

COUNTRY: Brunei Darussalam
Universiti Brunei Darussalam (UBD)

UBD participates in the following thematic areas of the 2025 JFS Call for Research Proposals (10th Call):

Thematic Areas:

1. New Materials and GreenTransition
2. Climate Resilient, Smart Agriculture using AI & IoT

For partnership inquiries or other matters relevant to the 10th JFS Call, please contact Professor Dr Basilios Tsikouras at basilios.tsikouras@ubd.edu.bn

Eligibility and funding modalities

The organisations that are eligible to submit research proposals in collaboration with UBD include:

- Universities
- Research Institutes
- Public Research Organisations
- Small and Medium Enterprises (SME)

The maximum funding per project is € 40,000, and the maximum funding period is 3 years. Funding from UBD indicates active involvement by UBD researchers in the research grant, necessitating strict adherence to the rules and regulations set forth by both UBD and the Government of Brunei Darussalam for all grants.

Eligible cost categories

For researchers funded by Universiti Brunei Darussalam (UBD) the funding is limited to:

- **Personnel costs** (funding Research Assistants to carry on data collection, analysis, general support to the researchers, etc.)
- **Mobility / travel** (economy class flight tickets, visas, accommodation, daily allowances all regulated by the guidelines of UBD)
- **Equipment** (purchase of small research equipment after justification and according to the procurement rules regulated by the Finance Office of UBD)
- **Consumables** (purchase of consumables related to the research and according to the procurement rules regulated by the Finance Office of UBD)
- **Other Operating Expenses** (any type of expenses related to the research and logistics, such as sample shipping, rental of equipment, various payments for the facilitation of the project according to the rules regulated by the Finance Office of UBD)
- **Workshops / meetings** (payment of workshop/conference fees, accommodation and per diem up to 14 days and up to 4,000 B\$ per academic year)
- **Publications** (article processing charges to Q1 or Q2 Journals, according to the regulations of the Office of Assistant Vice Chancellor Research of UBD)

Additional regulations

All payments of the research grants will be handled by the Office of Assistant Vice Chancellor for Research, Innovation & Sustainability (OAVCRIS) and the Finance Office of UBD.

The Principal Investigators and the Team members from UBD must apply for all expenses to the OAVCRIS via the digital Research Management System (ReMS).

Applicants are advised to check the Office of Assistant Vice Chancellor for Research, Innovation & Sustainability (OAVCRIS) website at research.ubd.edu.bn for more information on funding and the UBD regulations.

Submission in addition to PT-Outline submission
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Each proponent that requests funding from a JFS funder must carefully read the respective National Regulations and contact the National Focal Point for an informal eligibility pre-check before submission.

Before submission, it is advisable that each partner also reads the National Regulations of the other partners in the consortium, to understand and fit-in to the criteria specified in the partners' National Regulations.

In case of a positive evaluation of a Research Proposal, applicants from Brunei Darussalam will be requested to apply for a "University Research Grant" (URG) to the OAVCRIS to obtain the relevant fund from UBD.

For more information, please contact our National Focal Point:

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