

# WIR FÖRDERN ZUKUNFT.

**AUSTRIAN LIFE SCIENCES PROGRAM  
& FURTHER FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES  
AT FFG**

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## AUSTRIAN LIFE SCIENCES PROGRAM

**Motivation:** Austria on the way becoming a research, production and business hot spot for life sciences

**Available funding for 2022: € 31 million**

- **Objective 1 - Raise digitalisation potential in the health sector:** Promote research and development projects for the digitalisation of health aspects (diagnostics, telemedicine, medical devices, etc.).
- **Objective 2 - Strengthening the research and production location:** To prevent know-how from migrating and to increase the attractiveness of Austria as a location.

# AUSTRIAN LIFE SCIENCE PROGRAM – R&D COMPANY PROJECTS & CLINICAL STUDIES

## Key points



Single firm projects,  
partners can contribute  
(third party costs)



- digitalisation in the health sector,
- medical devices, drugs
- clinical studies in the field of infectiology



Funding: maximum€  
500,000 (per R&D  
company project)

Funding: maximum€  
1,000,000 (per clinical  
study)

Duration:

- max. 18month

## 1.st call for tender

- Start: 1 April 2022
- Deadline for submission: 29.12.2022
- Total budget: max. € 27.000.000,-.
- Grant with max. cash value depending on instrument and research category
- Submission ongoing - Evaluation ongoing

# AUSTRIAN LIFE SCIENCE PROGRAM – LEAD PROJECT

## Key points



cooperative projects with a minimum of at least

- 2 SMEs
- 1 research institute



topic: innovative production technologies in the life sciences sector



Funding:

- min € 2,000,000
- max € 4,000,000

Duration:

- 24 month

## 1.st call for tender

- Start: 1 April 2022
- Deadline for submission: 01.09.2022
- Total budget: max. € 4.000.000,-.
- Grant with max. cash value depending on instrument and research category
- Evaluation: external reviewers and hearing

**Note:** mandatory preliminary project discussion with the FFG required by 1.8.2022 at the latest.

# COIN SME-INNOVATION-NETWORKS

- The aim is to strengthen the **innovative capacity** and **innovation output** of Austrian companies (especially **SMEs**).
- The focus is on **structured cooperation** between companies and between companies and institutions for research and knowledge dissemination.
- The cooperation in the network is intended to achieve a clear and **sustainable leap in quality and innovation** for all cooperation partners.
- Innovative SMEs are to be given **systematic access to external know-how** so that RDI and cooperation become regular practice for them.



# COIN SME-INNOVATION-NETWORKS

## 15th call for tender (planned)

- Start of tender: 1 December 2022
- Deadline for submission: 31 March 2023
- Total budget: max. € 4.000.000,-.
- Evaluation panel meeting and funding decision: June 2023

### Key points



The minimum consortium consists of at least 4 companies (of which at least 3 are SMEs).



Optionally, projects involving additional aspects of digitalisation are funded.



Funding: maximum € 500,000 (per project)

Total costs: at least € 100,000 (per project)

Duration:

- At least 1 year
- Usually 2 years
- Maximum 3 years in justified cases

# COMET-PROJECTS 2022

**Start:** 7. Nov. 2022

**Deadline:** 25. April. 2023, 12:00 Uhr

**Decision:** 14.-15. November 2023

**Project start:** from 1.1.2024



- **Building and focusing competencies**
- **long-term research cooperation between science and business at the highest level**
- **Eligible applicants:** Consortia consisting of at least 1 scientific partner and at least 3 independent corporate partners (from Germany and abroad).
- **Federal & state funding:** max. 45%, max. 0.675 million €/year (federal+state)
- **Funding share of partners:**
  - Companies: at least 45%
  - Scientific partners: at least 5%.
- **Duration:** max. 4 years
- Call for proposals thematically open, in competition
- **Contact:** **Tel:** 05 77 55 2105  
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- 95 Mrd Euros for 7 years
- wide range of funding possibilities...
  - bottom up excellence programs
  - top down cooperative projects
  - single company funding
- attractive funding rates (up to 100%)
- many opportunities for Life Sciences/medical research
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