

WIN-ICN2 Joint Seed Funding Opportunities – 2025

Program Description

Jointly with the Waterloo Institute for Nanotechnology (WIN), the ICN2 opens a call for funding seed projects to develop bottom-up research teams that can work towards related Horizon Europe Funding calls. The priority areas identified are:

1. **Health:** medical technologies, mainly for oncology, neurology and infectious diseases
2. **Digital, Industry & Space:** mainly focusing on the digital aspects and **semiconductor technologies**, mainly focusing on the MSCA Staff exchange project
3. **Climate, Energy and Mobility:** mainly developing clean energy alternatives and remediation strategies
4. **Food, Bioeconomy, Natural Resources, Agriculture and Environment:** mainly sensors

Open date: 18 February 2025; **Deadline; 21 April 2025**

Announcement: 5 May 2025

Project Budget: For each funded project, the total budget comprises 15.000 € from ICN2 (for ICN2 team) and \$20,000 CAD from WIN (for WIN team)

Total Number of Funded Projects: Two

Project duration: 6 months to 1 year

Additional Opportunities: The project teams who are not funded in this round will be able to still access WIN Mobility Fund and SO Outbound Mobility Program from ICN2 to foster research collaboration.

Please note that each team project should submit the same proposal (as per the prescribed template) to ICN2 and WIN. Please, send your proposals to ICN2 strategy department strategy@icn2.cat copying Marta Delgà (marta.delga@icn2.cat). For WIN, please send it to Dennis Wong yinwingdennis.wong@uwaterloo.ca

WIN team needs to complete the Office of Research Electronic Cover Sheet with WIN as identified Research Centre.

Projects will be evaluated by 2 designated researchers from WIN, 2 from ICN2, and 1 external researcher.

We strongly encourage you to apply and we look forward to receiving your project proposals!