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The Aurora Mobility Programme – Researcher Exchange for New Collaboration Between Norway and France

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Financial scheme: Coordination and Support Activity

Application deadline: 21 September 2022, 13:00 CEST

Relevant thematic areas for this call: Internationalisation

Target groups: Research organisations

Funding scale: NOK 20 000-100 000

Amount of funding presumed available for this call for proposals:
up to NOK 800 000

Project duration: 12-24 months

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Important dates

10 Aug 2022: Date call is made active

21 Sep 2022: Application submission deadline

01 Jan 2023: Earliest permitted project start

01 Jun 2023: Latest permitted project start

31 Dec 2024: Latest permitted project completion

Purpose

The support provided through the AURORA mobility programme shall contribute to establish and expand the contact between research institutions in Norway and corresponding organizations in France. The purpose is to strengthen European research collaboration under Horizon Europe.

Researchers from Norway may seek support for funding for short-term visits in France for the purpose of launching and developing new joint research projects.

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About the call for proposals

The objective of the Aurora mobility call is to increase researcher mobility between Norway and France.

The budgetary framework for 2023 is roughly NOK 800 000. A maximum of NOK 100 000 may be sought per project. Projects may extend over one or two consecutive calendar years.

The projects are funded jointly by Norway and France. Grant applications must be submitted to both countries to be eligible for review. Norwegian applicants are recommended to check that the French project manager has submitted a grant application for a stay in Norway to the French AURORA programme administration (Campus France). The application submission deadline in France is the same as in Norway, 21 September 2022.

The Norwegian-language call for proposals is the legally binding version.

Who is eligible to apply?

The call is open to [approved Norwegian research organisations](#) applying jointly with research organisations in France.

Who can participate in the project?

Requirements relating to the Project Owner

The organisation must be listed as the Project Owner in the application form and must have authorised you to submit the grant application.

If the application is a cooperation between several organizations in Norway, the Project Owner must submit the application on behalf of all Norwegian participants.

Requirements relating to the project manager

To qualify as project manager, individuals must hold an approved doctorate or have obtained qualifications at associate professorship level (in Norwegian only) by the date of the application submission deadline. In this context, employment in the Norwegian research institute sector in a position as forsker 1 (research professor), forsker 2 (senior).

Typically, scientific staff/groups of researchers (normally 2–4 persons) will submit grant applications for funding for short-term stays in France. Early career researchers (including doctoral and post-doctoral research fellows) must participate in the travel activities.

What can you seek funding for?

Funding may be sought to cover travel and living expenses in France. Salary and purchase of equipment are not covered under the programme.

The following rates apply:

- Funding may be sought in a single grant application for 2–4 persons. A maximum of NOK 20 000 may be sought per person per calendar year. The maximum amount of support available per applicant/grant application is NOK 100 000.
- The Research Council may award funding to cover up to 100 per cent of approved project costs. The Research Council will disburse funding in arrears, based on the reported documented expenses.
- Travel expenses and actual costs relating to hotel accommodation and per diem according to the government rates for travel abroad. The rates per diem may be reduced if funding is sought for longer stays/multiple project participants.

If your project is granted funding, the following must be in place when you revise your grant application:

- From 2022 the Research Council requires a Gender Equality Plan (GEP) for all research organisations before signing a grant agreement. The requirement does not apply to the business sector, special interest organisations or the non-profit sector.

- Support from the Research Council to a research organisation is to be reserved for the organisation's non-economic activity, and as such therefore does not constitute state aid. The Research Council requires a clear separation of accounts for the organisation's economic and non-economic activities.
- The Research Council requires all scientific articles from the projects we fund to be made available immediately, which means without embargo and with an open licence that permits reuse of the publication. [Plan S - open access to publications \(forskingsradet.no\)](https://forskingsradet.no)

Reporting and disbursement of funding

Funding will be disbursed in arrears, and only actual expenses entered in the institution's accounts will be covered. All reporting must be done electronically.

Relevant thematic areas for this call

The programme is open to all subject areas and disciplines. Scientific staff/groups of researchers in the humanities and social sciences are especially encouraged to apply.

Internationalisation

MOBILITY

Practical information

Requirements for this funding scheme

You may revise and resubmit your grant application form multiple times up to the application submission deadline. We recommend that you submit your application as soon as you have filled in the application form and included all mandatory attachments. After the deadline, it is the most recently submitted version of the grant application that will be processed.

- The grant application, including all attachments, must be submitted in Norwegian or English.
- All attachments must be uploaded in PDF format.

