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## New Opportunities

<b>Call Title:</b>		<b>WOMEN IN LEADERSHIP ACADEMY</b>
<b>Programme: UN Women</b>		
<b>Objective:</b>	The Academy aims to serve as a sustainable national platform for leadership development, mentorship, networking, and professional advancement for women leaders across political, public, economic, civic, and peacebuilding sectors. Through this initiative, UN Women seeks to strengthen women's leadership and participation in decision-making processes and contribute to a more inclusive and representative public sphere in Lebanon.	
<b>Eligible Activities:</b>	Applications must be submitted by a consortium comprising at least two organizations, with demonstrated expertise in leadership development, gender equality, governance, executive education, mentoring, and institutional capacity-building.  Actions must be implemented in Lebanon.	
<b>Eligible Applicants:</b>	UN Women Lebanon invites eligible civil society organizations, academic institutions, women's organizations, and other qualified entities to submit proposals for the establishment and operationalization of Lebanon's first Women in Leadership Academy.	
<b>Total Budget: \$480,000 - \$600,000 per project</b>		
<b>Deadline: 10/07/2026</b>		
<b>More information and official documents:</b>	<a href="https://arabstates.unwomen.org/en/programme-implementation/2026/06/call-for-proposal-cfp-for-responsible-parties-women-in-leadership-academy-0">https://arabstates.unwomen.org/en/programme-implementation/2026/06/call-for-proposal-cfp-for-responsible-parties-women-in-leadership-academy-0</a>	

<b>Call Title:</b>		<b>Applications open for Fit 4 Start Startup Accelerator Programme</b>
<b>Programme: Luxinnovation</b>		
<b>Objective:</b>	The Fit 4 Start Startup Accelerator Programme provides support to early-stage and innovative startups with coaching, mentoring, and equity-free funding to help them launch and scale in the European market. The programme focuses on digital, tech-driven, and data-driven innovation including internet of things, blockchain, big data, artificial intelligence, machine learning, robotics, cyber technologies, telecom, and open-source systems, along with additional dedicated tracks for healthtech, space, and defence. It also prioritises sustainable ventures aligned with people, planet, and prosperity.	
<b>Eligible Activities:</b>	Fit 4 Start offers startups an intensive six-month acceleration journey combining personalised coaching, expert feedback, and access to international mentors, investors, and industry networks, alongside discounted co-working space in Luxembourg and access to high-performance computing infrastructure. The total funding support provided through the programme is up to EUR 150,000 in equity-free grant funding, structured in three tranches: an initial EUR 50,000 instalment, a second EUR 80,000 instalment, and a final EUR 20,000 balance. The first instalment requires incorporation in Luxembourg within nine months of programme start (if not already incorporated), a minimum issued capital of EUR 15,000 fully paid in cash, and proof of at least EUR 15,000 in available cash, along with a team of at least two members and active participation in all coaching activities. The second instalment is released after successful programme graduation and requires raising at least EUR 50,000 in private equity, completion of a formal capital increase in a Luxembourg company, maintaining at least two full-time employees, and spending at least EUR 50,000 according to the approved budget. The final tranche is granted after demonstrating total spending of at least EUR 150,000 within 24 months and compliance with reporting and budget requirements.	

	Incorporation is not mandatory at application stage, although incorporated companies must also meet the age and eligibility requirements. Applicants are expected to operate within the programme's focus areas and may be required to establish a commercial company in Luxembourg to access funding.
<b>Eligible Applicants:</b>	Eligible applicants include startups less than five years old or early-stage innovative projects that meet small enterprise criteria under EU regulations. Teams must consist of at least two people, with at least one member working full-time on the project.
<b>Total Budget: €500,000</b>	
<b>Deadline: 10/07/2026</b>	
<b>More information and official documents:</b>	<a href="https://events.luxinnovation.lu/e/fit-4-start-17">https://events.luxinnovation.lu/e/fit-4-start-17</a>

