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on: submitting research project funding proposals under the Weave-UNISONO call announced by the National Science Centre.

This is to inform you that the National Science Centre (NCN) has announced the multilateral Weave-UNISONO call for bilateral or trilateral research projects performed in accordance with the Lead Agency Procedure ("LAP") by the research teams from Austria, the Czech Republic, Slovenia, Switzerland, Germany, Luxembourg, Belgium–Flanders and Poland under the multilateral Weave Programme, with the NCN not acting as the lead agency.

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

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- the National Science Centre: [Weave-UNISONO \(ncn.gov.pl\)](https://ncn.gov.pl)
- the Research Support Centre: www.cwn.uj.edu.pl → "Open calls" → "NCN open calls"

Information on drawing up proposals:

- Proposals may be submitted to the call covering basic research in the area specified in one of the NCN panels, in accordance with the scope specified in the terms of the call of the lead agency.
- Under the Weave Programme, partner research teams apply for parallel funding of joint research projects to their respective institutions participating in the Weave Programme.
- Joint research projects must rely on close cooperation and must be carried out by a Polish research team and partner research teams. Each research team **must identify its principal investigator in the proposal.**
- Joint projects must include **a coherent research programme** with the added value of the international cooperation clearly defined Partners are expected to significantly contribute to the joint project, including assuming organisational duties.
- Projects may be planned for a period of **24, 36 or 48 months** (if possible, the same or as similar as possible for all research teams involved in the project). In the case of research projects involving partner research teams from the Czech Republic, Germany, Slovenia, Luxemburg that apply for research funding to the GAČR, DFG, ARRS or FNR projects may be planned for a period of **no longer than 36 months.**
- The budget specified in the joint proposal for research tasks to be performed by the partner research teams must comply with the cost eligibility criteria of the partner or cooperating institution of a respective research team.
- 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= 4.7244 PLN** in the case of joint proposals, for which NCN proposals will be created in and submitted via the OSF submission system after 1 January 2023.

Requirements for the principal investigator:

- The Weave-UNISONO call for proposals is addressed at researchers at any stage of their academic career.
- The person indicated as the principal investigator in a national proposal may not be a person who, at the time of submitting the proposal, is planned to carry out a research activity in the proposal submitted under the MINIATURA call and for which the funding decision has not become final.

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- 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 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.

Terms of funding:

- Under the call, 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.
- A purchase of a qualified electronic signature should be included in the project's budget under direct costs, amounting ca. PLN 370 (a signature valid 2 years + validity extension kit valid 2 years)).
- 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.**

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Form of submitting proposals:

Joint proposals are submitted by the foreign partner teams to the relevant lead agency, in accordance with the guidelines of that agency.

Domestic proposals should be submitted only in electronic form to the NCN via the OSF submission system, as soon as possible following the submission of a joint proposal to the lead agency, however, not later than within 7 calendar days.

JU internal regulations:

Pursuant to the Ordinance no. 129 by 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:

- **Within 10 days prior to submission of the proposal to OSF:**
 - draft NCN proposals, as a PDF file generated from the OSF submission system ("print PDF") for verification of the accounting eligibility with the joint proposal;
- Once the proposal has been verified by the RSC and the work on it has been finished:
 - **\the final version** of the NCN proposal in the form of a PDF file generated from the OSF submission system: "Print PDF" option, signed with a qualified electronic signature by the head of JU organisational unit (i.e. the Dean or the Director/Head of another organisational unit) acting as a host institution.
 - a signed scan of the document generated by the OSF: **"Confirmation of the proposal submission by the representative of the entity"**;
 - a signed scan of the document generated by the OSF: **"Confirmation of the proposal submission by the Principal Investigator"** or a document signed with a qualified electronic signature;
 - - a research project registration form, filled out in the JU Project Zone system

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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>



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We encourage you to consult your proposal with the project assistant at the RSC.

Should you have any more questions or queries regarding the call please contact the call assistant at the RSC, Ms Pik, agata.pik@uj.edu.pl, phone no. 12 663 38 42.

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