

# Ajankohtaista tutkimusrahoituksessa / Current news on research funding, August 2021

## ACADEMY OF FINLAND

AoF autumn calls:

[Research post as academy research fellow](#) DL 22.9.

[Research post as postdoctoral researcher](#) DL 22.9.

[Academy project funding](#) DL 29.9.

Support for autumn calls - contact Research Funding Specialist:

- feedback on your previous Academy application, analysis of the evaluators' comments
- support how to write new application
- review the application for finalizing it. **Send your application for review by 10th September** at the latest. Applications are reviewed on a first come, first served basis!

[Academy of Finland, Mobility invitation from Taiwan or Russia to Finland](#) Funding can be applied for the mobility of foreign researchers to Finland. DL 22.9.

[Academy of Finland, Mobility cooperation with India, China or Germany](#) The Academy of Finland's mobility funding is based on bilateral agreements and promotes the international interaction of Finnish researchers and the internationalisation of Finnish research environments. DL 22.9.2021

[Vihreän ja digitaalisen siirtymän avainalat –rahoitus 2021 /Special funding for research on key areas of green and digital transition 2021](#) , DL 8.9.2021

The projects to be funded must focus on measures supporting both the green and digital transition, respecting the principles of sustainable development and the 'Do No Significant Harm' principle.

- maximum funding EUR 2 million per consortium and EUR 600,000 per consortium party
- applied for by multidisciplinary consortia of two or more research teams; the consortium parties bring expertise in both green and digital transition; applicant consortium must collaborate with different actors and end-users of research results
- **Applicants are requested notify the topic, fields and keywords of the application by email to [keyareas@aka.fi](mailto:keyareas@aka.fi) by 25 August 2021. The notification is non-binding. The information will be used in organising the scientific review.**

[EuroHPC:n, kvanttietokoneiden käyttöönoton ja suurteholaskennan hyödyntämisen erityisrahoitus / Special funding for EuroHPC, quantum computing and high-performance computing](#) DL 6.10.

Applicants are requested notify the topic, fields and keywords of the application by email to [eurohpc@aka.fi](mailto:eurohpc@aka.fi) by 1 September 2021. The information will help in organising the scientific review.

- average funding 400,000–500,000 euros per subproject
- for multidisciplinary research teams or consortia composed of two or more research teams

- Applicants are encouraged to approach the topic broadly and together with relevant national or international partners, expanding their expertise and seeking new initiatives.
- funding to hire a research team and to cover direct research costs

The aim of the funding is to support the development of a diverse future computing ecosystem and the expansion of computing expertise into new sectors. The funding is designed to promote scientific renewal and diversity, the quality of research and scientific impact as well as impact beyond academia.

The funding is targeted at:

- high-quality research related to EuroHPC, high-performance computing or the introduction of quantum computers
- utilisation of high-performance computing in different research fields.

### **Tandem Forest Values - Sustainable values chains from forest raw material, DL 1.12. (Forecast)**

Targeted call for applications focusing on new and sustainable value chains from forest raw material. The call encompasses all types of wood-based products, such as building components, furniture, textiles, packaging and other new materials, but not bioenergy and biofuels. Funding is available for consortia where the consortium partners are from Finland and Sweden. The consortia are led by an early-career researcher with no more than ten years since their first doctoral degree. The joint application must include at least one and up to two consortium partners from each country.

## **RAKENNERAHASTOT**

**REACT-EU-rahoitusta haettavana Pohjois-Pohjanmaan ELY-keskuksessa rakennerahasto-ohjelmasta.** REACT-EU-rahoituksella rahoitetaan nopeasti vaikuttavia ja elvyttäviä toimenpiteitä **koronakriisistä** selviämiseksi sekä pohjan luomiseksi talouden vihreälle, digitaaliselle ja palautumiskykyä tukevalle elpymiselle. Hakemukset tulee toimittaa **Johanna Ekille 30.8. mennessä, [johanna.ek@oulu.fi](mailto:johanna.ek@oulu.fi)**

## **NORDFORSK**

### **Nordic-Russian call for networks for risk and crisis management , DL 15.9.2021**

This call for proposals aims to support interdisciplinary consortiums to develop measures and tools to confront the next natural or man-made crisis.

The proposals are invited to:

- identify and evaluate the likelihood and nature of crises;
- enhance crisis preparedness and supply of security among the most risk-prone groups and regions;
- develop measures and tools to strengthen crisis management and improve its parity in society;

- develop and improve education and communication tools on inclusive digital platforms to mitigate effects of crises.

## INTERREG NPA

### Bridging Call for fund preparatory projects , DL 8.10

As with previous bridging calls, the main purpose is to build a project pipeline for future main projects in the forthcoming programme and keep momentum and front-loading the future programme; thus allowing for a strong start. Secondly, to explore in practice the different themes proposed in the new programme which could help design future calls.