<b>Call Title:</b>	<b>GEF Small Grants Program CSO Challenge Program</b>
<b>Programme: Global Environment Facility</b>	
<b>Objective:</b>	The GEF SGP CSO Challenge Program, supported by IUCN and GEF, provides funding and support to civil society organizations to scale and replicate innovative conservation solutions that create global benefits for people and the planet.
<b>Eligible Activities:</b>	<p>The program focuses on five strategic areas: Community-based management of threatened ecosystems and species, Sustainable agriculture and fisheries, and food security, Low-carbon energy access, Chemicals and waste management, and Sustainable urban solutions. IUCN and GEF have launched the SGP CSO Challenge Program to identify, reward, and support high-impact environmental approaches and solutions led by civil society organizations and actors.</p> <p>Selected civil society organizations will receive direct grant funding of up to \$300,000 USD for projects lasting up to 24 months. The funding aims to support initiatives that scale or replicate promising environmental solutions.</p> <p>The program also provides tailored, demand-driven technical support to help organizations track results, manage environmental and social risks, design high-impact programs, and engage private sector partners.</p> <p>Through capacity building and collaboration support, selected organizations will have opportunities to increase visibility, share knowledge, learn from other civil society organizations, and develop partnerships.</p> <p>The grants support projects focused on replicating proven models in new communities, contexts, or locations, adapting existing solutions to local conditions, and testing scaling approaches for promising innovations.</p>
<b>Eligible Applicants:</b>	Eligible applicants must be civil society organizations with legal status and a bank account in the organization's name. Applicants must be working in one of the program's strategic priority areas, including biodiversity conservation, sustainable food systems, low-carbon energy solutions, pollution reduction, and sustainable urban development.
<b>Total Budget: \$300,000 per project</b>	
<b>Deadline: 20/07/2026</b>	
<b>More information and official documents:</b>	<a href="https://csochallenge.org/">https://csochallenge.org/</a>

<b>Call Title:</b>		<b>PROMOTING CIVIL SOCIETY CONTRIBUTION TO GOOD LOCAL GOVERNANCE AND SUSTAINABLE LOCAL ECONOMIES</b>
<b>Programme: European Commission (EC) - International Partnerships (IP)</b>		
<b>Objective:</b>	The global objective of this call for proposals is to foster transparent, accountable and inclusive governance in Zimbabwe.	
<b>Eligible Activities:</b>	<p>The specific objective(s) of this call for proposals are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To strengthen meaningful citizen (particularly, women, youth and people living with disabilities) participation in local governance processes for inclusive and sustainable local economic development.</li> <li>2. To enhance equitable access to justice and promote a citizen-centric approach to justice delivery at the local level, with a particular focus on the rights of women, youth and persons with disabilities.</li> </ol> <p>Actions can take place in Zimbabwe.</p>	
<b>Eligible Applicants:</b>	In order to be eligible for a grant, the lead applicant must: (1) be a legal person and (2) be a specific type of organisation such as: non-governmental organisation and (3) be directly responsible for the preparation and management of the action with the co-applicant(s) and affiliated entity(ies), not acting as an intermediary.	
<b>Total Budget: €6,000,000</b>		
<b>Deadline: 21/07/2026</b>		
<b>More information and official documents:</b>	<a href="https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/prospect-details/187085PROSPECTSEN">https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/prospect-details/187085PROSPECTSEN</a>	

<b>Call Title:</b>		<b>EU PEACEBUILDING INITIATIVE (EUPI) 2026</b>
<b>Programme: European Commission (EC) - International Partnerships (IP)</b>		
<b>Objective:</b>	The global objective of this call for proposals is to achieve increased support of relevant sections of society, the general public and decision-makers in Israel and Palestine for the two-state solution as a conducive climate favourable to peacebuilding.	
<b>Eligible Activities:</b>	<p>The specific objective(s) of this call for proposals is/are:</p> <p>Specific objective 1: Civil society's leverage on decision-makers and the broader society in support of a just and negotiated two-state solution in Israel and Palestine is increased.</p> <p>Specific objective 2: Societal changes in Israel and Palestine conducive to a climate favourable to peacebuilding and supportive of a just and negotiated two-state solution are promoted by civil society.</p> <p>Actions must take place in Palestine and Israel.</p>	
<b>Eligible Applicants:</b>	In order to be eligible for a grant, the lead applicant must: (1) be a legal person and (2) be non-profit-making and (3) be: non-governmental organisations and (4) be directly responsible for the preparation and management of the action with the co-applicant(s) and affiliated entity(ies), not acting as an intermediary.	

<b>Total Budget:</b>	€8,000,000
<b>Deadline:</b>	24/07/2026
<b>More information and official documents:</b>	<a href="https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/prospect-details/186152PROSPECTSEN">https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/prospect-details/186152PROSPECTSEN</a>

<b>Call Title:</b>	<b>STRONGER JUSTICE INSTITUTIONS FOR LOCAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (SJIS FOR LED)</b>
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<b>Programme:</b>	<b>European Commission (EC) - International Partnerships (IP)</b>
<b>Objective:</b>	The global objective of this call for proposals is: To promote transparent, accountable and inclusive justice delivery in Zimbabwe.
<b>Eligible Activities:</b>	<p>The specific objective(s) of this call for proposals is/are:</p> <p>Lot 1: Justice Delivery – Specific Objective 1: To improve the effectiveness, efficiency and accessibility of the judiciary in delivering timely, fair and citizen centered justice.</p> <p>Lot 2: Access to Justice – Specific Objective 2: To enhance equitable access to quality state legal aid services particularly for women, youth and people with disabilities in the target areas.</p> <p>Actions can take place in Zimbabwe.</p>
<b>Eligible Applicants:</b>	In order to be eligible for a grant, the lead applicant must: (1) be a legal person and (2) be a specific type of organisation such as: non-governmental organisation and (3) be directly responsible for the preparation and management of the action with the co-applicant(s) and affiliated entity(ies), not acting as an intermediary.

