



Conference 2022

Info session for the Call 2022 applicants

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Welcome!



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- ❖ European and national activities
- ❖ Requirements from the consortia
- ❖ Applications procedure
- ❖ Widening Countries Participation, Open Science Opportunities
- ❖ Funding
- ❖ Tentative timeline

❖ European level

- Formation of research collaborative projects
- Submission of proposals
- Evaluation and ranking
- Funding recommendation
- **Contact point: CHIST-ERA Call Secretariat**

❖ National level

- For some countries, a separate application to the respective funding organisation by a project partner from that country is needed
- Formal implementation, grant agreement
- One **National Contact Point (NCP)** for the funding organisation



National Contact Points

Country	Funding organisation	Participation status	Contact point
Austria	FFG	TBA	Ana.Almansa@ffg.at
Austria	FWF	TBA	Veronika.Schoepf@fwf.ac.at
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Latvia	VIAA	TBA	Maija.Bundule@viaa.gov.lv
Lithuania	LMT	TBA	Laura.Kostelnickiene@lmt.lt
Luxembourg	FNR	TBA	Helena.Burg@fnr.lu
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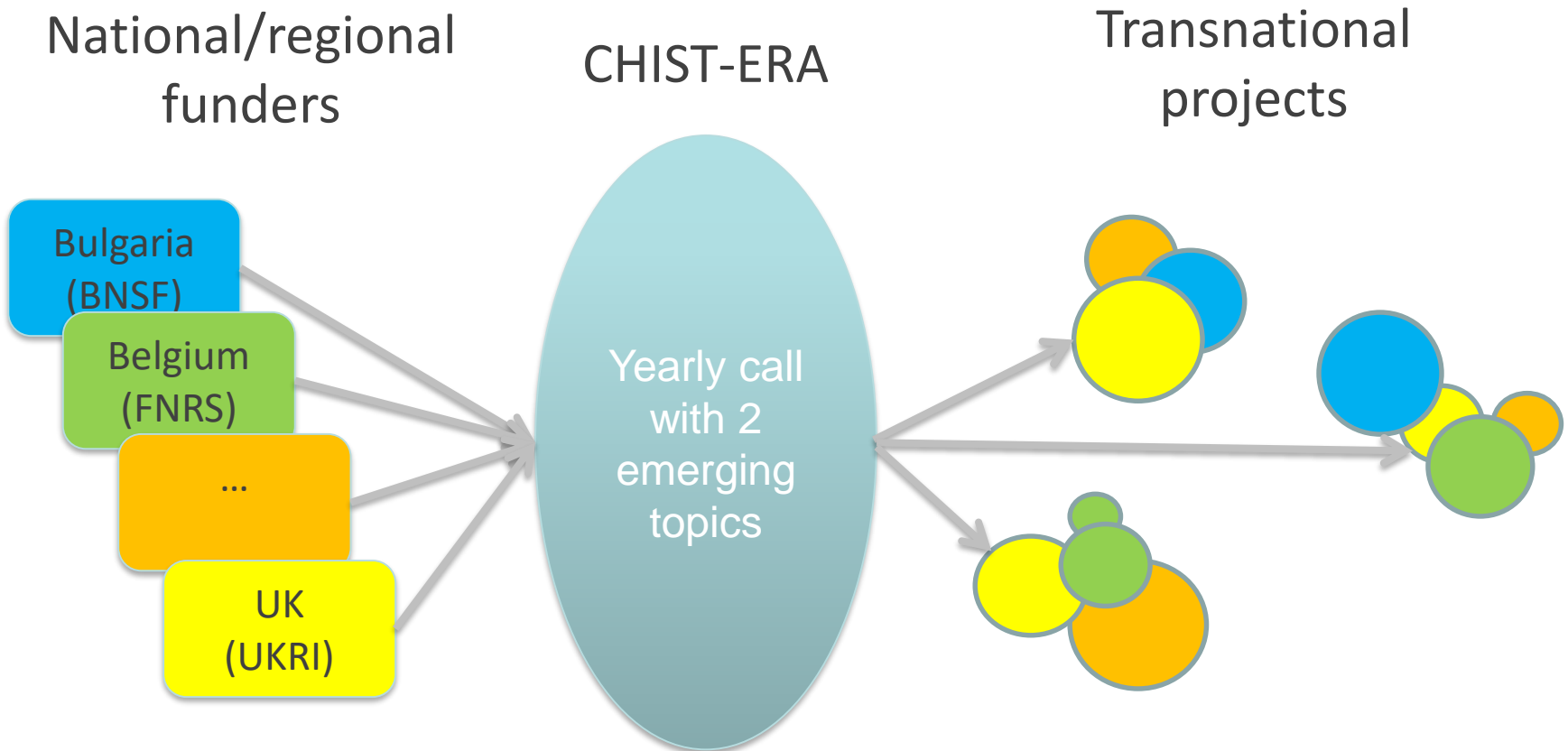
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Portugal	FCT	TBA	Germana.Santos@fct.pt
Québec (Canada)	FRQNT	TBA	
Romania	UEFISCDI	Considered	Cristina.Cotet@uefiscdi.ro
Slovakia	SAS	Considered	Panisova@up.upsav.sk
Spain	AEI	Considered	era-ict@aei.gob.es
Sweden	VR	TBA	tomas.andersson@vr.se
Switzerland	SNSF	Considered	chistera@snf.ch
Taiwan	MOST	Considered	cmtom@most.gov.tw
Turkey	TÜBİTAK	TBA	Ozlem.GeziciKoc@tubitak.gov.tr
United Kingdom	UKRI	Considered (topic SPiDDS)	Rachel.Lamb@epsrc.ukri.org

