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Joint calls procedures and documents
(2017 Call for Young Researchers)

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ARIMNet2 Call for YOUNG RESEARCHERS 2017

Deadline to submit your Proposals 14 September 2017

On the submission website by following the link below
(the submission website will be open the 16th of August):
https://aap.agencerecherche.fr/_layouts/15/SIM/Pages/SIMNouveauProjet.aspx?idAAP=1187
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1. Introduction

The ERA-NET ARIMNet2 Project (Agricultural Research In the Mediterranean Network), funded by the 7th Framework programme, European Commission, aims at coordinating National Agricultural Research Programmes to strengthen the capacities of its partners to address in a coordinated way the major challenges that the Mediterranean agriculture is facing.

While agriculture in the countries around the Mediterranean is facing common issues and challenges, Agricultural Research in the Mediterranean is scattered and requires a coordination effort to step up the cooperation and coordination of research activities carried out at national level by joining forces to promote innovative research and cooperation. It is the purpose and the ambition of the partners of the ARIMNet2 Project.

For more information about ARIMNet2, please connect to www.arimnet2.net

2. A Joint Transnational Call for young researchers

The aim of this call is to reinforce the capacities of young scientists around the Mediterranean Area and to prepare the new generation of young research talents to become leaders and pioneers in their research area.

The call will support research consortia in a broad scope of topics to give researchers the opportunity to develop their own networks and research ideas and to facilitate the establishment of long-lasting collaborations and partnerships among young scientists around the Mediterranean.

It aims to promote international collaborations among young researchers to take up in an innovative approach the global stakes and challenges that the Mediterranean Agriculture is facing.

Previous calls in 2011, 2015, 2016 have successfully funded 31 projects (projects list www.arimnet2.net).

The 2017 call is based on a virtual common pot of around 5.4 million Euros with the aim to fund projects involving several partners from different countries.

Scope and topics

Enhancing Mediterranean agricultural and food value chains

The countries of the Mediterranean basin face a number of similar problems in relation to agriculture, mainly as regards the use and management of natural resources, such as soil and water, and threats to the security and sustainability of agricultural production resulting from climate change. The vulnerability of the Mediterranean ecosystems and unsustainable farming systems have led to problems such as soil erosion and runoff, overexploitation of natural plant cover, loss of fertility of agricultural land, soil degradation, underground water overexploitation, contamination and food safety problems.

However, socio-economic contribution of agriculture and food sectors to economic growth, rural development and employment is very important all around the Mediterranean. The diversity in products and the traditional know-how in food production and processing are important assets that have led the Mediterranean region to be deemed for the high quality and diversity of its food. Nevertheless, traditional Mediterranean food chains are suffering difficulties to face increase in urban demand and changes in consumption and life styles. This induces also poor nutrition and significant health problems.

Development of sustainable agriculture and local food industries, which generate employment and added value products, is a common objective for the Mediterranean countries.

Through this call, ARIMNet2 partners are willing to support integrated and trans-disciplinary research projects aimed at leading innovations for enhancing the agricultural and food systems contribution to social and economic development in a sustainable way.
The call will cover two topics:

**Topic 1:** “Promoting sustainable agriculture for socio-economic development”
**Topic 2:** “Valorising local products through food value chains improvement”

**Topic 1: Promoting sustainable agriculture for socio-economic development**

Climatic conditions, in particular climate variability, require the development of production systems able to cope with risk and uncertainty. Rusticity and flexibility of the different components and of the whole are two major factors of resilience of the systems and their competitiveness and sustainability is required to be improved. Therefore, research is needed in order to improve simultaneously the productivity of agricultural systems and their sustainability. Facing climatic change and pressure in water availability, protecting the natural resources and the environment need an evolution of the current production practices to contribute to the economic and social development.

Adaptation of agriculture to climate change calls for solutions to be found in terms of genetics and agronomics to cope with water scarcity, changes in temperatures and increase in climate variability. Several issues have to be addressed in this perspective: Genetic breeding of varieties resistant to drought and to climate hazards; adaptation to climate change; use of local biodiversity; development of new farming systems combining different activities and species; diversification of cropping systems using local crop species; water-saving techniques and water efficient cropping systems; development of protein rich crops. The diversity of production systems can help to valorize the diversity of soils, slopes, and wet areas but can also play a non-negligible role in water circulation, fauna and flora dissemination or soil distribution.

Soil is a major resource for Mediterranean agriculture sustainability. The "4‰“ Cop 21 Initiative aims to develop practical measures on restoration, improvement and/or preservation of carbon stocks in soils. Management of soil carbon will contribute to climate change adaptation. The scientific approaches should develop: Studies of mechanisms and assessment of the potential for carbon storage in soils across Mediterranean regions; performance evaluation of best farming practices for soil carbon and their impact on food security and on other regulation and production services; monitoring and estimating variations in soil carbon stock, especially at farmers level; increasing water holding capacity of soils rich in organic matter.

Intensive use of chemicals (fertilizers, pesticides, antibiotics) has also generated environmental and human health problems. Several research issues should be considered in order to improve the sustainability of production systems such as on-farm improved efficiency of input uses and integrated pest management. Development of low-input systems using integrated approaches between ecology and agronomy should also be addressed.

**Topic 2: Valorising local products through food value chains improvement**

Improvement in the agricultural systems should take into account the potential outlets and markets for agricultural products. Thus, food chain organisation is a requirement for local economic development. The enhancement of Mediterranean food value chains is closely related to technological aspects of production and transformation, market and food chain organisation and industrial strategies. In particular, it is necessary to develop processing technologies for better valorisation of typical local products, to boost rural economy, and to create new jobs. The utilisation of the Mediterranean biodiversity, the traditional knowledge and culinary heritage should be encouraged.

A valorisation of the nutritional qualities of Mediterranean foods and the development of new products based on the traditional Mediterranean products should also consider the convenience and the accessibility of food for households. A better control of the quality throughout the food chain is a condition for food safety (hazards and risk assessment, improvements in food shelf life, storage and transportation conditions). Better management of the food chain, organisation and logistics, should allow for the reduction of food wastes and losses.

Development of new products and technologies, food safety improvement, should consider different dimensions along the whole food chain, i.e. Consumer needs, outlets and markets, and agricultural systems, within a global value chain approach. Social organization of food chains, coordination among actors, norms and standards and the promotion of territorial products through geographical indications and designation of origin should also be addressed.

**Expected impacts**

- Integrated approaches to address complex challenges linking technical and socio-economic issues;
- Improved soil and water quality and agronomic practices with limited input use (e.g. pesticides, chemical fertilisers, energy and water);
- Improved local products and farming systems best suited to Mediterranean conditions;
- Diversification and increase of farmers’ incomes through access to new markets;
- Innovations along the whole food chain contributing to local development.

3. **Participation and funding of Research Projects**

The funding for the transnational projects will be national funds by ARIMNet2 network based on a virtual common pot instrument. The funding principle is that each country funds its own research group(s), while it benefits from the research fruits of the multinational team of the Project Consortium. Participating countries, funding organisations and funds available are listed in Annex 1.

3.1 **Participation from ARIMNet2 network countries with national funding**

Researchers participating in projects that have been selected for funding will receive the grant directly from their national funding organisation after meeting their national regulations. Funding will be administered according to the terms and conditions of respective national funding body. Industry may in some countries also bid for funding as members of consortia, but should first check the Parties’ national rules for details on funding eligibility of SMEs or large industries.

3.2 **Participation from ARIMNet2 network and outside ARIMNet2 network countries without national funding**

Applicants from participating countries to the ARIMNET2 call without national funding and those from countries not partners in the ARIMNet2 are welcome in research consortia, but will have to fund their own contribution to the research projects. Applicants have to provide a letter attesting that the necessary funds for the realization of the project will be available. They cannot coordinate a project nor have a vital contribution to the project.

Partners in consortia from non funding partner countries are not taken into account in the minimum number of requirement of eligible partners and countries in the ARIMNet2 eligibility criteria.
4. **Call Schedule**

The call is a "**One stage procedure**" that implies direct submission of full proposals.

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5. **Call Secretariat (CS)**

The Call secretariat is the main body in managing the call. It will produce and disseminate call documents and procedures. The CS will give administrative support to applicants regarding the call procedures. The CS is the primary contact point of the project Coordinator for all general matters in relation to the call and during the follow-up and evaluation of funded projects.

The National Contact points are supporting the Call Secretariat and must be contacted by the researchers for all matters regarding national regulations and funding. The list of National Contact point is available in annexe 1 and available on [www.arimnet2.net](http://www.arimnet2.net)

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6. How to Prepare and submit a proposal?

7.1 Research Consortium composition

7.2 Coordinator appointment

7.3 Verify for each partner national eligibility criteria (including topic, type of partner, funding)

7.4 Proposal drafting (check the criteria of evaluation and use the forms)

7.5 Submission online by the coordinator

8. Eligibility and Evaluation process

Negotiation phase and contract signature

Start of the project

6.1 Eligible Consortium

The project consortium must include at least three (3) young researchers from three (3) different countries participating and funding the call with at least:

**MINIMUM REQUIREMENT:**
- 1 young researcher from a southern country: Algeria, Egypt, Morocco, Tunisia
- 1 young researcher from a northern country: France, Greece, Turkey, Croatia, Slovenia, Spain
- AND 1 young researcher from the participating countries (all the north and south countries listed above)

Additional researchers from other institutions/countries are welcome in a Project Consortium, but will have to fund their own contribution to the research project.

