

1.25 Poland – NCBR

Regional/National Eligibility Criteria

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Funding commitment	2 000 000 EUR
Minimum/Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project partner	Maximum 400 000 € <u>per project</u>
Eligible institutions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Enterprises¹⁹ - Micro, Small, Medium and Large;• Research organisations²⁰;• Groups of entities composed of at least two enterprises,• Groups of entities composed of at least one research organisation and at least one enterprise,• Group of entities composed of at least two research organisations.
Organisations excluded from funding	Other than above

¹⁹ defined in Annex I to Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014 of 17 June 2014 declaring certain categories of aid compatible with the internal market in application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty (hereinafter referred to as “Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014”);

²⁰ Defined in Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014;

<p>Additional eligibility criteria</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Entities must be established as a legal person²¹ and must conduct its business, R&D or any other activity on the territory of the Republic of Poland, confirmed by an entry into the relevant register²². • For enterprises it is strongly advised to state in the Pre-proposal application form the KRS number of the enterprise and the size of the enterprise (micro/small, medium, large); • A condition for the participation of a group of entities as the Applicant in the competition is its formal existence on the date of submission of the pre-proposal, confirmed by its members concluding, at least conditionally, agreement on the creation of a group of entities; Please note that group of entities counts as at least two project partners from Poland (it meets the limit on the number of participants from the same country, please refer to call text for details). • Funding quota of Polish participants can be up to 100% for research organisations. In the case of enterprises, funding quota will be decided on a case-by-case basis depending on the size of the company, type of research/development, risk associated with the research activities and commercial perspective of exploitation, under the Regulation of the Minister of Science and Higher Education of 19 August 2020 on criteria and rules on granting state aid by the National Centre for Research and Development, published in Journal of Laws item 1456, 2020. • Please note that group of entities counts as two project partners from Poland (it meets the limit on the number of participants from the same country, please refer to call text for details).
<p>Eligible costs</p>	<p>The eligible costs shall be the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. personnel costs 2. consumables* 3. equipment 4. travel* 5. other direct costs* 6. subcontracting - this cost type cannot account for more than 70% of all eligible costs of a project 7. additional overheads incurred indirectly as a result of the research project; that costs are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - in case of research organisations exactly 25% of eligible project costs and are counted as a multiplication by percentage given above and the rest of direct costs, excluding subcontracting (3); It means $4 = (1+2)*25\%$ - in case of enterprises exactly 20% of eligible project costs and are counted as a multiplication by percentage given above and the rest of direct costs; It means $4 = (1+2+3)*20\%$

²¹ Legal person (juridical person) - an entity that is capable of having and amend legal rights and obligations within a certain legal system, such as to enter into contracts, sue, and be sued, excluding natural persons;

²² if applicable.

	<p>* Please note, in the case of <u>entrepreneurs</u>, cost items related to consumables, travel and other direct costs are only eligible under the category of overheads. Only expenses related to personnel, equipment, subcontracting and overheads may be included in the entrepreneur's budget.</p> <p>Please refer to cost eligibility guide (przewodnik kwalifikowalności kosztów) for details. Guide is available on the NCBR webpage: https://www.gov.pl/web/ncbr</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="507 658 1347 1016"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Large Enterprises</th> <th>Medium Enterprises</th> <th>Small Enterprises</th> <th>Research organizations</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Fundamental/Basic Research</td> <td>Not eligible</td> <td>Not eligible</td> <td>Not eligible</td> <td>Not eligible</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Industrial/Applied Research</td> <td>Up to 50 + 5/15/25 (max 75 %)</td> <td>Up to 50 + 10 + 5/15/25 (max 80 %)</td> <td>Up to 50 + 20 + 5/15/25 (max 80 %)</td> <td>Up to 100%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Experimental development</td> <td>Up to 25 + 5/15/25 (max 50 %)</td> <td>Up to 25 + 10 + 5/15/25 (max 60 %)</td> <td>Up to 25 + 20 + 5/15/25 (max 70 %)</td> <td>Up to 100 %</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>For entrepreneurs independently undertaking projects at the national level (meaning there is no Polish group of entities or Polish group of enterprises), there is no possibility of increasing the intensity of state aid for industrial research and experimental development based on the condition of effective cooperation between entrepreneurs or between entrepreneurs and research organisations.</p> <p>Only Industrial/Applied Research and Experimental Development will be funded. Other type of activities (e.g. coordination, dissemination, management) is not eligible for funding <u>as separate</u> research tasks in the project schedule but can be eligible as part of R&D tasks.</p>		Large Enterprises	Medium Enterprises	Small Enterprises	Research organizations	Fundamental/Basic Research	Not eligible	Not eligible	Not eligible	Not eligible	Industrial/Applied Research	Up to 50 + 5/15/25 (max 75 %)	Up to 50 + 10 + 5/15/25 (max 80 %)	Up to 50 + 20 + 5/15/25 (max 80 %)	Up to 100%	Experimental development	Up to 25 + 5/15/25 (max 50 %)	Up to 25 + 10 + 5/15/25 (max 60 %)	Up to 25 + 20 + 5/15/25 (max 70 %)	Up to 100 %
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<p>Submission of the proposal at regional/national level</p>	<p>After international evaluation of full proposals and the selection of projects to be funded, Polish participants will be invited to submit a National Application Form (NAF). The NAFs will be examined for the appropriateness of funding requested. The Polish participants are obliged to use the rate of exchange of the European Central Bank dated on the day of opening of the call. If more than one Polish entity participates in the project, the national application is submitted by a consortium (group of entities) of all Polish entities.</p>																				
<p>Submission of additional information at regional/national level</p>	<p>-</p>																				

Further guidance

Sample documents are available at:
<https://www.gov.pl/web/ncbr/wniosek-krajowy>

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Relevant documents:

All proposals must be aligned with national regulations, inter alia:

- The Act of 20 July 2018 - Law on Higher Education and Science;
- The Act of 30 April 2010 on the National Centre for Research and Development;
- The Regulation of the Minister of Science and Higher Education of 19 August 2020 on granting state aid by the National Centre for Research and Development, which is in line with the Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014 of 17 June 2014 declaring certain categories of aid compatible with the internal market in application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty (General Block Exemption Regulation);
- The Regulation of the Minister of Science and Higher Education of 17 September 2010 on the detailed mode of performance of tasks of the National Centre for Research and Development.
- The Regulation of the Minister of Funds and Regional Policy of 1 December 2023, amending the Regulation on granting state aid by the National Centre for Research and Development.

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