

JPI Urban Europe
Urban Migration
Call for Proposals

Submission deadline pre-proposals:
2 April 2020, 12:00 CET
(postponed due to COVID-19)

Submission deadline full proposals:
4 September 2020, 12:00 CEST

More information:
<https://jpi-urbaneurope.eu/calls/urban-migration/>

Participating countries and funding agencies:

| Country | Funding Agency |
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| Austria | FFG – Austrian Research Promotion Agency |
| Germany | DLR Project Management Agency on behalf of the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF) |
| Latvia | IZM – Ministry of Education and Science |
| Sweden | FORMAS – Swedish Research Council for Environment, Agricultural Sciences and Spatial Planning |
| United Kingdom | AHRC – Arts & Humanities Research Council |
| United Kingdom | ESRC – Economic and Social Research Council |

Please note: In this adapted version of the call text (as of March 23, 2020), the Agency Funding Guidelines for Latvia in Annex A have been updated.

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1. Participating Countries

Table 1: Participating Funding Agencies: Budgets and organisations eligible for funding*

| Country | Funding Agency | Available funding | What can be funded? | Maximum funding per awarded project | Organisations eligible for funding | | | |
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| | | | | | Universities/ Research organisations | Municipalities | Businesses | Citizens' representatives, NGOs (organisations and not single persons) |
| Austria | FFG | € 300 000 | - Strategic research - Applied research - Innovation and implementation | € 50 000 (excl. VAT, if any) | YES | YES | YES | YES |
| Germany | BMBF/ DLR | € 800 000 | - Strategic research - Applied research - Innovation and implementation | € 100 000 | YES | YES | YES | YES |
| Latvia | IZM | € 100 000 | - Strategic research - Early applied research | € 50 000 | YES | NO | NO | NO |
| Sweden | Formas | € 400 000 | - Strategic research - Applied research - Innovation and implementation | € 80 000 | YES | YES* | NO | NO |
| United Kingdom | AHRC | € 173 000 (£ 150 000) | - Strategic research - Applied research | € 57 000 (£ 50 000) | YES | YES* | YES* | YES* |
| United Kingdom | ESRC | € 289 000 (£ 250 000) | - Strategic research - Applied research | € 57 000 (£ 50 000) | YES | YES* | YES* | YES* |

*can be funded as a partner organisation but not eligible as lead applicant.

Please check the national eligibility criteria in Annex A for more information about the specific rules and funding opportunities of respective funding agency.

Partners from other countries than the countries mentioned here and/or partners not eligible for funding may join proposals as self-funded partner; see page 10 for more information.

2. Introduction

JPI URBAN EUROPE

Mission Statement of JPI Urban Europe:

Global Urban Challenges – Joint European Solutions

The JPI Urban Europe responds to *Global Urban Challenges* by developing *Joint European Solutions*. Through joint actions, JPI Urban Europe aims to:

- Enhance the capacities and knowledge on transition towards more sustainable, resilient and liveable urban developments.
- Reduce the fragmentation in funding, research and urban development; to build critical mass to realise urban transition; and to
- Increase the profile of European urban science, technology and innovation on the global stage.

Vision

JPI Urban Europe responds to urgent need for ambitious, sustained and truly inter- and transdisciplinary research to radically improve our understanding of how socially, economically and environmentally sustainable our urban areas are; and to support Europe's cities in their transition towards a future that maximises their sustainability, resilience and their liveability in this era of global competition for commerce, industry, tourism, labour and investment; to drive urban innovation and technologies.

Through its strategy and actions, JPI Urban Europe contributes to the EU 2020 Strategy on smart, sustainable and inclusive growth, the EU Urban Agenda as well as to the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

The aim of the JPI Urban Europe is to create attractive, sustainable and economically viable urban areas, in which European citizens, communities and their surroundings can thrive.

The JPI Urban Europe focuses on how to:

- Transform urban areas into centres of innovation and technology
- Ensure social cohesion and integration
- Reduce the ecological footprint and enhance climate neutrality
- Take advantage of technological solutions and realize efficient and sustainable urban systems and networks (mobility, energy, water, ICT, etc.)

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According to a World Economic Forum Report (2017)¹ on migration and its impact on cities, one seventh of the world's population is at any given moment on the move for various reasons. While a distinct share of global migration occurs between different rural communities, people moving to and from urban areas constitute the major share of all migration. The topic has received increased attention throughout Europe in recent years, and many European countries have established national research and innovation programmes to gather scientific evidence to inform efforts to tackle this challenge or they participate in EU Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund supported activities.

