National Annex: Ireland

Partner: This call is supported by IRC (Irish Research Council)

Notice: Depending on all conditions of eligibility and peer review being met, the budget earmarked by the participating funding agency, the Irish Research Council, for this call will be up to €380,000. The Irish Research Council will fund the cost of Ireland based Principal Investigators as part of successful applications.

Details of the call and the application process are provided via the Governance call website.

A consortium agreement will need to be developed between the participating partners, should their application be successful, and this must be shared with the relevant Partner Organisations.

All applicants have to comply with the rules as described in the Governance Call Text. In order to be eligible for funding, the project team should involve, in addition to the Irish team, at least one other national research team eligible for funds provided by the European Commission (see Annex A, page 21-22 of the Call for Proposals). In addition, for Ireland, the following eligibility and national funding modalities apply:

Eligibility and national funding modalities:

Who can apply?

Main applicants and Co-applicants shall be full-time members of the academic staff, either permanent or on temporary contracts of sufficient duration to cover the period of the proposed project, of a third-level institution within the meaning of Section One of the Higher Education Authority Act, 1971 and/or in receipt of public funding as approved by the Minister for Education and Skills for the purposes of the Free Fees Initiative. Applications will also be accepted from permanent members of the academic research staff at the Economic and Social Research Institute (ESRI) and the Dublin Institute for Advanced Studies (DIAS).

Researchers not formally affiliated with an institution recognised by the Irish Research Council may be part of a consortium but cannot function as formal Main applicant or Coapplicant.

What are eligible costs for Irish researchers?

Eligible personnel costs for the purpose of the NORFACE collaboration must be sought at agreed national rates. These are available at: http://www.iua.ie/research-innovation/researcher-salary-scales/.

Total personnel costs must not exceed the following limits over the maximum project duration of 3 years;

o one or more Postgraduate / PhD Candidate(s): maximum eligible costs per person €93,000

- o one or more Postdoctoral Fellow(s): maximum eligible costs per person: €160,000
- one or more senior researcher(s): maximum eligible costs per senior researcher (replacement costs) €126,000

Personnel costs can only be claimed in the above three staffing categories. **Applicants must submit their budget to the Irish Research Council for approval before submission.**

Eligible material costs can include:

- Travel & accommodation & meeting costs
- Costs for knowledge transfer
- All joint publication costs (incl. editing and translation costs)
- Other material costs, equipment where justifiable
- Consumables

Ineligible costs include:

- Sub-contracting costs
- Subsistence or per diem costs

The cost of institutional overheads may be included at a rate of up to 20% of overall direct costs less equipment.

Applicants are advised to contact their National Contact Point before starting to prepare proposals for application. For Irish Research Council enquiries, please see address below.

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