Dear colleagues, dear students,

Through top-level education and research, EUniWell, the European University for Well-Being, aims at creating an inclusive and diverse environment that allows citizens to be well-educated, socially responsible, and healthy. In the longer term, the collaboration will define how a modern, civic, and entrepreneurial European University Alliance can support social and individual well-being in a global setting.

EUniWell's Seed Funding Programme, with already 41 funded projects, constitutes one of the most prominent collaboration hubs within our alliance. The projects are based on co-creation between researchers, students, educators, and administrative staff, and cover diversified fields such as health research, entrepreneurship, pedagogical innovation, or transnational connections, to name just a few.

This sixth Seed Funding Call will aim to further stimulate cooperation initiatives that contribute to promote well-being in education, research, student life and policies in the EUniWell Alliance. This new call for projects is an avenue to strengthen ties between EUniWell and its community by staying true to its purpose of deepening our mutual bonds, promoting research and experimentation, and supporting innovative ideas to foster individual and societal well-being.

We are pleased to announce that the sixth EUniWell Seed Funding Call will witness active participation from all 11 partner universities within the EUniWell Alliance. This inclusive collaboration marks a significant milestone on our journey towards fostering a shared commitment to well-being, education, and innovation. Notably, the University of Konstanz, the University of Santiago de Compostela, and the Institut National des Langues et Civilisations Orientales (Inalco) will be joining this initiative for the first time, bringing fresh perspectives and expertise to our collective endeavors. With the participation of these esteemed institutions, we aim to amplify the impact of our projects and further strengthen the bonds that unite us in our pursuit of individual, social and environmental well-being. As we expand our collaborative efforts, we invite researchers, students, educators, and administrative staff from all partner universities to join hands and contribute their insights and passion to this exciting venture. Together, we will continue shaping the future of EUniWell as a dynamic force for positive change in the global academic landscape.
Our values of cooperation and innovation also naturally place students’ involvement at the heart of our approach, and there is no better way to excite their enthusiasm and engagement than for them to see the effect their ideas and work can have on the world, beyond geographical and disciplinary boundaries. That enthusiasm and engagement is already happening within the alliance, and the goal is to inspire and empower more people to make well-being a priority to positively impact our society. This is why we strongly encourage students to participate in this sixth call either by leading or contributing to projects.

The EUniWell Board is looking forward to supporting excellent and innovative projects that will foster EUniWell’s development as a multi-campus university.

Best regards,

Prof. Beatrix Busse, Chief Development Officer on behalf of the EUniWell Board
Eligibility

Collaborative proposals must be submitted by teachers/researchers/administrative staff/students\(^1\) from at least **four universities of the EUniWell consortium**: University of Birmingham, University of Cologne, University of Florence, Inalco, University of Konstanz, Linnaeus University, University of Murcia, Nantes Université, University of Santiago de Compostela, Semmelweis University, Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv (KNU).

**Teachers/researchers/administrative staff** of all career levels and **students** of the participating universities can apply either as project coordinators or partners. Please note that an active **university affiliation** either as a **member of staff or matriculated student** at one of the EUniWell consortium members will be required from all applying project participants for the full duration of the Seed Funding Project.

Proposals should include a description of how teachers/researchers/students/administrative staff from participating universities will be involved.

Content

The call is not restricted in terms of content or themes, but priority will be given to innovative proposals that address **EUniWell’s core commitment to advance well-being** in Health, Education, People and Institutions, Environment, Social and Gender Equality and/or Social and Cultural Diversity and Inclusion.

Projects may address **research and/or teaching and/or policy development and/or social engagement** topics, as well as **student and/or staff well-being**.

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\(^1\) It is not necessary that every group is represented in a given project. Applications made only by teachers, researchers, students, or administrative staff are allowed, as long as at least four of the partner universities are involved actively.
**Funding**

The maximum grant allocated per project is **€25,000**, which can be split between involved project partners. Project partners allowed to receive shares of the project budget must be affiliated to one of the EUniWell consortium members either as members of staff or matriculated students for the full duration of the project. If such a project partner leaves the member university before the end of the project, the project coordinator must report this and seek a replacement for the project to be able to continue.