¹ World Economic Forum (2017) *Migration and its impact on cities*. See link: http://www3.weforum.org/docs/Migration_Impact_Cities_report_2017_HR.pdf

The focus of this call is the ways that migration affects and is affected by the life and functioning of cities. As JPI Urban Europe aims for a broad scrutiny of urban migration, proposals submitted to this call should focus on one, many or a mix of migration types, categorized based on the following three principles²:

- by political boundaries (internal vs. international migration)
- by movement patterns (step, circular or chain migration) or
- by taking a decision-making approach (voluntary vs. involuntary migration).

Further, proposals should study migration to, within, between and/or from urban areas in Europe.

Important Note: Projects should build upon already existing research, ongoing or completed projects, networks and initiatives with focus on leveraging synergies and enhancing impact. The call is not aimed at completely new research.

By launching this call on urban migration, the aims of JPI Urban Europe are to:

- create a transdisciplinary and cross-sectoral community of researchers, practitioners and engaging migrant communities working in the field of urban migration, who can align, synthesise, consolidate, and learn from each other
- develop common insights and understandings on the selected topics of the call
- bring together already existing knowledge on migration across disciplines on national and local level and facilitate meta-studies on migration as well as facilitate that societal impact of research findings and solutions developed by research have a greater relevance to stakeholders and society
- facilitate knowledge transfer and learning from different contexts, cities and countries to create greater engagement and understanding in migrant as well as host communities
- facilitate knowledge translation into concrete action so that knowledge can be implemented in new ways or in different places, forming a knowledge base on urban migration for future JPI Urban Europe activities.

3. Objectives

This *Call on Urban Migration* is issued by JPI Urban Europe and is based on the JPI Urban Europe Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda 2.0 (SRIA).²

The projects granted in the *Urban Migration* call should fulfil the following objectives:

- **Build upon already existing knowledge on migration**
Project proposals should build upon already existing knowledge acquired from, for instance,

² See JPI Urban Europe Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda 2.0 (2019): <https://jpi-urbaneurope.eu/app/uploads/2019/02/SRIA2.0.pdf>

ongoing or already completed research and innovation projects, networks (e.g. networks of NGOs) or other kinds of initiatives.

The results from previous projects and networks should through this call be linked to users, including urban migrant and host communities, stakeholders, policy makers and other interested users aiming at implementing research and/or social innovations.

The funded projects should contribute to advance the respective research fields and enhance societal impact by the co-creation of new knowledge, adding to existing results, leveraging synergies and providing practical solutions to pressing problems. Project proposals can for instance:

- apply existing knowledge to stakeholders' perspectives and challenges
- translate knowledge into practical implementations and/or policy recommendations
- conduct meta-analysis or synthesis reports
- create new or extend already existing communities or networks of research and practice in the field of migration
- conduct short-term research putting problems faced by migrants, host communities, stakeholders and policy makers as the central research question.

- **Contribute to sustainable urban development**

In the sense of a long-term urban development geared to social, economic and ecological sustainability, it is important to develop scientifically sound and practically compatible strategies for integration in the spatial context of migration.

- **Have transdisciplinary collaboration with active cooperation between all stakeholders throughout the project**

Transdisciplinarity entails collaboration among multiple partners, both academic and non-academic, to solve a common problem or develop common insights. Non-academic partners and stakeholders may include urban migrant communities, host communities, public authorities, NGOs, private and public companies, civil society, grassroots movements etc. In co-creation projects, all these different partners bring in specific know-how and together create new knowledge, instruments or policies that are tuned to 'real-life'/practical challenges and needs.

- **Relate to gender and diversity aspects**

Applicants should describe the ways in which aspects relating to gender as well as other diversity perspectives have been considered in developing and executing the project. In cases where gender or other diversity perspectives are not regarded to be relevant, this must be clearly justified.

- **Show the added value of European collaboration**

Although different European countries are facing different challenges and opportunities related to migration, it is still possible to learn from each other. Furthermore, migration policies in one country directly affect migration processes also in other countries. Therefore, project proposals should aim for translating and/or scaling up knowledge where possible.

General remark: It has to be taken into consideration which activities can be funded by the individual funding agencies (see table 1 and Annex A) and the roles of the organisations in the consortium have to be planned accordingly.

4. Call Topics

The project proposal should at least address one of the following topics:

Topic 1: Socio-spatial integration and citizen involvement

Increased migration flow to urban areas can result in new opportunities as well as in challenges. One set of challenges in need of research and innovation concerns inequalities as well as socio-spatial and cultural segregation due to socio-demographic changes in communities and other local groupings. There is a need for new knowledge on measures and strategies that can promote social integration and increase citizen involvement and participation among populations. There is also a need for more knowledge based on comparisons between different spatial levels and types of cities.

