

COMPETITION II. Projects led and implemented by early-staged scientists in areas of humanities and social sciences

Who is eligible to submit the proposal

1. The principal investigator and other project implementers (both primary and secondary) with a doctoral degree must be early-staged scientists, i. e. persons who have obtained a doctoral degree not earlier than 7 years before the last day of the deadline for proposal submission indicated in the call (in the event of maternity leave, paternity leave or parental leave, the above-mentioned 7-year period shall be extended accordingly).

Proposal submission procedures

2. The proposal shall be submitted in the English language (except for the documents referred to in subparagraphs 3.1, 3.2 which shall be submitted in Lithuanian).
3. The proposal shall be submitted by filling it in the online system: <https://junkis.lmt.lt>. The proposal shall be accompanied by:
 - 3.1. the letter of the implementing institution in regard to ensuring project implementation;
 - 3.2. documents proving the eligibility as an early-staged scientist:
 - 3.2.1. the copies of the doctor diploma of the principal investigator and other primary project implementers with a doctoral degree;
 - 3.2.2. copies of documents in Lithuanian language providing evidence that the person was in maternity leave, paternity leave or parental leave (applicable if evidence to support eligibility is required): documents substantiating maternity leave and parental leave for the mother for a period of up to 18 months are not required if the copy of the certificate of the child's birth is submitted (the 18-month period is calculated for each child separately). A longer period of the afore mentioned leaves or the entire period (if a copy of the certificate of the child's birth is not provided) is justified by submitting copies of supporting documents (for example, a certificate from "Sodra" or the institution where the mother works); paternity leave must be justified by submitting copies of documents for the entire period.

General requirements for projects

4. The general requirements applicable to projects, their implementers and costs are set out in the General Rules of the Research Council of Lithuania for the Competitive funding of Research and Dissemination Projects and in other documents published on the [website](#).

Additional information

5. Compliance of an early-staged scientist with the requirements for the recruitment of secondary implementers with a doctoral degree will have to be ensured by the implementing institution. The Council may request documentation during the project implementation to confirm compliance with these requirements and, in the absence of such documentation, may refuse to declare these costs eligible.
6. When the results of the call are announced, principal investigators of the projects selected for funding shall submit an identical proposal in the Lithuanian language (without documents indicated in subparagraphs 3.1, 3.2) in an online form before signing the grant agreement. If the contents of the proposal in English do not correspond to the contents of the proposal in the Lithuanian language, the information in the proposal in the Lithuanian language shall prevail.

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