6.2 Coordinator

Each Consortium need to appoint a Coordinator, who will have the following role:

- Be the single point of contact between the ARIMNet2 Call secretariat and the consortium partners from proposal submission to project end;
- Ensure that all the partners involved in the consortium are eligible
- Submit the Application Form on behalf of the Consortium;
- Compile and submit reports/deliverables to the ARIMNet2 Call secretariat on behalf of the Consortium;
- Ensure the role of supervision of the project workflow with the help of WP leaders.

The Coordinator will NOT be responsible for the financial management of ARIMNet2 research funding, which will be handled directly between national researchers and their national funding organisations in each participating country.

The Coordinator shall inform the Call Secretariat and each of the national funding organisations of any event that might affect the implementation of the project.

Coordination costs are supported by the national funding body of the coordinating country.

Coordinators of selected projects for funding should include in their budget the fees to cover their participation to the three (3) follow up meetings with the ARIMNET2 funding agencies.

6.3 Eligibility check (see section 8.1)

6.4 Research proposal forms and content (the templates can be downloaded directly on www.arimnet2.net)

6.5 Project online submission

Coordinator should register and create an account in the online submission system that will be open on the 16th of August 2017 and will be available following this link: [https://aap.agencerecherche.fr/_layouts/15/SIM/Pages/SIMNouveauProjet.aspx?idAAP=1187](https://aap.agencerecherche.fr/_layouts/15/SIM/Pages/SIMNouveauProjet.aspx?idAAP=1187)

On behalf the project partners, the Coordinator submits the Proposal via the on-line Electronic Submission System (Part B + 1 annex with the copy of the diploma and the CV of the young researchers) and fills directly online administrative and financial forms (Part A). Please read and use the document “templates” available on www.arimnet2.net

A submission receipt will be issued automatically to the Coordinator.

Only one single form for Proposal is required for each project. Proposals must be completed in English.

The ARIMNet2 joint Call secretariat will be the primary point of contact throughout the application process.

Applications will be accepted only via the ARIMNet2 online submission website before the date and time of the call deadline (14th of September 2017, 17h CET).

7. Evaluation Process and selection criteria

The evaluation process is designed with a one-step procedure.

7.1 Eligibility check

Once the proposal is submitted, an eligibility check will be operated by the call secretariat and the funding agencies. Only proposals meeting the both eligibility criteria will follow with the evaluation stage process.
All participants in a bidding consortium must check their eligibility referring to their national regulation (www.arimnet2.net). All participants must also check whether their topic is funded by their country and the maximum amount allowed per project or partner.

The coordinator of the Consortium is responsible for guaranteeing the eligibility of partners. Please, consider that if a national or ARIMNET2 network eligibility criteria fails, this will lead to the exclusion of the whole project before the evaluation process.

The coordinator of the Consortia is responsible to guarantee that all partners are eligible.

### 7.1.1 ARIMNet2 criteria

Each project proposal must meet the following criteria:

- Project consortium must include at least three (3) young researchers from three (3) different countries participating and funding the call (at least 1 from a southern country: Algeria, Egypt, Morocco or Tunisia and 1 from a northern country: France, Greece, Turkey, Croatia, Slovenia, Spain)
- A young researcher is somebody who has obtained his/her PhD (or equivalent to be defined in the national regulations) within the last 10 years (meaning that applicants must have obtained their PhD *after 1 January 2007*). In some cases, the definition can be slightly different according to the countries, then the definition of eligible profiles is specified in the national regulations. *This limit of 10 years may be pushed back for the following events occurring after the PhD is awarded: maternity leave, parental leave, long term sick leave (> 90 days), national service. The limit is pushed back for a period equal to the duration of the event. Where appropriate, the events will be specified at the time of proposal submission and supporting documents will be provided.*
- Additional young researchers from other countries not funding the call are welcome in a Project Consortium but will have to participate on their own financial contribution. Applicants with own or other sources of funding than ARIMNet2 are not taken into account in the minimum requirement of eligible consortium partners
- Additional senior researchers (not young researchers as defined in the call) can participate in the consortium but cannot lead a team nor coordinate the consortium, they must be part of a team led by a young researcher.
- Be of a maximum three-year duration,
- Be written in English, using the ARIMNet2 Application Forms provided on the submission website (www.arimnet2.net), with part A filled online and part B + an annex containing the CVs of the young researchers with the copy of their diploma uploaded correctly via the submission website before the call deadline (14th of September 2017, 5 PM CET).
- Fit the formal requirements for proposal submission,
- Be in line with the call scope and topics.

### 7.1.2 National eligibility criteria

Each partner of the consortium has to read carefully the national regulations on www.arimnet2.net. To receive funding, applicants must be eligible for funding by the national funding organisations participating in the call.

They must check whether their topic is funded by their country or not and the maximum amount allowed per partner or project Eligible costs (included subcontracting) will be determined by the regulations and conditions of each national funding organisation. **For more details on this point, please contact your National Contact Point.**

Please, consider that if a national or ARIMNET2 network criteria fails, this will lead to the exclusion of the whole project before the evaluation process.
i. Applicants from countries not providing identifiable funds for the call

Applicants from ARIMNET2 partner countries without national funding and those from countries not partners in the ARIMNet2 network are welcome in research consortia, but will have to fund their contribution to the research projects themselves. These applicants have to provide a letter attesting that the necessary funds for the implementation of the project will be available. They cannot coordinate a project nor have a vital contribution to the project.

Applicants with own or other sources of funding than ARIMNet2 are not taken into account in the minimum requirement of eligible consortium partners (min 3 partners from 1 northern country + 1 southern country).

7.2 Scientific Evaluation

The Call Secretariat will transmit all the eligible proposals to the Scientific Evaluation Committee. All proposals submitted will be treated confidentially by the ARIMNet2 partners and their appointed evaluation experts.

7.2.1 The Scientific Evaluation Committee (SEC)

Each proposal will be evaluated by 2 members of the Scientific Evaluation Committee

The Scientific Evaluation Committee (SEC) will be composed of 10 to 20 Mediterranean experts based on their acknowledged scientific excellence in the research areas covered by the call. The SEC members are internationally recognized scientists chosen for their scientific or technical expertise. They do not represent the nominating parties or adopt national considerations. SEC members are contributing to the evaluation process; they evaluate proposals, act as rapporteur for final evaluation reports and propose a final ranking of selected proposals. The Chair of the SEC is an independent scientist, internationally recognized. The SEC members and Chairperson must not apply to this call and avoid any conflict of interest.

During the evaluation meeting, the projects will be ranked by consensus in 3 categories (A, B, C).

- A: Projects recommended for funding.
- B: Projects that could be funded if funds are available.
- C: Projects not recommended for funding

7.2.2 Scientific review criteria and score

The SEC members (1 rapporteur and 1 reader for each proposal) will have to evaluate the proposal by scoring the four criteria (see below) on the scale 0-5 (from poor to excellent) and by justifying their score with a short comment (each criteria has the same weight):

- Criteria 1: Relevance to the scientific scope of this call (Relevance and strategic nature of the project with regard to the call’s orientations) (yes/no). In case the proposal is not relevant to the call topics, the proposal will not be evaluated for the next criteria.
The aim of this call is to reinforce the capacities of young scientists around the Mediterranean Area and to prepare the new generation of young research talents to become leaders and pioneers in their research area. The aim of the ARIMNet2 programme is to promote Research, Innovation, Mobility and Training between its members by supporting projects through transnational research networks, consisting of European and Mediterranean Partner Countries’ (MPC) scientists. This call addresses two main topics Promoting sustainable agriculture for socio-economic development & Valorising local products through food value chains improvement.

- **Criteria 2: Scientific and/or technological excellence - innovation and international competitiveness of the transnational project (score 0-5).**
  - scientific excellence in terms of progress of knowledge with respect to the state of the art, conceptual breakthrough.
  - innovative nature in terms of technological innovation or of innovation potential with respect to the current situation.
  - integration of the different disciplinary fields.

- **Criteria 3: Quality and efficiency of the implementation and the management (score 0-5).**
  - level of scientific excellence or expertise of the teams, appropriateness of the partnership for the scientific and technical objectives.
  - scientific and technical feasibility of the project, choice of methods, structuring of the project, rigor in presenting the final results (deliverables), identification of milestones.
  - appropriateness of the project management means implemented, quality of the coordination plan (project management related to the functional, technical, organisational, temporal and financial aspects), involvement of the coordinator.
  - Time schedule feasibility.
  - appropriateness and justification of the requested funding (justification of the permanent personnel resources, appropriateness of the coordination costs, justification of the temporary personnel resources (trainees, PhD students, post-doctoral researchers), evaluation of the sum for investments and equipment purchases, evaluation of the other financial items (travel, subcontracting, consumables, etc.).

- **Criteria 4: Potential impact: contribution to the advancement of knowledge and innovation approaches and socio-economic aspects, stakeholder involvement (score 0-5).**
  - strategy for technology transfer and for exploiting the potential of the project results, if relevant; industrial or technological application prospects and economic and commercial potential, business plan, integration in the industrial activity. Credibility of the described technology transfer and the method for exploiting the results.
  - potential for utilisation or integration of the project results by the scientific or industrial community or society, and impact of the project in terms of knowledge acquisition.
  - benefit for society, public health, consideration of environmental issues.
  - participation of stakeholders in the consortium.
  - Innovation potential of the project

- **Criteria 5: Contribution to capacity building, transnational activities (score 0-5).**
  - complementarity of the partnership for the Mediterranean.
  - actions to promote scientific and technical culture and communication.
  - actions for the dissemination of scientific results in higher education.
  - training and mobility (for partners funded on these items by their corresponding party)

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8. Proposal selection

The Chair of the SEC will present to the Call Board the recommended ranking list elaborated by the SEC. Based on this ranking a list of proposals will be selected for funding by the national funding agencies.

