

MH Grants Office: Funding Updates

Welcome to the April funding newsletter from the MH Grants Office. This month's newsletter comes a bit early due to several calls and events with upcoming April deadlines. Generally, you can expect our newsletter in your inbox on the first Friday of the month, at most monthly and every 2nd or 3rd month during periods with fewer announcements to share.

Check out the [MH Grants Office website](#) to read more about the support services we offer, see an [overview of funding opportunities](#) available to health researchers in Norway, and more.

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Horizon Europe

Reminder: Horizon Europe Health Cluster and Cancer Missions

Calls for proposals from Horizon Europe's Pillar II Health Cluster (RIA/IA) and Cancer Missions (RIA/IA) will open in May.

These are large, collaborative, top-down (i.e. thematic) projects requiring the participation of a minimum of 3 partners from at least three countries. At least one partner must be at an institution in an EU country. There are **several events related to these calls coming up this spring** which are described further in this issue.

It is possible to apply either as a *project coordinator* (where you would be managing the project and its partners), or as a *partner* on a project coordinated elsewhere.

Calls Open: 06 May 2025 (Cancer Missions)
22 May 2025 (Health Cluster)

Deadline(s): 18 September 2025
16 April 2026 (second stage of two stage calls)

The **draft work programme** containing the Health Cluster call topics and descriptions is [available here](#).

The **Cancer Missions draft call topics** were described in the February issue of this newsletter. Please send an email to: soknadshjelpen@mh.ntnu.no to receive a copy of the work programme and draft call texts.

Support Available from MH and NTNU:

- Proposals to Horizon Europe's collaborative calls as coordinator or partner are both eligible [for project establishment funding from NTNU](#).
- MH has a dedicated **EU projects manager**, [Andrea Nilsen](#), who works as an administrative manager on Horizon Europe projects. She may be available to take on a new coordinated project at MH, if one is awarded.
- Søknaðshjelpen provides **hands-on support** with proposal writing, the project budget, the application process, and post award, tailored to your needs.

To qualify, the **deadline to [submit an expression of interest \(EOI\)](#) as coordinator is extended to March 31st**. We will accept later EOI's on a case-by-case basis, *however the level of support available may be limited based on our capacity*.

NOTE: Access to PES funding is also connected to the submission and approval of the EOI.

- Register for one or more of the upcoming [Horizon Europe Workshop Series](#) we are organizing in collaboration with the Faculty of Engineering.

More information about these calls and available support is available through the [Grants Office](#).

Info-bit: Partnering on Horizon Europe's Pillar II calls

Are you eager to contribute to a project under one of the 2025 calls in a significant way, but *do not have the capacity to coordinate*?

Consider applying as a partner in whatever capacity you have!

Partnering on collaborative projects is a great way to build your networks and gain experience within Horizon Europe's second pillar.

How do you do this?

- Reach out to existing networks with your pitch and to see if anyone wishes to coordinate.
- [Fill out this survey to add yourself to NTNU's Horizon Europe Health Cluster brochure](#). Our Brussels office will distribute this widely to relevant research groups and institutions across Europe.
- [Attend the Pillar 2 information and networking event here at NTNU on April 7th](#).

- [Send us your pitch](#) for collaboration and we will forward it to NTNU's Brussels Office. If they think it's a strong pitch, they will use their extensive networks in Europe to share it with relevant groups.
- Try the partner search function on the [EU's Funding and Tenders Portal](#).
- Browse calls for partners or post a call looking for a coordinator [on Crowd Helix](#).
- Check out the Horizon Europe [NCP's guide to partner searches](#)

More information about these calls and available support is available through the [Grants Office](#).

Other Calls for Funding

Upcoming Deadline: Seed funding from NTNU Health and Life Science

NTNU's strategic area within Health and Life Science is announcing this year's opportunity for seed funding, which is directed towards strengthening applications for external project funding.

Deadline: 05 May 2025

NTNU Health and Life Science aims to provide knowledge and technology for health-promoting societies and a sustainable health service. Projects that contribute towards these main goals may apply for funding. A special focus will be placed on developing knowledge and technology in the following thematic areas:

- **One Health:** Understanding how the interdependence between humans, animals, plants, microbes, and their shared environment affect health of living organisms.
- **Healthy life spans:** Understanding causes of "lifestyle" diseases, how to prevent them and what promotes healthy lives.
- **Value-based health services:** Understanding how health systems and -services can be designed and managed in order to improve quality of care, give value to the patient and the society, with an efficient use of resources.

[Click here for more information about the call](#)

Upcoming Deadline: Support from InnoMed for process guidance in collaborative health and care projects (*in Norwegian*)

Jobber du med samarbeidsprosjekter innen helse- og omsorg? Da kan du søke om prosessveiledning fra InnoMed!

Søknadsfrister: 10. april 2025 og 4. september 2025

InnoMed er et nasjonalt kompetansenettverk for behovsdrivet innovasjon i helse-og omsorgssektoren og eies av de fire regionale helseforetakene i samarbeid med KS.

InnoMed sin visjon er å styrke innovasjonskraften for å skape bærekraftige helse-og omsorgstjenester. Våre fokusområder er kompetanseutvikling om behovsdrivet tjenesteinnovasjon, personellbesparende innovasjoner, og samhandling mellom primær- og spesialisthelsetjenesten.

