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# **Information by the Research Support Centre** of 10 January 2024

on: submitting research project funding proposals under the DAINA 3 Call announced by the National Science Centre for Polish-Lithuanian research projects.

This is to inform you that the National Science Centre (NCN) has announced the DAINA 3 call for Polish-Lithuanian research projects. The call is organised by the National Science Centre and the Research Council of Lithuania (RCL). The conditions for granting funds for research tasks carried out by Polish research teams are Centrum Wsparcia Nauki determined by the National Science Centre, and for tasks carried out by Lithuanian teams - by the Research Council of Lithuania .

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

- the National Science Centre: https://ncn.gov.pl/ogloszenia/konkursy/daina3
- The Research Support Centre: www.cwn.uj.edu.pl → "Open calls" → "NCN open calls"

## **Information on drawing up proposals:**

- The call is aimed at Polish research teams applying jointly with a Lithuanian team for funding of a research project in the field of basic research, in an area specified in one of the NCN panels.
- The call for proposals is open by 15 March 2024, 16:00. The results of the competition will be announced in November 2024 and projects are scheduled to start in January 2025.
- It is required that the proposal be submitted only electronically via the OSF **system** (https://osf.opi.org.pl), in accordance with the call procedure available on the NCN website.
- The duration of the research project may be planned for **36 months**.
- The **minimum** amount of funding for the Polish part of the project for the entire duration of the project is not specified, while the maximum amount of funding is PLN 1 million, and the costs must be reasonable in relation to the subject and scope of the research.
- In the proposal in the OSF system, the project cost estimate should be presented in PLN and EUR, rounded down to integer values and assuming the exchange rate of 1 EUR = 4.3334 PLN.
- The cost estimate of the research project on the Polish side is completed in the OSF system, according to the template proposal form. The cost estimate of the research project on the Lithuanian side, in the form of the budget table, is annexed to the proposal. The costs planned to be incurred by the Lithuanian team must comply with the rules of the RCL.

#### **Requirements for the principal investigator:**

- Should hold at least a PhD degree and be responsible for leading the work of the Polish research team.
- Should have at least one paper published or accepted for publication.
- In a given edition of competitions, i.e. in competitions for which the call for proposals closes on the same day (in the current edition: DAINA 3 and SONATINA 8), one may only be designated as principal investigator in one proposal.

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- In a national proposal under the DAINA 3 call, no person who is planned to conduct a research activity in the proposal submitted under the MINIATURA call and for whom the funding decision has not become final cannot be designated as the principal investigator.
- A principal investigator in a proposal cannot be a person for whom, at the time
  of submitting the proposal, the total number of ongoing through NCN projects
  and proposals recommended for funding or being evaluated by the NCN is
  greater than or equal to 3 (excluding proposals submitted or projects financed
  under DIOSCURI and PRELUDIUM BIS calls).
- The total number of NCN projects managed by a researcher and proposals submitted to the NCN and subject to evaluation or recommended for funding, in which that researcher is named as the principal investigator, must not be more than two. This number shall be increased to three if the researcher manages at least one project funded under an international NCN call or has submitted at least one proposal to an international NCN call.
- The principal investigator may only be employed over the entire course of the project's implementation at the entity planned as the host entity of the Polish part of the research project, pursuant to a contract of employment for at least half time of the full-time work.
- The project's principal investigator shall spend at least 50% of the project's time 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 conferences and archive.

**Terms of funding:** 

- Under the call, funds can be applied for to cover remuneration for members of the research team, scholarships for students and PhD students, purchase or manufacturing of research equipment and other costs crucial to implement the Polish part of the research project.
- The cost estimate must be justified in relation to the subject and scope of the research, be based on realistic calculations and specify the expenses that will be covered within the NCN funds (so-called eligible costs) in individual years of project implementation.
- As part of the direct costs, the project budget should include the cost of purchasing a qualified signature and its renewal of approximately PLN 370.
- 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.

# 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 (not applicable with JU MC) are asked to deliver to the Polish RSC by the following deadlines:

- by 1 March 2024 a proposal draft along with the budget table of the Lithuanian side for formal eliqibility check;
- by 08 March 2024:
  - <u>the final version</u> of the 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 document generated by the OSF: <u>"Confirmation of submitting the proposal</u> by the representative of the entity";



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- > a signed scan of the document generated by the OSF: <u>"Confirmation of proposal submission by the principal investigator"</u> or a document with a qualified electronic signature;
- Research Project Registration Form, filled out in the JU Project Zone system

  https://strefaprojektow.uj.edu.pl/



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

Should you have any more questions or queries regarding the call, please contact the call assistant at the RSC, Ms Magdalena Jelonek, <a href="magdalena.jelonek@uj.edu.pl">magdalena.jelonek@uj.edu.pl</a>, phone No. 12 663 38 59.

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