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GRANTS

❖ **IMAGING FOR ALL (i4A) - ACCESS, PRO, AND TRAINING GRANTS**

Global BioImaging, Funded by Wellcome Trust, UK/CH

Closing date: 28 Feb 26

The i4A programme provides funding for LMIC researchers and imaging facility professionals to access biological and biomedical imaging services and training opportunities worldwide. Three grant types are available: Access Grants (for conducting experimental work or gaining hands-on skills), Pro Grants (for researchers with substantial imaging experience to access GBI partner facilities), and Training Grants (for participation in workshops or courses on imaging technologies, data analysis, management, or facility management). Approximately 20 Access, 10 Pro, and 20 Training Grants will be awarded. The programme directly covers facility and training fees when possible and assists with pre-funded travel arrangements. Applicants from low- and middle-income countries are eligible, with individual applicants as grant recipients.

Website: <https://globalbioimaging.org/i4a>

❖ **STANDARDS AND TRADE DEVELOPMENT FACILITY (STDF) PROJECT GRANTS** **STDF/WTO, CH**

Closing date: 1 Mar 26

The STDF funds collaborative and innovative sanitary and phytosanitary (SPS) projects that improve food safety, animal health, and plant health capacity in developing countries to facilitate safe trade. Project Grants (PG) provide up to USD 1,000,000 to address SPS challenges affecting trade in international markets, while Project Preparation Grants (PPG) offer up to USD 50,000 to prepare technically sound projects, conduct feasibility studies, or apply SPS capacity evaluation tools. Eligible applicants include public sector entities, private sector organizations, NGOs with SPS expertise, and STDF partners from OECD DAC list of ODA recipient countries. Beneficiaries must contribute to projects through financing or in-kind contributions (10-60% depending on country classification). Applications reviewed twice yearly by STDF Working Group.

Website: <https://standardsfacility.org/project/apply>



❖ **HUMAN FRONTIER SCIENCE PROGRAM (HFSP) RESEARCH GRANTS 2027**

HFSP Organization, FR

Closing date: 26 Mar 26 (Letter of Intent)

Award amount: USD 300,000-500,000 per annum for 3 years

HFSP supports international collaborative, interdisciplinary, cutting-edge basic research in life sciences focused on elucidating sophisticated mechanisms of living organisms. Two grant types: Research Grants - Program (for independent researchers at any career stage) and Research Grants - Early Career (for scientists within 5 years of obtaining independent position and 10 years post-PhD). Teams of 2-4 scientists from different countries and disciplines are supported, with emphasis on novelty, scientific merit, internationality, and interdisciplinarity. Projects should challenge existing paradigms using novel approaches; preliminary results not required. Award amount based on team size (2-member: USD 300,000; 3-member: USD 400,000; 4-member: USD 500,000 annually). Principal Applicant must be in HFSP member country; co-applicants can be from any country. Full proposal submission by invitation only (mid-September 2026).

Website: <https://www.hfsp.org>

❖ **URBAN URGENCIES**

Urban Studies Foundation, UK

Closing date: 23 Mar 26

Award amount: Up to GBP 35,000

The Urban Studies Foundation provides seed-funding for collaborative primary research addressing pressing urban challenges through innovative, rapid-response research. Up to six projects will receive funding to tackle urgent issues such as climate emergency, housing and food insecurity, pandemics, conflict, AI, and other existential urban uncertainties. Projects must include meaningful partnership with at least one non-academic organization and demonstrate contribution to knowledge production, mobilization, capacity building, and relevance to policy/practice. Researchers globally are eligible; modest overheads supported for host institutions in OECD ODA



recipient countries. Project activities should begin within nine months of application deadline and last up to eighteen months. Outputs should include academic publications and accessible public-facing deliverables such as policy briefs or innovative knowledge mobilization formats.

Website: <https://www.urbanstudiesfoundation.org/funding/urban-urgencies/>

❖ **EINSTEIN FOUNDATION AWARD**

Einstein Foundation Berlin, DE

Closing date: 30 Apr 26

The Einstein Award for Promoting Quality in Research in cooperation with the QUEST Center for Responsible Research at the Berlin Institute of Health at Charité honors researchers, institutions, and early career researchers around the globe whose work helps to fundamentally advance the quality, transparency, and reproducibility of science and research. The award is presented in three categories: The Individual Award honors individual researchers or small teams of collaborating researchers. The Institutional Award recognizes organizations and research institutions. The Early Career Award highlights innovative project proposals by researchers at the beginning of their careers.

