

National regulations for countries participating in the CORE Organic Plus call 2013

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National regulations, Austria:

The BMLFUW will fund research on bullet 2, 3 and 4 only in thematic research area 3

For one eligible project there will be only one contract between BMLFUW and the respective Austrian partner, whereas additional Austrian partners shall be subcontracted.

After the final selection for funding of a proposal the Austrian partner, if any, has to submit the project via www.dafne.at.

Requested BMLFUW contribution shall not exceed the budget provided in the table of the indicative call budget.

Amortisation costs for equipment can be requested in proportion to the share considered relevant for the project.

Travel and meeting costs are eligible according to the Austrian "RGV".

Overhead costs must be shown with their calculation basis (maximum 20% of direct costs).

Payments by BMLFUW principally consist of prepayment, payment after approval of the Interim Report, and a final payment after the approval of the Final Report (min. 10% of total).

In-kind contribution of the contracted Austrian partner shall be at least 10% of the total national costs.

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National regulations, Belgium, Flanders

Summary in English

Support and funding of organic research and development activities is an important purpose of the Flemish Strategic Plan Organic Agriculture 2013-2017 (www.vlaanderen.be/landbouw/bio).

A maximum funding of 221.000 euro (including the EU contribution) (200.000 euro excluding the EU contribution) has been allocated for the call to cover the participation of Flemish project partners. The pre-distribution of the funds into thematic research areas can be found in the call announcement.

Only Flemish organizations and institutions without commercial purposes can ask financial grants with the Department Agriculture & Fishery, Division Sustainable Agriculture, for participation at the call Core Organic Plus. Participation of partners from private companies is allowed to a certain extend in the costs "external performances".

The following costs are eligible:

- Investments costs (depreciable costs) during the project period
- Salary costs during the project period
- Working costs (= costs directly related to the project and during the project period)
- External performances during the project period

Indirect costs such as overhead are not eligible.

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VLAAMSE FINANCIERINGSVOORWAARDEN BIJ DEELNAME AAN CORE ORGANIC PLUS

Uitsluitend Vlaamse organisaties en instellingen zonder commerciële doelstellingen kunnen financiering voor deelname aan Core Organic Plus aan het Departement Landbouw & Visserij, Afdeling Duurzame Landbouwontwikkeling vragen. In sommige gevallen zullen meerdere instellingen betrokken zijn bij de indiening van de aanvraag en de uitvoering van het project, zij worden verder "Vlaamse partners" genoemd. Samenwerking en partnerschap tussen enerzijds het praktijkveld (proefcentra, bio bedrijfsnetwerken, ...) en de indienende instellingen wordt sterk aanbevolen. Participatie van privépartners in onderzoeksprojecten is tot op zekere hoogte toegelaten (via de kostensoort externe prestaties).

De **aanvragende instelling** is diegene die een lid van een Project Consortium binnen Core Organic Plus is en die voor de realisering van het Vlaamse deel van het project verantwoordelijk is.

Het is evenwel absoluut noodzakelijk dat één instelling aangeduid wordt als de instelling die verantwoordelijk is voor de indiening van de aanvraag en de uitvoering van het project ten opzichte van de Vlaamse overheid: het is deze instelling die de aanvraag indient, waarmee het Departement Landbouw & Visserij, Afdeling Duurzame Landbouwontwikkeling contacten onderhoudt en waarmee wordt afgerekend.

De aanvragende instelling is verantwoordelijk voor het voldoen aan de voorwaarden en de verplichtingen opgelegd door de Core Organic Plus Funding Body Management board en gecommuniceerd door het Core Organic Plus-secretariaat.

Een Nederlandstalig projectaanvraagformulier zal gedistribueerd worden aan de Vlaamse partners in projecten die een gunstig advies en positieve aanbeveling voor financiering vanuit de Core Organic Plus Funding Body Management board waaronder ook het Departement LV kregen.

In de projectaanvraag gelieve aan te stippen of de aanvragende instantie al dan niet BTW-plichtig is. Reden is dat de BTW uitsluitend in rekening kan worden gebracht voor het niet-terugvorderbaar gedeelte. Daarom dient in elke aanvraag steeds het geldend BTW-statuuat van de aanvrager vermeld en gestaafd te worden.

Vanuit Vlaanderen is een budget van 200.000 euro voorzien voor deze oproep Core Organic PLUS. Met de bijkomende financiering vanuit Europa (=top up funding) zal er voor Vlaamse onderzoekers in totaal 221.000 euro beschikbaar zijn. Voor Vlaanderen is dit totaal budget verdeeld over de eerste 3 thema's van de Core Organic Plus call:

1. Crop: Plant/Soil interaction in organic crop production (alle subtopics komen in aanmerking voor subsidiëring): **74.000 euro;**
2. Functional biodiversity to improve management of diseases, weeds and pests (alle subtopics komen in aanmerking voor subsidiëring) : **74.000 euro;**

- 3.** Livestock health management system including breeding (enkel subtopic 4 komt in aanmerking voor subsidiëring): **73.000 euro**;

Het **4de thema** van de Core Organic Plus call ("Ensuring quality and safety of organic food along the processing chain") komt voor Vlaanderen **NIET** in aanmerking voor subsidiëring.

De bedragen moeten worden gestaafd met de geschatte reële kosten die uitsluitend door de Vlaamse organisaties en instellingen zullen gemaakt worden. Bij de eindafrekening zijn deze kosten te bewijzen.

De kostprijs van het project moet verantwoord worden t.o.v. het te verwachten resultaat (kan eventueel op basis van de prestatie-indicatoren).

De steun kan pas toegekend worden vanaf 31 januari 2015.

Gedetailleerde kostenopgave

Algemeen principe

De kosten dienen gedetailleerd per kostenpost (investeringsuitgaven, personeelskosten, werkingskosten, externe prestaties) weergegeven worden. De indeling in kostenposten is van belang, bij afrekening worden verschuivingen tussen de hoofdkostensoorten (investeringsuitgaven, personeelskosten, werkingskosten, externe prestaties) slechts aanvaard ten belope van maximaal 10 % van het goedgekeurde projectbedrag.

Overheadkosten worden niet voor subsidiëring in aanmerking genomen!!

In geval van samenwerking tussen meer Vlaamse partners dient deze mogelijks nog gesplitst per partner. Er worden uitsluitend uitgaven aanvaard die zich tijdens de duurtijd van het project voordeden en waarvoor facturen en betalingsbewijzen kunnen worden voorgelegd.

m.a.w. enkel kosten worden aanvaard die:

- Betrekking hebben op activiteiten die plaatsvonden binnen de projectperiode;
- Waarvan de datum van de betrokken facturen of andere boekhoudkundige documenten valt binnen de projectperiode;

en

- Waarvoor betaalbewijzen kunnen worden voorgelegd van de effectieve betalingen.

Deze betalingen dienen te zijn gebeurd ofwel binnen de voorziene projectperiode, ofwel ten laatste 30 dagen na de einddatum van het project. Kosten waarvoor de betaling later plaatsvindt, worden niet meer aanvaard als subsidiabele kosten.

BTW kan uitsluitend in rekening worden gebracht voor het **niet-terugvorderbaar** gedeelte. Daartoe dient in elke aanvraag steeds het geldend BTW-statuut van de aanvrager vermeld en gestaafd te worden.

1.1.1. Investeringsuitgaven

Als investeringsuitgaven worden slechts kosten aanvaard die in de loop van het project gemaakt worden, die betrekking hebben op het project en verifieerbaar zijn.

Investeringskosten komen enkel in aanmerking voor de afschrijvingsperiode die overeenkomt met de projectduur en niet voor de volledige aanschaffingskost. Deze afschrijvingstermijnen kunnen aangetoond worden in de boekhouding van de organisatie.

1.1.2. Personeelskosten

Als personeelskosten worden uitsluitend de loonkosten van de rechtstreeks bij het project betrokken personeelsleden in aanmerking genomen.

Gelieve zo veel mogelijk de diverse taken van het personeel op te splitsen in aantal mandagen (1 mandag = 1 personeelslid gedurende 1 dag werkzaam).

Alle personeelskosten dienen per maand aangerekend te worden in de afrekeningsstaten (ook vakantiegeld, eindejaarspremie,...).

