

13th Call for Proposals for the Implementation of Researcher Groups Projects for 2024–2027

The Research Council of Lithuania announces 13th thematically open call for proposals to implement researcher groups projects.

Call funding	~21 € million	
Proposal submission address	https://projektai.lmt.lt	
Proposal submission deadline	until 31 January, 2024, 12 p.m.	
Project implementation	the beginning	01/07/2024-01/09/2024
	the duration	up to 36 months
Project budget	up to 200 thousand €	
	the budget should be planned for the entire project period and for each calendar year	
Competitions	I. Projects in areas of humanities and social sciences led by experienced scientists.	
	II. Projects led and implemented by early-staged scientists in areas of humanities and social sciences.	
	III. Projects in areas of natural sciences, technology, medical and health sciences and agricultural sciences led by experienced scientists.	
	IV. Projects led and implemented by early-staged scientists in areas of natural sciences, technology, medical and health sciences and agricultural sciences.	
Who is eligible to submit the proposal (general requirements for all competitions)	one person may submit only one proposal for this call as a principal investigator or other primary project implementer	
	one person may not carry out more than two projects in these activities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • competitive priority research programmes, • impact-driven programmes, • research projects of the State Lithuanian Studies and Dissemination Programme for 2016–2024, • researcher groups projects as the primary implementer of the project, and may be the principal investigator of only one of them	
	the implementing institution must be a Lithuanian research and education institution registered within the Register of Education and Research Institutions	
Requirements for the work scope	the work scope of each primary project implementer (including the principal investigator) within the project must be at least 20 hours multiplied by the duration of the project in months	
	the work scope of each secondary project implementer planned to be employed in any of the researcher positions must not exceed 20	

	hours multiplied by the duration of the project in months; work duration of other secondary project implementers is not restricted
Other provisions	involvement of I-III cycle students in the group of project implementers (as primary or secondary implementers) is encouraged

Procedure for evaluating proposals

1. Experts may be used during the administrative check to determine whether the principal investigators meet the requirements for an experienced scientist.
2. Proposals that meet the requirements of the administrative check shall be submitted for the expert evaluation which is carried out pursuant to the [Description of the Procedure of the Expert Evaluation of the Projects and their Reports](#).
3. Proposals for competitions in areas of humanities and social sciences and in areas of natural sciences, technology, medical and health sciences and agricultural sciences shall be evaluated separately. Taking into account the number of proposals received, several proposal groups may be formed for the expert evaluation.
4. Based on proposal groups, the proposals shall be evaluated by Lithuanian and/or foreign expert commissions set up pursuant to the General Rules of the Research Council of Lithuania for the Experts.
5. The assessment of student involvement will take into account whether the project foresees the involvement of both I-II cycles, integrated studies and III cycle students (PhD students), whether as primary or secondary implementers; if so, it will also take into account what is the intensity of the student involvement in terms of working hours/month is, at the same time assessing the extent to which their involvement is targeted and justified: the importance of the tasks foreseen for them, how they are integrated into the project activities, whether there are opportunities for learning in the activities, for competence development through participation in conferences, schools as well as through internships, short-term assignments, research in foreign institutions, etc.

Additional information

6. The position, in which it is planned to employ a student of the I-III cycle, must be maintained for the entire project implementation period with a work intensity (working hours/month) not less than that specified in the proposal.
7. Funds will be divided between competitions and proposal groups after evaluating the amount of funds provided for the call, the number of proposals received, the number of projects recognized by expert commissions as eligible for funding, etc.
8. No interim scientific report will be required.