

JPIAMR 17th Joint Call: Interventions moving forward to promote action to counteract the emergence and spread of bacterial and fungal resistance and to improve treatments

Q&A Online Webinar for applicants January 24, 2024

This is a selection of questions and answers from the global webinar that invited researchers to learn more about the call and to ask questions to representatives from funders participating in the call.

For more information, please visit the call webpage:

AMR Interventions 2024 – JPIAMR

General questions

Q1: Will the recording be sent to the participants?

A: Yes, the recording will be sent to all registered participants and will be available on JPIAMR webpage: https://www.jpiamr.eu/calls/amr-interventions-call-2024/

Q2: Is there a list of partners looking for other partners?

A: Yes, please refer to the Partner Search Tool at https://ptoutline.eu/app/jpiamr2024 impact

Q3: Are we able to reach out directly to the national funder contacts listed?

A: Yes, please refer to page 17-18 of the Call text published at https://www.jpiamr.eu/calls/amr-interventions-call-2024/

Q4: Is the pre-proposal application form available to look at before completion?

A: Yes, you can download it from https://www.jpiamr.eu/app/uploads/2023/01/Pre-proposal-form AMR-diagnostics-and-surveillance-2023.docx

Q5: Are the proposals only to be submitted by the lead organization? Or does each organization have to do a separate one?

A: The proposal is submitted to the JPIAMR electronic submission system by the consortium coordinator. Some national funders require applicants to submit proposals or documents in parallel at the national level. Please refer to Annex B of the Call text for details.

Q6: Who should sign the Letters of Intent - principal investigator of each partner site or institution representative (e.g. university president or someone similar)

A: A template for LoI is integrated in the proposal template and clearly says who must sign at the given stage. Please note that all participating partners (coordinator, partners and nonfunded partners) must provide signed Letters of Intent (LoI).

Q7: If approved for funding, when do the projects start?

A: All projects are expected to start no later than 1 June 2025. Section 8 of the Call text advises a common start date and duration of the research project.

Q8: How long do the projects run?

A: All projects will run for three years.

Eligibility and consortium composition

Q9: Could a non-funded partner be from a non-eligible country?

A: Yes. Project partners not eligible for funding (e.g. from countries not participating in the call or not fundable according to national/regional regulations of the funding partner organizations) may be involved in projects if they bring their own funding. The budget of nonfunded partners must be included in the proposal and shall not exceed 30% of the requested total transnational project budget. A non-funded partner can't be a coordinator of a project proposal

Q10: Is there a limit of the number of institutions of the same country once the minimum country requirement is satisfied?

A: The consortium can include a maximum of two (2) partners from the same country per proposal.

Q11: Can for example the same partner be a part of two different projects?

A: The call text doesn't specify that. However, please refer to Annex B of the Call text for details, your funder may have included national limitations.

Q12: Can work in a funded project be performed in LMICs?

A: This depends on your funding organisation. Please refer to Annex B of the Call text for details or contact your national funder

Q13: If an entity is not from an eligible associated country not form an under represented country are they still eligible as a sub-contractor?

A: This depends if your national funder can fund sub-contractors. Please refer to Annex B of the Call text for details or contact your national funder

Q14: What is the minimum number of partners?

A: The consortium must include a minimum of three (3) eligible project partners asking for funding from three (3) different eligible countries (including at least two amongst EU Member States or Associated Countries.

Q15: Is there exclusion criteria for eligibility if a partner is benefiting from another JPIAMR call?

A: There is no general rule, but each national funder has their own rules. Please refer to Annex B of the Call text to check the eligibility criteria defined by relevant national funding organizations.

Q16: For Early Career Researchers who have been on maternity leave, how long an extension is allowed?

A: For maternity leave 18 months extension for each child born before or after the date of successful defence of the PhD degree.

Types of institutions

Q17: Can a medical hospital/medical microbiology lab also be a part of the consortium?

A: The call text doesn't specify that. Please refer to Annex B of the Call text for specific national regulations.

Q18: Can any company participate? What are requirements for a company?

A: There are no specific requirements at the international level. Please refer to Annex B of the Call text to check the eligibility criteria defined by relevant national funding organizations.

Call topics and scope

Q19: How many projects could potentially be funded under Topic 1 vs Topic 2?

A: There will be no quotas for each of the topics. The projects will be selected for funding based on the quality of the proposals.

Q20: Under Topic 2, what do you mean by "existing interventions"?

A: It cannot be completely new, there has to be some existing published data, but it does not have to be for example a registered medicine.

Q21: Under topic 2, is finding new antibiotics within the scope? A: No.

Evaluation

Q22: Is the evaluation done centrally at JPIAMR or will it be national evaluation? **A:** The formal eligibility check is done at both national and international level. The scientific merit of the proposals will be evaluated centrally, by an international panel of experts.

Q23: What is the overall success rate? And where can we find information on the funded projects?

A: The success rate varies from call to call, but generally around 10-11% on average. Information on funded projects can be found on the JPIAMR website https://www.jpiamr.eu/projects/#/

Financial aspects

Q24: Is there a minimum or maximum for the requested budget or project duration? Is there a ceiling amount for each partner in the consortium?

A: The call text does not specify this, but different funders may specify different financial terms – for details please refer to the national rules and regulations in Annex B to the Call text.

Q25: Is there a minimum budget of the total budget that non-funded partners have to reach in a consortium to be allowed?

A: The call text does not specify this, but different funders may specify different financial terms – for details please refer to the national rules and regulations in Annex B to the Call text.

Q26: Can the budget be changed after the pre-proposal has been submitted?

A: This depends on your national funder. Please refer to Annex B of the Call text for specific national regulations or contact your national funder.