<b>Total Budget:</b>	€2,500,000
<b>Deadline:</b>	28/07/2026
<b>More information and official documents:</b>	<a href="https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/prospect-details/187095PROSPECTSEN">https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/prospect-details/187095PROSPECTSEN</a>

<b>Call Title:</b>	<b>MACULAR DEGENERATION RESEARCH GRANTS</b>
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<b>Programme:</b>	<b>BrightFocus Foundation</b>
<b>Objective:</b>	BrightFocus accepts investigator initiated proposals related to developing treatments, preventions, and cures for glaucoma, macular degeneration, and Alzheimer’s disease.
<b>Eligible Activities:</b>	<p>Postdoctoral Fellowship: Candidates must hold an MD, PhD, DVM, DO, OD or equivalent degree received no more than four years before the time of application. For clinician scientists, this application should be submitted within two years after completion of their final clinical training.</p> <p>New Investigator Grant: This research grant program is restricted to new and early investigators who have received their MD, PhD or equivalent degree within the past 10 years at the time of application. Applicant must serve as the Principal Investigator on the project and have independent laboratory space.</p> <p>Innovative Research Grant: High-risk/high-gain age-related macular degeneration research. We hope to attract established investigators to apply for this support, but the aims of the application must contain outside-the-box ideas that are novel in the field.</p>

	BrightFocus supports U.S. domestic and international research proposals.
<b>Eligible Applicants:</b>	Candidates must hold an MD, PhD, DVM, DO, OD or equivalent degree received no more than four years before the time of application. For clinician scientists, this application should be submitted within two years after completion of their final clinical training. Exceptions to the above four-year and two-year eligibility period will be considered under unusual circumstances. Candidates must submit a written exception request to BrightFocus and obtain approval before applying.
<b>Total Budget: \$200,000 - \$450,000 per grant</b>	
<b>Deadline: 30/07/2026</b>	
<b>More information and official documents:</b>	<a href="https://www.brightfocus.org/about/for-scientists/apply-for-a-research-grant/macular-degeneration-research-request-for-proposals/">https://www.brightfocus.org/about/for-scientists/apply-for-a-research-grant/macular-degeneration-research-request-for-proposals/</a>

<b>Call Title:</b>	<b>Grants for Empowering Youth in the EU Outermost Regions</b>
<b>Programme:</b>	<b>European Commission (EC)</b>
<b>Objective:</b>	<p>The European Union has launched the YOUTH 4 OUTERMOST REGIONS 2 initiative to empower and mobilise young people in the EU outermost regions by supporting youth-led actions that strengthen communities, promote opportunities, and contribute to local development.</p> <p>The focus areas, objectives, priorities, and themes of the call include youth participation and involvement in local communities, implementation of low-cost innovative actions by young people and youth organisations, improvement of local living conditions and regional priorities, strengthening the sense of belonging among youth, promotion of entrepreneurship and economic opportunities, educational and professional growth, youth empowerment, cultural diversity, social change, access to cultural heritage, labour markets and housing, and the development of solutions driven by young people in their communities.</p>
<b>Eligible Activities:</b>	<p>The objective of the grant is to further empower and mobilise youth in the EU outermost regions, enabling them to become active participants and promoters of change in defining and implementing solutions for their local communities. The selected beneficiary will manage the project and support the implementation of youth-focused actions through dedicated sub-grant schemes.</p> <p>The initiative will follow a bottom-up approach to address youth concerns across the outermost regions and encourage actions that create added value and improvements within local communities. The project will support young individuals and youth associations by providing opportunities to develop concrete initiatives with visible results on the ground. Under the grant scheme, the selected organisation will organise and manage at least two separate calls for sub-grants, one focused on young individuals and another for youth associations. A minimum of 70 sub-grants are expected to be selected, with each supported action receiving funding between EUR 5,000 and EUR 10,000 for projects lasting up to 12 months.</p> <p>The beneficiary will also provide support through coaching and mentoring mechanisms to help young participants continue developing their initiatives. The project aims to increase knowledge sharing, strengthen youth capacities, encourage collaboration, and promote successful practices across the EU outermost regions.</p> <p>The YOUTH 4 OUTERMOST REGIONS 2 initiative recognises the importance of young people in shaping the future of their communities and safeguarding the cultural heritage of the</p>

