

CROATIA

Participating organization: Croatian Science Foundation (HRZZ)

Indicative Budget: 0.2 M€

National Contact Person(s):

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Max. project duration: proposed projects may last from 24 to 36 months

Max. funding per project: 100.000 EUR

Principal Investigators are not allowed to apply for funding in more than one proposal within this Call.

1-3 projects can be funded

Funding criteria and regulations

The Croatian Applicant may have the status of a Principal Investigator (PI) and/or team member/Co-PI on a maximum two HRZZ projects, i.e. as PI of one project and team member/Co-PI on another project or as a team member/Co-PI on two projects. This does not include the role of PI and team members in HRZZ projects ending on 31 January 2022, and PIs on IP-Corona-2020-04, IP-Corona-2020-12 and TTP-2018-07 projects. Co-PIs on projects are PIs of Croatian research groups in Cooperability Programme, Swiss-Croatian research projects and projects in bilateral programmes.

The Croatian Applicant must be an active researcher who is permanently employed at an eligible institution at the moment of application and should have a valid employment contract throughout the duration of the project.

Institutional eligibility criteria:

Eligible applicants are public research organizations registered in the Register of Scientific Organizations managed by the Ministry of Science and Education. **Partners from the industry sector are not eligible for funding.** The organization should provide support to the Croatian applicant and ensure the conditions for successful project implementation.

Criteria defined in the document "Upute za hrvatske prijavitelje na transnacionalne natječaje Hrvatske zaklade za znanost za 2021. godinu" presenting the modalities of participation of the Croatian applicants, eligibility of the organizations and eligible costs are applicable to this Call. The document is available [here](#).

Following the conclusion of the consortium agreement between the consortium partners, the Croatian applicant in the project consortium will be required to sign a grant agreement with HRZZ for the portion of the budget provided by HRZZ.

Eligibility confirmation

HRZZ recommends all Croatian applicants to contact HRZZ prior to the submission of the Intention to Submit Form to check the national funding terms and conditions as well as their eligibility.

For full proposal

HRZZ requests the Croatian applicants to send the following documentation, not later than 2 days after the submission of the full proposal:

1. Financial Plan for the Croatian partner (the part to be financed by the HRZZ), extracted from the Financial Form submitted by the project consortium;
2. Full proposal (in PDF format, sealed on the date of Call deadline);

3. Organizational Support Letter (template provided), signed and sealed by the Head of the PI's Organization

4. Letters of intent for all team members or consultants who are not employed at the same organization as the Croatian applicant, declaring their willingness to participate in the project.

The electronic version of the requested documentation should be sent via e-mail to the following address: dario@hrzz.hr.

Submission of financial reports at the national level: The funded Croatian applicants will have to submit annual Financial reports and justifying documentation (e.g. invoices, contracts, pay slips and similar) to HRZZ, together with a Declaration on VAT status and Declaration on the prevention of double financing for the year in question.

Eligible costs have been defined in the document „Upute za hrvatske prijavitelje na transnacionalne natječaje Hrvatske zaklade za znanost za 2021. godinu” and include the following:

- Research costs
- Personnel costs
- Equipment;
- Dissemination and travel expenses;
- Overheads (indirect costs) are calculated as a percentage of contracted direct costs. These costs can be claimed only if there is an explanation and specification for their use. Indirect costs will not exceed 5% of direct costs.

Institutional thematic priorities:

n/a

Proposals with the following focus cannot be funded:

n/a

Additional information:

n/a