Arqus Seed Funding
Call for Applications 2022-2023

The Arqus European University Alliance brings together the University of Granada, the University of Graz, the University of Leipzig, the University of Padua, Vilnius University, Maynooth University, the University of Minho, the University of Wrocław and the Université Lyon 1, all longstanding comprehensive research universities.

PURPOSE OF THE CALL

This call aims to develop collaborations of excellence, to bring out scientific poles of international level and to develop capacities of research and expertise. Consequently, the seed funding is made available to support the organisation of consortium meetings and other activities required to support the preparation of competitive joint projects and initiatives.

This call will finance up to ten joint research actions contributing to the establishment of medium or long-term cooperation. It is intended to support the emergence of new initiatives: thus, preliminary work activities intended to apply for another research funding programme will be supported.

The grant awarded will support networking activities to discuss, structure and write application(s) to:
- Horizon Europe funding programmes
- Binational funding programmes
- International funding programmes

ELIGIBILITY

Researchers, senior lectures, professors and postdocs from all fields of research are eligible, as long as they are affiliated to the Université Lyon 1.

The research project(s) to be developed must involve participants of at least two Arqus universities (including the applicant’s institution) but may also have participants from universities not belonging to Arqus or from other research institutions or stakeholders.

The activities could consist in the organization of workshop(s) or other activities with Arqus partner(s). Travel costs and/or per diem for the applicants, as well as workshop(s) organization expenses, could be funded by this call. During the implementation, the successful applicants will be assisted by the local Arqus team whenever needed.

The selection of applicants will be based on the following criteria:
- Quality of the proposal, aims and objectives
- Joint research interest in the proposed topic

FUNDING
This grant aims to encourage the development of up to ten joint research action proposals. A maximum of 1000€/person and 2 persons/potential collaborative project will be awarded.

**REPORTING**

Successful applicants will be required to submit a brief financial and qualitative report at the end of the project. This report will contain information on the activities carried out, the researchers that attended the meeting, the project idea/the call to which it is intended to respond, and the implemented budget.

**APPLICATION PROCEDURE**

✓ Start of applications: June 27, 2022
✓ Deadline for applications: October 31, 2023

Applications will be received and processed on a rolling basis. A rapid response will be given (within 2 weeks).

The activity must be carried out until 30 November 2023.

Please email a scan of your signed application to [laura.bousquet@univ-lyon1.fr](mailto:laura.bousquet@univ-lyon1.fr) & [anne.giroir-fendler@ircelyon.univ-lyon1.fr](mailto:anne.giroir-fendler@ircelyon.univ-lyon1.fr).

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