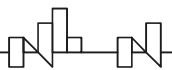


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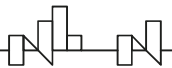
Basic information

- A call aimed at Polish female researchers, representing a single, Polish entity, eligible according to the call rules.
- Available funding: **5 000 000 €** in total
- Call opening: **28 September 2020**
- Call closing: **11 December 2020**
- Maximum project duration: **24 months**
- **50 000 – 200 000 € per project**
- Latest project end date/eligibility date: **30 April 2024**



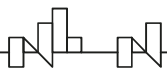
Eligible fields of science and technology

2. Engineering and technology
 - 2.1. Civil engineering
 - 2.2. Electrical engineering, Electronic engineering, Information engineering
 - 2.3. Mechanical engineering
 - 2.4. Chemical engineering (plants, products); Chemical process engineering
 - 2.5. Materials engineering
 - 2.6. Medical engineering
 - 2.7. Environmental engineering
 - 2.8. Environmental biotechnology
 - 2.9. Industrial biotechnology
 - 2.10. Nano-technology
 - 2.11. Other engineering and technologies



Glossary – basic Programme abbreviations

- **Project Promoter (PP)** – an entity formally responsible for submitting the proposal under the Programme „Applied Research”;
- **Principal Investigator (PI)** – a researcher having a scientific lead of a project submitted under the Programme „Applied Research”;
- **Programme Operator (PO)** – the National Centre for Research and Development, agency responsible for the management and implementation of the Programme „Applied Research” in Poland;
- **Donor Programme Partner (DPP)** – the Research Council of Norway (RCN), agency responsible for supporting the PO during implementation of the Programme;
- **Programme Committee (PC)** - an advisory and supporting body to the Programme „Applied Research”, consisting of Polish and Norwegian experts.



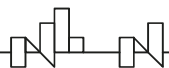
An SGS 2020 project – a walkthrough

An application must have a Project Promoter.

What type of entity can be a Project Promoter:

- research organisation, **established as a legal person in Poland**, or
- enterprise, **established as a legal person in Poland**.

No partnerships are foreseen in the SGS call.

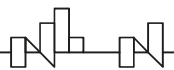


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PP appoints one person as Principal Investigator (PI). Who is a PI:

The '**Principal Investigator**' is the researcher having the scientific lead of the project on a daily basis. She is responsible for controlling the technical direction and academic quality of the project, and will ensure that the project is carried out in compliance with the terms, conditions of the call as well as those specified in Regulation on the implementation of the Norwegian Financial Mechanism 2014-2021, and especially Guidelines for Research Programmes. The Principal Investigator (of any nationality) must be employed in the Project Promoter, for a period covering at least the duration of the project.

In case of SGS 2020 the PI must be a female researcher.



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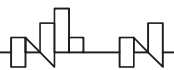
Writing the proposal – the topic

First, **formulate a suitable topic**, according to fields of science and technology presented earlier.

This is a call dedicated to **applied research**, with focus on enhancement of scientific career prospects of the PI.

Only the following types of activities can be funded:

- Fundamental (basic) research (up to 10% of eligible costs)
- Industrial research
- Experimental development



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Writing the proposal – the budget

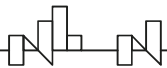
Project budget must be completed in the Polish zloty (PLN).

All payments from the Programme Operator (NCBR) to the Project Promoter are also done in Polish zlotys (PLN).

Expenditures must be eligible according to the rules of the Call and may cover the following categories:

- Staff
- Consumables and supplies
- Equipment
- Travel
- Other
- Subcontracting
- Indirect (overheads)

Expenditures incurred after 30 April 2024 shall not be eligible!



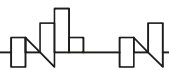
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Writing the proposal – the budget

Grants in the SGS 2020 call may cover up to 100% of eligible costs for research organisations.

For enterprises, state aid rules apply, depending on the size of the company, type of research/development.

	Large Enterprises	Medium Enterprises	Small Enterprises	Research organizations
Fundamental/Basic Research	Up to 100%	Up to 100%	Up to 100%	Up to 100%
Industrial Research	Up to 50+15 (max 65 %)	Up to 50+10+15 (max 75 %)	Up to 50+20+15 (max 80 %)	Up to 100 %
Experimental development	Up to 25+15 (max 40 %)	Up to 25+10+15 (max 50 %)	Up to 25+20+15 (max 60 %)	Up to 100 %



An SGS 2020 project – a walkthrough

Submitting the proposal and obtaining funding

How to submit a proposal?

- through the Programme Operator's Electronic Proposal Submission Service (EPSS), available on the PO's website (no other way is recognised)
- Project Promoter submits the application

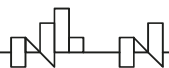
All proposals go through a **two-stage selection** process:

1. formal (administrative) assessment, in order to review the proposals for compliance with administrative and eligibility criteria. Carried out by the PO.
2. scientific peer review. Proposals that passed the formal assessment are submitted by the Programme Operator to international expert evaluation.

Result of the scientific peer review is the final ranking list of projects to be funded.

Based on the ranking list, the funding is awarded, via a decision of the Director of the Programme Operator (NCBR).

Final step is to sign the project contract signed between the Programme Operator and the Project Promoter.



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Carrying out and closing the project

Project financing

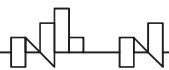
The Project Promoter receives funding according to the rules of the Call.

Periodic (yearly) reporting

1. A technical report containing:

- an explanation of the work carried out by the participant,
- an overview of the progress of work towards the objectives of the project, including milestones and deliverables identified in the project contract. The report must include explanations justifying the differences between the work expected to be carried out in accordance with the project contract and that actually carried out,
- details on the exploitation and dissemination of the results, and - if required in the Project Contract - an updated plan for the exploitation and dissemination of results,
- a summary for publication by the Programme Operator.

2. A financial report



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Carrying out and closing the project – final reporting

The Project Promoter submits a final report within 60 days after the end of the project.

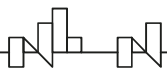
The final report comprises:

1. a final technical report, containing:

- an overview of the results and their exploitation and dissemination
- the conclusions on the project
- the socio-economic impact of the project: a report covering the wider societal implications of the project, in the form of a questionnaire, including gender equality actions, ethical issues, efforts to involve other actors and to spread awareness, as well as the plan for the use and dissemination of foreground
- a summary for publication by the PO.

2. a final financial report

As part of the final project report, the Project Promoter is required to submit a full list of publications relating to the results of the project.



An SGS 2020 project - frequent questions

Is this a „young researcher” only grant – NO

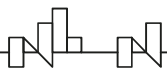
Do individual WP leaders have to be female – NO

Can there be more people in the research team than the PI – YES

Can male researchers be included in the project – YES

Do I need a partner from Norway – NO, no partnerships are foreseen

Who submits and signs the application – the Project Promoter entity, through it's designated representative (NOT the PI)



Further information

All Programme documents are available in English on the Programme Operator website:

www.ncbr.gov.pl/norwaygrants/pl

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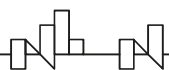
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