



Joint Funding Activities for Personalised Medicine

Joint Funding Activities will be one of the main pillars of EP PerMed. Funding research and fostering innovation in the field of Personalised Medicine (PM) is a key factor to ensure the development of PM, to strengthen and further develop the PM community and enhance the implementation of PM in the healthcare systems.

EP PerMed provides a platform to develop different kinds of open and impartial joint funding activities, to pursue a common PM Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda (SRIA) and to align the priorities of the public and private funders involved. This will lead to a more efficient use of the regional and national public budget for funding transnational and interdisciplinary research and innovation in PM.

Flexible joint funding activities, allow the participation not only of members and partners of the EP PerMed, but also other regional and national funders for PM research, even from third countries.

JOINT FUNDING ACTIVITIES	 <p>Transnational, multidisciplinary research funding calls</p> <p>Annually launched ERA-Net like calls, based on the previous ERA PerMed funding experiences: 3-year long multidisciplinary research projects, two-staged and peer-reviewed transnational calls, scientific committee consultation, etc. EP PerMed could launch up to three Joint Transnational Calls co-funded by the EC, to fund PM research projects. Additionally, interested funders could also launch non-co-funded Joint Transnational Calls and/or smaller multilateral calls with different funding duration.</p> <p>FUNDERS: Members and partners of EP PerMed, other interested funders (even not being partners of EP PerMed).</p>
	 <p>Networking calls</p> <p>Network calls – with a 1-2 years funding period – could create multidisciplinary new collaborations to promote PM knowledge sharing among different involved PM stakeholders and experts. Through the development of guidelines, documents, white papers, best practices and recommendations, the network structures will be able to identify the critical aspects and those potential solutions that could ensure PM implementation and knowledge transfer to reach the market.</p> <p>FUNDERS: Members and partners of EP PerMed. The participation from EU13 countries or other underrepresented countries will be encouraged.</p>



Research Innovation and Technology Calls (RITC)

RITCs aim to connect experts from different PM fields to develop high-TRL innovative PM solutions that could be translated to the market and turned into commercial applications. These calls could also aim to scale-up local pilots up to interregional or transnational level.

FUNDERS: The calls are especially addressed to regional and national funders interested in start-up and scale-up funding. Apart from public funders, industry and private funders are as well encouraged to participate.

Please note: National/regional funding for research projects, resulting from transnational calls, is counted as financial contribution. The negotiations on synergies are still ongoing; the political ambition is the following: “Financial contributions under programmes co-financed by the ERDF, the ESF+, the EMFF and the EAFRD may be considered as a contribution of the participating Member State for the purpose of Horizon Europe, provided Article 106 and other applicable provisions of the [new Common Provisions Regulation] and the fund-specific regulations are complied with.”¹

This Information Sheet is the result of ICPerMed/ERA PerMed reflections on EP PerMed aspects. The concept, legal and financial frameworks for the EP PerMed are still under development (e.g. governance, partner/member/stakeholder rules for participation, etc.), and the Information Sheet will be adapted in the future to integrate and outline such technical aspects when relevant. The Information Sheet received valuable input from the European Commission (EC) but does not represent an official EC document.

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¹ <https://www.era-learn.eu/news-events/news/financial-management-an-in-kind-contribution>