Website: <https://award.einsteinfoundation.de/>

❖ **FIGHTING DISINFORMATION AND EFFECTIVELY COMMUNICATING ON CLIMATE CHANGE**

HORIZON-CL5-2026-07-D1-04

Horizon Europe (HORIZON) Programme

Deadline date: 15 April 2026 17:00:00 Brussels time

Climate change science is well-established and increasingly relevant to daily life and societal welfare. However, effectively communicating both the science and the necessary climate actions remains a significant challenge. Particularly challenging is understanding and addressing the spread of misinformation, disinformation, and misinterpretation. There is also a crucial need for



strengthened public trust in science and in democracy, and for evidence-based climate communication strategies that foster a sense of agency through empowering and positive narratives. Complex messages should be made accessible, relevant, and reliable to non-specialist audiences.

Actions are expected to advance the understanding of the sources, channels, types, and influence of misinformation and disinformation on the public perception and assimilation of climate change-related information. The role of AI should also be investigated. Actions should identify, develop, and test strategies for the public and private sectors to detect, monitor and counteract mis/disinformation about climate and climate policy. Such tools and products should be made available for policymakers, companies and the general public to incentivize and equip society to critically assess climate change-related information online and offline.

Research is expected to explore how to bridge the gap from climate knowledge and awareness to behavioural change, taking into consideration various factors that shape perceptions across different segments of the society.

Website: <https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topicdetails/HORIZON-CL5-2026-07-D1-04>

❖ ERASMUS+ VIRTUAL EXCHANGES

Primary funder name: European Education and Culture Executive Agency

Closing date: 26 Mar 2026

Award amount max: EUR 500,000.00

Virtual exchanges projects consist of online people-to-people activities that promote intercultural dialogue and soft skills development. Virtual exchanges in higher education and youth take place in small groups and are always moderated by a trained facilitator. They should be easily integrated into youth (non-formal education) projects or higher education courses. Virtual exchanges can draw participants from both sectors, even if, depending on specific projects, they could involve participants from either only one of them or from both. All projects under this call will involve organisations and participants coming from both EU Member States and third countries associated



to the Programme, and third countries not associated to the Programme in eligible regions. The call covers the following topics: ERASMUS-EDU-2026-VIRT-EXCH-SSA - Erasmus+ Virtual Exchanges in Sub-Saharan Africa ERASMUS-EDU-2026-VIRT-EXCH-WB - Erasmus+ Virtual Exchanges in Western Balkans ERASMUS-EDU-2026-VIRT-EXCH-SMC - Erasmus+ Virtual Exchanges in South-Mediterranean Countries ERASMUS-EDU-2026-VIRT-EXCH-NE - Erasmus+ Virtual Exchanges in Neighbourhood East

Website: <https://erasmus-plus.ec.europa.eu/programme-guide/part-b/key-action-1/virtual-exchanges>

❖ CONSOLIDATOR FELLOWSHIPS GLOBAL SOUTH

Historisches Kolleg, DE

Closing date: 30 Apr 26

With the Consolidator Fellowship Global South, the Kolleg aims to promote international exchange and help counteract global inequality of opportunity in academia. The full-year fellowship (October to September) serves to support research projects in the humanities, social sciences and law that make use of historical methods. Residence in Munich is compulsory for the duration of the fellowship.

Website: <https://www.historischeskolleg.de/consolidator-fellowship-global-south/>

❖ INDIVIDUAL FELLOWSHIPS - NON-DUTCH

Primary funder name: Netherlands Institute for Advanced Study in the Humanities and Social Sciences (NIAS)

Closing date: 16 Mar 2026

Award amount max: EUR 25,000.00

These enable scholars with a non-Dutch affiliation to carry out a research project in the humanities and social sciences for five to 10 months at the institute.

