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**Call for proposals for NCN funding  
of research components in projects funded under the 2021 Polish Returns Programme  
launched by the Polish National Agency for Academic Exchange  
– form template**

GENERAL INFORMATION		
1.	Proposal title in Polish	<i>the same as the title of the Project funded under the NAWA Programme</i>
2.	Proposal title in English	<i>the same as the title of the Project funded under the NAWA Programme</i>
3.	Keywords in Polish	
4.	Keywords in English	
5.	Duration [in months]	<i>up to 18 months</i>
6.	Start date	<i>start date of the Project under the NAWA Programme</i>
7.	Research field	<i>HS, ST, NZ – filled automatically based on the Primary NCN Review Panel</i>
8.	Primary NCN Review Panel	<i>choose from the list: HS1-HS6, ST1-ST10, NZ1-NZ9. Choose only one.</i>
9.	Auxiliary NCN Review Panels	<i>choose from the list: HS1_001-HS6_021, ST1_001-ST10_016, NZ1_001-NZ9_013 from 1 to 3, including at least one from the panel, to which a proposal is submitted</i>

PROPOSAL SUBMITTED TO NAWA		
1.	Proposal submitted to NAWA	<i>Submit the full proposal submitted to the NAWA under the Programme. The NCN approves files without any signature, with scanned signature or electronic signature. The "Scanned document" function allows you to submit files without signatures as well as scans of documents with signatures.</i>

APPLICANT		
1.	Applicant's status	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. University</li> <li>2. Federation of science and HE entities</li> <li>3. Research institute of the Polish Academy of Sciences</li> <li>4. Research institute</li> <li>5. International research institute</li> <li>5a. Łukasiewicz Centre</li> <li>5b. Institute operating within the Łukasiewicz Research Network</li> <li>6. Polish Academy of Arts and Sciences</li> <li>7. Entity involved in research independently on a continuous basis (not listed in sections 1-6)</li> </ol>

PARTICIPATING ENTITY		
<i>only entity with registered office in Poland may be indicated</i>		
1.	Entity's name in Polish	
2.	Entity's name in English	
3.	Head of the entity / authorised representative	<i>professional title / academic degree, name, surname, position</i>
4.	NIP (tax identification number), REGON (statistical identification number) and KRS (court register number)	<i>KRS - optional</i>
5.	Address of registered office	<i>street, street No., apartment No., postcode, town/city, voivodeship, country</i>
6.	Contact information	<i>street, street No., apartment No., postcode, town/city, voivodeship, country, phone No., e-mail, www</i>
7.	ePUAP	<i>Electronic delivery box ESP (ePUAP) Correspondence concerning the proposal, including the funding decision, shall be sent to the Electronic Delivery Box address. ESP (ePUAP). address shall be as follows: /user ID/ESP name</i>
8.	Bank account number	

9.	Name of the bank	
<b>Additional information</b>		
10.	Does the entity belong to the public finances sector? (YES/NO)	
11.	If YES, classification of entities according to the Act on Public Finances	<p>1. <i>Public authorities, including government administration authorities, state control and law protection authorities as well as courts and tribunals</i></p> <p>2. <i>Local government units and their associations</i></p> <p>2.a <i>Metropolitan associations</i></p> <p>3. <i>Budgetary units</i></p> <p>4. <i>Local government budgetary enterprises</i></p> <p>5. <i>Executive agencies</i></p> <p>6. <i>Public sector enterprises</i></p> <p>7. <i>Special purpose state funds</i></p> <p>8. <i>Polish Social Insurance Institution (ZUS) and funds under its management, as well as the Agricultural Social Insurance Fund (KRUS) and funds managed by its President</i></p> <p>9. <i>Polish National Health Fund (NFZ)</i></p> <p>10.a <i>Independent public health care centres, self-governing independent public health care centres</i></p> <p>10.b <i>Independent public health care centres, other independent public health care centres</i></p> <p>11. <i>Public higher education (HE) institutions</i></p> <p>12. <i>Polish Academy of Sciences and its organisational units</i></p> <p>13.a <i>Cultural institutions financed by state or local government, cultural institutions financed by state, financed by local authority</i></p> <p>13.b <i>Cultural institutions financed by state or local government, cultural institutions financed by local authority</i></p> <p>14. <i>Other legal entities financed by state or local government, established pursuant to other acts to perform public tasks, with the exception of enterprises, research institutes, institutes operating within the Łukasiewicz Research Network, banks and commercial law companies</i></p>
12.	Is the entity under receivership, in liquidation or subject to bankruptcy proceedings? (YES/NO)	<i>an entity being under receivership, in liquidation or subject to bankruptcy proceedings cannot be the applicant nor the place of realisation of the project</i>
13.	Does the entity receive any operating support for research? (YES/NO)	
14.	If NO, information on research carried out over the last 2 years, together with a list of publications and information on research equipment crucial to research activities [in English]	<i>PDF file, electronic signature of the authorised representative of the entity (applicant) or scan of the signed document required</i>
<b>Entity (level 2) (if applicable)</b>		
1.	Entity's name in Polish	
2.	Entity's name in English	
4.	Legal address	<i>street, street No., apartment No., postcode, town/city, voivodeship, country</i>
5.	Contact information	<i>phone No., e-mail, www</i>

