

Guidelines AM6 - International Research Collaboration

The “International Research Collaboration” measure supports the participation of Luxembourg researchers in the European Union’s Framework Programmes.

AM6a: Preparation of a European Union Research Project

In order to promote the participation of research organisations in the 7th Framework Programme, the FNR gives support to coordinators and partners from public research institutions in Luxembourg that submit a project under FP7, under Article 169s¹ or under an ERA-Net+².

For information on FP7, please visit the website www.cordis.lu/fp7. For information on Article 169s and ERA-Net+ please contact the FNR.

Fixed amounts of the financial contribution:

1. Luxembourg as a partner:

- a) **1.000 EUR** will be attributed each time a project is submitted (independent of the evaluation result).
- b) An additional amount of **2.500 EUR** will be attributed in case of a positive evaluation.
Maximum limit: 3.500 EUR.

2. Luxembourg as a coordinator:

- a) **2.500 EUR** will be attributed each time a project is submitted (independent of the evaluation result).
- b) An additional amount of **2.500 EUR** will be attributed in case of a positive evaluation.
Maximum limit: 5.000 EUR.

3. Costs for a professional agency

A financial contribution may be asked when consulting a professional agency for the preparation of an FP7 project if Luxembourg is coordinator. The FNR may pay 100% of the eligible costs below 5.000 EUR and 50% of the eligible costs exceeding 5.000 EUR.

Maximum limit: 10.000 EUR

Potential beneficiary and eligibility conditions:

- The applicant must be a public research institution (as listed in article 3 of the law of the FNR). Individuals, private associations or companies are not eligible.
- The proposal must have been submitted in the FP7 programme or in a framework of Article 169s¹ or ERA-Net+².
- In the framework of the FP7 programme the applicant has contacted the National Contact Point (NCP) in advance (a confirmation email or letter by the NCP is needed). The FP7 NCP is M. Jean-Michel Ludwig (jean-michel.ludwig@luxinnovation.lu).
- In the framework of an Art. 169 or Eranet+ project the applicant has contacted the FNR programme manager (a confirmation email or letter by the FNR is needed).

¹ E.g. AAL (Assisted Ambient Living), EDCTP (European-Developing Countries Clinical Trials Partnership)

² As projects within ERA-Net do not receive co-funding from the European Commission, the measure covers only ERA-Net+ initiatives.

For more information please contact the FNR.

Eligible costs:

- Fixed amounts (see point 1 & 2 above).
- Costs for the use of a professional agency (see point 3 above).

Application procedures and documents to be joined to the completed application form:

- Deadline for obtaining the financial contribution: **up to 6 months after evaluation** of the proposal.

The applications have to be submitted before the relevant submission deadline in electronic format to the FNR. The signed paper version must be sent by regular mail to the Fonds National de la Recherche, 6, rue Antoine de Saint-Exupéry, P.O. Box 1777, L-1017 Luxembourg, within 5 working days after the deadline of the electronic version at the latest. The signed application form has to be submitted together with all the documents listed below.

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- Please join a description of the project, the acknowledgement receipt and the evaluation sheet of the European Commission as well as a summary of the project (maximum ½ page). In case of a FP7 project the confirmation of the National Contact Point, in case of an Art. 169 or Era-Net+ project the confirmation of the FNR.
- Deadline for obtaining a financial contribution for the use of a professional agency: at least 1 month before the call deadline. Please join a description of the project (max 3 pages) and a detailed offer by the agency consulted, describing the work and indicating the hours foreseen.