Organisaties en instellingen, andere dan onderwijs- en onderzoekscentra :

In de tabellen van deze rubriek moeten de directe brutosalarissen van bedienden en/of brutolonen van arbeiders met inbegrip van de wettelijk verplichte werknemers- en werkgeversbijdragen worden ingevuld. Alleen de personeelskosten van de personeelsleden die bij het project betrokken zijn, mogen - in verhouding tot de tijd die zij hieraan besteden - worden vermeld. Daarom dient u een omschrijving te geven van het aantal + de functie (leidinggevend, kader, bediende of arbeider) van de personeelsleden die in het kader van het project werken. Bovendien moet u een raming maken van het aantal uren dat ieder personeelslid aan het project zal besteden. De promotor houdt hiertoe een register bij met de namen van de personen en de door elk van hen aan het project bestede tijd.

Als personeelskosten worden niet aanvaard:

- Bijdragen voor extralegale voordelen zoals groepsverzekeringen, extralegaal pensioen,...)
- Loonkosten voor "supervisie"(meestal door de ondernemingsleider)
- Kilometervergoedingen voor opdrachten (deze dienen te worden ondergebracht bij werkingskosten)

Onderwijs- en onderzoeksinstellingen :

Wanneer de promotor een onderwijs- of onderzoeksinstelling is die periodiek toelagen of andere overheidssteun krijgt, dient met het hierna volgende rekening gehouden te worden:

- Onderwijzend personeel: de aangerekende honoraria en/of loonkosten voor onderwijzend personeel worden aanvaard wanneer kan worden aangetoond dat deze kosten rechtstreeks verband houden met het project en buiten de normale beroepsactiviteiten en prestaties van deze personen vallen
- Niet-onderwijzend personeel: de loonkosten van assistierend en uitvoerend administratief en technisch personeel kunnen slechts aangerekend worden aan het project wanneer kan worden aangetoond dat deze personen speciaal werden aangeworven voor het project.

Personeelskosten van niet-onderwijzend personeel dat reeds verbonden is aan deze instelling, kunnen slechts aanvaard worden wanneer kan worden aangetoond dat het gaat om vergoedingen voor buitengewone prestaties.

Voor de verrekening van de personeelskosten worden de brutolonen met inbegrip van de wettelijk verplichte werknemers- en werkgeversbijdragen als basis genomen, met uitsluiting van de bovengenoemde bijdragen voor extralegale voordelen en de loonkosten voor supervisie.

1.1.3. Werkingskosten

Als werkingskosten worden alleen kosten aanvaard die rechtstreeks betrekking hebben op het project en die ook verifieerbaar zijn. Het zijn m.a.w. kosten en uitgaven die zich zonder het project niet zouden hebben voorgedaan.

Als werkingskosten **kunnen o.m. aanvaard worden:**

- De rechtstreeks aan het project verbonden uitgaven voor verbruiksmaterialen, hulpgoederen, grondstoffen en gereedschappen waarvan de verwachte levensduur de duur van het contract niet overschrijdt (bv. papier, batterijen,...)
- Huur die aan derden moet worden betaald voor het gebruik van gebouwen, lokalen, apparatuur en infrastructuur.

Zijn o.m. **niet** aanvaardbaar als werkingskosten:

- Afschrijvingskosten voor het gebruik van bestaande infrastructuur (gebouwen, materieel, installaties, meubilair en rollend materieel,...)
- Uitgaven in verband met distributie, marketing en reclame, tenzij in de projectaanvraag uitdrukkelijk gestipuleerd en gemotiveerd
- Verhuur aan zichzelf of 'interne huuraanrekening'; dit is het aanrekenen van een huurprijs voor het ter beschikking stellen van een gebouw en infrastructuur
- Computerkosten voor occasioneel gebruik; deze worden geacht deel uit te maken van de overheadkosten.

1.1.4. Externe prestaties

Deze rubriek omvat de kosten van de prestaties die door externe organisaties in het kader van het project worden geleverd (bv. vergoedingen voor studie-, engineerings- en consultantsbureaus, experts, ...). Externe prestaties betreft niet de prestaties van de Vlaamse partners: partners hoeven niet aan elkaar door te factureren. De maximale vergoedingen voor de externe prestaties zijn beperkt tot de barema's vastgesteld door de K.V.I.V.-Commissie.

1.1.5. Overheadkosten (niet subsidiabel)

Overheadkosten zijn allerhande **vaste kosten** die niet begrepen zijn in de andere kostenrubrieken. Het zijn m.a.w. kosten die men, zij het in mindere mate, ook zou hebben indien het project niet zou worden verwezenlijkt omdat die kosten hoe dan ook moeten worden gedragen voor het uitvoeren van de dagdagelijkse activiteiten.

Het gaat hier o.a. om onderhoudskosten van gebouwen en infrastructuur, verwarming, verlichting, water, gas, elektriciteit, telefoon, verzekeringen,...

Overheadkosten worden niet voor subsidiëring in aanmerking genomen!!

National regulations, Belgium, Wallonia

Summary in English

The Walloon participation in funding of CORE Organic II projects is part of the "Plan wallon de recherche global 'agriculture biologique' ". It is administered by the SPW (Public Service of Wallonia) together with the board of "Plan". The Walloon Agricultural Research Center (CRAW) is mandated by the SPW to manage it on its behalf and CRAW has therefore the responsibility of scientific coordinator.

To be eligible, the partners must be located within the borders of Walloon Region and constitute a research unit or a legal entity benefiting from a research unit. A research unit means a research unit of a university faculty, or high school providing higher grade education, or local public or private research center conducting research in organic food, farming or environmental purposes.

A public research institute is funded 100 percent but a private one is funded 50 percent.

Maximum 5 % of overhead can be reimbursed. It must be included in the provisional budget.

Traveling abroad are subject to prior agreement. A mission statement should be written.

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National rules

Le Gouvernement Wallon, à travers la définition de son plan stratégique bio, a décidé de confier la coordination du « **Plan wallon de recherche global 'agriculture biologique'** » au centre Wallon de Recherches agronomiques (CRAW).

Pour ce faire, le CRAW dispose d'un subside dont une partie est destinée à la réalisation de Recherches en agriculture bio, avec le soutien d'autres acteurs wallons et en collaboration avec des acteurs européens.

Dans ce cadre, le CRAW a rejoint le réseau européen CORE ORGANIC Plus et y représente la Wallonie. Dans le cadre de l'appel à projets de recherche lancé par ce réseau CORE ORGANIC Plus, le système de financement utilisé correspond à l'élaboration d'une **convention de partenariat, inscrite dans la convention 'Elaboration d'un plan de recherche global 'agriculture biologique' et 'autonomie protéique'** entre le CRAW et le(s) Bénéficiaire(s) retenu(s) pour la partie wallonne.

Pour être éligible, le Bénéficiaire doit :

- être basé en Région Wallonne et constituer une unité de recherche ou une entreprise privée disposant d'une unité de recherche ;
Par unité de recherche, on entend une unité de recherche d'une faculté universitaire ou d'une haute école dispensant un enseignement supérieur de type long, ou un centre de recherche public ou privé réalisant des recherches à finalité agricole ou environnementale ;
- satisfaire aux conditions d'éligibilité demandées dans le cadre du premier appel à projet coordonné du réseau CORE ORGANIC Plus (détaillées dans le Guide des Candidats ou « Applicants' Guide ») ;
- satisfaire aux conditions d'éligibilité imposées par la DGARNE (Direction Générale de l'Agriculture, des Ressources Naturelles et de l'Environnement du Service Public de Wallonie).

La procédure de sélection est définie dans le Guide des Candidats (Applicants' Guide) du premier appel à projet du réseau CORE ORGANIC plus. Afin de coordonner les efforts déployés en Wallonie, il est également demandé aux équipes impliquées dans un consortium d'envoyer, pour le 1^{er} février 2014, la fiche d'expression d'intérêt reprise en annexe 1, à l'attention de Madame Véronique DEWASMES, Département du Développement, Direction de la Recherche et du Développement, Chaussée de Louvain 14, B-5000 Namur.

Le montant indicatif potentiellement remboursé par subvention est fixé à 66.666 euros , correspond au tiers du budget total que le CRAW a à disposition dans le cadre de l'appel à projets du CORE ORGANIC plus, de manière à pouvoir financer au moins trois projets de recherche si plusieurs projets étaient retenus pour financement après la procédure de sélection du CORE ORGANIC plus.

