

'Academic' line of funding

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Calls for proposals for the 'Academic' line of funding are issued once a year on our homepage www.hospitalpartnerships.org. The line addresses German-international partner projects that jointly implement research activities. The focus is on capacity development with the aim of sustainably improving health care in partner countries.

The funding program provides up to EUR 200,000 over a period of 24 months.

Who can apply?

- German university hospitals or research institutions
- The international partner institutions must be hospitals with an existing scientific orientation or university hospitals.
- A **long-term**, **institutional partnership** is identifiable.
- Partner institutions come from low-and middle-income countries according to the OECD-DAC criteria, except for Turkey. Projects with Chinese partners can only be funded as part of a triangular cooperation with another low-and middle-income country (especially in Africa).

 The international partner organizations offer public health services to the general population and achieve a medical contribution to improving health services. Basic research cannot be funded.

Selection criteria

The following criteria should be taken into account in project planning

- **Project approach and effects:** Applicants present both the positive effects of the planned activities as well as the potential, unintended effects.
- **Relevance:** The long-term partnership at eye-level improves the medical care in the partner hospital, taking into account local needs and considering vulnerable and under-reached population groups.
- **Innovation:** The planned methodical or professional approaches are innovative.
- Efficiency: Project management involves clear responsibilities and appropriate time and financial planning in all institutions involved.

- Effectiveness: The project is feasible; its effectiveness is traceable. Objectives, activities and indicators are aligned and reviewed on a regular basis.
- Sustainability: The partner institutions strengthened on a long-time basis through capacity building by training and scientific exchange. Future integration in international and cross-sectoral research networks is aimed for. The activities serve the wellbeing of patients and are applicable to health systems, other contexts and national programs.
- Ethical acceptability and sociocultural context: Project implementation follows an ethically and politically acceptable approach and adheres to international guidelines on good scientific practice. It considers ethics committees and data protection regulations. The measures are embedded in the socio-cultural context of the partner country.
- Gender sensitivity and diversity: The interventions are planned in a gender sensitive way and take into account the various dimensions of diversity.

Distribution of results: Scientific publications are conceived in open access format and researchers from the partner countries are appropriately involved in the publication process. The results are distributed through different channels also addressing non-academic target groups.

What can be funded?

- personnel costs
- external experts/consultants
- travel/transport costs
- event costs
- procurement of equipment up to 30% of the total grant
- administrative costs

How to apply

Information on the funding program and current calls can be found at: www.hospitalpartnerships.org

We will be happy to advise you!

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