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MH Grants Office: Funding Updates

Welcome to the May funding newsletter from the MH Grants Office. 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

Horizon Europe Work Programmes for 2025-2026 have been published

The final work programmes for Horizon Europe are now available. If you are applying to a call in Pillar II of Horizon Europe this year, please make sure you are [referring to the final version of the topic description](#).

The calls and topics are now also visible and available to read within the EU portal.

Calls Open: 22 May

Single-Stage Deadline: 16 Sept. 2025

Two-Stage Deadlines: 16 Sept. 2025 / 16 April 2026

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

Incentive funding for EU projects from Helse-Midt Norge

PROJECT ESTABLISHMENT FUNDING

Helse-Midt Norge offers up to 250 000 NOK in project establishment funding for applications to Horizon Europe where local PES support is insufficient or unapplicable.

SUPPORT FUNDS FOR AWARDED HEU PROJECTS

Additionally, support for running costs related to awarded Horizon Europe projects is available up to 10% of the award amount (max 1 million NOK).

Useful Details:

Applications can be in English or Norwegian.

If you apply for support for awarded projects, you can submit the description of action from part B of your application as the project description.

Please note that collaboration with a health organization within Helse Midt-Norge is a prerequisite for these funds.

NB: HMN have received very few applications in both these categories and if we want such funds to continue to be available, we need to use of them. Thus, we encourage everyone applying to a HEU call (even if you are now past the 6-month cut-off before the application deadline) and those who have an awarded project to apply. This includes ERC, Health cluster (or other cluster), Pathfinder, Marie Curie actions etc.

[Further details and application can be found here.](#)

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

Upcoming online info days about several HEU programmes

The European Commission is holding information days on the following programmes:

Cluster 1: Health

Time: 22 May

Place: [Online: Click here for info](#)

EU Missons

Time: 22-23 May

Place: [Online: Click here for info](#)

NB: Cancer Mission is presented at 9:30 on May 23

If you are interested in the Cancer missions, the EU Cancer Mission is also hosting a one-day conference focusing on cancer prevention, early screening and quality of life during and after treatment. It will be [live streamed here](#) on 17th June at 9:00.

MSCA Staff Exchanges

Time: 05 June

Place: [Online: Click here for info](#)

MSCA Doctoral Networks

Time: 24 June

Place: [Online: Click here for info](#)

No registration is necessary and it's possible to follow only the sessions each day that interest you. The programmes are available at the above links. It will also be possible to watch a recorded version of each session once the info day is complete. However, live participation affords you the opportunity to ask questions about the work programmes, calls and topics directly to the European Commission.

The Norwegian Research Council is organizing the following info webinar:

ERC Synergy Grants 2026

Time: 26 May, 10:00-11:30

Place: [Online: Click here for info](#)

Do you have a groundbreaking research idea, but need the expertise of one or more outstanding researchers to potentially solve the scientific challenge? ERC Synergy Grants might be the solution.

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

It's not too late to register for the EDCTP conference in Kigali

This is a great networking opportunity ahead of the 2026 collaborative calls.

Time: 15-20 June

Place: Kigali Convention Centre, Rwanda

[Further information and registration here](#)

The Forum programme will be crafted around the theme 'Better health through global research partnerships.'

The programme of this year's Forum comprises a wide range of topics of clinical research covering poverty-related and neglected infectious diseases, within the scope of the Global Health EDCTP3 programme.

If you already plan to attend and have an interest in TB research, send an [email to Søknadshjelpen](#) as **we can arrange meetings with THRU-Zim researchers interested in collaborating for future EU calls**. They have been very successful in the past with EDCTP applications.

Other Calls for Funding

CAG Info Session (Clinical Academic Groups).

Potential applicants are invited to an information meeting about the **2026 CAG call with a deadline on 12 September 2025**.

