

### Purpose of funding:

The call for research proposals "**Coordination of European funding for infectious diseases research**" has been jointly implemented by the Ministerio de Economía y Competitividad (MINECO) and other European funding organizations, all of them members of the ERA-NET Infect-ERA. It demonstrates the Ministry's effort to support research on infectious diseases and accomplishes the main objectives described in the *Programa Estatal de Investigación, Desarrollo e Innovación Orientada a los Retos de la Sociedad* in the frame of the *Plan Estatal de Investigación Científica y Técnica y de Innovación 2013-2016*, which fosters the participation of Spanish research groups in international cooperative projects, particularly those related with the societal challenge of **Health**.

### Eligibility of applicants:

MINECO will support research institutions located in Spain and will be responsible for taking the final decision regarding the awarding of funds to the Spanish partners that apply to MINECO in this joint call. The final decision will take fully into account the transnational evaluation of the cooperative project and the financial resources available.

The entities eligible for MINECO funding are universities and other public research institutions (including hospitals and public foundations), as well as private non-profit organizations that carry out R&D activities in Spain.

Eligible applicants **must** have experience as principal investigators (PI) in research projects funded in the *Plan Nacional de I+D+I 2008-2011*. This rule is not applied to young researchers who submit their proposal to the specific modality for Young Scientists of the call. In this case, applicants must prove their contractual relation with the research institution for at least the expected duration of the project.

One researcher **is not allowed** either to apply for funding in more than one proposal of this call, or to overlap funding in this call with other ERA-NET running projects. In any case, **MINECO will avoid double funding and will not finance projects or parts of projects that have been funded through other national or EU calls.**

### Funding policy:

Up to 100% of the marginal project costs may be financed within this programme in the following categories:

- Personnel costs for temporary contracts (fellowships are not eligible)
- Direct costs (consumables, small equipment, travel)

Indirect costs (overheads), or clinical assays (proofs of concept, proofs of principle) are not eligible for funding from MINECO.

Maximum funding is 150.000 € per project (200.000 € if one Spanish eligible institution coordinates the project).

### Further instructions:

As stated in the call text, the project leader of each consortium must submit the full proposal electronically to the common Call Secretariat. Once the transnational evaluation procedure has been completed and the researchers involved have been notified, the Spanish applicants that are offered funding will be invited to formally apply to the call of the *Programa Estatal de Investigación, Desarrollo e Innovación Orientada a los Retos de la Sociedad* implemented by the *Dirección General de Investigación Científica y Técnica*. The Spanish partners awarded in this call should submit an annual interim report in accordance with the regulations established in the corresponding national call.

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