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AEI

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Financiación y entidades financiadas



1.000.000€

Non-profit research organizations, as per PCI call (or equivalent) :

- Universities,
- Public research institutions,
- Technological centres and
- Other private non-profit institutions performing RDI activities in Spain



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JOINT CALL 2022

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE M-ERA.NET CALL 2022

The M-ERA.NET Call 2022 was launched on 15 March 2022. More than 30 funding agencies participate with approximately 25 million €.

Call Schedule:

- The Pre-Proposal Deadline is 15 June 2022, 12:00 noon, Brussels time.
- The Full-Proposal Deadline is 17 November 2022, 12:00 noon, Brussels time

The aim is to fund ambitious transnational RTD projects addressing materials research and innovation, generating and storing elements. M-ERA.NET aims to strengthen the contribution of materials research and innovation to the European Union's research and innovation agenda.

The Call 2022 includes the following thematic areas:

- Materials for energy
- Innovative surfaces, coatings and interfaces
- High performance composites
- Functional materials
- New strategies for advanced material-based technologies for health applications
- Materials for electronics

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SPAIN: PROGRAMMES

National: AEI

Regional (Asturias): IDEPA

Regional (Basque Country): EJ-GV/Innobasque

Temáticas elegibles

Todas las temáticas son elegibles para los solicitantes de la AEI. Se pueden financiar proyectos en los **6 topics de la convocatoria**, sin restricciones por temática.

- Topic 1: Materials for energy ✓
- Topic 2: Innovative surfaces, coatings and interfaces ✓
- Topic 3: High performance composites ✓
- Topic 4: Functional materials ✓
- Topic 5: New strategies for advanced material-based technologies in health applications ✓
- Topic 6: Materials for electronics ✓

Tipos de Investigación y TRLs elegibles:

- Fundamental Research, Applied Research, Experimental Research
- All TRLs.



Recomendación:

Es importante consultar las temáticas elegibles de las entidades afines al resto de socios de la propuesta a presentar. Tener **muy en cuenta** a la hora de elegir un coordinador que ciertos países pueden elegir, como parte de sus reglas nacionales, no financiar una propuesta en una temática determinada.

Criterios de elegibilidad adicionales



MANDATORY:

1. The **Spanish Principal Investigators (PIs) must be eligible as per PCI call** (or equivalent) and must have experience as investigators in projects funded by the Plan Nacional I+D+i 2008-2011, the Plan Estatal I+D+i 2013-2016, the Plan Estatal I+D+i 2017-2020, ERC Grants, European Framework Programmes or other relevant international programmes.
2. Do No Significant Harm principle (DNSH) The projects granted under this call are encouraged to comply with the DNSH criteria (do not significant harm) and state it so in the proposal (see article [RC-PCI2022-1](#))

The AEI will avoid double funding and will not grant projects or parts of projects already funded through other national or EU calls.



INCOMPATIBILITIES:

- Principal Investigators will **not be eligible** for funding if they **apply in more than one proposal** of this transnational joint call, in more than one proposal in the same PCI call (or equivalent) and in PCI calls (or equivalent) of consecutive years.
- **Principal Investigators must remain unchanged** between the proposal of this transnational joint call and the national PCI call (or equivalent).

Criterios de financiación

FUNDING RATES (the following funding limits are considered eligibility criteria. Proposals not respecting these limits could be declared non eligible):

 **A maximum of two Spanish Partners requesting funding to the AEI in the same Proposal are allowed.**

Maximum amount of direct costs per **Proposal NOT coordinated** by a Spanish partner:

- If there is only one Spanish partner in the proposal, the maximum funding is 175.000€.
- If there are two Spanish partners, the maximum funding amount per proposal is 225.000€.

If the Consortium is led by a **Spanish Coordinator**, the maximum direct costs funding amounts per proposal are the following:

- if there is only one Spanish Partner in the proposal, acting as Coordinator: € 250.000€.
- if there is one Spanish Partner in addition to the Spanish Coordinator, the funding limit is € 300.000€.

Criterios de financiación

-  Centers formed by different Spanish legal entities will be considered as a unique entity, and thus the maximum funding should not exceed the limits per proposal established above (for example, mixed centers).
-  The final funding will take into account the transnational evaluation of the collaborative proposal, the scientific quality of the Spanish group, the added value of the international collaboration, and the financial resources available

Criterios de priorización



In the case two or more projects are considered equal with respect to their scientific merits, the AEI will prioritise funding projects that comply with more of the following criteria:

- Consortium is led by a Spanish Coordinator funded by AEI
- Consortium includes a Spanish Industrial partner (requesting funding or participating with own funds)
- Scientific relevance of the Spanish team contribution
- Alignment with the [Estrategia Española de Ciencia, Tecnología e Innovación 2021-2027](#) and the [Plan Estatal de Investigación Científica, Técnica y de Innovación 2021-2023](#)

Costes elegibles

- **Personnel costs** for temporary employment **contracts**
- **Direct costs** such as current costs, small scientific equipment, disposable materials, travelling expenses, coordination costs, and other costs that can be justified as necessary to carry out the proposed activities.
- **Overheads** (maximum 15% on direct costs funded by AEI)
- **Subcontracting** special tasks to EU and non-EU countries (i.e. IT services, etc) is allowed within the limits legally established.

Type of research	Universities and R&D Centres
Fundamental/Basic Research	100% eligible costs
Industrial/Applied research	100% eligible costs
Experimental Research	100% eligible costs

Información adicional

INSTRUMENT FOR FUNDING THE SPANISH GROUPS:

The instrument for funding Spanish groups is the Spanish call on RDI projects “**Programación Conjunta Internacional (PCI)**”, applicants are encouraged to consult the call [PCI2022-1](#)

The **submission of the proposal** at national/regional level (schedule, cut-off dates, deadlines, etc.) is **only mandatory for the selected projects**.

FUNDING PROGRAMME:

The framework for this funding action is the Plan Estatal de Investigación Científica, Técnica e Innovación 2021-2023. On a national level, the Call will be managed by the [Subdivisión de Programas Científico-Técnicos Transversales, Fortalecimiento y Excelencia of the AEI](#).



Información adicional

DATA PROTECTION:

By submitting a grant application to the AEI, the **applicants consent to communication of the data contained in the application to other public administrations**, with the aim of further processing of the data for historical, statistical or scientific purposes, within the framework of the Organic Law 3/2018, of December 5, on Personal Data Protection and Guarantee of Digital Rights.

MANDATORY ACKNOWLEDGMENT:

Any publication or dissemination activity resulting from the granted projects must **acknowledge funding by the Agencia Estatal de Investigación**: “Project (reference nº XX) funded by the Agencia Estatal de Investigación through the PCI XX call (or its equivalent)”.



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Muchas gracias

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