Not considered: FWO (Belgium), MUR (Italy), GSRT (Greece)

Joint funding instrument

- ❖ No « funding across borders »
 - Each project partner is funded separately by the respective funding organisation (no common pot)



Requirements from the consortia

- ❖ Formation of consortia
 - At least 3 partners from 3 countries participating in the call topic
 - Research should be focused on a clearly defined goal, i.e., the formation of small consortia (between 3 and 6 partners) is recommended
 - Consortia should be balanced (not more than 60% of the total requested funding should be incurred by a single funding agency)
- ❖ Additional partners
 - Research groups from countries whose funding organisations are not partner in the CHIST-ERA ERA-NET or do not participate in one or both call topics may participate in projects if they are able to secure their own funding
 - These groups/institutions do not count for the « 3-3 countries » rule
- ❖ A Partner Search Tool will be implemented in order to find project partners



Applications procedure

- ❖ One step submission procedure
- ❖ Each consortium specifies **one coordinator**
 - Single point of contact for the call secretariat
 - The coordinator must be based in a country participating in the call
- ❖ For each project partner, one PI is the point of contact at the national level
- ❖ Prior to submission, **each PI** has to consult with the NCP regarding **eligibility issues**:
 - Eligibility of the institution (university, academic institutions, industry,...)
 - Position of the PI (e.g. permanent staff,...)
 - Eligible costs
- ❖ The proposal is submitted to the ANR electronic submission system
- ❖ Some agencies require additional national forms at this stage!
- ❖ All the important info/documents as well as the FAQ will be available at the bottom of the Call 2022 webpage



- ❖ Evaluation by an international evaluation panel and external reviewers
- ❖ Evaluation criteria:
 - **Relevance to the Topic** (*threshold:4; weight:1*)
 - **S/T Quality**: Scientific and technological excellence (*threshold:3,5; weight:2*)
 - **Impact**: Potential impact through the development, dissemination dissemination (including Open Science practices) and use of project results (*threshold:3,5; weight:2*)
 - **Implementation**: Quality and efficiency of the implementation and management (*threshold:3; weight:1*)

Widening Countries: Definition and Motivation

- ❑ Widening Countries: List of low performing countries in R&I established by the EC

- ❑ Motivation -> Spread excellence
 - ✓ CHIST-ERA, as a funding instrument of collaborative projects following competition, can be instrumental
 - In opening well established non-Widening Countries research networks to most talented researchers in the Widening Countries
 - Conversely, broader engagement of the Widening Countries research communities has the capacity to enrich the European scientific and technology landscape with varied perspectives and scientific and technology challenges to tackle

- ❑ CHIST-ERA support:
 - ✓ A call selection criterion that prioritises projects with Widening Countries in case of ex aequo projects
 - ✓ Partner Search Tool

- ❑ Good practices of the research community supported
 - ✓ Commitment of Open Access within Call 2022
 - Publications in Open Access (Green or Gold routes)
 - Underlying data FAIRly open* in archives
 - **No embargo**
 - ✓ Data Management Plan (DMP) for accepted projects
 - **Within 3 months** of project start
 - Update on a yearly basis
 - Sharing data on FAIR-enabling data repositories

- ❑ Open Science Coordinator: New role for projects
 - ✓ Planning of Open Science (activities, costs)
 - ✓ Monitoring throughout the project lifetime

* Following the principle “as open as possible, as closed as necessary”



Complementary Developments and Support Measures

- ❑ Appreciation of Open Science practices within the project evaluation (mainly *Impact* criterion)
- ❑ Reinforcement of DORA declaration principles
- ❑ See call documents for more details



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European coordinated research on future and





- ❖ The Call Steering Committee recommends projects for funding to the funding agencies
- ❖ Information flow:
 - The Call secretariat informs all coordinators (outcome of the process, evaluation consensus report).
 - Information of each PI by the coordinator
- ❖ « Negotiation phase » at the national level
- ❖ Separate grant agreements for each partner



Recommendations (1/2)

- ❑ CHIST-ERA is not ERC: Collaboration, science and technology are essential ingredients
- ❑ Novelty and interdisciplinarity are important
 - ✓ Incremental refinements rarely make it, high-risk does
 - ✓ Collaboration driven by joint questions, goals and mutual learning
- ❑ A long-term vision is essential but also a plausible idea on how to get there
- ❑ Strong encouragement to involve Widening Countries in the call
- ❑ Improve your project by integrating appropriate Open Access measures
- ❑ Consider altogether the Call Announcement, the evaluation criteria and the proposal template



Recommendations (2/2)

- Make sure that your partners have checked their eligibility with the respective funding organisations
- Take into consideration national/regional budget constraints. Projects are expected to be at maximum in the range of 0.8 – 1 M€
- Do not hesitate to contact the CHIST-ERA call secretariat and your national/regional contact points
- Get used to the electronic submission system sufficiently in advance to prevent any technical risk



Tentative timeline

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| From now on | CHIST-ERA Conference 2022 | ❖ Start to prepare the composition of your consortium if you are interested in the call |
| Fall 2022 | Publication of the Call (CHIST-ERA website) | ❖ Follow us on Twitter @chistera_net and LinkedIn |
| December 2022/
January 2023 | Submission deadline | ❖ Please carefully read the Call Announcement document that will be published as well as <u>national annexes</u> |
| June 2023 | Notification of accepted proposals | ❖ Outcomes of the evaluation as well as the consensus reports + individual reviews will be sent to applicants |



Thank you!

