

WHO WE ARE AND WHAT WE DO



Research State Agency of Spain (Agencia Estatal de Investigación, AEI), attached to the Ministry of Science, Innovation and Universities, promotes scientific and technical research in all areas of knowledge. Its mission is to efficiently manage public funding, foster collaboration among institutions and promote research with economic and social impact.

AEI supports researchers and organizations in reaching their full potential, turning science into a driver of development. Each year, it launches **competitive calls for proposals aimed at public and private entities**, grouped into three main areas:

- **Research Projects**
- **Human Resources**
- **Institutional Strengthening**

TEAM

200

civil servants and staff

+35.000

evaluators who devote part of their time to scientific and technical management

1090

collaborating staff

INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

The AEI actively promotes international collaboration as a cornerstone of Spanish science. As a result, Spain has become the second leading EU country in terms of participation in Horizon Europe projects (2021-2027). The AEI also engages in a wide range of international forums and coordinates Spain's participation in numerous research organisations and initiatives.

Call for proposals calendar

Its purpose is to provide the scientific community with an estimated timetable of key dates.

Please note that changes may occur due to the complexity of the process and to external factors.



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AEI INDICATORS

Key Data and Indicators of the Research
State Agency of Spain, 2024

MANAGEMENT VOLUME

- €1.419 billion budget (20 calls processed).
- 60% of grants awarded to universities.
- 30% of principal investigators are women.



R&D&I GRANTS

- 18,250 applications received.
- 20,650 files evaluated.
- 22,870 active grants.



EUROPEAN AND INTERNATIONAL LEADERSHIP

- 50 transnational programmes. 193 projects
- funded with €46.3 million in international collaboration.
- 53 grants for European project management with €12 million in funding.



PROYECTOS GENERACIÓN DE CONOCIMIENTO

- €675 million
- 7,190 applications received
- 1,149 pre-doctoral grants



AGILIZA PLAN

- Reduction of time spent reviewing grants and decisions.
- Improvement of economic conditions in service commissions.
- First initiatives with artificial intelligence.



EQUALITY IN AEI

- Commitment to equality since 2019.
- First psychosocial survey at the AEI. Second Gender Equality Plan underway.



AEI AREAS

AEI funds research in different subject areas,
which are grouped as follows:

- **Area 1. CSO / Social Sciences**
- **Area 2. DER / Law**
- **Area 3. ECO / Economy**
- **Area 4. MLP / Mind, Language and Thought**
- **Area 5. FLA / Culture: Philology, Literature and Art**
- **Area 6. PHA / Studies of the Past: History and Archeology**
- **Area 7. EDU / Educational Sciences**
- **Area 8. PSI / Psychology**
- **Area 9. MTM / Mathematical Sciences**
- **Area 10. FIS / Physical Sciences**
- **Area 11. PIN / Industrial Production, Civil Engineering and Engineering for Society**
- **Area 12. TIC / Information and Communication Technologies**
- **Area 13. EYT / Energy and Transportation**
- **Area 14. CTQ / Chemical Sciences and Technologies**
- **Area 15. MAT / Materials Science and Technology**
- **Area 16. CTM / Environmental Sciences and Technologies**
- **Area 17. CAA / Agricultural and Agri-Food Sciences**
- **Area 18. BIO / Biosciences and Biotechnology**
- **Area 19. BME / Biomedicine**

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CALLS FOR PROJECTS

- **Proyectos Generación de Conocimiento (PID)**
- **Proyectos de Prueba de Concepto (PDC)**
- **Proyectos en Líneas Estratégicas - Transmisiones (PLE)**
- **Proyectos en Colaboración Público-Privada (CPP)**
- **Europa Excelencia (ERC)**
- **Gestión de Proyectos Europeos y Atracción de Talento Internacional (GPE)**
- **Proyectos de Colaboración Internacional (PCI)**

HUMAN RESOURCES CALLS

- **Programa ATRAE (ATR)**
- **Ramón y Cajal (RYC)**
- **Consolidación Investigadora (CNS)**
- **Juan de la Cierva (JDC)**
- **Personal Técnico de I+D+i (PTA)**
- **Certificado R3 (CR3)**
- **Programa Torres Quevedo (PTQ)**
- **Doctorados Industriales (DIN)**

CALLS FOR STRENGTHENING

- **Centros de Excelencia Severo Ochoa y Unidades de Excelencia María de Maeztu (CEX)**
- **Equipamiento Científico-Técnico (EQC)**
- **Redes de Investigación (RED)**
- **Plataformas tecnológicas y de innovación (PTR)**
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