"Understanding drug use pathways"

Call for Proposals
CALL FOR PROPOSALS

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INTRODUCTION

The EU Drugs Strategy 2005-2012 underlined the importance of improving the EU knowledge infrastructure in the field of drugs, and the EU Action Plan on Drugs 2009-2012 contained an objective to “expand the knowledge base in the field of drugs by promoting research”. The European Commission’s 2009 paper, *Strengthening EU capacity on illicit drugs* (Commission of the European Communities, 2009) found that there were large differences in the size and quality of drugs-related research capacities between countries, concluding that “…overall coordination between policy, research and practice in the field of illicit drugs is piecemeal and lacks a coherent longer term approach for the identification and funding of new areas of research.”

The ERANID project responds to the European Commission’s 2012 call to set up an ERA-NET in illicit drugs under the socio-economic sciences and humanities programme. A consortium of eleven organisations from six EU countries (Belgium, France, Italy, the Netherlands, Portugal and the United Kingdom), ERANID’s overall aim is “to enhance EU research capability and capacity in drug research by improving coordination, cooperation and synergies between national and regional funding programmes”.

For the next stage of the project, ERANID has been supporting partner countries and affiliate partners to find common areas of interest from the ERANID Strategic Research Agenda and to launch a joint, transnational research call.

1st JOINT TRANSNATIONAL CALL

Under the umbrella of the topic *Understanding drug use pathways*, this 1st Joint Transnational Call (JTC) will be launched with funding from the following partner organisations:

- **BELGIUM**: Federal Public Planning Service Science Policy (BELSPO) and Fonds voor Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek (FWO)
- **FRANCE**: Mission Interministérielle de Lutte contre les Drogues et les Conduites addictives (MILDECA)
- **GERMANY**: Bundesministerium für Gesundheit - Referat 425- Sucht und Drogen (to be confirmed)
- **ITALY**: Dipartimento per la Politiche antidroga (DPA), Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri
- **POLAND**: National Bureau for Drug Prevention
Objective of the Call

The objective of this call is to support transnational research in *Understanding drug use pathways*.

Background

The content of this call reflects the findings of a large programme of work to identify common research priorities for illicit drugs in Europe. A series of consultations with a wide range of stakeholders - within the 6 ERANID member-states and at international level - provided the basis for ERANID’s Strategic Research Agenda (SRA) published earlier in 2015. The development of the SRA also considered existing research and this call aims to build upon the large body of existing research and the identified SRA priorities to fund innovative research that has the potential to provide lasting knowledge on illicit drugs. ERANID focuses on socio-economic sciences and humanities (SSH) and encourages an interdisciplinary approach to research in this area. Important contributions from other disciplines, when in combination with a core SSH approach in the proposals, are welcome. The topics chosen for this first call touches on several areas of the SRA and potential applicants are invited to read this document to seek additional ideas to build research proposals.

Context

Synchronic realities of drug use are comparatively well documented. Official surveys and scientific studies estimate the prevalence of use of illicit substances for a wide range of population groups. Less is known however on the dynamic aspects of use, which deserves consideration in research. A more comprehensive understanding of why people start, stop, increase, and/or reduce their consumption of illicit substances, why they move from one (set of) substance(s) to another.... forms the core of this call for proposals. All sectors of the drugs field (policy-makers, law enforcement agencies, users and their families, health intervention organisations...) can benefit from insights on the dynamics at play in pathways. This call emphasises, in particular, the link between the knowledge generated and its sustainable translation for a wide range of stakeholders. This call is open to all stages of drug use pathways, to all age groups and
to all substances (including legal substances and new psychoactive substances when relevant to illicit drug use pathway). Researchers will focus their proposals on the interplay and impact of various factors that influence pathways in a diachronic perspective through multidisciplinary approaches involving the social sciences and humanities, notwithstanding the input from other disciplines. The call invites innovative interdisciplinary research proposals.