Website: <https://nias.knaw.nl/fellowships/nias-individual-fellowship/>



❖ **MOBILE HEALTH: TECHNOLOGY AND OUTCOMES IN LOW- AND MIDDLE-INCOME COUNTRIES (MHEALTH)**

Primary Funder: NIH

Closing date: March 20, 2026

Mobile Health: Technology and Outcomes in Low- and Middle-Income Countries supports exploratory and developmental research to study the development, validation, feasibility, and effectiveness of innovative mobile health (mHealth) interventions or tools specifically suited for low- and middle-income countries (LMICs) that utilize new or emerging technology, platforms, systems, or analytics. The overall goal of the program is to catalyze innovation through multidisciplinary research that addresses global health problems, develop an evidence base for the use of mHealth technology to improve clinical and public health outcomes, and strengthen mHealth research capacity in LMICs.

Website:

https://www.fic.nih.gov/Programs/Pages/mhealth.aspx?utm_source=fundingnews&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=funding-news

❖ **CLIMATE IMPACTS AWARDS: UNLOCKING URGENT CLIMATE ACTION BY MAKING THE HEALTH EFFECTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE VISIBLE**

Wellcome, GB

Closing date: 08 Apr 26

The aim of this scheme is to make the impacts of climate change on physical and mental health visible to drive urgent climate policy action at scale. We will fund transdisciplinary teams to deliver short-term, high-impact projects that maximize policy outcomes by combining evidence generation with influencing and engagement strategies. We will prioritize funding for research that involves and serves the needs of communities most impacted by the health effects of climate change. We will also prioritize projects that advance stories and narratives that tend to be absent



in the media or underrepresented in public discourse (Perga et al, 2023). This will include generating and/or synthesizing relevant data and insights (including across multiple sites or countries) on significant health issues arising from climate impacts.

Website: <https://wellcome.org/research-funding/schemes/climate-impacts-awards-unlocking-urgent-climate-actionmaking-health-2>

❖ HUMANITIES AND AI VIRTUAL INSTITUTE

Primary Funder Name: Schmidt Sciences

Closing date: March 13, 2026, 11:59PM EDT

Award amount max: USD 1,500,000.00

Schmidt Sciences, a philanthropic initiative created and funded by Eric and Wendy Schmidt, has launched a new program – the Humanities and Artificial Intelligence Virtual Institute (HAVI) – to support research at the intersection of AI and the humanities. The purpose of HAVI is to provide philanthropic resources to (1) catalyze groundbreaking, domain-specific research outcomes from humanities scholars through the integral application of AI-inspired tools and techniques; and (2) produce insights and techniques from the humanities that will advance the development of AI generally. We expect that the resources available through HAVI will fuel new ways to overcome barriers between disciplines; develop and make available exciting, rich, multimodal datasets; change the thinking of AI researchers – and lead to new approaches – through a humanities-first understanding of data, models, and processes; and reveal crucial insights about how humanities can and should shape next-generation AI.

Website: <https://www.schmidtsciences.org/humanities-and-ai-virtual-institute/>



❖ **HORIZON-JU-GH-EDCTP3-2026-03-SERP-01: TRAINING AND INNOVATION NETWORKS FOR SUSTAINED CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT RELATED TO ETHICS, REGULATORY, PHARMACOVIGILANCE, AND RELATED DIGITAL REGULATORY PLATFORMS**

European and Developing Countries Clinical Trials Partnership (EDCTP), NL

Closing date: 02 Sep 26

Proposals submitted under this topic should aim to deliver results that are contributing to increased regulatory capacity of (national, regional (supranational) or continental) Regulatory Authorities for the clinical trial oversight, registration and marketing authorisation and/or PV functions to operate at WHO maturity level 3 (ML3) as benchmarked against WHO Global Benchmarking Tool for medical products (therapeutics and vaccines) and/or increased research ethics oversight capacity using the WHO Research Ethics Oversight Benchmarking tool including streamlining and coordinating ethics oversight for multi-centre trials for medical products (therapeutics and vaccines) within countries. In addition, proposals are expected to lead to at least two of the following: Improved digital infrastructure including emerging digital technologies (i.e. AI and/or big data) in SSA for the assessment of clinical trial protocols by RECs and/or regulatory authorities and/or applications for marketing authorisation by regulatory authorities. Availability and accelerated use of digital technologies and data analytics, for real-time safety data monitoring and reporting, and timely PV data sharing across countries in SSA and globally through PIDM, for pre- and post-authorisation PV processes. Greater harmonisation, coordination and streamlining of research ethics processes within countries to allow for efficient processes for ethics review of multi-centre trials. Greater alignment and cooperation across countries in SSA regarding global standards in ethics, regulatory and PV. Greater preparedness for emergency use authorisation [incl. authorisation of Monitored Emergency Use of Unregistered and Investigational Interventions (MEURI)] through implementation of accelerated and harmonised processes.