Creating and fostering socio-spatial integration and citizen involvement is a co-constitutive process that requires commitment in both migrant and host communities in terms of, for example, investment of time, social engagement and financial means. Both citizen-driven initiatives as well as social, environmental, regulatory and administrative measures by public actors can facilitate this integrative process, whereas education and cultural recognition efforts can act as a catalyst for citizen involvement and capacity building to foster increased participation in governance processes.

Project proposals submitted under Topic 1 should address at least one of the following issues:

- Strategies and requirements for citizen involvement and empowerment at city level
- The role of urban social participation (concept “Right to the city”) for newly arriving people
- Strategies and policies for increased place-attachment and co-responsibility in areas with an increase in new inhabitants/population of the area
- The role and image of migration in mass and social media and its impact on the public perception of urban migration and inclusive urban development
- The role of knowledge and experiences of migrants for sustainable city development
- The role of education for sustainable development in integrating migrants
- Urban citizen rights and migrants’ experiences of participation at different decision-making levels

Topic 2: Urban governance of housing issues

To be able to manage migration and assist the long-term integration of migrants, cities need to adapt solid housing practices and measures. Cities’ leeway in providing and assisting migrants has been dependent on the degree of state control vs. local and regional autonomy. Furthermore, factors of historical and cultural nature are important at the urban level. Examples of such factors are the existence of past generations of migrants and diasporic, cultural, faith and language communities, as well as having access to services, infrastructures and markets. In relation to this, providing adequate and affordable housing to migrants is one of the biggest challenges, in terms of stresses on some cities’ settlement and housing capacities. Meanwhile, many urban areas experience an increased pressure on the housing market by other dynamics including the movement of citizens from rural to urban areas as well as demographic changes in the host populations.

Project proposals submitted under Topic 2 should address at least one of the following issues:

- Adequate responses to urgent housing needs due to unforeseen increases in population, and the promotion of social integration in such cases
- Increased demand for dwellings in already pressured housing markets
- Counteracting measures for socio-spatial segregation and discrimination in the housing market

- Interplays between administrations on national, regional, city and neighbourhood levels as well as between municipalities, public and private housing providers/developers
- Motivators and factors of migrant community building and efficient prevention of stigmatised, deprived and unsafe areas
- Integration effects of different forms of housing tenure (for instance cooperatives, social housing and community housing projects)

Topic 3: Enhancing cities' administrative capacities and supporting evidence-based integration policies (managing migration)

Many initiatives, policies and actions have been undertaken to support integration processes in European urban areas, both to be able to handle emergency situations (such as the large-scale increase in migration flow into the EU in 2015) as well as long-term migration flows. However, difficulties exist in sharing information, results, knowledge and experiences of such initiatives to inform evidence-based urban policy making in Europe.

Furthermore, there are insufficient tools for evidence-based integration and cross-country comparability of integration indicators in urban areas.

Building an EU-wide knowledge base on integration measures and research results at city and regional levels can help to enhance policy learning and build an evidence base that can inform the translation of good practices into different urban contexts and support policy learning. Informed debates backed up by rigorous data and evidence to significantly inform political and public discourses are asked for.

Project proposals submitted under Topic 3 should address at least one of the following issues:

- Analysing the determining factors for open and inclusive societies and how they contribute to social integration and sustainable development
- Providing cross-country comparability of quantitative and qualitative data relevant for urban areas
- Building a knowledge base for evidence-based policy making and sharing of good practices
- Integrated analysis and meta-research on economic, social, cultural and political costs and benefits of migration to, and within urban areas in Europe, including their impacts on urban creativity and innovation

5. Who can participate?

This call contains both a set of *transnational eligibility criteria* as well as *national eligibility criteria* for participating in the call. All funded partners in this *Urban Migration call* will be funded by their national funding agencies in accordance with their respective national eligibility rules. These national eligibility criteria for specific funding agencies can be found in Annex A, which also contains web links to the funding agencies websites.

Transnational eligibility criteria:

- **Consortium as a whole must include**
 - At least 3 eligible applicants (legal entities) from at least 3 of the different countries participating in the call. Additionally, the proposal may also include self-funded partners, whose role is described in Rules of participation below.
 - At least one relevant non-academic stakeholder, or problem owner or practitioner as a partner or as self-funded partner (for instance cities, municipalities or public authorities).

Alternatively one organisation of this group can participate by providing a letter of intent, where concrete commitments are stated how to be involved in the project and how to deal with project results.

The participation of all partners involved must be convincingly justified in the project proposal.

- **Project proposals must be in English**

Project proposals must be prepared in English using the designated proposal form. Proposals written in other languages will not be accepted. The proposal form should be completely filled in; incomplete proposal forms will be ineligible.