Preparatory projects applicants are expected to address their chosen specific objectives, with actions such as feasibility studies, stakeholder mapping and recommendations with the purpose of developing project ideas ideally concluding with the presentation of a main project application in the new programme period 2021-2027. The Bridging call will be funded by the NPA 2014-2020 and only actions eligible under the current programme can be funded.

A "How to Apply Seminar" will be hosted online on 9th September.

Projects are recommended to run for a period of 6 months between January and August 2022.

## FOUNDATIONS

Jane and Aatos Erkko Foundation supports high-level, international scientific research as well as arts and culture. The Jane and Aatos Erkko Foundation accepts grant **applications every day of the year**. Decisions to award grants are made by the Foundation's Board of Trustees, which meets four times a year in March, May, September and December. Average processing time for applications is 4–6 months.

Foundation for Municipal Development | Kunnallisan kehittämissäätiö invites applications for its research funding. This supports research activities related to local municipalities. The following grants are available: grants for research projects, grants for doctoral thesis, grants for postdoctoral research, grants for master's thesis work, grants for publications, travel grants. **DL 31.8.**

Instrumentarium Scientific Foundation' s call for grants 2022 **DL 31.8.**

The foundation's primary role is to support medical, technical and scientific equipment and methods related research and economic research in these fields. The Foundation can also support other high-level basic research in medical, scientific and technological areas that promotes the Foundation's purposes.

Raija and Ossi Tuuliainen foundation Wildlife welfare grants. **DL 31.8.**

Orion Research Foundation | Orionin Tutkimussäätiö invites applications for its research grants. These support research in the fields of medicine, veterinary medicine and pharmacology, and in the related fields of natural sciences, including chemistry and physics. Two types of grants are available: grants for young researchers not holding a PhD to support scientific research and grants for researchers who have received their PhD within the past five years to enable them to continue their research. **DL 10.9.** (Forecast)

Kone Foundation | Koneen Säätiö invites applications for its grants for academic and artistic work. These support academic and artistic work and projects in the field of humanities, social sciences, arts and environmental studies, covering also multidisciplinary approaches. **DL 15.9.**

[Foundations' Post Doc Pool | Säätiöiden Post Doc -Pooli](#) invites applications for its grants for postdoctoral research abroad. These support young scholars who have recently completed their doctoral degree and who wish to conduct research abroad. Researchers based in Finland may apply. **DL 15.9.**

[Maj and Tor Nessling Foundation | Maj ja Tor Nesslingin Säätiö](#) invites applications for its funding for environmental research. This supports scientific research into environmental protection and implementation of research results in this area. The fund focuses on five research themes related to environmental protection: climate change, biodiversity decline, sustainability of natural resources, water hazards, and chemicalisation and degradation of the environment. **DL 17.9**

[Finnish Work Environment Fund | Työsuojelurahasto](#) invites applications for its research grants. These support research and development projects that aim to produce applicable information or approaches that have practical relevance to Finnish working life. The project must address a broad topic related to working environment or conditions, occupational health and safety, or social relationships and productivity within a working community. **DL 20.9.**

[Väisälä Foundation Grants](#) , **DL 20.9.**

For research projects and studies in the fields of natural sciences, especially in the fields of mathematics, physics, meteorology, geophysics and astronomy.

[The Auramo Foundation](#) invites applications for its grants. These support research, development, teaching and publication activities related to the following fields: material flow – transportation, storage and supply; materials research related to concrete; leadership training in the Finnish scout movement. **DL 25.9.**

[The Federation of Finnish Technology Industries](#) invites applications for grants from its Centennial Foundation's Fund for the Association of Finnish Steel and Metal Producers. These support academic research, education and studies that advance the development of technology and business related to any step of the metal processing chain. **DL 30.9.**

[Niemi Foundation](#), **DL 30.9.**

Grants to support research on agricultural and forestry sciences. Priority is given to doctoral thesis work.

[The Finnish Cultural Foundation's Central Fund](#), **DL 29.10.2021**

In the October round of applications, two types of grants can be applied for: working grants and expenditure grants. Eligible applicants include all Finnish nationals and people and organisations residing or working in Finland. Others are eligible as well, provided their application demonstrates clear, strong ties to Finland or Finnish culture.

[PoDoCo - Post docs in companies grants](#), **DL 31.10.** Post Docs in Companies, PoDoCo program, is a joint initiative of Finnish universities, industry and foundations. The aim of the PoDoCo program is to promote academic research supporting long term competitiveness and strategic renewal of Finnish companies, and the employment of young doctors in industry

[Amelia Earhart fellowship](#) **DL 15.11. (Forecast)**

This assists women pursuing a doctoral degree in aerospace engineering or space sciences.

