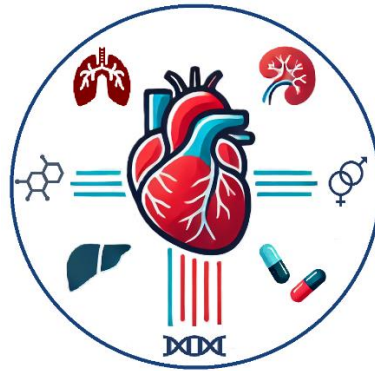


Call for proposals 2025 – JTC6 “InterHeart”

Understanding the interactions between cardiovascular disorders and comorbidities and/or their therapeutic treatments



Guidelines for applicants and Frequently Asked Questions

DEADLINES

March 7th, 2025 (12:00, CET) - SUBMISSION OF PRE-PROPOSALS

June 17th, 2025 (12:00, CEST) - SUBMISSION OF FULL PROPOSALS

<https://ptoutline.eu/app/era4healthinterheart>

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GENERAL

This call uses a two-step submission procedure (pre-proposals and full proposals), including a rebuttal stage.

All proposals must be written in English and submitted exclusively by using the PT-Outline electronic submission system (<https://ptoutline.eu/app/era4healthinterheart>), and this before March 7th, 2025 for the pre-proposals and before the June 17th, 2025 for the full proposals.

It is recommended to carefully read the call text prior to starting an application.

The project duration is 36 months.

ELIGIBILITY

Before participating to a consortium, principal investigators (PI) should self-assure that their organisation is eligible for funding by one of the funding organisations participating in the call. The funding rules of each funding organisation participating to the call are available in the Annex I of the call text.

After the deadline, the funding organisations will review the composition of the consortia to make sure that each partner applying to get funding from them is following the national/ regional funding rules. Only pre-proposals from consortia that have been deemed eligible will be sent to the reviewers for scientific evaluation. The scientific evaluation will be coordinated by the joint call secretariat on behalf of all participating funding organisations.

The table below shows the eligibility criteria of each funding organization participating to the call:

Country	Funding organisation	Eligibility of Partners
Belgium	F.R.S.-FNRS	All eligibility rules and criteria can be found in the PINT-MULTI regulations . This call is NOT co-funded by the European Commission. It is strongly advised to contact the F.R.S.-FNRS prior to submission regarding the eligibility criteria. Please note that the F.R.S.-FNRS only funds Basic research (low Technology Readiness Level) carried out in a research institution from the “Fédération Wallonie-Bruxelles”. The F.R.S.-FNRS will not fund industrial partners or any activity related to the private sector. Nevertheless, partners funded by the F.R.S.-FNRS can be in a consortium where there are also partners from the private sector. Applicants to F.R.S.-FNRS funding must provide basic administrative data by submitting an administrative application on e-space within 5 working days after the general deadline of the ERA4Health JTC6 call to be eligible.
Belgium	FWO	The FWO integrates two of its funding channels within this multilateral framework. The choice of funding channel depends on the type of project the researchers from Flanders wish to undertake. The eligibility of research institutions and its researchers can be verified in the relevant and respective chosen funding channels regulations, which can be consulted on the FWO website: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• FWO Research Projects (FO)• Strategic Basic Research (SBO) Applicants for FWO funding must submit a mandatory administrative application via the FWO e-portal.
Denmark	IFD	
France	ANR	ANR may finance fundamental research, industrial research and experimental developments. ANR may fund research organisations and undertakings, as defined by the EC regulation on State aid for research, development and innovation (see the ANR Funding regulations for further reference). Only research organisations that have their primary establishment in France may be funded. As for