- **Duration of the project: 12 to 18 months.**

Projects may decide themselves what they see as a suitable running time for the project. Projects may be funded for a maximum of 1,5 years, and must start between January 2021 and March 2021, and end before January 2023. The starting date may depend on the budget allocation (rules) of the specific funding agencies. The end date of a project should be harmonised for all applicants in the same consortium.

- **Submission of a complete pre-proposal and full-proposal through the eCall electronic submission system (<https://ecall.ffg.at>) before the deadline, 2 April 2020, 12:00 CET (pre-proposal) and 4 September 2020, 12:00 CEST (full proposal)**

The pre-proposal and full proposal should be submitted by the main-applicant, and will be done by means of the eCall system. In case there are technical questions about the use of the system, please contact the *Urban Migration Call Secretariat* (see section 9).

Data Protection:

The provisions of General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) shall be complied by the Call Secretariat and the funding agencies participating in the organisation of this call with respect to the processing of personal data.

Depending on the country and the participating funding agency, different national laws might apply and different electronic systems will be used regarding the processing of personal data.

Please note that by transmitting your proposal, the proposal will be forwarded to your responsible funding agency as well as to all other participating funding agencies involved in JPI Urban Europe Migration Call and the Evaluation Panel members.

Rules of participation

Project proposal consortia need to be balanced between countries both in terms of number of partners and distribution of budget. No single partner may represent more than 70% of the activity in the project. Consortia are required to prove the interest and active involvement of all partners in the consortium.

Main-applicant / Project Coordinator

An organisation/institution or a natural person³ of the lead organisation will act as the main-applicant, and thus as project coordinator. The project coordinator will be responsible for running and managing the project. This entity will be the contact point for the *Urban Migration Call Secretariat* on behalf of the whole consortium and is responsible for the administrative management of the complete project, should it be awarded funding. In addition, the project coordinator is responsible for leading the project

³ Depending on the specific eligibility rules of the Project Coordinators' funding agency.

activities in the own organisation. The project coordinator must be employed in one of the countries participating in this call. As noted above, the national eligibility criteria of the respective funding agency apply, please read these carefully in Annex A.

Co-applicants

A co-applicant can receive funding from one of the participating funding agencies. There may be more than one co-applicant from any of the participating countries. However, in the consortium as a whole there should be three funded (eligible) partners in the consortium from three different participating countries. The national eligibility criteria of the respective funding agency apply, please read these carefully in Annex A.

Self-funded Partners

Partners from countries not participating in this call, partners that are willing to participate with own funding, or are not eligible for funding from participating agencies, may be included in the proposal as Self-Funded Partners. Self-Funded Partners can be included in the consortium if (a) they finance their activity from other sources and (b) the consortium in general fulfils the requirements on the number of applicants from participating countries.

Consortium partners can come from organizations such as:

- Universities/Research organisations
- Cities, municipalities, public authorities
- Businesses
- Citizens' representatives, NGOs, community representatives (organisations and not single persons)

Please note: Whether these consortium partners can obtain funding depends on the specific national eligibility criteria (see Table 1 [page 3] and Annex A).

What to apply for?

The indicative budget per funded collaborative project (for all partners involved in a project) is €50.000 to €250.000. There are no fixed minimum or maximum limits for a collaborative project size. However, there are national funding limits for the respective partners. Table 1 (page 3) indicates the bandwidth of funds available from each of the respective national funding agencies. For more information on the national eligibility criteria, please see Annex A.

A justification of the requested budget will be required in the full-proposal. This justification must include reference to the runtime of the project, the consortium size and the project proposal. The estimated budget must be given in Euro only and be tabulated according to the proposal template provided. All costs must be eligible according to the funding agencies' rules available (see Annex A). In case of doubt, applicants should consult their respective funding agencies which can advise on funding rules.

Eligibility check and further administrative requirements

The *Urban Migration Call Secretariat* will verify the transnational eligibility criteria for the pre-proposal stage and the full proposal stage, and the administrative requirements listed below. The participating funding agencies will verify the national eligibility criteria.

If either the project coordinator or the proposal does not meet the eligibility requirements, the proposal will not be admitted to the evaluation procedure. In case a single partner is not eligible, the proposal may still be eligible without this partner if the transnational eligibility criteria are still met. In both cases, this will be communicated to the project coordinator.

If a proposal is “eligible”, this does not mean that it will be awarded funding, but only that the proposal will be admitted to the evaluation procedure.

6. Submission and Evaluation procedure

Within the framework of the call, a two-stage procedure will be adopted:

Pre-proposal stage

In the first stage, consortia are invited to submit pre-proposals (description of consortium members, concise project description of no more than 10 pages, and a budget indication with limited detail according to national requirements).