InnoMed består av et team med innovasjonsrådgivere som tilbyr følgende tjenester:

- InnoMed-kurs om prosjektledelse, endringsledelse, fasilitering og tjenesteforløp.
- Gruppebasert prosessveiledning til innovasjonsprosjekter som har felles tematikk, problemstillinger og behov. Den gruppebaserte prosessveiledningen innebærer en kombinasjon av digitale gruppesamlinger og prosjektbasert sparring mellom samlingene.
- Skreddersydd innovasjonsrådgivning til enkeltprosjekter. Prosjektet får da tildelt et spesifisert antall timer med innovasjonsrådgivning.

Hvem kan søke?

- Innovasjonsprosjekter som er samarbeid mellom kommuner og helseforetak, og som omfatter de prioriterte pasientgruppene innen nasjonal helse- og samhandlingsplan.
- Prosjektet må være etablert og ha egne prosjektressurser.

[Søknadsskjemaet er tilgjengelig på InnoMed.no.](https://www.innomed.no)

Her finner du oppdatert informasjon om søknadsprosessen.

Support Activities

Announcement: Get a free PhD! Distribution process of RRS positions (formerly RSO) for 2025

Proposals for NFR and EU projects worth over 6 million NOK can now include a 3-year PhD position as own financing

MH-faculty will award a 3-year PhD position as own financing to awarded RCN and HEU projects where MH-faculty is allocated at least 6 million NOK of the externally financed budget.

The faculty will cover salary + social costs and operating costs in compliance with the current routines for RRS (formerly RSO) positions at the faculty.

The **development of the allocation process and prioritization criteria is ongoing** and will be published *here*, on the Grants Office *website* and *Innsida* once finalized. The faculty will also distribute the announcement to all department heads.

NTNU Workshop on Horizon Europe Health cluster and Cancer mission calls

NTNU's strategic research area on Health and Life Science would like to invite everyone who might be interested in the EU calls within Pillar 2: Health cluster and Cancer Mission.

Date: 07 April

Time: 14:00-16:00

Place: Room 329, Hovedbygget, Gløshaugen

Program:

- Information on the calls by Sofia Anderholm Strand (The Research Council of Norway)
- Group work on relevant topics, including pitches from the participants

- There will also be EU-advisors from the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences and Faculty of Social and Educational Sciences present.

[Register for the event here](#)

Read more about the **Horizon Europe Health cluster calls** through [Science Business](#) or contact us at the [Grants Office](#) for more information and/or draft work programmes.

Horizon Europe Health Cluster Brokerage Event

Do you intend to prepare a proposal for one the upcoming calls in Horizon Europe's Health Cluster need additional collaborators?

Date: 05-06 May

Place: Digital

Registration: Opens March 24

The health National Contacts Points (NCP) network is organizing an online brokerage event dedicated to networking and consortium-building in Horizon Europe's health cluster.

The event will include online bilateral meetings with partners interested in the same topics for the 2025 Health calls. During the morning on the 5th, there will also be space for pitching sessions.

[More information is available here.](#)

Workshop Series: Applying for Collaborative Calls under Horizon Europe's pillar II.

Are you planning to apply for a Horizon Europe Pillar 2 call this year, or in the future?

Navigating the complexities of large collaborative grant proposals can be daunting.

That's why the **EU Research Support Office (IV)** and **Søknadshjelpen (MH)** have teamed up to offer a series of workshops to supporting reseachers from both the IV and MH faculties in the most important aspects of writing a proposal.

The series will include in-person workshops for all experience levels. Whether you're just getting started and don't know where to begin or are an experienced grant writer looking to refine your proposal, we will provide practical tips to help you put together a strong application.

A-Z of Writing a Pillar 2 Proposal

Date: 7th May

Time: 13:00 - 15:00

An overview of what you need to know to write a Pillar 2 proposal—from structure to key elements application

There is also an opportunity to attend a more basic introduction to Pillar 2 just before this session, if there is enough interest.

Call Analysis & Impact

Date: 15th May

Time: 14:00 - 16:00

Analyzing funding calls, understanding the policy context and what is meant by impact are essential to a successful application. This webinar is about how to align your project with funder expectations.

Implementation

Date: 20th May

Time: 14:00 - 16:00

How to manage and execute your research project effectively. The process begins long before your project is granted, and this webinar will offer insight into what to consider at each stage as well as what happens when your project is granted.

The workshops will be held at NTNU in Trondheim*. Precise location details will be sent to registered participants closer to the event dates.

*There is the option of digital participation for our researchers in Ålesund and Gjøvik.

If you are interested in participating in one or more of these workshops, [please fill out this form to register](#).

Reminder: MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowship Symposium

Are you the supervisor on a MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowship application or do know someone who is applying?

On the morning of April 29th and 30th 2025, NTNU is organizing an online symposium for applicants to the 2025 MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships and their supervisors.

Date: April 29th – 30th

Deadline for registration: April 22nd.

The Symposium aims to provide applicants and their supervisors with all the information required to prepare a competitive proposal. We will cover key aspects of the scheme and the proposal templates, including top tips and common pitfalls. The event will take place online and is free of charge.

The MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships are highly competitive, but the rewards are significant, starting with the very impact on the research career of successful applicants. The 2025 submission deadline to MSCA-PF is September 10th.

For more information on the symposium, the MSCA scheme and registration form to sign up:

[See NTNU MSCA PF website.](#)

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