		<p>undertakings, ANR may fund those that have their real head office in an EU member State and an establishment (primary or secondary) in France.</p> <p>Within this framework, research institutions such as EPST, EPIC, Universities, Hospitals as well as most Foundations, Associations and Enterprises can apply. Entities leading research are entitled to apply (eg: EPST, EPIC, Universities, Hospitals as well as most Foundations, Associations and Enterprises...). This list is not comprehensive and funding rates vary. Please fill the form related to economical activities to identify your funding rate and consult the ANR Funding regulations for more details:</p> <p>http://www.agence-nationale-recherche.fr/RF</p> <p>Please note that companies with economic difficulties are excluded from ANR subventions.</p> <p>Countries subject to sanctions applicable to the research field by the European Union authorities are excluded from this call. Projects involving Partners established in these countries will be declared ineligible by the ANR. At the date of publication, these exclusions concern partners from the following countries Russia, Belarus. This list may evolve in case of new sanctions decided by the European Union.</p>
Hungary	NKFIH	<p>Eligible applicants from Hungary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • enterprises with legal entity • non-profit organisations with legal entity • higher education and research institutions • budgetary units and entities, municipalities; <p>Please note that within these categories specific eligibility rules may apply. Please check the Hungarian national call on specific eligibility rules:</p> <p>https://nkfi.gov.hu/palyazoknak/nkfi-alap/horizont-europa-europai-partnersegek-magyar-szervezetek-tamogatasa-2024-121-he-partnerseg/palyazati-felhivas</p>
Italy	IT MOH	<p>Only IRCCS (Istituti di Ricovero e Cura a Carattere Scientifico) researchers are eligible to apply.</p> <p>Not fundable: Universities, other research Institutes, companies.</p> <p>Simultaneous PI participation in different 2025 JTCs funded by the Ministry of Health is not allowed. No more than two Italian PIs (Principal Investigators) are eligible to apply for the same project.</p> <p>Italian PAOs can be funded as a sub-contractor of an IRCCS if they fulfil the eligibility criteria of the EC. The maximum amount eligible for a sub-contract is ≤10% of the total budget (from the IRCCS Budget).</p> <p>Italian PAOs can still participate in Consortia as “Collaborators” with their own funds.</p> <p>It is mandatory that the applicants fill out and return to the IT-MoH, a pre-submission eligibility check form through their IRCCS, using WFR System-> ER communication code, before submitting their proposal to the Joint Call Secretariat.</p> <p>The pre-eligibility form can be downloaded here:</p> <p>https://www.salute.gov.it/imgs/C_17_pagineAree_4441_0_file.pdf</p>
Latvia	LCS	<p>Only the following legal persons are eligible:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Research institutions registered in the Latvian Registry of Scientific Institutions, e.g. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Research Institutes - Universities <p>And must have the status of Research and knowledge dissemination organization (Regulation EC 651/2014)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2) Business enterprises entered into the Latvian Commercial registry as companies, assumed they are eligible to do the specific research and have specific capacity

		<p>and resources to do the research in Latvia and have their main activity in Latvia. Limitations of EU legislation apply (Regulation 651/2014) together with financial reporting requirements, in this case it is state aid. Two previous statements with sworn auditor's approval should be provided and they must reflect the correspondence to the regulation as well as prove the evidence of previous scientific activity and presence of capacity.</p> <p>Enterprises not having closed two annual financial periods are not eligible.</p> <p>Latvia allows max 2 Latvian partners per proposal, they must be fully independent on legal, financial and personnel basis.</p>
Lithuania	LMT	<p>Eligible for funding institutions are Lithuanian research and higher education institutions that are included in the Register of Education and Research institutions, public healthcare institutions, academy of science mentioned in the state Law on Science and Studies, other state public institutions such as National libraries, archives, museums. Beneficiary institution (grant holder) manage the state budget funds allocated to the project following the rules stated in the legal acts, as well as representing the project partners (if applicable 'project partner' means public or private legal entity that, together with the eligible institution, created the conditions for project implementation).</p> <p>PI must be a PhD holder.</p>
Poland	NCBR	<p>Following entities are eligible to apply:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Micro, Small, Medium and Large enterprise; • Research organisation; • Group of entities (within the meaning of art. 37 section 1, point 1a of The Act of 30 April 2010 on the National Centre for Research and Development, published in Journal of Laws item 2279, 2022;). <p>Entity must be registered in Poland;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For enterprises it is strongly advised to state in the Pre-proposal application form the KRS number of the enterprise and the size of the enterprise (micro/small, medium, large); • A condition for the participation of a group of entities as the Applicant in the competition is its formal existence on the date of submission of the pre-proposal, confirmed by its members concluding, at least conditionally, agreement on the creation of a group of entities; <p>Please note that group of entities counts as at least two project partners from Poland (it meets the limit on the number of participants from the same country, please refer to call text for details).</p>
Slovakia	SAS	<p>Only research Institutes of the Slovak Academy of Sciences are eligible organisations for funding by SAS (up to 100%).</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Slovak principal investigator must have a job contract for more than 50% working hours in the SAS organization for which the project proposal or participation in the project proposal is submitted. 2. Other researchers, except for doctoral students, must have a working relationship with the SAS organization. 3. Each researcher of the Slovak partner research team of a project consortium (other than the Slovak Principal Investigator) must have a job contract with or a fellowship with the Slovak Principal Investigator, lasting until the end of the project or beyond.
Spain	AEI	Information to be updated
Spain	CSCJA	<p>Eligibility criteria established in Orden de 10 de agosto de 2023 de la Consejería de Salud y Consumo de la Junta de Andalucía.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eligible organisation must be Andalusian Non-profit entities registered as Agents of the Andalusian Knowledge System (Registro de Agentes Andaluces del Conocimiento) with research and innovation activity in Biomedicine and Health