Le contenu de la convention de partenariat entre le bénéficiaire et le CRAW détaillera notamment l'objet de la convention et sa durée, le budget du montant alloué à la convention, la liquidation, la correspondance, le comité technique, la justification de l'emploi de la subvention, les informations et documents à fournir, le budget (marché à remboursement), le financement, la propriété des données et la confidentialité, les responsabilités, les obligations mises à charge du bénéficiaire, les termes et conditions spécifiques au CORE ORGANIC plus.

Conditions d'Eligibilité des dépenses - Octobre 2013

1. REGLES GENERALES

1.1. PRINCIPES

- Seules les dépenses directement liées à la réalisation du projet accepté et indiquées dans le budget prévisionnel présenté dans la fiche de description du projet validée sont éligibles. Elles seront, une fois validées, remboursées à raison de 50% pour les Centres privés et de 100 % pour les Centres publics.
- Les dépenses effectives encourues doivent correspondre à des paiements exécutés par le bénéficiaire final et être justifiées par des factures acquittées, ou, si cela s'avère impossible, par des pièces comptables de valeur probante équivalente.
- Les ristournes d'assurances, d'électricité, d'eau (etc...) ne sont pas des dépenses encourues et doivent donc être déduites de la subvention.
- Les apports en nature et autres dépenses ne donnant pas lieu à un paiement de la part du bénéficiaire final ne sont pas admis.
- Les bénéficiaires appliquent soit un système de comptabilité analytique séparé, soit une codification comptable adéquate identifiant les coûts faisant l'objet d'un éventuel cofinancement.
- Les bénéficiaires conservent l'ensemble des pièces justificatives constitutives des dépenses éligibles en lien avec la comptabilité visée au point précédent. Les pièces doivent être conservées 3 ans après la clôture du programme.
- Si des textes régionaux ou communautaires sont plus stricts, ils seront d'application.

1.2. ADAPTATIONS BUDGETAIRES

- Le budget peut éventuellement être adapté en cours d'exécution du projet, pour autant que le bénéficiaire le propose en temps utile aux membres du Comité de projet, dans un écrit motivé.
- Toute demande de modification budgétaire doit être préalable à la dépense et devra parvenir aux membres du Comité de projet. Chaque demande de modification du budget devra en outre être argumentée précisément. En cas d'acceptation, une confirmation écrite sera envoyée par le CRAW.
- De même, toute modification de l'échéancier financier doit être soumise à l'accord du comité de projet.

2. DEPENSES ELIGIBLES

- Les dépenses faites pendant 1 semestre doivent être introduites dans la DC du semestre concerné à l'exception des provisions. Dans ce cas, c'est la date de la facture ou note de crédit de régularisation qui sera prise en compte.

2.1. DEPENSES DE PERSONNEL

- Pour toute personne travaillant partiellement ou totalement à la réalisation de la Recherche, le bénéficiaire final est tenu de produire un document (contrat de travail avenant au contrat, lettre de mission, ...) attestant de l'affectation du personnel et précisant les missions et le temps consacré à l'opération faisant l'objet du financement.
- Une copie du contrat de travail doit être disponible au CRAW, dès le commencement de la subvention. En cas de remplacement de personnel les nouveaux contrats seront fournis au CRAW.
- Seules les dépenses relatives aux personnes reprises au point ci-dessus sont éligibles.
- Le bénéficiaire peut remplacer une personne affectée à la réalisation des opérations de la Recherche par une autre dont les qualifications et fonctions sont similaires, dans la limite des budgets initialement prévus. Les membres du Comité de projet doivent préalablement marquer leur accord. Il en va de même pour les ajustements de taux d'affectation des personnes imputées sur la Recherche. Cet accord peut être obtenu via une procédure écrite.
- Les dépenses éligibles de personnel ne comprennent que les rémunérations, charges sociales (salariales et patronales), assurances légales, indemnités et allocations dues en vertu des dispositions légales et réglementaires ou de conventions collectives de travail, la part patronale des chèques-repas.
- Le personnel dont la rémunération fait entièrement ou partiellement partie des dépenses éligibles bénéficie de conditions salariales identiques à celles que pratique le SPW pour le personnel de même niveau de responsabilité, de qualification et d'ancienneté.
- Le bénéficiaire met en place un système de contrôle des prestations via un relevé par quart de journée présenté mensuellement reprenant l'emploi du temps des personnes affectées au projet. Ce relevé sera intégré au rapport d'activité. Il sera également joint aux déclarations de créance. Si la rémunération de la personne fait l'objet d'une autre subvention, lors de la déclaration de créance, cette autre subvention sera inscrite dans le tableau récapitulatif du personnel affecté au programme.
- Le tableau relatif au personnel mentionne les qualifications, les fonctions, les taux d'occupation et les noms des membres du personnel du bénéficiaire affectés à la réalisation de la Recherche, en mentionnant séparément la rémunération totale (charges sociales comprises), qu'elle fasse entièrement, ou partiellement partie du budget de l'action et la dépense éligible prise en compte dans la réalisation du projet.

-Le montant de l'aide régionale correspondant aux points APE (Aide à la Promotion de l'Emploi) doit être déduit des dépenses éligibles. De même, si le personnel financé bénéficie de la Loi de défiscalisation de la recherche dite Loi MOERMAN, ce seront, comme d'application à la DGARNE, les frais salariaux une fois cette ristourne déduite qui seront pris en compte.

2.2. DEPENSES LIEES AU BENEVOLAT

Le caractère non rémunéré du volontariat n'empêche pas que le volontaire puisse être indemnisé par l'organisation de frais qu'il a supporté pour celle-ci (respect de la loi du 3 juillet 2005 modifiée par la loi du 19 juillet 2007 et arrêté royal du 9 mai 2007 relatif aux droits des volontaires).

Dans ce cadre, un répertoire des bénévoles doit être tenu à jour avec un agenda. Le site www.volontariat.be reprend toutes les informations utiles sur les types de remboursement autorisés.

2.3. DEPENSES DE FONCTIONNEMENT

2.3.1

Les dépenses admissibles de fonctionnement liées à l'activité du personnel peuvent notamment comprendre, dans les limites du budget de la fiche de description du projet :

- des fournitures de bureau;
- des fournitures informatiques (y compris les ordinateurs);
- des frais de documentation;
- des frais postaux;
- des frais de téléphone, fax, internet;
- des frais de petit matériel (consommable inférieurs à 250 Euros) identifiables dans la comptabilité;
- des assistances techniques et formations liées aux équipements acquis.

Toute fourniture devra faire l'objet d'une mise en concurrence avec la demande de 3 offres de prix au minimum.

Dans le cas particulier de petites fournitures de bureau, une mise en concurrence, au minimum 1 fois par an (ex.: comparaison de catalogues en ligne), des principales fournitures est nécessaire.

Les missions à l'étranger doivent aussi être soumises à l'accord préalable du comité de projet en précisant le nom des personnes qui feront partie de la délégation et les coûts prévisionnels. Une procédure écrite pourra être mobilisée. Un rapport de mission détaillé devra être réalisé et accompagner la DC.

Tous les justificatifs qui ne sont pas une facture devront être clairement identifiés et collés sur le modèle de document repris [en annexe 2](#).

2.3.2

Les dépenses éligibles de fonctionnement et de consultance comprennent dans la limite du budget de la fiche de description du projet, des frais de sous-traitance extérieure au bénéficiaire, des frais de prestations de tiers, des frais de promotion, des frais de mission, et toute autre dépense réelle identifiable dans la comptabilité du bénéficiaire final et spécifique à la réalisation de l'action susmentionnée.

2.3.3

Les frais de déplacement et de mission feront l'objet d'un justificatif approprié, détaillant l'objet, le lieu et la date de la mission et seront admissibles avec une indemnité maximum plafonnée au barème en vigueur au service public de Wallonie.

Le nombre de kilomètres pris en compte sera, suivant le trajet le plus court, celui depuis la résidence administrative ou le domicile jusqu'au lieu de la mission.

Seuls les achats de billets de train et les remboursements liés à l'utilisation d'une voiture personnelle sont éligibles. Ne pourront être admis les frais liés à l'utilisation d'une voiture de service ou d'un véhicule financé par leasing à charge de l'employeur.

