

In July 2022, the Academy of Excellence 4 "Complexity and Diversity of Life" launches a new session of its **Action 3: Call for projects for scientific events.**

**Specific scope of the call:**

- Funds for thematic workshops, conferences, lectures, masterclasses by and / or for researchers
- Expenses for visiting scientists' accommodation (from one week to several months).
- Expenses and assistance in setting up major projects (Grants, shared equipment, collaborative networks...) to facilitate the arrival on site of partners of interest in the PERIDEX or the subsequent financing of international consortia involving Université Côte d'Azur researchers as main project leaders.

**The Academy of Excellence 4 is thus pursuing the transformation of the University by** perpetuating its key actions to:

- Structure Biology by contributing to major emerging projects on the site
- Initiate and promote strong interactions between disciplines, centers, projects, and academies
- Allow the acceleration of ongoing projects and partnerships with high potential
- Provide appropriate conditions for the maturation of projects
- Enable competitive fundings to be obtained (ANR, ERC, HFSP, etc).
- Increase the international visibility of research within Université Côte d'Azur
- Pursue its attractiveness policy in the region

**Transdisciplinarity is a key vector.**

Nevertheless, the academy will not necessarily exclude projects that will not present transdisciplinarity or innovative and structuring aspects.

This call for project is conceived as an incubator for innovative and ambitious scientific activities in the field of living systems.

We will specifically consider emerging activities or projects with major development capabilities, notably able to obtain higher support from the central desk of Université Côte d'Azur.

**Eligibility criteria:**

- The applicant institution must be part of the IDEX perimeter (PERIDEX). This perimeter is defined on the website of the Academy 4 (partners).
- Applicants should mention if more than one academy is involved in the project. The candidates will designate the main academy which will relay to the other academies.

**Evaluation criteria:**

Applications will be evaluated by the scientific council of the Academy 4.

In addition to scientific excellence and the eligibility criteria described above, the following points will also be considered during the evaluation process:

- In the case of a trans-discipline project, the added value of the trans-disciplinarity
- Innovative value
- Putative attractiveness for students
- Quality of the scientific process
- Relevancy of the budget in accordance with the project objectives.

**Applicants should also demonstrate that the project is in line with one of the following criteria:**

- Short or middle term transformation of the local scientific landscape
- Structuring of research in the field of interest
- Increase of the local and international research visibility
- Develop research with high scientific impact.
- Visiting scientists will have to provide at least one lecture on UCA<sup>JEDI</sup> site.

### Agenda:

Opening of the call: **July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022**  
Deadline for submission of projects: **September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022**  
Results of the call: **October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022**  
Start of funding: **October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022**  
Closing of the envelopes: **November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023**

**Unless exceptions, supports of 1500€ to 3000€ are allowed for a year only.**

### Eligible costs:

Eligible costs are operating costs (except missions), missions and invitations.  
For visiting scientists, eligible costs are not salaries but current expenses like accommodation.  
External partners may be included but will not be funded by the Academy 4.

The **Welcome Centre** is mobilized to assist with accommodation on the site for external lecturers and possibly their families: <https://univ-cotedazur.eu/attending-universite-cote-dazur/welcome-center>.

The **Mutualized Europe Unit** for assistance in setting up international research projects is also mobilized to support researchers, doctoral students and managers in their awareness, training and application to European funding: <https://univ-cotedazur.eu/services-for-research-scientists/setting-up-national-european-and-international-projects>.

### Each file must include:

- An acronym
- A title
- The first and last name of each project leader and partner
- The email address of each project leader and partner
- The postal address of the structure to which each project leader and partner belongs
- Summary of the project (500 words max)
- A description of the project and its challenges
- A detailed summary of the needs and the related provisional budget
- The list of people involved (name, first name, email, telephone)
- A detailed organization chart specifying the position of each project leader
- The signature of the unit director of each applicant

The application may include a link to a short video presentation of the project by the applicants (optional).

### Conditions for application:

Each project will be written in English or in French, following the template document that can be downloaded from the Nuxeo platform: [July2022 Action3 A4](#)

The project must comprise an acronym and cover maximum 5 pages in an A4 format pdf file.  
For visiting scientists, the applicant will have to provide a resume and a list of major publications over the last ten years.

The application will be submitted on the Nuxeo platform (tab "projets" under the name of the call for project): [July2022 Action3 A4](#)

### Project follow-up:

A scientific and financial report as well as any related publication will be communicated at the end of the funding year.

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