	<p>outermost regions. It supports youth-driven solutions that contribute to sustainable development, stronger community connections, and improved educational and professional pathways.</p> <p>The total budget available under this call is EUR 1,000,000, with the expectation that one project will be funded for a duration of 24 months. Eligible applicants include legal entities such as public or private bodies established in EU Member States and other eligible cases defined under the programme rules.</p>
<b>Eligible Applicants:</b>	<p>Applicants must demonstrate links with youth realities in the outermost regions and identify regional contact points representing different geographical areas, including the Caribbean-Amaonia basin, the south-west Indian Ocean basin, and the Macaronesia basin. The project implementation requires capacity to process applications in English, French, Portuguese, and Spanish.</p>
<b>Total Budget: €1,000,000</b>	
<b>Deadline: 30/07/2026</b>	
<b>More information and official documents:</b>	<a href="https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/ERDFTA-2026-YOUTH4OR2">https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/ERDFTA-2026-YOUTH4OR2</a>

<b>Call Title:</b>	<b>STRENGTHENING BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA'S ANTI-MONEY LAUNDERING SYSTEM</b>
<b>Programme:</b>	<b>U.S. Department of State</b>
<b>Objective:</b>	<p>The objective is to strengthen BiH's institutional capacity to detect, investigate and prosecute complex money laundering operations linked to transnational criminal organizations that threaten U.S. security interests.</p>
<b>Eligible Activities:</b>	<p>This program will enhance financial investigative capabilities, improve interagency coordination, and build sustainable institutional expertise to combat evolving financial crime threats.</p> <p>Actions must take place in Bosnia and Herzegovina.</p>
<b>Eligible Applicants:</b>	<p>Eligible applicants include U.S. based non-profit/non governmental organizations, U.S. based educational institutions subject to section 501 (c) (3) of the U.S. tax code, U.S. for profit organizations.</p>
<b>Total Budget: €500,000</b>	
<b>Deadline: 10/08/2026</b>	
<b>More information and official documents:</b>	<a href="https://simpler.grants.gov/opportunity/2b6d23b3-6563-4fd9-b7ad-58c8f4f9d44d">https://simpler.grants.gov/opportunity/2b6d23b3-6563-4fd9-b7ad-58c8f4f9d44d</a>

<b>Call Title:</b>	<b>Vision Grants Program</b>
<b>Programme:</b>	<b>The Spencer Foundation</b>
<b>Objective:</b>	<p>The Spencer Foundation is inviting applications for its Vision Grants program to support collaborative planning of ambitious, large-scale research projects aimed at transforming educational systems toward greater equity.</p>

<b>Eligible Activities:</b>	<p>The program focuses on advancing educational equity, transforming educational systems, developing large-scale research initiatives, fostering interdisciplinary collaboration, engaging practitioners, policymakers and communities in meaningful partnerships, co-designing solutions to educational challenges, building evidence-based approaches, and reimagining educational systems through innovative research.</p> <p>Vision Grants provide scholars and collaborators with the time, resources, and support needed to plan research that can lead to meaningful improvements in education systems. The program emphasizes the importance of rigorous research in identifying systemic inequities, evaluating effective solutions, and informing evidence-based changes that contribute to fairer and more inclusive educational environments.</p> <p>These grants are designed as research planning awards rather than funding for fully developed research studies. Teams are encouraged to explore new ideas, develop a shared vision for equitable educational systems, and identify the systems and mechanisms that need to be transformed. The planning process should support the creation of future large-scale research projects capable of generating real-world impact.</p> <p>The initiative welcomes proposals that seek to develop new policies, pedagogical approaches, practices, or interventions, as well as projects that engage communities, practitioners, and policymakers in collaborative design processes. Applicants may also propose research that expands successful educational approaches from one context to multiple settings to better understand their effectiveness and adaptability.</p> <p>Selected teams will receive grants of \$75,000 for a planning period of 12 to 18 months. In addition, grantees will participate in the Vision Grant Cohort Learning Program, an in-person learning series in Chicago designed to support collaborative planning, project development, and shared learning among funded teams.</p>
<b>Eligible Applicants:</b>	<p>Applications must focus on research related to education and/or learning, broadly conceived. Principal Investigators and Co-Principal Investigators must possess an earned doctorate or terminal professional degree and be affiliated with an eligible non-profit organization or public/governmental institution that can administer the grant. The program is open to applicants from the United States and internationally, and all proposals must be submitted in English with budgets presented in U.S. Dollars.</p>
<b>Total Budget: \$100,000</b>	
<b>Deadline: 12/08/2026</b>	
<b>More information and official documents:</b>	<a href="https://www.spencer.org/grant_types/vision-grants">https://www.spencer.org/grant_types/vision-grants</a>