**Project duration**

Selected projects should start by **1st of June 2024**, for a period of **12 months**.

**Re-applying**

Unsuccessful project applicants from previous calls may consider submitting a new proposal.

**Application procedure**

The procedure is based on a one-step approach.

Complete proposals must be submitted electronically to: contactform@euniwell.eu, **latest by Sunday March 10th, 2024, 23h59 (CET)**.

The following documents are to be submitted:

- Application form in .pdf format (file size must not exceed 10 MB) in English language– beware the limitation of characters authorized in the application form.
- Financial form in .pdf and .xls format
- List of CVs of the project team in English language
- If relevant, declaration on compliance with the rules of good scientific practice, ethics approvals, etc., in accordance with the rules of the respective home university of the researchers/students involved.

Applicants will receive confirmation upon successful receipt of their application.
**Evaluation criteria**

Funding support will be provided to projects that outline the planned collaboration (e.g., existing cooperation, potential of future collaboration), elaborate on the development potential of topics, exchange plans, as well as joint projects.

The main criteria that will be used in assessing and evaluating the proposals are:

- Participation of teachers/researchers/administrative staff/students from at least four participating universities. Preference will be given to applications that include or target different status groups. Special attention will be given to the number of universities involved and on student participation in the projects.

- Added value for future collaboration of the participating partner universities, particularly in the framework of the 5 EUniWell thematic arenas: Health and Well-Being; Social Equality and Well-Being; Environmental Change and Well-Being; Culture, Multilingualism and Well-Being; Teacher Education and Well-Being.

- Quality and innovation potential of the project ideas, e.g., in terms of new exchange formats/tools, new research ideas, digitization, entrepreneurship, ideas for shaping future Europe and global engagement, etc.

- Reference to EUniWell’s core commitment to advance well-being in Health, Education, People and Institutions, Environment, Social Equality and/or Social and Cultural Diversity and Inclusion.

**Partner search**

If you require assistance in finding suitable partners for a Seed Funding Call 6 project idea at other EUniWell consortium universities, please either contact your local EUniWell management team (“Administrative Arena”) or send a message to contactform@euniwell.eu. Your request should include sufficient information on your project idea and what kind of interest or expertise you are looking for in your partners to facilitate assisting you in the match finding.
**Evaluation process**

Complete proposals that have been **submitted by 10 March 2024** will be evaluated by expert staff and students from the EUniWell universities. A joint selection committee will decide on the projects to be supported.

It is expected that at least 10 projects can be funded under this Call.

Selected and non-selected applicants will be notified by email in the **first half of May 2024**.

**Project implementation**

A kick-off meeting will be organized with all successful applicants in the second half of May 2024, and an implementation guide will be distributed.

**Research Data Management**

EUniWell considers the careful handling of research data to be of great importance in increasing the reliability, quality, and reproducibility of research, as well as in promoting the reuse of research and project results. As EUniWell expects and requires good data management practices, the research data collected and generated within the projects will be regulated under the EUniWell Data Management Plan.

**Funding procedure**

Each university involved in a project will provide the funding to their selected project partners, according to the internal rules of the institution.

**The involvement of KNU’s staff within the projects will be supported financially by the other EUniWell universities. For more information, see the dedicated section in the FAQ document.**
Communication

Each project coordinator will be requested to provide a project outline for publication on the EUniWell website by July 2024, as well as an update of the same in midterm and at the end of the project.

Reporting

Mid-term report: After six months, each project coordinator will be requested to submit a written interim report. This report is due within 30 days of the end of the midterm period. This report aims at providing insights on the progress of the project and identifying potential difficulties.

Final report: A final activity and financial report will be requested within 60 days after the completion of the project.
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