

## CROATIA

**Participating organisation:** Croatian Science Foundation (HRZZ)

**Indicative Budget:** 143.619,00 €

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**Max. project duration:** proposed projects may last from 24 to 36 months

**Max. funding per project: 100.000,00 EUR**

Principal Investigators are not allowed to apply for funding in more than one proposal within this call.

1-2 projects can be funded

### **Funding criteria and regulations**

Croatian applicants (Principal Investigators) are recommended to contact HRZZ prior to the submission of the proposal for the purpose of checking the national funding terms and conditions.

*The Croatian applicant may have the status of a Principal Investigator (PI) and/or team member or PI and a co-PI on a maximum two HRZZ projects : as a PI of one project and a team member or co-PI on another project or as a team member and co-PI on two projects. This does not include the role of PI and team members in HRZZ projects ending on 31 October 2024.*

*Co-PIs on projects are PIs of Swiss-Croatian research projects and projects in bilateral programmes and ERA\_NET calls.*

*Applicant can participate in only one project consortium in one ERA-NET Cofund Call.*

### **Institutional eligibility criteria:**

Eligible applicants are public research organisations. higher education institution, scientific institutes, And other legal entities that have employees with an PhD degree and are registered to perform scientific activities.

The Applicant can submit a project proposal only in the area for which the scientific organisation in which he/she is employed and where the project will be implemented has been accredited (if it is an organization subject to the conditions for accreditation).

The document "Upute za prijavitelje na natječaje Hrvatske zaklade za znanost za 2023" presenting the modalities of participation of the Croatian applicants, eligibility of the organizations and eligible costs will be available at [www.hrzz.hr](http://www.hrzz.hr).

Following the conclusion of the consortium agreement between the consortium partners, the Croatian applicant in the project consortium will be required to sign a grant agreement with HRZZ for the portion of the budget provided by HRZZ.

### **Eligibility confirmation**

#### **For pre-proposal**

The HRZZ requests the Croatian applicants to send the following documentation, not later than 2 days after the submission of the pre-proposal:

1. Financial Plan for the Croatian applicant (the part to be financed by the HRZZ), extracted from the - Financial Form submitted by the project consortium;
2. Pre-proposal (in PDF format, sealed on the date of Call deadline);
3. Letter of Support in Croatian, i.e. a written commitment of the Croatian applicant's organization, accepting the proposed research and committing to its administration (signed and certified by the authorized person of the Croatian applicant's organization);
4. Signed letter of commitment for the participation in the projects for all associates and consultants not employed at the applicant's organisation.

**For full proposal**

The HRZZ requests the Croatian applicants to send the following documentation, not later than 2 days after the submission of the full proposal:

1. Financial Plan for the Croatian applicant (the part to be financed by the HRZZ), extracted from the Financial Form submitted by the project consortium;
2. Full proposal (in PDF format, sealed on the date of Call deadline);
3. Ethics approval (if applicable), PDF document.

The electronic version of the requested documentation shall be sent via e-mail to the following address:

[jasminka@hrzz.hr](mailto:jasminka@hrzz.hr).

**Submission of financial reports at the national level** The funded Croatian applicants will have to submit annual Financial reports and justifying documentation (e.g. invoices, contracts, pay slips and similar) to HRZZ, together with a Declaration on VAT status and Declaration on the prevention of double financing for the year in question.

**Eligible costs are:**

- research costs
- personnel costs (employment of postdoctoral researchers)
- equipment purchase and equipment maintenance costs
- dissemination, training and cooperation costs
- costs for open access publishing
- indirect costs - maximum 10% of total funds requested, only if they are directly connected with project activities and they cannot be placed into any of the categories of eligible costs.

**Institutional thematic priorities:**

n/a

**Proposals with the following focus cannot be funded:**

n/a

**Additional information:**

n/a