<b>Call Title:</b>	<b>CULTURAL HORIZONS: INNOVATIVE CULTURAL PRODUCTS</b>	
<b>Programme: European Commission (EC) - Cultural Horizons</b>		
<b>Objective:</b>	<p>The ‘Cultural Horizons’ programme is designed to increase the access of Ukrainians, particularly displaced persons, to culture and cultural heritage, by supporting cultural and artistic projects developed through EU-Ukrainian partnerships. It aims to strengthen connections between the Ukrainian and EU cultural spheres and to explore mentorship as a tool for professional development. The ‘Cultural Horizons’ programme is co-financed by the EU through Creative Europe and implemented by the Ukrainian Cultural Foundation (Ukraine) with Cultural Vistas gGmbH (Germany).</p>	
<b>Eligible Activities:</b>	<p>The programme aims to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Strengthen connections between the Ukrainian and EU cultural sectors;</li> <li>2) Explore and promote mentorship as a tool for the development of the culture sector;</li> </ol>	

	3) Foster the professional development of Ukrainian artists and cultural actors.  Actions must take place in Ukraine and EU member states.
<b>Eligible Applicants:</b>	Eligibility: partnerships between Ukrainian and EU-based organisations, individual entrepreneurs (with the Ukrainian partner acting as a lead applicant).
<b>Total Budget: €400,000</b>	
<b>Deadline: 14/08/2026</b>	
<b>More information and official documents:</b>	<a href="https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/competitive-calls-cs/14624">https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/competitive-calls-cs/14624</a>

<b>Call Title:</b>	<b>Smart Social Economy Model in Tourism</b>
<b>Programme: European Commission (EC)</b>	
<b>Objective:</b>	The European Commission has launched the Smart Social Economy Model in Tourism call to support transnational partnerships that integrate social economy principles into sustainable tourism and promote community-led development along long-distance tourist trails across EU Member States.
<b>Eligible Activities:</b>	<p>The focus areas, objectives, and priorities of the call include integrating social economy principles into sustainable tourism, fostering transnational cooperation among local communities, and promoting socio-economic and territorial development through a bottom-up approach. The initiative aims to develop sustainable tourism models along long-distance trails by enabling territories to collaboratively design, pilot, and evaluate integrated tourism offers while supporting networks among local communities, tourism stakeholders, local authorities, Destination Management Organisations (DMOs), and social economy organisations.</p> <p>The call also focuses on strengthening capacity through practical toolkits, governance templates, financing models, marketing approaches, and impact measurement frameworks. It aims to develop a transnational blueprint for applying social economy principles to sustainable tourism while encouraging community participation, cultural heritage integration, rural development, environmental stewardship, digital innovation, skills development, social inclusion, entrepreneurship among senior, women, and youth groups, and stronger local value chains that retain economic benefits within rural communities.</p> <p>The pilot project aims to explore and test smart social economy models that can improve the sustainability and inclusiveness of tourism activities along selected long-distance trails. It will support local actors, including authorities, tourism stakeholders, and social economy entities, in designing and implementing approaches that create lasting economic and social benefits for communities.</p> <p>The initiative will focus on using existing long-distance tourist trails as testing environments for sustainable tourism models. Through collaboration between different regions and countries, projects will develop approaches that can be replicated across other European areas while strengthening local capacities and promoting sustainable rural development. Funded projects are expected to follow four main phases: research and analysis, testing community engagement approaches, development or extension of a digital platform, and sharing lessons learned through feedback, evaluation, and dissemination activities.</p> <p>The research and preparation phase will include needs assessments, analysis of existing social economy practices, mapping of local assets such as heritage sites, farms, crafts, and social economy entities, preparation of strategies for leveraging local resources,</p>

	<p>development of impact measurement frameworks, and organisation of workshops for feedback and validation.</p> <p>The pilot testing phase will support community engagement strategies, technical assistance for social enterprises, collaborative governance models, digital literacy activities, sustainable tourism training, social enterprise management support, workshops, seminars, and guidance for strengthening resilience and sustainability among social economy entities. The digital platform component will explore tools that connect tourism demand with social economy goods and services along trails. The platform will aim to improve visibility of local organisations and cultural heritage sites, support access to local services, enable resource sharing, and track project impact indicators through stakeholder testing.</p> <p>The final phase will focus on evaluating project outcomes, collecting stakeholder feedback, validating monitoring systems, sharing best practices, developing awareness activities, and promoting replication of successful approaches.</p>
<b>Eligible Applicants:</b>	The call has an estimated budget of €1,500,000 and is open to legal entities, including public and private bodies established in EU Member States, overseas countries and territories, and other eligible entities under specific conditions. Projects should involve transnational cooperation and demonstrate potential for testing, evaluation, and scaling of sustainable tourism solutions based on social economy principles.
<b>Total Budget: €1,500,000</b>	
<b>Deadline: 26/08/2026</b>	
<b>More information and official documents:</b>	<a href="https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/PPPA-2026-SOCIAL-ECONOMY-TOURISM">https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/PPPA-2026-SOCIAL-ECONOMY-TOURISM</a>

