Special National Funding Organisation eligibility and Requirements for participation in EUROCORES:

Please note that this list may not be complete since it is updated only as information becomes available to the ESF office from the participating EUROCORES Funding Organisations (EFOs). It remains your responsibility to check with your national funding agency for the most recent requirements. The contact persons for all participating organizations are provided on the last page of the Call for Proposals.

Austria (FWF – Austrian Science Fund)
For Individual Projects (IPs) from Austria being part of an International Collaborative Research Project within the EUROCORES Programmes, eligibility criteria, cost requirements and personnel costs of the Austrian Science Fund (FWF) are binding. Applicants have to follow the criteria for Stand-Alone Projects (Einzelprojekte) by the FWF. FWF can support projects up to a maximum of 3 years.

EUROCORES Project Investigators from Austria have to fill in FWF’s specific application form for international projects and submit it to FWF by the end of the ESF deadline for the full proposals. FWF also requires a 1 page project summary (to be submitted together with the application form.)

Applicants from Austria who take part in a EUROCORES Programme have to contact the FWF - Austrian Science Fund for further information.

The information about FWF's eligibility rules and requirements is currently available in German at the following address:

http://www.fwf.ac.at/de/projects/esf_eurocores.html

Supplementary information is available at:
http://www.fwf.ac.at/de/internationales/foerderkategorien_eurocores.html

Belgium (FWO - Research Foundation Flanders)
The FWO will sustain in principle one individual project of the top ranked collaborative research projects.

Flemish individual projects have to follow all rules and criteria of regular “FWO-onderzoeksprojecten”. FWO can support projects up to maximum 4 years:

- The principal investigator should be a member of the “ZAP” of a Flemish university.
- The co-applicants have a minimum level of “Dr-assistent” or similar.
- Project networking is part of the consumables.
- Host-institution overhead cannot be part of the budget as this overhead is dealt with directly by FWO in agreement with the host institutions.
- The usual fixed figures for personnel costs have to be used:
  Scientific collaborator: 56.800 EUR
  Technical/administrative collaborator: 47.600 EUR

Flemish principal investigators are asked to suggest two possible foreign referees and to provide their coordinates. These possible referees may nor be a member of the FWO scientific committees nor be co-author of any publication of the applicants during the last 3 years.

See http://www.fwo.be (subsidiwijzer – onderzoeksprojecten)
Belgium (F.R.S.-FNRS - Fonds de la Recherche Scientifique)
To obtain the F.R.S.-FNRS funding, French-speaking researchers participating in EUROCORES Collaborative Research Proposals need to submit an application to the F.R.S.-FNRS.

See www.frs-fnrs.be

Croatia (National Foundation for Science, Higher Education and Technological Development of the Republic of Croatia)
Eligible costs are: equipment, consumables, travel cost, publication and dissemination costs, conference fees. Personnel costs are not eligible. Further information can be found at: http://www.nzz.hr/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=49&Itemid=106&lang=hr

Cyprus (Research Promotion Foundation)
Special conditions or requirements for participation in EUROCORES Programmes can be found at: http://www.research.org.cy

Czech Republic (GACR – Czech Science Foundation)
Please be aware that in parallel to the EUROCORES application, the applicants from the Czech Republic have to submit a national proposal to the Czech Science Foundation (GACR). Please check the website at: http://www.gacr.cz/cz/ecor-01cile.htm (Czech version) or http://www.gacr.cz/en/esf-04EUROCORES.htm (English version)

Denmark (Danish Research Council for the Humanities)
Special conditions or requirements for participation in the EUROCORES Programmes can be found at: http://fi.dk/site/forside/soeg-stoette/opslag-stoettemuligheder

Estonia (ETF - Estonian Science Foundation)
Minimum requirements towards Principal Investigators apply according to the ETF’s rules. The information on the Estonian Science Foundation (ETF) eligibility criteria and funding rules are available on the website: http://www.ETF.ee or http://www.ETF.ee/index.php?a=coop&sub=eurcores-

For further information please contact the ETF office.

Finland
The information on the Academy of Finland’s eligibility criteria and funding rules can be found at: http://www.aka.fi or http://www.aka.fi/en-gb/A/For-researcher/How-to-apply/Application-guidelines/General-application-guidelines/
France
Please note that the CNRS is only funding scientists from laboratories connected with CNRS. Also, you should be aware of CNRS’ guidelines and restrictions for funding new research staff positions (Post-docs, PhDs) within the EUROCORES Programmes.