[KH Renlund's foundation](#), **DL 30.11.** Grants for geological and environmental projects

## HORIZON EUROPE

In order to make it little bit easier for you to find the right call and write a good proposal for the newly opened Horizon Europe (HEU) Programme, Research support services has made brand new Horizon Europe Patio Service Cards containing information on the various funding instruments: [Services and instructions/ Research support/ Funding instruments](#). Within the service cards you can find for example annotated proposal templates containing plenty of useful information and examples for ERC, MSCA and RIA (Research and Innovation Action) proposals, but also a comprehensive list of various tools/ guides and contact points for hands on support. Horizon Europe Consortium Project Service cards even **contains an overview of all calls in Pillar II for 2021-2022**. Below a list of the new service cards:

[Horizon Europe – European Research Council \(ERC\)](#)

[Horizon Europe - Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions \(MSCA\)](#)

[Horizon Europe Consortium Projects \(Pillar II\)](#)

[Horizon Europe - European Partnerships](#)

[Horizon Europe - European Innovation Council \(EIC\)](#)

### Horizon Europe: ERC

- [ERC Synergy Grant](#) DL 10.11.2021
- [ERC Starting Grant](#) DL 13.1.2022
- [ERC Consolidator Grant](#) DL 17.3.2022
- [ERC Advanced Grant](#) DL 30.8.2021 and 28.4.2022

### Horizon Europe: [MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships 2021](#), DL 12.10.2021

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions Postdoctoral Fellowships (previously MSCA Individual Fellowship) provide grants for experienced researchers to support their mobility, research projects and training both within and outside of Europe. **The fellowship is applied in cooperation with the planned host organisation.** The scheme covers all research areas. It is targeted at researchers with a doctoral degree and a maximum of 8 years of research experience after the PhD by the time of the call deadline. Mobility is a must in MSCA: the researcher must not have resided in the country of the beneficiary, in this case Finland, for more than 12 months in the 36 months before call deadline.

### Horizon Europe - [MSCA Doctoral Networks 2021](#) DL 16.11.2021

MSCA Doctoral Networks will implement doctoral programmes, by partnerships of universities, research institutions and research infrastructures, businesses including SMEs, and other socio-economic actors from different countries across Europe and beyond.

## OTHER

[Postdoctoral fellowship programme for research in Japan](#) The Japan Society for the Promotion of Science invites applications for its postdoctoral fellowship programme. This supports young postdoctoral investigators in conducting research in cooperation with host researchers at Japanese universities and research institutions. **DL 3.9.**

[Fulbright Arctic initiative](#) The US Department of State under the Council for International Exchange of Scholars invites applications for the Fulbright Arctic Initiative. This brings together a network of scholars, professionals and applied researchers for a series of three seminar meetings and a Fulbright exchange experience to address key research and policy questions related to creating a secure and sustainable Arctic. **DL 15.9.**

## EVENTS

### Academy of Finland September call info event 30.8. at 13:00 –16:00

<https://oulu.zoom.us/j/68184610036>

Program:

13.00 Welcome

13.10 Data management, data protection and research ethics, Sirpa Aalto and N.N.

13.30 Publications and other research outputs in a grant application. Use of bibliometrics when applying for funding, Tiina Sipola

14.00 Open access, Mari Katvala

14.30 Impact, Kirsi Ojutkangas

15.00 Evaluation process, N.N.

15.30 Budgeting for AoF proposals, Olli Ahonen

16.00 End of event

### MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowship proposal clinic on "Impact and Dissemination, Exploitation, Communication" 26.8. at 14:00 –15.30

Link: [Click here to join the meeting](#)

Program:

14:00-14:20 Impact in my MSCA project

Italo Azeni, Senior Research Fellow, Adjunct Professor, Faculty of Information Technology and Electrical Engineering

14:20-14:40 Introduction to Impact and Dissemination, Exploitation and Communication requirements in MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowship

Janika Luukinen, Research Funding Specialist, Research and Project Services

14:40-15:15 Impact Canvas as a tool map out the impact and measures to achieve it

Kirsi Ojutkangas, Impact Coach, Research Funding Specialist, Research and Project Services

15:15-15:30 Discussion

### Who owns the IPR? 2.9.2021 at 14-15

IPR (intellectual property rights) issues are often raised in research projects. Business partners ask what benefits they will get from participating in the project. At what cost can the resulting inventions be accessed?

Come to the webinar! Maarit Jokela, Innovation Manager of University Innovation Centre will tell:

2.9.2021 at 14-15 in English (Participation link: <https://oulu.zoom.us/j/63871206601>)

- Who owns the IPRs generated in the study? Researcher, university or company involved in the project?
- What can be promised to companies when asked to participate in research projects?
- How are IPR matters agreed? How are they compensated?

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