<b>Call Title:</b>	<b>ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE RESEARCH GRANTS</b>
<b>Programme:</b>	<b>BrightFocus Foundation</b>
<b>Objective:</b>	BrightFocus provides research funds for U.S. domestic as well as international researchers pursuing pioneering research leading to greater understanding, prevention, and treatment of Alzheimer's disease.
<b>Eligible Activities:</b>	<p>The ADR program offers two types of awards:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Standard Awards: The standard award provides significant funding for researchers who have already generated some amount of preliminary data, but are often required to demonstrate additional, significant progress before they can apply to governmental or industrial funding agencies. Award Amount is \$300,000.</li> <li>• Postdoctoral Fellowship Awards: Postdoctoral fellowship awards are intended for young researchers in their final stages of mentored training. These awards fund projects in an established laboratory that will serve as the basis for the applicant's own independent research career. Award Amount is \$200,000.</li> </ul> <p>BrightFocus supports U.S. domestic and international research proposals.</p>
<b>Eligible Applicants:</b>	Candidates must hold an MD, PhD, DVM, DO, OD or equivalent degree received no more than four years before the time of application. For clinician scientists, this application should be submitted within two years after completion of their final clinical training. Exceptions to the above four-year and two-year eligibility period will be considered under unusual

	circumstances. Candidates must submit a written exception request to BrightFocus and obtain approval before applying.
<b>Total Budget: \$200,000 - \$300,000 per grant</b>	
<b>Deadline: 01/09/2026</b>	
<b>More information and official documents:</b>	<a href="https://www.brightfocus.org/about/for-scientists/apply-for-a-research-grant/alzheimers-disease-research-request-for-proposals/">https://www.brightfocus.org/about/for-scientists/apply-for-a-research-grant/alzheimers-disease-research-request-for-proposals/</a>

<b>Call Title:</b>	<b>Call for Proposals: Know-how Exchange Programme 2026</b>
<b>Programme:</b>	<b>Central European Initiative</b>
<b>Objective:</b>	The CEI Know-how Exchange Programme offers to support cooperation and capacity building through expert knowledge exchange between EU and non-EU countries.
<b>Eligible Activities:</b>	<p>The focus areas, of the programme include capacity building, institutional strengthening, technical assistance, regional cooperation, EU integration process support, transfer of expertise, sharing of best practices, alignment with EU standards and policies, and development cooperation between CEI Member States.</p> <p>Through its grant mechanism, the programme facilitates structured collaboration between organizations to improve governance systems, institutional performance, and technical capabilities. It emphasizes practical knowledge transfer and collaborative project implementation.</p> <p>The Call for Proposals has a total budget of 550,000 EUR. Applicants must be public or private entities registered in a CEI Member State, and each proposal must include at least two partners, one acting as the know-how provider from an EU CEI Member State and one acting as the know-how beneficiary from a non-EU CEI Member State. The applicant may be either of these institutions.</p> <p>The maximum CEI grant per project is up to 40,000 EUR, which may cover up to 50 percent of total project costs.</p>
<b>Eligible Applicants:</b>	The KEP is designed to promote cooperation between institutions by enabling the exchange of know-how from entities based in EU CEI Member States to partners in non-EU CEI Member States. It serves as an instrument to advance institutional development and support progress towards EU-related standards and policy alignment.
<b>Total Budget: €100,000</b>	
<b>Deadline: 11/09/2026</b>	
<b>More information and official documents:</b>	<a href="https://www.cei.int/news/10356/know-how-exchange-programme-call-for-proposals-2025-now-open">https://www.cei.int/news/10356/know-how-exchange-programme-call-for-proposals-2025-now-open</a>

<b>Call Title:</b>	<b>Digital Inclusion Fund</b>
<b>Programme:</b>	<b>International Finance Corporation</b>
<b>Objective:</b>	The Digital Inclusion Fund is seeking applications to support companies that are expanding digital payments, broadband access and inclusive financial services for unbanked populations.
<b>Eligible Activities:</b>	The program focuses on advancing digital payments, expanding broadband access, strengthening inclusive financial services, and increasing financial inclusion for underserved and unbanked communities.

