

Dear Colleagues,

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 can support social and individual well-being in a global setting.

Well-being is one of the cornerstones of the European Union and a common European value. Understanding and improving well-being requires a holistic approach. Thus collaboration within EUniWell spans research, education, and policy engagement.

As one of the most renowned and tangible achievements of our Alliance, the **EUniWell Seed Funding Programme** aims at promoting well-being related projects in education, research and management/policy development by gathering researchers, students, educators and administrators from our seven universities.

Following the success of the first two calls, with more than 100 submitted interuniversity applications, EUniWell leaders have decided **to launch a third Seed Funding Call** to further stimulate innovative research, teaching, policy development as well as student well-being.

As described in the Terms of Reference, this call will fund multilateral networking activities and projects between consortium partners in order to deepen our mutual bonds and to support innovative ideas to foster well-being.

Based upon the lessons learnt from the first two editions, this third Seed Funding Call will also give us the opportunity **to involve students more actively in EUniWell**: special attention will be paid to value projects involving students during the evaluation process. Furthermore, to encourage student applications, a workshop on proposal writing will be organized specifically for interested students.

The grants are envisioned as a flexible instrument to trigger more collaboration between the partners and to encourage innovative projects bringing new ideas.

The EUniWell Board is looking forward to supporting excellent and innovative projects that will foster multilateral co-operation within the consortium.

Best regards,

Isabelle Richard (Vice-Rector, University of Nantes) on behalf of EUniWell



Terms of Reference - Third seed funding call launched 14 October 2021

Eligibility

Applicants and partnership :

The proposal must be submitted by teachers/researchers/administrative staff/students¹ from **at least three universities of the consortium** and should include a description of how teachers/researchers/students from other universities will be involved.

Teachers/researchers/administrative staff of all career levels and **students** of the participating universities can apply either as project Coordinators or Partners.

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, Gender equality and/or Reduced inequalities. Projects may address **research** and/or **teaching** and/or **policy development** topics, as well as **student well-being**.

Funding :

The maximum grant allocated per project is **25 000€**, which can be split between involved project partners.

Project duration :

Selected projects should start on **1st of February 2022**, 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.

Proposals must be submitted electronically to : **euniwell-fundingcall@univ-nantes.fr, latest by **Sunday December 5th 2021, 23h59 (CET)**.**

¹It 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 minimum three of the partner universities are involved actively.

Following documents are to be submitted :

- Application form in .pdf format (file size must not exceed 10 MB) – beware the limitation of characters authorized in the application form
- Financial form in .pdf and .xls format
- List of CVs of the project team
- If relevant, declaration on compliance with the rules of good scientific practice, 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 staff/researchers/students from **at least three participating universities**. Preference will be given to applications that include both staff and students; special attention will be drawn on projects involving students;
- Added value for future collaboration of the participating partner universities; particularly, if a future joint application under an international funding programme is aimed at;
- 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, Gender equality and/or Reduced inequalities.

Evaluation process

Complete proposals will be evaluated by the EUniWell participating universities and a joint selection committee will decide on the projects to be supported.

It is expected that at least 7 projects can be funded under this Call.

Selected and non-selected applicants will be notified by email by the end of January 2022.

Project implementation

Funding

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

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 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 two months of the completion of the project.

Schedule of the call

| Date | Event |
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| 14/10/2021 | Opening of the Call for proposals |
| 19/10/2021 | Information session on the call during FestiWell (11h30-12h15 CET) |
| 29/10/2021 | Online information session – Questions and Answers (12h00 – 13h30 CET) |
| 10/11/2021 | Online information session – Questions and Answers (12h00 – 13h30 CET) |
| 12/11/2021 | Workshop on proposal writing (only for students), (12h00-13h30 CET) |
| 05/12/2021 23.59 CET | Closing of the call for proposals |
| January 2022 | Selection of proposals |
| February 2022 – January 2021 | Implementation of selected projects |

Proposals and queries should be addressed to: euniwell-fundingcall@univ-nantes.fr