

PRE-ANNOUNCEMENT of the 1st ERANet-LAC Joint Call on Research and Innovation

*The present call announcement is a preliminary version which is not legally binding.
It is provided for potentially interested applicants in order to start drafting proposals.
The final list of participating funding organisations will be published on
16th September 2014.*



In the framework of the ERANet-LAC project, the 1st Joint Call on Research and Innovation of programme owners in the Member States of the European Union (MS), the Associated Countries to the 7th Framework Programme (AC), the Latin-American and the Caribbean Countries will be launched on September 16th, 2014.

The goal of the **1st Joint Call for Collaborative S&T Projects** is to create long-term research collaboration between EU MS/AC, Latin-America and the Caribbean Countries. Research collaboration of a high standard between teams from both regions will be supported through open competition.

Two types of collaborative activities can be funded: **Research and Innovation**. Combination of the above mentioned activities is possible or even desirable, where permitted by, and conditioned upon, the national regulations of the individual Funding Parties.

- A **Collaborative Research Project** is a joint undertaking by a consortium designed to produce new knowledge through scientific research.
- A **Collaborative Innovation Project** is a joint undertaking by a consortium designed to bridge the gap between the outcomes of research projects and commercialisation.

Projects may also include dedicated measures to enhance mobility, exchanges and access to medium/large scale infrastructures, with the aim to promote researchers mobility and to foster the development of long-term research collaboration.

Applicants for the 1st ERANet-LAC Call

Applicants can represent public and private scientific, research, technological and innovation institutions on national, federal or European Union-Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC) regional level, research active industry and Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) and other institutions involved in research activities, as long as they are eligible for funding by their respective funding organizations (see list below) according to their respective national regulations.

1st ERANet-LAC Call topics in the thematic fields of Biodiversity/Climate Change, Bioeconomy, Energy and Health

Biodiversity assessment and monitoring - Improving baseline distribution data and compatibility with climate datasets.

Participating countries: Argentina, Belgium, Chile, Colombia, Dominican Republic, France, Norway, Panama, Peru, Portugal, Romania

Screening for new bioactive metabolites and enzymes from terrestrial and marine microorganisms for industrial use, based on market demand.

Participating countries: Argentina, Belgium, Chile, Dominican Republic, France, Norway, Panama, Peru, Romania

Small-scale self-sustainable biorefineries for multi-feedstock processing of agro-industrial and urban wastes for advanced biofuels, biobased chemicals and biomaterials.

Participating countries: Argentina, Belgium, Chile, Colombia, Dominican Republic, France, Germany, Mexico, Norway, Panama, Peru, Portugal, Romania, Spain

Towards Zero Carbon Energy Systems for heating and cooling in industrial processes by means of solar technologies including the envelopes of the buildings.

Participating countries: Argentina, Chile, Dominican Republic, Mexico, Norway, Panama, Peru, Portugal, Romania, Spain, Turkey

Evaluation of low-threshold interventions to tackle chronic metabolic disorders and their associated cardiovascular diseases in EU and LAC countries.

Participating countries: Argentina, Belgium, Brazil, Chile, Dominican Republic, France, Panama, Peru, Romania, Spain, Turkey

Research in prevention of infectious diseases and promotion of well-being.

Participating countries: Argentina, Belgium, Brazil, Chile, Dominican Republic, Germany, France, Panama, Peru, Romania, Spain

Consortia and Funding Model in the 1st ERANet-LAC Call

Each consortium submitting a proposal must involve a minimum of four eligible partners from four different countries with at least two countries from each region. One of the applicants must be designated as Coordinator. The consortium may not exceed a maximum of two partners per country.

The 1st ERANet-LAC Call will be implemented through a coordinated funding scheme whereby each Funding Organisation will fund its own national teams within each multilateral research project, in accordance with national and regional regulations. Cross-border funding is not envisaged.

Funding Organisations that have indicated their commitment in participating in the 1st Joint ERANet-LAC Call¹

Argentina:	Ministerio de Ciencia, Tecnología e Innovación Productiva, MINCYT
Belgium:	Belgian Science Policy, BELSPO Fonds de la Recherche Scientifique, F.R.S.-FNRS
Brazil:	Conselho Nacional de Desenvolvimento Científico e Tecnológico, CNPq
Chile:	Comisión Nacional de Investigación Científica y Tecnológica, CONICYT
Colombia:	Departamento Administrativo de Ciencia, Tecnología e Innovación, COLCIENCIAS
Dominican Republic:	Ministerio de Educación Superior, Ciencia y Tecnología, MESCYT
France:	Bpifrance Ministère de l'Éducation Nationale, de l'Enseignement Supérieur et de la Recherche - Ministère des Affaires Étrangères et de Développement International, MENESR-MAEDI
Germany:	Bundesministerium für Bildung und Forschung, BMBF
Mexico:	Consejo Nacional de Ciencia y Tecnología, CONACYT
Norway:	Norges Forskningsrad, RCN
Panama:	Secretaría Nacional de Ciencia, Tecnología e Innovación, SENACYT
Peru:	Consejo Nacional de Ciencia Tecnología e Innovación Tecnológica, CONCYTEC
Portugal:	Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia, FCT
Romania:	Unitatea Executiva pentru Finantarea Invatamantului Superior, a Cercetarii, Dezvoltarii si Inovarii, UEFSCDI
Spain:	Instituto de Salud Carlos III, ISCIII Ministerio de Economía y Competitividad, MINECO
Turkey:	Türkiye Bilimsel ve Teknolojik Araştırma Kurumu, TUBITAK

- **The duration of a project may not exceed 36 months.**
- **Call documents will be available as of September 16th at <http://www.eranet-lac.eu>.**
- **The Call will be open from 16th September to 27th November 2014.**

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