Scope

Through approaches led by an SSH perspective which leads to a clearer understanding of the interplay of factors and the development of theory which can underpin further research and the development of interventions, researchers might consider the following areas of focus in their proposals:

- **The impact of the digital world**: On the supply side, Information and Communications Technology (ICT) now enables virtual markets to organise fast and easy access to substances and to items to produce them. On the other hand, user communities find in social media and user forums a way to exchange information. ICT also shapes interventions that more and more develop ICT-based tools (peer support, self-help...). Research is therefore needed to better understand the potential ICT might have to affect the onset, continuation, escalation, reduction and recovery from use;

- **The impact of subjective experiences**: how far subjective factors influence changes in drug use pathways is a second dimension that needs further exploration. Within this dimension, the emphasis is on drug user's motives, as those are shaped by life events and beliefs about the impact of various personal and contextual factors (policy, availability, culture and social norms, self-representation, representation by others and stigma...). Research should explore the way these subjective experiences influence the decision-making process behind changes in drug use behaviours. Research that spans different geographical areas may reveal the differential impact of such external factors and help understand how they interact with internal factors;

- **The impact of socioeconomic and physiological factors on drug use pathways**: physiological factors, along with socioeconomic factors and life experiences, play an important role in drug pathways. Research on these individual factors should move beyond description and, instead, provide insights into the dynamic nature of these factors and the causal mechanisms at play;
Proposals can examine these dimensions, either in isolation or in combination. It is expected that proposals requesting funding between €750,000 and €850,000 would allow this topic to be addressed appropriately. This does not preclude submission and selection of proposals requesting other amounts with adequate justification.

Expected output

In addition to classical forms of academic valorisation (such as scientific publications), it is expected that applicants seriously consider the principles of Responsible Research and Innovation (RRI) in developing their proposals: Responsible Research and Innovation (RRI) implies that societal actors (researchers, citizens, policy makers, business, third sector organisations, etc.) work together during the whole research and innovation process in order to better align both the process and its outcomes with the values, needs and expectations of society. In particular, applicants will integrate the following aspects in their projects:

- Engage with societal actors during and after the research process and develop outreach and dissemination activities at the end of the project to ensure the widest transfer of the produced knowledge;
- Address the gender dimension by fostering gender balance in research teams, and integrating the gender dimension in research content to improve quality and societal relevance of expected results;
- Tackle ethical issues - especially when dealing with vulnerable groups - to ensure quality and integrity of the research (e.g. by adopting existing codes of ethical conduct in research...);

APPLICATION

ELIGIBILITY

Joint research proposals may be submitted with respect for the following criteria:

- Only transnational projects will be funded. Each proposal must involve a minimum of two eligible applicants, although preference will be given to three, from at least two different countries participating in the call. The number of participants and their research contribution should be appropriate for the aims of the transnational research project. Each transnational collaborative project

1 More information on RRI can be obtained on: https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/horizon2020/en/h2020-section/responsible-research-innovation
should represent the critical mass to achieve ambitious scientific goals and should clearly demonstrate an added value from working together;

- Depending on national criteria (see annex 2), eligible partners may include public and private scientific, research, technological and innovation institutions; universities; research active industry; NGOs; private companies; public institutions and other stakeholders;

- Participants not eligible to be funded (e.g. from non-funding countries or not fundable according to national regulations of the participating funding countries) may participate in a project proposal if they are able to secure their own funding. Such participants should state in advance the source of funding for their part in the project;

- However, the majority of participant groups in a consortium and the Principal Investigator must be eligible to be funded by participating countries, according to the national regulations;

- Each consortium must nominate a Principal Investigator (PI) among the project’s co-Principal Investigators (co-PI). The PI must be considered an eligible project applicant by one of the funding organisations participating in the call. The PI will represent the consortium externally and towards the Joint Call Secretariat (JCS) and Funding Group² (FG), and will be responsible for its internal scientific management (such as controlling, reporting, intellectual property rights (IPR) issues). Each co-PI will be represented by one (and only one) group leader. Each PI will also be the contact person for the relevant national funding organisation.

- Each applicant can submit up to two research proposals as co-PI or only one as PI (e.g. the PI of a proposal cannot be partner in another proposal). Please note that this rule is subject to national regulations, therefore applicants are strongly encouraged to contact their national contact points to check their national eligibility rules before submission.

- Whilst proposals will be submitted jointly by research groups from several countries, individual research groups will be funded by their national funding organisation(s). The applications are therefore subject to eligibility criteria of relevant national funding organisations of the respective country. It is highly recommended that applicants refer to the funding rules and eligibility criteria of the relevant funding organisation. Applicants are strongly advised to contact their relevant funding organisation contact person before submitting an application; please note that for some countries it might be mandatory. Please note that if an applicant is found to be non-eligible by one of the funding organisation(s).

² Funding Group: funding organisations’ representatives.
organisations after the eligibility check, the entire proposal will be rejected without further review.

