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Step 1 Pre-proposals

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- ✓ *Administration data (online)*
- ✓ *Scientific proposal (pdf)*
- ✓ *Global budget (online)*

Step 2 Full proposals

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- ✓ *Detailed budget (Excel file)*
- ✓ *CVs (pdf)*

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Glossary

PRIMA: Partnership for Research and Innovation in the Mediterranean Area.

PS: Participating State.

PRIMA-IS: PRIMA – Implementation Structure.

SRIA: Scientific Research and Innovation Agenda.

RIA: Research & Innovation Action.

IA: Innovation Action.

TRL: Technology Readiness Level.

UfMS: Union for Mediterranean Secretariat.

SRIA: Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda.

NCP: National Contact Point.

CV: Curriculum Vitae.

PI: Principal Investigator.

DMP: Data Management Plan.

ESR: Evaluation Summary Report.

ESS: Electronic Submission Site.

M18: Month 18.

M36: Month 36.

KPI: Key Performance Indicators.

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I. Section 2 -Transnational call organized by PRIMA-IS and funded by Participant States (RIA call)

PRIMA SRIA identified 12 priorities for facing Mediterranean challenges related to Water management, Farming systems and Agro-food chains. In 2018, the PRIMA Section 2 Call, funded by the PS, will encompass all priorities except the three of them addressed in Section 1.

Section 2 will focus on a unique call for RIA, as several priorities/topics are strongly interrelated (leading to several cross-cutting issues that have been highlighted in the PRIMA SRIA, e.g. soil conservation and restoration and food security).

The Section 2 call will be launched in a two-stage process. PRIMA-IS will be responsible for the evaluation of proposals, which will be conducted with analogous rules of H2020 rules in a peer review process with a panel that will rank the proposals. Eligibility of proposals will be first checked by the PRIMA-IS having regard to the eligibility criteria set forth in the PRIMA Decision.

In this section 2, to receive the funds, the beneficiaries will have to sign a grant agreement directly with their national funding bodies, thus, to ensure compliance of the beneficiary with the national regulations a second eligibility check will be performed by the national funding bodies. Only proposals that are considered eligible both by PRIMA-IS and by the national funding bodies will enter into the evaluation process. At the end of the evaluation a unique ranking list will be produced by the panel in order to guarantee that high quality projects will be funded. As some funding bodies allocated a budget to one or more specific topic, and in the event that one or more projects cannot be funded (in case that a funding body runs out of money), the projects with a lower score may be selected. For details on the evaluation and selection process please see section 10.

PRIMA Section 2 call will address the topics described in this section below (according to national priorities) and the cross cutting issues among them. **Research projects can address issues that are cross cutting between two topics as long as they are both eligible for funding by ALL the partner countries.** PRIMA Section 2 call will fund collaborative research projects that should have an impact and contribute to demand and policy driven research (see list of KPIs in annex 3).

When funding for training and mobility is allowed by the funding bodies these actions will be encouraged and projects should integrate in their work plan schemes for the mobility of young researchers / post graduates / post doctorates, in accordance with the modalities set out in national regulation funding bodies.

Projects must deliver tangible outputs and enhance technological and social innovation, depending on the research question addressed. The projects could include the use of innovative technologies, such as smart digital technologies, space data and related data and technologies. When explicitly allowed by the national regulations of the funding bodies, innovation actions should involve the private sector in the project Consortium, and particularly relevant SMEs.

All participants to activities funded by the PRIMA-IS or by Participating States of the PRIMA Programme are required to label or co-label any communication or publication related to their activities with the following acknowledgement "[name of the activity/grant code] is part of the PRIMA Programme supported by the European Union", as well as with the PRIMA logo.

1.1 Thematic area 1: Sustainable water management for arid and semi-arid Mediterranean area

Topic 1.1.1: Water resources availability and quality within catchments and aquifers.

Topic 1.1.2: Sustainable, integrated water management.

Topic 1.1.3: Irrigation technologies and practices.

TOPIC 1.1.1 WATER RESOURCES AVAILABILITY AND QUALITY WITHIN CATCHMENTS AND AQUIFERS

Challenge

The challenges now faced by water planners require a new generation of water management models that addresses the broad impacts of global changes on hydrological and hydraulic balance at catchment and aquifer level. In the Mediterranean region, main sources of water for irrigation and drinking purposes are groundwater and artificial reservoirs created by dams and dikes. Innovative options and technologies are required to ensure availability of groundwater resources for future generations and in particular to deal with storage and depletion trajectory management, groundwater-dependent ecosystems, seawater intrusion and salinization, anthropogenic and geogenic contamination of the whole water cycle, and long-term sustainability. On the other hand, surface water bodies in the Mediterranean regions are characterized by intermittent streams. The lack of surface water during long periods of time constitutes a challenge to characterize their hydrological regime and the geomorphological and ecological status.

Scope

Quantitative analyses on ecosystem services require an in-depth understanding of their underlying processes. To meet this need, it is important not only to use adequate modelling methods, but also to apply effective monitoring tools and research on new methodologies to understand biogeochemical cycles. Particularly important is the development and demonstration of effective monitoring and modelling tools to gather appropriate data and provide forecasting capabilities across the freshwater to marine salinity gradients. Developing efficient simulation models is necessary to analyse future scenarios at the spatial scales to be used for natural resource planning and management, and to identify cost-effective strategies and techniques for a rational use of water and protection of land and soil. There is a need for developing early-warning systems to detect potential pollution transport through the soils and deep vadose zone to groundwater. This research should provide the needed information to support decisions on remediation strategies.

For surface water studies, new methods should be developed to characterise the hydro-geomorphological and ecological status and degree of human affection on ephemeral rivers. The methodology will address the hydrological regime, water and sediment connectivity, geomorphological conditions of river channels and river corridors, biogeochemical functions and the spatial structure of the plant and animal communities. In addition, in the semi-arid regions of the Mediterranean basins, floods are not only natural hazards but also renewable water resources.

There is a need to understand the hydrological processes for the assessment, management and use of floodwaters. Proposals within this topic should allow to quantify a) the processes controlling this recharge, b) long-term recharge quantities (decade to multi-decadal scales) that determine the sustainability of these water resources and c) to translate these results into specific management strategies for alluvial aquifers of ephemeral rivers in Mediterranean regions.

Expected impact

A more efficient water management, linked to studies devoted to understand the hydrological processes mediating ephemeral river flows, flooding events and aquifer recharge and salinization should have direct impacts on surface water bodies systems by increasing water flows and improve the water quality and reduce the underground water salinity levels. In this sense, the proposals to successfully meet the impact of the call should promote:

- Development of new modelling routines for determining the basic components of the water cycle, including economic, social and technical aspects (e.g. groundwater accumulation and storage) and for forecasting droughts
- Improvement of knowledge about pollution sources and processes naturally attenuating in order to better assess water management policies and the impact of anthropogenic activities.
- New techniques and governance models for artificial recharge of aquifers
- Ground-water surface-water monitoring and modelling: innovative methods of hydrological monitoring in ephemeral rivers, hydrological regime, water and sediment connectivity, geomorphological conditions of river channels and river corridors, biogeochemical functions and the spatial structure of the plant and animal communities.
- A reduction in the risk of saline intrusion and improved management of salt accumulation in underground water bodies.

TOPIC 1.1.2: SUSTAINABLE, INTEGRATED WATER MANAGEMENT

Challenge

Water sustainability in the Mediterranean region should be ensured by improved technical tools coupled with socio-economic studies able to improve the efficiency of water and energy use in certain key regions under present and future global change scenarios. In this sense, recognizing the water-energy-food synergies and balancing the potential trade-offs between water and energy use efficiency is required.

Scope

A sustainable water management is crucial in the Mediterranean basin for ensuring efficient multiple water use in irrigation, animal production systems, drinking and industrial activities, as well as the preservation of natural ecosystems. This requires efficient governance at different levels: watersheds, districts, national. This call intends to improve water governance taking into consideration both the socio-economic context and the meteo-climatic trends of the Mediterranean basin, since both of them are considered as important drivers of current and future water resources management. The development of innovative governance strategies, advanced planning methodologies, appropriate and sustainable treatment technologies and monitoring tools has to take into account the huge number of physical, technological and socio-economic variables in water management in order to address the ever-growing need for water and food. This implies the use of technologies and tools for water accounting systems, including new remote sensing capacities coupled with governance allocation structures based on socio-economic rules for setting the limits for water and energy consumption.

Expected impact

The water systems in the Mediterranean regions will benefit from the developed measures at different spatial levels in order to alleviate the existing pressure on water resources. By better defining the limits of water use and standardizing the water accountings procedures and methodologies, it will be possible to improve the analysis of the water footprints. More specifically the impacts expected by this call should be:

- Development of innovative tools and decision support systems for planning and adaptation to global change, including public and private stakeholders' involvement;
- Development of new modelling routines for determining the basic components of the water cycle, including economic, social and technical aspects. This includes the use of remote sensing technologies for determining evapotranspiration by surface energy balance, in order to assess the water and energy budgets.
- Implementation of monitoring and forecasting systems to support the water management under scarce conditions, taking into account any anthropogenic effect on the integrated water cycle;
- Development of innovative approaches for the proper management of water infrastructures, including small and multi-purpose reservoirs, water harvesting systems

- Development of new methodological approaches to enhance public, stakeholders involvement and empowerment of civil society in water resources management;
- Protection of the quality of water resources for agriculture, livestock and aquaculture and the ecosystem functioning

TOPIC 1.1.3: IRRIGATION TECHNOLOGIES AND PRACTICES

Challenge:

In the Mediterranean basin, agriculture is by far the main user of water resources, and irrigation is a crucial field practice influencing crop productivity and product quality. In addition, irrigation is a major driver for solutes transport in arid and semi-arid environments, having an important role in the possible negative impacts of improper water management on soil salinization and aquifers pollution. Therefore, the challenge is to improve irrigation water productivity while minimizing the potential environmental risks associated with irrigation.

Scope:

Mediterranean countries have taken or are performing significant efforts to modernize irrigation infrastructures, particularly in terms of water uptake and delivery from the original source to the farm. However, more research and technology transfer is needed to improve water use efficiency at the farm and irrigation district level. This can be potentially appraised by introducing more efficient irrigation technologies aimed at reducing soil evaporation and water run-off while improving crop water use efficiency, for example by designing precision irrigation scheduling models using information and communication technologies. In some cases, the use of soil and plant sensors and irrigation scheduling models has already been shown useful. While most of the knowledge remains at a research level, there is now the need to boost exploitation of such knowledge by end-users, for instance by showcasing the promising technologies in demo studies in close collaboration with private companies, mainly SMEs. However, further research is still needed to develop new technologies to minimize losses and maximize efficiency of irrigation (also in view of the current search for climate-proof crops with reduced water requirements), to be associated with tools for estimating more precisely plant water and saline stress levels and their impact on productivity, in order to understand when and how to intervene with proper irrigation technologies. This is particularly important under the conditions of water scarcity faced by most of the Mediterranean irrigation districts, where the use of deficit irrigation practices is a possible, and sometime a unique solution to cope with water stress. Under these stressing situations, particular attention should be given to the salinization process and the use of reclaimed or high salinity water. The existing knowledge on precision irrigation and regulated deficit irrigation practices under good quality water needs to be adapted to the more water-quality limiting conditions existing in the Mediterranean agro-ecosystems.

Expected impact

- Improving on-farm water use efficiency while maintaining crop productivity, quality and safety, and soil fertility
- Upscaling the on-farm water use efficiency gain to the irrigation district level
- To demonstrate irrigation scheduling models and tools to be developed in collaboration with private companies, mainly SMEs.
- To determine irrigation protocols tailored to low-quality water availability and, particularly, high salinity water, and to new climate-proof crops with reduced water requirements
- To reduce contamination of aquifers, mainly by nitrates, thanks to the improved fertigation scheduling protocols

1.2 Thematic area 2: Sustainable farming systems under Mediterranean environmental constraints

Topic 1.2.1: Adaptation of agriculture to climate change.

Topic 1.2.2: Preventing emergence of animal and plant diseases.

Topic 1.2.3: Developing farming systems able to generate income, to create employment and to contribute to a balanced territorial development.

TOPIC 1.2.1: ADAPTATION OF AGRICULTURE TO CLIMATE CHANGE

Specific Challenge

Climate change is dramatically impacting the Mediterranean area and solutions need to be found to adapt agricultural practices to rising temperatures, drought and soil salinity, and increasing occurrence of extreme events. Agriculture is indeed already limited by climate change all around the Mediterranean and this situation is predicted to worsen in the near future, with the northern part of the region experiencing similar conditions to those existing today on the southern shores. Adapting to climate change is therefore a common necessity for Mediterranean agriculture.

Scope

Research is needed to better understand how plants, soil biota and animals adapt to environmental constraints and why certain varieties/breeds are tolerant or resilient to biotic and abiotic single or multiple stresses, such as drought, multiple summer stresses, warm winters, salinity, etc. Primary focus should be on biological adaptation mechanisms and genotype-environment-management interactions (resulting in adapted and productive phenotypes), as well as on valorising local genotypes taking advantage of spontaneous and domesticated biodiversity in the Mediterranean agricultural and animal husbandry systems. The richness of Mediterranean biodiversity is an asset that can be used to restore or develop new varieties and hybrids, crops and breeds that are adapted to the environment and may be used for genetic improvement. Moreover, production of new breeds/hybrids/varieties adapted to the Mediterranean conditions and able to face climate change should be pursued.

Expected Impact

- Scientific knowledge about animal, microorganism and plant stress resistance/tolerance and adaptation or resilience to constraints due to current and future Mediterranean environmental conditions, namely to abiotic single or multiple stresses (e.g. aridity and extended droughts, heat waves and high evaporative demand, and multiple summer stresses, warm winters, salinity, and the combination).
- Valorisation of the local biodiversity that has naturally adapted and show resilience to environmental constraints in the Mediterranean conditions and that may sustain agriculture in stressful environments exacerbated by climate warming. In particular exploitation of neglected spontaneous and domesticated biodiversity in Mediterranean agricultural and animal husbandry systems, and aquaculture.
- Development and profiling of new varieties / hybrids /breeds that are tolerant/resistant/resilient to biotic and abiotic stresses, productive in Mediterranean climate conditions (aridity, warm winters, uneven rainfalls and salinity) and efficient in the use of limiting resources (water/soil fertility).