The eligible pre-proposals will be assessed by an Expert Panel composed of international experts and a chair. The Panel will consist of recognised experts in relevant fields, academics as well as practitioners and innovators, who can assess the scientific as well as the innovative and practical values of the submitted projects. The Panel will be appointed by the participating funding organisations. The Expert Panel will assess the pre-proposals using the evaluation criteria described in section 7. Applicants will have no possibility for rebuttal to the committee’s evaluation.

After the submission of the pre-proposals, a selection of approximately 40 pre-proposals will be made. The successful consortia will then be invited to elaborate their ideas to full proposals. Unsuccessful consortia will be provided with an overall assessment of the quality of their pre-proposals.

Full proposal stage

Eligible full proposals will be submitted to the Evaluation Panel. The Evaluation Panel draws up recommendations and qualifies the proposals with a score. Each full proposal will be evaluated by at least three independent experts.

Based on the ranking by the Expert Panel and taking into account the available (national) budgets, the participating funding agencies of the call will take funding decisions. Funding decisions are final and cannot be appealed.

A written statement on the evaluation of each full proposal will be sent by the Call Secretariat to the Main Applicants. The Call Secretariat will inform the Main Applicants of projects that have been recommended for funding, on the subsequent contracting procedure.

Note: Each project recommended for funding is required to have a signed consortium agreement between all partners prior to the start of the project, at least addressing the following topics:

- Internal organisation and management of the consortium
- Intellectual Property arrangements
- Settlement of internal disputes

- Sharing of risks and results
- Dissemination of results
- Respecting of higher law, especially EU competition law

7. Evaluation criteria

The table below describes the sub-criteria for each main criterion:

Criteria used for both evaluating the pre-proposals and the full proposals. Criteria with asterisk are used only for the evaluation of full proposals.

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| Relevance | 5 points |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quality of description of the proposed activities and relevance to the call objectives • Incorporation of existing knowledge into the proposed project • Added value of European trans-national cooperation | |
| Approach | 5 points |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consortium's competence and composition with regards to the project goals • Integration of gender and diversity perspectives in the project plan and goals • Feasibility and appropriateness of timescale* • Feasibility of aims and objectives of the project* • Feasibility and suitability of project design and methods* • Appropriateness of management arrangements for project* • Appropriateness of costing* • Appropriateness of risk management* • Appropriateness of ethical considerations* • Suitability of proposed arrangements for disseminating and communicating outcomes of the project* | |
| Impact | 5 points |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extent to which the project is of value to stakeholders and/or problem owners and/or practitioners • Accurateness of the proposed activities to the end users' needs • The plan for generating value (societal/public value) • Potential to take a real step towards utilisation/implementation of the project outcomes • Contribute to strategies which support cities' long-term urban development geared to social, economic and ecological sustainability | |

Scoring and thresholds

Evaluation scores will be awarded for each main criterion, and not for the sub-criteria listed in the above table. Each criterion will be scored by the Expert Panel, using the following scale: 0) Unacceptable, 1) Weak, 2) Average, 3) Good, 4) Very good, 5) Excellent. Half marks can be used. The threshold for each main criterion will be 3. The overall threshold, applying to the sum of the three individual scores, will be 10.

Time Schedule

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| 17. December 2019 | Launch of the call |
| 2. April 2020, 12:00 CET | Deadline Submission of pre-proposals |
| April 2020 | Eligibility check |
| May 2020 | Meeting of Expert Panel to assess pre-proposals |
| May 2020 | Invite applicants to submit full proposals |
| 4. September 2020, 12:00 CEST | Deadline Submission of full proposals |
| September 2020 | Eligibility check |
| October 2020 | Meeting of Expert Panel to assess full proposals |
| October 2020 | Funding recommendation by the Steering Committee |
| November 2020 | Announcement of results to Main Applicants |
| November 2020 to January 2021 | National funding decisions and contracts completed |
| January 2021 to March 2021 | Start of projects |
| Between March and May 2021 | Kick-off meeting |
| January 2023 | Latest end of projects |

Documents and forms

All documents (including application forms and procedure guidelines) are published on the Urban Europe website: <http://www.jpi-urbaneurope.eu/urban-migration>

8. Project Implementation and JPI Urban Europe Activities

This call is part of the transnational Joint Programming Initiative Urban Europe which includes various joint programme activities (e.g. knowledge sharing, networking) that are described in this section. Projects funded via this call will become part of the programme of the JPI Urban Europe. Participants of projects funded via this call are expected to actively participate in the programme activities and to consider this in the planning of their project proposal by including budget to participate in the JPI Urban Europe programme activities.