3. DEPENSES ELIGIBLES SOUS CONDITIONS

3.1. TVA, TAXES, CHARGES, IMPOTS, ...

-La T.V.A. récupérable, remboursée ou compensée par l'administration fiscale ou par tout autre moyen ne peut pas être considérée comme éligible, et donc ne peut pas être subventionnée. Le coût lié à la TVA n'est donc entièrement éligible que dans le cas où le bénéficiaire final a effectivement et définitivement supporté ce coût.

De ce fait :

- pour le bénéficiaire non assujetti à la T.V.A., les dépenses imputées au projet se font T.V.A. comprise ;
- pour le bénéficiaire final assujetti à la T.V.A., les dépenses imputées au projet se font hors T.V.A. ;
- pour le bénéficiaire final partiellement assujetti à la T.V.A., les dépenses imputées au projet se font soit T.V.A. comprise dans le cas où la T.V.A. sur la dépense réalisée n'est pas récupérable, soit hors T.V.A. dans le cas où la T.V.A. sur la dépense réalisée est récupérable.

3.2. FRAIS DE STRUCTURE

-Les frais de structure indispensables à la réalisation du projet et préalablement identifiés dans la fiche projet comme ayant un lien direct à la réalisation du projet sont éligibles, à concurrence d'un maximum de 5% du budget, à condition qu'ils soient affectés à l'opération selon une méthode équitable et dûment justifiée au prorata des équivalents temps plein (ETP) affectés à l'opération par rapport au total des ETP du bénéficiaire.

3.3. SOUS-TRAITANCE (prestation de services)

-Les dépenses relatives aux contrats de sous-traitance (maximum 1 niveau) sont éligibles sauf dans les cas suivants :

- a) les contrats de sous-traitance qui donnent lieu à une augmentation du coût d'exécution de l'opération sans y apporter une valeur ajoutée en proportion ;
- b) les contrats de sous-traitance conclus avec des intermédiaires ou des consultants, en vertu desquels le paiement est défini en pourcentage du coût total du projet, à moins qu'un tel paiement ne soit justifié par le bénéficiaire, en référence à la valeur réelle des travaux ou des services fournis.

-Pour tous contrats de sous-traitance, les sous-traitants s'engagent à fournir aux organismes d'audit et de contrôle toutes les informations nécessaires concernant les activités de sous-traitance liées au projet.

-Sont considérées comme du partenariat et non comme de la sous-traitance, les actions menées à coût réel par différents partenaires. De plus les dépenses liées à ces activités seront clairement identifiées dans le budget prévisionnel de la fiche projet.

Dans le cadre d'une sous-traitance, une mise en concurrence devra être réalisée si le sous-traitant n'a pas été clairement identifié dans la fiche de description du projet.

Ce partenariat fera l'objet d'une convention spécifique entre le bénéficiaire du projet et les partenaires.

4. DEPENSES INELIGIBLES

-Les intérêts débiteurs, les agios, les frais de change, les amendes, ou pénalités financières et frais de contentieux ainsi que les autres frais purement financiers ne sont pas éligibles.

-L'achat de matériel roulant n'est pas éligible.

-Les dépenses d'acquisition de compétences préalable au dépôt du projet, ne sont pas éligibles (les formations et les stages restant éligibles moyennant l'accord de l'Administration concernée).

-Les dépenses provisionnelles (pour payer les primes de fin d'année et pécule de vacances, ...) ne sont pas éligibles. Ces dépenses bien qu'étant réelles ne sont pas liées à des prestations effectives.

-Achat de cadeaux au personnel,

-Les assurances extra-légales: les assurances administrateurs,

5. MARCHES PUBLICS

Dans la réalisation des actions subventionnées, le bénéficiaire est tenu de respecter la réglementation sur les marchés publics tant belge qu'européenne.

5.1.

Chaque marché public passé fera l'objet d'un numéro d'ordre qui devra être obligatoirement rappelé à chaque paiement.

5.2. CONTROLE DES PROCEDURES DE MARCHES PUBLICS

Vu l'absence d'investissement, seuls les marchés de moins de 8.500 euros HTVA seront éligibles dans le cadre des présents projets.

Pour ce qui concerne les petites fournitures, cfr. Pt 2.4.1.

Pour toutes dépenses (à l'exception des frais de personnel) de fonctionnement, de promotion ou d'équipement dont le montant est inférieur à 8.500 € HTVA, il y a obligation de réaliser une mise en concurrence (min. 3 prestataires) par écrit, avec bon de commande.

Devront être fournis :

- La preuve de consultation d'au moins 3 soumissionnaires potentiels ou la preuve de monopole si consultation d'un seul soumissionnaire.
- Les offres reçues (dans leur intégralité)
- Si le soumissionnaire retenu n'est pas le moins cher, la justification du choix
- Les bons de commande

L'avis préalable des organismes financeurs n'est pas nécessaire pour ces montants.

6. INFORMATION ET PUBLICITE

Toute valorisation des résultats de la recherche entreprise devra faire mention du soutien de la Wallonie et du Centre wallon de Recherches de l'agriculture comme source de subventionnement.

Annexe 1 et 2:

http://www.coreorganic2.org/Upload/CoreOrganic2/Document/COPlus_National_Regulations_annex_BEWA.doc

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National regulations, Switzerland

Legal basis: The Swiss contribution is based on the "Verordnung über die landwirtschaftliche Forschung vom 23. Mai 2012 (VLF, SR 910.1), article 12.

Who can apply? - Research and other public knowledge institutes as well as enterprises (incl. stakeholders and similar associations, independent institutions, private research organizations) can apply.

Own and co-financing: The Federal Office for Agriculture FOAG will pay maximally 75% of the costs. Switzerland expects that part of the project costs will be covered by other sources (ordinary budgets of institutions, other external funds).

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National regulations, Germany

Bundesministerium für Ernährung, Landwirtschaft und Verbraucherschutz (BMELV) and Bundesanstalt für Landwirtschaft und Ernährung (BLE)

The funding of the BMELV is provided as delineated in the national announcement „Richtlinie des Bundesministeriums für Ernährung, Landwirtschaft und Verbraucherschutz (BMELV) zur Durchführung des Programms des Bundesministeriums für Ernährung, Landwirtschaft und Verbraucherschutz (BMELV) zur Förderung von Forschungs- und Entwicklungsvorhaben sowie von Maßnahmen zum Technologie- und Wissenstransfer im ökologischen Landbau“. See:

<http://www.bundesprogramm.de/forschungsmanagement/richtlinie>

The main regulations are as follows:

- Funding bases on §§23 and 44 BHO (Bundeshaushaltsordnung) and associated administrative regulations according to Verwaltungsverfahrensgesetz (VwVfG) §48 § 49, §49a.
- The funding regulations, follow up and reporting of publicly funded projects are regulated according to ANBest (Allgemeine Nebenbestimmungen).
- Proposed projects must be in line with the above mentioned national announcement.
- Funding will be awarded as non-repayable project grant.
- Eligible Applicants are natural persons and corporate bodies, universities and research institutions domiciled in Germany. Research institutions, which receive basic financing, can be funded subject to specific conditions.

In case of involvement of private enterprises:

- The funding regulations, follow up and reporting of publicly funded projects are regulated according to NKBF 98 (Nebenbestimmungen für Zuwendungen auf Kostenbasis)
- In the pre-proposal stage private enterprises have to submit relevant documents to proof their reliability.
- Private enterprises have to provide a business plan for the implementation of the results.

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National regulations, Denmark

The funding from the Danish Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Fisheries for this CORE Organic Plus Call is part of a specific appropriation under the “Green Development and Demonstration Programme (GUDP)”, and is administered by the Danish AgriFish Agency (DAFA). The International Centre for Research in Organic Food Systems (ICROFS) represents DAFA in the Call and Evaluation Board.

Support and funding of organic research and development activities is a central part of GUDP focus areas. Funded research and development projects in the organic sector should involve solutions of specific challenges for the organic sector in a chain perspective from research to development to the implementation of new knowledge and new technologies based on a holistic assessment.

Applicants for this call is advised to consult the ICROFS' Research and Development Strategy 2012: "Growth, credibility and resilient systems"¹ as well as the GUDP Strategy 2011-2014² before forming the project consortium and shaping the project thesis, since these strategies reflects the national prioritisation and basis of the funding for this call.

A maximum funding of 10 million DKK (excluding the EU contribution) has been allocated for the call to cover the participation of Danish project partners. With the pre-allocated EU contribution it is more than 11 million DKK. The pre-distribution of the funds into thematic research areas can be found in the call announcement.