TOPIC 1.2.2: PREVENTING and CONTROLLING EMERGENCE OF ANIMAL AND PLANT DISEASES

Specific Challenge

The Mediterranean Region is a hotspot for biodiversity but it is also a rich and well-known center of origin and dispersion for virulent plant and animal pests and diseases. Diseases are increasing under the influence of climate change and of the intensification of trade flows in the Mediterranean. Plant and animal diseases and pests cause significant decreases in yield, quality and safety of Mediterranean crops, in particular fruit, cereal and vegetables and of animal productions, with strong economic and social consequences. When a new disease breaks out, it is already generally too late to find solutions.

Scientific knowledge has to be obtained in order to understand outbreaks phenomena and to develop preventive solutions as well as Integrated Pest Management solutions.

Scope

The challenge drives the need for a better understanding of the ecology and physiology of pests and pathogens, and the interactions between hosts, pests and pathogens, and other organisms at multiple trophic levels. Tackling these challenges requires trans-disciplinary research, involving plant/animal health specialists (e.g., on biology, entomology, pathology, microbiology and epidemiology), plant breeders, agronomists and zoo-technicians, food technologists. It should also involve social sciences to understand the determinants of current situation and study the acceptability of the proposed solutions. Prevention of plant and animal diseases, discovery and application of sustainable systems of pest/pathogen control (e.g. based on the exploitation of natural plant defence or multi-trophic interactions), and mitigation of the impact of diseases on food safety and/or human health are the main scopes of this topic. Stakeholders of the human and animal health sectors, taking into account ecology and environment within a One Health paradigm should be involved.

Expected Impact

- Improvement of understanding of diseases/infestations invasions and outbreaks
- Improvement of understanding and control of the effects of climate change and the associated risks for plant and animal health (including existing and emerging diseases, and adaptation of livestock systems);
- Provision of integrated pest and diseases control/management solutions, for plants and animal systems;
- Implementation of novel tools including the development of biocontrol agents, exploitation of natural defences, secondary metabolites and trophic interactions, development of vaccines, immunity and diagnosis tools, innovative therapeutics, development of biosystems that avoid the rapid surge of resistance of pests/pathogens to control agents;
- Research and disease surveillance networks in tight link with existing official networks such as the Euro-Mediterranean network for animal health (REMESA)

TOPIC 1.2.3: DEVELOPING FARMING SYSTEMS ABLE TO GENERATE INCOME, TO CREATE EMPLOYMENT AND TO CONTRIBUTE TO A BALANCED TERRITORIAL DEVELOPMENT

Specific Challenge

Agriculture is a major economic sector in Mediterranean countries and the growth of rural employment is critical for fighting rural poverty and stabilize population in the territories. Research and innovation is needed to enhance the potential benefits of agriculture in terms of employment and poverty alleviation, through the development of labour-intensive and environmentally-friendly agriculture and the design of sustainable and profitable farming systems for small-scale agriculture. Potential synergies among activities of the various actors along the food chains and of the economic sectors in rural areas and rural/urban synergies should be enhanced, and addressed at different levels (farms, region, territories...).

Scope

This topic calls for projects aimed at developing i) multidisciplinary approaches, including agronomy, food sciences, environmental, economic and social sciences for developing an integrated assessment

and design of profitable and sustainable farming systems able to create employment and rural development and to sustainably use limiting resources, ii) tools (best practices, decision support systems, models, discussion and co-development platforms, precision farming, etc.) that can assist farmers to improve the management of their farms in a risky and uncertain environment, iii) participatory approaches for integrating farmers' knowledge in the innovation process, iv) territorial approaches that analyse the diversity and spatial organization of farming systems and their environmental and social conditions in the Mediterranean in order to be able to develop site-specific solutions needed by the heterogeneity prevailing within and between the Mediterranean countries and v) Social sciences approaches aimed at: understanding of the determinants for adoption of innovations by farmers and design of public policies aimed at enhancing adoption of innovation suited to improve farmers' livelihoods

Expected Impacts

- Design of public policies aimed at enhancing adoption of innovation suited to improve farmers' livelihoods
- Implementation of tools (best practices, decision support system, models, discussion and co-development platforms) that can assist farmers to improve farm management in a risky and uncertain environment, and secure a sustainable income;
- Delivery of participatory approaches for integrating farmers' knowledge in the innovation process.
- Understanding of the technical, spatial and organizational dynamics of Mediterranean production systems;
- Understanding of the determinants for adoption of innovations by farmers;

1.3 Thematic area 3: Mediterranean Food Value Chain for regional and local development

Topic 1.3.1: Valorising food products from traditional Mediterranean diet.

Topic 1.3.2: Food Safety in local food chains.

Topic 1.3.3: Implications of dietary shifts and sustainable diets for the Mediterranean populations and food industry.

TOPIC 1.3.1: VALORISING FOOD PRODUCTS FROM TRADITIONAL MEDITERRANEAN DIET

Challenge

Mediterranean areas are characterised by traditional diets connected to local traditional products. However, changes in life-styles and scarce affordability of nutrient-dense food products have led to a change in the dietary patterns and a massive emergence of diet- and lifestyle-related chronic diseases. Research is needed to develop new products and processes to increase the quality of Mediterranean foods by combining improvement of raw material composition with better use of innovative and soft production and processing technologies. The result will be better nutritional quality of food products, stable nutrient-dense ingredients, and new products, A consolidated knowledge on the real value of Mediterranean foods, well characterized in the content and bio-accessibility of known healthy nutrients and bioactive compounds, is required. Composition and structure of food products should reflect the appliance of traditional recipes, linked to the cultural inheritance, on local ingredients, to re-establish the value of the Mediterranean diet.

Scope

The aim of this Call for Proposal is to delineate the objective quality of Mediterranean traditional foods not only by recording the composition of the broad range of biodiverse raw material/ingredients constituting them (both genotypes and phenotypes), but also by collecting reliable and detailed information about dynamic quality descriptors, such as stability, digestibility, bioaccessibility, sensory,

authenticity, etc., linked to the traditional recipes that have characterized the Mediterranean diet over history. By building a repository of detailed information about traditional dishes, a baseline for food quality is set and the future impact of climate change and water scarcity on the quality attributes may be monitored over the time. Such knowledge should be exploited to preserve the quality and even promote a better use of more sustainable production protocols and mild processing technologies to softly adapt innovation to traditional food.

More specifically, research actions should encompass the implementation of databases, covering different Mediterranean areas, focused on the content of health-promoting bioactive compounds in fresh and traditional food products, also in relation with the culinary traditions. In this regard, it will be of crucial importance undertaking research actions addressing the realization of inventories of Mediterranean traditional products linked to biodiversity, cultural heritage and other local specific resources, endowed with data, also resulting from modern analytical tools, on their respective nutritional value and carbon/energy/water footprint.

Furthermore, research actions should cover the protection of authentic fresh and traditional Mediterranean food products through the development of reliable traceability, geo-referencing and certification methods based on analytical data (e.g., omics data but not only) collected and made available to the community by means of open access repositories.

Expected Impacts

Actions supported under this Call for Proposal should lead to:

- the increased knowledge about the raw materials and the Mediterranean biodiversity to promote consumption of local food products with the highest nutritional quality or to stimulate the production of healthy nutrient-dense ingredients and foods;
- the increased knowledge on traceability, geo-referencing and certification of food, especially targeted at preserving and valorising functional properties of local food for the deployment of appropriate Mediterranean diets.
- inspire the development of new products, bioactive extracts and molecules, and functional ingredients based on data collected on the real content and bioaccessibility of valued nutrients and bioactive compounds linked to local traditional protocols and recipes and according to seasonal and sustainable production schemes
- the proposition of local processing solutions, better addressing the quality management, deriving from sustainable traditional recipes while preserving the nutritional value of food as assessed and reported in the databases;
- The development of new objective measurement tools to demonstrate quality and authenticity of raw materials and products;
- a valid support to the relevant stakeholders for implementation of policies focusing on the preservation of local resources as important elements of the Mediterranean cultural inheritance.

TOPIC 1.3.2: FOOD SAFETY IN LOCAL FOOD CHAINS

Challenge

Food safety problems are recurrent in Mediterranean Agri-food value chains, due to various factors including climate and demographic changes, global trade, and new determinants for consumers' choices. In addition, the informal setting with which the most of the Mediterranean agri-food firms operates does not favour the adoption of integrated solutions suitable for a rapid crisis handling, with reference both to upstream suppliers, who struggle to assess quality of raw materials, and downstream suppliers, who have to face serious problems in complying with more and more stringent standards of quality, traceability and product homogeneity, while achieving regular food supplies, as required by the customers. Food safety is today closely linked to innovation and sustainability in production

systems, and investing in safety means reducing the risks of a sudden loss of trust (in the brand or supply chain as a whole) for accidental events.

Scope

In the light of such considerations, the aim of this Call for Proposals is to guarantee food safety in the Mediterranean environment while preserving the cultural heritage, along the entire food chain. The selected projects should address research activities focused on the elaboration and adoption of innovative solutions aimed to improve quality and quality-control mechanisms and techniques throughout supply chains at both local and territorial levels in order to guarantee food safety along the entire food chain. The traceability of the links among place of origin, food manufacturing, distribution practices and consumer habits, adapting innovation to tradition should be taken into account.

Research activities can also tackle this challenge by addressing the development of models for hazards prediction and risk assessment related to new technologies, chemical and microbial food contamination. Research should include from the primary production up to food storage, transportation and preparation in the changing (environmental, economic and societal) conditions to prevent food crisis and facilitate trading of safe food in the Mediterranean regions.

Research on harmonization of norms and standards throughout the sectors along the supply chain (covering, among others, areas such as hazards and risk assessment, assurance of food shelf life, control of production factors, storage and transportation conditions) is still needed. This should be particularly analysed in the whole life cycle as a main determinant for the limitation of food waste and losses.

The development of recognized quality labels (included geographical indications and referencing) based not only on quality assurance systems, but also on the peculiar characteristics (e.g. sensorial and hedonistic) of the products correlated to the production environment and process while guaranteeing the safety requirements can also be addressed in this call.

Expected Impacts

Actions supported under this Call for Proposal should lead to:

- the development of models for hazards prediction and risk assessment extended to food chemical and microbiology contamination, storage and transportation conditions, focused to the Mediterranean environment constraints; facilitating the development of new norms and standard for hazards prediction and risk assessment,
- suitable procedures for qualifying and classifying production sites and zoning
- new systems and devices for food-safety monitoring along the entire food chain and best practices for all the food value chain phases, including post-sales;
- development and validation of bio-based protection practices, to the selection and characterisation of natural extracts and species with protective characteristics for food production, quality and storage;
- development of innovative packaging for better controlling product deterioration, reducing the use of preservatives, the microbiological risk and/or extending the shelf-life, and reducing food waste and losses;

TOPIC 1.3.3: IMPLICATIONS OF DIETARY SHIFTS AND SUSTAINABLE DIETS FOR THE MED POPULATIONS AND FOOD INDUSTRY

Challenge

While the traditional Mediterranean diet is considered particularly healthy, the Mediterranean is paradoxically one of the areas of the world where overweight and obesity are most prevalent—a clear sign of dietary shifts in progress and malnutrition: excess consumption of carbohydrates, sugars, saturated fat and salt, lower consumption of fruits, vegetables and fibers. The emergence of diet- and lifestyle-related chronic diseases (heart disease, cancer, chronic respiratory disease and diabetes) is

massive in the Southern and Eastern Mediterranean. These diseases have become the leading cause of death both in the North and in the South. Strategies and policies to prevent diet-related diseases are still weak, The prevention of chronic diseases should be supported by scientific evidences demonstrating the relationship between diet and health in the Mediterranean context to convince the citizens about the validity of adopting a well-defined Mediterranean diet .

Scope

The selected projects should encompass the strengthening of the link between the Mediterranean diet and health benefits through the identification of evident positive effects exerted by different active substances contained in local products. Different mechanisms should be investigated for better preventing the diet related diseases affecting the Mediterranean populations (for instance, forms resistant to digestion, enhancer or extender of satiety, triggers for intestinal receptors). Moreover, the genetic, epigenetic and behavioural determinants of chronic diseases, specifically focused on regional geographic basis, should be investigated in order to prevent the risk of many non-communicable diseases, stimulating the consumption of healthy food in vulnerable targeted population groups. Research actions can also encompass the assessment of the eating habits, their heterogeneity and their determinants in order to stimulate particularly younger generations to adopt Mediterranean traditional eating habits and abandon imbalanced diets, thus identifying approaches favouring the consumption of existing Mediterranean foods and offering different solutions coherent with the new lifestyles. Research are also expected in the field of public policies design, with the objective to support the implementation of dedicated nutritional policies and of reforms of current agricultural policies to incorporate the goal of sustainable food.

Expected Impacts

Actions supported under this Call for Proposals should lead to the:

- Characterisation of the genetic traits of the Mediterranean populations and the consequent phenotypic responses (e.g., epigenetic, metabolic, etc.) to food and physical activity as components of Mediterranean lifestyle;
- provision of affordable and adequate dietary patterns for Mediterranean population groups with specific nutritional requirements;
- translation of knowledge advancements on the Mediterranean diet into public food and health policies, strategies and guidelines for consumers, industry and for policy makers;
- better understanding of economic, social, and health impacts of nutritional transitions, determinants of consumers' behaviours, diets of populations and households,

II. Before the submission of Pre- or Full Proposal

Please note that when this guideline refers to “(pre-) proposal”, this means that the conditions apply to both pre proposal and full proposal stage.

There are important steps to get prepared before starting the preparation of the (pre-) proposal. They are as follows:

- Carefully read the text of the call and check the general eligibility conditions (e.g. minimum number of required partners or their place of establishment) and the national regulations applying to your consortium (annex 4).
- Prospective applicants are encouraged to contact PRIMA National Contact Points (NCPs) listed in Annex 1, to receive more information and guidance on PRIMA calls.
- Get familiar with the standard administrative and technical documentation to fill in. These templates are available on the PRIMA website to allow an early preparation of the (pre-)

proposal. Please note that a different template is used for the pre proposal and full proposal stage with different information.

