

## **Change in the January 2009 call for applications (16 Dec 2008)**

### **8.8 Joint call for ELSA Genomics: Ethical, legal, socio-cultural and economic aspects (Academy of Finland, German BMBF and Austrian BMWF)**

The timetable for the ELSA-GEN joint call has changed. The new deadline is <b>May 29<sup>th</sup> 2009</b> .
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The Academy of Finland's Research Council for Culture and Society, the German Bundesministerium für Bildung und Forschung (BMBF) and the Austrian Bundesministerium für Wissenschaft und Forschung (BMWF) launch a joint call for joint research projects that focus on researching **ethical, legal, socio-cultural and economic aspects** related to the development and application of post-genomic research methods, such as genomics, proteomics and corresponding systemic approaches (ELSA-GEN Initiative). A detailed description of the thematic areas and goals of the call, the participating organisations and the aims of the call is available in the joint call for proposals of the funding agencies at [www.elsagen.at](http://www.elsagen.at).

Joint project applications shall include researchers/research teams from at least two participating countries. The funding agencies decide together on the projects to be funded. Each partner receives funding from the funding agency of its own country. The funding period is a maximum of three years.

The application procedure is different from the Academy's normal procedure. Applications shall be submitted to two addresses: to the Academy of Finland and to the GEN-AU Programme Office in Austria.

#### **Application procedure**

##### **1) Funding to be applied for from the Academy**

The Finnish partner of the joint project submits the application regarding its sub-project to the Academy's online services. If the project involves several Finnish partners and funding is applied for independently to different sites of research, each partner shall submit its own online application with appendices. If the Finnish partner forms a consortium, the applicant is requested to read the guidelines at [www.aka.fi/eng](http://www.aka.fi/eng) > For researchers > How to apply > Detailed application guidelines > Consortium and project collaboration, consortium application. The appendices indicated in this call for applications are submitted to the Academy's online services.

The following appendices in accordance with the guidelines for the ELSA-Gen call:

- abstract regarding the part of research for which funding is applied for from the Academy of Finland, no more than one page
- research plan, which in this call refers to the joint project application submitted to the BMWF with the content, as has been indicated in the international call for proposals.

- curricula vitae for and lists of publications of the Finnish applicant and the partners, combined as one document, as is indicated in the international call for proposals

The following appendices in accordance with the Academy's guidelines ([www.aka.fi/eng](http://www.aka.fi/eng) > For researchers > How to apply > Appendices):

- progress report on Academy-funded research projects for which no final report has been submitted
- statement by the executive director of the Strategic Centre for Science, Technology and Innovation (SHOK), if relevant, confirming that the applicant's project is affiliated with a SHOK and to justifying the significance of the project for the SHOK's operations
- statement by an ethics committee or a committee on animal experimentation, if relevant. Ethical aspects shall always be described in the research plan
- invitation from a foreign university or research institute, if the research or part of it will be conducted abroad.

The application to be submitted to the Academy does not cover funding for partners in other countries.

Applications to the Academy are drafted at [www.aka.fi/eng](http://www.aka.fi/eng) > For researchers > Log into online services and then select *New application* > **ELSA Genomics**.

The deadline is different from the Academy's normal submission deadline: the deadline is **May 29<sup>th</sup> 2009 at 16:15**. The application deadline is strict and applies to all partners of the application.

## 2) Joint project application

The complete joint project application of the partners with appendices shall be sent as two paper copies and on CD to the address: Programmbüro GEN-AU, FFG Österreichische Forschungsförderungsgesellschaft mbH, Sensengasse 1, A-1090 Wien. The **deadline for submission of joint project applications** to the Joint Call Secretariat is **May 29<sup>th</sup> 2009**.

A detailed description of the application process and the required appendices of the joint project application are available in the joint call for proposals of the funding agencies at [www.elsagen.at](http://www.elsagen.at).

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