Website: <https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topicdetails/HORIZON-JU-GH-EDCTP3-2026-03-SERP-01>



❖ **CALL FOR APPLICATIONS: BRITISH ACADEMY INTERNATIONAL FELLOWSHIPS 2026**

Primary Funder: British Academy

Closing date: 11 March 2026, 17:00 GMT

Award amount: Awarded at 80% of full economic cost (FEC).

The British Academy International Fellowships funding programme enables outstanding early-career researchers outside the UK to spend two years at a UK host institution conducting high-quality, original research and building global research networks.

The International Fellowships scheme supports emerging researchers to:

- undertake a clearly defined research project in collaboration with a UK host;
- gain skills, training and international experience;
- foster long-term research partnerships and networks.

Grant components include:

- o Up to £12,000 for research expenses.
- o Up to £8,000 for relocation costs.
- o Salary support negotiated with the UK host institution (included at 80% FEC).

Website: <https://www.thebritishacademy.ac.uk/funding/schemes/international-fellowships/>

❖ **SEED GRANT FOR NEW AFRICAN PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATORS**

The World Academy of Sciences (TWAS), INT

Closing date: 31 Mar 26

With the support of the German Federal Ministry of Research, Technology and Space (BMFTR), UNESCO-TWAS launched a new programme to strengthen the capacity of African countries lagging in science and technology. The programme is aimed at early career researchers who have obtained their PhD abroad and have recently returned or will shortly return to an academic position in their home country. Grants are awarded to promising high-level research projects in Agriculture, Biology, Chemistry, Earth sciences, Engineering, Information Computer Technology,



Mathematics, Medical Sciences and Physics and/or Germany's High-Tech Agenda carried out in African countries lagging in science and technology identified by TWAS.

Website: <https://twas.org/opportunity/seed-grant-new-african-principal-investigators-sg-napi>

❖ POST-DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS

Primary funder name: Institute of Social and Economic Research (ISER), CA

Closing date: 01 Mar 2026

Fill in the Applicant section on the ISER Postdoctoral fellowship Letter of Appraisal form

The purpose of the Institute shall be to undertake, sponsor and publish social and economic research within such disciplines and in such parts of the world as are deemed of relevance to Newfoundland and Labrador and the broader Atlantic world. Without limiting the generality of the above, research pertaining directly to social and economic development in Newfoundland and Labrador shall be of special importance. Research Fellows' projects must fall under the research mandate of ISER. During the tenure of the fellowship, researchers must be in residence at Memorial University under the supervision of a faculty member from the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences.

Website: <https://www.mun.ca/iser/funding-programs/iser-postdoctoral-fellowship/>

❖ INNOVATION FUND DENMARK (IFD), DK

Closing Date: 3 March 2026

Innovation Fund Denmark supports projects that accelerate the green transition and strengthen sustainable growth. Funding targets research and innovation that deliver significant impact on climate, environmental resilience, biodiversity, and green employment. Proposals must align with seven priority themes: energy production, energy efficiency, agriculture and food systems, transport, environment and circular economy, nature and biodiversity, and sustainable behaviour and societal impacts. Projects are encouraged to support local Business Lighthouses and may



address sustainable construction, low-carbon transport, bioeconomy, air pollution, nature-based solutions, interdisciplinary societal implementation, and climate-efficient agriculture.

Website: <https://innovationsfonden.dk/en/p/grand-solutions/grand-solutions-2026-green-research>

❖ **HORIZON-JU-GH-EDCTP3-2026-03-DIGIT-02: ENHANCING INTEGRATED RESEARCH AND HEALTHCARE IN SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA THROUGH DIGITAL INNOVATION AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE**

