CALL FOR PROJECTS

Academy 3 : Territories, Environments, Risks et Resilience

FIRST 2026 #2

UNIVERSITÉ CÔTE D'AZUR

FRANCE 2030 Initiative d'Excellence

Academy 3 is launching its second 2026 call to support innovative research
A3 – "FIRST"#2

Eligibility:

The call is opened to continuing or new projects that intensively contribute to one or more of the four Academy 3's topics of interest that are listed below (see Strategy 2021-2025 - Université Côte d'Azur (univ-cotedazur.eu))



1. Anthropogenic health and environmental risks



2. Natural hazards (earthquakes, landslides, floods, climatic events, etc.) and their impact on the environment, cities and societies



3. Energy- and resource-related environmental challenges



4. Threats on oceans and coastal areas

Applications may be submitted by a researcher at Université Côte d'Azur or its partners. In order to help young researchers gaining experience, UCA post-doctoral fellows may also submit an application[1].

[1] *This special submission must be submitted with :*

- *a letter of support from a permanent member*
- *a paragraph stating that the duration of your post-doctorate is in line with the project's duration*

Applications from CDD are not eligible for this call.

Funding:

The maximum amount of allocation is 7 000 € (HT).

- ⇨ Equipment, functioning and Masters internships are eligible (the purchase of computer equipment is excluded, except for specific scientific software).
- ⇨ Projects that will involve a Master student will be favored.

Calendar:

- Call Launch: October 5, 2026
  Application submission Deadline: November 5, 2026 (12 pm)
- Application results notification early December 2026

How to apply:

Applications must be submitted in French or in English by the project PI. Proposals should be uploaded as a single pdf document (named "Academy3_First2026#2_your name") on the submission site Nuxeo: https://nuxeo.univ-cotedazur.fr/nuxeo/nxdoc/default/3c992086-6a01-45b5-9b68-7956042d9309/view_documents?tabIds=%3A.
Please also send the pdf document to academie3-copil@listes.univ-cotedazur.fr with the email subject: "Application to Academy 3 First Call 2026 #2".

Using the template linked to the call, the pdf document sent cannot exceed 3 pages and must contain:

- Title and acronym of the project; name of the UCA PI; hosting laboratory
- Short description of the project and how it contributes to one or more of Academy 3's topics of interest (1 page)
  - Is the project, in its current form, under evaluation in another IdEx call for proposals (including those of its Academies of Excellence), or has it already received funding of this type? If so, please explain how the two relate to each other.
  - Is the project's theme already supported by funding of which you are a beneficiary? If so, please explain how this funding fits together with the present application.
- Detailed funding request and justification (1/2 page)
- Presentation of the PI (1/2 page)
- DU signature preceded by "If the project is funded, the laboratory commits to manage the funds."

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