Who can apply?

Applications for funding can be submitted by:

- Large, medium and small size enterprises (incl. stakeholders and similar associations, independent institutions, private research organizations, owners, tenants and users of farms)
- Research and other public knowledge institutes
- Technical Service Institutes (GTS) – are classified as companies

Funding cannot be granted directly to foreign institutions or businesses registered outside Denmark; however they can be part of the Danish participation in a project on a consultancy basis.

Table 1. Maximum subsidy rates

	Public research institutes	Small enterprises	Medium size enterprises	Large enterprises
Maximum Funding Rate for Applied Research	100 pct.	80 pct.	75 pct.	65 pct.

Own and co-financing

Project activities can be co-financed with other national funds up to the maximum funding rate for national funding. The remaining funding must come from own financing and private sources. Trade funds in the context of state subsidy are considered so-called para-fiscal funds and thus considered as national public funds.

GUDP is encouraging both industry and universities to contribute with own funding for the projects.

Eligible costs

The following costs are eligible:

- Salary costs during the project period
- Consumables and other costs directly related to the project

¹ http://www.icrofs.org/pdf/2012_web_UKforskingsstrategi_indmad.pdf

² http://2.naturerhverv.fvm.dk/Files/Filer/Forskning_og_udvikling/GUDP/Strategi%20og%20handlingsplan/GUDP%20strategi%202011-2014.pdf

- External consultancies
- Indirect costs such as overhead

To be eligible the costs must be directly related to the project and must be incurred and paid during the approved project period.

All costs must be stated excl. VAT, unless the applicant itself has to pay VAT and therefore is applying to have this expense covered.

Note: Cost of PhD inscription/scholarship/course fees is not eligible. The salary of PhD involvement in a project is an eligible cost.

Salaries (Staff costs)

Salary for scientific staff, technical administrative staff or other staff involved in the project. Staff can maximum be paid a salary equivalent to comparable positions in the state. Sickness and maternity benefits, holiday pay and other social obligations should be incurred by the employing authority.

Universities and other governmental institutes, that are required to act in accordance to the rules concerning funded research activities in the budget guidelines of the Ministry of Finance, determine the salary costs as the actual salary expenses.

Private research institutes, e.g. Approved Technological Service Institutes (GTS institutes) budget actual salary costs per hour used (i.e. excluding overhead/general costs).

Operational costs

Other operational expenses that is necessary for the implementation of the project, including analyses, meeting and travel expenses.

Durables and equipment

Applicants must require or provide the necessary apparatus for the project themselves. If this is not possible, the acquisition of the requested equipment will be considered. Applications for a funding for durables and equipment must be accompanied by an explanation. A scrap value should be calculated for equipment funded by the Danish AgriFish Agency that has a value after the conclusion of the project (see table 2). This value (the scrap value) will be deducted in the budget.

Other costs

E.g. subcontracting, including consultancy services from Danish or foreign external advisors, where the beneficiary acquires the full right to exploitation. Applications for funding of „other costs“ must be supplemented by an explanation detailing the content and requirement.

Indirect costs

Universities and other governmental institutions, which are required to act in accordance to the rules concerning funded research activities in the budget guidelines of the Ministry of Finance, charge in the budget a contribution to the common expenses (overhead) of 44 percent of the direct costs.

Other applicants shall document all costs including overhead/common expenses. Overhead/common expenses should be calculated as a percentage of the salary costs and can be of a maximum of 30 percent. The calculated percentage must be documented based on entries in the accounts of the beneficiary in connection with the payment of the grant.

Table 2. Calculation of Scrap value

	Straight-line depreciation over 5 years	Diminishing balance depreciation 25 pct.	Straight-line depreciation over 3 years (To be used for IT-equipment)
	% of initial price	% of initial price	% of initial price
Initial price	100	100	100
Value 1 st year	80	75	66
Value 2 nd year	60	56.3	33
Value 3 rd year	40	42.2	0
Value 4 th year	20	31.6	0
Value 5 th year	0	23.7	0

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National regulations, Estonia

Funding is provided by the Estonian Ministry of Agriculture (Pmin) by the main funding programme "National Programme of Applied Research and Development Activities 2009–2014" (http://agri.ee/public/juurkataloog/TEADUS-ARENDUS/Mkaskkiri_126_2008.pdf (http://www.agri.ee/public/juurkataloog/TEADUSARENDUS/Teadus/Rakendusuringud_muudatus_2010.PDF)

The topics related to plant breeding will be funded by „National Programme for Plant Breeding 2009–2019“ (http://www.agri.ee/public/juurkataloog/TEADUSARENDUS/Ministri_kk_152_2008_2_sordiaretusprogramm.pdf).

Estonian partners who apply for funding should follow the rules of these programmes.

Projects should be in line with the themes released in addition to the funding programme "National Programme of Applied Research and Development Activities 2009–2014".

Estonian project partners are advised that the total requested funding for all Estonian partners within one consortium should not exceed 110 000 € (about 37 000 € annually), of which 100 000 € are from PMin and 10 000 are from the EC pre-allocated funds.

Funding quota of Estonian participants can be up to 100 % for research organisations.

Estonian companies and producers have to know that projects on climate change are in progress and scientific results will be available.

Additional national application forms are not necessary, a transnational application to the central call office is sufficient. The national assessment of pre-proposals should correspond to the rules provided in the call. For pre-proposals and within the whole proposal phase no national application is needed, an electronic

transnational application to the central call office is sufficient. Electronic submission of project applications to the national contact point is recommended.

Projects will be funded according to the ranking of projects drawn up by the Review Panel.

After the evaluation of full proposals, Estonian project partners with full proposals selected for funding will be invited by the Estonian Ministry of Agriculture to contract an agreement.

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National regulations, Spain

Terms and conditions

Only the projects answering to clearly expressed needs of the 2013 INIA's priority lines: <http://wwwsp.inia.es/Comunicacion/NoticiasHome/Lists/Noticias%20Home/Attachments/231/Lineas%20prioritarias%20Plan%20estatal%201junio2013.pdf>, will have a priority treatment in the eligibility process.

Interdisciplinary research proposals will be prioritized.

An electronic copy of the pre-proposal and full proposal must be sent to the National Contact Point, at the deadline of both stages of the call.

Eligibility

The call is addressed to public research institutions and public universities.

Only the topic 1 is eligible for funding.

Enterprises and SMEs are welcome as partners in the consortium, only if they are legally established societies in Spain and their costs are covered by their own resources.

Funding

The requested contribution for Spanish partners in a project consortium shall not exceed 221,000€ (200,000 from INIA and 21,000 from the pre-allocated EC funds).

Applicants should implement the project and should have the necessary resources to do it.

Funding will be subject to availability of the national budget and under the Spanish rules (Article 28.1 of Law 38/2003 of November 17 of General Grants).

Funding can be granted to research teams, according to the rules and procedures of INIA.

In case of budget limitations or budget reductions, an official agreement from the project coordinator to the National Contact Point, certifying that all the project consortium agree with the new funding conditions shall be needed, in order to manage the contract with the beneficiary.

Admitted costs

Subcontracts are not admitted costs. Only costs arising after the official start date of the project as well as before the official end date of the project are eligible

The beneficiary should break down the costs per year, as following:

Direct costs:

- a. Salaries: Only for non-permanent scientific staff and non-permanent technicians hired for the project. PhD students and fellowship grants will not be eligible as personal costs.
- b. Fungible materials
- c. Travel and subsistence costs for meetings can be charged as eligible costs only for personnel included in the project, in accordance with the INIA's rules (<http://www.inia.es/>)
- d. Equipment: Only essential scientific equipment purchased specifically for the project will be reimbursed. In case of equipment and instruments not used for their full life for the research project, only the depreciation costs corresponding to the research project, as calculated on the basis of good accounting practice, shall be considered eligible.

Indirect costs:

Not exceeding 20 % of the direct costs. Electricity, heating, some consumables (e.g. office supplies, toners for prints and repairs) are considered overheads.

The funds will be release to each beneficiary at the start of the project in an advance payment and other annual payments, after yearly scientific (both in Spanish and English) and financial justification duly submitted to the INIA.

National Contact Point (NCP)

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National regulations, Finland

The main national criteria emphasizes that the research shall benefit the agri-food livelihood. The work carried out must be pre-competitive research and/or prototype demonstration. Product development supporting individual firms will not be supported. Financial involvement must be clearly stated in the application. The application must contain a plan for communication of results.

