

CALL FOR FUNDING OF JOINT RESEARCH PROJECTS IN THE FRAMEWORK OF UNA EUROPA

ABOUT UNA EUROPA

UNA Europa brings together eight leading research universities with a worldwide reputation. Its mission is to create a truly European inter-university environment, where research excellence is linked to transnational learning and critical and innovative thinking.

UNA Europa is one of the 17 European Alliances funded in 2019 by the European Commission for a period of 3 years (2019-2021).

The 8 partner universities of UNA Europa are Freie Universität Berlin, Alma Mater Studiorum - Università di Bologna, University of Edinburgh, Helsingin Yliopisto, Uniwersytet Jagielloński w Krakowie, KU Leuven, Universidad Complutense de Madrid and Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne.

UNA Europa has defined 4 priority themes for 2019-2021:

- **Sustainable Development,**
- **European Studies,**
- **Cultural Heritage,**
- **Artificial Intelligence/Data Science.**

CALL FOR JOINT PROJECTS PARIS 1 PANTHEON-SORBONNE - UNA Europa

This call for joint projects invites researchers from Paris 1 to propose projects in one of the above 4 priority themes. These projects should:

- Strengthen and initiate long-term cooperation within the UNA Europa network by encouraging collaboration between colleagues from different universities,
- Enable researchers to identify other sources of funding (European or other) for the continuation and development of projects.
- Consolidate the 4 priority themes of UNA Europa

4 projects will be funded per year (over 3 years), for a duration of one year, for each of UNA Europa's four priority themes, to the tune of €17,500 each.

ELIGIBILITY

The project must be led by a Paris 1 faculty member and must involve academics from at least three UNA Europa universities. The participation of other university staff members is possible.

- External participants may be involved in the proposed activities, but at their own expense.
- The duration of a proposed activity can be up to one year.
- This seed funding should not duplicate funding that is otherwise available. Own resources contributed to the project will be favourably considered in the evaluation.

EVALUATION

The evaluation of the submitted projects will be carried out by Paris 1 academics that are members of the 4 Self-Steering Committees. Members of the SSCs working in partner universities may also participate to the selection.

The projects will be managed each laureate academics's research units (laboratoires). They will enable Paris 1 researchers to identify colleagues working on the same themes in other UNA Europa universities members. They will facilitate the construction of scientific communities and will play a leverage role in identifying and obtaining funding from the EU or other sources.

Quality (50 points)

- Academic quality, work plan and objectives of the proposed project
- Innovative and interdisciplinary approach
- Quality of the team involved

Impact (30 points)

- Ability to contribute to UNA Europa's objectives and to the deepening of cooperation within the alliance in the long term
- Ability to attract external funding
- Contribution to sustainable development objectives

Implementation (20 points)

- Ability to turn a well-structured budget into a realistic work plan
- Number of UNA Europa partners involved (in case of equal scores of two applications, funding will be granted to the project involving more partners)

Deadlines

The deadline for proposals is: 13 March 2020.

The proposed activities must be carried out between July 2020 and June 2021.

Project reports

Recipients will be invited to submit a project report after completing their activity. Successful applicants will receive templated for submitting reports.

How to Apply

An application for seed funding must be submitted by the Academics and must include the following documents as separate downloadable documents.

1. Project description (max 5 pages)
2. CV of the Paris 1 EC, project leader (2 pages max) and CVs of colleagues from UNA Europa Universities participating in the project (2 pages/CV)

3. Timetable for the proposed activity
4. Detailed budget
5. Letters of support from the Director of the Department

Applications must be sent by e-mail, in a single PDF file, to the attention of Sandra Mereu (sandra.mereu@univ-paris1.fr) at the Research Department of Paris 1 (DIREVAL)