

Please note that this list may not be complete, since it is updated only as information becomes available to the ESF office from the participating EUROCORES Funding Organisations (EFOs). It remains your responsibility to check with your national funding organisation for the most recent requirements. The contact persons for all participating organizations are provided on the last page of the Call for Proposals.

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### **Austria (FWF – Austrian Science Fund)**

For Individual Projects (IPs) from Austria being part of an International Collaborative Research Project within the EUROCORES Programmes, eligibility criteria, cost requirements and personnel costs of the Austrian Science Fund (FWF) are binding. Applicants have to follow the criteria for **Stand-Alone Projects (Einzelprojekte)** by the FWF. FWF can support projects up to a maximum of 3 years.

EUROCORES Project Investigators from Austria have to fill in FWF's specific **application form for international projects** and submit it to FWF by the end of the ESF deadline for the full proposals. FWF also requires a **1 page project summary in both German and English** (to be submitted together with the application form).

Applicants from Austria who take part in a EUROCORES Programme have to contact the FWF - Austrian Science Fund for eligibility check.

The information about FWF's eligibility rules and requirements is currently available in German at the following address:

[http://www.fwf.ac.at/de/applications/internationale\\_kooperationsprojekte.html](http://www.fwf.ac.at/de/applications/internationale_kooperationsprojekte.html)

Supplementary information is available at:

[http://www.fwf.ac.at/de/internationales/foerderkategorien\\_eurocores.html](http://www.fwf.ac.at/de/internationales/foerderkategorien_eurocores.html)

Applicants requesting grants from FWF are herewith advised that should their application be successful, information regarding their grants (start-date, duration, amount requested and amount granted) shall be provided to the ESF. This information will be used for generating statistical analysis and reporting to the participating organisations.

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### **Belgium (FWO - Research Foundation Flanders)**

The FWO will sustain in principle one individual project of the top ranked collaborative research projects. Flemish individual projects have to follow all rules and criteria of regular "FWO-onderzoeksprojecten".

FWO can support projects up to maximum 4 years:

- The principal investigator or the responsible for the Flemish team should be a member of the "ZAP" of a Flemish university (or Odysseus fellow).
- The co-applicants have a minimum level of "Dr-assistent" or similar.
- Project networking is part of the consumables.
- Host-institution overhead cannot be part of the budget as this overhead is dealt with directly by FWO in agreement with the host institutions.
- The usual fixed figures for personnel costs have to be used:

Scientific collaborator: 60.000 EUR

Technical/administrative collaborator: 50.000 EUR

Flemish principal investigators are asked to suggest two possible foreign referees and to provide their coordinates. These possible referees may neither be a member of the FWO scientific committees nor be co-author of any publication of the applicants during the last 3 years.

See <http://www.fwo.be> (subsidielijzer – onderzoeksprojecten) for further information

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### **Belgium (F.R.S.-FNRS - Fonds de la Recherche Scientifique)**

The F.R.S.-FNRS commits to support 1 Principal investigator from the French-speaking Community to participate in a Collaborative Research Project (CRP) in EuroEPINOMICS, EuroGIGA, EuroVOL and EuroBIOSAS and 2 Principal investigators in EuroUnderstanding and EuroSolarFuels.

To be eligible a researcher must hold a PhD and have a permanent position in a university of the French-speaking Community. The project must comply with the procedures and deadlines as defined in the EUROCORES Call for Proposals. The amount of the grant is max. 200.000€ over 4 years (overheads are not eligible).

The F.R.S.-FNRS will conduct an eligibility check at the stage of the outline proposals as to verify the administrative conformity to its eligibility criteria.

For further information on the eligibility requirements, please contact [nadege.ricaud@frs-fnrs.be](mailto:nadege.ricaud@frs-fnrs.be).

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### **Croatia (National Foundation for Science, Higher Education and Technological Development of the Republic of Croatia)**

All conditions and requirements can be found at:

[http://www2.nzz.hr/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=21](http://www2.nzz.hr/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=21)

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### **Cyprus (Research Promotion Foundation)**

Special conditions or requirements for participation in EUROCORES Programmes can be found at:

<http://www.research.org.cy>

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### **Czech Republic (GACR – Czech Science Foundation)**

Please be aware that in parallel to the EUROCORES application, the applicants from the Czech Republic have to submit a national proposal to the Czech Science Foundation (GACR).

Please check the website at:

<http://www.gacr.cz/cz/ecor-01cile.htm> (Czech version)

or

<http://www.gacr.cz/en/esf-04EUROCOREs.htm> (English version)

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### **Denmark (Danish Research Council for the Humanities)**

<http://www.fi.dk/raad-og-udvalg/det-frie-forskningsraad/faglige-forskningsraad/forskningsraadet-for-kultur-og-kommunikation>

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### **Estonia (ETF - Estonian Science Foundation)**

Minimum requirements towards Principal Investigators apply according to the ETF's rules.

The information on the Estonian Science Foundation (ETF) eligibility criteria and funding rules are available on the website: <http://www.etf.ee> or <http://www.etf.ee/index.php?a=coop&sub=eurocores->

For further information please contact the ETF office.

