

# European, Latin American & Caribbean 5<sup>th</sup> Multi-Thematic Joint Call 2025

#### **Pre-announcement**

## An initiative by the EU-LAC<sup>1</sup> Interest Group towards the EU-LAC CRA<sup>2</sup>

The current call announcement is a preliminary version and is not legally binding. It is intended for potential applicants to begin identifying partners and preparing proposals. The final list of participating funding organisations will be published on 24 February 2025.

**The <u>EU-LAC Interest Group</u>** is a group of funding agencies from LAC, EU Member States (MS) and Associated Countries (AC) wishing to cooperate in bi-regional science, technology and innovation.

Joint Call opening date: 24 February 2025

Submission deadline: 22 May 2025 at 5:00 PM CEST

Through this Joint Call, project consortia involving partners from the countries listed below will be invited to submit proposals.

**Participating funding agencies will provide funds and guidance** through national and/or regional call contact points to assist national beneficiaries in collaborative projects. The selection of projects will be carried out jointly.

**Applicants** can represent public and private scientific, research, technological and innovation institutions on national, federal or European Union-Latin America and the Caribbean regional level, research active industry and non-governmental organisations and other institutions involved in research activities, as long as they are eligible for funding by their respective funding organisations (see list below) according to their respective national regulations.

The goal of the 5<sup>th</sup> EU-LAC Joint Call is to continue creating a sustainable and multilateral long-term collaboration between LAC countries and EU MS/AC by funding transnational research and innovation projects for a period of up to 36 months in the following topics:

| Topic 1   | Biodiversity incl. Agriculture and Food Security       |  |
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| Topic 2   | Bioeconomy and Nature-based Solutions                  |  |
| Topic 3.1 | Global Health  |  |
| Topic 3.2 | Infectious Diseases                                    |  |
| Topic 4   | <b>opic 4</b> EU-LAC Cooperation for Energy Transition |  |
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#### **Participating Funding Organisations**

The following programme owners have confirmed their participation to providing financial contributions for the funding of proposals selected through the Joint Call:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> European Union (EU) – Latin American and Caribbean (LAC)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Common Research Area



1. Argentina: Secretaría de Innovación, Ciencia y Tecnología, SICYT

2. Austria: Bundesministerium für Bildung, Wissenschaft und Forschung, BMBWF

3. Bolivia<sup>3</sup>: Viceministerio de Ciencia y Tecnología, VCyT

4. Brazil: Conselho Nacional de Desenvolvimento Cientifico e Tecnológico, CNPq

5. Brazil: Conselho Nacional das Fundações Estaduais de Amparo à Pesquisa, CONFAP
 6. Costa Rica<sup>3</sup>: Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación, Tecnología y Telecomunicaciones, MICITT

7. Dominican Republic: Ministerio de Educación Superior, Ciencia y Tecnología, MESCyT

8. Germany: Bundesministerium für Bildung und Forschung, BMBF

9. Peru: Consejo Nacional de Ciencia Tecnología e Innovación Tecnológica, CONCYTEC

10. Poland: Narodowe Centrum Badań i Rozwoju, NCBR11. Portugal: Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia, FCT

12. Romania<sup>3</sup>: Unitatea Executiva pentru Finantarea Invatamantului Superior, a CDI, UEFISCDI

13. Spain: Instituto de Salud Carlos III, ISCIII14. Spain: Agencia Estatal de Investigación, AEI

15. Türkiye: Türkiye Bilimsel vê Teknolojik Arastirma Kurumu, TÜBITAK

16. Uruguay: Agencia Nacional de Investigación e Innovación, ANII

The table below lists all call topics along with the national/regional funding agencies that will provide financial support for the respective topic:

| #   | Call topic                                       | Participating funding agencies from LAC                                   | Participating funding agencies from Europe                  |
|-----|--|---|---|
| 1   | Biodiversity incl. Agriculture and Food Security | Brazil (CNPq and CONFAP), Dominican<br>Republic, Peru                     | Austria, Germany, Poland,<br>Spain (AEI), Türkiye           |
| 2   | Bioeconomy and Nature-<br>based Solutions        | Argentina, Brazil (CNPq and CONFAP),<br>Dominican Republic, Peru, Uruguay | Austria, Germany, Poland,<br>Portugal, Spain (AEI), Türkiye |
| 3.1 | Global Health                                    | Argentina, Brazil (CNPq and CONFAP)                                       | Austria, Germany, Poland,<br>Spain (ISCIII), Türkiye        |
| 3.2 | Infectious Diseases                              | Brazil (CNPq and CONFAP), Dominican Republic, Peru, Uruguay               | Austria, Germany, Poland,<br>Spain (ISCIII), Türkiye        |
| 4   | EU-LAC Cooperation for<br>Energy Transition      | Argentina, Brazil (CNPq and CONFAP),<br>Peru                              | Austria, Germany, Poland,<br>Portugal, Spain (AEI), Türkiye |
| 5   | EU-LAC Cooperation in Open Science               | Brazil (CNPq and CONFAP), Dominican Republic, Uruguay                     | Portugal, Türkiye   |

### Find project partners via the ENRICH in LAC Matchmaking Platform

Applicants searching for potential European and / or Latin American & Caribbean partners are invited to register for free at the online <a href="ENRICH in LAC Matchmaking platform">ENRICH in LAC Matchmaking platform</a>.

#### **Key Information**

➤ Call documents will be available from 24 February at: <a href="https://eucelac-platform.eu/joint-actions/calls/5th-eu-lac-joint-call-sti-2025">https://eucelac-platform.eu/joint-actions/calls/5th-eu-lac-joint-call-sti-2025</a>

For further information please contact the call secretariat at UEcelac@fecyt.es

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Participation in the Joint Call is yet to be confirmed.