



COUNTRY: Bulgaria
Bulgarian National Science Fund (BNSF)

Eligibility

Applicants under this procedure shall be directly responsible for the implementation of the activities under the project proposal and shall not act as intermediaries, but they shall carry out activities under the project proposal on their behalf and at their expense.

Applicants to this procedure must be entities:

- *Carrying out fundamental research studies; and*
- *Whose activities are entirely of a non-profit nature; or*
- *Whose activities are of both for-profit and not-for-profit nature, but these activities are clearly distinguished and their organization allows tracking of revenue and expenditures connected with their implementation, including by keeping analytical accounting. In the event that an applicant is involved in both for-profit and not-for-profit activities, the funding, expenditures and revenues shall be taken into account separately for each type of activity and on the basis of consistently applied principles of accounting of expenditures being justifiable.*

1) Accredited universities as defined in Art.85 para.1, p. 7 of the Higher Education Act;

2) Research organizations as defined in Art. 47, para 1 of the Higher Education Act.
http://lll.mon.bg/uploaded_files/zkn_visseto_obr_01.03.2016_EN.pdf

Funding modalities

List and specify the cost categories and specific regulations that apply. Costs categories could be

- *Personnel costs*
- *Mobility / travel (flight, accommodation, visas, vaccinations, local transport, daily allowances etc.)*
- *Equipment*
- *Consumables*
- *Workshops / meetings*
- *Publications*
- *Overheads*

Eligible costs are specified in "National requirements and eligibility conditions" of Bulgarian National Science Fund available at:

https://www.fni.bg/sites/default/files/competition/12_2016/ERA/FNI_International_Programs_2017_BG.pdf

Additional regulations

The financial plan of the project should comprise "Indirect eligible costs" which include:

- *Administrative costs – up to 7 % of the total project cost.*
- *Audit costs – up to 1 % of the total project cost.*

These costs are required to be included even they are not identified within the general rules of the call announced under the respective international programme

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Submission

Applicants have to submit an application form for national eligibility when submitting the proposals. The form, entitled „Administrative description of the project“ should be filled in both Bulgarian and in English and signed. Application forms can be obtained at:

https://www.fni.bg/sites/default/files/competition/12_2016/ERA/FNI_International_Programs_2017_BG.pdf

They have to be sent it back by post or in person to BNSF Registry Office before the deadline of 1st stage proposal submission at the following address:

*BNSF Registry Office
Blvd. Al. Stamboliiski 239; Entr.B
Sofia 1309*

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