

**Belmont Forum
OCEAN 2**

**Annex for National Council for Scientific and Technological
Development (CNPq)**

Duration of time:	Up to 3 years
Country/(ies) supported	Brazil
Description/qualifications of eligible participants	<p>The principal investigator responsible for submitting the proposal must hold a Doctoral degree, serve as the project coordinator, and maintain an updated curriculum on the Lattes Platform by the submission deadline. Furthermore, the proponent must have a formal employment link—either statutory or under Brazilian labor laws (CLT)—with the project’s executing institution. In the case of retired researchers, they must provide evidence of continued academic-scientific activities along with a formal declaration of institutional consent. The executing institution must be registered in the CNPq Directory of Institutions and be classified as a Scientific, Technological, and Innovation Institution (ICT), a private or public company, or a non-profit civil society organization constituted under Brazilian law.</p> <p>CNPq fosters the formation of international consortia, which may include partners from any country worldwide. In alignment with strategic regional priorities, specific vacancies will be reserved for consortia involving members from the South Atlantic Peace and Cooperation Zone (ZOPACAS). All further technical details, specific funding lines, and comprehensive procedural rules will be strictly disciplined upon the official launch of the Public Call by CNPq.</p>
Stipulations for the maximum number of researchers in the consortium	There is no strictly defined maximum number of researchers per consortium.

	<p>Instead, the focus is placed on the excellence and adequacy of the research team. Consortia are expected to demonstrate that the size and expertise of the group are fully aligned with the project's objectives, methodology, and proposed timeline. For the Brazilian component, all team members (researchers, students, and technicians) must be registered in the Lattes Platform and provide formal written consent to the coordinator.</p> <p>Regarding the distribution of funds, only one coordinator per consortium is eligible to receive and manage direct resources from CNPq. This coordinator must be the principal investigator responsible for the proposal and will act as the focal point for all financial and administrative accountability related to the Brazilian participation in the international consortium.</p>
<p>Type of contribution + amount of contribution (K€)</p>	<p>Monetary</p> <p>Note: Subject to internal approval, funding from CNPq may be made available through specific budgetary allocations, with potential disbursement starting from 2028 onwards.</p> <p>Should additional resources become available earlier, CNPq may consider supporting projects starting in 2027.</p> <p>Applicants may prepare at own discretion.</p>
<p>Maximum amount that can be requested per project or by researcher (R\$)</p>	<p>The specific budgetary limits and the maximum amount that can be requested per project or per researcher will be defined and announced at a later date, given the provisional nature of the current adherence to the initiative. However, proponents should prepare their proposals based on the funding scales and values typically practiced in previous CNPq Public Calls of similar scope and magnitude. Detailed financial guidelines and categories of eligible expenses will be strictly regulated in the forthcoming Public Call.</p>

Restrictions for use of funds	<p>Funds granted under this call must be used strictly for research-related expenses. Prohibited expenditures include, but are not limited to: payment of salaries or remuneration to staff with existing institutional links (statutory or employment-based); general administrative or management fees; civil engineering works and construction; payment for consultancy services provided by members of the executing institution; and general-purpose office equipment or personal expenses not directly related to the scientific objectives of the project.</p>
Specific themes within the call	<p>No specific themes of preference; however, all proposals must strictly adhere to the strategic guidelines and thematic framework established by the Belmont Forum (BF)</p>
Where to submit proposal	<p>Proposals must be submitted to CNPq exclusively through the Carlos Chagas Platform (http://carloschagas.cnpq.br/) by the specified deadline. It is mandatory that the Brazilian Principal Investigator (PI) ensures the proposal is identical in its scientific scope to the global version submitted to the Belmont Forum (BF) via the BFgo Platform (https://bfgo.org).</p> <p>Proposals submitted after the deadline, by any other means, or those failing to meet the international consortium requirements will not be accepted.</p>
Additional information	<p>Given the provisional status of CNPq's participation, research consortia are expected to ensure that the minimum eligibility requirements of the call are fulfilled independently of CNPq participation, without relying on CNPq as part of the minimum eligibility requirement.</p> <p>Participation of Brazilian researchers applying through CNPq should therefore be considered as additional to the consortium configuration.</p>
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