

Pump Priming Collaboration between UK and EU Partners

FAQs

RESEARCH PROPOSAL

- 1. The project's start and end dates: do these refer to the Horizon Europe bid itself or pump priming project?**

This refers to the pump priming project to be funded by the British Academy. Awards will begin in November 2021 and will be able to run until March 2022. Awards must conclude with an interim final report by 17 March 2022.

- 2. I am from the engineering sector; can I apply to the pump priming funding?**

Yes, proposals for this call are welcome in all disciplines – engineering, natural sciences, medical sciences, humanities and social sciences.

- 3. Where can I find the list of Horizon Europe calls targeted under Pillar 2?**

Applications must identify a call in Pillar 2 that they will specifically target to apply to on the back of this pump priming funding. You can find the list of calls that fall under Pillar 2 [here](#).

- 4. Is there an expectation that the UK partner would lead the subsequent application to Horizon Europe, or could the lead be the European partner?**

The lead could be a partner elsewhere in Europe for the subsequent Horizon Europe application. The application for the pump priming call needs to detail what the UK involvement would be, but the UK does not have to be the lead in the Horizon Europe consortium.

- 5. What detail should I include in the question asking me about 'Overview of work proposed and clear plan of action'?**

Applicants need to include in their answer a clear timeline and key dates identified to deliver the work proposed. Applicants should also provide a description of the organisations involved in the application and how together they will meet the aims of the call identified.

FINANCIAL DETAILS

- 1. Can the pump priming fund costs for third party/other participants from UK/EU/Associated countries?**

Yes.

2. Can the pump priming cover travel expenses of non-UK partners to visit the UK?

Yes, if this is for activities directly linked to the objectives of the call.

3. What should I include in the financial justification?

Applicants should provide details of the funding related to the relevant fields set out in the financial details table. Costs should be clearly itemised and justified in terms of the research programme for this application.

PRIMARY APPLICANT DETAILS

1. I am finishing a BA-small research grant, am I eligible to apply to the pump priming call?

Yes.

2. My current employment finishes before the pump priming funding starts, can I still apply?

Yes, if you can confirm that your current employment will extend your current position beyond the lifetime of the award. If your post is not permanent, please explain further in the personal statement how you meet the terms of eligibility for these grants. Please include the start date of your present position, and if on a fixed term contract, please enter the expected end date of your current position.

3. I am a PhD student, can I apply?

No, the PI must be of postdoctoral (or above or equivalent) status. Early career applicants working towards a PhD or awaiting the outcome of their viva/submission of corrections are not eligible to apply.

Co-APPLICANT DETAILS

1. Do I need at least one Co-applicant?

Yes.

2. I am a PhD student, can I apply?

Early career applicants working towards a PhD or awaiting the outcome of their viva/submission of corrections are not eligible to apply.

OTHER

1. Do I need to contact my organisational approver to ask them to approve my application?

The Flexigrant system does this automatically for you once you submit your application, however it is strongly recommended that the applicant maintains an open dialogue with the approving department at the UK host institution as the British Academy cannot be held responsible for emails being caught in spam filters or not being received. You can also get in touch with your organisational approver to let them know that you intend to apply to our pump priming call.

2. My organisation does not show up on Flexigrant, what should I do?

Please use the search bar to find your home institution and add the organisation to your application. If your organisation is not available, then it may not be registered in our system. Before requesting the addition of a new organisation, please check that it is not affiliated with any organisation that is already registered. If it needs to be added, please email us at e.zerling@thebritishacademy.ac.uk.

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