Project monitoring and reporting

Project monitoring and reporting will be in accordance with the respective funding agency's rules. In addition to the respective funding agency's requirements, the consortia are expected to deliver a short final report in English to the *Urban Migration Call Secretariat*, including a description of transnational cooperation and a publishable summary of the project status. A reporting template will be provided on the programme website.

A detailed survey must be completed by the Project Coordinator once per project (final). This survey includes key performance indicators for project progress and their contribution to the

overall aim of the call.

Participation in JPI UE workshops and meetings

JPI Urban Europe applies a comprehensive programme management approach when it comes to cooperating with the funded projects and disseminating their results. This starts with a common kick-off meeting of all funded projects of the Urban Migration Call and continues throughout the project duration. In particular, JPI Urban Europe facilitates a stakeholder platform – AGORA – (<https://jpi-urbaneurope.eu/agora/>) to support exchange of results and approaches across projects, stakeholder groups, countries and calls; strengthen science-policy cooperation and dissemination of research results. In this sense, projects in the *Urban Migration Call* will be invited to participate in respective events and engage in community building and dissemination activities. Projects are requested to consider such potential activities in their plans. **Therefore, time and budget should be reserved by the consortium as a whole for these activities.**

9. Contacts and Further Information

General information on the joint call

Updated information on this joint call and all relevant documents/templates are published on <https://jpi-urbaneurope.eu/calls/urban-migration/>. If you have questions on the general call process and proposal submission, please contact the *Urban Migration Call* Secretariat:

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Contact points of participating funding agencies

For questions regarding specific funding agencies' rules and additional forms please check the following Annex A "Agency Funding Guidelines and National Contacts" first. Additional information can be obtained by contacting the indicated national contact persons at the participating funding agencies.

Annex A: Agency Funding Guidelines and National Contacts

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| Country | Austria |
| Funding organisation | FFG – Austrian Research Promotion Agency |
| National contacts | Johannes Bockstefl E-mail: johannes.bockstefl@ffg.at Tel.: +43 (0)5 7755-5042 Website: www.ffg.at |
| Financing commitment | 0.3 M€ |
| Anticipated number of projects with Austrian partners | max. 6 |
| Maximum financing per awarded project | 50000 € (excl. VAT, if any) |
| Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution | The organisations which are eligible for financing are listed in the national guidelines available via www.ffg.at/ausschreibungen/urban_migration |
| Eligibility of costs | <u>Eligible costs</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personnel costs • Use of R&D infrastructure • Costs of materials • Third-party costs • Travel costs • VAT (if applicable) |
| Submission of the proposal at the national level | Yes, national (partner) application via eCall necessary before the final call deadline. (04 September 2020, 12:00 CEST). |
| Submission of financial and progress reports at the national level | Yes, scientific and financial reporting carried out on an annual basis. |
| Information available at | https://www.ffg.at/ausschreibungen/urban_migration |
| Other | We highly recommend to contact the NCP during the preparation of the project. |

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| Country | Germany |
| Funding organisation | DLR Project Management Agency on behalf of the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF) |
| National contacts | <p>Michaela Thorn Tel.: +49 228 3821-1538</p> <p>Carmen Richerzhagen Tel.: +49 228 3821-2090</p> <p>E-mail: soef@dlr.de</p> <p>Website: http://DLR-PT.de and www.soef.org</p> |
| Funding commitment | 0.8 M€ |
| Anticipated number of projects with German partners | 8 |
| Maximum funding per awarded project | 100.000 € |
| Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution | Research proposals may be submitted by Germany-based institutions of higher education, non-university research establishments, civil society organisations, municipalities, commercial companies. |
| Eligibility of costs | <p>Applicants are strongly advised to consult the BMBF guidelines on eligible costs: Richtlinien für Zuwendungsantraege (AZA/AZK): https://foerderportal.bund.de/easy/easy_index.php?auswahl=easy_formulare&formularschrank=bmbf</p> <p>According to these guidelines, Universities (state and non-governmental) can apply for a project lump-sum of 20% of the funding in addition to the grant for the expenditures eligible for funding (BMBF grant). This lump-sum should be added to the cost calculation of the project already at the pre-proposal stage.</p> |
| Submission of the proposals at the national level | Once the funding decision is taken, only those projects selected for funding must resubmit their national partner application via easy-Online https://foerderportal.bund.de/easyonline/ for transfer into the national electronic submission system. |
| Submission of financial and progress reports at the national level | Scientific and financial reporting carried out on an annual basis. |
| Information available at | https://foerderportal.bund.de/easy/easy_index.php?auswahl=easy_formulare&formularschrank=bmbf |
| Other | It is expected, that German applicants are familiar with the |