- **The duration of the projects can be up to three years.** Nevertheless, a partner can receive funding for less than three years according to funding organisations eligibility criteria and regulations.

**FINANCIAL AND LEGAL MODALITIES**

Eligible costs and funding provisions may vary according to the respective funding organisation’s regulations. Each applicant is subject to the rules and regulations of their respective national funding organisation (see annex 2).

**SUBMISSION OF JOINT PROPOSALS**

Joint proposals (in English), must be submitted to the online submission website no later than **24 November 2015 2PM CET**. Proposals will not be accepted after this time. Information on how to submit proposals electronically is available in "Guidelines for applicants".

For applicants from some countries it might be mandatory to submit the proposal and/or other information, in some cases before the deadline of this call, directly to the national funding organisations. Therefore, applicants are strongly advised to check their funding organisations specific “Guidelines for applicants” for more details.

**FURTHER INFORMATION**

If you need additional information, please contact the JCS, or your national funding organisation Contact Person.

**EVALUATION**

The evaluation of the Joint Transnational Project proposals will be organised as follows:

**FORMAL CHECK OF PROPOSALS**

The JCS will check all proposals to ensure that they meet the call’s formal criteria:

- Date of submission
- Submission through the electronic submission system;
- Composition of consortium;
- Inclusion of all necessary information in English;
• Appropriate limits on duration of project.

In parallel, the JCS will forward the proposals to the corresponding national funding organisations which will perform a check for compliance to national rules. Proposals passing both checks (JCS and national) will be forwarded to the Peer Review Panel³ (PRP) members for evaluation. Proposals not meeting the formal criteria will be declined without further review.

**Peer-review of proposals**

There are two steps in this reviewing procedure:

- **Remote evaluation**: each proposal will be allocated to three reviewers who fit the profile of the application. The first step of the peer review procedure will be a written evaluation. All reviewers will be asked for reports and scoring on the proposals according to specific evaluation criteria and a scoring system (see the evaluation procedure below).

- **Peer review panel meeting**: The PRP members will have access to all the remote evaluations before the PRP meeting. At the PRP meeting reviewers should identify the proposals recommended for funding and not recommended for funding. Proposals recommended for funding will be ranked by the PRP according to the evaluation criteria.

The names of the reviewers in the PRP will be made public after the decision on funding has been made. They will perform the evaluation according to confidentiality rules and specific evaluation criteria (see below), using a common evaluation form. A scoring system from 1 to 5 will be used to evaluate the proposal’s performance with respect to the different evaluation criteria. Scoring system: 1: poor; 2: fair; 3: good; 4: very good; 5: excellent. Any proposal receiving an average rating less than very good (i.e. less than 4) across all reviewers, for one or more of the criteria, will not be eligible for funding.

Evaluation criteria:

- **Relevance and clarity of objectives** in relation to the aims of the call
- **Scientific quality of the proposal** (scientific excellence of the proposal, in terms of innovative approach, originality and advancement, availability and quality of preliminary data, international competitiveness)

³ Peer Review Panel: international reviewers that will review the applications according to their expertise.
- **Quality and diversity of the project consortium** (international competitiveness of participants in the field(s), previous work and expertise of the participants, added value of the transnational collaboration, capacity building, commitment to equality and diversity of workforce)

- **Feasibility of project plan** (relation of work packages to proposal themes and aims, quality of work plan and time schedule, balanced participation of project partners, quality and efficiency of the coordination and management, scientific justification and adequateness of the requested budget and risk assessment)

- **Potential impact** (response to actual societal needs, providing evidence for policy makers and practitioners; early integration of relevant stakeholders, ensuring societal relevance over the course of the project and its dissemination).

**FINAL DECISION ON FUNDING**

Based on the ranking list established by the PRP, the FG will select the projects to be funded (shortlist). Based on this list, final decisions will be made by national funding organisations and will be subject to budgetary considerations. The JCS will communicate to all applicants the final decision, and the evaluation report in due time.

**PROJECT START AND CONSORTIUM AGREEMENT**

Projects selected for funding are expected to start in approximately May 2016. Consortium members must fix a common project start date, which would be the reference date for yearly and final monitoring reports and potential extensions. This common project start date must appear in the Consortium Agreement (CA).

It will be the responsibility of the PIs to draw up a CA suitable to their own group in order to manage the delivery of the project activities, finances, intellectual property rights (IPR) and to avoid disputes which might be detrimental to the completion of the project.