		<p>Sciences, ie: Research managing foundations of the Andalusian Public Health System</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Principal investigators must be linked through a civil servant, statutory or labour relationship with the applicant or performing centre. For Health Research Institutes (Institutos de Investigación Sanitaria, IIS), the link may be with any of the public or private law entities that are part of the IIS provided that the entity meets all the specific requirements determined in each action, and, in any case, be personnel assigned to the IIS. • More than one partner from Andalusia may participate in the same project • A PI can only participate in one application per call. • For receiving regional funding, the final funding decision issued by the corresponding program's decision-making body must be accredited • The duration of the projects shall be determined by the corresponding JTC. In any case, this period shall be stated in the award resolution. <p>Regional applications must be submitted to the General Secretariat of Public Health and R&D&I in Health exclusively by telematic means (please see section 10.c Orden de 10 de agosto de 2023).</p> <p>The deadline for the submission of regional applications will be established in the regional call and will be informed through the website of the Regional Ministry of Health and Consumer Affairs.</p>
Taiwan	NSTC	All research institutes, universities, hospitals, public organisations in Taiwan endorsed by the National Science and Technology Council (NSTC) as eligible institutions
Türkiye	TUBITAK	For further information about application rules and procedures, please refer to the related TUBITAK website. Participants from Türkiye should also submit their proposals to TUBITAK electronically via (https://uidb-pbs.tubitak.gov.tr/) for the pre-proposal phase.

COMPOSITION OF THE CONSORTIUM

Each consortium must have a coordinator, they will be the unique contact point of the Joint Call Secretariat during the application process.

Only transnational projects will be funded. The following conditions apply to the composition of consortia:

- A minimum of 3 (three) eligible and a maximum of 5 eligible partners from at least 3 different countries participating in the call.
- The maximum number of eligible partners can be increased up to 6 (six) or 7 (seven) if they include 1 or 2 partners, respectively, from the following participating countries: Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Slovakia, and Türkiye.
- No more than 2 eligible partners from the same country participating in the call will be accepted within one consortium.
- A maximum of 2 collaborators (self-funded) per consortium.

FUNDING MECHANISMS

Project partners will be funded by their relevant national/regional funding organisations. Eligible costs and funding rules vary between the respective funding organisations.

The table shows the maximum funding per grant awarded to a project or a project partner:

Country	Funding organisation	Maximum funding per grant awarded per project and/or per partner
Belgium	F.R.S.-FNRS	300 000 € per project
Belgium	FWO	350 000 € per project
Denmark	IFD	300 000 € per partner and 500 000 € per project if there is more than one Danish partner
France	ANR	250 000 € per partner 300 000 per coordinator and 400 000 per project if there is more than one French partner (minimum of 15 000 €)
Hungary	NKFIH	200 000 per project
Italy	IT MOH	400 000 per project
Latvia	LCS	300 000 Euros per partner, not exceeding 100 000 EUR per year
Lithuania	LMT	150 000 per partner; 200 000 per coordinator; total of 200 000 for 2 partners; total of 250 000 for one partner and one coordinator
Poland	NCBR	400 000 € per project
Slovakia	SAS	120 000 € per project
Spain	AEI	Information to be updated
Spain	CSCJA	125 000 € per partner; 250 00 per coordinator
Taiwan	NSTC	90 000€ per year of project
Türkiye	TUBITAK	Up to 225 000 Euros per project, max. 125 000 Euros for public institutions and max. 225 000 Euros for private companies

The table below shows what costs are eligible for funding by each organisation participating to the call.