Each consortium shall have a **coordinator**, whose responsibilities are mainly as follows:

During the submission / evaluation phase:

- Ensure that all the members of the consortium are eligible;
- Submit the (pre-) proposal on behalf of the consortium;
- Be the single point of contact between the PRIMA-IS and the consortium partners.

During the implementation of the project (if selected for funding):

- Be the single point of contact between the PRIMA-IS and the consortium partners;
- Compile and submit any project's reports/deliverables as required on behalf of the Consortium;
- Ensure the role of supervision of the project workflow with the help of Work Package leaders;
- Take care of the financial management of the project and the disbursement of funds between the project partners;
- Inform to the PRIMA-IS about any event that might affect the implementation of the project.

In addition, a **partnering tool** is available in the PRIMA website, to search for partners to organize a consortium.

III. Preparing a (Pre-)Proposal

The (pre-) proposal must be created by the project coordinator. The pre-proposal itself consists of 2 main parts: the administrative forms and the technical annex, which is the detailed description of the planned project. The level of detail depends of the stage, full proposals are more detailed, please refer to the available templates on www.prima-med.org/XXXXXX

(Pre-) Proposals and all the annexes or additional documents must be written in English, in a legible font, further guidance on the use of fonts, margins and other page formatting will be included in the (pre-) proposal templates available on the PRIMA website.

The work described in the (pre-) proposal must correspond to the PRIMA Call for Section 2. The pre-proposal has to meet all eligibility and admissibility conditions described in this call text section 6-7 and 8 . (Pre-) Proposals that fail to do so will be considered ineligible.

The **selection and award criteria** against which each (pre-) proposal will be evaluated are described in section 10, this information must also be taken into account to prepare the (pre-) proposal.

All pre-proposals must include a global budget (please ensure that the total value of your requested budget respect the national regulations). Not all costs are eligible for all the countries. A detailed explanation of which costs are eligible and which are not eligible can be found in the national regulations and in the **PRIMA Financial Guidelines for Beneficiaries (section 2) XXXX**. Please, read these carefully. A detailed budget will be required for the full proposal stage.

Applications, including all required forms and annexes, must be received by the PRIMA-IS **by the deadlines: 27th of March 2018 (17:00 CET) for pre-proposal stage and by the 4th of September 2018**

(17:00 CET) for full proposals, as stated in this document. Therefore, it is strongly recommended to do not wait until the last moment to submit your (pre-) proposals. Pre or full proposals submitted after the deadline are not eligible for evaluation and will be automatically rejected. No extenuating circumstances will be taken into consideration.

It is possible for the consortium to withdraw an already submitted (pre-)proposal at any time before the deadline, or even during the review process. Correcting or revising of proposals is only possible before the deadline. PRIMA will use the latest version of the pre-proposal submitted by the deadline for review.

PRIMA reminds you that ONLY the consortia of the pre-proposals selected by PRIMA-IS (based on the evaluation panel ranking list) at the end of the first step are allowed to submit a full proposal. The submission of a pre proposal is mandatory and **NO MODIFICATION are allowed in the consortium (Coordinators and PI), budget and scientific objectives between step 1 and step 2.**

(Pre-) proposals submitted by coordinators will be opened and authenticated by the PRIMA-IS, which will perform the admissibility and eligibility check (for more details, see Section 6 and 7). No clarification or integration requests will be accepted after the call deadline. Each (pre-) proposal will be registered with a specific identification number and stored electronically. If the admissibility and eligibility criteria are met, the proposal will be then sent to evaluators.

Main steps for the preparation and submission of a (Pre-)proposal	
1	Consortium composition and appointment of the coordinator
2	Verification of the eligibility conditions for the partners
3	Pre-proposal writing (check the evaluation criteria, fill in the appropriate forms)
4	<p>Pre-proposal submission by the coordinator with the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Administrative data (names of the partners, mails, institutions....) Information to be filled online ✓ Budget: Total cost per partner and Required amount per partner to their respective funding agency (information to be filled online) ✓ Scientific proposal (template available on XXXXXXXXX). Pdf to be uploaded on the submission website <p>Note that for full proposal (step 2) you will have to provide :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ A detailed budget table (template available on XXXXX). Excel file to be uploaded on the submission website. ✓ A full Scientific proposal (template available on XXXXXXXXX). Pdf to be uploaded on the submission website ✓ CVs of the PIs including all the information listed in section 6 in one single document: Pdf to be uploaded on the submission website <p>The PI is the team leader=1 person per team, lab or institution</p>

IV. Submission procedure

The call will follow a two-stage evaluation procedure. For the first stage, a short Scientific pre-proposal (10 pages) must be submitted to the PRIMA Electronic Submission System **by the first deadline (March 27th, 2018; 17:00h CET)**. **More information about the PRIMA Electronic Submission Site, in Annex 5.**

Successful applicants in the first stage will be invited to submit a full proposal (maximum 70 pages) for the second stage. An indicative timeline for the submission and evaluation of applications can be found in Annex 2.

The Eligibility check will be done firstly by the PRIMA-IS after the deadline for submission and secondly by the National Contact Points (NCPs), before the evaluation takes place. **NO MODIFICATION BETWEEN STAGE 1 PRE-PROPOSALS AND STAGE 2 FULL PROPOSALS ARE ALLOWED**

V. List of countries eligible for funding

Legal entities established in the following PRIMA Participating States¹ (PS) will in general be eligible to receive funding through PRIMA grants:

- The following Member States (MS) of the European Union (EU): Croatia, Cyprus, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Luxembourg, Malta, Portugal, Spain, Slovenia. It includes the Overseas Countries and Territories (OCT) linked to these Member States²:
- The following Third Countries associated to Horizon 2020 (AC): Israel, Tunisia, and Turkey.
- The following Third Countries not associated to Horizon 2020 (TC), upon condition that they have concluded international agreements for scientific and technological cooperation setting out the terms and conditions of their participation in PRIMA: Algeria, Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon and Morocco.*

*As of 26 October 2017 the agreement for scientific and technological cooperation setting out the terms and conditions of Algeria's participation in PRIMA has been provisionally applicable and Algeria is a PRIMA Participating State. The eligibility to receive PRIMA funding for legal entities established in the 'to be Participating States', i.e. Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon and Morocco is in general conditional upon the entry into force of start of provisional application of international agreements with the Union setting out the terms and conditions of their participation in PRIMA by the time the relevant Grant Agreement is signed.

These Associated (AC) and Third Countries (TC) mentioned above are the Mediterranean Partner Countries (MPC).

Participants from countries not listed above can be part of a consortium but they have to fund their own participation. They cannot coordinate the project and they are not taken into account in the minimum number of participants required to have an eligible consortium. They also have to attach to their proposal a letter from their organization (signed by a legal representative of the structure)

¹ New PS may join PRIMA and the regularly updated list of PS will be provided by PRIMA-IS (at the following link to be inserted to PRIMA webpage).

² Entities from Overseas Countries and Territories (OCT) are eligible for funding under the same conditions as entities from the Member States to which the OCT in question is linked.

attesting that the funds to cover their participation to the projects (task(s), participation to meetings...) in the project will be available.

Ultimately, the national funding rules of a PS will determine whether a particular entity would be eligible for funding. PRIMA-IS will request PS to verify the eligibility of participants in applicant consortia for national funding. In the event of a negative outcome of the verification of eligibility for funding of any participant in the applicant consortium by a PS, PRIMA-IS may require additional information from a consortium or the participant concerned such as an attestation that the funds to cover their participation in the project will be available (analogous to the attestation required from participants from non-PS).

The information provided in this section is without prejudice to the national funding rules of PS, which may also envisage eligibility for funding for specific entities not established in these PS.

Please refer to table 1 which presents indicative budget distribution of Participating States and to be Participating States with respect to the calls covered by section 2. Based on this table prospective participants may establish whether the PS / tbPS plans to allocate certain budgets to the Thematic Areas and particular topics they are interested in.

The latest information on the PRIMA PS can be found on PRIMA webpage: <http://www.prima-med.org/>

VI. Standard of admissibility and related requirements

1. Proposals must comply with the admissibility requirements set out in this sub-section, unless they are supplemented or modified in the call conditions.

To be considered **admissible**, a proposal must be:

- (a) Submitted in the electronic submission system before the deadline given in the call conditions;
- (b) Readable, accessible and printable;
- (c) **Complete** and inclusive of the requested administrative data, the proposal description, and any other obligatory supporting documents specified in the call conditions;
- (d) Include a **draft plan for the exploitation and dissemination of the results**, unless otherwise specified in the call conditions. **The draft plan is not required for pre-proposals.**

2. In addition to the above admissibility requirements, page limits will apply to parts of proposals. The limit for a **first-stage pre-proposal is 10 pages**, while the limit for a **full proposal is 70 pages**. **In BOTH CASES PAGE LIMIT APPLY ONLY TO THE SCIENTIFIC PART. We strongly encourage you to write your pre or full proposal in a concise and precise way (please bear in mind that the length of the proposal is not considered as a guarantee of quality and evaluators appreciate to receive precise and clear documentation).**

Excess pages (in over-long proposals/applications) will not be taken into consideration by evaluators.

Proposals must be written in a legible font. Further guidance on acceptable fonts, margins and other page formatting will be included in the proposal templates. The structure of proposals must correspond to the requirements specified under each section of the proposal template.

3. The following supporting documents will be required to determine the operational capacity for grant proposals during the second step of evaluation (**for full proposals only**):

- A curriculum vitae or description of the profile of the persons who will be primarily responsible for carrying out the proposed research and/or innovation activities;
- A list of up to five relevant publications, and/or products, services (including widely-used datasets or software), or other achievements relevant to the call content;
- A list of up to five relevant previous projects or activities, connected to the subject of this proposal;
- A description of any significant infrastructure and/or any major items of technical equipment, relevant to the proposed work;
- A description of any third parties that are not represented as project partners, but who will nonetheless be contributing towards the work (e.g. providing facilities, computing resources).

This scrutiny will be carried out by the evaluators during the evaluation process under the selection criteria, in particular the award criterion ‘Quality and efficiency of the implementation’. Please refer to Section 10. "Evaluation rules".

All the points listed above must be treated in a unique document to be uploaded during the submission phase.

VII. Standard eligibility conditions

All proposals must comply with the eligibility conditions set out in the Rules for Participation of Horizon 2020 Regulation No.1290/2013 and any derogations to these as specified in the Decision (EU) 2017/1324.

Furthermore, proposals must comply with the eligibility conditions set out in this Annex, unless they are supplemented or modified in the call conditions.

- A proposal will only be considered eligible if:
- (a) its content corresponds, wholly or in part, to the topic for which it is submitted;
 - (b) it complies with the eligibility conditions for participation set out in the table below, depending on the type of action.

Type of Action	Eligibility conditions for participation ⁶
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Research & Innovation Action (RIA)	<p>At least three legal entities established in three different countries considered as Participating States as defined in section 5 by the submission deadline under the relevant call , out of which:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -at least one must be established in a EU Member State or a third country associated to Horizon 2020 participating in PRIMA and not being a MPC³: and -at least one must be established in a third country non-EU Participating State bordering the Mediterranean Sea (MPC) considered as a Participating State ⁴
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For Section 2 calls, after the eligibility check done by PRIMA-IS, a second eligibility check will be performed by the national funding bodies, aimed at the verification of eligibility for funding. In this context proposals that are considered eligible for participation by PRIMA-IS (at the consortium level) will enter into the evaluation process. However, in the event of a negative outcome of the verification of eligibility for funding of any participant in the applicant consortium by a PS, PRIMA-IS may require additional information from a consortium or the participant concerned, such as an attestation that the funds to cover their participation in the project will be available.

For funding rules, in particular the criteria for eligibility for funding of their participation in the activities following transnational call organized by PRIMA-IS, applicants should refer to the national funding rules and if necessary contact their national funding bodies.

Applicants must be eligible for funding according to their national funding body rules (national regulations). The national regulations mention the eligible structures or entities that are allowed to apply (for example, some funding bodies can fund private entities and other cannot). Each funding body establishes its own national regulations that provide to the applicants the topics that are funded under the call (see table below) and a list of criteria to check for their eligibility. National regulations also provide a comprehensive list of eligible costs (for example some funding bodies can support mobility or sub-contracting and other cannot). Therefore before applying to the call of the section 2, applicants must verify their own national eligibility by reading carefully the national regulations and by contacting the national contact point appointed for this task (the list of the national contact points is included in Annex 1.

Table 1. Planned activities and budget distribution of Participating States and to be Participating States

³ These countries include Croatia, Cyprus, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Luxembourg, Malta, Portugal, Slovenia and Spain.

⁴ The latest information on the PRIMA PS, including MPC, can be found on PRIMA webpage: <http://www.prima-med.org/>. In order to qualify as a MPC, and thus be counted towards the eligibility conditions for participations, the third country will need to be considered a PS by submission deadline under the relevant call.

	Participating States															'to be' Participating States			
	PT	SI	CY	EL	FR	TN	ES	TR	DE	HR	IT	LU	MT	IL	DZ	eg	LB	JO	MA
Total commitment (K€)	750	100	200 to 400	2000	4000	1000	3000	1000	3300	285	7000	300	500	1000	2000	3000	500	1500	2000
Thematic area 1 Sustainable water management for arid and semi-arid med areas	250			750			1100	400		55			200		700	900		500	
TOPIC 1.1 Water resources availability and quality within catchments and aquifers	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
TOPIC 1.2 Sustainable, integrated water management	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
TOPIC 1.3 Irrigation technologies and practice	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X
Thematic area 2 Sustainable farming systems under Med environmental constraints	250			600			800	300		135			150		800	600		500	
TOPIC 2.1 Adaptation of agriculture to climate change	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
TOPIC 2.2. Preventing animal and plant pests and diseases outbreaks	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

TOPIC 2.3. Farming Systems able to create employment and territorial development	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X
Thematic area 3 Mediterranean Food Value Chain for Regional and Local development	250			650			1100	300		95			150		500	1500		500	
TOPIC 3.1. Valorising food products from traditional Mediterranean diet	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
TOPIC 3.2. Food safety and quality in local food chains	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
TOPIC 3.3. Health effects of the dietary shifts and promotion of healthy and sustainable diets for the Med populations	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

Please note that if you are submitting a proposal that is cross cutting between 2 topics, you have to declare it in the submission website by ticking the 2 relevant topics. To be eligible, the 2 topics selected must be funded by all the funding bodies involved.

