

Study Programme 2027-2029

2nd Phase of Applications Project Proposal

Please note: referees do not receive the initially submitted concept note of this proposal. As such, applications should not refer back to, or assume knowledge of, information provided in the concept note. The second-stage application must be fully self-contained and include all information necessary for referees to understand and assess the proposed research.

For further information on the application process, please follow this [link](#).

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1. Project title**2. Summary** (up to 600 words)

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3. Research Question, Objectives, Theoretical framework and Literature Review (up to 1,400 words)

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4. Research plan and Methods (up to 2,000 words)

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5. Work packages and tasks (up to 960 words)

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6. Scheduling and milestones (up to 480 words)

The following deliverables are mandatory requirements of FFMS projects: at least one workshop with external experts; two intermediate versions of the study; and the final version of the study, as well as summary written for the general public.

7. Academic dissemination (up to 480 words)

The Foundation is responsible for disseminating the results of the study, which may include the publication of the study and the respective summary, digital or in-person presentations, conferences, and videos. Author must be available for these initiatives. The FFMS is also responsible for the organization of intermediate workshops for discussing the study with external consultants and experts. These should not be included in the study budget. Please outline here additional academic dissemination outputs that are expected during the project's duration. Indicate when these imply budget allocations (e.g. fees for publishing the study in a leading international book publisher or conference attendance to present project results).

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8. Bibliography

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9. Anonymized Team Information

Indicate the experience (in years) of each member of the research team, in terms of research areas and methodologies. Please list the team members without naming them and do not provide specific experience information through which they may be identified. This succinct information will be sent to the referee(s) for assessment of the team's experience, anonymously, in accordance with the double-blind process. Revisions may be requested if this section isn't adequately anonymized, reducing the time for scientific

[Example:

Team Member 1 (PI) has over 5 years of experience conducting research in political behavior and comparative politics. Methodologically, this member also has over 5 years of experience in experimental methods-

Team Member 2 has over 5 years of research experience focused on social norms and political sociology. In terms of methodology, this team member has 4 years of expertise in experimental sociology, survey research, quantitative methods, and lab-in-the-field experiments.]

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10. Detailed Team information (up to 1,000 words)

List the team members, indicating their role in the study and a brief biographical note. This section will not be visible to the referees in the double-blind peer review process. As such, information should be detailed and specific.

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11. External consultants (optional)

The project can optionally indicate up to three external consultants, who will accompany the project, providing external input and insight. These consultants may be invited to participate in the intermediate project workshops organized by the FFMS. The team is expected to have validated the participation of these consultants prior to submission. Similarly to the previous sections, please provide anonymized information about the consultants, followed by detailed information.

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12. Budget

FFMS offers competitive funding to large scale scientific projects. Nonetheless, budgetary adequacy is a determinant factor when evaluating proposals, and efficiency in resource use will be valued. Detailed justification of predicted costs should be specific, including information such as duration, quantity and values of each item. Where budgets are not sufficiently specified, proponents may be asked to resubmit this form with a more detailed budget, reducing the time available for scientific revisions. The Foundation reserves the right to adjust the final allocated budget.

Please do not include costs relating to the intermediate workshops, revising, translating, editing, publishing, disseminating and potential presentation events of the final study.

		Budget	Detailed justification
1. Human Resources	Human resources to be hired		
	Other		
2. Team missions and travel (e.g., travel and accommodation for team meetings, academic dissemination and data collection)			
3. Service procurement (e.g., data collection costs for the study)			
4. Scientific equipment (costs of equipment required for data collection and analysis)			
5. Other (if there are other justifiable expenses not covered in the items above, please indicate these here)			
Sub-Total (<i>sum of items 1 to 5 above</i>)			
Indirect Costs (Overheads) up to a maximum limit of 25% of the direct costs (sub-total above)			
Total costs without VAT (<i>sum of the sub-total and indirect costs above</i>)			
Total costs with VAT (<i>please indicate here the total project costs including Value Added Tax / VAT of 23%</i>)			

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