Country	Funding organisation	Eligibility of costs, types and their caps
Belgium	F.R.S.-FNRS	<p>All eligibility rules and criteria can be found in the PINT-MULTI regulations. Please note that personnel costs (Article III.6) have an annual average cap of 80 000 euros for this call.</p> <p>Clinical studies are not eligible for funding by the F.R.S.-FNRS</p> <p>For “overhead” costs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operating expenses: up to 1% within the granted budget. This percentage should be included in the requested operating budget. • Personnel: up to 2% outside of the granted budget. This percentage will be paid upon reimbursement of expenses to institutions by the F.R.S.-FNRS.
Belgium	FWO	<p>The respective funding channel regulations apply (see links to national rules above), and both are capped at max. 350.000 EUR per project/consortium (incl. overhead, for which the calculation method diverges per funding channel). The FWO foresees a budget of 700.000 EUR, which allows for the funding of at least 2 projects.</p> <p>For the overhead calculation, the fundamental (FO) and strategic research projects (SBO) entail the same approach: a structural overhead rate should be applied on the total project costs, with an overhead rate of 6% for ‘FO’ projects, and a 17% overhead rate for ‘SBO’ projects. Some practical examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FO: the sum of all costs (personnel, consumables, travel, subcontracting, etc.) amounts to 200.000 EUR, then the overhead will amount to 12.000 EUR (6% of 200.000 EUR) and the total requested cost is 212.000 EUR. This total requested cost may never exceed the max. available amount of 350.000 EUR. • SBO: the sum of all costs (personnel, consumables, travel, subcontracting, etc.) amounts to 200.000 EUR, then the overhead will amount to 34.000 EUR (17% of 200.000 EUR) and the total requested cost is 234.000 EUR. This total requested cost may never exceed the max. available amount of 350.000 EUR. <p>The FWO funds up to pre-clinical research.</p>
Denmark	IFD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Salaries; • Equipment (equipment, materials, etc.); • Other project-related costs (events, transportation, travel, audit costs, etc.); • External services (consultancy costs, subcontracting or services); <p>Overhead (for the applicable rate please refer to the IFD’s Guidelines)</p>
France	ANR	<p>Standard ANR funding rules apply for eligible costs, unless stated otherwise in the Annex « <i>Modalités pour les partenaires sollicitant une aide de l’ANR</i> ». These rules are specified in ANR’s “ANR Funding regulations”. An explanatory note regarding the eligible costs is also available at: https://anr.fr/fr/rf/fiche-couts/</p> <p>Eligible costs (e.g.: personnel costs, costs of instruments and equipment, additional overheads and other operating expenses incurred directly as a result of the research project such as, for instance: travel costs) and funding rates vary based on the type of research and research partner. Please note that expenses related to permanent staff stipends are not eligible for the Beneficiaries “à coût marginal”.</p>
Hungary	NKFIH	<p>Please consult the Hungarian national call on the eligibility of specific cost categories: https://nkfi.gov.hu/palyazoknak/nkfi-alap/horizont-europa-europai-partnersegek-magyar-szervezetek-tamogatasa-2024-121-he-partnerseg/palyazati-felhivas</p>
Italy	IT MOH	<p>Direct Costs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personnel (only temporary contracts or permanent contracts for the amount of hours dedicated to the project, ≤ 60%); • Consumables /Supplies;