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### **Finland**

The information on the Academy of Finland's eligibility criteria and funding rules can be found at: [www.aka.fi/eng](http://www.aka.fi/eng) or

<http://www.aka.fi/en-gb/A/Academy-of-Finland/International/European-Research-Area-/European-Science-Foundation-/>

The minimum requirement is that the Principal Investigator (PI) must have a doctoral degree.

Application guidelines:

<http://www.aka.fi/en-gb/A/For-researcher/How-to-apply/Application-guidelines/General-application-guidelines/>

Please note that if you plan to participate as a PI in more than one project, you must contact the Science Adviser in charge to ensure that you are eligible to do so.

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### **Germany (DFG - Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft)**

Special conditions or requirements for participation in EUROCORES Programmes can be found at:

[http://www.dfg.de/en/research\\_funding/individual\\_grants\\_programme/index.html](http://www.dfg.de/en/research_funding/individual_grants_programme/index.html)

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### **Hungary (OTKA – Hungarian Scientific Research Fund)**

For Special conditions or requirements, see OTKA's call for proposals for international cooperation (type NN). The web address of National requirements for participation in EUROCORES Programmes is:

[http://www.otka.hu/index.php?akt\\_menu=3660](http://www.otka.hu/index.php?akt_menu=3660)

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### **Ireland (IRCHSS – Irish Research Council for the Humanities and Social Sciences)**

Applicants based in IRELAND who take part in a EUROCORES Programme must consult with the IRCHSS for further information.

IRCHSS terms and conditions, and application forms are available at [www.irchss.ie/esf](http://www.irchss.ie/esf)

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### **Ireland (IRCSET – Irish Research Council for Sciences, Engineering and technology)**

IRCSET terms and conditions are available at [www.ircset.ie](http://www.ircset.ie)

The Irish Marine Institute has agreed to contribute a maximum of 15 days ship-time at value of €17.500 per day. If one of the PhD scholarships in the proposal is focussed on marine biodiscovery/ bitotechnology and works in collaboration with the Beaufort Marine Biodiscovery Programme. IRCSET focus will be on the formation of new PhDs and early career development of Postdoctoral Fellows.

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### **Italy (CNR - Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche)**

Please note that only CNR Institutes are eligible for funding. Requirements of CNR are provided here:

<http://www.cnr.it/sitocnr/IICNR/Attivita/Attivitainternazionali/Bandi.html>

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### **Luxembourg (FNR – Fonds National de la Recherche)**

Special conditions or national requirements can be found at:

<http://www.fnr.lu/en/Grants-Activities/International-Cooperation/ESF-EUROCORES-Scheme>

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### **Lithuania (Lithuanian State Science and Studies Foundation)**

Special conditions or national requirements can be found at:

<http://www.vmsfondas.lt/index.php?content=189>

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### **Netherlands (NWO – The Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research)**

General requirement: please check the additional information on the NWO website, at:

<http://www.nwo.nl/eurocores>

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### **Norway (The Research Council of Norway)**

Phd- or Postdoc- positions are granted for a maximum of three years.

National requirements for participation in the EUROCORES Programmes can be found at:

<http://www.forskningsradet.no> or <http://www.rcn.no/> (English)

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### **Poland (Ministry of Science and Higher Education)**

Please contact the Ministry of Science and Higher Education or the Polish Academy of Sciences because submitting of a national proposal is required.

Information concerning participation in EUROCORES programmes is currently available in Polish at the following address:

[http://www.nauka.gov.pl/mn/index.jsp?place=Lead08&news\\_cat\\_id=37&news\\_id=898&news\\_id=5618&layout=2&page=text#4](http://www.nauka.gov.pl/mn/index.jsp?place=Lead08&news_cat_id=37&news_id=898&news_id=5618&layout=2&page=text#4)

Coordination and networking costs of 9100 € per funded IP and per year (i.e 27 300 € for for the total duration of the programme) should be included in the budget estimates (see template application form which can be downloaded from the ESF-EUROCORES website)

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### **Portugal (FCT- Fundação para a Ciência)**

National requirements for participation in the EUROCORES Programmes can be found at:

<http://ajfa.fct.mctes.pt/apoios/projectos/regulamento.phtml.en>

Projects, whose Principal Investigators or team members exceed 100% dedication to projects funded by FCT, will not be allowed to be funded. No application will be accepted where the Principal Investigator has less 25% dedication to the project or some team member has less than 15% dedication. Proposals in which the Principal Investigators or Proposing Organizations are in a situation of unjustified noncompliance with the regulatory requirements with respect to submission of Technical or Financial reports and return of unused balances from previous projects shall not be accepted.

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## Romania (NURC – National University Research Council)

National requirements for participation in EUROCORES Programmes can be found at:  
<http://www.cnscis.ro> (a regularly updated section regarding ESF applications is available on that page)

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## Slovakia (SRDA - Slovak Research and Development Agency)

The Slovak Research and Development Agency (SRDA) is the budgetary organisation and as such it depends on the Slovak Parliament and Government decision about annually agency budget. An Agreement about financing the EUROCORES project between SRDA and the organization which hosted the PI, is a statement that SRDA will provide the financial support in the project proposed budget, as far as the agency budget approved by the Slovak **government** and **Parlament** will be sufficient.

