i.e. costs based on agreements with third parties to perform a portion of the project without a direct supervision of the project participant and without a relationship of subordination the subcontracting can be obtained from

consortium partner only in justified case, this need will be verified by a national experts panel;

Costs of subcontracting cannot exceed 70% of all eligible costs of the project.

5. **Other costs (Op)** - including costs of support services, materials, supplies and similar products incurred directly as a result of the research activity;
6. **Overheads (O)** - incurred indirectly as a result of the research project; Overheads must be calculated according to the formula:

$$O = (W+A+G+Op) \times \text{up to } 25\%^*$$

* percentage from 0% to 25% estimated by the Applicant himself (the same percentage for every task in the project)

Additional national eligibility criteria for the proposal beyond the general criteria in the Terms of Reference of the joint call (Section 3: Eligibility of Proposals)

No other than those specified in these National Rules (Poland).

Upper funding limits for eligible costs:

Upper limit of the total public funding for eligible costs is estimated on 100.000 € per project.

Types of research funded including the maximum state aid intensity for enterprises according to the below-mentioned Regulation:

Typ of Applicant	Typ of research funded		
	Basic research (basic level 100%)	Industrial research (basic level 50%)	Development works (basic level 25%)
Research entity	100%	100%	100%
Micro/Small enterprise	100%*	50+20+15 (max 80%)	25+20+15 (max 60%)
Medium enterprise	100%*	50+10+15 (max 75%)	25+10+15 (max 50%)
Large enterprise	100%*	50+15 (max 65%)	25+15 (max 40%)

* providing that enterprise can prove its research activities

All funding granted to the Beneficiaries by the NCBR is awarded based on following national regulations:

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

3. The Regulation of the Minister of Science and Higher Education of 28 October 2010 on criteria and rules on granting state aid and “de minimis” aid by the National Centre for Research and Development, published in Journal of Laws item 1415, 2013, which is in line with the Commission Regulation (EC) No 800/2008 of 6 August 2008 declaring certain categories of aid compatible with the common market in application of Articles 87 and 88 of the Treaty (General block exemption Regulation)

Any other information relevant to the joint call:

1. Duration of projects

The duration of the project is 24 months, however NCBR allows for the extension to up to 30 months on the condition that *all* Funding Parties involved in said project agree on it.

The duration of the project is to be determined at the proposal stage. An extension of duration cannot be decided upon once the project is started.

2. National phase of the applying procedure

After international evaluation of full proposals and establishing the ranking list, Polish Participants from consortia recommended for funding will be invited to submit National Application Form (NAF).

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

NAFs will be then examined by the interdisciplinary panel of experts for international projects for the appropriateness of funding requested. Based on recommendations of the panel, the Director of NCBR issues a funding decision/rejection decision.

Please note, that NCBR allows one team (international consortium) to submit more than one application.

All detailed information about financial rules and national procedure is available on the NCBR's homepage: <http://www.ncbr.gov.pl/programy-miedzynarodowe/era-net/eranet-rus-plus/>

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