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on: submitting research project funding proposals under the QuantERA II (ERA-NET Cofund in Quantum Technologies) call published by the National Science Centre and the National Centre for Research and Development.

This is to inform you that the ERA_NET Cofund in Quantum Technologies has opened call for proposals under the Quant-ERA II Call 2023 for international research projects in quantum technologies covering:

- Quantum Phenomena and Resources,
- Applied Quantum Science.

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The call for proposals is open by 11 May 2023, 17:00 CET (a joint proposal - international level) and by 18 May 2023 (a national proposal submitted to the NCN - national level).

Terms of the call and application procedure are available on the websites:

- QuantERA NET-NET Cofund in Quantum Technologies: <https://quantera.eu/call-2023-announcement/>
- NCN: <https://ncn.gov.pl/ogloszenia/konkursy/quantera2023>
- RSC: www.cwn.uj.edu.pl under the tab "Open calls" go to "Open calls of other institutions - international"

Information on drawing up proposals

- Research projects may be planned in the call for a period of either 24 or 36 months.
- Both the minimum and maximum amount of funding are not specified (costs must be justified in relation to the subject and scope of research).
- Funding proposals may be submitted by international consortia composed of at least 3 research teams from at least 3 countries participating in the call. The principal investigator of the Polish research team must hold at least **a PhD degree**.
- **Countries participating in the call:** Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia*, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Spain, Netherlands, Israel, Canada, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Latvia, Malta, Germany, Poland, Portugal*, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, Hungary, United Kingdom, Italy* (**the country's participation will be confirmed at a later stage*).
- Requirements for **the principal investigator**:
 - ✓ the principal investigator must hold at least a doctoral degree;
 - ✓ the principal investigator must not be named as the principal investigator in other proposals submitted to the NCN in a given call edition (i.e. announced and closed on the same day);
 - ✓ **a person named as the principal investigator in an NCN proposal must not be planned for a research activity** in any proposal which has been submitted to the MINIATURA call and for which the funding decision has not become final;
 - ✓ **a principal investigator** in a national proposal under the QuantERA II call **must not be a person** for whom, on the last day of submitting proposals, the total number of ongoing NCN projects and proposals recommended for funding or under evaluation at the NCN **is greater than or equal to 3** (excluding proposals submitted or funded under: TANGO, DISCOURI, – SZYBKA ŚCIEŻKA DOSTĘPU DO FUNDUSZY NA BADANIA NAD COVID-19, – PRELUDIUM BIS);
 - ✓ **the principal investigator may only be employed over the entire course of the project's implementation at the entity planned as the host entity**, pursuant to a contract of employment for at least half time of

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- the full-time work;
- ✓ **the principal investigator shall spend at least 50% of the project's duration on the territory of the Republic of Poland.** This period includes business trips essential to the implementation of the project, especially related to field research, participation in research conferences and archive searches.
 - Under QuantERA Call 2023, funds can be applied for to cover salaries for members of the research team, salaries and scholarships for students and PhD students, purchase or manufacturing of research equipment and other costs crucial to the research project.
 - **The budget for the Polish research team in the joint proposal must be the same as the budget in the national proposal in the OSF submission system.**
 - The budget in the joint proposal must be specified in EUR and in the national proposal in the OSF submission system, in PLN, rounded down to total values;
 - A purchase of a qualified electronic signature should be included in the project's budget under direct costs, amounting ca. PLN 360 (a signature valid 2 years + validity extension kit valid 2 years).
 - The EUR budget of the Polish part of the project in the joint proposal must be calculated according to the following exchange rate: **1 EUR = 4.8468 PLN.**
 - Indirect costs may not exceed 20% of direct costs. Additionally, indirect costs of up to 2% of direct costs may be spent on open access to publications and research data. Please include these costs in the planned budget in the maximum possible amount.

Basic data of the entity (JU) required for the completion of the proposal are available on the website of the RSC:

<https://cwn.uj.edu.pl/projekty/dla-wnioskujacych/dokumenty>.