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| | BMBF framework programme “Research for Sustainable Development” (FONA) and with the BMBF funding priority “Social-Ecological Research”: www.soef.org |
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| Country | Latvia |
| Funding organisation | IZM - Ministry of Education and Science |
| National contacts | <p>Kaspars Karolis E-mail: kaspars.karolis@izm.gov.lv Tel.: +371 - 67047996</p> <p>Uldis Berkis E-mail: uldis.berkis@izm.gov.lv Tel.: +371 – 67047865, +371 - 29472349</p> <p>Website: www.izm.gov.lv</p> |
| Funding commitment | 0.1 M€ |
| Anticipated number of projects with Latvian partners | 2 |
| Maximum funding per awarded project | 50.000 € per partner, max. two partners per proposal from Latvia. |
| Duration of projects | Projects can have duration 12-18 months, and in any case should finish until 31.01.2023. No extension possible beyond this date. |
| Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution | <p>R&D institutions (research institutes, universities, higher education establishments, research centres etc.) that are listed in the Registry of Research Institutions operated by the Ministry of Education and Science (IZM) of the Republic of Latvia. Must correspond to Research and Knowledge dissemination organisation status according to Regulation 651/2014 (private law entities shall have this certified by a sworn auditor and the certification submitted to IZM on request).</p> <p>Any other type of participants can participate on their own costs and are not covered by the IZM</p> |
| Eligibility of costs | <p><u>Eligible costs</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personnel costs (researchers, technicians and other supporting staff to the extent employed in the research project) and relevant personnel taxes. • Other direct costs such as consumables, equipment (only depreciation costs), materials, reagents. • Subcontracting only in exceptional cases, not exceeding |

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| | <p>20% of the total direct costs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Travels and allowances according to travel plan. • Indirect costs can reach a maximum of 25% of the total direct costs exempt subcontracting. <p>The activities must correspond to “research” according to Latvian Law on Scientific Activity.</p> |
| Submission of the proposal at the national level | <p>No special national form is needed to be filled during application process.</p> <p>Successful proposals in the full proposal stage must submit all necessary documents to IZM together with a copy of the signed Consortium Agreement.</p> |
| Other | <p>Further guidance: https://izm.gov.lv/lv/aktualitates/3843-zinatniskas-institucijas-aicinatas-piedalities-projektu-konkursa-par-urbano-migraciju</p> <p>And: https://likumi.lv/ta/id/291823-darbibas-programmas-izaugsme-un-nodarbinatiba-1-1-1-specifiska-atbalsta-merka-palielinat-latvijas-zinatnisko-instituciju</p> <p>Please, take in account that no commercial activities can be supported by Latvian funder.</p> |

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| Country | Sweden |
| Funding organisation | Formas - The Swedish Research Council for Environment, Agricultural Sciences and Spatial Planning |
| National contacts | <p>Ann Rodenstedt E-mail: ann.rodenstedt@formas.se Tel.: +46 (0)72-554 94 77</p> <p>Björn Wallsten E-mail: bjorn.wallsten@formas.se Tel.: +46 (0)8-775 41 22</p> <p>Website: www.formas.se</p> |
| Funding commitment | 0.4 M€ (4 million SEK) |
| Anticipated number of projects with Swedish partners | 4 |
| Maximum funding per awarded project | 80 000 € |
| Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution | <p>Grants for research, innovation and implementation projects can only be administered by a Swedish university, university college or other Swedish public organisation that fulfils the grant administrating organisation eligibility requirements of Formas. Please see: https://www.formas.se/en/start-page/applying-for-funding/how-it-works/who-can-apply-for-funding/who-can-</p> |

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| | become-an-administrating-organisation.html |
| Eligibility of costs | <p>Project grants from Formas may be used for the financing of salary for researchers, project participants at municipalities and technical staff (including social-security contributions). Grants may also be used to finance running costs (e.g. consumables, travel, conferences, publications in open access journals), equipment depreciation costs and premises costs.</p> <p>For existing employment positions, the current salary at the time of application (including social-security contributions) must be used for each of the subsequent years. For new employment positions, the starting salary at the grant administrating organisation must be used for each subsequent year. Please note that the total salary costs awarded by Formas for project members may never exceed 100 per cent of a full-time position.</p> |
| Submission of the proposal at the national level | Following the second stage of the international expert panel evaluation, the Swedish PIs in the projects recommended for funding will be invited to submit the same proposal to Formas (via Prisma). Information about the submission will be provided in the invitation. |
| Submission of financial and progress reports at the national level | Each Swedish PI awarded funding must submit a financial and scientific report to Formas when the project has ended. |
| Information available at | https://www.formas.se or https://www.formas.se/en |
| Other | <p>To be eligible to apply for grants at Formas, the main applicant must have a doctoral degree. Other people participating in the project do not need to have a doctoral degree. There is no age limit for applicants, but fully retired researchers cannot obtain funds for their salary from Formas.</p> <p>Projects must relate to one or more of the perspectives and themes in the research agenda Research for integrated and sustainable spatial planning: https://www.formas.se/en/start-page/analyses-and-results/reports/2019-05-17-research-for-integrated-and-sustainable-spatial-planning.html</p> |

