



Modifications in the Call for Proposals “Support for Cooperation between Research Infrastructures” sub-programme “C”

We would like to inform applicants that, compared to the call for proposals titled “Support for Cooperation between Research Infrastructures” (SM02-RES-PC3-C) issued in 2025, this call for proposals includes the following changes (the specific changes are highlighted in red).

1.2. Purpose of the Call for Applications

Original text:

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This sub-programme “C” of the Call of Applications “Support for Cooperation between Research Infrastructures” (hereinafter referred to as “Call”) aims to strengthen RDI cooperation with international/Swiss researchers by involving research infrastructures (RIs), to increase the Hungarian participation and involvement in international research infrastructure networks, to promote multidisciplinary scientific cooperations and to foster Hungarian-Swiss scientific relations.

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According to the results of the 2025 call (with the submission deadline of 15 October 2025), the current call is open with a modified budget allocation (see next page), with the same application conditions.

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The list of the supported projects of the Call 2025 is available via this link:

<https://nkfih.gov.hu/palyazoknak/egyeb-tamogatas/tamogatott-projektek-sm-02-res-pc3>

2. AVAILABLE FUNDING

Original text:

The source of funding is the Framework Agreement promulgated by the Government Decree, namely Section 3.1(1)(ii) of Annex to the Framework Agreement, as well as the Grant Agreement of the research programme.

Aid is provided in the form of a final, non-refundable benefit (grant).

Total available budget: HUF 103,115,500 (CHF 250,000)

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¹ <https://svajcialap.hu/dokumentumok/altalanos>

Foreseen number of applications for aid to be awarded: 10 to 20 projects

Total available budget in 2026: HUF 12 774 305 (CHF 30 841)

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Foreseen number of applications for aid to be awarded: 1 to 2 projects

These figures are indicative and may vary in accordance with applications for aid submitted by and aid awarded to the applicants.

All applications submitted by the same deadline in response to this Call requiring a one-time submission will be evaluated and ranked at once. Aid may be granted within the limits of the available budget. Where justified, the amounts allocated to the sub-programmes may be reallocated.

6. TIMEFRAME FOR PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION

Original text:

Timeframe for the implementation of the component element: minimum 24 months, maximum 36 months.

The last day of the period for implementing the component element shall not be later than 31 December 2028.

No aid may be requested for a component element that has started before the submission of the application for aid.

The costs of the component element are eligible from the start date of the component element as set out in the grant agreement.

Changes:

Timeframe for the implementation of the component element in 2025: minimum 24 months, maximum 36 months.

Timeframe for the implementation of the component element in 2026: minimum 12 months, the last day of the period for implementing the component element shall not be later than 31 December 2028.

Expenses for the component element may be claimed starting from the start date of the component as specified in the grant agreement.

For the call for proposals reopened in 2026, the earliest start date that can be specified for the component element is August 1, 2026.

The costs of the component element are eligible from the start date of the component element as set out in the grant agreement.

9.3 Deadline for submission of applications

Original text:

Deadline for electronic submission of applications to this Call: 17:00 CET 15 October 2025

Changes:

Deadline for electronic submission of applications to this Call in 2026: 17:00 CET 18 August 2026