







"Higher Education, Research and Innovation" Workshop

The Institut Français in Helsinki, the Embassy of France in Finland and the French Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation have partnered again this year with the Finnish Society for Sciences and Letters and the Finnish Academy of Science and Letters to initiate and strengthen bilateral cooperation in science, innovation and higher education in fields of interest for both countries.

To strengthen identified research collaborations between France and Finland, the implementation of workshops on focused topics will be supported. The workshop, that might take place in Finland or in France, may last 2 to 4 days and involve several researchers (at least 15 but not limited). The 2022 call will highlight the opportunity for the applicant to organise multilateral (instead of only bilateral) workshops, especially if motivated by the application to Horizon Europe call for funding. These workshops, based on state-of-the-art research, will have to cover the three pillars of the knowledge triangle:

- Research: initiate, strengthen, foster all research collaborations to move from the researcher-researcher collaboration to a team-team or lab-lab collaborations
- Higher Education: explore, with the assistance of the science and higher education attachée, all the possibilities to foster and implement mobility of students, dual degrees, joint PhD ...
- Innovation: explore opportunities for technology transfer and innovation and collaboration with the private sector from each country.

The participation, in addition to researchers, of students, companies, tech transfer offices, innovation councils, officials from other institutions or local authorities is encouraged. Also, participation of potential future funders of these collaborations is highly recommended during the workshop: local authority, association, companies, PIs of national or international grants.

Institutions from all the countries involved in the collaboration **must** also support the organization of the workshop by jointly co-funding it at least at the same level of the program contribution. It is indeed asked to find other sources of funding to allow more students and researchers to attend the workshop.

A grant of up to **up to 6000 euros** will support each workshop. The host institution of the workshop will manage funding and administration.

The selection committee is comprised of representatives of the partnered institutions.









Application must include:

- PI's name and affiliations from France and Finland
- Short CV (max 2 pages) of the PIs with major publications and awards
- Proposed dates and location of the workshop
- Objectives of the workshop
- Short abstract of the common scientific collaborations and the expected outcomes of the workshop (400 words maximum)
- Foreseen overall program, including the 3 pillars: Higher Education, Research and Innovation and communication actions
- Proposed participants
- Overall budget including other sources of funding

Please be aware that you will have to <u>acknowledge the support provided by the Institut Francais de Finlande</u>, the <u>Embassy of France in Finland</u>, the <u>French Ministry of Higher Education</u>, <u>Research and Innovation and the Finnish Society of Sciences and Letters</u> by using our logos in any communication material (leaflet, website, emails for talk invitation ...).

A 2 pages report (including final agenda/conclusions on science collaborations and outcomes/ final budget) will be asked within 2 weeks after the end of the workshop.

The complete application must be sent to uniscience.iff@france.fi