

EURIZON FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME **“Remote Research Grants”**

Frequently Asked Questions (version 1)

Dear colleagues, we have collected for your convenience the most frequently asked questions during the first days of Call opening. We hope these answers can be useful for all interested people.

If you have further questions please don't hesitate to contact us by sending an e-mail to applications@eurizon-project.eu (expect to wait up to 2 working days in order to receive an answer).

Remember that valid applications need to be submitted by the Principal Investigators of Ukrainian teams only through the online application form before May 8th, 12:00 pm CEST: <https://indico.desy.de/event/38700/>

This document is version 1: we might add new inquiries and answers in the coming weeks to reply to new frequently asked questions.

1-Can European partners be eligible if they are from Institutes in the United Kingdom, or Switzerland, and other EU member states or associated countries?

European Partners can be from research Institutes from all EU Member States and H2020 Associated Countries, as mentioned in Article 7 of the Horizon 2020 Regulation, please have a look at the full list of countries: https://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/data/ref/h2020/grants_manual/hi/3cpart/h2020-hi-list-ac_en.pdf?_ga=58655886 . Please note that the EURIZON remote research grants fellowship programme does not foresee funding for the European partners (only for the Ukrainian selected teams).

2-Can the same Principal Investigator (and/or team members) apply with more than one application?

Yes, candidates can participate in **maximum 2 applications**.

In the case it is the PI that wants to apply with two different applications, he/she has to contact first the EURIZON Secretariat at applications@eurizon-project.eu in order to receive instructions on how to do it through the online application form (technical instructions). Please don't wait for the last days before the deadline as the EURIZON Secretariat might receive a high number of questions in those days (a minimum of 2 working days should be allowed for answers).

In case both applications are selected for funding, the PIs and the team members need to inform asap the EURIZON Secretariat that they will participate in two projects.

As stated in the Terms of Reference for applicants: in the case more than one research project will be selected for funding, the PI is entitled to receive the monthly grant only once and he/she needs to demonstrate that he/she can manage all awarded research projects with the same efficiency. The same logic applies for the team members.

3-Can the PI save his/her draft version of the application in the indico portal and modify it later?

Yes, once opened an application by starting to fill the online form, you can save a temporary version by submitting the application. Then you can go back to the indico portal and edit it as many times as you wish until the deadline (May 8th, 12:00 PM CEST). To save a temporary version of your application form, you must fill in all the required mandatory fields (e.g. also with a single character as a placeholder) and submit it. Then you can go back to the portal and you can modify it by adding new information until you complete it. **EURIZON Secretariat will download all applications only after the deadline, so make sure to finalize your full application in time.**

We recommend to applicant teams to allow just the PI to work on the portal, in order to avoid mistakes. To ease the task of the PI in collecting all relevant information from the other team members in one single template, we have created the word template “*Application form draft working document*”, available on the indico portal in the section “further materials”. This template can be downloaded and used by the applicant teams as internal WORKING DRAFT as it contains all the sections and information that need to be uploaded through the online application form. Remember that **valid applications** need to be submitted **only through the online application** form filled in by the PI in all its parts before the deadline.



4-If the PI or any other team members are beneficiaries of “relevant funding equal to 1,000€ or above (monthly)” are they still eligible to apply to the EURIZON fellowship?

Yes, they can still apply to participate in the research project but they are not eligible to receive the EURIZON funding. By relevant funding we intend = salary + any other amount deriving from any fellowship and other grants.

If the PI or any other team member is in a situation in which he/she is receiving relevant funding **only during a partial period of the total duration of the proposed research project** (during the 6 or 12 months duration of their project between July 2023-2024), his/her situation should be duly described in the “self-declaration statement” document. A short note should be added also in the RESEARCH PROJECT DESCRIPTION TEMPLATE, in the section “2.4.1 Description of the roles within the research team” and in the “2.4.2 Financial plan”. These situations will be assessed by the independent evaluators case by case.

5-Is possible for Ukrainian citizens who are temporarily abroad but affiliated to Ukrainian institutes to apply for EURIZON Fellowship?

This programme is specifically destined only to **scientists in Ukraine**.

So Ukrainian candidates can still apply if they are currently abroad, but they will be considered eligible only if they will be ready to go back to Ukraine and to work from there during the duration of the proposed project funding period. Candidates should state this clearly in the Self-declaration statement document.

6-Are researchers from Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs), NGOs and private research Institutes in Ukraine eligible?

Yes, researchers from NGO, SMEs and private research institutes in Ukraine can participate in the call, and their proposals will be evaluated by the selection panel, however EURIZON project and also this remote research grants fellowship have a **special focus on Research Infrastructures (RIs)**. As stated in the Terms of Reference for applicants, priority will be indeed given to those research projects showing close collaborations/synergies with European scientists and/or targeting the reconstruction and/or the support of the operation of Ukrainian Research Infrastructures and their future integration into the European Research Area (ERA).

We suggest to applicants coming from SME, NGOs and private institutes to highlight clearly the possible advantages and positive impact of their project for the benefit of the society and research community of Ukraine.

7-Can European partners be from Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs), NGOs and private research Institutes?

Yes, please read the answer to question number 6. The same logic applies.

8-I am a researcher from a Ukrainian team, we have an idea for a research project to apply to the remote research grants fellowship and we are looking for partners from European research Institutes to collaborate with. How can I find possible European teams who work in the same fields as mine?

You can fill in an announcement for the Notice Board on the indico portal and ask the EURIZON secretariat to publish it.

Also, you can use CatRIS portal, which is the catalogue of Research Infrastructures (RIs) services from all Europe: https://project.catris.eu/about_catris and look for RIs that offer expertise similar to the one of your team.

Another important website to consult is the catalogue of ESFRI projects and landmarks (ESFRI is the European Strategy Forum on Research Infrastructures) <https://roadmap2021.esfri.eu/projects-and-landmarks/browse-the-catalogue/> .

9-Can the PI or one of the Ukrainian team members leave Ukraine for a short period of time to carry out work under the proposed research project? For example to travel to the European partner organization to use their equipment, to receive training or to carry out joint work?

Yes. The travel of the Ukrainian team member/s needs to be soundly justified as necessary for the implementation of the suggested research project in the application form. The maximum amount of time that the Ukrainian team members can spend outside Ukraine is 1 month for projects of the duration of 6 months and 2 months for projects of the duration of 2 months (also accumulatively). No extra funding will be made available through the remote research grants Fellowship to reimburse any travel expenses.

