

The Aurora and DAAD Mobility Programmes – Researcher Exchange for New Collaboration between Norway and France/Germany

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Application type: Coordination and Support Activity
Application deadline: 25. September 2019, 13:00 CEST
Relevant thematic areas for this call: Internationalisation
Target groups: Research organisations

Funding scale: NOK 20 000-100 000
Amount of funding presumed available for this call for proposals:
NOK 1 600 000. (NOK 800 000 per country.)
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Purpose

The AURORA and DAAD mobility programmes are designed to establish and expand the contact between educational and research institutions in Norway and corresponding organisations in France and Germany. The purpose is to strengthen European research collaboration under Horizon Europe, the next EU research and innovation framework programme. Researchers from Norway may seek support for funding for short-term visits in France or Germany for the purpose of launching and developing new joint research projects.

Important dates

14 Aug 2019: Date call is made active

25 Sep 2019: Application submission deadline

01 Jan 2020: Earliest permitted project start

Call for proposals



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About the call for proposals

The objective of this call is to increase researcher mobility between Norway and France/Germany.

Applicants seeking funding for researcher exchange with both countries must submit two separate grant applications.

The Norwegian-language call for proposals is the legally binding version.

AURORA mobility programme – Collaboration with France

The budgetary framework for 2020 is roughly NOK 800 000. A maximum of NOK 100 000 may be sought per grant application for 2020. Projects under the Aurora programme are funded jointly by Norway and France. Grant applications must be submitted to both countries to be eligible for review. Norwegian applicants are recommended to check that the French project manager has submitted a grant application for a stay in Norway to the French Aurora programme administration (Campus France). The application submission deadline in France is 25 September 2019.

Projects involving collaboration with France must be carried out in the course of 2020.

DAAD mobility programme – Collaboration with Germany

The budgetary framework for 2020 is roughly NOK 800 000. Grant applications for collaboration with Germany may extend across two consecutive calendar years. A maximum of NOK 100 000 may be sought per project.

Projects under the DAAD programme are funded jointly by Norway and Germany. Grant applications must be submitted to both countries to be eligible for review. Norwegian applicants are recommended to check that the German project manager has submitted a grant application for a research stay in Norway to the German DAAD programme administration. The application submission deadline in Germany is 5 September 2019.

Projects involving collaboration with Germany may extend over one or two consecutive calendar years.

Importance will be attached to the following when reviewing grant applications:

- The exchange helps to establish new collaboration between the applicant institutions in the two countries.
- There are early career researchers involved in the project.
- There is adequate gender balance in the project. Assuming that all other factors are equal, priority will be given to projects led by women project managers.
- The project team has described plans for any future collaborative projects, particularly under the direction of Horizon Europe.
- Whether the applicants or this project have received funding under the Aurora or DAAD mobility programmes during the last two years (2018, 2019). Assuming that all other factors are equal, priority will be given to projects that have not received such funding in the last two years.

Who is eligible to apply?

The call is open to [approved Norwegian research organisations](#) applying jointly with research organisations in Germany or France. Typically, scientific staff/groups of researchers (normally 2–4 persons) will submit grant applications for funding for short-term stays in France or Germany. Early career researchers (including doctoral and post-doctoral research fellows) must participate in the travel activities.

Who can participate in the project?

Requirements relating to the Project Owner

The organisation must be listed as the Project Owner in the application form and must have authorised you to submit the grant application.

Requirements relating to the project manager

To qualify as project manager, individuals must hold an approved doctorate or have obtained qualifications at associate professorship level (in Norwegian only) by the date of the application submission deadline. In this context, employment in the Norwegian research institute sector in a position as *forsker 1* (research professor), *forsker 2* (senior researcher) or *seniorforsker* (senior researcher) is considered equivalent qualification.

What can you seek funding for?

Funding may be sought to cover travel and living expenses in France or Germany. Salary and purchase of equipment are not covered under the programme. The following rates apply:

Travel expenses and actual costs relating to hotel accommodation and per diem according to the government rates for travel abroad.

Funding may be sought in a single grant application for multiple persons to participate in the same event. A maximum of NOK 20 000 may be sought per person per calendar year. The maximum amount of support available per applicant/grant application is NOK 100 000. The Research Council may award funding to cover up to 100 per cent of approved project costs. The Research Council will disburse funding in arrears, based on the reported documented expenses.

The rates per diem may be reduced if funding is sought for longer stays/multiple project participants.

Prioritised subject areas

The programme is open to all subject areas and disciplines. Scientific staff/groups of researchers in the humanities and social sciences are especially encouraged to apply.

Conditions for funding

Support from the Research Council to a research organisation is to be reserved for the organisation's non-economic activity, and as such therefore does not constitute state aid. The Research Council requires a clear separation of accounts for the organisation's economic and non-economic activities.

Archiving of research data

The Project Owner (R&D organisation) is responsible for selecting the archiving solution(s) to use for storing research data generated during the project.

Relevant thematic areas for this call

Internationalisation

Mobility

For stays in France

See also:



[AURORA call from CAMPUS FRANCE](#)

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For stays in Germany

See also:



[DAAD – collaboration with Germany](#)

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Requirements for this application type

You may revise and resubmit your grant application form multiple times up to the application submission deadline. We recommend that you submit your application as soon as you have filled in the application form and included all mandatory attachments. After the deadline, it is the most recently submitted version of the grant application that will be processed.

- The grant application, including all attachments, must be submitted in Norwegian or English.
- All attachments must be uploaded in PDF format.

Mandatory attachments

- A project description using the designated template, found at the end of this call.
- CVs for the project manager and all project participants in Norway, using the designated template, found at the end of this call.

Links to websites and documents, as well as other attachments than those specified above, will not be included in the application review process. There is no technical validation of the content of the attachments to the application you upload to our system, so please make sure that you upload the correct file corresponding to the selected attachment type.

Assessment criteria

Grant applications will first be assessed for scientific merit in Germany or France and then by a Research Council administrative panel together with our partners in France/Germany.

Administrative procedures

Grant applications must satisfy the following requirements:

- The applicant/Project Owner must come from an eligible category of institution.
- The grant application must lie within the scope/satisfy the objectives of this call.
- The funding amount sought, expenses to be covered and own financing to be provided must be in keeping with the framework of the call.
- The budget must be formulated correctly to clearly indicate what the funding will cover.
- The application form must be fully completed.
- The required attachments must be included using the designated templates.
- The project description must provide answers to the items set out in the text of the call.

Applicants must complete all items in the designated template for the project description. Please answer all questions as concretely as possible.

Funding decisions

Decisions regarding grant allocations will be taken by a Norwegian-French allocating body or, similarly, a Norwegian-German allocating body. Norwegian applicants will thus not have the right to lodge complaints in accordance with the Research Council's general guidelines, nor will they be given access to the assessments of their grant proposal.

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AURORA_DAAD Template for Project Description 2020.docx



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CV template early career scientists.docx



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