After the approval of the final list by respective funding agencies, the Call Secretariat will – on behalf of the funding parties to this agreement – send notification letters and the reviewer’s report to all project consortia coordinators to inform them of the result of the final funding decision. Only after this communication, sent in copy to the funders involved, each Funding agency will enter into the national contracting process with the national researchers of successful Project Consortia.

After the notification sent by the Call Secretariat of not selected proposals, we remind that it is not possible to appeal on the decision of the call Board.

9. Contract negotiation

9.1 Terms of participation

Research participants are required to recognise the coordinating role of ARIMNet2 throughout the duration of funded research projects until approval of the final report. Research consortia will be asked for feedback on call process in order to improve the process for next calls.

9.2 Contractual relationships

Regarding the call and the funding, ARIMNet2 has a coordination role and does not directly provide funding. All of the contracts and funding procedures remain the full responsibility of the national research funding agencies. Each national funding agency will enter into a contract (or any official documents acting as contract) with the relevant researchers and will ensure in collaboration with other funding agencies that these contracts are synchronised both in time and content as much as possible, so that the Project Consortium can deliver transnational outputs as described in the project proposal. The national funding agencies have to ensure that common ARIMNet2 conditions are met (e.g. common commencement date of a given project, reporting requirements etc.).
9.3 Funding contracts

For the whole duration of the contract the Project Consortium Coordinator is the only responsible person to inform the Call Secretariat of any changes which might affect the implementation of the project (e.g. work plan, consortium modifications) and other changes such as changes in contact details. Research partners shall also inform their national funding agency of those changes affecting the national contract. If a change occurs to the project consortium which poses a risk to the project, the issue has to be solved by the consortium (in line with the Consortium Agreement). The Call Secretariat must be kept informed of such events. Any changes in the work plan should be only minor, but will need to be authorised by all of the funding agencies involved before amendments to the contract by the national funding agencies can be issued. The coordinator should send his request to the Call secretariat and relevant funding agencies for their approval.

9.4 Research Consortium Agreement

The consortia selected for funding must enter into a Consortium Agreement, in order to manage the delivery of the project activities, finances, Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) and to avoid disputes which might be detrimental to the completion of the project. It will be the responsibility of the Project Consortium Coordinators to draw up a Consortium Agreement suitable to their own group. The purpose of this document is:

- To underpin the Project Partners collaboration and provide the Project Partners with mutual assurance on project management structures and procedures, and their rights and obligations towards one another;
- To assure the funding agencies involved that the Project Consortia have a satisfactory decision making capacity and that Project Partners are able to work together in a synergistic manner.

The following items (as a minimum) should be addressed by the Consortium Agreement:

- purpose of and definitions used in the Consortium Agreement
- names of organisations involved
- organisation and management of the project
- role and responsibilities of the Coordinator and the Research Partners: person in charge, their obligations and key tasks, conditions for their change
- deliverables (transnational reports and if relevant requirements for national reports where coordination is required)
- resources and funding
- confidentiality and publishing
- Intellectual Property Rights (how this issue will be handled between Research Partners)
- decision making within the consortium
- handling of internal disputes
- the liabilities of the Research Partners towards one another (including the handling of default of contract).

The Consortium Agreement must be signed by all Project Partners of the Project Consortium. It is strongly recommended to include in the Consortium Agreement that in case of breaking of the confidentiality agreement, the funding bodies involved will not assume the damages caused for that.

9.5 Intellectual property rights and use and access to results
The joint call ARIMNet2 funding will take all reasonable steps to ensure that information provided in the application is treated as confidential subject to submission to the members of its committees and merit review and to any obligations under law. Results and new Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) resulting from projects funded through the 2017 young researcher Call ARIMNet2 will be owned by the project partners according to the regulations in their Consortium Agreement if not conflicting with the respective national regulations. Researchers are encouraged to actively exploit the results of the research project and make them available for use, whether for commercial gain or not, in order for public benefit to be obtained from the knowledge created. All ARIMNet2 Partners shall have the right to use documents, information and results submitted by the Project Partners for their own purposes, provided that this is compatible with the protection of intellectual property rights, confidentiality obligations, and the legitimate interests of the owner of any foreground involved.

9.6 Starting of projects

Projects should start in accordance with 2017 young researcher call calendar. A project can start as soon as the Call secretariat has been informed by the Project Consortium Coordinator about the signature of the national contracts. Coordinators of selected projects for funding should include in their budget the fees to cover their participation to the three (3) follow up meetings with the ARIMNET2 funding agencies.

10. Project monitoring

Interim monitoring procedures will be mandatory for all applicants involved in the funded projects. These will be independent of other specific national requirements.

Additionally, there will be a final report at the end of the project, which has to be delivered to the Call Secretariat within two months following project conclusion. Three meetings (kick-off meeting, one mid-term meeting and a final one) will be organised to share and capitalise experience to the benefit of the ARIMNet2 community and beyond. Expenses related to the participation in those meetings that would gather the coordinators of the projects should be included in the budget required.

The project deliverables shall only be deemed approved when the Call Secretariat confirms approval to the Project Consortium Coordinator, or (if modifications are required) confirms to the Project Consortium Coordinator approval of the modified version of any deliverable.

Project reports must be produced in English, and may be produced in other languages at the Project Partners’ discretion. The Project Partners are jointly responsible for the delivery of work, and the Call Secretariat will only accept reports delivered by the Coordinator on behalf of the consortium.

Where required, each participant must report progress on its own component of the work to the national funding organisations in line with national contractual obligations. This also applies to financial reports.
### Annex 1.A  2017 Arimnet2 Call Funding Organisations and National Contact Points

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| Slovenia   | MIZS                 | Ms. Jana ERJAVEC       | Jana.erjavec@gov.si   |
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ARIMNET2 call 2017

Proposal form
Part A, Part B
& Annex for the CV

All the information for proposal submission can be downloaded from the ARIMNet2 website www.arimnet2.net

Only one single Proposal is required for each project. Proposals must be completed in English and submitted by the Research Consortium Coordinator on behalf of the Research Consortium in line with the stated deadlines.


PLEASE NOTE THAT THE SUBMISSION WEBSITE WILL BE OPEN FROM THE 16th OF AUGUST TO THE 14th OF SEPTEMBER 2017

A guideline for the use of submission system will be provided in due time.

1. Administrative details will have to be filled on line using the ARIMNet2 submission website. The following items will be asked:
   • Project title (max 200 characters)
   • Project Acronym (max 20 characters)
   • Topic (select from 2 call topics)
   • List of partner countries (use acronyms ex: FR, TN, IT, etc)
   • Summary of the proposal (3100 characters space included)
   • Keywords (project specific) (max 5 keywords) (max 100 characters)
   • Duration of the proposed research project (in months)(max 36 months)
   • Coordinator and partner information (following table):

The project coordinator should fill for each partner of the consortium the following online information. The filled information is collated automatically in the generated proposal

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2. Financial plan

The coordinator should fill the following table on behalf of each consortium partner. Please note that this information will be filled directly on the website, then the presentation of the data can be slightly different.
Each partner should check his/her own country national regulations in order to prepare the financial part of his/her participation to the project. The national regulations are available at www.arimnet2.net. If you have any questions about financial issues, please contact your national contact point (list of contacts available in the guideline for applicants available on the ARIMnet2 website).

The following indicative table should be filled for each partner according to related national regulations specificities.

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NB: Coordinators of selected projects for funding should include in their budget the fees to cover their participation to the three (3) follow up meetings with the ARIMNET2 funding agencies.
- For Tunisia, please precise the funding agency to whom you request the funds.

2. PART B: SCIENTIFIC DESCRIPTION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROPOSAL

The PART B of the proposal is the core part of the project document. It must not exceed 15 A4 pages in total. The following format should be used: Arial, 11 pt, single space, 2 cm left/right margins, 3 cm top/bottom margin.

Part B should be uploaded to the submission site as an unprotected .pdf (not scanned). Please name the file as: project acronym (dot) Initial of the coordinator, example for the project “energy” submitted by Albert Einstein: energy.AE.pdf

Full proposals should address the following items:
1. Cover Page (1 page see table in Annex 1)

2. Project summary suitable for web publishing (not more than 3100 characters space included)

3. Scientific quality of the project

   3.1 Concept and objectives
   - Relevance of the proposal to the topics addressed by the call
   - Background, “State of the Art” in the field and concept
   - Aim, objectives and hypotheses

   3.2 Quality and effectiveness of the scientific project, and associated workplan
   - Overall strategy
   - Overall work plan and project target objectives
   - Methodology
   - Innovative approach
   - Description of work package (use template in annex 1)
   - Deliverables list (use template in annex 1)
   - Timing (Gantt)

4. Project Implementation

   4.1 Management structure and procedures (Governance and global organization of the project, organisation structure of the project team)

   4.2 Individual participants (Qualification of the individual persons involved in the management of the project including subcontractors).