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Animals /Model costs; • Equipment (only on leasing or rent); • Travel (≤ 30%); • Dissemination activities (≤ 1%); • Publication costs: < 2%; open access < 5%; • Patients recruitment costs; • IT Services and Data Bases; • Coordination costs <p>Indirect Costs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overhead (<10%, included in the total); Other indirect costs are not eligible. <p>Transfer of eligible funds abroad is not allowed.</p> <p>Subcontracts are allowed only upon approval, by presenting via Workflow – code ER, a request together with the National pre-eligibility form, the latest 20 days before the deadline of the pre-proposal submission.</p>										
Latvia	LCS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Personnel costs incl. taxes; 2. Consumables; 3. Subcontracts (up to 25% of direct costs), needs detailed justification, includes all external services, project core activities cannot be subcontracted; 4. Equipment (only depreciation costs during project directly attributable to project tasks); 5. Replaceable and fully consumable during project elements of equipment (e.g. electrodes); 6. Travels (according to travel plan); <p>Indirect costs (up to 25% of direct costs excluding subcontracting).</p>										
Lithuania	LMT	<p>Only costs (direct) generated during the lifetime of the project, related to project are eligible. Direct costs: personnel, travel, purchase (assets, services, consumables), subcontracting.</p> <p>Overheads (indirect costs): up to 20 % from direct costs.</p>										
Poland	NCBR	<p>The eligible costs shall be the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. personnel costs (researchers, technicians and other supporting staff to the extent employed on the research project); 2. operating costs including costs of instruments, equipment, technical knowledge, patents, costs for buildings and land, costs of materials, supplies and similar products incurred directly as a result of the research activity. 3. cost of contractual research, costs of consultancy and equivalent services used exclusively for the research activity; this cost type cannot account for more than 70% of all eligible costs of a project; the subcontracting can be obtained from consortium partner only in justified case, this need will be verified by a national expert panel. 4. additional overheads incurred indirectly as a result of the research project; that costs are exactly 25% of eligible project costs and are counted as a multiplication by percentage given above and the rest of direct costs, excluding subcontracting (3); It means $4 = (1+2) * 25\%$. <p>Funding quota of Polish participants can be up to 100% for research organisations. In the case of enterprises, funding quota will be decided on a case-by-case basis depending on the size of the company, type of research/development, risk associated with the research activities and commercial perspective of exploitation, under the Regulation of the Minister of Science and Higher Education of 19 August 2020 on criteria and rules on granting state aid by the National Centre for Research and Development, published in Journal of Laws item 1456, 2020.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Large Enterprises</th> <th>Medium Enterprises</th> <th>Small Enterprises</th> <th>Research organizations</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Fundamental/Basic Research</td> <td>Not eligible</td> <td>Not eligible</td> <td>Not eligible</td> <td>Not eligible</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Large Enterprises	Medium Enterprises	Small Enterprises	Research organizations	Fundamental/Basic Research	Not eligible	Not eligible	Not eligible	Not eligible
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		<p>Only Industrial/Applied Research and Experimental Development will be funded. Other type of activities (e.g. coordination, dissemination, management) is not eligible for funding as separate research tasks in the project schedule.</p>										
Slovakia	SAS	<p>Total eligible costs = Permanent salaries + Other costs (DC + IC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Permanent salaries 45 000 € (36 months) • Other costs: 75 000 € (36 months) <p>Direct costs (DC): Personnel (max. 15% of DC), Consumables, Equipment (max. 40% of DC) and Travel costs Indirect costs (IC, Overheads): max. 20 % of DC. Limitations and specifications are available: (https://oms.sav.sk/wp-content/uploads/Financne-pravidla-od-1.1.-2023-schvalene-P-SAV-15.12.2022.pdf)</p>										
Spain	AEI	Information to be updated										
Spain	CSCJA	<p>a) Goods and services: consumables, bibliographic material, equipment rentals, software licenses and external services. b) Personnel costs: specifically hired for the project, including salaries, employer Social Security contributions, legally established compensation and other duly justified expenses derived. c) Travel, accommodation and subsistence according to the maximum amounts of compensation for service established in Decree 54/1989, of March 21, on compensation for service of the Junta de Andalucía, exclusively for people who are part of the research group or hired under the funded project. Exceptionally, any expense outside these amounts, or for people other than those listed before, must be authorised by the granting body. d) Registration fees for congresses or conferences for the presentation and dissemination of the results. Publication costs: e) Other expenses duly justified and necessary for carrying out the project. f) Indirect costs 21% g) Subcontracting costs: cannot exceed 50% of the funding and need prior authorization from the granting body. Nor Scientific aspects nor the management of the project should be subcontracted.</p> <p>The following are not considered eligible expenses - Equipment or Equipment repair and maintenance - Items or amounts that, after analysis, are not considered justified - Amounts paid to persons participating in the project, with the exception of expenses necessary for special attention to patients that involve compensation for their participation in the project not derived from an employment relationship.</p> <p>The sum of the funding or income received for the same purpose may in no case exceed the cost of the funded activity.</p>										
Taiwan	NSTC	<p>Including personnel, consumables, hosting expenses for foreign researchers, and travel expenses for international destinations-joint research & overseas studies, for more information please refer to: https://www.nstc.gov.tw/folksonomy/list/f6d5c23c-b3ce-438e-911b-12a705dbac5a?l=ch</p>										

WHO TO CONTACT AND FOR WHAT PURPOSE:

National and regional contacts should be contacted for all questions regarding: the national and regional eligibility of the partners, the eligibility of the costs, and the eventual submission of required national and regional documents in addition to the proposal submitted by the coordinator on Pt-outline. The funding organisations requiring submission of additional national/regional documents are: F.R.S.- FNRS, FWO, It-MoH, CSCJA and TUBITAK.