Proposal submission procedure:

- **international level**
At international level, a single joint full proposal is prepared by the Polish research teams in collaboration with their international partners (in English). The international consortium leader submits electronically the joint proposal to the international Electronic Submission System ("ESS") according to the guidelines included in the Call Announcement by 11 May 2023, 5 p.m. CET.
- **national level**
At national level, the proposal concerning the Polish part of the project is prepared by the Polish research team and submitted to the NCN electronically via the OSF electronic submission system within 7 days of the submission deadline for joint proposals at international level.

PLEASE NOTE: The information provided in national proposals and in joint proposals must be consistent. Joint proposals annexed to national proposals must be consistent with joint proposals submitted at international level.



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JU internal regulations:

Pursuant to the Ordinance No. 129 by the JU Rector of 10 November 2022 on: *The procedure for drawing up and implementing projects funded from external sources at Jagiellonian University and hiring and rewarding personnel of the project*, persons interested in entering the call are asked to deliver to the RSC:

- **by 28 April 2023, for projects being planned in collaboration with other entities:**
 - **and JU acts as a leader in the project:**
 - ✓ agreement on the formation of a group of entities for the purposes of completion of the research project (drawn up by the NCN), to be downloaded from the ZSUN/ OSF system (under tab "Host entities") in the form of a PDF file;
 - ✓ the declaration to the cooperation agreement for the proposed research project (as per the template attached as Annex 1 to this Information by the RSC);
 - ✓ **the Research Project Entry Form and the VAT Eligibility Form** filled out in the electronic system JU Project Zone at: <https://strefaprojektow.uj.edu.pl/>
 - **and if JU acts as a partner in the project:**
 - ✓ agreement on the formation of a group of entities for the purposes of completion of the research project (drawn up by the NCN), in the form of a PDF file, sent by the project's leader;
 - ✓ the declaration to the cooperation agreement for the proposed research project (as per the template attached as Annex 1 to this Information by the RSC);
 - ✓ **the Research Project Entry Form and the VAT Eligibility Form** filled out in the electronic system JU Project Zone at: <https://strefaprojektow.uj.edu.pl/>

PLEASE NOTE: Supporting a signed agreement (drawn up by the NCN) in the ZSUN/ OSF system is a condition of locking proposal for edition and generating the required confirmation. The document in the PDF format should be supported, signed with a qualified electronic signature. Alternatively, a scan of the document with a handwritten signature may be supported.

- **by 4 May 2023: a proposal draft** (electronic version sent as a pdf file to the address of a call assistant at the RSC for the purposes of review and verification of formal eligibility along with the pre-proposal);
- **by 15 May 2023:**
 - **the final version of the proposal** in the form of a pdf file generated by the ZSUN/OSF system, after having locked the proposal it will not be possible to re-edit it, signed with a qualified electronic signature by the head of the JU organisational entity (i.e. the Dean or Director/Head of other organisational unit) acting as the project's host entity. The document should be generated by clicking the "Print PDF" option in the system and it should have a name given, in accordance with the following pattern: Surname and given name of the principal investigator, name of the programme, date of the document (Kowalski_Jan_QuantERA_15-05-2023);
 - a document generated by the ZSUN/OSF: **"Confirmation of proposal submission by a representative of the entity"** ;
 - a signed scan of the document generated by the ZSUN/ OSF: **"Confirmation of proposal submission by the Principal Investigator"** or a document with a qualified electronic signature;

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Please bear in mind that sending the proposal via the ZSUN/OSF system cannot be reversed and prevents later modifications. The proposal should be sent in using the ZSUN/OSF system, supported with a signed version of the documents "Confirmation proposal submission by a representative of the entity" and Confirmation of proposal submission by the principal investigator".



The above mentioned documents, signed by JU authorities, shall be delivered by a call assistant at the RSC to the email addresses you have specified.

Should you have any more questions or queries regarding drawing up and submitting the proposal please contact the call assistant at the RSC, Ms Marta Sikora, phone No. 12 663 38 56, marta.sikora@uj.edu.pl

Annex:

1. The declaration template to the cooperation agreement for the proposed research project.

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