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| <b>AEI</b>                                                                                                |             | <i>Agencia Estatal de Investigación</i><br>Research State Agency of Spain                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                   |
| <b>Geographical coverage</b>                                                                              |             | National                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                   |
| <b>Total Funder's commitment for the call</b>                                                             |             | 1 000 000 €                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <b>Eligible for EC cofund</b> yes |
| <b>Call webpage</b>                                                                                       |             | <a href="#">Convocatorias Internacionales</a>   <a href="#">Agencia Estatal de Investigación</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                   |
| <b>Contact persons</b>                                                                                    |             | E-mail: era-mat@aei.gob.es                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                   |
| <b>Expected number of funded projects, indicative range of funding demand, other relevant information</b> |             | 5-6                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                   |
| <b>Funding demand thresholds per partner or project</b>                                                   | <b>Min.</b> | <b>Max.</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <b>No mandatory limits</b>        |
|                                                                                                           |             | <b>Please see “Other eligibility criteria / specific rules”</b><br>Total Costs* per proposal modalities:<br>a) 175000€: One AEI applicant Partner,<br>b) 275000€: One AEI applicant Coordinator,<br>c) 325000€: One Coordinator + one partner as AEI applicants.                                                                                      |                                   |
|                                                                                                           | 50 000 €    | <b>Please see “Other eligibility criteria / specific rules”</b><br>Up to additional € 37.500 (total costs) can be granted for the entire proposal if the work plan includes substantial experimental tasks to be carried out by the Spanish Partners, that must be clearly justified in the budget.<br><i>*Total Cost=Direct cost + Indirect Cost</i> |                                   |

(IC represent 25% of DC).

|                                                                                      | Topic 1 | Topic 2 | Topic 3 | Topic 4 | Topic 5 | Topic 6 | Particular conditions                                                                                                                       |                                                                     |       |
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| Eligible topics                                                                      | Yes     |         |         |         |         |         | Please refer to the document <a href="#">“General Conditions for Participation in the Transnational Open Call: European Partnerships”</a> , |                                                                     |       |
| Eligible TRL                                                                         | TRL 1   | TRL 2   | TRL 3   | TRL 4   | TRL 5   | TRL 6   | TRL 7                                                                                                                                       | TRL 8                                                               | TRL 9 |
|                                                                                      | Yes     | Yes     | Yes     | Yes     | Yes     | Yes     | Yes                                                                                                                                         | Yes                                                                 | Yes   |
| Eligible types of partner and applicable funding rates                               |         |         |         |         |         |         |                                                                                                                                             |                                                                     |       |
| Higher education organisations                                                       |         |         |         |         |         |         | Yes                                                                                                                                         |                                                                     |       |
| Public research centres                                                              |         |         |         |         |         |         | Yes                                                                                                                                         |                                                                     |       |
| Other public bodies (e.g., municipalities, regional/national administrative bodies)  |         |         |         |         |         |         | No                                                                                                                                          |                                                                     |       |
| SMEs, large companies                                                                |         |         |         |         |         |         | No                                                                                                                                          |                                                                     |       |
| Non-profit private entities (NGOs, stakeholder associations, societies, foundations) |         |         |         |         |         |         | Yes                                                                                                                                         | Private non-profit institutions performing RDI activities in Spain) |       |
| Others                                                                               |         |         |         |         |         |         | No                                                                                                                                          |                                                                     |       |

#### Mandatory participation of a partner type

Eligible costs Please refer to the document **“General Conditions for Participation in the Transnational Open Call: European Partnerships”**, available at: <https://www.aei.gob.es/colaboracion-internacional/convocatorias-internacionales>

Additionally, See Article 8 in [PCI2026-1](#) for reference.

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| Other eligibility criteria / specific rules | <b>Maximun Funding per project:</b>                                                                                                                   |                |              |                 |
|                                             | The following funding limits of direct costs are considered eligibility criteria. Proposals not respecting these limits could be declared ineligible. |                |              |                 |
|                                             |                                                                                                                                                       | Maximum DC (€) | IC (25%) (€) | Total Costs (€) |
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| One AEI applicant as partner                                        | 140.000 | 35.000 | 175.000 |
| One AEI applicant as Coordinator                                    | 220.000 | 55.000 | 275.000 |
| One Coordinator + one partner as applicants                         | 260.000 | 65.000 | 325.000 |
| Additional funding for substantial experimental tasks (per project) | 30.000  | 7.500  | 37.500  |

The previous table shows that:

- Only ONE applicant asking funding for AEI is allowed per proposal as partner.
- Two AEI applicants are allowed in the same proposal if one of them is acting as coordinator.
- These amounts refer to 3-year projects. In case of shorter projects, the amount will be adjusted accordingly.
- **Additional € 30.000 (direct costs)** can be granted for the entire proposal if the work plan includes substantial experimental tasks.

To know other eligibility criteria and conditions, please refer to the document *“General Conditions for Participation in the Transnational Open Call: European Partnerships”*, available at:

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#### Additional submission procedures required at national/regional level

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**Submission of proposals at the AEI.** Within one week after the RAMP pre-proposal submission deadline, the Spanish PI must submit the Spanish application into the AEI application tool

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through the following link:

<https://aplicaciones.aei.gob.es/proyectostransnacionales/>

Applicants are encouraged to read the application manual and follow the instructions.

The application should include a copy of the international scientific joint proposal (“Memoria técnica”), submitted by the consortium coordinator through the international submission platform and the “Declaración responsable del investigador principal” (Please refer to the Word document available at the [AEI website](#)) duly signed by the Spanish principal investigator. The national application must complete not later than one week after the deadline of the international call. **Failure to comply with the submission at the AEI platform will be considered a breach of the eligibility conditions, and the proposal shall be deemed as not submitted.**

The submission process steps, documents needed and link to the AEI application system will be available in a RAMP dedicated section in this website: [Convocatorias Internacionales | Agencia Estatal de Investigación](#)

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 **Stage 2**

Please refer to the document ***“General Conditions for Participation in the Transnational Open Call: European Partnerships”***, available at: <https://www.aei.gob.es/colaboracion-internacional/convocatorias-internacionales>

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 **Other**

If the project is selected for funding under this call, the Principal Investigator (PI) will be required to submit the corresponding direct-award application to the relevant PCI.

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 **No additional procedures**

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**Further guidance**

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