

COUNTRY: Belgium (Flanders) Research Foundation - Flanders (FWO)

The FWO only participates within Thematic Area 1: Infectious Diseases (incl. Covid-19)

Eligibility

The FWO participates with its (junior/senior) <u>'research projects' funding channel</u>, which implies that these specific regulations apply:

- See articles 10-12 (in essence this comes down to holding an eligible permanent position (i.e. 'ZAP-position') at a Flemish, eligible main host institution).
- The FWO only funds basic/fundamental research in this call.

Funding modalities

- Funding money can be used for, e.g.: staff, consumables, travel, equipment and some other costs (e.g. publication costs, subcontracting). The minimal and maximal amounts of money allowed per cost category, as applicable for the regular FWO-projects, are not applicable in this call.
- The max. applicable amount per project is 212.000 EUR, including a 6% overhead calculated on the direct costs. Consequently, the max. available amount for the direct costs is 200.000 EUR, on which a 6% overhead needs to be applied structurally.

Additional regulations

- One and the same researcher can participate in 2 different research projects/consortia at maximum when applying for FWO funding, within the same call.
- An eligible consortium is composed of minimum three partners, from three different participating countries eligible for funding, and both regions (SEA and Europe) must be represented amongst these partners.
- Researchers are asked to inform their central coordination unit, at their host institution, about their participation.
- Projects may last up to 36 months, which implies the funding has to be budgeted and spent accordingly. Extensions are not allowed in this phase.
- It is advised to contact the FWO before submission (see contact point below), in order to avoid ineligible projects and consortia.
- ERA-NET participation does not interfere with the 'regular' project submission framework, and is consequently not taken into account for calculating the max. available number of new applications and running projects combined.

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