Spain - MINECO

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Initial Funding Commitment  500,000 €

Who can apply?

Purpose of funding

The projects granted by the MINECO must be aligned with the main objectives described in the Programa Estatal.

Eligible criteria

Non-profit research organizations according to the APCIN call

1) Although enterprises won’t be funded through the APCIN Call, the Spanish industrial sector is much welcome to participate in the transnational consortia using their own funds. Nevertheless, MINECO may establish an additional support in order to promote cooperation between the Spanish public and private sectors.

Final rules on eligibility will be described at the APCIN 2016 call, to be published here.

What types of costs are eligible for funding?

- Direct Costs:
  - Personnel costs for temporary contracts (fellowships are not eligible).
  - Current costs, small scientific equipment, disposable materials, travelling expenses and other costs that can be justified as necessary to carry out the proposed activities.

- Indirect Costs
  Indirect costs (overheads) or clinical assays (proofs of concept, proofs of principle) are not eligible for funding in the APCIN call.

Upper funding limits for eligible costs?

The following funding limits are considered eligibility criteria. Proposals not respecting these limits could be declared non eligible.

- When one Spanish legal entity participates in the proposal, the maximum funding is 100,000 € per proposal (additional 25,000 € when the proposal is coordinated by a Spanish PI).
- When 2 Spanish legal entities participate in the same proposal, the maximum funding of the Spanish part should not exceed 150,000 € per proposal (additional 25,000 € when the proposal is coordinated by a Spanish PI).
- If the transnational proposal is led by a PI eligible for MINECO a maximum of 8,000 € per year in addition.
Centres formed by different Spanish legal entities will be considered as a unique entity, and thus the maximum funding should not exceed the limits per proposal established above (for example mixed centres).

The final funding will take into account the transnational evaluation of the collaborative proposal, the scientific quality of the Spanish group, the added value of the international collaboration, the participation of the industrial sector, and the financial resources available.

**Additional national eligibility criteria for the proposal beyond the general criteria in the Terms of Reference of the Joint Transnational Call**

**Mandatory:**
Spanish Principal investigators **must be** eligible according to the APCIN 2016 call and must have experience as investigators in projects funded by the Plan Nacional I+D+I 2008-2011, the Plan Estatal I+D+I 2013-2016, ERC Grants, or European Framework Programmes.

**Not allowed:**
- Principal Investigators are not allowed to apply for funding in more than one proposal of the ERANET LAC call 2015-2016.
- Principal investigators are not allowed to apply for funding in more than one proposal in APCIN 2016 call. This must be taken into account when participating in different ERA-Nets or other international initiatives.
- Important note: Principal investigators granted in the APCIN 2015 call are not allowed to apply neither in APCIN 2016 nor in the transnational ERANET LAC call 2015-2016.

MINECO will avoid double funding (overlapping with other EU or National funding), and will not grant projects or parts of projects already funded.

**Call contact points**

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**See also check list for institutional funding regulations of MINECO below:**
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Is your research/innovation entity eligible for funding according to the categories below?

- Universities
- R&D national institutions
- Non-profit research organizations according to the APCIN call

Do you comply with any additional national funding regulations?

- Registration/application on a national level: e.g. register in a national databank, electronic platform
- Provided confirmation of being officially registered/legally established
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Upper funding limit of

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- 150,000 € per proposal when 2 Spanish legal entities participate in the same proposal (additional 25,000 € when the proposal is coordinated by a Spanish PI).
- 100,000 € per proposal for centres formed by different Spanish legal entities, which will be considered as a unique entity

Applicants are strongly advised to check with the respective Call Contact Person of their funding agency before a consortium submits the complete application.

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