

Joint Transnational Calls

As part of the BE READY European Partnership on Pandemic Preparedness, Joint Transnational Calls (JTCs) are launched to support transnational research and innovation projects targeting the strategic research priorities outlined in the Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda (SRIA) for pandemic preparedness. The JTCs are launched annually, with the first call already published in January 2026.



Find out more about the JTC:



How does it work?

National and regional funding agencies participating in BE READY as well as the **European Commission** agree on a common topic. These agencies pool part of their available budget to finance transnational research projects. The projects are funded via a so-called common pot. This means that the funds provided by the funding agencies are allocated to successful applicants in their respective country.

When project proposals are submitted to a call, they need to be checked for the criteria set in the call text. This is done by independent experts who score the proposals, look at the scientific excellence, impact and feasibility and finally give their recommendation to the Call Steering Committee.

The **Call Steering Committee** is the decision-making group for a call. It includes representatives from all participating funding agencies. They decide together based on the rules for a call and after the scientific evaluation, which projects can be funded.

Who can apply and under what conditions?

Eligibility rules and further important information are always outlined in detail in the official call text published on the webpage. Furthermore, national eligibility rules must be met as each country may have specific rules. The applicants must form an international consortium, usually at least three different partners from three different countries. Only applicants from countries with participating funding agencies may apply. Once projects are recommended for funding, each project partner is funded by their own national agency.

