

National Funding Regulations

Poland – National Centre for Research and Development (NCBR)

Who can apply?

- 1. Research organisations**
- 2. Enterprises** (micro, small, medium or large)
- 3. Scientific consortia** (research entities and enterprises)

What types of funding are eligible for the Polish researchers?

The NCBR's total allocation for the current V4-Korea Joint Call for Proposals is **EUR 500.000**. The level of funding for Polish participants is limited up to the maximum of **125.000 EUR per project** for up to 3 years (36 months).

What types of costs are eligible for funding?

1. Personnel costs (W) - researchers, technicians and other supporting staff to the extent employed on the research project;
2. Costs of instruments, equipment (A) and intangible assets (such as patents, certificates etc.) to the extent and for the period used for the research project; if they are not used for their full life for the research project, only the depreciation costs corresponding to the life of the research project, as calculated on the basis of good accounting practice, shall be considered eligible;
3. Purchase of land and real estate (G) to the extent and for the period used for the research project; if such instruments and equipment are not used for their full life for the research project, only the depreciation costs corresponding to the life of the research project, as calculated on the basis of good accounting practice, shall be considered eligible;
4. Costs of subcontracting (E), i.e. costs based on agreements with third parties to perform a portion of the project without a direct supervision of the project participant and without a relationship of subordination the subcontracting can be obtained from consortium partner only in justified case, this need will be verified by a national experts panel; Costs of subcontracting cannot exceed 70% of all eligible costs of the project.
5. Other costs (Op) - including costs of support services, materials, supplies and similar products incurred directly as a result of the research activity, travel costs (costs of delegations, costs of participation in conferences), costs of maintaining a separate bank account, costs of promoting the project;
6. Overheads (O) - incurred indirectly as a result of the research project; Overheads must be calculated according to the formula:

$$O = (W+A+G+Op) \times \text{up to } 25\%^*$$

* percentage from 0% to 25% estimated by the Applicant himself (the same percentage for every task in the project)

For the funding granted by the NCBR, the following regulations apply:

1. The Act of 30 April 2010 on the Principles of Financing Science, published in Journal of Laws No. 96 item 615 as amended;
2. The Act of 30 April 2010 on the National Centre for Research and Development, published in Journal of Laws No. 96 item 616 as amended;
3. The Regulation of the Minister of Science and Higher Education of 25 February 2015 on criteria and rules on granting state aid and “de minimis” aid by the National Centre for Research and Development, which is in line with the Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014 of 17 June 2014 declaring certain categories of aid compatible with the internal market in application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty (General Block Exemption Regulation).

Maximum level of funding:

- For research organisations – up to 100% of eligible costs
- For enterprises – up to the level submitted in the Regulation of the Minister of Science and Higher Education of 25 February 2015 on criteria and rules on granting state aid and “de minimis” aid by the National Centre for Research and Development, which is in line with the Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014 of 17 June 2014 declaring certain categories of aid compatible with the internal market in application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty (General Block Exemption Regulation)

National phase of the applying procedure:

After international evaluation has been completed and the ranking list established, Polish participants from consortia recommended for funding will be invited to submit the National Application Form (NAF).

All eligible entities invited to submit NAF are obliged to use the rate of exchange of the European Central Bank dated on the day of opening of the call.

NAFs will be then examined by the interdisciplinary panel of experts for international projects for the appropriateness of funding requested. Based on recommendations of the panel, the Director of NCBR issues a funding decision/rejection decision.

All detailed information about the financial rules and national procedure is available on the NCBR's homepage: <http://www.ncbir.pl/programy-miedzynarodowe/wspolpraca-v4---korea/aktualnosci/>