Abbreviations of the table: PT: Portugal; SI: Slovenia; CY: Cyprus; EL: Greece; FR: France; TN: Tunisia; ES: Spain; TR: Turkey; DE: Germany; HR: Croatia; IT: Italy; LU: Luxembourg; MT: Malta; IL: Israel. DZ: Algeria; EG: Egypt; LB: Lebanon; JO: Jordania; MA: Morocco.

* The PRIMA AWP 2018 will also recognise the fact that 'to be Participating States' (tbPS) may become Participating States (PS) after its adoption. In this context, in the relevant sections, information will be provided in relation to tbPS. This information, although indicative at this stage, may be useful for the appreciation of the expected PRIMA activities in 2018 with a special focus on possible contributions to PRIMA by tbPS and their participation in its activities – after they become PS.

VIII. Specific provisions and funding rates ⁵

Description of the activities: Research and innovation activities (RIA)

Activities primarily consisting of activities aiming to establish new knowledge and/or to explore the feasibility of a new or improved technology, product, process, service or solution. For this purpose, they may include basic and applied research, technology development and integration, testing and validation on a small-scale prototype in a laboratory or simulated environment.

Projects may contain closely connected but limited demonstration or pilot activities aiming to show technical feasibility in a near to operational environment.

All the projects will have to include collaborative research. Collaborative research is compulsory and undertaken by a partnership of institutions (consortium) designed to produce new knowledge through scientific research, whereby each team within the partnership actively pursues specific tasks and objectives with a view to pooling the results to contribute to the achievement of a set of common, well-defined project objectives.

Funding level

The level of funding and the list of eligible costs are given in the national regulations. Each applicant has to comply with the requirements stated in their own national regulations. A contact point established in each country and who can be contacted directly by the applicant belonging to the same country, will inform the applicants about the rules.

IX. Technology readiness levels (TRL)

Where a topic description refers to a TRL, the following definitions apply, unless otherwise specified:

- TRL 1 – basic principles observed.
- TRL 2 – technology concept formulated.
- TRL 3 – experimental proof of concept.
- TRL 4 – technology validated in lab.
- TRL 5 – technology validated in relevant environment (industrially relevant environment in the case of key enabling technologies).
- TRL 6 – technology demonstrated in relevant environment (industrially relevant environment in the case of key enabling technologies).
- TRL 7 – system prototype demonstration in operational environment.
- TRL 8 – system complete and qualified.
- TRL 9 – actual system proven in operational environment (competitive manufacturing in the case of key enabling technologies; or in space).

X. Evaluation rules

⁵ Participants may ask for a lower rate.

-Selection Criteria

1. *Financial capacity*: In line with the Financial Regulation No 966/2012 and the Horizon 2020 Rules for Participation Regulation No 1290/2013. Before the submission of a pre-proposal coordinators will have to perform a self-assessment using the on-line tool available by clicking on the following link <https://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/organisations/lfv.html> .

2. *Operational capacity*: As a distinct operation, carried out during the evaluation of the award criterion 'Quality and efficiency of the implementation', experts will indicate whether the participants have sufficient operational capacity to carry out the proposed work, based on the competence and experience of the individual participant(s). (Only for step 2).

-Award criteria, scores and weighting

1. Proposals will be evaluated by experts, on the basis of the **award criteria** 'excellence', 'impact' and 'quality and efficiency of the implementation' (see Article 15 of the Horizon 2020 Rules for Participation Regulation No 1290/2013).

The aspects to be considered are set out in the table below, unless stated otherwise in the call conditions:

Type of Action	Excellence	Impact	Quality and efficiency of the implementation
Research & Innovation Activities (RIAs)	<p>The following aspects will be taken into account, to the extent that the proposed work corresponds to the topic description in the work plan.</p> <p>Fit with the scope and objectives of the PRIMA programme and the call topic description;</p> <p>Importance, relevance/pertinence and clarity of the objectives;</p> <p>Soundness of the concept and credibility of the proposed approach/methodology.</p> <p>Extent that the proposed work is beyond the state of the art, and demonstrates innovation potential (e.g. ground-breaking objectives, novel concepts and approaches, new products, services or business and organisational models)</p> <p>Appropriate consideration of interdisciplinary approaches and, where relevant, use of stakeholder knowledge</p>	<p>The following aspects will be taken into account:</p> <p>The extent to which the outputs of the project would contribute to one or several of the expected impacts mentioned in the work plan under the relevant topic.</p> <p>Any substantial impacts not mentioned in the work plan, that would enhance innovation capacity, create new market opportunities, strengthen competitiveness and growth of companies, address issues related to climate change or the environment, or bring other important benefits for society;</p> <p>Quality of the proposed measures to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exploit and disseminate the project results (including management of IPR), and to manage research data where relevant. • Communicate the project activities to different target audiences. 	<p>The following aspects will be taken into account:</p> <p>Quality and effectiveness of the work plan, including extent to which the resources assigned to work packages are in line with their objectives and deliverables;</p> <p>Appropriateness of the management structures and procedures, including risk and innovation management;</p> <p>Complementarity of the participants and extent to which the consortium as whole brings together the necessary expertise;</p> <p>Appropriateness of the allocation of tasks, ensuring that all participants have a valid role and adequate resources in the project to fulfil that role.</p>

-Scoring and weighting:

Unless otherwise specified in the call conditions:

- Evaluation scores will be awarded for the criteria, and not for the different aspects listed in the above table.
- For the evaluation of first-stage proposals under a two-stage submission procedure, only the criteria 'excellence' and 'impact' will be evaluated. The threshold for both individual criteria will be 3.5.
- For each indicative budget-split in the call conditions, the overall threshold, applying to the sum of the two individual scores, will be set at the level such that the total requested budget of proposals admitted to stage 2 is as close as possible to three times the available budget, and in any case, not less than two and a half times the available budget.
- The actual level will therefore depend on the volume of proposals received. The threshold is expected to normally be set at least 7 or 7.5 (stage 1).
- For full proposals, each criterion will be scored out of 5. The threshold for individual criteria will be 3. The overall threshold, applying to the sum of the three individual scores, will be 10.

Score description for the evaluation criteria (half point scores may be given)		
0	weak	The proposal fails to address the criterion under examination or cannot be judged due to missing or incomplete information.
1	poor	The criterion is addressed in an inadequate manner, or there are serious inherent weaknesses
2	fair	While the proposal broadly addresses the criterion, there are significant weaknesses.
3	good	The proposal addresses the criterion well, although improvements would be necessary.
4	very good	The proposal addresses the criterion very well, although certain improvements are still possible.
5	excellent	The proposal successfully addresses all relevant aspects of the criterion in question. Any shortcomings are minor.

Evaluation procedure

- Individual Evaluation: Each eligible (pre-)proposal is evaluated remotely by at least three expert evaluators (see Article 15 of the Horizon 2020 Rules for Participation Regulation no. 1290/2013), who carry out a technical evaluation on the basis of the criteria mentioned above. An Individual Evaluation Report, which includes comments and scores for all evaluation criteria, is prepared by each evaluator.

- **Panel review:** after the remote individual evaluation, evaluators meet in a panel to discuss and find agreement on the initial comments and scores attributed to each (pre-) proposal. They will prepare an Evaluation Summary Report (ESR) for each (pre-) proposal, which shows the outcome of the evaluation of the project proposal.

The panel is also responsible for the preparation of a ranking list of the proposals by consensus. Project funding decisions will be taken on the basis of this ranking list. The panel configuration allows evaluators to have an overview of all eligible proposals, not just the one they have evaluated, which enables them to decide fairly when ranking the proposals.

In case of disagreement or in case of project proposals with the same score (only for two stage proposals), the panel shall determine the priority order for proposals described in the section below.

-Priority order for proposals with the same score:

The following method will be applied (except for the pre-proposal stage, where proposals having the same score are kept together and no prioritization is made).

If necessary, the panel will determine a priority order for proposals, which have been awarded the **same score** within a ranked list. Whether or not such a prioritization is carried out will depend on the available budget or other conditions set out in the call text. The following approach will be applied successively for every group of *ex ae-quo* proposals requiring prioritization, starting with the highest scored group, and continuing in descending order:

- a) Proposals that address topics, or sub-topics, not otherwise covered by more highly-ranked proposals, will be considered to have the highest priority.
- b) The proposals identified under (a), if any, will themselves be prioritized according to the scores they have been awarded for the criterion excellence. When these scores are equal, priority will be based on scores for the criterion impact.
- c) If necessary, any further prioritization will be based on the following factor; presence of SMEs, gender balance among the personnel named in the proposal who will be primarily responsible for carrying out the research and/or innovation activities.
- d) The panel may decide to further prioritize by considering how to enhance the quality of the project portfolio through synergies between projects, or other factors related to the objectives of the call or to PRIMA in general. These factors will be documented in the report of the Panel.
- e) The method described in (a), (b), (c) and (d) will then be applied to the remaining *ex ae quos* in the group.

At the end of the panel meeting, the panel will recommend a ranking list for the proposals under evaluation, following the scoring systems indicated above.

XI. Communication of evaluation results

Coordinators whose pre-proposal has been rejected will receive an Evaluation Summary Report (ESR) at the end of the first stage, showing the results of the evaluation.

The PRIMA-IS will notify applicants if their (pre-) proposal has been rejected because:

- it is found to be ineligible;
- it falls short of the relevant thresholds;
- it is too far down the ranking list to qualify for the limited amount of funding available;
- does not fulfil the ethical requirements, following an ethics review (see Article 13.3, of Horizon 2020 Rules for participation).

Coordinators whose pre-proposal has been successful will be invited to submit a full-proposal for step 2 and will receive an ESR at the end of the second stage evaluation. A positive result **does not constitute a confirmed offer of a grant**.

In line with Article 6(10)(c) of Decision (EU) 2017/1324, the proposals will be ranked according to evaluation results after the full proposal evaluation step. The selection of proposals to be funded will be made by PRIMA-IS based on this ranking. However, since the funding of participants in the activities will be responsibility of PS and not PRIMA-IS, the respective PS will need to provide adequate funding in line with the national rules. In the event that one or more projects cannot be funded by the PS, PRIMA-IS may decide to select for funding the projects with a lower score, following them in the ranking list.

Applicants whose proposal is awarded funding will receive a formal communication informing them that the grant preparation phase can start.

XII. Project monitoring and reporting for funded projects

In addition to the specific requirements of the funding bodies, project coordinators will be required to provide a scientific and financial **mid-term report by M18 and a final report by M36 to PRIMA IS**. All project partners will have to deliver input for these reports. In addition, it will be expected to include evidence of impact in these mid-term and final reports (see the list of Key Performance Indicators in annex 3).

Detailed information on the reporting and monitoring procedures as well as templates will be provided to the coordinators of the funded projects in due course on the PRIMA website.

XIII. Evaluation Review Procedure

This procedure is intended for applicants who believe that the evaluation of their proposal has not been carried out in accordance with the procedures set out in the call text. Applicants can lodge a request to PRIMA-IS within 30 days after the date on which PRIMA-IS informs the coordinator of the evaluation results.

This procedure covers only the procedural aspects of the evaluation, and not the merits of the proposal.

An evaluation review committee shall provide an opinion on the procedural aspects of the evaluation

process.

- The committee may recommend one of the following:
 - a) Re-evaluation of the proposal primarily by evaluators not involved in the previous evaluation;
 - b) Confirmation of the initial evaluation.

XIV. Conditions related to open access to research data

Participants are encouraged to engage in research data sharing, This means that beneficiaries are encouraged to deposit and take measures to make it possible for third parties to access, mine, exploit, reproduce and disseminate, free of charge for any user:

(1) data needed to validate the results presented in scientific publications ('underlying data'); and (2) other data as specified by the beneficiaries in their Data Management Plan (DMP, see below).

Projects can "opt-out" of these provisions on the following grounds:

- a) Incompatibility with the need to protect results that are expected to be commercially or industrially exploited.
- b) Incompatibility with the need for confidentiality in connection with security issues.
- c) Incompatibility with rules on protecting personal data.
- d) Incompatibility with the project's main aim.
- e) If the project will not generate / collect any research data, or;
- f) If there are other legitimate reasons not to provide open access to research data.

A proposal will not be evaluated more favorably if the consortium agrees to share its research data, nor will it be penalized if it opts-out.

Further information on open access to research data is available on the PRIMA electronic submission system.

A Data Management Plan (DMP) details what data the project will generate, how it will be exploited and made accessible for verification and re-use, and how it will be curated and preserved. The use of a Data Management Plan is encouraged for all projects that do not opt-out. Projects that opt-out are also strongly encouraged to submit a Data Management Plan if relevant for their planned research. Further information on Data Management Plans is available on PRIMA electronic submission system.

XV. Applicable common principles to the call

Equal treatment

Participation in joint calls, including the right to receive funding, should in general be open to any type of legal entity, private or public. It is understood and acceptable however, that national legislation or specific objectives of an action may dictate that only certain legal entities, e.g. public institutions, can participate and receive funding in certain actions. Joint calls should to the largest possible extent be allocated through open calls for proposals, and the PRIMA programme should be mentioned in the call text.

The principle of equality and non-discrimination based on gender, racial or ethnic origin, religion or belief, disability, age and sexual orientation should be observed and promoted.

Transparency

Evaluation and selection criteria and details of the review process should be published before applicants submit pre-proposals. The awarding of funds through calls for proposals or through institutional funding is made public.

Independent peer review evaluation

Applications submitted through open calls for proposals should be evaluated by panels of leading independent experts (peer review).