Funding does not cover expenditures for activities before the project has been granted. Normally 50-70 % of the project's gross eligible costs can be covered by the MMM funding (50% is the demand for our "own" research institutes, as MTT Agrifood Research). Applicants must provide the necessary apparatus for the project themselves. If a special apparatus is needed an explanation and application for funding for apparatus must be included. If the applicant has not earlier given the explanation for indirect employee costs and overheads the applicant has to give an account to the ministry.

Priorities within Thematic Research Areas

Finland will support all sub-topics of the thematic research areas 2-4 (2: Functional biodiversity to improve management of diseases, weeds and pests, 3: Livestock health management system including breeding and 4: Ensuring quality and safety of organic food along the processing chain).

Link to additional information (in Finnish):

<http://www.mmm.fi/fi/index/tutkimus/lomakkeet/maatilataloudekehittamisrahastonmakerahankkeet.htm>
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National regulations, France

The funding of the MAAF is provided as delineated in the national announcement: “Note de service DGER/SDI/N-2012-2083 du 9 juillet 2012”, called “Modalités d’attribution des aides du MAAF accordées au titre du compte d’affectation spéciale “Développement agricole et rural” (CASDAR) pour le financement de projets sélectionnés dans le cadre d’appels à projets”.

Proposed projects must be in line with the above mentioned national announcement.

Who can apply?

Applications for funding can be submitted by:

- Private and public (incl. stakeholders and similar associations, independent institutions, private research organizations, farmers)
- Research and other public knowledge institutes
- Technical institutes
- Training institutes

Funding cannot be granted directly to foreign institutions or business registered outside France. However they can be part of the French participation in a project on a consultancy basis.

Every French applicant has to provide a detailed communication plan for the dissemination of the results to end-users.

Maximum subsidy rates:

	Public research institutes	Private entities
Maximum funding rate of CASDAR projects (Innovation and partnership)	100%	80%

Eligible costs:

1) Salary costs during the project period:

- Private entities: real costs
To be eligible the costs must be directly related to the project and must be incurred and paid during the approved project period.

- Public entities: not eligible (excluded salary costs of contract persons recruited for the project)
- 2) Travel costs:
 - Eligible (if the expenses are necessary for the implementation of the project)
 - 3) Provision of services:
 - Limited to 5000€ per service provider
 - 4) Equipment: (excluded investment) (if related to the project)
 - Maximum 10% of the project costs (and justified by an invoice or, if the need arises, by a scrap value template)
 - 5) Indirect costs:
 - Private entities: 20% of the direct costs = fixed amount (or justification of all the costs related to the project)
 - Public entities: 4% of the direct eligible costs = fixed amount

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National regulations, Italy

Ministry of Agricultural, Food and Forestry Policies (Mipaaf)

Mipaaf is funding the following thematic research areas of the call:

- 1) Crop: Plant/Soil interaction in organic crop production
- 2) Functional biodiversity to improve management of diseases, weeds and pests
- 4) Ensuring quality and safety of organic food along the processing chain

Mipaaf rules (General Direction Agrofood Quality Promotion – PQA acting as funding body) for eligibility and allocation of the financial contribution are given in the Ministerial Decree n° 62515 issued on 29/11/2013

Link: <http://www.politicheagricole.it/flex/cm/pages/ServeBLOB.php/L/IT/IDPagina/6950>

A summary of these rules is hereafter reported.

Eligibility of the projects

The projects have to be presented under the thematic research areas 1, 2 or 4

Nature of the applicants

National public research institutions and no-profit private bodies, with among their institutional and statutory scopes “performing research activities” and not only “promoting or supporting research activities”, can apply for funding.

National public institutions include public bodies supervised by Ministries, regional and provincial centres, university departments and institutes, university consortia, interdepartmental centres.

It is mandatory, for all the no-profit private research bodies defined above, that they state in the official documents (statute and/or articles of incorporation, memorandum of association) that among their missions they also “perform research activities”.

SME or other private bodies can participate with their own funding, giving an added value to the research project.

The no-profit private research bodies participating in the project consortium must send scanned copy of these documents by the pre-proposal submission deadline to Mipaaf at: pqa5@mpaaf.gov.it, specifying in the object “Core Organic PLUS call documents – no-profit private body – deadline 25 February 2014”

Financial contribution.

The contribution amount for national participants of the selected projects will be as follows:

- public Institutions and no profit private bodies can be financed up to 99% of the approved eligible project costs;
- SMEs and organisms with other statutory nature are welcome as participants if an added value to the project is proven and if their costs are covered by their own resources or by other external sources.

According to the national regulations the transfer of funds will occur in three steps:

- 1) 65% of the approved costs immediately at the issue of the Ministry decree (contract between the Ministry and the beneficiary);
- 2) 25% of the approved costs once the mid-term report (both scientific and administrative) has been approved;
- 3) 10% of the approved costs once the final report has been approved.

For no profit private bodies the documentation required to receive the financial contribution is specified in the above mentioned Ministerial decree n°62515.

Eligible costs

A) Personnel

1) Salaries – Only for non-permanent scientific staff of public institutions (including foreign visiting scientists, post docs, PhD students, fellowships and grants). Technical administrative staff can be included in the coordination. For no profit private institutions salaries of permanent and non permanent staff actually participating in the project activity can be funded.

2) Travel expenses – for permanent and non permanent staff.

B) Consumables

C) External activity costs – expenditures for activity carried out externally to the research applicant (Consultancy services, agreements, maintenance, repairs, material transportation when needed for the project implementation).

D) Equipments – Only depreciation charges (related to the project duration) for scientific equipment will be reimbursed.

E) Overheads – no more than 10% of the total amount of the above mentioned costs (A+B+C+D)

F) Coordination - if an Italian institution is also playing the role of coordinator the eligible costs are those indicated in the above mentioned National Decree.

Additional forms.

Once the project has been approved for funding, PQA5, acting as funding body, will ask the Italian research units of the approved projects to fill in the model C, annex to the above indicated Ministerial Decree n° 62515, and submit it to the funding Body (Mipaaf) to apply for contribution.

In case of a research unit acting as coordinator, also the general project description, including the activity of all partners and the financial sheet for coordination activity (model A project form) have to be presented to the funding body.

These forms must be written in Italian.

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National regulations, Lithuania

The funding and administration requirements of the International Research and Technologies Development Projects (Tarptautinių Mokslinių Tyrimų ir Technologijų Plėtros Projektų - TMTTP) are provided in the national rules „Dėl žemės ūkio ministro 2009 m. kovo 19 d. įsakymo nr. 3D-177 „Dėl žemės ūkio ministerijos tarptautinių mokslinių tyrimų ir technologijų plėtros projektų administravimo taisyklių patvirtinimo“ pakeitimo“ http://www3.lrs.lt/pls/inter3/dokpaieska.showdoc_l?p_id=407580&p_query=&p_tr2=2

Eligible applicants - Lithuanian legal persons, irrespective of their legal form and method of financing, whose primary activity is to conduct research and development activities and to disseminate their results by way of teaching, publication or other transfer of technology, intending to participate in the project TMTTP together with Lithuanian and another country or only with another country TMTTP project partners
Eligible applicants are listed in § III, non-eligible - in § IV.

TMTTP financing priorities:

- food quality and safety;
- renewable energy and bio-energy;

- global climate change in agricultural sector and ecosystems;
- agricultural economics and rural development;
- agri-environment and organic farming;
- protection of plant and animal from diseases.

Funds to finance projects set for each international call, according to the TMTTP project financing priorities, and allocated to project participants by the order of the Minister of Agriculture of the Republic of Lithuania.

Funded TMTTP eligible project costs determined in accordance with Article 31 of Regulation (EC) No. 800/2008:

TMTTP category	Agricultural sector: TMTTP projects related to the Annex I of EC Treaty, intensity percent.	Environmental and other sectors	
		Basic intensity per cent.	Intensity per cent., where conditions of Article 31. 4 (b) of Regulation (EC) No. 800/2008 are met
Scientific research	Up to 100	Up to 50	Up to 65
Applied activity	Up to 100	Up to 25	Up to 40

Rules for ERA-NET project working group which consists from ministry representatives and professionals and makes decisions on ERA-NET project implementation are set up 12 of April, 2011 by Order of the Minister of Agriculture of the Republic of Lithuania No. 3D-316 „Rules for implementing and governing projects, financed from international financial support and common financing or national budget resources in the Ministry of Agriculture“ (*Projektų, finansuojamų iš tarptautinės finansinės paramos ir bendrojo finansavimo arba valstybės biudžeto lėšų, vykdymo ir valdymo žemės ūkio ministerijoje tvarkos aprašas*); <http://www.zum.lt/documents/isakymu-priedai/110412-3D-316.pdf>

Eligible and ineligible cost are listed in § VI.