Mandatory attachments

- A project description of maximum 5 pages using the designated template, found at the end of this call.
- CVs for the project manager and all project participants in Norway, using the designated template, found at the end of this call.

Links to websites and documents, as well as other attachments than those specified above, will not be included in the application review process.

There is no technical validation of the content of the attachments to the application you upload to our system, so please make sure that you upload the correct file corresponding to the selected attachment type.




Administrative procedures

Grant applications will first be assessed for scientific merit in France, and then by a Research Council administrative panel together with our partners in France.

Importance will be attached to the following when reviewing grant applications:

- The exchange helps to establish new collaboration between the applicant institutions in the two countries.
- There are early career researchers involved in the project.
- There is adequate gender balance in the project. Assuming that all other factors are equal, priority will be given to projects led by women project managers.
- The project team has described plans for any future collaborative projects, particularly under the direction of Horizon Europe.
- Whether the applicants or this project have received funding under the Aurora mobility programmes during the last two years (2021, 2022). Assuming that all other factors are equal, priority will be given to projects that have not received such funding in the last two years.

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	Mal for prosjektbeskrivelse - AURORA 2023.docx	↓
	Template for Project Description - AURORA 2023.docx	↓
	Template for CV researchers.docx	↓

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About the results of the application assessment process

Total amount sought	2 425 000
Amount awarded	1 188 000
Total number of applications	31
Number of approved applications	14

Approved applications

Project no. ▼	Organization ▼	Project title ▼	Subject ▼	Sought ▼	Published ▼
341376	HELSE BERGEN HF	Impact of Diving on Vascular Health	Internasjonalt samarbeid	NOK 94 000	22.12.2022
340782	UNIVERSITETET I AGDER	Equivalent nonlinear control methods for digitalization in robotics and autonomous systems	Internasjonalt samarbeid	NOK 100 000	22.12.2022
341136	UNIVERSITETET I BERGEN	Establishing a research foundation for collaboration on viruses infecting Pavlovophyceae	Internasjonalt samarbeid	NOK 40 000	22.12.2022
341188	UNIVERSITETET I TROMSØ - NORGES ARKTISKE UNIVERITET	Exploring and leveraging energy monitoring on End-to-End worst edge-fog-cloud continuum for observatories deployed in extreme environments	Internasjonalt samarbeid	NOK 100 000	22.12.2022
341190	UNIVERSITETET I OSLO	Tracking geophysical and geodetic signals of magma-structure coupling using analog and numerical modelling	Internasjonalt samarbeid	NOK 49 000	22.12.2022
341207	UNIVERSITETET I TROMSØ - NORGES ARKTISKE UNIVERITET	Aurora Mobility Program - Methodological approaches to drug use in observational studies	Internasjonalt samarbeid	NOK 100 000	22.12.2022
341252	OSLO	OpenLiverLab - Open	Internasjonalt	NOK 100 000	22.12.2022

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	UNIVERSITETSSYKEHUS HF	source library for the liver, from images to clinicians	samarbeid		
341215	NORGES TEKNISK-NATURVITENSKAPELIGE UNIVERSITET NTNU	SporeHybrids - Combination of bacterial spores displaying light reactive proteins with upconverting nanoparticles.	Internasjonalt samarbeid	NOK 97 000	22.12.2022
341291	UNIVERSITETET I OSLO	Timed strategies for rewrite-based symbolic analysis of real-time systems	Internasjonalt samarbeid	NOK 75 000	22.12.2022
341302	UNIVERSITETET I BERGEN	Learning and Reasoning in Knowledge Graph Embeddings	Internasjonalt samarbeid	NOK 100 000	22.12.2022
341325	NORGES TEKNISK-NATURVITENSKAPELIGE UNIVERSITET NTNU	Enabling multi-physics energy harvesting for in-vivo applications	Internasjonalt samarbeid	NOK 71 000	22.12.2022
341349	UNIVERSITETET I OSLO	Perceptual-cognitive information processing and the psychology of sustainability	Internasjonalt samarbeid	NOK 100 000	22.12.2022
341425	NORSK INSTITUTT FOR VANNFORSKNING	Structuring collaboration in the field of environmental dynamics and impacts of contaminants of emerging concern in marine environments	Internasjonalt samarbeid	NOK 82 000	22.12.2022
341438	UNIVERSITETET I TROMSØ - NORGES ARKTISKE UNIVERSITET	Allostatic load in a multiethnic study population - the SAMINOR Study	Internasjonalt samarbeid	NOK 80 000	22.12.2022

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