   4.3 Consortium as a whole (Statement describing how/why the proposal has a clear added value of being carried out on a transnational basis, description of the specific integration of participants in the transnational consortium structure)

   4.4 Risks and contingencies (Description and definition of potential risk to the implementation and success of the project, describe how the chances for success are maximized, and describe the contingency plan)

5. Impact

   5.1 Expected results and their impact/application including the impact in terms of innovation (Expected impacts listed in call text)

   5.2 Spreading excellence, exploiting results, disseminating knowledge (Dissemination plan and/or exploitation of results. The dissemination plan should specify the planned national and international dissemination activities, communication and publication plans)

   5.3 Mobility & training (PhD and post doc mobility between partners is highly encouraged)

6. References used for the project description (please use a format containing the following information: Surname, A., Surname, B. and Surname, C. (Year): Title of paper, Journal, Volume, Pages) max. 30 references.
7. **Ethics Issues** (Description of the societal and ethical aspects such as environmental, human or animal welfare, intellectual or cultural development that could cause societal or ethical concerns or contribute to progress in these areas) (use template provided in Annex 1).

8. **Resources to be committed**: Scientific justification of required funds
In this part, each partner should justify from a scientific and technical point of view, the various expenses mentioned in the part A (Financial Plan) (not more than 1 page per partner),

**The part B should not be more than 15 pages, all sections 1-8 and forms included**

### 3. **ANNEX FOR THE CVs AND THE COPY OF THE DIPLOMA**

An annex must be submitted through the submission and evaluation website with the CVs of the Young Researchers and the copy of their last diploma (scanned) to prove for the date of delivery of the diploma.
The annex must be named as project acronym (dot) Initial of the coordinator (dot) annex.pdf, (example for the project “energy” submitted by Albert Einstein: energy.AE.annex.pdf)
CV’s must not exceed 1 page/young researcher and should contain the 5 major publications.
This annex must not be included in the part B and must be submitted as an independent document.
Annex 1: templates to be used in the proposal

Please use the following templates:

- **COVER PAGE (1 page)**
  - Title of proposal
  - Acronym
  - List of participant:

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* Please use the same participant numbering as that used in the administrative proposal forms.

- **Work package description template (1 page max/WP)**

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Description of work
- Task 1.1
- Task 1.2
- Task 1.3

Deliverables (brief description and month of delivery)
- D1.1
- D1.2
- ....

- **Deliverables description template**
Deliverables list

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NB: indicate the different meetings planned

- Deliverable numbers in order of delivery dates. Please use the numbering convention <WP number>.<number of deliverable within that WP>. For example, D4.2 would be the second deliverable from work package 4.

- Please indicate the nature of the deliverable. For example Report, Paper, Book, Protocol, Prototype, Website, Database, Demonstrator, Meeting, Workshop...

- Please indicate the dissemination level using one of the following codes: PU = Public; INT= Internal (Restricted to other project participants); RE = Restricted to a group specified by the consortium; CO = Confidential, only for members of the consortium.

- Deliverables are measured in months from the project start date (month 1).

- **Ethics Issues Table**

  Please complete and copy paste this table in your document (part B).

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ALGERIA (MESRS)

Ministère de l'Enseignement Supérieur et de la Recherche Scientifique
Direction Générale de la Recherche et du Développement Technologique

ANNEXE - Règles Nationales de Financement

Nom de la partie qui finance, adresse et pays:


Partenaire algérien
Pourront bénéficier des financements, les entités de Recherche Algériennes disposant des moyens et des équipements lourds pour une meilleure prise en charge du projet proposé notamment :

- les équipes des Laboratoires et unités de recherche des Universités et Centres Universitaires,
- les équipes des Laboratoires de Recherche des Grandes Ecoles d’Ingénieur,
- les équipes des divisions des Centres de recherche (EPST).

Le partenaire algérien d’un projet doit, être titulaire d’un doctorat de moins de 10 ans et ne dépassant pas l’âge de 45ans et avoir le grade de Professeur, Directeur de Recherche, Maître de Conférences A ou Maître de Recherche A.

Nomenclature des postes de dépenses pouvant faire l’objet de financement :

Le MESRS contribuera à l’Appel à Projets ARIMNet2 en prenant en charge les dépenses de fonctionnement ci-dessous :

Remboursement des frais:
- Frais de mission et de déplacement des chercheurs en Algérie ;
- Rencontres scientifiques Nationales: frais d’organisation, d’hébergement, de restauration et de transport ;
- Honoraires des enquêteurs ;
- Honoraires des guides ;
- Honoraires des experts et consultants ;
- Frais d’études, de travaux et de prestations réalisés pour le compte de l’entité de recherche.

Matériel et mobilier:
- Matériels et instruments scientifiques et audiovisuels ;
- Renouvellement du matériel informatique, achat accessoires, logiciels et consommables Informatiques ;
- Mobilier de laboratoire ;
- Entretien et réparation.

**Fournitures:**
- Produits chimiques ;
- Produits consommmables ;
- Composants électroniques, mécanique et audio-visuels ;
- Papeterie et fournitures de bureau ;
- Périodiques ;
- Documentation et ouvrages de recherche ;
- Fournitures des besoins de laboratoires (animaux, plantes, etc. …).

**Charges annexes:**
- Impression et édition ;
- Affranchissements postaux ;
- Communications téléphoniques, fax, télex, télégramme et Internet ;
- Autres frais (impôts et taxes, droits de douane, frais financiers, assurances, frais de stockage, et autres) ;
- Banque de données (acquisition et abonnement).

**Parc automobile:**
- Carburant et lubrifiants ;
- Location de véhicules pour travaux de recherche sur le terrain.

**Frais de valorisation et de développement technologique:**
- Frais de formation et d’accompagnement des porteurs de projets ;
- Frais de propriété intellectuelle :
  - Recherche d’antériorité ;
  - Demande de dépôt de brevet, de marque et de modèle ;
  - Dépôt de logiciel ;
  - Protection des obtentions végétales, animales et autres ;
  - Frais des mandataires.
- Frais de conception et de définition du projet à mettre en valeur - Frais d’incubation ;
- Frais de service à l’innovation ;
- Frais de conception et de réalisation de prototypes, maquettes, présérie, installations pilotes et démonstrations.

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The research and development project proposals should serve the specific objectives of the research policy of the Institute for Adriatic Crops as specified in the General Research Concept of the Strategy of the Institute (http://www.krs.hr/en/about/research/). The preparation, submission and implementation of the projects follow our national laws and our internal rules of the Scientific Board and Administrative Unit.

The Institute for Adriatic Crops contributes to the ARIMNet2 Call by taking in charge expenses in cash in amount of 10,000 EUR per selected project involving young researchers of the Institute, in total 20,000 EUR, regardless of the topic. A young researcher is somebody who has obtained his/her PhD within the last 10 years (meaning that applicants must have obtained their PhD after 1 January 2007).

Research groups from Croatia which do not belong to the Institute are welcome in Research Consortia. They are eligible to apply as part of a project consortium but on their own resources only. They have to provide a letter attesting that the necessary funds for the realization of the project will be available, however, they cannot coordinate a project.

For all further information please refer to the national contact point:

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EGYPT (ASRT)

EGYPT National Guidelines

1. **Funding Party:**
   Academy of Scientific Research and Technology (ASRT) Address: 101 Kasr Al-Ainy Street, Cairo, Egypt.

2. **Participation criteria**

   This call is open to Egyptian legal entities established and based in Egypt. The Egyptian partner could be: research institutes, academic, non-academic organizations including NGOs and innovation agencies, industry, with special attention to small-medium size enterprises (SMEs).

3. **Funding criteria**

   Academy of Scientific Research will fund the selected projects addressing topic number two (only): **Valorising local products through food value chains improvement.**
   Minimum and/or maximum funding per project: Egyptian applicant per project can request up to 50,000€. Egyptian applicants in the same consortia can receive up to €50,000 of funding per project. A Principal Investigator (PI) can’t lead more than two ASRT funded projects at the same time.

   Minimum and/or maximum project duration: Tasks related to Egyptian beneficiaries must be fully accomplished within 24 months.

   Number of Submitted applications: Each Egyptian applicant can participate in more than one proposal.

4. **Action/s (innovation or mobility) to be funded beside collaborative research Type of actions:**
   this call for proposals is open to the following types of projects: - i) Collaborative research; ii) Capacity Building; iii) experimental development, demonstration and Innovation aspects including technology transfer. Mobility, Innovation actions including prototyping and private-public partnership (PPP) are encouraged. - The Egyptian partners of a proposal must not be considered to infringe an intellectual property right characterizing a counterfeit within the meaning of intellectual property.

5. **List of eligible costs Conditions of funding of companies and Private Sector:**
   this call is also open for private sector including SMEs. Terms of funding companies are based on the local regulations of the Academy of Scientific Research and Technology, in Egypt where beneficiaries are required to either submit a Letter of Guarantee against the fund amount, or follow a post-activity milestone payment schedule.

   Subcontracting rules Beneficiaries may have the possibility to subcontract third parties outside the project for specific work. Local regulations of each Egyptian partner shall be respected.
Contractual obligations: The conditions of execution and financing of the projects selected and funded by ASRT upon the completion of the selection process shall be defined in the ASRT grant award agreements, where the body selected for financing will sign an agreement with the Academy of Scientific Research and Technology.

