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All Slovenian applicants must refer to the guidelines for Slovenian applicants published on the MIZS webpage (http://www.mizs.gov.si/si/javne_objave_in_razpisi/javni_razpisi/).

Legal basis – national regulation : State Administration Act (Zakon o državni upravi (Uradni list RS, št. 113/05 - UPB4, 89/07 - Odl.US, 126/07 - ZUP-E, 48/09, 8/10 - ZUP-G, 8/12 - ZVRS-F, 21/12, 47/13, 12/14, 90/14 in 51/16)) - Article 16 and 39; Public Finance Act (Zakon o javnih financah (Uradni list RS, št. 11/11- uradno prečiščeno besedilo, 14/13 – popr., 101/13, 55/15 – ZfisP, 96/15 – ZIPRS1617 in 13/18)) - Article 106. j; Regulation on the procedure of standards and manners to allocate means for the promotion of the evolutionary programme and the preferential tasks (Uredba o postopku, merilih in načinih dodeljevanja sredstev za spodbujanje razvojnih programov in prednostnih nalog (Uradni list RS, št. 56/11)); Implementation of the Republic of Slovenia's Budget for 2020 and 2021 Act (Zakon o izvrševanju proračunov Republike Slovenije za leti 2020 in 2021 (ZIPRS 2021) (Uradni list RS, št. 75/19)); Integritty and Prevention of Corruption Act (Zakon o integriteti in preprečevanju korupcije (Uradni list RS, št. 69/11 – uradno prečiščeno besedilo)); Resolution on the National Research and Development Programme 2011-2020 (Resolucije o raziskovalni in inovacijski strategiji Slovenije 2011-2020 (RISS) (Uradni list RS, št. 43/11)), Research and development Act (Zakona o raziskovalni in razvojni dejavnosti (Uradni list RS, št. 22/06 – UPB1, 61/06-ZDru-1, 112/07, 9/11,57/12-ZPOP-1A, 21/18-ZNOrg in 9/19)); Decree on norms and standards used to determine funding for research activities financed from the Republic of Slovenia budget (Uredbe o normativih in standardih za določanje sredstev za izvajanje raziskovalne dejavnosti, financirane iz Proračuna Republike Slovenije (Uradni list RS, št. 103/11, 56/12, 15/14, 103/15, 27/17, 9/18 in 62/19)); Rules on criteria for establishing compliance with the conditions for being the head of a research project (Pravilnik o kriterijih za ugotavljanje izpolnjevanja pogojev za vodjo raziskovalnega projekta, Uradni list RS št. 53/16); Community Framework for State Aid for Research and Development and Innovation the provisions of the Community Framework for State Aid for Research and Development and Innovation (OJ EU C 198, 27. 6. 2014) (Okvir za državno pomoč za raziskave in razvoj ter inovacije (2014/C 198/01)); National scheme for state aid in Research and Development (Program za spodbujanje raziskav in razvoja Ministrstva za izobraževanje, znanost in šport na področju znanosti 2016-2020, št. 631-1/2016-1 z dne 8. 1. 2016); National strategy of open access to scientific publications and research data in Slovenia 2015-2020 (Nacionalna strategije odprtega dostopa do znanstvenih objav in raziskovalnih podatkov v Sloveniji 2015-2020, št. 60300-5/2015/5 z dne 3. 9. 2015).

Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution: research organizations as defined in the national [Research and Development Act](#) (Zakon o raziskovalni in razvojni dejavnosti – ZRRD). All participating institutions have to be registered in the Slovenian Research Agency register of research institutions (Informacijski sistem o raziskovalni dejavnosti v Sloveniji - SICRIS).