<b>STATE AID</b>		
1.	Does the requested funding constitute state aid? (YES/NO)	<i>Only „NO” can be selected. No state aid will be granted for the call. In order to determine if project funding constitutes state aid, please read the State aid rules available in the ZSUN/OSF system and in the call announcement.</i>
2.	Declaration: The Applicant is familiar with the state aid rules	<i>also for cases for which funding does not constitute state aid</i>

<b>ETHICAL ISSUES</b>	
<i>[in English]</i>	
If you flagged any of ethical issues included in the Ethics Issues Table, please describe measure taken to ensure that the research is carried out conforming to the common law (if applicable) and rules of good practice in the respective domain/discipline. Please refer to each identified issues separately.	
<b>1.</b>	<b>Studies on human embryos or human embryonic and fetal tissue</b>
	Does your research involve the use of human embryos? (YES/NO)
	Does your research involve the use of human embryonic or fetal tissues/cells? (YES/NO)
	Does your research involve Human Embryonic Stem Cells (hESCs)? (YES/NO)
<b>2.</b>	<b>Humans</b>
	Does your research involve human participants? (YES/NO) <i>If YES, fill in section 4.</i>
	Does your research involve physical or psychological interventions on the study participants? (YES/NO) <i>If YES, fill in section 4.</i>
	Does your research involve processing of genetic information? (YES/NO) <i>If YES, fill in section 4.</i>
	Is your research considered as medical experiment under the Act of 5 December 1996, the professions of doctor and dentist? (YES/NO) <i>If YES, fill in section 4.</i>
	Does the proposed research include applicable non-commercial clinical trial that must be registered in Central Register of Clinical Trials ( <a href="https://www.clinicaltrialsregister.eu/">https://www.clinicaltrialsregister.eu/</a> ) under the Act of 6 September 2001 (as amended) Pharmaceutical Law or the Act of 20 May 2010 (as amended) on medical devices? (YES/NO) <i>If YES, please justify non-commercial aspect of your research and fill in section 4..</i>
<b>3.</b>	<b>Human cells/tissues</b>
	Does your research involve human cells or tissues (other than from Human Embryos, i.e. section 1) commercially available? (YES/NO)
	Does your research involve human cells or tissues obtained within the project or from another project, laboratory or institution (non-commercial)? (YES/NO)
<b>4.</b>	<b>Personal data</b>
	Does your research involve personal data processing? (YES/NO)
	Does your research involve further processing of personal data (secondary use) from other sources outside the research entity? (YES/NO)
<b>5.</b>	<b>Animals</b>
	Does your research involve vertebrate animals or cephalopods? (YES/NO)
	Does your research involve the use of animal biological specimens (e.g. blood, urine or others)? (YES/NO)
	Does your research involve animal cells or tissues commercially available? (YES/NO)
<b>6.</b>	<b>Scientific collaboration with countries outside the European Union</b>
	In case non-EU countries are involved, do the research-related activities undertaken in these countries raise potential ethics issues? (YES/NO)
	Do you plan to use local human, cultural or natural resources (e.g. animal and/or human tissue samples, genetic material, live animals, human remains, materials of historical value, endangered fauna or flora samples, etc.)? (YES/NO)
	Do you plan to import or export any material from non-EU countries into the EU? (YES/NO) <i>For data imports or exports, please fill in also section 4.</i> <i>For imports or exports concerning human cells or tissues, fill in also section 3.</i>
	If your research involves low and/or lower middle income countries, are benefits-sharing measures foreseen? (YES/NO)
	Could the situation in the country put the individuals taking part in the research at risk? (YES/NO)
<b>7.</b>	<b>Environment, Health and Safety (including genetically modified material)</b>
	Does your research involve the use of organisms and microorganisms, tissues or cells genetically modified (GMO, GMM)? (YES/NO) <i>For research involving animal experiments, please fill in also section 5. For research involving genetic modification of human material, please complete also section 1 or 3.</i>
	Does your research deal with endangered fauna and/or flora and/or protected areas? (YES/NO) <i>For research involving animal experiments, please fill in also section 5.</i>

