

Research Programme Area (PA02)

The Research Programme has as main objective the development of knowledge based on research.

The total Programme Budget is 47.058.824 euro, representing:

- 40.000.000 euro: financial contribution of the EEA & Norwegian Grants;
- 7.058.824 euro: co-financing from the national budget.

Thematic areas:

- Energy
- Environment
- Health
- Social Sciences and humanities, including gender studies and social inclusion studies
- ICT
- Biotechnology

Conditionalities:

No less than 10% of the total eligible expenditure of the programme shall be dedicated to projects falling primarily under the key topic “*Roma inclusion and empowerment*”.

In the final list of projects receiving funding under the thematic area “Social Sciences and humanities, including gender studies and social inclusion studies”, gender studies and social inclusion studies are reflected.

Research projects shall include dedicated action exploring the potential for further joint applications between partners from Romania and the Donor State (s) to EU framework programme calls and other international funding sources.

Programme outputs :

- Enhanced performance of Romanian research internationally through 2 call for proposals and one Small Grant Scheme (SGS) addressed to Romanian applicants Romanian institutions representing Romanian candidates who have received a favourable rating from a previous ERC evaluation (minimum score B in the first or second stage);
- Enhanced collaboration between Beneficiary and Donor State entities involved in the programme through Mobilities Grants and organising workshops on the thematic areas having as goal the sharing experience and good practices, disseminating the project results.

	Timing	Total available amount (euro)	Max.Min grant applied for (euro)	Period/ research visits
EEA Financial Mechanism call for proposals for research projects	2018	16.312.500	1.500.000/500.000	up to 48 months
Norwegian Financial Mechanism call for proposals for research projects	2019	24.687.500	1.500.000/500.000	up to 48 months
Norwegian Financial Mechanism Small Grant Scheme	2018 2019	2.500.000	50.000/5.000	3-12 months

Funding rates:

Granting is covered up to 100% of the total eligible costs of a project.

Eligible applicants:

	Eligible applicants	Eligible partners
Norwegian Financial Mechanism call for proposals for research projects	Research organisations, as defined in the EU Framework for State aid for research and development and innovation (2014/C198/01), established in Romania	Research organisations, as defined in the EU Framework for State aid for research and development and innovation (2014/C198/01) and companies established in Romania and Norway. Research organisations from third countries are eligible partners, but cannot receive funding from the project grant.
EEA Financial Mechanism call for proposals for research projects		Research organisations, as defined in the EU Framework for State aid for research and development and innovation (2014/C198/01) and companies established in Romania, Norway, Iceland and Liechtenstein. Research organisations from third countries are eligible partners, but cannot receive funding from the project grant.
Small Grant Scheme	Romanian institutions representing Romanian candidates who have received a favourable rating from a previous ERC evaluation (minimum score B in the first or second stage) but have not succeeded in obtaining an ERC grant.	N/A

Projects' implementation will not exceed 30 th of April 2024.

Details related to the eligibility of the applicants and partners, outcome, outputs and the amount of the projects are available in the dedicated sections on the webpage.