Eligible costs
a- Incentives up to 40% of the total eligible costs
b- Costs that are necessary for fulfilling the objectives of the project and include, but not restricted to, manufacturing of specimens & prototypes, IP protection and publication, acquiring access to specialized reference source databases or computer software, fees for use of facilities in other national institutions, etc.
c- Materials, kits and consumables
d- Equipment (shall be fully justified and must not exceed 25% of the total budget per Egyptian partner)
e- Travel and subsistence costs. Daily subsistence costs are calculated according to the current governing rules of the Mission Directorate, Ministry of Higher Education, and depending on the visited country. Local regulations at Egyptian beneficiaries for travel could be applied and in this respect, Egyptian beneficiaries must provide their own local travel policy during the contractual phase (no need to annex the relevant travel policy to the proposal). In general, the most economical means of transport consistent with effective pursuit of the project should be used. Upgrades to business class are to be done at one's own expense.
f- Organisational costs of events and projects’ meetings.

Indirect costs (overhead costs) can’t exceed 5% of the total eligible costs for each Egyptian partner.
The funds will be transferred to the beneficiaries in periodical payments based on successful, submission and acceptance of the reports. Local terms and conditions of ASRT will be applied.

The budget of the following activities shouldn’t exceed 15% of the Egyptian Applicant’s requested funding: Activities that are supporting academic teaching programs, websites launch, design and development of original teaching tools.

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CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION FOR FRENCH PARTICIPANTS

This document sets out the conditions of participation of French partners in the 2nd call for proposals Agricultural Research In the Mediterranean Area 2 (ARIMNet 2)

1. The conditions of participation, including the criteria of acceptability, and important recommendations presented herein, come in addition to the provisions figuring in the call for proposals text:

   http://arimnet2.net/

2. It is important to read carefully the call for proposals text, the present document in its entirety, and the regulations concerning the conditions of allocation of ANR funding (http://www.agence-nationale-recherche.fr/financer-votre-projet/reglement-financier/) before submitting a research project.

Deadline for proposals submission
14/09/2017, 17h00 (CET)

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The French version of this document is available on the ANR website
1. **Context and objectives**

In connection with the different societal challenges, ANR has developed multilateral partnerships with its European counterparts under the European action framework like ERA-NET, ERA-NET COFUND or Joint Programming Initiatives (JPI). These actions are complementary to the conventional collaborative projects framework programs. In this perspective, the emphasis is given on a pluri-annual prioritization of European activities and articulation of national and European tools.

In order to simplify the rules, to facilitate collaborations and to contribute to the construction of the European Research Area (ERA), ANR is taking part of the ERA-NET ARIMNet2.

The objective is to contribute to the funding of European and international projects showing scientific excellence through the support of the national teams.

The ARIMNet 2 Project (Agricultural Research In the Mediterranean Network), funded by the European Union under FP7, is aimed at coordinate National Agricultural Research Programmes to strengthen the capacities of its members for a coordinated response to the major challenges faced by Mediterranean agriculture.

Whereas agriculture in the countries around the Mediterranean is confronted with common issues and challenges, Agricultural Research in the Mediterranean is scattered and requires a coordinated effort to step up the cooperation and coordination of research activities carried out at the national level by joining forces to promote innovative research and cooperation. That is the members of the ARIMNet2 Project’s purpose and ambition.

The aim of this call is to reinforce the capacities of young scientists around the Mediterranean Area and to prepare the new generation of young research talents to become leaders and pioneers in their research area.

The call will support research consortia in a broad scope of topics to give researchers the opportunity to develop their own networks and research ideas and to facilitate the establishment of long-lasting collaborations and partnerships among young scientists around the Mediterranean. It aims to promote international collaborations among young researchers to take up in an innovative approach the global stakes and challenges that the Mediterranean Agriculture is facing.

The call will cover two topics:

- **Topic 1**: Promoting sustainable agriculture for socio-economic development
- **Topic 2**: Valorising local products through food value chains improvement

2. **submission of a proposal**

On behalf an applying research consortium, the project coordinator submits online the Proposal application, providing key information on the proposed project (form A &B + annex for the CV to be downloaded on the arimnet2 website). After proposal submission the Call Secretariat will check the formal eligibility of proposals according to the common eligibility criteria of Young Researcher call 2017. The Call secretariat will submit a list of formally eligible proposals to the funding bodies that will check the proposal eligibility according to their national and institutions’ priorities.
The Deadline to submit the proposal is **14/09/2017. 17h00 (CET)**.

Coordinator should register and create an account on the online submission system (the information will be available on [http://arimnet2.net/](http://arimnet2.net/)).

On behalf the project partners, the Coordinator submits the Proposal via the on-line Electronic Submission System (Part B and annex for the CV and copy of diploma) and fills directly online administrative and financial forms (Part A).

A submission receipt will be issued automatically to the Coordinator.

Only one single form for Proposal is required for each project. Proposals must be completed in English.

The ARIMNet2 joint Call secretariat will be the primary point of contact throughout the application process. Applications will be accepted only via the ARIMNet2 online submission website before the date and time of the call deadline (14th September, 2017, 17h CET).

3. **Eligibility**

To be eligible, proposals must respect all the following criteria:

- **The proposal must be complete**
  The administrative and financial information concerning the French partners must be completed on the submission website before the deadline. No document will be accepted after the deadline. To be complete the proposal must include:
  - The scientific document in pdf (part B)
  - The administrative and financial information of all the French partners (part A) to be filled online.
  - The annex with the short CV of the young researchers and the copy of their diploma.

- **Topics of the call**
  Be in line with the call scope and topics described in the call text available following the link on the first page. ANR is supporting both topics.

- **Similarity with another proposal**
  The French part of the project proposal must not be judged similar to a project that is already financed by the ANR. A project proposal will be judged similar to another if its principal objectives are the same, or results from a simple adaptation to the terms of the call for proposals AND the composition of the consortium is largely identical.

- **Budget**
  The amount of money a project can require must be between **15 000 € and 150 000 €**. If there are more than one French partner, then the 150 000 euros have to be shared. A partner cannot require less than 15 000 euros. Eligible expenditures are listed in the “règlement financier” available at [http://www.agence-nationale-recherche.fr/financer-votre-projet/reglement-financier/](http://www.agence-nationale-recherche.fr/financer-votre-projet/reglement-financier/)

- **Consortium composition**
  - The funding instrument is open to researchers having completed a doctoral thesis (or any degree or qualification corresponding to the international PhD) after 1 January 2007
(and before 14 September 2017). There is no age limit. This limit may be pushed back for the following events occurring after the PhD is awarded: maternity leave, parental leave, long-term sick leave (> 90 days), national service. The limit is pushed back for a period equal to the duration of the event. Additionally, for women the limit is extended by one year per dependent child. Where appropriate, the events will be specified at the time of proposal submission and supporting documents will be provided during full proposal submission

- The call is open to non-tenured researchers, the young researcher’s type of employment contract (fixed-term, open-ended) is not an eligibility or evaluation criterion. Additionally, the young researcher may, at the time of the submission, not yet be affiliated to the laboratory where project will be carried out, especially in the case of young scientists living and working abroad. In all cases, the salary of the young researcher does not fall in the expenditures eligible for support under the project. It is therefore up to the young researcher to check with their host laboratory as well as the institution planning to manage their agreement in principle to ensure the financing of their salary over the duration of the project through other means.

- To be eligible, the consortium must include at least one French partner of a public research organization

- The association with a private partner is encouraged but not mandatory.

- Additional senior researchers (not young researchers as defined in the call) can participate in the consortium but cannot lead a team nor coordinate the consortium, they must be part of a team led by a young researcher

1 Please see the definition in the « Règlement financier » [http://www.agence-nationale-recherche.fr/financer-votre-projet/reglement-financier/]

Specific eligibility criteria of the ERA-NET ARIMNet2:

Each project proposal must:

- Project consortium must include at least three (3) young researchers from three (3) different countries participating and funding the call (at least 1 from a southern country: Algeria, Egypt, Morocco or Tunisia and 1 from a northern country: France, Greece, Turkey, Croatia, Slovenia, Spain)

- A young researcher is somebody who has obtained his/her PhD (or equivalent to be defined in the national regulations) within the last 10 years (meaning that applicants must have obtained their PhD after 1 January 2007). In some cases, the definition can be slightly different according to the countries, then the definition of eligible profiles is specified in the national regulations. This limit of 10 years may be pushed back for the following events occurring after the PhD is awarded: maternity leave, parental leave, long term sick leave (> 90 days), national service. The limit is pushed back for a period equal to the duration of the event. Where appropriate, the events will be specified at the time of proposal submission and supporting documents will be provided

- Additional young researchers from other countries not funding the call are welcome in a Project Consortium but will have to participate on their own financial contribution. Applicants with own or other sources of funding than ARIMNet2 are not taken into account in the minimum requirement of eligible consortium partners

- Additional senior researchers (not young researchers as defined in the call) can participate in the consortium but cannot lead a team nor coordinate the consortium, they must be part of a team led by a young researcher.

- Be of a maximum three-year duration,
Be written in English, using the ARIMNet2 Application Forms provided on the submission website (www.arimnet2.net), with part A filled online and part B + an annex containing the CVs of the young researchers with the copy of their diploma uploaded correctly via the submission website before the call deadline (14th of September 2017, 5 PM CET).

Fit the formal requirements for proposal submission,

- Be in line with the call scope and topics.

4. **Funding mechanism**

Each funding agency is funding its own national teams according to their national regulation. French partners must read carefully the ANR rules described in the « règlement financier » available at http://www.agence-nationale-recherche.fr/financer-votre-projet/reglement-financier/

The deadline for the submission of the report is determined by the ARIMNet2 call. The reports must be sent to the call secretariat and to the ANR.

