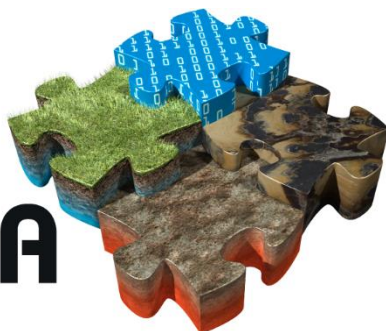


GeoERA



Establishing the European Geological Surveys Research Area to deliver a Geological Service for Europe

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ADMISSIBILITY AND ELIGIBILITY

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- Geo-energy
- Groundwater
- Raw materials
- Information platform

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1 Introduction

This document details admissibility and eligibility for submissions to the GeoERA Call for Project Idea. The admissibility and eligibility are the minimum conditions which a proposal must fulfil to be evaluated. The GeoERA Secretariat will check the eligibility of each proposal and only those eligible will be evaluated. Where eligibility is not met, the proposal will be rejected and the proposers informed.

GeoERA has the overall goal to integrate information and knowledge of the participating Geological Survey Organizations on Geo-Energy, Groundwater and Raw Materials to support sustainable use of the subsurface in addressing EU H2020's [Societal Challenges](#).

2 Call stages

The GeoERA Call has two stages:

- Stage One *Call for Project Ideas*,
- Stage Two *Call for Project Proposals*.

The first stage, *Call for Project Ideas*, is open to everyone. It allows stakeholders to provide input to the content of the GeoERA research programme through the submission of Project Ideas. In this way, submissions at Stage One identify the need for a particular research activity from a stakeholder perspective and provides input for the Stage Two call text.

The second stage, *Call for Projects Proposals*, is open only to GeoERA Participants (See Chapter 4). It asks for Project Proposals similar in structure to H2020 RIA/IA proposals. The GeoERA Partners agreed to co-fund the research proposed with in-kind resources.

3 Admissibility and eligibility

3.1 Admissibility

To be considered admissible, a submitted Project Idea (Stage One) or Project Proposal (Stage Two) must be:

- Submitted following the instructions given in the supporting Joint Call documents;
- Readable, accessible, printable, written in English language;
- Submitted within the allotted space, on time.

Incomplete submissions may be considered inadmissible. A complete submission includes the requested administrative data, the proposal description and any supporting documents specified in the call.



3.2 Eligibility to submit at Stage One

Stage One is a call for the submission of Project Ideas. This call is open to any person or organization worldwide. There are no eligibility requirements; merely the admissibility requirements given above.

3.3 Eligibility to submit at Stage Two

Stage Two is a Call for Project Proposals. Project consortia have to deliver transnational project proposals. GeoERA projects must involve at least two independent entities from two different EU Member States or Associated Countries, one of which acts as the project coordinator. In addition to GeoERA partners, consortia may include Linked Third Parties and non-funded partners (see chapter 4 for an explanation of the different types of partners).

To reach the GeoERA objective of delivering interoperable, pan-European data and information services, methodologies and common assessment frameworks to the different stakeholders, but also increase the impact for Europe as a whole, it is strongly advised to prepare proposals that consist of at least three GeoERA partners from at least three different EU Member States or Associated Countries.

4 Participants in GeoERA projects

The following types of participants are allowed in GeoERA Joint Research Projects:

4.1 GeoERA Beneficiaries

Beneficiaries of the GeoERA Grant Agreement are listed in Table 1. The GeoERA Beneficiaries are also referred to as GeoERA Partners or Parties.

4.2 Linked Third Parties

The GeoERA Beneficiaries must have the appropriate resources to implement the action. If it is necessary for the implementation of the trans-national projects, GeoERA Partners may call upon Linked Third Parties, which can make in-kind resources available to a GeoERA Partner, to implement action tasks.

A Linked Third party is an organization "linked" to a GeoERA Partner. The term "linked" refers to an established legal relationship between a Third Party and the GeoERA Partner. This relationship by nature is broad and is not limited to the GeoERA Grant Agreement. Accordingly, its duration goes beyond the duration of the GeoERA and usually pre-dates and outlasts GeoERA.

