

Belmont Forum Collaborative Research Actions on Resilience in Rapidly Changing Arctic Systems (CRA Arctic II)

Organisational Annex: NWO, The Netherlands

Partners: This call is supported by the Netherlands Polar Programme (NPP) of the Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research (NWO).

Notice:

Depending on all conditions of eligibility and peer review being met, the budget earmarked by NPP-NWO for this call will be up to € 400.000,- (according to exchange rates at time of funding).

The official national call announcement for the Netherlands will be published on the NWO website. Details of the call and the application process are provided via the <https://bfgo.org/> website. Applicants are advised to contact their National Contact Point before starting to prepare proposals for application.

Applicant requirements:

Eligibility criteria and national funding modalities

Who can apply for funding?

Funding can be applied for by associate, assistant and full professors or researchers with a comparable position holding an appointment at a Dutch university or research institute eligible for NWO funding, as stated under §1.1.1 in the NWO Grant Rules: <https://www.nwo.nl/en/documents/nwo/legal/nwo-grant-rules-1-may-2017>.

Specifically:

- Applicants must have a paid appointment at a Dutch university or research institute eligible for NWO funding for at least the duration of the research for which the grant is requested.
- Applicants must hold a doctorate or be professor.
- Researchers with a 'zero-hours' contract ("0-aanstelling") or a contract as an unpaid guest researcher cannot apply for grants.

Non-eligible Dutch partners (e.g. private companies, foundations) may participate in a consortium at their own expense. These partners should provide written confirmation of their participation.

Maximum funding per project:

• Personal costs

Salaries will be paid according to the agreement 'Bekostiging wetenschappelijk onderzoek' with the VSNU and are based on the collective agreement (CAO) of the Dutch Universities. The costs include a one off personal bench fee (k€ 5) to stimulate the scientific career of the NWO funded project researcher. The agreement and maximum amounts for personal costs are to be found at <http://www.nwo.nl/akkoordbekostiging> and <http://www.nwo.nl/salaristabellen> .

Only Postdocs can be applied for per project

Guideline for the employment for a postdoc is a duration between 12 and 36 months and a minimum contract for 0,5 fte. The minimum contract is 0,5 fte for 12 months, maximum is 1 fte for 36 months. At current rates this (3 years postdoc) will require max. 229 KEuro. The time limit for a part time contract is maximum 48 month. This is to be able to align with the other collaborative projects and stay within the four-year CRA Arctic II programme limit. Timely final reporting will be required.

• Material costs

A maximum of € 15.000 per year per fte can be applied for specified according to the following three categories:

(1) Project related materials/services

- consumables (glasswork, chemicals, cryogen liquids, etc.)
- equipment's and/or software (e.g. lasers, special computers or computer programs etc.)
- computer time (e.g. supercomputer access etc.),
- costs for purchasing or using data collections
- access to large (inter)national facilities (e.g. cleanrooms, synchrotrons, datasets, etc.)
- third party work (e.g. lab analyses, data collection, etc.)

(2) Travel (for post doc)

- travel and accommodation costs (national and international)
- congress visits (max 2 per year)
- fieldwork
- work visits

(3) Implementation costs

- organisation national symposium/conference/workshop
- costs publishing Open Access
- costs datamanagement
- recruiting costs (incl. advertisements)
- costs for permits

Not eligible for funding are:

- Basic amenities at Dutch university or research institute (e.g. laptops, desks etc.)
- Maintenance and insurance costs

Maximum project duration:

Up to 48 months.

Additional criteria:

It is expected that applications to this call will be Collaborative Research Grants with the consortium composition as defined in the call document, and NPP-NWO will fund the Dutch partner of successful trans-national collaborations.

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