- **consortium agreement**

  The consortium agreement must be conclude for all the selected and funded projects according to the guideline for applicants (p12). Selected consortia have to send this consortium agreement to ANR in order to release the second part of the funding

  The consortium agreement must address (at least):

  - the sharing of the intellectual property rights of the project results;
  - the conditions of publication / dissemination of the results;
  - the technology transfer and the exploitation of the project results.
GREECE (DEMETER)

DEMETER’s NATIONAL REGULATIONS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PROJECTS

HAO-Demeter considers as “young researchers” those who have recently joined the research staff of our organization (L. 4282/2014 & public announcement 23090/1-10-2014), regardless of their year of PhD acquisition.

Terms and conditions

The preparation, submission and implementation of projects should follow our national laws as far as travel expenses, new personnel recruitment, sub-contracting etc. is concerned and our Regulation for Research and Development.

Non Eligibility

In the case of Researchers from other Institutes/Organizations, Universities are willing to apply to the call, they will have to cover their total budget with their own funds, (not by HAO-Demeter).

Funding

HAO-Demeter will fund both topics in total with the amount of 200.000 € in cash and 200.000€ in kind. There will be special preference in any of the selected topics. Maximum funding per project is 20.000 € in cash +20.000 € in kind.

Eligible costs

Eligible are the costs which are defined by HAO – DEMETER’s internal regulation for Research and Development projects.
Specifically: permanent personnel cost (in kind), new personnel, equipment, consumables, travel, publicity, other (copies, books, repairs, expenses not foreseen to other categories), subcontracting (not exceeding the 20% of the budget) and intellectual properties etc. VAT is eligible.

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**NB :**
- Jeunes chercheurs : Enseignants chercheurs/chercheurs ayant obtenus leurs diplômes durant ces 10 dernières années (c'est-à-dire que les candidats doivent avoir obtenu leurs diplômes après le 1er janvier 2007).
- Le budget maximum accordé/partenaire/projet de recherche est de 50.000 €.
- Le personnel permanent ne peut percevoir des indemnités de recherche.
Les indemnités de recherche ainsi que les frais de déplacements et de missions ne peuvent dépasser 60% du budget total alloué à la partie marocaine.

Le budget demandé pour la première tranche ne peut dépasser 60% du budget total alloué à la partie marocaine.

Le déblocage du budget de la deuxième tranche ne se fera qu’après validation du rapport à mi parcours.

Peuvent bénéficier des financements : les universités, les établissements ne relevant pas des universités et les établissements publics de recherche.

CONTACT POINT

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SLOVENIA (MKGP)
Ministry for Agriculture, Forestry and Food

The national rules for applicants from Slovenia for the ERA NET ARIMNet2 Young Researcher Transnational Research Call 2017

Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution: research organizations as defined in the national Research and Development Act (Zakon o raziskovalni in razvojni dejavnosti - ZRRD, Uradni list RS, št. 22/06 – uradno prečiščeno besedilo, 61/06-ZDrur-1, 112/07, 9/11 in 57/12-ZPOP-1A. All participating institutions have to be registered in the Slovenian Research Agency register of research institutions (Informacijski sistem o raziskovalni dejavnosti v Sloveniji - Sicris).

Eligibility of principal investigator/national project leader and other research team members: The project leader of the Slovenian partner (young researcher) has to fulfill the requirements for project leader (for applied research project), as defined in Art. 29 of the Research and Development Act and Rules on criteria for evaluation, if:

1. Achieves a minimum of 40 points from scientific publications, which are set out in the regulations governing the indicators and criteria of scientific and professional performance in the last five years.
2. Demonstrates citations as specified in the 2nd the first paragraph of 3 Article Rules on criteria for evaluation or has evidence of transfer of own research into practice (patents, technologies implemented, sold computer programs carried out important structures or products, etc..: COBISS type 2.02 2.03 2.04, 2.06 2.07, 2.12, 2.13, 2.14, 2.15, 2.16, 2.17, 2.20, 2.21, and 2.24) or proven work at national scientific corpus or collection.
3. Shows a minimum total score of scientific publications, citations and documented collaboration with other funders in the last five years.

In determining the minimum number of points (A1 + A2 + A3 + A4) from the 3 point from first paragraph of 3 Article of Rules on criteria for evaluation is to calculate the rating of A3 into account the data set for 2008 - 2012. Limit the sum A1 + A2 + A3 + A4 for this call is taken in the field of biotechnology, namely:

- Applied project, if from the project coordinator’s attainment of the PhD thesis passed less than 10 years: A1 + A2 + A3 + A4 = 2.0 biotechnology and biology

4. Project coordinators/young researcher can apply with a lower overall rating A1 + A2 + A3 + A4 if they show their exceptional achievements within the A '(A'> 0).

MKGP, based on data from SICRIS at the closing date of the call for national project coordinators, will verify compliance with the requirement of rating A1 + A2 + A3 + A4.

Slovenian researchers participating in an international project under this call must be mentioned by name, their skills must be is clearly apparent in application.
Terms of Slovenian partners must be met on the day of publication of the call. In the event that any of the above conditions is not met, the evaluation is not performed, the application is rejected. If the MKGP notes that the applicant submits false information, the application shall be rejected. If the MKGP during its examination of the application did not find that the information put forward by the applicant is incorrect, and it finds out at any time during the call procedure or at any later time, the MKGP can cancel the contract with the recipient of funds and require repayment of funds in accordance with the terms of the contract.

Funds under this call may be granted to the Slovenian young researchers for activities that are not funded from any other public sources. Eligible for funding will be only the costs that will be incurred after the contract with the selected Slovenian partners.

Each national coordinator can apply with only one proposal.

All participating researchers have to be registered in the Slovenian Research Agency register of researchers (Sicris) and must have available research hours.

**Eligibility of costs:** MKGP will fund all eligible costs of Slovenian researchers participating in successful transnational projects, recommended for funding in accordance with the Decree on criteria and standards. Eligible costs are defined based on the FTE value according to the Slovenian Research Agency’s research project categorization (A, B, C or D based on the research conducted). Eligible costs must be directly related to the research conducted and should include personnel, material (including travel, consumables and services) and equipment (amortization) costs as elements of the FTE (according to article 27 of the Decree). Indirect costs are eligible. The value is calculated based on the FTE value of category A, B, C, or D research projects, under the condition that costs under each of the specific FTE elements are appropriately decreased (by a max. of 20% for indirect costs).

**Period of eligibility of public expenditures:** as of budgetary year 2018 until the end of the budgetary year 2021.

**Period of eligibility of expenditures on the project:** from the starting date of the transnational project stipulated in the consortium agreement for a period of 36 months, with a prescribed additional 30 day period for the payment of invoices related to the project costs. The exact duration of the project will be defined in the contract between MKGP and the selected Slovenian partner.

**Total requested funding:** for all Slovenian partners within one consortium must not exceed 50,000 € per project (duration of max. 36 months).

A maximum national available funds for this call: 100,000 €

**Funding intensity:**

- 100 % for researcher from research organization (such as universities, public and private research institutes) whose financed activity is non-economic in accordance with the provisions of Community Framework for State Aid for Research and Development and Innovation (OJ EU C 198, 27. 6. 2014). Wide dissemination of research results on a non-exclusive and non-discriminatory basis is required.

- 80% for researcher from small enterprises, 75% for medium sized enterprises and 65% for large enterprises in accordance with the provisions of the Community Framework for State Aid for Research and Development and Innovation (OJ EU C 198, 27. 6. 2014).

**National contracting negotiations** will commence after the projects are selected for funding on the level of the transnational call. Further instructions on how to proceed will be communicated by MKGP to successful Slovenian applicants in due time.
A signed consortium agreement between partners in the selected project stating the starting date of the project on the transnational level will be a prerequisite for signing the contract on national level.

Further instructions on how to proceed with the national application will be published on the MKGP (http://www.mkgp.gov.si/si/javne_objave/javni_razpisi/) webpage in due time.

All Slovenian applicants are strongly advised to contact the Slovenian National Contact Person, Mrs. Jana Erjavec before preparing proposals for application (jana.erjavec@gov.si; +386(1)478 9123)
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| Funding programme | Programa Estatal de Investigación, Desarrollo e Innovación Orientada a los Retos de la Sociedad, Plan Estatal de Investigación Científica y Técnica y de Innovación 2013-2016. [Link to Plan Estatal](http://www.arimnet2.net/)

The instrument for funding the Spanish groups will be the Spanish Call for International Joint Programming Actions APCIN (or equivalent). Only as a reference, the beneficiaries are advised to read the call [APCIN 2016](http://www.arimnet2.net/).

| Purpose of funding | Call targets young researches as defined in the transnational call (PhD after 01/01/2007). The projects granted by the State Agency of Research must be aligned with the main objectives described in the Programa Estatal. |
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| National Contact Point | Anabel de la Peña (Scientific issues)  
Maria Jesús Sillero (Administrative and technical issues)  
Phone: (+34) 91 6037125  
E-mail: era-agro@aei.gob.es  
Representative: Juan Francisco Climent |
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| Eligibility | Both the beneficiary entities and the principal Spanish researches must be eligible according to the APCIN call (or equivalent): [APCIN 2016](http://www.arimnet2.net/). |

**Incompatibilities:**  
- Principal Investigators are not allowed to apply for funding in more than one proposal of ARIMNet2 2017.  
- Principal Investigators are not allowed to 1) apply for funding in more than one proposal in the APCIN call (or equivalent), and 2) participate in two consecutive APCIN calls (or equivalent), including APCIN INIA. This must be taken into account when participating in different JPIs, ERA-Nets or other international initiatives, especially CORE ORGANIC, SUSFOOD2, LEAP-AGRI and ERANET MED.
- The Principal Investigator of the international proposal and the National APCIN call (or equivalent) must be the same.
- The State Research Agency will avoid double funding (overlapping with other EU or National funding), and will not grant projects or parts of projects already funded.