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National regulations, Latvia

Funded research projects in this call should be oriented to the organic agricultural production and harmonized with the demands of NGO's of organic sector.

Who can apply?

Only research institutions will be eligible to receive the funding for this call, but Latvian enterprises, groups of enterprises and organisations are also welcomed to join the projects as partners without funding.

The Latvian partner in the projects has to be only a Latvian research institution, which are:

- 1) included in the Latvian Register of Scientific Institutions;

2) under supervision of Latvian Ministry of Agriculture.

Own and co-financing

Project activities can be co-financed with other national funds up to the maximum funding rate for national funding. The remaining funding must come from own financing.

Eligible costs

The following costs are eligible³:

- salary costs for research team during the project period;
- state social insurance contributions for research team during the project period;
- material supply;
- travelling expenses;
- other costs directly related to the project;
- infrastructure and overhead (10%).

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National regulations, the Netherlands

Funding private companies is allowed, but needs to undergo a check for state aid. More information can be found here:

<http://www.agentschapnl.nl/subsidies-regelingen/subsidiespelregels/standaardformulieren/verklaring-de-minimis>.

Extra documents need to be provided to the Dutch funding body.

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National regulations, Norway

The Norwegian participation must follow The Research Council of Norway's General Terms and Conditions for R&D Projects:

<http://www.forskningsradet.no/servlet/Satellite?c=Page&cid=1138882213515&pagename=Forskningsrade+Engelsk%2FHovedsidemal>

³ Costs must be in accordance with actual existing requirements of Latvian Ministry of Agriculture

Only the Norwegian project partners of positively evaluated projects in the first step will be eligible for the second step. Project partners of financed projects will have to submit national application forms to The Research Council of Norway after notification.

Who can be eligible for funding?

Norway will support researcher project in this call. This implies that the responsible Norwegian partner in the project has to be a Norwegian research institution, but that Norwegian enterprises or E.g. : Norwegian companies, groups of companies or trade and industry organisations are also welcome to join the projects as partners or subcontractors.

Norwegian participation must fulfil RCN's requirements for researcher projects:

<http://www.forskningradet.no/servlet/Satellite?c=Page&cid=1195592882768&pagename=ForskningradetEngelsk%2FHovedsidema>

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National regulations, Poland

Type of the Call

research call and research & innovation call

Call topics

1. Crop: Plant/Soil interaction in organic crop production
2. Functional biodiversity to improve management of diseases, weeds and pests
3. Livestock health management system including breeding

Eligible institutions

According to The Act of 30 April 2010 on the National Centre for Research and Development following entities are eligible to apply, i.a.:

- Scientific institution;
- Scientific consortia;
- Scientific network;
- Industrial Scientific Centre;
- Scientific units of the Polish Academy of Sciences;
- Legal entities with a registered seat in Poland;
- Enterprises having the status of R&D centre;

Enterprises conducting R&D activity in other than aforementioned organizational form.

Eligibility of projects

All proposals must be aligned with National regulations, inter alia:

- The Act of 30 April 2010 on the Principles of Financing Science, published in Journal of Laws No. 96 item 615, 2010;
- The Act of 30 April 2010 on the National Centre for Research and Development, published in Journal of Laws No. 96 item 616, 2010;

The Regulation of the Minister of Science and Higher Education of 28 October 2010 on criteria and rules on granting state aid and “de minimis” aid by the National Centre for Research and Development, published in Journal of Laws No. 215 item 1411, 2010.

Eligible costs

The eligible costs shall be the following:

1. **personnel costs** (researchers, technicians and other supporting staff to the extent employed on the research project);
2. **costs of instruments and equipment** 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;
3. **costs for buildings and land**, to the extent and for the duration used for the research project; with regard to buildings, 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; for land, costs of commercial transfer or actually incurred capital costs shall be eligible;
4. **cost of contractual research, technical knowledge and patents** bought or licensed from outside sources at market prices, where the transaction has been carried out at arm’s length and there is no element of collusion involved, as well as costs of consultancy and equivalent services used exclusively for the research activity; this cost type cannot account for more than **70%** of all eligible costs of a project; the subcontracting can be obtained from consortium partner only in justified case, this need will be verified by a national experts panel;
5. **other operating costs**, including costs of materials, supplies and similar products incurred directly as a result of the research activity;
6. **additional overheads** incurred indirectly as a result of the research project; general and administrative expenses are accounted lump sum, up to 25% of the remaining costs accrued eligible project costs without E category (i.e. experts reports, analyses), according to the formula:
Overheads = (personnel costs + amortisation + land + operational costs) x % stake
The maximum rate (in %) of the overheads is the same for all types of entities qualified in the call.

The maximum rate of support for research organizations is:

- for all type of R&D - 100% of total costs;
- for small enterprises : 100% for fundamental research, max. 80% for industrial research and max. 60% for experimental development of total costs;
- for medium enterprises: 100% for fundamental research, max. 75% for Industrial research, max. 50% - for experimental development;
- for Large Enterprises: 100% for fundamental research, max. - 65% for Industrial research and max. 40% for experimental development.

National phase

- Polish participants in the consortia which are invited to submit the full proposals are kindly requested to fill in the Polish proposal and submit it to NCBR. The form of the Polish proposal is available on the NCBR web page for CORE Organic Plus project.

- All eligible entities, invited to submit Polish proposal are obliged to use the rate of exchange of The European Central Bank dated on the day of opening the call.

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National regulations, Romania

Participating organisation:

Executive Agency for Higher Education, Research, Development and Innovation Funding (UEFISCDI)

Name of & link to the funding programs:

Partnerships in priority areas - Funding program CORE Organic Plus call 2013 <http://uefiscdi.gov.ro/>

Minimum and/or maximum project duration:

Projects may last maximum 36 months (*without the possibility of extending the period*)

Minimum and/or maximum funding per project:

N/A. Romanian's total budget for this call is 332.000 Euros.

Who can be eligible for funding (incl. industry participation)?

Eligible entities for funding are:

- universities,
- public institutions,
- R&D national institutions,
- joint-stock companies,
- SME's and Large companies,
- NGOs (associations, foundations, etc.), others.

For universities, public institutions, R&D national institutions funding is 100%, and for SMEs and Large companies, financing is under the permit N 542/2007 of the European Commission.

National priorities:

UEFISCDI will prioritize proposals on the following topics:

- Functional biodiversity to improve management of diseases, weeds and pests
- Ensuring quality and safety of organic food along the processing chain

Eligible costs:

For the fundamental research activities, industrial research and experimental development, according to HG 134/2011, types of expenses are eligible, as follow:

- Salary costs during the period of the project;

- Logistics expenses
 1. Capital expenditure;
 2. Expenditure on stocks - supplies and inventory items;
 3. Expenditure on services performed by third parties cannot exceed 25 % of the funding from the public budget. The subcontracted parts should not be core/substantial parts of the project work;
- Travel expenses;
- Overhead (indirect costs) is calculated as a percentage of direct costs: staff costs, logistics costs (excluding capital costs) and travel expenses. Indirect costs will not exceed 20 % of direct costs, excluding the cost for subcontracting.

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National regulations, Sweden

Eligibility Criteria

Research and Development grants

All research and development grants announced by Formas (alone or in cooperation with other funders) including among others: Formas annual open call, focused calls, calls that can be applied for consecutively and calls in international cooperation i.e. ERA-nets and JPIs:

The project leader and co-applicants must have a doctoral degree. International research collaboration and industrial partners are welcome in the applications. Grants can however only be administered by Swedish universities, university colleges, research institutes or authorities with research undertakings. There is no age limit for applicants, but fully retired researchers cannot obtain funds for their salary from Formas.

Funding

Grants can only be administered by Swedish universities, university colleges, research institutes or authorities with research undertakings. Private companies cannot be main applicants, but may be subcontracted if their services are of importance to the research project. Please, contact the NCP for further information.

