

EUROPEAN FUND FOR DISPLACED SCIENTISTS

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS – FUNDING LINE 1

ABOUT THE PROGRAMME

The European Fund for Displaced Scientists (EFDS) aims to support scientists and scientific institutions impacted by the war in Ukraine. The programme was established in partnership between ALLEA and the Breakthrough Prize Foundation. The fund is endowed with a total of \$1.5 million and has two components: *Funding line 1*, which provides funds to academic institutions in Europe that wish to host scholars displaced by the war in Ukraine; and *Funding line 2*, which provides funds to affected Ukrainian universities, academies, and research institutes to help them maintain their operations and rebuild their scientific facilities. This call pertains to **Funding line 1**.

WHO CAN APPLY?

The application is open to **academic institutions** (“the host institution”), including universities, academies, and other research-performing organisations that are based in a [Council of Europe](#) member state, and that plan to host researchers who have been displaced by the war in Ukraine (“the beneficiaries”).

Applications must be submitted according to the principle “one beneficiary, one application”. Host institutions can apply for up to one-year of funding to set up new or maintain existing positions for researchers who have fled Ukraine. Applications must be submitted by the host institution and should be co-signed by the beneficiary. There is no limit to the number of beneficiaries that a host institution can apply funding for. Institutions dedicated to military research are not eligible for funding.

WHO BENEFITS?

The programme aims to help **scholars from all scientific disciplines who have left or are seeking to leave Ukraine as a consequence of the war** (the beneficiaries). Eligible beneficiaries include postdoctoral researchers, as well as assistant, associate or full professors affiliated with Ukrainian academic and/or research-performing institutions. Proof of affiliation of the beneficiary with a Ukrainian institution must be provided with the application.

CRITERIA AND SELECTION PROCEDURES IN A NUTSHELL

1. **Hosting institutions** will integrate the beneficiaries into existing or new research projects and departments, and commit to supporting them by providing the required infrastructure for Ukrainian scientists to continue their research work in a safe environment.
2. The programme will offer a **monthly stipend for up to 12 months**. As a rule, the maximum amount should not exceed €25,000 per beneficiary and will be determined in accordance with the beneficiary’s academic position and the regulations of the hosting institutions.
3. The **selection process** will be performed by the independent EFDS selection committee on the basis of the applications and taking into account further relevant criteria and considerations as appropriate and unanimously agreed upon by the committee members.
4. **Successful applicants** will be informed about the conditions of the grant without delay. Disbursement procedures, reporting and other requirements will be formalised and acknowledged in a cooperation agreement between ALLEA and the host institution.

GENERAL INQUIRIES

Please be sure to go over the frequently asked questions on our [dedicated webpage](#) for Funding Line 1. If your question is not addressed there, please contact us by email to efds@allea.org.

APPLICATION FORM

Applications will be received in two different rounds. To be considered for the first round, please submit your complete application via e-mail in PDF format to efds@allea.org by **1 July 2022**.

1. HOST INSTITUTION

Name of institution

Country

Address

Website

Short description of the institute/department hosting the beneficiary (max. 500 characters)

2. REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE HOST INSTITUTION

First Name

Last Name

E-mail

3. BENEFICIARY INFORMATION

First Name

Last Name

E-mail

Affiliation in Ukraine

**Please indicate academic affiliation in Ukraine before displacement. Proof of affiliation must be submitted as attachment for the application to be considered valid.*

4. INFORMATION ABOUT HOSTING CONDITIONS AND INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT (max. 2,000 characters per answer)

Desired start and duration of hosting arrangement

Total expected costs for host institution / month

Total grant sum applied for

As a rule, this sum should not exceed € 25,000 per beneficiary

Briefly provide budget overview and funds allocation

**A detailed budget overview with corresponding figures must be submitted as attachment*

Is the beneficiary already employed by the host institution? If yes, under which terms (duration, salary level, full/part-time arrangement, etc.) If no, which terms are envisaged?

Please describe any additional institutional support provided to the beneficiary by the hosting institution (e.g. monthly salary, infrastructure provided)

Please describe further means to assist the beneficiary as appropriate (e.g. in-kind, administrative support)

Please describe any measures to integrate the beneficiary within the host institution (e.g. housing, coaching, training)

5. INFORMATION ABOUT HOSTING ARRANGEMENT AND MEASURES TO SUPPORT UKRAINIAN SCIENCE
(max. 2,000 characters per answer)

Please provide a brief, non-technical explanation of envisioned scientific project(s) that the beneficiary will be conducting at the host institution

Please describe measures and strategies to contribute to Ukrainian science during the war and in a post-war scenario, e.g. measures to avoid brain drain and provisions for the beneficiary's return and reintegration into the Ukrainian academic system after completion of the hosting arrangement

6. CONSENTS AND COMMITMENTS BY APPLYING HOST INSTITUTIONS

- a. The host institution confirms that for the duration of the grant, the beneficiary will be sustained and supported by the institution as set out in point 4.
- b. The host institution confirms that adequate mechanisms are in place to ensure proper procedural quality and due diligence in relation to the temporary employment of the beneficiary.
- c. The host institution confirms that it will do what is within its power to minimise bureaucratic hurdles, help beneficiaries navigate local regulations and linguistic barriers, and provide assistance with finding accommodation, medical and psychological assistance, childcare services, etc.
- d. The host institution confirms the beneficiary's applicability for the ALLEA funding scheme, including that the beneficiary:
 - i. was or is affiliated with a Ukrainian research-performing organisation before or during the hosting arrangement;
 - ii. has a certified academic degree of post-doctoral researcher or higher.
- e. There are no pending investigations of the host institution and/or the beneficiary regarding the fabrication, falsification, or plagiarism of research data and results, nor have previous investigations found them guilty of breaching the guidelines of good scientific conduct. We will adhere to [The European Code of Conduct for Research Integrity](#) to ensure good scientific practice in the research carried out during the hosting arrangement.

- f. We agree that ALLEA grants external donors (who provide third-party funding for the grant scheme) access to all files and documentation relating to the hosting arrangement.
- g. ALLEA will be informed of other funding sources that the beneficiary or host institution applies for in connection to the same project. If an application has already been submitted, we will provide all the relevant information.
- h. ALLEA will be mentioned as a funding source in all related publications and printed or digital material (flyers, websites, etc).
- i. We are aware that ALLEA may publicise information about the beneficiary, the host institution, and the collaboration in case of a positive funding decision.

7. APPLICATION ATTACHMENTS

The following documents must be submitted in English as PDF attachments (3 MB max per document)

- Full CV of beneficiary
- Proof of affiliation of the beneficiary to a Ukrainian academic institution (with English description if original documents are not in English)
- Detailed budget overview with corresponding figures

SIGNATURES

Location and Date

Signature of the representative from host institution

Location and Date

Signature of the beneficiary