| Eligible costs | - Personnel costs for temporary employment contracts (scholarships are not eligible).  
|                | - Current costs, small scientific equipment, disposable materials, travelling expenses and other costs that can be justified as necessary to carry out the proposed activities.  
|                | - Indirect costs (overheads), proofs of concept and proofs of principle are not eligible for funding in the APCIN call. |
| Funding rates (approx.) | The following funding limits are considered eligibility criteria. Proposals not respecting these limits can be declared ineligible.  
|                | Only one Spanish legal entity may participate per proposal.  
|                | The maximum amount of funding is 100,000 € per proposal (additional 25,000 € if the Spanish group leader is the coordinator of the international consortium).  
|                | The final funding of the Research State Agency will take into account the transnational evaluation of the collaborative proposal, the scientific quality of the Spanish group, the added value of the international collaboration, the participation of the industrial sector and the financial resources available.  
| Further instructions | Any publication or dissemination activity resulting from the granted projects must acknowledge the Research State Agency: “Project (reference nº XX) funded by the State Research Agency through APCIN” (or equivalent). |
National regulation related to ARIMNet young researchers call

1. **Budget reserved to research projects**

IRESA has reserved a maximum of 300,000 euros to fund 5 join research projects for 03 years corresponding to a maximum 20,000 euros/project/year. The budget will be affected to reseachers affiliated to a laboratory or research unit.

2. **Nature of expenses covered by the funding**

During this call, funding will only be made available for the conducting of joint research projects, only in the following natures of expenses will be covered:

- Flight
- Accommodation and Subsistence based on Tunisian National rules
- Small equipment, logistics and consumables
- Contract provide services (personal subcontracting)
- Publication costs
- Organisation of scientific events

Infrastructure equipment, project management fees, permanent staff contract and consultant fees will not be accommodated under this programme.

3. **Main National legal texts related to funding**

- Decree No. 104 of 21 January 1991 relating to the administrative and financial organization of the IRESA.
- Decree No. 2014 - March 13, 2014 1039, regulating public procurement
- Act No. 67-53 of 8 December 1967, organic law of the budget, all texts that modified it or such completed act organic n° 2004-42 13 May 2004
- Act No. 75-35 may 14, 1975, organic law of the local budget, together texts that modified it or supplemented and such organic No. 97-1 dated January 22, 1997 and act organic No. 2007-65 18 December 2007.
4. Contact persons

- Dr Ali RHOUMA (ali.rhouma@iresa.agrinet.tn)

- Jamel BEN RABEH (jamel.benrebah@iresa.agrinet.tn)
1. **Name of the Funding Party, address and country**

   Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research
   Address: Avenue Ouled Haffouz - 1030 – Tunis
   Country: Tunisia

2. **Participation criteria**

   The Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research (MHESRT) will fund activities, which will be carried out by research teams belonging to one or more MHESRT research structure.

   This call is open to Tunisian public research entities: Institutes or centres and universities laboratory/units of research.

3. **Funding criteria**

   MHESRT has reserved **40000 DT/year/project** to fund joint research projects for 03 years. This amount may be revised by mutual agreement between the MHESRT and team leader.

   The duration of the project should not exceed 3 years and maximum fund **120000 DT per project**.

   The release of the second year and the third year of the project budgets will be made after the evaluation of the annual report of the project. A final evaluation will be achieved at the end of the project.

4. **Theme/s to be funded**

   Topic 1: Promoting sustainable agriculture for socio-economic development
   Topic 2: Valorising local products through food value chains improvement

5. **Action/s (Innovation or capacity building or mobility) to be funded beside collaborative research**
Applicants are encouraged to propose:

- Collaborative projects including at least one socio-economic partner eligible for MESRS funding such as (technical centres, including indirectly SMEs, stakeholder, NGO, via meeting, training, think-thank circle, brainstorming activities).
- Bonus criteria for innovation: Support of prototype
  - Applicants should take into account for their research important cross-cutting issues, particularly: socio-economic, governance, ICT and gender.

6. **List of eligible costs**

During this call, funding will only be made available for the conducting of joint research projects; the following natures of expenses will be covered:

- Flight
- Accommodation and Subsistence based on Tunisian National rules
- Small equipment, logistics and consumables
- Contract provide services (personal subcontracting)
- Publication costs
- Organisation of scientific events

Infrastructure equipment, project management fees, permanent staff contract and consultant fees **will not be accommodated under this program.**

7. **ARIMNET2 National Contact points**

For more information ARIMNET2, MESRST contact points:

- Mr Zied Kbaier [kbaier.zied@gmail.com](mailto:kbaier.zied@gmail.com), Tel. +216 97 625 305

- Ms Awatef Soltane [awatefsoltane@gmail.com](mailto:awatefsoltane@gmail.com), Tel. +216 71 835 351

Date: 02-06-2017
**TURKEY (GDAR)**

The national rules of TURKEY (Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Livestock, General Directorate of Agricultural Research and Policy, GDAR-TAGEM) for the ARIMNet2 Project Joint Transnational Call for Young Researchers 2017 funding:

1. GDAR could not pay for the salaries and the other personnel costs(person/month) of permanent researchers and research technicians working outside of GDAR (TAGEM) system, for this reason, salaries should be excluded from the project budget; only temporary workers could be paid on a maximum 5 month/year basis;

2. Eligible costs are: consumables, equipment, travel, personnel costs for temporary workers and indirect costs;

3. Although all research institutions; public, university or private can apply to this call, it is not possible to directly fund projects proposed by the scientists outside the GDAR (TAGEM) system, therefore, Turkish consortium members must have at least one of the GDAR (TAGEM) institute;

4. Maximum amount per project is: 50,000,00 €;

5. Subcontracting is not possible;

6. Budget allocations for the successful projects could be realised through a GDAR (TAGEM) Research Institute participating in the winner consortium, from the beginning of the next fiscal year following the signing of the contract;

7. Concerning the training and mobility activities; travel and subsistence costs should be covered by the sending country, and all other in-country expenses should be paid by the host country.

**National Contact Point:** Dr. Sahin ANIL  
Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Livestock, TURKEY  
General Directorate of Agricultural Research and Policy (GDAR)  
Phone: +90 312 315 97 87; +90 543 493 26 35  
E-Mail: sanil@tagem.gov.tr
ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION PLATFORM GUIDELINES
1. IMPORTANT INFORMATION

IMPORTANT: The online platform corresponds to an adaptation of the French National Research Agency (ANR) electronic submission tool. In accordance, you will find certain fields that are blocked (or could not be removed) because they are solely focused on French Applicants. As these fields are considered irrelevant to this Call, please disregard these aspects when filling in the data of your proposal. Please follow these Guidelines for the Electronic Submission Platform, in order to make sure you do not miss any important information you should provide.

NOTE: You can choose the language of your screen (French or English) by clicking on the flag at the top of the screen (right side).

Consortium Composition

For each project, a coordinator is appointed. Each project Partner appoints ONE scientific and technical representative for his/her team (the Principal Investigator - PI -). The coordinator will create the proposal in the submission platform and add the project Partners. Once that is done, Partners will receive an invitation mail to connect to the platform. They will be able to check the information provided by the coordinator and modify their administrative and financial data if necessary.

Each modified page in the submission platform must be saved before going to another page.
2. HOW TO CONNECT

1. Go to:
   https://aap.agencerecherche.fr/_layouts/15/SIM/Pages/SIMNouveauProjet.aspx?idAAP=1187

2. The following screen will be displayed:

   ![Authentication Page](image)

   If you already have an account you must use the same email address to log.
   If you request a new password, you must provide your e-mail address on the following screen:
   An e-mail will automatically be sent to your INBOX. (verify your spam box if you did not receive the mail).
3. After validation, you will get a new screen asking you to choose your user profile: Project Coordinator or Project Partner. Please click on “Project Coordinator” and then “Access”:

4. (once the coordinator has invited his/her partners for the project, the project partners will have to log in the same way but selecting “project partner”)

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3. HOW TO COMPLETE YOUR PROPOSAL

When you log for the first time you will have to enter the ACRONYM of your proposal and the title then:

You will be presented the following screen:

- Click on the title of your proposal to go to the next step
- To modify your password or your profile
- Choose your language
- To edit your proposal
You will now have access to the main online submission page composed by several tabs gathering all the information needed for the evaluation of the project (from the left to the right side of the screen):

**TAB 1: Partnership and tasks**  **TAB 2: Partners/Organisations files**  **TAB 3: Identity of the Project**  **TAB 4: Scientific Abstract**  **TAB 5: Scientific Document**  **TAB 6: Peer reviewers**  **TAB 7: Summary Tables**  **TAB 8: Submission of the project**

By default, you will first be directed to the “Identity of the project” page:

Please complete all the information: Duration of the project, year of PhD degree, category of research, key words, answer to the 2 questions: Has the project been submitted previously to arimnet? Is the project a follow/continuation of a previously granted project under arimnet?