The full national rules can be found here:

<http://www.formas.se/PageFiles/204/Formas%20Handbook%202013%20revised%203.pdf>

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National regulations, Slovenia

The funding from the Ministry of Agriculture and Environment of the Republic of Slovenia (MAE) for this CORE Organic Plus Call is part of an appropriated fund for research in the field of agriculture and is administered by the MAE.

Co-funding of research in the context of this call is based on following national rules:

- Zakon o raziskovalni in razvojni dejavnosti (Research and Development Act); (Ur.l. RS št. 22/2006-UPB-1, 61/2006- ZDru-1, 112/2007, 9/2011 in 57/2012 – ZPOP-1A),
- Resolucija o raziskovalni in inovacijski strategiji Slovenije 2011-2020 (Resolution on the National Research and Development Programme 2011-2015); (Ur.l. RS št. 43/2011),
- Uredba o normativih in standardih za določanje sredstev za izvajanje Nacionalnega raziskovalnega in razvojnega programa (Decree on criteria and standards for allocating resources for the implementation of the National Research and Development Programme); (Ur.l. RS št. 74/2004, 32/2005, 26/2006 in 80/2007, 89/2008 in 102/2009),
- Zakon o kmetijstvu (Agriculture Act); (Ur.l.RS, št. 45/2008 in 57/2012),
- Pravilnik o kriterijih za ugotavljanje izpolnjevanja pogojev za vodjo raziskovalnega projekta (Rules on criteria for evaluation of qualifications of project leaders); (Ur.l. RS št. 41/2009 in 72/2011);

A maximum funding of 200.000 EUR (excluding the EU contribution) has been allocated for the call to cover the participation of Slovene project partners. The pre-distribution of the funds into thematic research areas can be found in the Call announcement, and the priorities in the Guideline for applicants.

The funds can be redistributed between the thematic research area No 1 and 3, if necessary.

Eligibility and funding national provisions

MAE will co-finance the participation of its national partners in the project, in accordance with their national funding rules, under the conditions specified below.

Proposals for research projects in this call can be submitted by Slovenian partners in the international consortium with other partners, namely research organizations that qualify on research and development activities in accordance with the applicable rules.

In addition to the rules and procedures, defined in this call, Slovenian partners must comply with the following national terms and conditions:

- to this call can only take part applicants, who are in the databases of Research and development activities in the Slovenian Research Agency (Agencija RS za raziskovalno dejavnost; hereinafter: the Agency) and meets the conditions prescribed by Research and Development Act.

Conditions that must be met by applicants to this call are defined in Research and Development Act and Rules on criteria for evaluation of qualifications of project leaders (hereinafter: Rules on criteria for evaluation),

These listed documents are an integral part of the call documents and are published on the Agency's website <http://www.arrs.gov.si/sl/akti/>.

(1) A research project is carried out by research group, which consists of the project manager, research and professional and technical staff.

If the research group consists of several project sub-research groups from various research organizations, the applicant can only be one research organization, where the project research manager is employed. The applicant must have a signed agreement on mutual rights and obligations with other participating research organizations.

The national project manager must be employed in an organization, which is the applicant to the project. Condition must be met before the contract is signed.

(2) The national project manager must satisfy the conditions for the project manager:

National project manager (for apply research project) may qualify for the research project manager, specified in the second indent of the first paragraph of Article 29 of Research and Development Act and Rules on criteria for evaluation, if:

1. Achieves a minimum of 40 points from scientific publications, which are set out in the regulations governing the indicators and criteria of scientific and professional performance in the last five years.
2. Demonstrates citations as specified in the 2nd the first paragraph of 3 Article Rules on criteria for evaluation or has evidence of transfer of own research into practice (patents, technologies implemented, sold computer programs carried out important structures or products, etc.; COBISS type 2.02 2.03 2.04, 2.06 2.07, 2.12, 2.13, 2.14, 2.15, 2.16, 2.17, 2.20, 2.21, and 2.24) or proven work at national scientific corpus or collection.
3. Shows a minimum total score of scientific publications, citations and documented collaboration with other funders in the last five years.

In determining the minimum number of points (A1 + A2 + A3 + A4) from the 3 point from first paragraph of 3 Article of Rules on criteria for evaluation is to calculate the rating of A3 into account the data set for 2008 - 2012. Limit the sum A1 + A2 + A3 + A4 for this call is taken in the field of biotechnology in the *Methodology for evaluating applications to calls for proposals*, published in year 2013 (<http://www.arrs.gov.si/sl/akti/metod-common-12.asp>), namely:

- the Applied Project:
A1 + A2 + A3 + A4 = 2.5 biotechnology and biology
 - Applied project, if from the project manager's attainment of the PhD thesis passed more than 10 years:
A1 + A2 + A3 + A4 = 2.0 biotechnology and biology
4. Project managers can apply with a lower overall rating A1 + A2 + A3 + A4 if they show their exceptional achievements within the A '(A' > 0).

(3) MAE, based on data from SICRIS at the closing date of the call for project managers, will verify compliance with the requirement of rating A1 + A2 + A3 + A4.

(4) Slovenian researchers participating in an international project under this call must be mentioned by name, their skills must be clearly apparent in application.

(5) Terms of Slovenian partners must be met and are subject to verification in the first stage of the call. In the event that any of the above conditions is not met, the evaluation is not performed, the application is rejected. If the MAE notes that the applicant submits false information, the application shall be rejected. If the Ministry during its examination of the application did not find that the information put forward by the applicant is incorrect, and it finds out at any time during the call procedure or at any later time, the Ministry can cancel the contract with the recipient of funds and require repayment of funds in accordance with the terms of the contract.

(6) Funds under this call may be granted to the Slovenian researchers for activities that are not funded from any other public sources. Eligible for funding will be only the costs that will be incurred after the contract with the selected Slovenian partners.

(7) Applications for funding can be submitted by:

- natural or legal persons whose names appear in the register of research organizations, established in the Agency and meet the conditions prescribed by the Law on Research and Development and general acts of the Agency;
 - o Research and other public knowledge institutes;
 - o Large, medium and small size enterprises (incl. stakeholders and similar associations, independent institutions, private research organizations; owners, tenants and users of farms);

If some large, medium or small size enterprises are not registered for research activities, they can participate as a co-partner together with research partner(s).

(8) The Aid Intensity for research project has to be in accordance with the provisions on State aid for Research and Development and with the other provisions defined in [Rules on state aid for research activities](#).

(9) Project activities can be co-financed with other national funds up to the maximum funding rate for national funding. The remaining funding must come from own financing and private sources.

(10) Funding cannot be granted directly to foreign institutions or businesses registered outside Slovenia.

Eligible costs

The eligible costs are defined by [Regulation on norms and standards for allocating resources for the implementation of research activities financed from the budget of the Republic of Slovenia](#).

- To be eligible, the costs must be directly related to the project and must be incurred and paid during the approved project period.
- All costs must be stated excl. VAT, unless the applicant itself has to pay VAT and therefore is applying to have this expense covered.

- Cost of PhD inscription/scholarship/course fees is not eligible. The salary of PhD involvement in a project is an eligible cost.

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National regulations, Turkey

Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Livestock, General Directorate of Agricultural Research and Policy, GDAR

1. Due to GDAR could not pay for the salaries of permanent researchers and research technicians working outside of GDAR system, salaries should be excluded from the project budget; only temporary workers could be paid;
2. It is not possible to fund directly projects proposed by the scientists outside the GDAR system, therefore, consortium must include at least one of the GDAR institutes or stations;
3. Budget allocations for the successful projects could be realised through a GDAR Research Institute/ station participating in the winner consortium, from the beginning of the next fiscal year following the signing of the contract

<http://www.tarim.gov.tr/TAGEM/Sayfalar/Anasayfa.aspx>

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National regulations, United Kingdom

Public and private institutes are eligible to apply for Defra research funding.

Successful applicant will be expected to enter into a contract with the department and must be willing to carry out research according to Defra's terms and conditions.

Subcontracting arrangements are permitted.

Eligible costs include salary costs, consumables, overheads and travel and subsistence.

Defra's terms and conditions, also on overhead, rules on intellectual property etc. can be found in the standard contract:

http://www.coreorganic2.org/Upload/CoreOrganic2/Document/UK_national_contract_with_conditions.doc

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