Eligibility of principal investigator and other research team members: The project activities of the Slovenian partner have to be under the supervision of the primary investigator/primary researcher who fulfills the requirements for project leader as defined in Art. 29 of the national Decree on norms and standards used to determine funding for research activities financed from the Republic of Slovenia budget (*Uredba o normativih in standardih za določanje sredstev za izvajanje raziskovalne dejavnosti, financirane iz Proračuna Republike Slovenije, Uradni list RS, št. 103/11, 56/12, 15/14, 103/15, 27/17, 9/18 in 62/19*) hereinafter: *Decree on criteria and standards*). The criteria are further determined in the [Rules on Determining the Fulfillment of Conditions for a Research Project Leader](#) (Pravilnik o kriterijih za ugotavljanje izpolnjevanja pogojev za vodjo raziskovalnega projekta) and Methodology of Call proposal evaluation (spletna povezava: [Metodologija ocenjevanja prijav na razpise](#)). All participating researchers have to be registered in the Slovenian Research Agency register of researchers (SICRIS) and must have available research hours.

Eligibility of costs: MIZS will fund all eligible costs of successful Slovenian transnational projects, recommended for funding, in accordance with the *Decree on criteria and standards*. Eligible costs are defined based on the FTE value according to the Slovenian Research Agency's research project categorization (A, B, C or D based on the research conducted).

Eligible costs must be directly related to the research conducted and mandatory include all of the following categories as elements of the FTE:

- personnel (including social security, health, pension and other contributions according to national legislation);
- material (travel and meetings costs, consumables, dissemination and knowledge exchange costs, other costs);
- depreciation costs.

Overhead or indirect costs are eligible. The value is calculated based on the FTE value of category A, B,C, or D research projects, under the condition that costs under each of the specific FTE elements are appropriately decreased (by a max. of 20% for indirect costs). Providing the stipulated conditions are met, the Public Procurement Act (Zakon o javnem naročanju (Uradni list RS, št. 91/15 in 14/18) applies.

Period of eligibility of public expenditures: As of budgetary year 2022 until the end of the budgetary year 2024.

Period of eligibility of expenditures on the project: From the starting date of the transnational project stipulated in the consortium agreement for a period of 36 months, with a prescribed additional 30 day period for the payment of invoices related to the project costs. The period of eligibility of expenditures on the project can only start from the date the national contract enters into effect. The exact duration of the project will be defined in the contract between MIZS and the selected Slovenian partner, after the consortium agreement between the selected consortium partners enters into force.

National funding: max. 420,000 EUR including VAT.

Total requested funding per project: for all Slovenian partners within one consortium must not exceed 70,000 € per year (210,000 € for the total project duration of 36 months).

Eligible type of research and TRL: basic/applied – for Slovenian partner TRL range: 2-6. The type of research conducted by Slovenian researchers must be defined and explained in the project proposal (e.g. in the Comments on budget section).

Funding: 100 % for research organization (such as universities, public and private research institutes) whose financed activity is non-economic in accordance with the provisions of Community Framework for State Aid for Research and Development and Innovation. Wide dissemination of all research results on a non-exclusive and non-discriminatory basis is required.

For research organizations whose financed activity is economic in accordance with the provisions of Community Framework for State Aid for Research and Development and Innovation the provisions of the Community Framework for State Aid for Research and Development and Innovation (OJ EU C 198, 27. 6. 2014) and the national scheme for state aid in Research and Development: [Program za spodbujanje raziskav in razvoja Ministrstva za izobraževanja, znanost in šport na področju znanosti](#), št 631-1/2016-7, 8.1.2016, applies.

Maximum funding percentages:

| Type of research | Large Enterprises | Medium Enterprises | Small Enterprises | Universities and research organisations |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|---|
| Fundamental/Basic Research | 65 % | 75 % | 80 % | non economic 100 % |
| Industrial/Applied Research | 65 % | 75 % | 80 % | non economic 100 % |

National contracting negotiations: will commence after the projects are selected for funding on the level of the transnational call. National documentation, including evidence of the starting date of the transnational project (in the form of a Consortia Agreement or statement on the starting date by the transnational project

coordinator), will be a prerequisite for signing the contract on national level. All Slovenian applicants are strongly advised to contact the Slovenian National Contact Person, Ms. Katja Ceglar before preparing proposals for application (katja.ceglar@gov.si, T: +386(1) 478 47 36).