All other questions should be addressed to the joint call secretariat (interheart@agencerecherche.fr).

National/regional contact persons:

Country	Funding organisation	Email address for all national/regional questions
Belgium	F.R.S.-FNRS	international@frs-fnrs.be
Belgium	FWO	europe@fwo.be
Denmark	IFD	Katrine.boeriis@innofond.dk / Internationale@innofond.dk
France	ANR	ERA4HealthCall@agencerecherche.fr
Hungary	NKFIH	zsuzsanna.kurti@nkfi.gov.hu
Italy	IT MOH	f.turco@sanita.it / c.cicarelli@sanita.it
Latvia	LCS	Uldis.Berkis@lzp.gov.lv / Maija.Bundule@lzp.gov.lv
Lithuania	LMT	zivile.ruzele@lmt.lt
Poland	NCBR	marcin.chmielewski@ncbr.gov.pl
Slovakia	SAS	bibova@up.upsav.sk
Spain	AEI	Era4Health@aei.gob.es
Spain	CSCJA	ep.fps@juntadeandalucia.es
Taiwan	NSTC	cmtom@nstc.gov.tw
Türkiye	TUBITAK	sukran.alpdemir@tubitak.gov.tr

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

Composition of the consortium and eligibility of the partners

- **My consortium has two partners from the same country but applying to different funding organisations, can we have another partner from the same country?**

No, the rule is a maximum of two partners from the same country, it does not matter what organisation they are applying to.

- **Can Postdoctoral fellows be principal investigators?**

This will depend on the funding organisation involved, you need to contact the national contact person (see annex I of the call text). You will very likely need a letter from the institution stating that the PI will stay at the institution during the whole duration of the projects.

- **Can non-tenure personal be principal investigator?**

This will depend on the funding organisation involved, you need to contact the national contact person (see annex I of the call text). You will very likely need a letter from the institution stating that the PI will stay at the institution during the whole duration of the projects.

- **Can Co-PI represent a partner?**

No, a single PI must represent the partner.

- **Can collaborators be eligible for funding but not want to apply as partners anyway?**

Yes, collaborators are self-funded partners. They can be eligible but not wanted to apply.

- **There are two partners from the same country in my consortium, can my collaborator come from that country as well?**

Yes, the collaborator does not count for the country rule

Proposal

- **Do I need to follow the format of the pre-proposal template?**

Absolutely, you must keep the format as it is. All fields must be completed using "Arial font, size 11" characters; paper format: A4 with all margins minimum 1.27 cm.

- **Can we remove instructions from the proposal template?**

Please do not remove the instructions from the template.

- **Can additional figures be inserted?**

You can only add figures in the work plan, and you must still respect the maximal length for the section.

- **Can I add several CV for one partner?**

No, you must only add the CV of the PI who represent the partner respecting the format in the template.

- **Can supporting letters be added?**

No, extra material including letters of support are not allowed.

- **Who must sign the pre-proposal and the proposal, the Principal Investigator or the administrative representative of the partner?**

The principal investigator must sign the pre-proposal and proposal.

- **Do the collaborators need to fill the budget table?**

No, collaborators do not need to fill the budget table

- **What does in kind mean?**

In kinds means the funds you are bringing in the project but for which you are not requesting any funding from a participating funding organisation.

Electronic submission platform PT-outline

- **What is the link to the submission platform?**

<https://ptoutline.eu/app/era4healthinterheart>

• **I do not have an account on PT-outline. How do I create one?**

When you are on the home page. On the right of the tab “login”, you have a tab “sign up” where you can enter your email address to receive a password.

• **Does the data of the collaborators need to be inserted to the submission platform?**

Yes, when you add a new partner, you tick if it is a partner applying for funding or a collaborator on its own funds. When you must select a funding organisation, you must then select “In kind”.

• **How do I add more partners on PT-Outline?**

You need to first save the first partner (by clicking save at the bottom of the page), then a butt “add a new partner will appear on top of the page.