	<p>The funding can be used for working capital, pilot deployments, technical assistance, capacity building, climate and ESG-aligned investments, market research, feasibility studies, equipment procurement, technology acquisition, and monitoring, evaluation, and learning activities.</p> <p>Through this support, eligible companies can strengthen their operations, test and scale innovative solutions, improve access to essential digital and financial services, and expand their impact among underserved populations.</p>
<b>Eligible Applicants:</b>	Technology companies with a clear inclusion thesis and at least one year of operation are eligible to apply. Funding ranges from \$150,000 to \$3 million to support business growth and expansion initiatives.
<b>Total Budget: \$from \$150,000 to \$3 million</b>	
<b>Deadline: 15/09/2026</b>	
<b>More information and official documents:</b>	<a href="https://ifcgrants.org/grants/digital-inclusion-fund">https://ifcgrants.org/grants/digital-inclusion-fund</a>

<b>Call Title: Submit Applications for Climate Resilience Fund</b>	
<b>Programme: International Finance Corporation</b>	
<b>Objective:</b>	The Climate Resilience Fund provides flexible financing to private sector projects that enhance climate adaptation and resilience in vulnerable regions.
<b>Eligible Activities:</b>	<p>The program prioritizes nature-based solutions, mangrove restoration, drought-resistant agriculture, and resilient infrastructure. Funding is available in the range of \$250,000 to \$5 million.</p> <p>The fund supports projects that strengthen climate resilience through investments in working capital, pilot deployments, technical assistance, capacity building, climate and ESG-aligned initiatives, market research, feasibility studies, equipment and technology procurement, and monitoring, evaluation, and learning activities.</p> <p>Support is also available for equipment and technology procurement, allowing businesses to adopt tools and systems that enhance climate adaptation outcomes. Monitoring, evaluation, and learning activities are also eligible, helping organizations measure progress, capture lessons learned, and improve project effectiveness over time.</p>
<b>Eligible Applicants:</b>	Eligible applicants are registered private sector entities operating in IFC-eligible countries with at least two years of operational history.
<b>Total Budget: \$250,000 to \$5 million</b>	
<b>Deadline: 30/09/2026</b>	
<b>More information and official documents:</b>	<a href="https://ifcgrants.org/grants/climate-resilience-fund-2026">https://ifcgrants.org/grants/climate-resilience-fund-2026</a>

<b>Call Title: Applications open for Agritech Modernization Grant</b>	
<b>Programme: International Finance Corporation</b>	
<b>Objective:</b>	The Agritech Modernization Grant offers to support modernizing smallholder farming systems using technology and climate-smart practices to improve incomes and food security.

<b>Eligible Activities:</b>	<p>The focus areas, include agritech modernization, smallholder agricultural value chains, digital agriculture tools, climate-smart farming techniques, fair-trade supply chains, smallholder income improvement, food security, working capital support, pilot deployments, technical assistance, capacity building, climate and ESG-aligned investments, market research, feasibility studies, equipment and technology procurement, and monitoring, evaluation, and learning.</p> <p>The Agritech Modernization Grant is designed to support agribusiness transformation by enabling the adoption of modern technologies and sustainable farming practices. It focuses on improving productivity, market access, and resilience for smallholder-linked agricultural systems.</p> <p>The grant provides funding ranging from \$100,000 to \$2.5 million to eligible applicants, depending on the scope and scale of proposed interventions.</p> <p>The funding can be used to support a range of activities including technology deployment, capacity building, research and feasibility studies, equipment procurement, and monitoring and evaluation systems that strengthen agricultural value chains.</p>
<b>Eligible Applicants:</b>	Eligible applicants include agribusinesses, cooperatives, and agritech firms that have proven linkages with smallholder farmers. The program prioritizes initiatives that directly benefit smallholder agricultural value chains.
<b>Total Budget: \$100,000 to \$2.5 million</b>	
<b>Deadline: 10/10/2026</b>	
<b>More information and official documents:</b>	<a href="https://ifcgrants.org/grants/agritech-modernization">https://ifcgrants.org/grants/agritech-modernization</a>

<b>Call Title:</b>	<b>SME Growth Accelerator Program</b>
<b>Programme:</b>	<b>International Finance Corporation</b>
<b>Objective:</b>	The SME Growth Accelerator Program helps small and medium enterprises grow, expand into new markets, and strengthen their business capacity through funding and mentorship support.
<b>Eligible Activities:</b>	<p>The focus areas, objectives, priorities, or themes include SME growth and scaling, market expansion, job creation, mentorship and business networking, follow-on financing opportunities, working capital support, pilot project deployment, technical assistance, capacity building, climate and ESG-aligned investments, market research, feasibility studies, equipment and technology procurement, and monitoring, evaluation, and learning.</p> <p>The program is designed to help small and medium enterprises strengthen their operations and expand their market presence. It combines financial support with non-financial services such as mentorship and access to business networks to support sustainable business growth.</p> <p>Funding under the program ranges from \$50,000 to \$1.5 million, depending on the scale and nature of the proposed activities.</p> <p>The funding can be used for a variety of growth-related activities, including working capital needs, pilot deployments, technical assistance, capacity development, market research, feasibility studies, procurement of equipment and technology, and monitoring and evaluation systems.</p>
<b>Eligible Applicants:</b>	Eligible applicants include for-profit small and medium enterprises with between 10 and 250 employees and verified annual revenues between \$250,000 and \$10 million. The program is

	intended to support businesses that are ready to scale and create quality employment opportunities.
<b>Total Budget: \$50,000 to \$1.5 million</b>	
<b>Deadline: 15/11/2026</b>	
<b>More information and official documents:</b>	<a href="https://ifcgrants.org/grants/sme-growth-accelerator">https://ifcgrants.org/grants/sme-growth-accelerator</a>