Please be aware that in parallel to the EUROCORES application, the applicants from Slovak Republic have to submit a national proposal to the SRDA (<http://www.apvv.sk>).

Before making the decision for funding the EUROCORES projects, the Agency board for International Cooperation has to (by the law) perform an own review procedure. The board will accept the ESF International Peer Review of the full proposals, but cannot give a commitment to fund all received application recommended for funding.

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## Slovenia (SRA – Slovenian Research Agency)

- National eligibility criteria:
  1. Project leader fulfills the requirements for basic research project leader
  2. Project leader should have a minimum of 170 research hours free when signing the contract for project funding
  3. applicant is enlisted in the register of the researcher of RS
  4. The budget proposal is in the line with national regulations
- Flexible allocation of budgetary lines between programmes

National requirements for participation in EUROCORES Programmes can be found at:  
[http://www.arrs.gov.si/sl/medn/esf/gradivo/dokum/INC/Skupna\\_gradiva/Kriteriji-EUROCORES.doc](http://www.arrs.gov.si/sl/medn/esf/gradivo/dokum/INC/Skupna_gradiva/Kriteriji-EUROCORES.doc)

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## Spain (MICINN - Ministry of Science and Innovation)

All kind of Research Institutions (Universities and Public Research Centres) are eligible for applying to the EUROCORES calls for proposals. Activities of selected projects will be funded according to common Spanish rules, and the funding level/intensity will be consistent with the usual grants in the different National Programmes. Costs requested should also comply with that stated in MICINN Research Calls for proposals. Participants should consult the MICINN web page, the National Programme for I+D Internationalization, and the Calls for National Programmes for incompatibilities.

**Further information can be accessed at the MICINN web site:**

<http://www.micinn.es/ciencia/jsp/plantilla.jsp?area=progInter&id=151>

**Internationalization:**

[http://web.micinn.es/contenido.asp?menu1=6&menu2=3&dir=03\\_Plan\\_IDI/00-LIAs/05-Articulacion/02-InternacIasD](http://web.micinn.es/contenido.asp?menu1=6&menu2=3&dir=03_Plan_IDI/00-LIAs/05-Articulacion/02-InternacIasD)

**National Programmes:**

[http://web.micinn.es/contenido.asp?menu1=1&menu2=0&dir=03\\_Plan\\_IDI/00-LIAs/01-ProyectosIDI](http://web.micinn.es/contenido.asp?menu1=1&menu2=0&dir=03_Plan_IDI/00-LIAs/01-ProyectosIDI)

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### **Sweden (VR – The Swedish Research Council)**

For general requirements: please check the guidelines for project applications on the VR website, at:

<http://www.vr.se>

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### **Switzerland (SNF - Schweizerischer Nationalfonds zur Förderung der Wissenschaftlichen Forschung)**

Further details can be found on the SNF website: [www.snf.ch/E/Funding/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.snf.ch/E/Funding/Pages/default.aspx)

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### **Turkey (TUBITAK - The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey)**

The granting rules and regulations can be found here:

<http://www.tubitak.gov.tr/uidb/esf>

TUBITAK will check the eligibility of applicants on the basis of outline proposals and inform the ESF office if any applicants are not eligible for funding before the deadline for full proposals in the new EUROCORES programmes. Besides, if none of the selected proposals involve scientists from Turkey, there is no funding requirement following this commitment.

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### **United Kingdom (BBSRC - Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council)**

UK universities, BBSRC approved Academic Analogues and BBSRC sponsored institutes will be eligible to apply to specified EUROCORES activities and will be funded under normal BBSRC terms and conditions. Applications from BBSRC Institutes receiving Core Strategic Grant funding will count against the Institute Cap. Costs should be requested according to current FEC regulations and applicants should note these requirements.

Full details can be found on the BBSRC website:

[http://www.bbsrc.ac.uk/funding/apply/grants\\_guide.html](http://www.bbsrc.ac.uk/funding/apply/grants_guide.html)

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### **United States (National Science Foundation)**

If European applicants would like to include US partners in their EUROCORES proposal, they may contact those US researchers to determine whether they currently hold an NSF grant. If the US researcher does have an active grant from NSF, he or she may request supplemental funding to that grant for participation in a EUROCORES project.

If the US researcher does not hold an NSF grant, he or she must submit a full proposal to the appropriate program at NSF, under the terms of its solicitation, and compete for funds to participate in EUROCORES with all other applicants to that solicitation.

Dr. Mark A. Suskin ([msuskin@nsf.gov](mailto:msuskin@nsf.gov)) is a contact point for inquiries to NSF from US or European researchers. Researchers may also contact NSF's Europe Office in Paris headed by Dr. David Stonner ([dstonner@nsf.gov](mailto:dstonner@nsf.gov)).

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