European and Developing Countries Clinical Trials Partnership (EDCTP), NL

Closing date: 02 Sep 26

Projects funded under this topic should contribute to strengthening clinical human capital base in R&I, enhancing talent retention, knowledge sharing of best practices within the research and innovation landscape, accelerating integration of digital tools into health systems, expand and scale up validated innovations with tangible implementation at national and/or sub-regional levels. Proposals should aim to deliver results contributing to at least two of the below: Scaled-up implementation of validated digital innovations at national or sub-regional level; Improved data interoperability and data harmonisation of electronic health records between different digital health systems according to international standards; Integrated comprehensive roadmap for the sustainable and scalable integration of digital health tools into clinical trials and public health systems in SSA, in line with international standards and local ethical standards, and in the context of sharing of best practices; Increased retention of skilled experts in digital health, epidemiology, bioinformatics, AI in sub-Saharan Africa. Proposals should include sharing of knowledge between countries with advanced systems and those that have lower capacity in terms of digital tools and skills. Proposals should consider addressing the societal impact and acceptability of the approach by the populations concerned and should demonstrate compliance with applicable ethics requirements for the use of digital technologies in involved SSA countries. Proposals should address the audit of the bias of the AI system and address the sustainability of the project outcome beyond the project duration.



Website: <https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topicdetails/HORIZON-JU-GH-EDCTP3-2026-03-DIGIT-02>

❖ HERITAGE COLLECTIONS RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS

Primary funder name: University of Edinburgh

Closing date: 24 Apr 26

Applications are invited for Heritage Collections Research Fellowships from postdoctoral scholars in any area of the Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences, to carry out research based on any of the Heritage Collections held at the University of Edinburgh in 2026-27. The University's collections include archives, art, manuscripts, musical instruments, and rare books, representing four centuries of collecting, and occupying over 100km of shelving. The collections offer almost limitless possibilities for research across a wide range of scholarly disciplines. The Fellowships offer privileged access to the collections and Heritage Collections team, enabling forms of collections-based research which are difficult to accomplish through ordinary reading room services. The Fellows are expected to be correspondingly engaged with the Centre for Research Collections (CRC), contributing to projects or events as appropriate. IASH provides an enviable location in one of the world's most intellectually inspiring cities, together with a dynamic network of international connections. Edinburgh has a rich cultural heritage of scholarship and creativity that continues to the present day. In this haven of libraries and archives, galleries and music venues – all set amid iconic architecture – IASH helps scholars to take the humanities beyond campus to engage the public and work with organisations in a variety of sectors. At this time, we encourage applications focused on one of the following: Institutional Histories, Decoloniality and Colonial Impact Sustainability, Environmental Emergencies and Regeneration International Connections: Focus on Africa

Website: <https://www.iasn.ed.ac.uk/heritage-collections-research-fellowships>



❖ **ECONOMICS OF CLIMATE CHANGE AND COST OF INACTION**

HORIZON-CL5-2026-07-D1-03

MSCA Staff Exchanges

Horizon Europe: Excellent Science, EU

Closing date: 16 Apr 26

MSCA Staff Exchanges promote innovative international, inter-sectoral and interdisciplinary collaboration in research and innovation through exchanging staff and sharing knowledge and ideas at all stages of the innovation chain. The scheme fosters a shared culture of research and innovation that welcomes and rewards creativity and entrepreneurship and helps turn ideas into innovative products, services or processes. It is open to research, technical, administrative and managerial staff supporting R&I activities. Proposals under this Action should contribute to the following expected impacts: • Increase international, inter-sectoral and interdisciplinary mobility of research staff within Europe and beyond through collaborative research networks and activities; • Strengthen the R&I human capital base in Europe and beyond; • Increase Europe's attractiveness as a leading destination for R&I; • Contribute to Europe's competitiveness and growth through high-quality R&I; • Foster the culture of open science, innovation and entrepreneurship.

Website: <https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topicdetails/HORIZON-MSCA-2026-SE-01-01>

❖ **WELLCOME CAREER DEVELOPMENT AWARDS**

Primary Funder: Wellcome

Closing date: 3 March, 2026

Award amount: below GBP250,000 per annum.

This provides funding for mid-career researchers from any discipline who have the potential to be international research leaders. They will develop their research capabilities, drive innovative work programmes and deliver significant shifts in understanding related to human life, health and wellbeing.



Website: Career Development Awards - Funding for Mid-Career Researchers | Research Funding | Wellcome

Also visit <https://wellcome.org/research-funding/schemes> for more Wellcome funding

❖ **GENERAL RESEARCH GRANTS: PROJECTS - SMALLER AMOUNTS**

Gerda Henkel Stiftung, DE

Closing date: 26 May 26

These support research projects in the following fields: - Archaeology - History of art - Historical Islamic studies - History - History of science - History of law - Prehistory and early history.