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| Country | United Kingdom |
| Funding organisation | AHRC – Arts and Humanities Research Council |
| National contacts | Eira Hughes E-mail: eira.hughes@ahrc.ukri.org Tel.: +44 754 8162336 Website: www.ahrc.ukri.org |
| Funding commitment | €173,000/£150,000 |
| Anticipated number of projects with UK partners | 3 |
| Maximum funding per awarded project | € 57 000 (£ 50 000) |
| Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution | Partners must be an eligible UK Higher Education Institution or Independent Research Organisation. For further information, please see https://www.ukri.org/funding/how-to-apply/eligibility/ . Whilst inter-disciplinary/cross-Council proposals are welcomed, in order to be eligible for AHRC funding a significant part of the research proposed by UK partners must fall within the subject remit of the AHRC |
| Eligibility of costs | <u>Eligible costs</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PI and Co-I salary costs for time spent overseeing and providing intellectual input to the activities, time spent setting up and coordinating the activities and associated Indirect and Estates costs • Costs of resources for coordinating activities • Travel and subsistence (including within Europe) • International phone calls and/or video conferencing |
| Submission of the proposal at the national level | Full-proposals should be submitted via eCall electronic submission system (https://ecall.ffg.at) A submission directly to AHRC is not required unless funded. Successful proposals in the full proposal stage must resubmit their application documents for transfer into Je-s, instructions will be provided to successful applicants. |
| Submission of financial and progress reports at the national level | If successful, you will be required to submit outputs, outcomes and impacts linked to your award through the Researchfish system https://www.researchfish.com/ . |
| Other | We highly recommend to contact the National Contacts during the preparation of the project. |

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| Country | United Kingdom |
| Funding organisation | ESRC – Economic and Social Research Council |
| National contact | Tilly Gamble E-mail: tilly.gamble@esrc.ukri.org Tel.: +44 (0)1793 413066 Website: https://esrc.ukri.org/ |
| Funding commitment | £0.250M |
| Anticipated number of projects with UK partners | 5 |
| Maximum funding per awarded project | € 57 000 (£ 50 000) |
| Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution | Partners must be an eligible UK Higher Education Institution or Independent Research Organisation. For further information, please see https://www.ukri.org/funding/how-to-apply/eligibility/ . Whilst inter-disciplinary / cross-Council proposals are welcomed, in order to be eligible for ESRC funding a significant part of the research proposed by UK partners must fall within the subject remit of the ESRC |
| Eligibility of costs | <p><u>Eligible costs</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PI and Co-I salary costs for time spent overseeing and providing intellectual input to the activities, time spent setting up and coordinating the activities and associated Indirect and Estates costs • Non-academic Co-I's can be funded in adherence to the ESRC <i>Inclusion of UK business, third sector or government body co-investigators on ESRC proposals</i> policy: https://esrc.ukri.org/funding/guidance-for-applicants/inclusion-of-uk-business-third-sector-or-government-body-co-investigators-on-proposals/ • International Co-I's from outside the participating countries can be funded in adherence to the ESRC <i>Inclusion of international co-investigators on proposals</i> policy: https://esrc.ukri.org/funding/guidance-for-applicants/inclusion-of-international-co-investigators-on-proposals/ • Costs of resources for coordinating activities • Travel and subsistence (including within Europe) • International phone calls and/or video conferencing |
| Submission of the | Full-proposals should be submitted via eCall electronic |

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| <p>proposal at the national level</p> | <p>submission system (https://ecall.ffg.at)</p> <p>A submission directly to ESRC is not required unless funded. Successful proposals in the full proposal stage must resubmit their application to Je-s, instructions will be provided to successful applicants.</p> |
| <p>Submission of financial and progress reports at the national level</p> | <p>If successful, you will be required to submit outputs, outcomes and impacts linked to your award through the Researchfish system https://www.researchfish.com/.</p> |
| <p>Other</p> | <p>We highly recommend to contact the National Contact Person (NCP) during the preparation of the project.</p> |