Ethics and scientific integrity

The principles of scientific integrity as defined in the European Code of Conduct for Research Integrity should be observed and promoted.⁶

Fundamental ethical principles and in particular those related to the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union, the European Convention on Human Rights and its Supplementary Protocols, should be adhered to and enforced, both during selection of actions for funding and during the subsequent implementation of the actions.

Appeal and complaints

A peer review appeal system should be established to provide applicants the opportunity to seek reconsideration of the initial review results if they believe the review process was flawed.

Exploitation and dissemination of results

The findings of research activities in the PRIMA AWP must be made available to the research community and the public in a timely manner.

XVI. Specific additional information and relations between the beneficiaries and their funding bodies

Grant agreement

Each beneficiary will be funded directly by its own national funding body, therefore a grant agreement is concluded between each beneficiary and its national funding body. The rules applying for this agreement are the national rules set in the national regulations. The grant agreement will cover the entire duration of the project and must be synchronized in time (starting date of the activities and end of the project) between the different funding bodies involved in funding of the project.

Consortium agreement.

A consortium agreement is required and must be sent to all the funding bodies involved in the project. This consortium agreement must address at least:

⁶ http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/data/ref/h2020/other/hi/h2020-ethics_code-of-conduct_en.pdf

- The repartition of the tasks between partners
- The sharing of the intellectual property rights of the project results
- The conditions of publication and dissemination of the results
- The technology transfer and the exploitation of the results
- Any specific requirements from a funding body

There is no template provided by the funding bodies for the consortium agreement.

The Project Coordinator

Each Consortium need to appoint a Coordinator, who will have the following role:

For the preparation and the submission of the proposal:

- Be the single point of contact between the PRIMA-IS secretariat and the consortium partners from proposal preparation to submission
- Ensure that all the partners involved in the consortium are eligible for participation
- Submit the Application Form on behalf of the Consortium

During the implementation of the project:

- Be the single point of contact between the PRIMA-IS secretariat and the consortium partners from proposal preparation to submission
- Be the single point of contact between the Funding bodies and the consortium partners in case of requiring a grant extension or scientific/managerial modifications
- Ensure the role of supervision of the project workflow with the help of WP leaders;
- Compile and submit the common reports/deliverables of the overall project to the funding bodies. The funding bodies will then send these documents to the PRIMA-IS secretariat.

The Coordinator will not be responsible for the financial management of PRIMA research funding, which will be handled directly between national beneficiaries and their national funding bodies in each participating country.

Project monitoring and reporting

In addition to the reporting required by the funding bodies, project coordinators will be required to provide a **mid-term report by M18** and a **final report by M36 to PRIMA IS**. All project partners will have to deliver input for these reports. In addition, it will be expected to include evidence of impact in these mid-term and final reports (see annex 3 for KPIs).

Detailed information on the reporting and monitoring procedures as well as templates will be provided to the coordinators of the funded projects in due course on the PRIMA website.

XVII. Call Secretariat – PRIMA-IS

The Call Secretariat located on the **PRIMA-IS**, will provide administrative support to applicants regarding the call, call documents and procedures.

Project Officer : XXXX

Phone:

e-mail:

Questions concerning the submission tool and other general questions should be addressed to: **XXX**.

XVIII. National Contact Points

Besides the Call Secretariat, each country has nominated representatives at national level as National Contact Point (NCP). These representatives give support to the applicants and are the primary points of contact for all general matters related to the calls, and can act as a link between PRIMA and the coordinator of the project.

A list of the National Contact Point list is provided in Annex 1.

XIX. Use of the Electronic online Submission Tool

The Pre-Proposal submission occurs online via PRIMA Submission Tool. All fields in the tool are mandatory. It is the duty of the coordinator to enter the data online.

Information about the coordinator (and about every partner of the consortium, which they can enter themselves):

- Title;
- E-mail address;
- First Name;
- Family Name;
- Status of Organisation;
- Name of Organisation;
- Department;
- Country;
- Street;
- Zip/Postal Code;
- Town/City;
- Telephone Number;
- Mobile Phone Number;

The ESS will ask for the following information:

- Project Title (**max. 255 characters**);
- Project Acronym (**max. 15 characters**);
- Project duration (max. 36 month);
- Topic;
- Keywords. You can select predetermined keywords for main topic selected or add any new keyword;
- Abstract (**max. 2500 characters**);
- Project Description (**max. 10000 characters**): *Detail here relevance of the project to the scientific scope of this call, main results for the sector that can be expected, main target group and how this will be involved and/or targeted in the project, state of the art relevant to the topic and added value of the consortium for PRIMA, of the project being carried out;*

- Documents. You can upload the required documents (Scientific document, budget table, CVs, in pdf or excel files). Max allowed file size: 10 MB;
- For step 1 (pre-proposal stage) the EES will ask you for the total cost / partner and the requested amount to PRIMA / partner. For information Total cost = requested amount to PRIMA + own funding;
- Note that for step 2 (full proposal stage), a detailed budget will be asked for each partner.

The project coordinator has to list all partners of the consortium. After having activated all the partners by the coordinator, each partner receives a confirmation email and can edit their administrative and financial data.

For any questions concerning the online [Electronic Submission Site \(ESS\)](#), please contact XXX.

Annex 1: List of Participants States and National Contact Points

Country	Funding body	NCP name	NCP surname	E mail	phone Number
ALGERIA	General Directorate for scientific research and technological development (DGRSDT)	Bouchicha	Mohamed	m.bouhicha@mesrs.dz	+21321270565 / +213555722577
CROATIA					
CYPRUS					
EGYPT	PRIMA National contact point for EGYPT	El-Sadr	Zeinab	prima.mosr@gmail.com	00202 27927368/69
EGYPT	Academy of Scientific Research and Technology (ASRT)	Radwan	Amr	amm@sti.sci.eg	00202 27920126
EGYPT	Academy of Scientific Research and Technology (ASRT)	Essawi	Salma	sme@sti.sci.eg	00202 27920126
EGYPT	Science and Technological Development Fund (STDF)	Samir	Sarah	sarah.maged@stdf.org.eg	00202 27924519
FRANCE	French National Research Agency (ANR)	Héral	Maurice	maurice.heral@anr.fr	+33 1 78 09 80 33
FRANCE	French National Research Agency (ANR)	Treignier	Claire	claire.treignier@anr.fr	
GERMANY	Project Management Agency c/o German Aerospace Center (DLR PT)	Dr. Ditgens	Birgit	prima@dlr.de	tbc
GERMANY	Project Management Agency c/o German Aerospace Center (DLR PT)	Wirsing	Birgit	prima@dlr.de	tbc
GREECE	General Secretariat for Research and Technology	Koniaris	Marios	m.koniaris@gsrt.gr	+30 210 74 58 094, +30 210 77 14 153

GREECE	General Secretariat for Research and Technology	Dimitropoulou	Sofia	s.dimitropoulou@gsrt.gr	+30 210 74 58 187, +30 210 77 14 153
ISRAEL	Israel Innovation Authority	Mrs. Karniol	Ayala	ayala@iserd.org.il	+972-3-5118119
ISRAEL	Israeli Ministry of Science, Technology and Space	Dr. Ben-Sasson	Moshe	MosheBS@most.gov.il	+972-50- 5859530
ITALY					
JORDAN	Scientific Research Support Fund	Amawi	Omar	omaramawi@hotmail.com; o.amawi@hcst.gov.jo	0096265335288, Mobile 00962776756675
LEBANON					
LUXEMBOURG	Luxembourg National Research Fund (FNR)	Dr. Burg	Helena	Helena.burg@fnr.lu	+352 26192555
MALTA	Malta Council for Science And Technology	Muscat Terribile	Corinne	corinne.muscat-terribile@gov.mt	+356 23602 126/142
MOROCCO	State Secretariat for Higher Education and Scientific Research	Afifi	Abdel-Ilah	afifi@enssup.gov.ma / abdelilahafifi20@gmail.com	00 212 5 37 21 75 52
MOROCCO	State Secretariat for Higher Education and Scientific Research	Mouradi	Abdelhak	a.mouradi@enssup.gov.ma / abmouradi@gmail.com	00 212 5 37 21 76 49
MOROCCO	State Secretariat for Higher Education and Scientific Research	Chokairi	Anas	chokairi.anas@gmail.com	00 212 5 37 21 76 53 / 00 212 6 72 21 03 57
PORTUGAL	Foundation for Science and Technology (FCT)	Pereira	Ricardo	ricardo.pereira@fct.pt	+351 21 3924479
PORTUGAL	Foundation for Science and Technology (FCT)	Maia	Maria	maria.maia@fct.pt	+351 21 391 15 43
SLOVENIA					
SPAIN	National Institute for Agricultural and Food Research and Technology (INIA)	Escudero	Jesús	jesus.escudero@inia.es	91 347 39 79
SPAIN	Centro para el Desarrollo	Conde	Marta	marta.conde@cdti.es	91 581 55 00 / 91 581 55 94

	Tecnológico Industrial (CDTI)				
SPAIN	Agencia Estatal de Investigacion (AEI) For administrative matters	Chojnacka	Justyna	era-agro@aei.gob.es; Justyna.chojnacka@aei.gob.es	
SPAIN	Agencia Estatal de Investigacion (AEI) For scientific matters	Intrigliolo	Diego	dintri@cebas.csic.es	
TUNISIA	IRESA	Rhouma	Ali	ali.rouma@gmail.com	+21698278938
TUNISIA	ministry				
TURKEY	The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TUBITAK)	Demir	Nur Eda	eda.demir@tubitak.gov.tr	+90 312 298 1622

Annex 2: Timeline for the call in Section 2

Important events	Date
STEP 1 (Pre-proposals)	
Pre-announcement publication	15 th January 2018
Announcement publication	8 th February 2018
Opening of the submission website	17 th february 2018 (estimated)
Deadline for Pre-Proposals (PPs) submission	27th March 2018
Publication of results and communication to coordinators	6 th June 2018
STEP 2 (Full-Proposals)	
Writing and development of proposals	6 June - 4 September 2018
Opening of the submission website	4 th August 2018 (estimated)
Deadline for full proposals (FPs) submission	4th September 2018
Publication of results and communication to coordinators	5 th December 2018
CA & GA signature	From the 5 th December 2018

Annex 3: Key Performance Indicators

PRIMA programme will be implemented in compliance with the objectives and provisions set out in the Decision (EU) 2017/1324 and will be based on the priorities described in the PRIMA Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda (SRIA).

The successful implementation of the PRIMA programme will be measured against specific key performance indicators (KPIs), which have been set out in the SRIA.

PRIMA is expected to have significant impact in the Mediterranean area.

The most important evaluation criteria will be the ability of the PRIMA programme to develop and eventually adopt innovative and sustainable solutions for water management and provision and agro-food systems contributing to the implementation of UN Agenda 2030 for Sustainable Development.

Potential socio-economic benefits include creation of new jobs, increased competitiveness of companies in both shores of the Mediterranean area, social and environmental impacts.

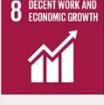
Here is reported a table containing the PRIMA KPIs that will measure the PRIMA expected impacts

Consortia shall consider in their proposal how and to which extent it will contribute to the targeted research and innovation objectives of the PRIMA programme and to its overall expected impacts.

IMPACT INDICATORS

KPIs

SDGs implementation ¹

General goals	KPIs	SDGs implementation ¹
 <p>Innovation for MANAGEMENT OF WATER</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of applied R&I solutions to the challenges of water management • SDG#6 - 06.21 Biochemical oxygen demand in rivers; • SDG#6 - 06.24 Nitrate in groundwater • SDG#6 - 06.26 Phosphate in rivers every year • SDG#6 - 06.41 Water exploitation index (WEI) 	
 <p>Innovation for FARMING SYSTEMS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SDG#2 - 2.4.1 Proportion of agricultural area under productive and sustainable agriculture • SDG#2 - 2.5.2 Proportion of local breeds classified as being at risk, not-at-risk or at unknown level of risk of extinction • SDG#11 - 11.3.1 Ratio of land consumption rate to population growth rate. 	 
 <p>Innovation for AGRO-FOOD VALUE CHAIN</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SDG#12 - 12.3.1 Global food loss index • Percentage increase in Mediterranean agro-food products exported • Percentage decrease in Food imports dependency (%imports/consumption) 	
 <p>Economic Growth/ Competitiveness</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New water and food quality oriented business models and strategies • Start-ups created adopting organisational and technological innovation • SDG#10 - 10.2.1 Proportion of people living below 50 per cent of median income, by sex, age and persons with disabilities • SDG#8 - 8.1.1 Annual growth rate of real GDP per capita 	 
 <p>Diet/Health/Well-being</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Decrease in overweight population percentage (of which obese) by sex and by Country • SDG#6 - 6.1.1 Proportion of population using safely managed drinking water services 	
 <p>Migration</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multidimensional Poverty Index (SDG) by Country ^{2,3} 	

¹ Sachs, J., Schmidt-Traub, G., Kroll, C., Durand-Delacre, D. and Teksoz, K. (2017). *SDG Index and Dashboards Report 2017*.

² Alkire, S., Apablaza, M., and Jung, E. (2014). *Multidimensional poverty measurement for EUSILC countries*. OPHI Research in Progress 36b.

³ Alkire, S. and Robles, G. (2017). *Multidimensional Poverty Index Summer 2017: Brief methodological note and results*. OPHI Methodological Note 44, University of Oxford.

OUTCOMES INDICATORS

KPIs

SDGs implementation ¹

Specific objectives



ALIGNMENT OF NATIONAL R&I PROGRAMMES

- Changes in R&I priorities of national agencies oriented towards PRIMA objectives
- Percentage increase of coordination



CRITICAL MASS OF ACTORS AND RESOURCES

- Increase of means for R&I funding
- Increased involvement of industry incl. SMEs
- New public-public or public-private partnerships, new collaborations
- Efficiency benefits through pooling of resources, sharing of public investment of PS



STRENGTHENING R&I CAPACITIES

- Improved capacity of R&I organisations
- Number of pilots and demonstrators
- New practices for R&I organisations
- **9.5.2 Researchers (in full-time equivalent) per million inhabitants**



Thematic Areas and Priorities



1/MANAGEMENT OF WATER

- 1 Water resources availability;
- 2 Sustainable integrated water management;
- 3 Irrigation technologies;
- 4 Use of alternative water resources.