<b>Call Title:</b>	<b>Request for Applications: Healthcare Access Initiative</b>
<b>Programme:</b>	<b>International Finance Corporation</b>
<b>Objective:</b>	The Healthcare Access Initiative is now accepting applications to support projects that improve healthcare access and patient outcomes for low-income communities.
<b>Eligible Activities:</b>	The focus areas, include healthcare access, private clinics, telemedicine networks, diagnostic platforms, pharmaceutical supply chains, patient outcomes, low-income populations, working capital, pilot deployments, technical assistance, capacity building, climate and ESG-aligned investments, market research, feasibility studies, equipment and technology procurement, and monitoring, evaluation, and learning. The funding available under this initiative ranges from \$200,000 to \$4 million. The programme supports initiatives that strengthen healthcare delivery through private clinics, telemedicine services, diagnostic platforms, and pharmaceutical supply chains. The aim is to improve healthcare access and patient outcomes for underserved and low-income communities. Funding is available for a range of project-related activities.
<b>Eligible Applicants:</b>	Eligible applicants may use the support for working capital, pilot deployments, technical assistance, capacity-building activities, climate and ESG-aligned investments, market research, feasibility studies, equipment purchases, technology procurement, and monitoring and evaluation activities. Licensed healthcare providers and health-tech companies operating in eligible countries are eligible to apply for support under this programme.
<b>Total Budget: \$200,000 to \$4 million</b>	
<b>Deadline: 01/12/2026</b>	
<b>More information and official documents:</b>	<a href="https://ifcgrants.org/grants/healthcare-access-initiative">https://ifcgrants.org/grants/healthcare-access-initiative</a>

<b>Call Title:</b>	<b>Call for Defence Electronics Manufacturing Support</b>
<b>Programme:</b>	<b>European Commission (EC)</b>
<b>Objective:</b>	The European Commission is inviting grant applications to improve EU capacity for critical defence electronics through stronger production and supply chain resilience. The focus areas, include industrial capacity expansion for electronic components, defence supply chain resilience, electronic manufacturing competitiveness, production scalability, risk mitigation and continuity, cybersecurity and physical protection of industrial sites, supply security for defence technologies, workforce training, lead-time reduction, capacity reservation, obsolescence management, and development of secure and resilient production ecosystems for defence-related electronics.

<b>Eligible Activities:</b>	<p>The call aims to strengthen the competitiveness and responsiveness of the EU defence technological and industrial base by reinforcing production capacity for critical electronic components used across defence domains including land, air, naval, and underwater systems. These components are essential for systems such as unmanned platforms, missile technologies, communication networks, command and control systems, and surveillance and reconnaissance systems.</p> <p>Supported activities focus on increasing EU production of guidance electronics, propulsion electronics, RF and laser modules, multispectral imaging systems, avionics, printed circuit boards, integrated circuit substrates, lithium-ion battery systems, and advanced semiconductor components. The objective is to reduce bottlenecks in defence manufacturing and ensure reliable availability of essential technologies.</p> <p>Projects under this call are expected to deliver measurable improvements in production capacity, supply chain resilience, and operational security. Key performance indicators include throughput increases, reduced lead times, improved yield and quality, workforce training outcomes, and enhanced supply chain robustness. Additional requirements include risk management frameworks addressing industrial, supply, safety, and cybersecurity risks. Applicants may also include optional measures for physical and cyber protection of production facilities, including threat assessment, cybersecurity certification alignment, and integration with broader European or national security systems. These measures aim to safeguard production continuity and reduce vulnerability to disruption or sabotage. The total funding allocated under this call is €282,150,000.</p>
<b>Eligible Applicants:</b>	<p>Eligible applicants must be legal entities established in EU Member States or associated eligible countries, with restrictions related to ownership and control by non-associated third countries unless specific exemptions or safeguards are provided.</p>
<b>Total Budget: €282,150,000</b>	
<b>Deadline: 16/02/2027</b>	
<b>More information and official documents:</b>	<p><a href="https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/EDF-EDIP-P-2027-LS-IRA-KEC">https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/EDF-EDIP-P-2027-LS-IRA-KEC</a></p>

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