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## **Project establishment support (PES) from the Research Council of Norway/University of Bergen– preparations for Horizon 2020**

Project establishment support (PES) from the Research Council of Norway and the University of Bergen will be available to applicants from UiB departments/centres who intend to develop project proposals for calls in Horizon 2020 with deadlines in 2014.

The deadline for submitting project establishment applications in 2014 will be from H2020-call to H2020-deadline. Costs that are accumulated either before a call or after a deadline will not be funded by PES.

Information for PES applicants:

- a) If an applicant has been awarded UiB-Positioning funds in 2013 then the PES application will be considered against the Positioning funds received by the applicant in 2013.
- b) The PES amount to be awarded will be weighed against the budget allocated to the UiB coordinator/partner and to the activities listed in the proposal.
- c) The allocation of PES funding is subject to availability of funds from the Research Council of Norway.
- d) PES funds must be used within 2014
- e) The Research Council of Norway's criteria states that PES funding is conditional on the project proposal being submitted to the EU within its deadline in 2014.

In 2014 the award of PES funds involves a concentration on the following types of calls in H2020:

### **Excellent Science**

- European Research Council (ERC)
- Future and Emerging Technologies (FET)
- Marie Skłodowska-Curie actions on skills, training and career development
- Research Infrastructures (including e-Infrastructures)

### **Competitive Industries**

- Leadership in enabling and industrial technologies: ICT, nanotechnologies, advanced materials, biotechnologies, advanced manufacturing and processing, space

### **Societal Changes**

- Health, demographic change and wellbeing
- Food security, sustainable agriculture and forestry, marine and maritime and inland water research and the bioeconomy
- Secure, clean and efficient energy
- Smart, green and integrated transport
- Climate action, environment, resource efficiency, and raw materials
- Europe in a changing world, inclusive, innovative and reflective societies
- Secure societies – protecting freedom and security of Europe and its citizens

### **Science with and for Society**

- Communication, mobility, gender issues, ethics

In addition PES funds may be given to prepare applications that target programs that receive financing from H2020 (if Norway participates):

- EUROSTARS
- Ambient Assisted Living (AAL)
- Joint Technology Initiatives (JTI)
- COST (creation of new networks)
- Calls from ERA-NET or JPIs if these are co-funded by H2020.

Applications that target Phase 1 of the new SMB instrument fall outside the PES scheme. Other EU initiatives than those listed above are not supported by PES funds.

**Coordinators may apply for funding up to NOK 100.000, and partners may apply for funding up to NOK 30.000. PES funding may cover the following activities:**

- \* Expenses for partner search/establishment of the project consortium
- \* Travel costs (only for UiB employees)
- \* Time Costs (calculated by the Research Council of Norway rates) for project planning and preparation of project proposals
- \* Administration/staff costs (at universities and colleges)
- \* Expenses for external advisors and expertise
- \* Search patent databases
- \* Translation of official documents

PES funds must be spent within 2014. (Research Council of Norway regulation).

Financial allocations to each applicant will be dependent upon which role the researchers in question envisage for themselves in the process of developing their H2020 projects - whether they will act as partners or coordinators in the actual project. UiB researchers are strongly encouraged to take initiative in the project planning phase in order to have influence in shaping the proposal, and/or in order to position them to influence future Horizon 2020 programmes.

The PES application form is enclosed. Researchers can send their applications by E-mail to [Kristin.Hansen@adm.uib.no](mailto:Kristin.Hansen@adm.uib.no). Applications must be endorsed by the applicant's Department Head.

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Faculties are asked to inform the departments of the PES application option.

With regards,

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Enclosed:  
PES application form