TEAM 2024 – Information & matchmaking session
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Part of Vlaamse Interuniversitaire Raad (Flemish Interuniversity Council)

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Leading **platform** for Flemish HEIs to collaborate in context of sustainable development

Primary **funding body** for partnerships and scholarships
Our Network

- 5 Flemish universities
- 13 Flemish universities of applied sciences and arts
- 17 partner countries
- 29 scholarship countries
- More than 400 partners worldwide
Our Pillars

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**Knowledge Hub**
Mobilising & creating knowledge on topics related to higher education for sustainable development.
In Figures

- Annual budget of 32.5 million EUR
- 400 project applications in 2022
- 1,000 ongoing scholarships
- 250 ongoing projects
Leave no one Behind (LNOB) & inclusiveness
Interconnectedness & indivisibility
Coherence,
Multi-institutional partnerships,
Multi-stakeholder partnerships
Partnership principles

- Diversity, equality and inclusivity
- Equal and mutually beneficial partnerships
- Decent work, research ethics
- Respect for human rights and integrity
Human Rights

- Human rights’ framework Flemish universities
- Institution-specific operational framework to assess human rights’ conditions
- Promoters are advised to reach out to the ICOS for more information.
TEAM 2024
Call-info
Call for Concept Notes
Aim

- Medium-term projects
- Academic/scientific collaboration among diverse teams
- Focus on a sustainable development challenge
- Strengthen the research and educational capacities of higher education and science institutions in partner countries
- Create/promote conditions for uptake of new and relevant knowledge, applications and/or services by all actors involved
Key features

- Produce results within max. duration of 5 years

- Allows for different aims (exploration, innovation, valorisation, etc.) and approaches (education, research, policies, outreach, people, networks).

- Projects allow for structural research/educational cooperation with local units in partner institutions

- Medium-term capacity building (e.g. PhD research, curriculum development, network building, …).
Two-Stage Procedure

• TEAM Concept Note (CN)
  • Low effort, accessible, concise
  • Focus on selling your project idea
  • Introduction to the context
  • Project strategy
  • Initial organisational set-up

• TEAM Fully Fledged
  • Elaborated proposal aligned with programme ToC
  • Detailed methodologies/approaches
  • Activity planning & budget
  • Project indicators
  • Risk & stakeholder analysis
Success rate and Framework

- Max. of 44 selectable projects
- A success rate of 60% will be guaranteed in the selection stage of Fully Fledged proposals
- The project budget amounts to a maximum of 280,000 EUR for 5 years

**NEW:** A bonus of 20,000 EUR can be applied for Multi-Stakeholder Partnership (MSP) or Multi-Institutional Partnership (MIP)
Connect via MSP/MIP

**MSP**
- Structural collaboration within project with at least 1 non-academic actor
- Multi-stakeholder: civil society, private sector, governmental actors, etc.

**MIP**
- Structural collaboration within project between several higher education institutions at Flemish/Belgian (including ITM) and/or partner HE level
- Flemish HEI have created a platform through their “associatieve projecten” to include MIP

! The bonus is not assigned automatically but only if added value of MIP or MSP set-up is justified
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<th>Who?</th>
<th>Flemish promoter: professor (min 10% ZAP), specialist at a Flemish university or a professor/lecturer at a university of applied sciences and arts. See detailed requirements for postdoc applicants, possible if supported by a 50% ZAP co-promoter</th>
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<td>Partner promoter: employed at recognized higher education institution or national public research institute in a project partner country</td>
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<td>Applicants (Flemish/local) can submit maximum two TEAM projects in case they have no ongoing SI 2023 or TEAM 2022 project</td>
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<td>Former and present IUC partner institutions are fully eligible</td>
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HEIs partner countries

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How to submit a proposal?

• Through an online platform

• An application involves a Flemish and (multiple) partner promoter(s)

• The Flemish promoter:
  • submits to the ICOS for support and quality control.
  • checks internal deadlines at level of the Flemish institution

• The ICOS plays a central role in the application support and validates before the proposal can be submitted to VLIR-UOS

• Role GEO at level of Univ.of Applied Sciences and Arts defined per university association
Selection procedure

• Standard selection criteria:
  o Relevance & coherence of the project;
  o Quality of the project design;
  o Implementation set-up of the project;
  o Potential impact and sustainability.

• Each selection criterion is described by a number of descriptors (differentiation between the CN and FF proposals).

• Regional Selection Commissions: Africa (2), Asia, Latin America.
• Number of Selectable proposals per commission relates with submission numbers
TEAM 2024 - Timeline

3 October 2023
Launch date of the call for Concept Notes

8 December 2023 (17:00 CET)
Deadline for submission Concept Notes to VLIR-UOS. Check internal deadlines Flemish Institution.

2nd week of February 2024 (indicative)
Selection results

Week of 12 February 2024
Call for Fully Fledged proposals

29 April 2024
Submission Fully Fledged proposals to VLIR-UOS

Week of 24 June (indicative)
Selection Results
Intro to format
Outline of format

• General information
• Context/problem analysis
  o intro to the context: regional, local, organisational + alignment with Agenda 2030
• Project strategy
  o What do you want to achieve & how does it link with the context?
  o How does it align with overall VLIR-UOS strategy for TEAM?
  o What do you want to do & how?
• Organisation
  o Who will be involved & what are key roles?
  o Indicate structural collaboration in MSP or MIP (if any).
Alignment with VLIR-UOS Strategy

- **What** do you want to achieve by the end of the project?

TEAM typically contributes to a combination of VLIR-UOS outcomes and should certainly link up with outcome (5).
Format – technicalities & how?

• Submitted via an online platform.

• Technical information sessions will be organized:
  o Tuesday 7 November (10 AM CET)
  o Monday 4 December (3 PM CET)

• Support from ICOS of your institution/association

• Formats = working documents (Call Annex)
  o Word format with guiding questions
  o Annex 1 general information on team members, some coding (main & secondary SDG, OECD sector codes, ..)
  o Online links to provide CV-information
    ▪ Flemish promoters: ORCID unique identifier link
    ▪ Partner promoters (one/multiple): other online link
Resources / more information

Website: TEAM 2024 - Call for Concept
Notes

TEAM 2024 CN document as entry point

- How does it work?
- Who can apply?
- Which partner countries are eligible?
- Budgetary framework
- Two-stage procedure
- How does the assessment procedure work?
- How to submit a proposal?
- Useful documents
- Need inspiration for a VLIR-UOS project? Here are some ideas for your project proposal.
Contact us

info@vliruos.be

Check call section 7:
• ICOS (primary contact at Flemish institutions)
• VLIR-UOS contact persons (general/per country)
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