Applications from neighbouring disciplines are possible if the core research question is historically oriented.

Please note: Within the General Research Grants programme, the Foundation distinguishes between three types of funding: research projects, research scholarships, and PhD scholarships. The decisive factor is who is being funded and in what form the funding is provided.

Website: https://www.gerda-henkel-stiftung.de/en/grants_projects

❖ **POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS FOR RESEARCH IN JAPAN - STANDARD**

Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS), JP

Closing date: 28 Apr 26

Each host institution may have its own application deadlines, which can be more than one month before those set by JSPS. Applicants (host researchers) should check the deadlines with the staff of the host institution in advance.

The program provides an opportunity to conduct collaborative research for young overseas researchers under the guidance of their hosts in universities and other research institutions in Japan. All fields of the humanities, social sciences and natural sciences are supported.



Website: <https://www.jsps.go.jp/english/e-fellow/e-ippan/index.html>

❖ **WELLCOME DISCOVERY AWARDS**

Primary funder name: Wellcome

Closing date: 31 Mar 2026

Award amount max: GBP 8,000,000.00

This scheme provides funding for established researchers and teams from any discipline who want to pursue bold and creative research ideas to deliver significant shifts in understanding that could improve human life, health and wellbeing. Your research can be in any discipline – including science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM), experimental medicine, humanities and social science, clinical/allied health sciences, and public health – as long as it has the potential to improve human life, health and wellbeing, and aligns with our funding remit. The research can be in a single discipline or multidisciplinary.

Website: <https://wellcome.org/grant-funding/schemes/discovery-awards>

❖ **GLOBAL FELLOWS**

University of St Andrews, GB

Closing date: 02 Mar 26

This support outstanding scholars from around the world, enabling them to spend one visit of up to four weeks at St Andrews between 1 August 2026 and 31 July 2027. During their visit, Global Fellows have the opportunity to conduct research, explore potential collaborations, strengthen existing partnerships, advance their work, and engage in creative thinking within an inspiring environment.

Applicants to the Global Fellowship Scheme should be recognised as significant scholars in their field or emerging leaders who have contributed to original research that extends the frontier of knowledge. Global Fellows are expected to hold an established academic position.



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Candidates must have completed a PhD degree or equivalent before applying to the scheme.

Eligibility: Candidates must also be based outside the UK and be employed in a university, research institute or similar.

Website: <https://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/research/global-fellowship-scheme/global-fellows/>

❖ **HIV PREVENTION AND ALCOHOL (R34 CLINICAL TRIALS OPTIONAL)**

Primary Funder: NIH

Closing date: May 8, 2026 (5:00 pm local time of applicant organization)

Award amount: USD450,000 max.

This aims to bolster HIV/AIDS prevention strategies for alcohol-impacted populations, addressing episodic and chronic drinking patterns alongside behavioral and biological HIV risks. It emphasizes the integration of effective prevention and treatment with research to curb new infections.

Research pilot studies are essential for planning a subsequent Phase II, III, or IV clinical trial under the companion PA-25-187 (HIV Prevention and Alcohol, R01 Clinical Trials Optional). Applicants must outline the planned trial, proving the R34 research is both necessary and sufficient to finalize its design, where no additional studies are required. These pragmatic pilots will answer key scientific or operational questions to test intervention, efficacy, safety, and management implementation for HIV prevention.

The project supports lab research, clinical trials, epidemiology, and interventions exploring alcohol's role in HIV prevention/treatment outcomes. The focus areas include alcohol context effects on health processes, biology, reproduction, behavior, and population dynamics for those with alcohol-HIV comorbidities. Efforts aim to enhance health, reduce frailty/mortality across the lifespan, and train scientists/clinicians in advanced methods for impactful interventions.

Website: <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAS-25-161.html>



❖ SEED-FUND COLLABORATIVE PRIMARY RESEARCH PROPOSALS

Primary Funder: Urban Studies Foundation

Deadline Date: 23 March, 2026

Award amount max: GBP £35,000 each.