In all cases, the GeoERA Partner retains sole responsibility for the work of the Linked Third Party and has to make sure that the Linked Third Party complies with the provisions of the Grant Agreement.

Inclusion of Linked Third Parties is only possible through an amendment of the GeoERA Grant Agreement requested by the Coordinator.



4.3 Non-funded partners

Legal entities outside the GeoERA consortium may participate in projects as non-funded partners. Non-funded partners can deliver work that is part of the Project. They submit their estimated costs as part of the proposal, and sign the Project Agreement, but receive no funding from GeoERA.

5 Budget limit per organisation

5.1 Limit of the maximum amount of finance for proposals

The total budget towards which each participant can submit Project Proposals in Stage Two is limited to the total call contribution for that participant as listed in *Table 1*. Changes to *Table 1* are allowed up to **30 days before** the deadline for submission of Project Proposals, as long as the participant guarantees (by formal letter to the GeoERA Secretariat) that all successful project participations submitted by them can be funded.

Table 1: Maximum in-kind call contribution per participant (excluding EC Contribution)

Participant no.	Country – short name	Maximum in-kind call contribution
1	Netherlands – TNO	€ 2.931.227,64
	Netherlands – Deltares	€ 218.587,50
2	Albania – AGS	€ 70.350,00
3	Austria – GBA	€ 1.490.750,00
4	Belgium – RBINS	€ 395.635,00
5	Belgium – LNE-ALBON	€ 96.731,25
	Belgium – VITO	€ 368.842,97
6	Belgium – VMM	€ 45.225,00
	Belgium – SCK	€ 135.675,00
7	Bosnia-Herzegovina – FZZG	€ 116.793,56
8	Croatia – HGI-CGS	€ 548.227,50
9	Cyprus – GSD	€ 186.008,75
10	Czech Republic – CGS	€ 232.155,00
11	Denmark – GEUS	€ 2.936.275,00
12	Finland – GTK	€ 419.461,88
13	France – BRGM	€ 2.001.625,00
14	Germany – BGR	€ 2.239.475,00
15	Germany – LGRB	€ 602.473,00
16	Germany – LfU	€ 878.705,00
17	Germany – LGBR	€ 676.013,25
18	Germany – LBEG	€ 2.205.037,00



19	Germany – LAGB	€ 679.505,63
20	Greece – IGME Greece	€ 210.000,00
21	Hungary – MFGI	€ 67.526,00
22	Iceland – ÍSOR	€ 400.000,00
23	Ireland – GSI	€ 939.812,50
24	Italy – ISPRA	€ 658.565,00
25	Italy – SGSS	€ 168.144,24
26	Italy – RM	€ 42.036,06
27	Italy – ARPAP	€ 93.413,46
28	Italy – RT	€ 42.036,06
29	Italy – RU	€ 42.036,06
30	Italy – RAVA	€ 28.024,03
31	Latvia – LVGMC	€ 155.105,00
32	Lithuania – LGT	€ 78.977,62
33	Luxembourg – SGL	€ 124.285,00
34	Malta – MTI	€ 0,00
35	Norway – NGU	€ 499.820,00
36	Poland – PIG-PIB	€ 1.556.075,00
37	Portugal – LNEG	€ 694.287,50
38	Romania – IGR	€ 514.225,00
39	Slovakia – SGUDS	€ 642.050,00
40	Slovenia – GeoZS	€ 1.571.250,00
41	Spain – IGME Spain	€ 1.660.344,00
42	Spain – ICGC	€ 609.930,31
43	Sweden – SGU	€ 853.161,25
44	Ukraine – GEOINFORM	€ 737.000,00
45	United Kingdom – NERC	€ 3.400.000,00
46	Germany - LUNG	€ 654.087,50
47	Macedonia – GSRM	€ 126.630,00
48	Serbia - GSS	€ 120.466,00
	Total	€ 36.164.067,51