First pre-announcement EU Co-funded ERA-MIN Joint Call 2021

Highlights

- Indicative Call budget: €18Mio.
- November 30, 2020 Second pre-announcement
- January 15, 2021 Official launch of the Call
- April 1, 2021 Deadline for Pre-proposal submission
- June 8, 2021- Communication of pre-proposal assessment
- September 15, 2021 Deadline for Full Proposal submission
- December 13, 2021 Communication of full-proposal assessment
- May 1, 2022 Latest starting date of selected projects

ERA-MIN3 is a global, innovative and flexible pan-European network of **26** European and non-European research funding organisations, aiming to continue strengthening the mineral raw materials community through the coordination of research and innovation programmes on non-fuel and non-food raw materials (metallic, construction, and industrial minerals). ERA-MIN3 builds on the experience of the H2020 ERA-MIN 2 (2016-2022) and FP7 ERA-NET ERA-MIN (2011-2015).

The EU Co-funded ERA-MIN Joint Call 2021 is the first joint call of the ERA-NET Cofund ERA-MIN3. For information on the statistics and projects funded under ERA-MIN and ERA-MIN2 calls, check the website.

2021 Call scope and topics

The scope of the 2021 Call is <u>needs-driven research</u> addressing three segments of non-fuel, non-food raw materials: metallic materials; construction materials; industrial minerals.

The five main call topics are:

Topic 1. Supply of raw materials from exploration and mining

Topic 2. Circular Design

Topic 3. Processing, Production and Remanufacturing

Topic 4. Recycling and Re-use of End-of-Life Products Recycling and Re-use of End-of-Life Products

Topic 5: Cross-cutting topics: proposals that address all innovations, also non-technological, to support for the transformation to a circular economy regarding: New business models; Improvement of methods or data for environmental impact assessment; Social acceptance and trust/public perception of raw materials; Environmental, social, and health safety issues.

The inclusion of cross-cutting topics in proposals addressing the other topics and can be selected as the main topic, with some eligibility exceptions. Please check if your funding agency allows for proposals addressing exclusively cross-cutting topics.



Some eligibility criteria and recommendations to applicants

- A proposal may cover more than one of the topics and sub-topics. Not all topics and sub-topics are supported by all participating funding organisations.
- Each consortium must comprise at least **three** independent legal entities eligible and requesting funding from the participating Funding Organisations of at least three different countries where at least **two** countries are an **EU Member State or an EU Associated Country (Turkey) named in this call**.
- A Lead Researcher can only represent the coordinator in one proposal.
- Applicants not requesting funding, or who are not eligible for national/regional funding, can be partners of the consortium, on the condition that they provide evidence of the availability of their own funds.
- At least half of the partners in a consortium must belong to countries participating in the Call.
- The project duration should be a minimum of 12 months and should not exceed 36 months (subject to national/regional regulations).
- The language of the proposal is English.

Participating countries and regions

The countries and regions, and their funding agencies that have expressed interest in participating in the call at the time of this first pre-announcement, to be updated in November, 2020 are:

EU countries/regions and research funding organisations:

Belgium-Flanders (FWO and Hermesfonds/VLAIO); Belgium-Wallonia (SPW-Recherche); Bulgaria (BNSF); Czech Republic (TA CR); Estonia (ETAg); Finland (Business Finland); France (ADEME and ANR); Germany (BMBF/JÜLICH); Ireland (GSI), Italy (MUR); Poland (NCBR); Portugal (FCT); Romania (UEFISCDI); Slovakia (SAS); Slovenia (MIZS); Spain (AEI and CDTI); Spain – Navarra (CFNA); Sweden (Vinnova).

EU Associated country: Turkey (TUBITAK)

Non-EU countries: Canada-Québec (PRIMA-Québec); Chile (ANID) (to be confirmed) and South-Africa (DST).

Further information

For further information, please contact the Joint Call Secretariat (eramin@fct.pt).

Updated information and Call Text will be available from 15th January 2021 at https://www.era-min.eu/joint-call/era-min-joint-call-2021