- Number of new modelling routines for determining basic components of water cycle related to groundwater accumulation;
- Number of efficiency enhanced technologies for wastewater treatment for unconventional renewable water resource production;
- Number and efficiency performance of new irrigation technologies and scheduling protocols and models;
- Number of water treatment technologies for specific irrigation requirements.



2/ FARMING SYSTEMS

- 1 Adaption of agriculture to climate change;
- 2 Developing sustainable and productive agro-ecosystems;
- 3 Preventing emergence of animal and plant diseases;
- 4 Developing farming systems, create employment etc.

- Number of new varieties/species adaptable to climate change;
- Improved Knowledge of soil erosion mechanisms to enhance fertility and mitigate salinization under conditions of water scarcity improving nutrient balance;
- Number of integrated solutions for pest and diseases management for plant and animal production systems;
- Number of innovations in farming systems developed enabling sustainable and efficient agriculture and food systems.



3/ AGRO-FOOD VALUE CHAIN

- 1 Valorising food products;
- 2 Food safety in local chains;
- 3 Implementation of innovation in the agro-food chain;
- 4 Implications of dietary shifts.

- Number of new food products with enhanced shelf-life, quality and health-related beneficial properties;
- Number of innovative solutions aimed to improve quality control mechanisms and techniques throughout supply chains;
- Number of business models for quality and sustainability adapted to SME and smallholders;
- Number of raising awareness campaign promoting an environment conducive to healthy food choices through appropriate incentives and information provision to consumers and policy makers.

OPERATIONAL INDICATORS

KPIs

Development of a SRIA	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Number of meetings/events/participants
Joint transnational calls for proposal	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Number of calls, number of proposals submitted/funded;• time to contract, time to grant, time to pay.
Networking activities, Stakeholder involvement, Knowledge-sharing/Dissemination, Mobility/Training	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Number of events;• Participation of industry/society in the implementation;• Number of events/schemes;• Number of participants.

OUTCOMES INDICATORS

KPIs SDGs implementation ¹

Specific objectives	 <p>ALIGNMENT OF NATIONAL R&I PROGRAMMES</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Changes in R&I priorities of national agencies oriented towards PRIMA objectives • Percentage increase of coordination 	
	 <p>CRITICAL MASS OF ACTORS AND RESOURCES</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase of means for R&I funding • Increased involvement of industry incl. SMEs • New public-public or public-private partnerships, new collaborations • Efficiency benefits through pooling of resources, sharing of public investment of PS 	
	 <p>STRENGTHENING R&I CAPACITIES</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved capacity of R&I organisations • Number of pilots and demonstrators • New practices for R&I organisations • 9.5.2 Researchers (in full-time equivalent) per million inhabitants 	

Thematic Areas and Priorities	 <p>1/ MANAGEMENT OF WATER</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Water resources availability; 2 Sustainable integrated water management; 3 Irrigation technologies; 4 Use of alternative water resources. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of new modelling routines for determining basic components of water cycle related to groundwater accumulation; • Number of efficiency enhanced technologies for wastewater treatment for unconventional renewable water resource production; • Number and efficiency performance of new irrigation technologies and scheduling protocols and models; • Number of water treatment technologies for specific irrigation requirements. 	
	 <p>2/ FARMING SYSTEMS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Adaption of agriculture to climate change; 2 Developing sustainable and productive agro-ecosystems; 3 Preventing emergence of animal and plant diseases; 4 Developing farming systems, create employment etc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of new varieties/species adaptable to climate change; • Improved Knowledge of soil erosion mechanisms to enhance fertility and mitigate salinization under conditions of water scarcity improving nutrient balance; • Number of integrated solutions for pest and diseases management for plant and animal production systems; • Number of innovations in farming systems developed enabling sustainable and efficient agriculture and food systems. 	
	 <p>3/ AGRO-FOOD VALUE CHAIN</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Valorising food products; 2 Food safety in local chains; 3 Implementation of innovation in the agro-food chain; 4 Implications of dietary shifts. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of new food products with enhanced shelf-life, quality and health-related beneficial properties; • Number of innovative solutions aimed to improve quality control mechanisms and techniques throughout supply chains; • Number of business models for quality and sustainability adapted to SME and smallholders; • Number of raising awareness campaign promoting an environment conducive to healthy food choices through appropriate incentives and information provision to consumers and policy makers. 	

Annex 4. National Regulations

1. IMPORTANT INFORMATION

IMPORTANT: The online platform corresponds to an adaptation of the French National Research Agency (ANR) electronic submission tool. In accordance, you will find certain fields that are blocked (or could not be removed) because they are solely focused on French Applicants. As these fields are considered irrelevant to this Call, please disregard these aspects when filling in the data of your proposal. Please follow these *Guidelines for the Electronic Submission Platform*, in order to make sure you do not miss any important information you should provide.

NOTE: You can choose the language of your screen (French or English) by clicking on the flag at the top of the screen (right side).

Consortium Composition

For each project, a **coordinator** is appointed. Each project Partner appoints ONE scientific and technical representative for his/her team (the **Principal Investigator - PI -**). The coordinator will create the proposal in the submission platform and add the project Partners. Once that is done, Partners will receive an invitation mail to connect to the platform. They will be able to check the information provided by the coordinator and modify their administrative and financial data if necessary.

Each modified page in the submission platform must be saved before going to another page.

2. HOW TO CONNECT

1. Go to :

One month before the deadline for submission, the link to the submission website will be announced on the prima web page in the section corresponding to the call

2. The following screen will be displayed:

The screenshot shows the 'Authentication Page' with the following elements:

- Email address:** A text input field containing 'johann.muller@agencerecherche.fr x'. A blue arrow points from a blue box labeled 'Insert Email Address' to this field.
- Password:** A text input field with masked characters '.....'. A blue arrow points from a blue box labeled 'Insert Password' to this field.
- Validate:** A button located below the password field.
- Forgotten password / Generate a new password:** A blue hyperlink. A yellow arrow points from a yellow box labeled 'In case you forget your password...' to this link.
- Instructions:** Below the form, there is text: 'To submit a new proposal, please go to the Call page on the [ANR website](#). For any information, please contact the person in charge of the Call: [Contacts](#)'.
- Remarks:** A section with a bulleted list: 'This website is designed for a 1024x768 screen resolution (Full Screen)', 'The application is optimized for Internet Explorer (up to IE10) and Firefox.', 'Cookies and JavaScript must be enabled.', 'We advise you to allow popups from your browser settings.'
- Message to experts and committee members:** A section with two lines of text: 'If you already have an account (as proposal coordinator, partner...), you must use the same login/password.' and 'If you have not received or if you have lost your password, you can generate a new one via the link "Forgotten password" located on this page.'

If you already have an account you must use the same email address to log.

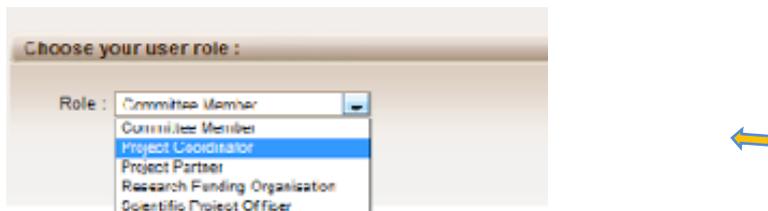
If you request a new password, you must provide your e-mail address on the following screen:

An e-mail will automatically be sent to your INBOX. (verify your spam box if you did not receive the mail).

The screenshot shows the 'Mot de passe oublié / Forgotten password' screen with the following elements:

- Adresse de messagerie / Email address:** A text input field with a red asterisk to its right.
- Valider:** A button located below the email address field.
- Revenir à la page d'authentification / Back to the authentication page:** A blue hyperlink located below the 'Valider' button.

3. After validation, you will get a new screen asking you to choose your user profile: Project Coordinator or Project Partner. Please click on **“Project Coordinator”** and then **“Access”**:
4. (once the coordinator has invited his/her partners for the project, the project partners will have to log in the same way but selecting “project partner”)



3. HOW TO COMPLETE YOUR PROPOSAL

When you log for the first time you will have to enter the ACRONYM of your proposal and the title then :

You will be presented the following screen:

To modify your password or your profile

Choose your language

To edit your proposal

Click on the title of your proposal to go to the next step

You will now have access to the main online submission page composed by several tabs gathering all the information needed for the evaluation of the project (from the left to the right side of the screen):

**[TAB 1: Partnership and tasks](#) **[TAB 2: Partners/Organisations files](#) **[TAB 3: Identity of the Project](#)
**[TAB 4: Scientific Abstract](#) **[TAB 5: Scientific Document](#) **[TAB 6: Peer reviewers](#) **[TAB 7: Summary](#)
[Tables](#) **[TAB 8: Submission of the project](#)****************

By default, you will first be directed to the “**Identity of the project**” page:

Please complete all the information: Duration of the project, category of research, key words, answer to the 2 questions: Has the project been submitted previously to arimnet or Eranetmed? Is the project a follow/continuation of a previously granted project under arimnet / Eranetmed?

The screenshot shows the 'Identity of the project' registration form. The form is divided into several sections: 'Informations générales', 'Informations supplémentaires', 'Axes thématiques', and 'Autres sources de financements'. Callouts are present:

- A blue box with the text 'ENTER THE TITLE IN ENGLISH FOR BOTH' points to the 'Titre en français du projet' and 'Titre en anglais du projet' fields.
- A blue box with the text 'There is only one option, please select it to be allowed to continue your registration' points to the 'Catégorie R&D' dropdown menu.
- A blue box with the text 'Click here to select your topic.' points to the 'Sélectionner les axes thématiques de recherche' button.

You must also answer some questions concerning the proposal and provide keywords defining the research domains of your proposal. An open field section of “Keywords” allow you to introduce extra keywords not mentioned in the previous section. Keywords must be separated by semicolons.

To select your topic:

The screenshot shows a dialog box titled 'Choose the research themes (Min 0 Max 1) from the 2 available themes (as well as the sub-themes)'. The dialog box has a 'Custom' section with two checkboxes:

- Research theme
- Research sub-theme

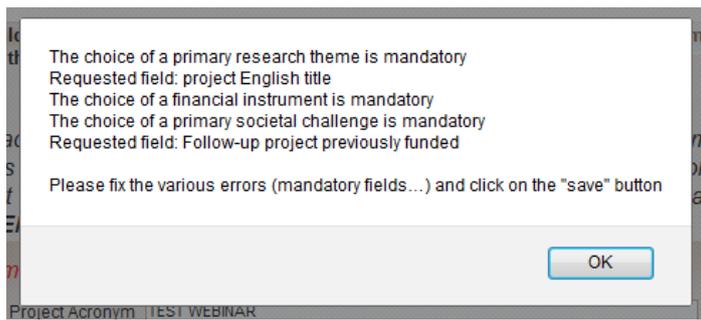
 Below this, there are two more checkboxes:

- Promoting sustainable agriculture for socio-economic development
- Improving food products through food value chains improvement

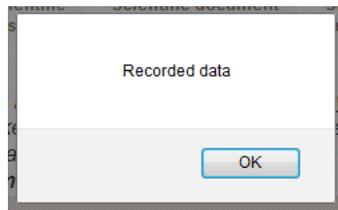
 At the bottom of the dialog box are 'OK' and 'Step' buttons. A callout box with blue text says:

Tick the box to select your topic and click on “OK”
 You can select more than 1 topic if your proposal is cross cutting between 2 topics. In this case, be sure that both topics are eligible by all the funding bodies involved

After **Saving**, a pop-up window will appear to remind you any forgotten field and the need to save data before leaving this tab. Here is an example below:



When all the fields have been properly completed you will get a confirmation from the system when saving:



Move to the **”Partnership and tasks”** Tab. Here the Coordinator will ADD and REMOVE partners and will define the roles. FOR EACH PARTNER, it is only needed the information of the Principal Investigator, the whole research team can be described later (in another tab).

4. HOW TO ADD PARTNERS

The **Partnership and tasks** TAB allows the coordinator to add/remove the partners of the consortium. The table below is automatically filled as you provide information on each or your partner

Partnership

The project coordinator specifies each partner and the principal investigator (PI) of each partner.

Any PI indicated in the table below has access to the project, his/her login being the registered email address. If necessary, he/she can generate a new password from the home page.

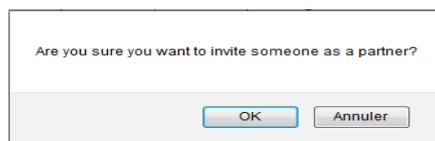
At each change made, the PIs of the concerned partners are informed by e-mail.

	Partner/Organisation's name	Partner acronym	Category	Requested funding (€)	Civ.	First name	Last name	Email address (*: change in progress)	Role	Coord	Non French partner/organisation	Partner/Organisation without requested funding	Research Funding Organisation
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<input type="checkbox"/> ...				0.00	Mr	Fabrice	DENTRESSANGLE	fabrice.dentressangle@agencerecherche.fr	PI	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	ANR

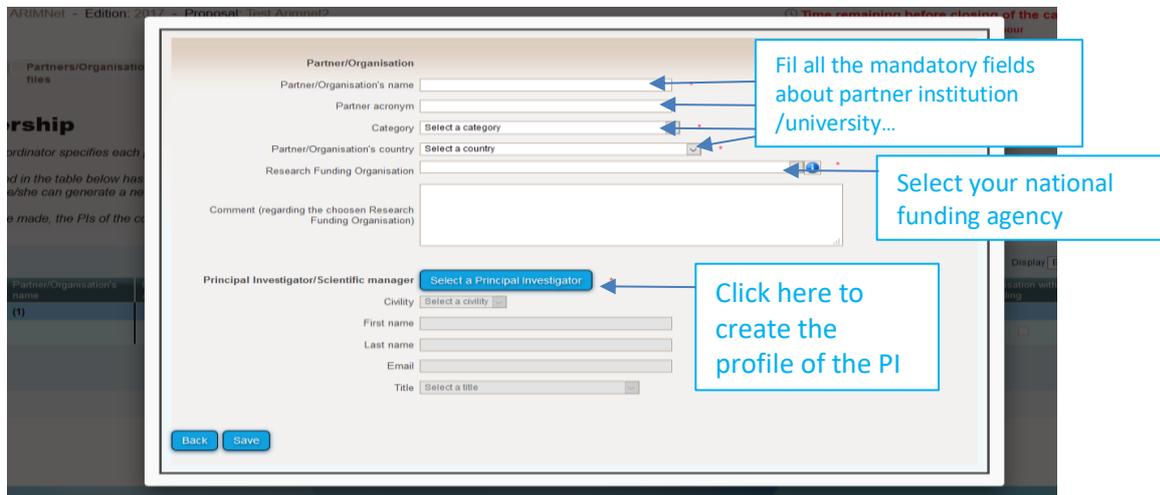
Click here to ADD partners

The Coordinator must click on “**Add new partner/organisation**” in the bottom of the Table.