All consortium members must sign the CA and send it to the FG. This consortium agreement will be made available to the concerned funding organisations. The project consortium is strongly encouraged to sign this CA before the official project start date, and in any case the CA has to be signed no later than three months after the official project start date. Please note that national regulations may apply concerning the requirement for a CA (contact your national contact point or check the country-specific information on the guidelines). Further instructions will be provided by the FG to the coordinators of the projects selected for funding.
CONFIDENTIALITY OF THE PROPOSALS

Proposals and any information relating to them shall be kept confidential within the reviewers and the FG. Proposals shall not be used for any purpose other than the evaluation and subsequent monitoring of the funded projects.

Full proposals will be required to include a publishable summary, which will clearly identify the main goals of the project. If a proposal is funded, this information will be published on the ERANID website. All other project details shall be kept strictly confidential, although national rules prevail.

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS AND DISSEMINATION

Each PI, on behalf of the project consortium, should submit to the funding agency a brief annual and final scientific report of the transnational project no later than two months after the end of the project. These reports should state the scientific progress, the goals that have been met, and corrective measures set in case that the annual project plan has not been fulfilled. When applicable, each team might have to submit additional reporting to its relevant funding organisation, in accordance with the respective national regulations.

In case of any significant changes in the work program or the consortium composition, the PI must inform the funding agency, who will decide upon the proper action to be taken.

Funding recipients must ensure that all results (publications, etc.) of their research project's consortium activities include an acknowledgement that the projects were supported in part by the respective funding organisations under the framework of the ERANID initiative. Moreover, PIs and/or co-PIs may be asked to present the results of their projects, at an intermediate and/or a final status seminar, during ERANID events.
## ANNEX 1 – SUMMARY OF THE PARTICIPATING FUNDING ORGANISATIONS AND INDICATIVE FUNDING COMMITMENTS

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### ANNEX 2 - NATIONAL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

#### Belgium

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| National Contact Point for the 1st call | Aziz Naji - Programme manager, BELSPO  
[aziz.naji@belspo.be](mailto:aziz.naji@belspo.be) |
| Eligible institutions | Non for profit institutions with the pursuit of scientific research stated in the official statutes of the organisations (e.g. university, high school, public research centre...)  
Access the full list of not-for profit research centres recognised by the federal government on: [http://www.belspo.be/belspo/fisc/wi_list_fr.stm](http://www.belspo.be/belspo/fisc/wi_list_fr.stm) |
| Additional eligibility criteria | • an Eligible Belgian promoter in a given proposal can be a physical person or the appointed leader of a group of researchers from the same organisation  
• Belgian promoters from different Belgian eligible research institutions can enter a given transnational network of applicants  
• requested budget per Belgian participation in a proposal (as a Belgian promoter or as a Belgian Network) shall not exceed €250,000 |
Eligible costs

BELSPO adopts a full cost model comprising:

- personnel costs (preferably around 60% of total requested budget)
- Operation costs (lump sum of 10% of personnel costs)
- equipment costs
- subcontracting costs (not to exceed 25% of total costs for Belgian partners and only for non-core activities to the project (e.g. specific scientific expertise, non-scientific tasks such as organising meetings...)
- overheads (max. 5 of Personnel and Operation costs)

Funding Organisation

Fonds Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek Vlaanderen (FWO) - BELGIUM

Initial funding commitment

€200,000

National Contact Point for the 1st call

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Eligible institutions

Art. 9 of the FWO-regulation on the regular research projects is applicable. In this article is stated who can apply as a Principal Investigator for a research project:

- an Independent Academic Staff (ZAP) member with an
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<th>Additional eligibility criteria</th>
<th>Research contracts will, in principle, have a duration of 3 years (36 months). The first budgetary year needs to be ≥ than the following years.</th>
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| National Contact Point for the 1st call | Florence Lafay-Dufour, Research Advisor MILDECA  
Florence.lafay-dufour@pm.gouv.fr |
| Eligible institutions | Non for profit institutions with the pursuit of scientific research stated in the official statutes of the organisations (e.g. university, high school, public research centre...) |
| Additional eligibility criteria | Requested budget per French participation in a proposal shall not exceed €100,000 |
| Eligible costs | For further details, please contact national French contact point. |