The Urban Studies Foundation (USF) is pleased to launch a new research funding initiative to seed-fund collaborative primary research proposals that engage with the theme Urban Urgencies. Up to six innovative projects will be awarded up to GBP £35,000 each. Project activities should begin within nine months of the application deadline and are expected to last up to eighteen months. All proposals should be clearly situated and relevant to the broader academic field of urban studies, and their contribution to scholarly debate and dialogue in this field should be compelling and timely. Proposals must also be based upon an active partnership with at least one non-academic organisation.

Website: <https://www.urbanstudiesfoundation.org/funding/urban-urgencies/>

❖ KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER GRANTS TO STRENGTHEN SUSTAINABLE FOOD SYSTEMS

Call Deadline: 2 March 2026, 23:59 CET

STREAMING is inviting organizations from Africa and Europe to apply for its Open Call for Knowledge Transfer to fund digital training projects that strengthen sustainable food trade systems.

The focus areas of this call include traceability within the food supply chain, life cycle assessment of food products, sustainable farming systems, nutritional requirements, reducing micronutrient deficiencies, food waste reduction, food safety, and scaling innovations in the food supply chain. The Knowledge Transfer Grant specifically supports the creation of interactive, practice-oriented digital courses covering sustainable food systems and nutrition. These courses should include innovative learning tools such as interactive videos, process descriptions, applications notes, and



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recipes, with practical examples enabling users to apply the latest sustainability developments from farm to retail. Courses targeting public health and nutrition aim to reduce malnutrition and improve health outcomes in African communities.

A total of €275,000 is available to fund up to eleven grants, with a maximum of €25,000 per grant. Eligible applicants must comply with Horizon Europe guidelines and the specific conditions for Financial Support to Third Parties under EU Regulation 2021/695.

Website: <https://streamingproject.eu/open-calls/>

❖ GENOMICS IN CONTEXT AWARDS: COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH AT THE INTERSECTION OF GENOMICS, HUMANITIES, SOCIAL SCIENCES AND BIOETHICS

Primary funder name: Wellcome

Closing date: 16 Mar 2026

Award amount max: GBP 500,000.00

These awards will support transdisciplinary teams to catalyse research discoveries at the intersection of genomics, humanities, social sciences and bioethics. Funded projects will be given the time and resources to create new research agendas and explore innovative ways of working.

Disciplines: Artificial Intelligence; Bioethics & Neuroethics; Bioinformatics; Customs & Traditions; Ethics of Technology; Food Systems; Genomics; Health & Medical Informatics; Medical & Health Ethics; Personalised & Stratified Medicine

Website: <https://wellcome.org/research-funding/schemes/genomics-in-context-awards>



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❖ **COLLEGIUM HELVETICUM – EARLY CAREER FELLOWSHIP**

Primary Funder: University of Zurich

Closing date: February 12, 2026 (17:00 CET)

Funding Amount: Salary: approx. CHF 75,000–85,000 for 10 months (additional support of up to CHF 2,000 for research/travel expenses and up to CHF 10,000 for organizing an interdisciplinary event).

The Collegium Helveticum's Early-Career Fellowship program supports promising academics and artists at a critical stage of their career. Fellows will pursue individual or joint interdisciplinary projects that cross disciplinary boundaries and contribute to the Collegium's vibrant intellectual and artistic community.

Website: <https://collegium.ethz.ch/fellowships>



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PROPOSAL DEVELOPMENT TIPS (INTERNATIONAL BEST PRACTICES)

- ❖ **Align with Funder Priorities:** Clearly map your proposal to the specific aims of the funding call.
- ❖ **Demonstrate Social & Policy Impact:** Most international funders now emphasize measurable societal relevance.
- ❖ **Show Interdisciplinary Collaboration:** Joint proposals within and across faculties often score higher.
- ❖ **Highlight Capacity Building:** Include training components, mentorship, or student involvement.

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Expression of Interest (EOI) Form

Funding Opportunity Announcement

SECTION A: APPLICANT INFORMATION

Full Name: _____

Position/Job Title: _____

School/Department/Institute/Centre: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

SECTION B: FUNDING OPPORTUNITY DETAILS

Title of Funding Opportunity: _____

SECTION C: DECLARATION

I hereby express my interest in applying for the above funding opportunity and request support from the Grants Management and Research Support Unit.

Applicant's Name: _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____