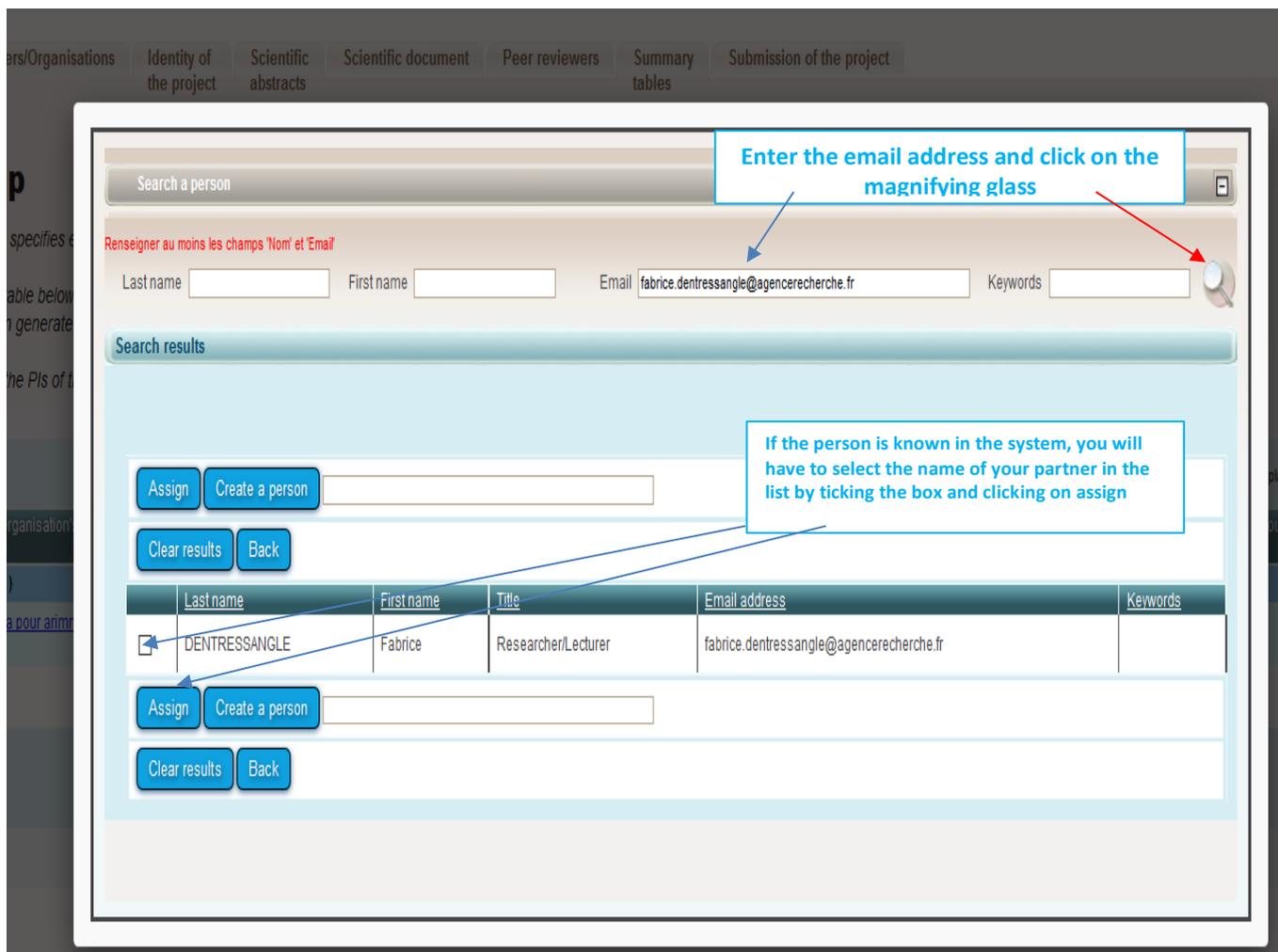
A pop-up will ask you for confirmation and you can confirm it by clicking “**OK**”:



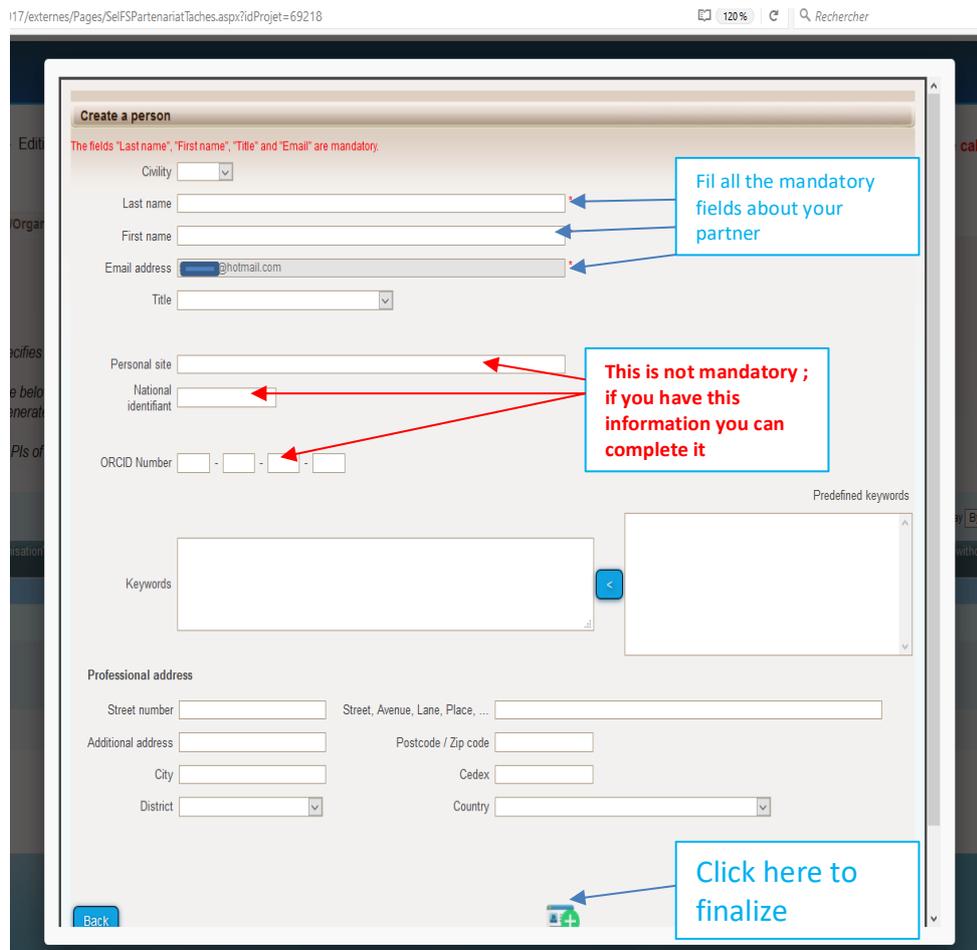
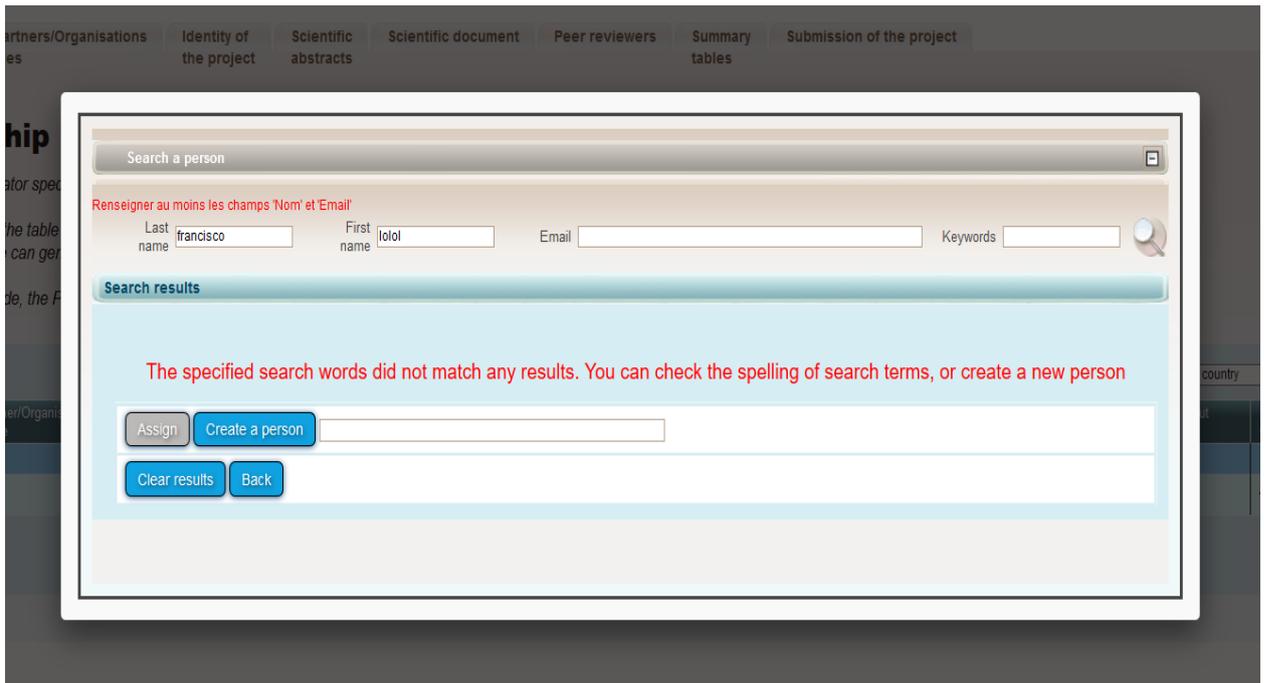
Fill in the data related to the Organisation and Principal Investigator and click on “**SAVE**”:



TO create the profile of the PI, the next window will appear:



IF THE PERSON IS NOT KNOWN IN THE SYSTEM YOU HAVE TO CREATE THE PROFILE:



The **Partnership table** will be automatically updated.

The partner will receive the following invitation:

If you do not read French, please go to the second part of this message:

Bonjour,

Vous avez été invité par **Monsieur/Madame XXXXXX** afin d'être partenaire du projet "**XXXXXX**" qui va être soumis à l'appel à projet **PRIMA**. Veuillez-vous connecter au SIM de l'ANR en utilisant les identifiants que vous recevrez dans un second mail.

<https://aap.agencerecherche.fr>

Si vous ignorez d'où provient cette sollicitation, nous vous remercions de prendre contact avec **Monsieur/ Madame XXX** (xxxxxx@xxx.fr) .

This is an automatic e-mail message generated by the ANR electronic submission system. You have received this message because you were registered as partner in the "XXXXXX" project by the Principal Investigator.

Cordialement,

Dear Madam, Dear Sir,

You have been invited by Mr/Ms XXXX to be partner of the proposal « **XXXXXX** » which will be submitted to the call for proposals launched by PRIMA. Please log in to the SIM platform of ANR, using the username and password you will receive in a second e-mail. If you lost it, you can ask a reminder from the authentication screen.

<https://aap.agencerecherche.fr>

If you ignore where this invitation comes from, please contact **Mr/ Ms XXXXX** (XXXX@xxxxx.fr).

This is an automatic e-mail message generated by the ANR electronic submission system. You have received this message because you were registered as partner in the "XXXXXX" project by the Project Coordinator.

Yours sincerely,

The Partner receives a second email with his/her personal login and password.

The Coordinator receives a copy of the invitation email sent to the Partner.

IMPORTANT NOTE TO PARTNERS:

From this moment a project Partner will be able to connect to the submission platform and check the information provided by the project Coordinator. He/She will be able to change the administrative and financial information about him/her and his/her team if necessary.

5. HOW TO DELETE/MODIFY PARTNERS

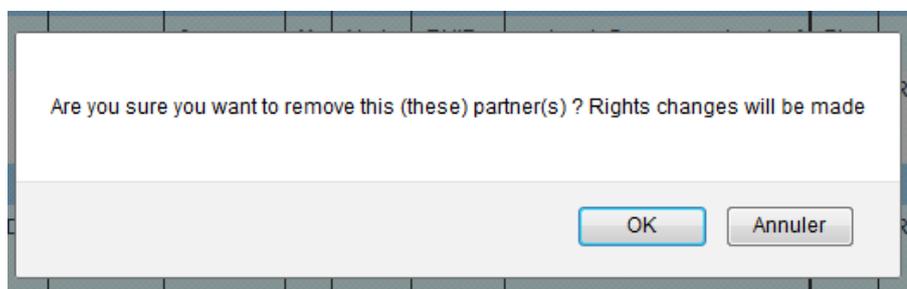
Use the first column (tick boxes) to select the partners and access the information. If you need to modify the information provided for a given Partner, you must click on “modify”.