CAGs receive funding to establish an interdisciplinary team and collaboration that gathers professional activities, contributing to the development of new knowledge, translating that knowledge into clinical practice, and enhancing competence within the healthcare service. [Further information in English is available here.](#)

Time: 26 May 10:00 – 11:00

Place: [NTNU Øya, 1930-Bygget, room 30M11](#)

Time: 26 May 11:30 - 12:30

Place: [Teams Meeting Online](#)

Registration deadline: 23th May

To register, email arild.hansen@ntnu.no and indicate if you wish to attend the in-person or digital session.

Upcoming Thematic Calls from Norwegian Research Council

The Research Council of Norway has announced several upcoming thematic calls with fall 2025 deadlines, which may be relevant to some research environments at MH:

[Research and Innovation to Strengthen the Sustainability of Municipal Health and Care Services](#)

Call Opens: 13 August 2025

Deadline: 24 September 2025

This call requires that projects are carried out in collaboration between several municipalities and at least one research organisation

[Click here to watch a recording of the info meeting about this call that took place in April. \(in Norwegian\)](#)

[Health Pilot](#) (planned)

Call Opens: 13 August 2025

Deadline: 24 September 2025

This call funds innovation processes that are based on the needs of patients, citizens or the public health services, and that can contribute to sustainability in the health and care services and to value creation in Norwegian business and industry.

NB: The project owner must either be a *company* (collaborating with *at least one partner in the public health and care sector*) or a *public enterprise* (collaborating with at least one enterprise that is registered in the Norwegian Register of Business Enterprises and that has economic activity in Norway. **Research institutions may participate as R&D providers.**

The English version of the planned call is not yet available.

Collaborative project to prevent and combat violence in close relationships (planned)

Call Opens: 01 October 2025

Deadline: 12 November 2025

This project that requires collaboration between research groups and actors outside of the research sector.

The complete call text and English version of the planned call are not yet available.

Support Activities

Support for Researchers in Gjøvik and Ålesund to travel to ERC Reading Days

If you are from Ålesund or Gjøvik, NTNU will pay for your travel to attend the ERC proposal reading days organized by the Norwegian Research Council in Trondheim or Oslo.

If you are interested in attending a reading day in Trondheim or Oslo, you can send an email to the MH Grants Office and we will set this up for you: soknadshjelpen@mh.ntnu.no

ERC Proposal Reading Day at NTNU - Final Chance to Register!

Time: 27 May, 9:00 – 12:00 (morning session), 12:30-15:30 (afternoon session)

Place: [NTNU Gløshaugen, Hovedbygget, room 329](#)

Registration deadline: 20th May at 11:58 PM

Are you applying for an ERC grant in the coming calls?

The Norwegian Research Council is hosting a Reading Day of Successful ERC proposals in Trondheim.

There are over 70 successful proposals available to read, from researchers at institutions across Norway and in every subfield.

[Click here to register for the morning session](#)

[Click here to register for the afternoon session.](#)

NFR/RCN Proposal Reading Day at MH

Time: June 11th, 12:00-15:00

Place: [Helgasetr 03-023](#) (Room 23 on the 3rd floor)

Registration deadline: June 9th

Register [here](#) and choose up to three proposals you want to read. [An overview of the available proposals can be found here](#)

Are you planning to apply FRIPRO in fall 2025? This is our last reading day before the summer!

The Grants Office invites you to a reading day of proposals that have been funded by the Research Council of Norway.

It is invaluable to see how successful proposals are structured and formulated, whether you are writing your own proposal or helping others secure funding as an adviser. We now have an updated and expanded our list of available proposals and are very grateful to the 19 researchers who have agreed to share their work.

To protect the researchers who have been so kind as to share their proposals, these rules will be in place:

If you have any questions about securing funding from the research council or would like more information, you can reach the MH Grants Office at: soknadshjelpen@mh.ntnu.no.

Reading Day Rules:

To protect the researchers who have been so kind as to share their ERC and NFR proposals, these rules will be in place during our reading days:

- You can only read the proposals at the set time and place
- You can't take the proposal out of the room
- No copying or taking pictures of the proposal
- You may take notes on paper, laptop or other digital note-taking device.
- Before you can see the proposals, you will have to sign a non-disclosure agreement

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