



European ERA4CS (ref.nr. 690462) Joint Call for Transnational Collaborative Research Projects 2016

Topic A- Researching and Advancing Climate Service Development by Advanced co-development with users

National Annex Austria

Partners: This call is supported by the Austrian Federal Ministry of Science, Research and Economy (BMWFW). The BMWFW will fund Austrian partners of successful trans-national collaborations.

Notice: Depending on all conditions of eligibility and peer review being met, the budget earmarked collectively by the participating BMWFW for this call will be up to 0.4 Million Euro (according to exchange rates at time of funding).

The official national call announcement for Austria has been published on the <https://era.gv.at/object/news/2359> website. Details of the call and the application process are provided via the <https://era.gv.at/object/document/2358>. Applicants are advised to contact their National Contact Point before starting to prepare proposals for application. For Austrian enquiries please see below.

Eligibility and national funding modalities:

Proposals of topic(s):

1. Research in support of the development and deployment of Climate Services
2. Research to integrate Climate Science to application cases and decision making
3. Research for co-development of innovative Climate Services

are eligible for BMWFW funding.

All applicants have to comply with the rules as described in the official Call Text and will be advised to stay within available financial limits. The general BMWFW funding rules "Nationale Förderungsbedingungen zur transnationalen Ausschreibung" can be found on <https://era.gv.at/object/document/2358>. In addition for Austria, the following eligibility and national funding modalities apply:

Inter- and Transdisciplinarity / Stakeholder Involvement

Reconfirming the importance of co-designing and joint implementation of the research proposals and projects with stakeholders* (see call text) projects receiving funding by the BMWFW

are encouraged

- to include stakeholder organizations as partners in the project consortium;

- to attract in-kind contributions of participating stakeholder partners to the project;
- to clarify and document the commitment, specific responsibilities and active contributions of participating stakeholders in designing, implementing and valorizing the proposed research project.

* The term 'stakeholder' refers to actors outside the scientific community in terms of change agents and knowledge partners such as policy makers, regulators, NGOs, municipalities / local authorities or business/SMEs and industry.

Open Access to Knowledge and Data

In general, the BMWWFV complies with the JPI Climate Guidelines on Open Knowledge and expects the funded projects to apply the same standards (c.f. <http://www.jpi-climate.eu/publications/documents/10862502/JPI-Climate-Guidelines-on-Open-Knowledge>). In particular, the provision of project data and results via the Climate Change Centre Austria (CCCA) Data Centre should be taken into consideration in the project management plan (contact NCP).

Climate-friendly Climate Research**

Reconfirming the importance of considering and reducing the carbon footprint of research and research management (see call text), projects receiving funding by the BMWWFV

are encouraged

- to use virtual meeting infrastructure on a pro-rata basis (e.g. software licenses) that verifiably allows for substituting physical meetings;
- to organize if necessary green / climate-friendly project meetings considering respective (organic & regional) catering and accommodation and to co-align international meetings if possible;
- to use climate friendly modes of transportation; in case air travel or other major carbon emissions sources could verifiably not be avoided carbon compensation is highly appreciated.

** see JPI CLIMATE 'Climate-friendly Climate Research' checklist on the JPI CLIMATE website: <http://www.jpi-climate.eu/jpi-themes/climatefriendlyclimateresearch>.

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