	Does your research involve the use of elements that may cause harm to humans, including research staff? (YES/NO) <i>For research involving human participants, please fill in also section 2.</i>
8.	<b>Cultural heritage</b>
	Does the research involve the usage of cultural heritage resources, such as humans, flora, fauna, their material remains, tangible and intangible cultural achievements or sites protected due to their cultural value? (YES/NO)
9.	<b>Abuse and dual use</b>
	Does your research involve dual-use items in the sense of Regulation 428/2009, or other items for which an authorisation is required? (YES/NO)
	Does your research output have the potential for malevolent/criminal/terrorist abuse? (YES/NO)
Description of the measures taken to ensure that the research will be carried out in compliance with the rules of good scientific practice in the given field/discipline. Information on any permissions already issued or description of how the relevant requirements will be fulfilled [up to 10 000 characters]. [in English]	
A detailed justification that research includes clinical trial related to a medicinal product or a medical device is of non-commercial nature [up to 2500 characters]. [in English]	
I hereby declare that: - if any approvals, opinions or permits of competent authorities/committees are required for the research, I shall obtain them beforehand; - I am aware of my obligation to provide the NCN with the approvals, opinions and permits required for the project with the annual and final reports; - I am also aware that if a research project is carried out without the required approvals, opinions and permits, there is a possibility that it will not be settled and the funds will have to be reimbursed in their entirety or in part.	

<b>DATA MANAGEMENT PLAN</b>	
<i>Under each question, a text box for description (up to 1000 characters). You can select "not applicable"</i>	
<i>[in English]</i> <i>The NCN recognises that some research components will not generate, re-use or analyse research data and similar materials. In these cases, a short explanation is required as an answer to the question: How will new data be collected or produced and/or how will existing data be re-used?</i>	
1.	<b>Data description and collection or re-use of existing data</b>
1.1	How will new data be collected or produced and/or how will existing data be re-used?
1.2	What data (for example the kinds, formats, and volumes) will be collected or produced?
2.	<b>Documentation and data quality</b>
2.1	What metadata and documentation (for example methodology or data collection and way of organising data) will accompany data?
2.2	What data quality control measures will be used?
3.	<b>Storage and backup during the research process</b>
3.1	How will data and metadata be stored and backed up during the research process?
3.2	How will data security and protection of sensitive data be taken care of during the research?
4.	<b>Legal requirements, codes of conduct</b>
4.1	If personal data are processed, how will compliance with legislation on personal data and on data security be ensured?
4.2	How will other legal issues, such as intellectual property rights and ownership, be managed? What legislation is applicable?
5.	<b>Data sharing and long-term preservation</b>
5.1	How and when will data be shared? Are there possible restrictions to data sharing or embargo reasons?
5.2	How will data for preservation be selected, and where will data be preserved long-term (for example a data repository or archive)?
5.3	What methods or software tools will be needed to access and use the data?
5.4	How will the application of a unique and persistent identifier (such as a Digital Object Identifier (DOI)) to each data set be ensured?
6.	<b>Data management responsibilities and resources</b>
6.1	Who (for example role, position, and institution) will be responsible for data management (i.e the data steward)?
6.2	What resources (for example financial and time) will be dedicated to data management and ensuring the data will be FAIR (Findable, Accessible, Interoperable, Re-usable)?