### Germany

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| National Contact Point for the 1st call | Mr Albert Kern  
|                                       | albert.kern@bmg.bund.de |
| Eligible institutions                 | For further details, please contact national German contact point. |
| Additional eligibility criteria       | €200,000 per year, €100,000 per project, is the max. amount that can be allocated per year over the period 2016/2017/2018 to German research groups selected in this call |
| Eligible costs                        | For further details, please contact national German contact point. |

**Italy**

| Funding Organisation               | Dipartimento per la Politiche antidroga, Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri, ITALY |
| Initial funding commitment        | €300,000 for the first call |
| National Contact Point for the 1st call | Patrizia De Rose  
|                                       | eranidnetworkdpa@governo.it |
| Eligible institutions             | Institutions with the pursuit of scientific research stated in the official statutes of the organisations (e.g. public university and private recognised universities, high school, public and private research centre...) also in partnership with enterprises; NGOs, Central and local administrations. |
| Additional eligibility criteria   | Requested budget per Italian participation in a proposal shall not exceed €100,000 |
| Eligible costs                    | For further details, please contact national Italian contact point. |
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| **National Contact Point for the 1st call** | Artur Malczewski, National Bureau for Drug Prevention.  
[artur.malczewski@kbpn.gov.pl](mailto:artur.malczewski@kbpn.gov.pl) |
| **Eligible institutions** | Not for profit institutions with the pursuit of scientific research stated in the official statutes of the organisations (e.g. university, high school, public research centre, NGO).  
€17,000 per year |
| **Additional eligibility criteria** | A separate information document will be prepared detailing the rules (financial/administrative) for Polish organisation, and the specific requirements for applicants. This will be available on request. |
| **Eligible costs** | A separate information document will be prepared detailing the rules (financial/administrative) for Polish organisation, and the specific requirements for applicants. This will be available on request.  
Personnel costs will preferably not be more than 60% of total requested budget. |

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| **National Contact Point for the 1st call** | Manuel Cardoso – Deputy General-Director, SICAD  
[manuel.cardoso@sicad.min-saude.pt](mailto:manuel.cardoso@sicad.min-saude.pt)  
Deputy: Mário Castro – Director of the Monitoring and Information |
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**Sweden**

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<td>Eligible institutions</td>
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| National Contact Point for the 1st call | Simone Korff de Gidts, Co-ordinator  
eranid@zonmw.nl |
| Eligible institutions | Public law or private law entities with registered offices in the Netherlands can apply (article 7 of General Terms and Conditions) |
| Additional eligibility criteria | The General term and Conditions Governing Grants of ZonMw will be applicable.  
  - requested budget per Dutch participation in a proposal shall not exceed €250,000 |
| Eligible costs | ZonMw adopts a full cost model comprising:  
  - Personnel costs  
  - Material costs  
  - Equipment costs  
  - Implementation costs  
  - Other costs |
# The United Kingdom

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| National Contact Point for the 1\textsuperscript{st} call | Natalie Owen – Research Programme Manager, DH  
natalie.owen@dh.gsi.gov.uk  
For all financial and contractual questions go to the website in the section below in the first instance. If your query cannot be answered please contact:  
Farheen.Shafiq@prp-ccf.org.uk |
| Eligible institutions        | All institutions/organisations within the United Kingdom are eligible to apply for PRP funding. However, applicants must be able to justify how they will inform English policy-making. |
| Additional eligibility criteria | A separate information document will be prepared detailing the financial and contractual regulations for UK applicants. This will be available at the following address:  
http://prp-ccf.org.uk/  
We are looking to fund 2-3 proposals. |
| Eligible costs               | Higher Education Institutions (HEIs)  
Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) should determine the Full Economic Cost (FEC) of their research using the Transparent Approach to Costing (TRAC) methodology. For HEIs, up to 100\% of FEC will be paid, provided that TRAC methodology has been used.  
NHS bodies and other providers of NHS services in England  
For applications where the contractor is an NHS body or provider of NHS services in England, up to 100\% of direct costs will be paid. Where an NHS body or provider of NHS services is collaborating with another type of organisation, the leader must be the NHS partner which will be the contracting organisation. |
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Abbreviations

- AC: Advisory Committee
- FG: Funding Group
- JCS: Joint Call Secretariat
- JTC: Joint Transnational Call
- MG: Management Group
- MoU: Memorandum of Understanding
- NSC: Network Steering Committee
- PRP: Peer Review Panel
- SRA: Strategic Research Agenda