

SEED FUNDING – PATHWAY TO LARGER GRANTS
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APPLICATION FORM
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LS4FUTURE subscribes to the One Health concept, working towards environmental and human health to ensure a sustainable future for humankind and our planet. Part of its mission is to foster collaboration between partner institutions and attract international funding. Applications will be evaluated according to the extent to which they meet the requirements of this scheme as described in its framework. Upon selection by an external review panel, outcomes will be communicated to applicants by April 30th.

Eligibility criteria:

- be collaborative (at least 2 applicant PIs from different LS4FUTURE Institutions: ITQB NOVA, NMS, IPO, NIMSB and iBET also team members in our Research Units: MOST-MICRO, GREEN-it, iNOVA4Health).
- be short (minimum of 6 months and up to 8 months)
- lead to a larger international grant application (> 300K) within 12 months of project completion

Funding:

- Proposals can be funded up to 20K€ and distributed as follows: 60% may be used to generate preliminary results, and the other 40% must be used to build consortia or create the necessary conditions to leverage a large proposal (missions, visits, workshops, consultants, etc.)
- Main applicants can request up to 15K€, and co-applicants up to 5K€
- If applicants intend to spend more than 20k on this project, they should explain how they will fund the additional expenses and experiments.

Submission:

- Applications up to 4 pages must be submitted by the main applicant to ls4future@ls4future.pt
- Short CVs from applicant and co-applicant (up to 2 pages) are to be included

Section 1: Application ID	
Name of main applicant	
LS4FUTURE Institution	
Name of co-applicant(s) – <i>those who will also receive this funding</i>	
LS4FUTURE Institution(s)	
Title of project	
Proposed Start Date (May to Dec)	
International partners	
International grant scheme you intend to apply to with the support of this award.	<i>Please include here: 1) link to the scheme, 2) actual or usual submission deadline, 3) name of the proposal coordinator</i>

Section 2: Scope

Please provide a summary describing the purpose and scope of the international proposal. Explain how this collaboration increases its success and how the international partners' expertise contributes to it. Explain how the proposal aligns with the [LS4FUTURE's mission](#). **Please expand as necessary to no more than 1 side of A4 (maximum of 2600 characters with spaces)**

*High-level vision for the international proposal & fit with LS4FUTURE's mission
Why is this team fit to deliver the proposed work?*

Section 2a: Achievements

List up to **5** publications, widely-used datasets, software, goods, services, awards or any other achievements relevant to the named international call you intend to apply.

Section 3: Action plan

Please explain the objectives and deliverables of this project. Describe how these will contribute to the development of the collaborative proposal to be submitted to the international call, and how the proposed work aligns with the call remit. **Please expand as necessary to no more than 1 side of A4 (maximum of 2600 characters with spaces)**

*Detailed objectives and deliverables for this seed funding project
How do these contribute to the elaboration of the international proposal?*

Section 4: Short Itemized budget

Please include rows as needed. Only LS4FUTURE members are eligible to use these funds; external partners are not eligible. Already incurred expenses will not be considered for support. Eligible costs include:

- Consumables
- Travel and accommodation costs
- Conference/seminar organising costs (catering, venue, posters, etc)
- Services (grant writing, consultancy, etc)

Item	Amount	Recipient/Institution
Total		

Section 4a: Justification of funds

Please explain how the funds requested will be used to support the elaboration of the named collaborative international grant proposal. **Please expand as necessary to no more than 1 side of A4 (maximum of 2000 characters with spaces)**