PROJECT TEAM / Person to carry out a research component - INFORMATION	
1.	Professional title/academic degree, name and surname <i>Person carrying out research component can be added from the OPI database pursuant a PESEL number or outside OPI</i>
2.	PhD Is the person carrying out a research activity a PhD holder? (YES/NO) year of PhD award, academic branch / branch of art in Polish, academic branch / branch of art in English, academic discipline / discipline of art in Polish, academic discipline / discipline of art in English, awarded by: Entity's name in the original language [transcription to Latin], entity's name name in English
3.	Young researcher ( <i>this section will only appear if according to the year of doctoral degree conferment it cannot be clearly determined whether or not the person carrying out a research activity is a young researcher for the purposes of the statutory definition</i> ) Please help us to establish whether the person carrying out a research activity fulfils the criterion of a young researcher. The information below is for statistical purposes only and shall not affect the eligibility for the call or any part of the proposal form. PhD data Career breaks on account of maternity leave, adoption leave, paternity leave or parental leave granted pursuant to the Labour Code of 26 June 1974, or maternity allowance or parental allowance or sickness benefit or rehabilitation benefit collected on account of unfitness for work, including any caused by a health condition requiring physiotherapy within 7 years after being awarded a doctorate. Total number of days.
4.	Academic disciplines The main academic discipline (according to the classification of the Ministry of Science and Higher Education) <i>One can enter up to two academic disciplines; if two academic disciplines are entered, specify the main discipline</i>
5.	Personal data name, middlename, surname, previous surname, professional title/academic degree, PESEL (if any), date of birth, citizenship, gender
6.	Contact information phone No., e-mail, electronic delivery box ESP (ePUAP) <i>Correspondence concerning the proposal, including the funding decision, shall be sent to the Electronic Delivery Box address. address shall be as follows: /user ID/ESP name</i>
7.	Home address, correspondence address ( <i>if different from home address</i> ) street, street No., apartment No., postcode, town/city, voivodeship, country
8.	Researcher's electronic identifier <i>optional, ORCID system identifier (www.orcid.org)</i>
9.	Employment entity's name and position in Polish, entity's name and position in English <i>It is required that the person carrying out the research activity was employed in the applicant entity at the time of submitting the proposal.</i>

PLANNED COSTS	
Other direct costs	
1.	Name/description [in English]
2.	Category <i>Materials and small equipment/ Outsourced services / Business trips / Collective investigators/ Other costs</i>
3.	Entity
4.	Cost [PLN]
5.	Calculation and merit-based justification for the purchase [in English]
<b>TOTAL COSTS</b> ( <i>calculated automatically</i> )	
<b>Total costs</b>	

## ADMINISTRATIVE DECLARATIONS

Declarations by the head of the entity / authorised representative

Acting on behalf of the entity I represent, I hereby de-clare that:

1. the research component specified in this proposal is not and will not be funded under other NCN calls or from other sources;
2. should I apply for or receive funding of the research component specified in this proposal from another source than the NCN:
  - a) in the event that funding is received from the NCN, the entity I represent shall:
    - resign from applying for funding from another source
  - or
  - resign from funding of the research component allo-cated by the NCN Director or
  - b) in the event that funding is received from another source, the entity I represent shall:
    - resign from applying for funding under this NCN call
  - or
  - resign from accepting funding from another source;
3. should the research component specified in this pro-posal be awarded funding, I shall:
  - a) include it in the financial plan of the entity;
  - b) employ the Returning Scientist pursuant to an em-ployment contract for the entire research component duration period;
  - c) employ collective investigators necessary for comple-tion of the research component in the form agreed therewith (employment contract, mandate contract, specific task contract);
  - d) provide the conditions required for the completion of the research component, including access to laborato-ry/office premises and research equipment necessary for the research component;
  - e) provide the administrative and accounting assistance for the research component;
  - f) supervise the completion of the research component and proper disbursement of project monies;
4. I have read the rules according to which decisions of the NCN Director are delivered;
5. I agree to have the proposal verified using anti-plagiarism software and the contents of the proposal stored in the software database;
6. I have read the Code of the National Science Centre on Research Integrity and Applying for Research Fund-ing and undertake to apply it;
7. aware of the legal liability for providing false infor-mation I guarantee that the information provided in this funding proposal for a research component and annex-es thereto submitted via the ZSUN/OSF (Zintegrowany System Usług Dla Nauki/Obługa Strumieni Finanso-wania) system complies with the facts and the legal status;
8. I accept the General Terms of the funding agreement for a research component in research projects funded under the 2021 Polish Returns Programme launched by the Polish National Agency for Academic Exchange (NAWA);
9. I am aware that if the project is recommended for funding, the start date provided in the proposal submit-ted to the National Science Centre, which is the same as the start date of the NAWA project, is the research com-ponent start date. If the date on which the research component funding decision becomes final is later than the start date referred to in the preceding sentence 1, the date the decision becomes final is the research compo-nent start date.

## PERSONAL DATA PROTECTION

Acting pursuant to Article 13 (1) and (2) of the Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Directive 95/46/EC (General Data Protection Regulation) (OJ L 2016, No 119, p.1), this is to inform all those applying for funding of a research project, scientific activity, fellowship, doctoral scholarship or research component that:

- a) the National Science Centre ("NCN") with its registered office in Krakow at ul. Twardowskiego 16, 30-312 Kraków, is the controller of your personal data,
- b) the NCN's designated Data Protection Officer can be contacted via electronic mail at [iod@ncn.gov.pl](mailto:iod@ncn.gov.pl), by phone at +48 12 341 9113 or directly at the registered office of the data controller,
- c) the NCN shall process your personal data pursuant to Article 6 (1) (c) of the General Data Protection Regulation, in conjunction with Article 20 of the Act on the National Science Centre of 30 April 2010 (Journal of Laws of 2018, item 947, as amended),
- d) your personal data shall be processed for the purpose of:
  - examining the proposal for funding of a research project, research activity, fellowship, doctoral scholarship or research component,
  - supervision, financial and accounting operations, audits performed in the course of and after the completion of the research project, scientific activity, fellowship, doctoral scholarship or research component, evaluation of implementation thereof and settlement of funding agreements, if funding is granted for the completion of a research project, scientific activity, fellowship, doctoral scholarship or research component, and
  - evaluating the NCN's own tasks, reporting, dissemination of the information on funding awarded by the NCN throughout the scientific community, implementation of other activities regulated by generally applicable laws and for archiving purposes,
- e) your personal data shall be processed from the moment it has been collected for as long as it is necessary to achieve the purposes indicated in point d) and to pursue related claims, for the period required by generally applicable laws and for the period of storage as defined by the NCN's records management procedures and the Uniform File Classification System,
- f) provision of your personal data is a statutory requirement and without its disclosure the purposes described in point d) cannot be achieved,
- g) the recipients of your personal data may only be entities authorised to collect personal data pursuant to generally applicable laws and, to the extent specified in Article 31 of the Act on the National Science Centre of 30 April 2010 (Journal of Laws of 2018, item 947, as amended), individuals using the NCN's website,
- h) your personal data may be transferred for processing to third parties, such as the National Information Processing Institute with its registered office at al. Niepodległości 188b, 00-608 Warsaw. Such third parties process data based on personal data transfer contracts and are also bound to keep the data being processed confidential,
- i) you have the right to access your personal data, correct your personal data and restrict the processing of your personal data, and
- j) you have the right to lodge a complaint with the President of the Personal Data Protection Office if the General Data Protection Regulation is violated.

## ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION

1.	Application baring electronic signature After completing the form, the application in the form of a PDF file should be downloaded from the system, signed with an electronic signature in the PAdES format and attached to the system. The application - only in electronic version - should be sent to the National Science Center using the "Send to NCN" button.
	Download final version of the application
	Upload the electronically signed application