Detailed guidelines are available at: https://dri-dae.cnrs-dir.fr/spip.php?article1056

Germany (Max Planck Institutes)
The Max Planck Institutes are provided with funds to support their own international projects. If a Max Planck Institute takes part in a EUROCORES Programme which is not within the DFG funding scope, the institute has to cover the costs with its own budget. The Max-Planck-Society (MPS) circulated a letter to this effect to its MPIs. Applicants are requested to contact their MPI director and the EUROCORES contact person listed in the respective Calls for outline proposals for more details.

Hungary (OTKA – Hungarian Scientific Research Fund)
For Special conditions or requirements, see OTKA’s call for proposals for international cooperation (type NN). The web address of National requirements for participation in EUROCORES Programmes is: http://www.otka.hu/index.php?akt_menu=3660

Iceland (The Icelandic Centre for Research)
The Icelandic Centre for Research (RANNIS) participates in the EUROCORES scheme with the backing of the Icelandic Research Fund.

Any application received through the EUROCORES scheme will be mainstreamed with all other applications received by the Icelandic Research Fund. By law the Governing Board of the Icelandic Research Fund has to consult its own review panels before making a decision on funding. The Board will accept the ESF International Peer Review of the full proposals, but the applications will be ranked by a review panel of the Icelandic Research Fund with all other applications received by the fund that year. The Governing Board of the Icelandic Research Fund will accept the ranking of the ESF International Peer Review but can not give a commitment to fund any of the received applications, even if an application with Icelandic participation is at the top of the ESF ranking.

Ireland (IRCHSS – Irish Research Council for the Humanities and Social Sciences)
Applicants based in IRELAND who take part in a EUROCORES Programme must consult with the IRCHSS for further information. IRCHSS terms and conditions, and application forms are available at www.irchss.ie

Israel (ISF - Israel Science Foundation)
The ISF eligibility criteria and funding rules are as for the regular ISF tracks. Details are available at: www.isf.org.il
Italy (CNR - Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche)
Please note that CNR is only funding scientists from CNR Institutes. Requirements of CNR are provided here:
http://www.cnr.it/sitocnr/IICNR/Attivita/Attivitainternazionali/Programmiesf.html
http://soi.cnr.it/~urspci/urspci/ita/esf.htm#EUROCORES

Luxembourg (FNR – Fonds National de la Recherche)
Special conditions or national requirements can be found at: http://www.fnr.lu

Lithuania (Lithuanian State Science and Studies Foundation)
Special conditions or national requirements can be found at: http://www.vmsfondas.lt/

Netherlands (NWO – The Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research)
General requirement: please check the additional information on the NWO website, at:
http://www.nwo.nl/gw/ (EuroBABEL)
http://www.nwo.nl/alw (EuroMEMBRANE)
http://www.nwo.nl/cw (EuroMEMBRANE)
http://www.nwo.nl/eurocores

Special conditions for the EuroHESC Programme:

The funding is limited to either a PhD or a Post doc research position and material costs. Personnel costs will be granted in accordance with the VSNU contract regarding research positions. Funding is limited to a maximum of € 200.000.
PhD: The personnel costs for a PhD student with a maximum of four years 1 fte; five years 0.8 fte is also possible if applied for in the application.
Post doc: The personnel costs for a Post doc position (NOT the position of the applicant) with a maximum of three years 1 fte, more years with less fte is also possible if applied for in the application.
Material costs: Costs like, for example, data collection. Excluded are the costs for: computers, laptops, computer time; accommodation, overhead costs, devaluation.
Please note: It is not allowed to apply with more than one Dutch research team or application within one European Collaborative Research Project.

Norway (The Research Council of Norway)
Phd- or Postdoc- positions are granted for a maximum of three years.
National requirements for participation in the EUROCORES Programmes can be found at: http://www.forskningsradet.no or http://www.rcn.no/ (English)
Poland (Ministry of Science and Higher Education)
Please contact the Ministry of Science and Higher Education or the Polish Academy of Sciences because submitting of a national proposal is required.
Information concerning participation in EUROCORES programmes is currently available in Polish at the following address:
Supplementary information is available at:

Romania (NURC – National University Research Council)
National requirements for participation in EUROCORES Programmes can be found at:
http://www.cncsis.ro (a regularly updated section regarding ESF applications is available on that page)

Slovakia (SRDA - Slovak Research and Development Agency)
The Slovak Research and Development Agency (SRDA) is the budgetary organisation and as such it depends on the Slovak Parliament and Goverment decision about annauly agency budget.
An Agreement about financing the EUROCORES project between SRDA and the organization which hosted the PI, is a statement that SRDA will provide the financial support in the project proposed budget, as far as the agency budget approved by the Slovak goverment and Parlament will be sufficient.