To select your topic:

Tick the box to select your topic and click on “OK” 
Only one topic per project is allowed 
Be sure that the topic selected is funded by all the involved funding agencies

**ENTER THE TITLE IN ENGLISH FOR BOTH BOXES**
There is only one option, please select it to be allowed to continue your registration

Click here to select your topic. Only one topic is allowed
After **Saving**, a pop-up window will appear to remind you any forgotten field and the need to save data before leaving this tab. Here is an example below:

![Pop-up window](image)

When all the fields have been properly completed you will get a confirmation from the system when saving:

![Confirmation](image)

Move to the "**Partnership and tasks**" Tab. Here the Coordinator will ADD and REMOVE partners and will define the roles. FOR EACH PARTNER, it is only needed the information of the **Principal Investigator**, the whole research team can be described later (in another tab).

### 4. HOW TO ADD PARTNERS

The **Partnership and tasks** TAB allows the coordinator to add/remove the partners of the consortium. The table below is automatically filled as you provide information on each or your partner.

![Table](image)

Click here to ADD partners
5. Fill in the data related to the Organisation and Principal Investigator and click on “SAVE”:

TO create the profile of the PI, the next window will appear:
IF THE PERSON IS NOT KNOWN IN THE SYSTEM YOU HAVE TO CREATE THE PROFILE:

The specified search words did not match any results. You can check the spelling of search terms, or create a new person.

If the person is not known then you have to create the profile of your partner by clicking on «create a person».

Fill all the mandatory fields about your partner.

This is not mandatory; if you have this information you can complete it.

Click here to finalize.
The Partnership table will be automatically updated.

The partner will receive the following invitation:

**If you do not read French, please go to the second part of this message:**

Bonjour,
Vous avez été invité par Monsieur/Madame X XXXX afin d’être partenaire du projet "XXXXXX" qui va être soumis à l’appel à projet ARIMNet2 Veuillez-vous connecter au SIM de l’ANR en utilisant les identifiants que vous recevrez dans un second mail.

https://aap.agencerecherche.fr

Si vous ignorez d'où provient cette sollicitation, nous vous remercions de prendre contact avec Monsieur/ Madame XXX (xxxxxx@xxx.fr).

This is an automatic e-mail message generated by the ANR electronic submission system. You have received this message because you were registered as partner in the "XXXXXXX" project by the Principal Investigator.

Cordialement,

Dear Madam, Dear Sir,

You have been invited by Mr/Ms XXXX to be partner of the proposal « XXXXXX » which will be submitted to the 2016 Joint Call ARIMNet2. Please log in to the SIM platform of ANR, using the username and password you will receive in a second e-mail. If you lost it, you can ask a reminder from the authentication screen.

https://aap.agencerecherche.fr

If you ignore where this invitation comes from, please contact Mr/ Ms XXXX (XXXX@xxxxx.fr).

This is an automatic e-mail message generated by the ANR electronic submission system. You have received this message because you were registered as partner in the "XXXXXXX" project by the Project Coordinator.

Yours sincerely,

The Partner receives a second email with his/her personal login and password.

The Coordinator receives a copy of the invitation email sent to the Partner.

**IMPORTANT NOTE TO PARTNERS:**

From this moment a project Partner will be able to connect to the submission platform and check the information provided by the project Coordinator. He/She will be able to change the administrative and financial information about him/her and his/her team if necessary.
5. HOW TO DELETE/MODIFY PARTNERS

Use the first column (tick boxes) to select the partners and access the information. If you need to modify the information provided for a given Partner, you must click on “modify”.

As you may have noticed, the Coordinator can also delete partners. To remove a partner, you must select the partner you want to delete (by ticking the box in the first column) and click on “Delete selected partners/organisations”), as explained below:

A pop-up window appears after clicking on Delete selected partners/organisations:

After clicking on OK the selected partner is removed from the synthetic Partnership table.

When a partner is deleted he/she gets out of the project and his/her rights to access to the submission platform are removed. He/she and the declared members of his/her team will receive an e-mail notifying they are no longer part of the project:

Click here (…) to modify or delete a partner
If you do not read French, please go to the second part of this message:

Bonjour,
À la demande de Monsieur XXXX, vous n’êtes plus partenaire du projet "XXXXXXX". Vous n’avez donc plus accès à ce projet.

Si vous pensez qu’il s’agit d’une erreur, nous vous remercions de prendre contact avec Monsieur XXXX (xxxxx@xxx.fr).

Cordialement,
L’Agence Nationale de la Recherche
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Dear Madam, Dear Sir,

Following the request from Mr XXXXX, you are no longer a partner of the proposal "XXXXXXX". You don’t have access to this project anymore.

If you think that this a mistake, please contact Mr XXXXXX (xxxxx@xxx.fr).

Yours sincerely,
The French National Research Agency

6. HOW TO EDIT PARTNERS ORGANISATION

To provide the administrative and financial data requested for you and your partners you must move to the Partners/Organisations files Tab:

![Partners/Organisations files tab]

Please select the partner/organisation in the table(s) below and then update its administrative and financial data.
1. At the top of this Tab you will find a synthetic table summarizing the budget by partner in the Consortium. Before filling the Administrative and Financial data tabs you must select the partner (just click on Select in the first column).
To add members of the same team/lab (persons who will work under the responsibility of the PI) Click on « add new member ». Then you have to create the profile as explained POINT 4. HOW TO ADD PARTNERS

DO NOT FORGET TO SAVE REGULARLY

**The Partnership table** will be automatically updated.
7. HOW TO FILL IN THE FINANCIAL INFORMATION

THE DETAILS OF YOUR BUDGET (personal cost, missions, consumables,...) MUST BE PROVIDED IN THE EXCEL FILE AND MUST BE UPLOADED AS AN ANNEX (see Section 9).

The template is available on:


Please entitle your budget annex as: “ACRONYM.Financial data.xls”.

ON THE WEBSITE you just have to indicate for each partner the FULL COST OF THE PROJECT AND THE REQUESTED AMOUNT TO ARIMNET2.

For information Full cost = Amount requested to ARIMNet2 + your own funding (for example: permanent staff salaries)
In the Tab Scientific Abstracts, you need to write a non-confidential abstract of your project. If the project is funded, the abstract will be published on the ARIMNet2 website (after update if necessary). You can Copy/Paste the Project summary of your proposal here.

COPY PASTE YOUR ABSTRACT IN ENGLISH FOR BOTH FRENCH AND ENGLISH SECTIONS (DO NOT TRANSLATE IT IN FRENCH)

Save!
9. UPLOAD SCIENTIFIC DOCUMENT and ANNEXES

To upload the scientific document (Full-Proposal form converted in PDF format) you must go to the Tab Scientific Document. This tab allows you to upload the annexes to the Scientific document: Financial Data, CV for each PI and the copies of their PhD degree:

**UPLOAD YOUR SCIENTIFIC PROPOSAL IN PDF HERE; TEMPLATE AVAILABLE ON THE ARIMNET2 WEBSITE. 15 PAGES MAXIMUM**

**UPLOAD THE 2 ANNEXES HERE:**
- One for your DETAILED BUDGET IN EXCEL
- One for the CVs of the PIs (young researchers) with the copies of their PhD

Once uploaded The documents will appear below.
10. if you want to declare unsuited reviewers

If you have conflict of interests with a researcher and you do not want your proposal to be evaluated by this person then you have to fill the information in the “Peer reviewers” TAB.

You have to provide a valid reason to discard this person from the evaluation of your project.

11. to have an overview on your project

Go to the “Summary table” TAB.

You will have a sum up of your project to verify all the data.
# 12. HOW TO VERIFY AND SUBMIT YOUR PROPOSAL

The last tab “Submission of the project” provides synthetic information about the project data. You can use it to verify the consistency of the provided information.

The Tab Submission of the project allows you to submit your proposal:

The aim of this tab is to check that all the required information has been completed.

## Project status: Submitting

Your application will automatically be considered submitted if all the following conditions are met:

- The scientific document has been submitted

Only information entered in the submission website by the call for proposals closing date will be considered.

An electronic confirmation will be sent to the coordinator on the call for proposals closing date.

Coordinators are asked to lock their projects by the closing date.

The project may be unlocked by the coordinator prior to the closing date if additional changes are necessary.

### Lock proposal

Checking fields

Please note that the submission platform is unable to check that the information you have entered matches the eligibility criteria laid out in the text of the call for proposals.

Please be aware of the following alerts:

- In red: This condition must be fulfilled for your proposition to be complete.
- In orange: Information about the project or partner that should be filled or corrected

Proposal:

- No scientific document has been uploaded
- The abstract in French is empty
- The abstract in English is empty

Administrative and financial document of the project

DO NOT USE THIS BUTTON; ALL YOUR DOCUMENTS MUST BE UPLOADED IN THE TAB « SCIENTIFIC DOCUMENT »

YOU CAN LOCK / UNLOCK THE PROPOSAL BY CLICKING HERE. WHEN LOCKED, ALL THE PARTNERS CAN READ THE INFORMATION BUT NOT MODIFY IT. THE PROPOSAL IS AUTOMATICALLY SUBMITTED BY THE DEADLINE WITH THE INFORMATION PROVIDED.

CHECK CARREFULLY THIS PART AS IT PROVIDE YOU INFORMATION ABOUT POSSIBLE MISSING DATA
Please note that when the proposal is locked, it can be unlocked later on if necessary by clicking on the **Unlock** button:

The project is automatically submitted at the closing date (if the scientific document is uploaded and the requested funding is different from 0).

After the closing date, the project can be seen by all the project partners but it cannot be changed any more.

**NOTE**: Please note that as project Coordinator, you cannot delete a proposal you have created. If you want to delete a proposal, you must send a request to the Call Secretariat *(fabrice.dentressangle@agencerecherche.fr; Maurice.heral@agencerecherche.fr)*.