As you may have noticed, the Coordinator can also delete partners. To remove a partner, you must select the partner you want to delete (by ticking the box in the first column) and click on “**Delete selected partners/organisations**”, as explained below:

The screenshot shows the 'Partenariat' section of a web application. At the top, there are several tabs: 'Partenariat et tâches', 'Fiches partenaires', 'Identité du projet', 'Résumés scientifiques', 'Document scientifique', 'Experts', 'Tableaux de synthèse', and 'Soumission du projet'. Below the tabs, the title 'Partenariat' is displayed, followed by three paragraphs of text explaining the coordinator's role and the process of managing partners. A table lists the partners with columns for selection, name, sigle, category, requested aid (€), civil status, first name, last name, email address, role, and coordination status. A callout box with a blue border points to the '...' icon in the first column of the table, with the text 'Click here (...) to modify or delete a partner'. A context menu is visible over the first row, showing options 'Modifier le partenaire' and 'Supprimer le partenaire'.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Nom du partenaire	Sigle	Catégorie	Aide demandée (€)	Civ.	Prénom	Nom	Adresse électronique (* : changement en cours)	Rôle	Coord
<input type="checkbox"/>	France (1)			190 000,00						
<input type="checkbox"/>	test blabla pour arimnet		Laboratoire public	190 000,00	M.	Fabrice	DENTRESSANGLE	fabrice.dentressangle@agencerecherche.fr	Resp. Scient.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>					Mme	Jannatul	MIA	Jannatul.MIA@agencerecherche.fr	Membre	

A pop-up window appears after clicking on **Delete selected partners/organisations**:



After clicking on **OK** the selected partner is removed from the synthetic Partnership table.

When a partner is deleted he/she gets out of the project and his/her rights to access to the submission platform are removed. He/she and the declared members of his/her team will receive an e-mail notifying they are no longer part of the project:

If you do not read French, please go to the second part of this message:

Bonjour,

À la demande de **Monsieur XXXX**, vous n'êtes plus partenaire du projet "**XXXXXXXX**". Vous n'avez donc plus accès à ce projet.

Si vous pensez qu'il s'agit d'une erreur, nous vous remercions de prendre contact avec **Monsieur XXXX** (xxxxx@xxx.fr).

Cordialement,
L'Agence Nationale de la Recherche

Dear Madam, Dear Sir,

Following the request from **Mr XXXXX**, you are no longer a partner of the proposal "**XXXXXXXX**". You don't have access to this project anymore.

If you think that this a mistake, please contact **Mr XXXXX** (xxxxx@xxx.fr).

Yours sincerely,
The French National Research Agency

6. HOW TO EDIT PARTNERS ORGANISATION

To provide the administrative and financial data requested for you and your partners you must move to the **Partners/Organisations files** Tab:

AAP: IC4WATER - Edition: 2017 - Proposal: TEST PAM

⌚ Time remaining before closing of the call for proposals:
66 days 6 hours

	Name or acronym of the partner/organisation	Full cost (€)	Requested Funding (€)	Permanent position (person.month)	NON permanent position WITH Funding requested (person.month)	NON permanent position WITHOUT Funding requested (person.month)	Country/head-on	Research Funding Organisation
	France (2)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Select	ANR (coord)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	ANR
Select	ANR	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	ANR
	Total	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		

Please select the partner/organisation in the table(s) above and then update its administrative and financial data below.

1. At the top of this Tab you will find a synthetic table summarizing the budget by partner in the Consortium. Before filling the **Administrative and Financial data tabs** you must select the partner (just click on [Select](#) in the first column).

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Consortium Display By country

	Name or acronym of the partner/organisation	Full cost (€)	Requested Funding (€)	Permanent position (person.month)	NON permanent position WITH Funding requested (person.month)	NON permanent position WITHOUT Funding requested (person.month)	Country head-on	Non French partner/organisation	Partner/Organisation without funding requested	Research Funding Organisation
	Select (coord)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	ANR
	Total	0.00	0.00							

Caution, the requested funding for the project (including all funding requests) is 0.00.

Please select the partner/organisation in the table(s) above and complete it below.

Administrative data Financial data

Mandatory information needed for registration form

Partner/Organisation :

Partner country *

Partner category *

To optimize the input of your partner form, please enter your Siret and click "Verify the information on the Siret / Ridet / Tahiti"

Name of the partner (research organisation, private compagny,...)

Acronym of the partner

Please select the partner/organisation in the table(s) above and then update its administrative and financial data below.

Administrative data Financial data

Mandatory information needed for registration form

Partner/Organisation :

Partner country *

Partner category *

To optimize the input of your partner form, please enter your Siret and click "Verify the information on the Siret / Ridet / Tahiti"

Name of the partner (research organisation, private compagny,...)

Acronym of the partner

Research Funding Organisation

Comment (regarding the choosen Research Funding Organisation)

Principal Investigator/Scientific manager

Civility of the scientific manager *

First name of the scientific manager

Last name of the scientific manager

Birth date (jj/mm/aaaa)

Title of the scientific manager

ORCID Number - - -

Phone of the scientific manager

Not mandatory

You can add the members of each Partner team.

Birth date (j/mm/aaaa) *

Title of the scientific manager *

ORCID Number - - -

Phone of the scientific manager

Mobile phone of the scientific manager

Mail of the scientific manager *

Scientific team partner's member

	Civility	First name	Last name	Title	Email	National Identifiant
<input type="checkbox"/>	Madam	Jannatul	MIA		Jannatul.MIA@agencerecherche.fr	

Other

Select an item By submitting this proposal to ANR i undertake moral commitment to provide scientific evaluations of proposals submitted in other ANR calls for which i could be requested

Key words of your area of expertise (key words must be separated by a semicolon)

DO NOT FORGET TO SAVE REGULARLY

The Partnership table will be automatically updated.

7. HOW TO FILL IN THE FINANCIAL INFORMATION

THE DETAILS OF YOUR BUDGET (personal cost, missions, consumables....) MUST BE PROVIDED IN THE EXCEL FILE AND MUST BE UPLOADED AS AN ANNEX (see Section 9) for the FULL PROPOSAL STEP ONLY. (not for the pre-proposal stage)

The template will be available on : <http://www.prima-med.org>

Please entitled your budget annex as : “ACRONYM.Financial data.xls”.

ON THE WEBSITE you just have to indicate for each partner the FULL COST OF THE PROJECT AND THE REQUESTED AMOUNT TO PRIMA (FOR PRE and FULL PROPOSAL2).

For information Full cost = Amount requested to PRIMA + your own funding (for example: permanent staff salaries)

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Consortium

Select the partner in the list

	Name or acronym of the partner/organisation	Full cost (€)	Requested Funding (€)	Permanent position (person.month)	NON permanent position WITH Funding requested (person.month)	NON permanent position WITHOUT Funding requeste (person.month)
	France (1)	340000.00	190000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Select	test blabla pour arimnet (coord)	340000.00	190000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Total	340000.00	190000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Do not pay attention to these columns, the detailed budget will be presented in Annex

Click on Financial data and complete it

Please select the partner/organisation in the table(s) above and then update its administrative and financial data below.

Administrative data **Financial data**

Detailed entry

Full cost (€) Requested Funding (€)

Save Cancel

YOU JUST HAVE TO FILL THESE 2 BOXES

8. Project summary

In the **Tab Scientific Abstracts**, you need to write a non-confidential abstract of your project. If the project is funded, the abstract will be published on the PRIMA website (after update if necessary). You can Copy/Paste the Project summary of your proposal here.

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COPY PASTE YOUR ABSTRACT IN ENGLISH FOR BOTH FRENCH AND ENGLISH SECTIONS (DO NOT TRANSLATE IT IN FRENCH)

Non-confidential abstract or summary in French
(number of characters: 0 / 4000)

Save!

9. UPLOAD SCIENTIFIC DOCUMENT and ANNEXES

To upload the scientific document (**Full-Proposal form converted in PDF format**) you must go to the **Tab Scientific Document**. This tab allows you to upload the annexes to the Scientific document: Financial Data, CV,s and complementary information as described in this guidelines section VIII. 3.:

Partnership and tasks | Partners/Organisations files | Identity of the project | Scientific abstracts | **Scientific document** | Peer reviewers | Summary tables | Submission of the project

Submit the scientific document

Attention: Scientific document cannot exceed the maximum number of pages described in the text of the call for proposals.

The content of the scientific document is described by the documents related to the call.

The scientific document must be written in English.

Authorized Format: PDF. Max. size : 10 Mb. Maximum number of pages : 15.

Parcourir... Aucun fichier sélectionné.

No scientific document submitted for this project.

Annex to the scientific document

UPLOAD THE ANNEXES HERE:
One for your **DETAILED BUDGET IN EXCEL (only for full proposal)**
One for the **CVs of the PIs (Only for full proposal)**
Once uploaded the documents will appear below

Parcourir... Aucun fichier sélectionné.

Annexe(s) à la proposition détaillée
Annex submitted 09/08/2017 15:57:09 by DENTRESSANGLE Fabrice : [ANR-Reglement-financier-2017.pdf](#) [Supprimer](#)

Annex submitted 09/08/2017 15:56:54 by DENTRESSANGLE Fabrice : [ANR.IT System presentation.pdf](#) [Supprimer](#)

10. if you want to declare unsuited reviewers

If you have conflict of interests with a researcher and you do not want your proposal to be evaluated by this person then you have to fill the information in the “Peer reviewers” TAB

You have to provide a valid reason to discard this person from the evaluation of your project.

Partnership and tasks | Partners/Organisations files | Identity of the project | Scientific abstracts | Scientific document | **Peer reviewers** | Summary tables | Submission of the project

List of the unsuited peer reviewers for the proposal evaluation process

The proposal of the partners have the option to report laboratories / companies or experts where there may be conflicts of interest or privacy issues if they were asked to participate in the evaluation of the proposal.

	Last name	First name	Institution/Company	Email	Reasons
Update Cancel	<input type="text"/>				

[Add a peer reviewer](#)

11. to have an overview on your project

Go to the “Summary table” TAB

You will have a sum up of your project to verify all the data.

Partnership and tasks | Partners/Organisations files | Identity of the project | Scientific abstracts | Scientific document | Peer reviewers | **Summary tables** | Submission of the project

Partnership

Scientific contact				
Partner/Organisation (acronym)	Partner/Organisation (full name)	First name	Last name	Email address
(coor.)	EST Diable pour armet	Fabrice	DENTRESSAIGLE	fabrice.dantessaigne@cerchercha.fr

Aggregates

- Total funding requested: 190000.00 €
- Full cost: 190000.00 €
- Total cost: 0.00 person month
- Distribution of the effort according to partner category (subject to correct information on partner categories provided)
 - public laboratories: 0.00 person month (0%)
 - Businesses/Firm/Entreprise: 0.00 person month (0.00%)
 - Other partners: 0.00 person month (0.00%)
- Distribution of the effort per staff categories
 - full time staff: 0.00 person month (0.00%)
 - non full time staff with funding: 0.00 person month (0.00%)
 - non full time staff without funding: 0.00 person month (0.00%)

The detailed financial resume of the proposal

	Salaries – Staff (€)						Instruments and equipments (€)	Buildings and grounds (€)	Service delivery and intellectual property rights (€)	Overhead costs (€)	Subtotal (without costs) (€)	Management and structural fees (€)	Environment fees (€)	Full cost (€)	Base of the aid (€)	Aid rates requested	Requested funding (€)
	Permanent position		Non permanent position with funding requested		Non permanent position without funding requested												
	person month	Cost	person month	Cost	person month	Cost											
est diable pour armet	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	190000.00	190000.00	0.00	0.00	190000.00	190000.00	100.00%	190000.00	
Totals	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	190000.00	190000.00	0.00	0.00	190000.00	190000.00	100.00%	190000.00	

Involvement (person.month): sorted by partner

12. HOW TO VERIFY AND SUBMIT YOUR PROPOSAL

The last tab “**Submission of the project**” provides synthetic information about the project data. You can use it to verify the consistency of the provided information.

The **Tab Submission of the project** allows you to submit your proposal:

The aim of this tab is to check that all the required information has been completed.

Partnership and tasks | Partners/Organisations files | Identity of the project | Scientific abstracts | Scientific document | Peer reviewers | Summary tables | **Submission of the project**

The closing date for call for proposals is 14/09/2017 until 17:00 (DD/MM/YYYY; Current local time in Paris, France)

Project status : Submitting

Your application will automatically be considered submitted if all the following conditions are met :

- the scientific document has been submitted

Only information entered on the submission website by the call for proposals closing date will be considered.

An electronic confirmation will be sent to the coordinator on the call for proposals closing date.

Coordinators are asked to lock their projects by the closing date.
The project may be unlocked by the coordinator prior to the closing date if additional changes are necessary.

[Lock proposal](#)

YOU CAN LOCK / UNLOCK THE PROPOSAL BY CLICKING HERE. WHEN LOCKED, ALL THE PARTNERS CAN READ THE INFORMATION BUT NOT MODIFY IT THE PROPOSAL IS AUTOMATICALLY SUBMITTED BY THE DEADLINE WITH THE INFORMATION PROVIDED.

Checking fields

Please note that the submission platform is unable to check that the information you have entered matches the eligibility criteria laid out in the text of the call for proposals.

Please be aware of the following alerts:

- **In red** : This condition must be fulfilled for your proposition to be complete
- **In orange** : Information about the project or partner that should be filled or corrected

Proposal :

- **No scientific document has been uploaded**
- **The abstract in French is empty**
- **The abstract in English is empty**

CHECK CAREFULLY THIS PART AS IT PROVIDE YOU INFORMATION ABOUT POSSIBLE MISSING DATA

Administrative and financial document of the project

[Download document](#)

DO NOT USE THIS BUTTON; ALL YOUR DOCUMENTS MUST BE UPLOADED IN THE TAB « SCIENTIFIC DOCUMENT »

Please note that when the proposal is locked, it can be unlocked later on if necessary by clicking on the **Unlock** button:

The project is automatically submitted at the closing date (if the scientific document is uploaded and the requested funding is different from 0).

After the closing date, the project can be seen by all the project partners but it cannot be changed any more.

NOTE : Please note that as project Coordinator, you cannot delete a proposal you have created. If you want to delete a proposal, you must send a request to the Call Secretariat (fabrice.dentressangle@prima-med.org; anabel.delapena@prima-med.org; marco.orlando@prima-med.org)