Please be aware that in parallel to the EUROCORES application, the applicants from Slovak Republic have to submit a national proposal to the SRDA (http://www.apvv.sk).
Before making the decision for funding the EUROCORES projects, the Agency board for International Cooperation has to (by the law) perform an own review procedure. The board will accept the ESF International Peer Review of the full proposals, but can not give a commitment to fund all received application recommended for funding.

Slovenia (SRA – Slovenian Research Agency)
- National eligibility criteria:
  1. Project leader fulfills the requirements for basic research project leader
  2. Project leader should have a minimum of 170 research hours free when signing the contract for project funding
  3. applicant is enlisted in the register of the researcher of RS
  4. The budget proposal is in the line with national regulations
- Flexible allocation of budgetary lines between programmes

National requirements for participation in EUROCORES Programmes can be found at:
http://www.arrs.gov.si/sl/medn/esf/gradivo/dokum/INC/Skupna_gradiva/Kriteriji-EUROCORES.doc
Spain (MEC - Ministry of Education and Science)
All kind of Research Institutions (Universities and Public Research Centres) are eligible for applying to the EUROCORES calls for proposals. Activities of selected projects will be funded according to common Spanish rules, and the funding level/intensity will be consistent with the usual grants in the different National Programmes. Costs requested should also comply with that stated in MEC Research Calls for proposals.
**Further information can be accessed at the MEC web site:**
http://www.mec.es

Sweden (VR – The Swedish Research Council)
For general requirements: please check the guidelines for project applications on the VR website, at:
http://www.vr.se

Sweden (FORMAS – The Swedish Research Council for Environment, Agricultural Sciences and Spatial Planning)
National requirements for participation in EUROCORES Programmes can be found at:
http://www.formas.se

Turkey (TUBITAK - The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey)
The granting rules and regulations followed in the TUBITAK Research Grant Program 1001 apply for the Turkish applicants who may refer to the link http://www.tubitak.gov.tr/home.do?sid=367&pid=364 for further information.

United Kingdom (AHRC - Arts and Humanities Research Council)
Further details can be found on the AHRC website: (link to be provided soon)

United Kingdom (ESRC – Economic and Social Research Council)
National requirements for participation in EUROCORES Programmes can be found at:
http://www.esrcsocietytoday.ac.uk/ESRCInfoCentre/opportunities/international/eurocores.aspx

**Special conditions for the EuroHESC Programme:**
Thematic level: UK researchers have to consult the ESRC website for a specific thematic focus which they have to adhere to.

Procedural level: ESRC specifically nominates the referees who should provide external written assessments of UK proposals (in their design, if needed) to give weight to the assessments in the national context. Additionally, two Grants Board Members to be nominated to sit on the EUROHESC Review Panel.
United Kingdom (BBSRC - Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council)
UK universities, BBSRC approved Academic Analogues and BBSRC sponsored institutes will be eligible to apply to specified EUROCORES activities and will be funded under normal BBSRC terms and conditions. Applications from BBSRC Institutes receiving Core Strategic Grant funding will count against the Institute Cap. Costs should be requested according to current FEC regulations and applicants should note these requirements.
Full details can be found on the BBSRC website:
http://www.bbsrc.ac.uk/funding/research/grants_booklet.pdf

United Kingdom (MRC - Medical Research Council)
UK researchers eligible for funding from MRC should apply according to usual MRC Terms and Conditions. Costs should be requested according to current FEC regulations. For further information please consult the MRC website:
http://www.mrc.ac.uk/ApplyingforaGrant/YourApplication/TermsandConditions/index.htm

United States (National Science Foundation)
If European applicants would like to include US partners in their EUROCORES proposal, they may contact those US researchers to determine whether they currently hold an NSF grant. If the US researcher does have an active grant from NSF, he or she may request supplemental funding to that grant for participation in a EUROCORES project. If the US researcher does not hold an NSF grant, he or she must submit a full proposal to the appropriate program at NSF, under the terms of its solicitation, and compete for funds to participate in EUROCORES with all other applicants to that solicitation. Dr. Mark A. Suskin (msuskin@nsf.gov) is a contact point for inquiries to NSF from US or European researchers. Researchers may also contact NSF's Europe Office in Paris headed by Dr. David Stonner (dstonner@nsf.gov).

Special conditions for the EuroBABEL Programme:
Specific Guidelines for EuroBABEL proposal submissions with Principal Investigators (PIs) affiliated with US based institutions and applying for NSF funding can be found at the EuroBABEL website www.esf.org/eurobabel

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