



# **CALL TEXT and APPLICANTS' GUIDE**

## **for Expression of Interest**

**for the EUPHRESCO II 2013 call  
with “virtual common pot” funding  
for transnational research**

**Topic: *Monochamus* spp., insect vectors of  
*Bursaphelenchus xylophilus***

**(first stage of the application process)**

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## 1. Introduction

**EUPHRESCO (European Phytosanitary Research Coordination) II** is a Coordination Action funded from the European Union's ERA-Net Scheme under the 7<sup>th</sup> Framework programme (FP7).

EUPHRESCO II aims to increase cooperation and coordination of national phytosanitary research programmes at the EU level through networking of research activities and mutual opening of national programmes to achieve three main goals:

- Develop phytosanitary (statutory plant health) research policy at the EU-wide level,
- Optimise the research provision that underpins EU quarantine plant health policy development and implementation and
- Increase the capacity of European phytosanitary science and research, in order to prevent the disappearance of EU expertise and maintain Europe's competitiveness in the global market.

This 'virtual common pot' call for transnational research on this specific topic is a two-stage process:

- Stage 1 (Expressions of Interest): This document contains all the relevant information to submit an expression of interest for this topic in the first stage of the application process.
- Stage 2 (invited full Proposals): Call documents for the second stage of application will be provided at a later date.

The MONOCHAMUS call topic will in Stage 2 consist of a project consortium consisting of

- a) *Virtual Pot* (VP) funded partners (open calls for collaborative transnational project consortia, with open national competition) – in this case the invited Danish and Slovenian partners,
- b) Non-Competitive (NC) funded partners (where budgets and national partners are decided on beforehand).

*Letter of Interest* must be prepared between Danish and Slovenian partners (VP-partners) only (Table 1).

Contact and collaboration between VP and NC partners will only start after the selection of the Danish and Slovenian VP-partner based on *Expression of Interest*. After selection of VP-partners, VP and NC partners will jointly prepare the final invited full proposals for the second phase of application.

The call text is specified in ANNEX 1.

## 2. Call Information

All call documents are available at the website:

<http://fivu.dk/en/research-and-innovation/funding-programmes-for-research-and-innovation/eu-and-international-funding-programmes/era-net/euphresco-2-call-website>

## 2.1 Terms of participation

The national funding within this EUPHRESKO II 2013 call is offered under the coordination of the FP7 ERA-Net EUPHRESKO II, "Coordination of European Phytosanitary (quarantine/ regulated plant health) Research". Research participants are required to recognise the coordinating role of EUPHRESKO II throughout the duration of funded research projects until approval of the final report. Research consortia may be asked for feedback on processes in order to help refine these for future use.

### Eligible participants:

Individual topics are only open to researchers in those VP-countries that are funding the topic (Slovenia and Denmark); researchers from other countries may not directly participate as joint partners in research consortia, unless national rules permit this (e.g. via subcontracting) and their involvement is essential to the success of the project.

Individual research providers are only eligible for funding according to the respective national or organisational rules (see national rules in Annexes 3 and 4). Subcontracting will be allowed according to the rules of the national funding organisations involved. Research Partners can apply for funds up to the limits set aside by the respective national funding organisations as listed in Chapter 6.2: Budgets available.

**Call and project timelines:** The deadline for submission of electronic applications (*Expression of Interest*) will be 8 July (17.00h CET). See call and project schedule in Table 2.

## 2.2 Call topic, funders and funding mechanism

Transnational (Danish and Slovenian) research consortia are invited to submit *Expressions of Interest* to address the topic:

### ***Monochamus* spp., insect vectors of *Bursaphelenchus xylophilus***

Table 1 provides a list of the individual EUPHRESKO II funders participating in the funding of this virtual common pot part of the call, indicating websites and contact details of the national call contact persons from each organisation.

Table 1 Contact details of EUPHRESKO II Funding organisations participating in the funding of this EUPHRESKO II "virtual common pot" part of the call.

Country	Funding Organisation	Website	National Call Contact Person
DK	Danish (DASTI)	<a href="http://www.fivu.dk">www.fivu.dk</a>	Anna Laybourn, <a href="mailto:amla@fi.dk">amla@fi.dk</a> 0045 72 31 83 98
SI	The Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Food (MoAFF)	<a href="http://www.mkgp.gov.si">www.mkgp.gov.si</a>	Jana Erjavec, <a href="mailto:Jana.erjavec@gov.si">Jana.erjavec@gov.si</a> 00 386 1 478 9123

### 3. Call schedule

Table 2 Overview of the expected Call schedule

Procedure	Scheduled
<b>Stage 1</b>	
Launch of the EUPHRESKO II call for <i>Expression of Interest</i>	14 May 2013
<i>Expression of Interest</i> (electronically via e-mail) received at Call Secretariat	Deadline: 8 July 2013 (17:00 CET)
Evaluation procedure - eligibility checks - national evaluation	By end of July
Selected VP partners are invited for Stage 2 application	By end of July
<b>Stage 2</b>	
Selected VP-partners invited to join forces with NC-partners to submit full proposal	22 July – 17 September 2013
Full proposal submission deadline (application form received by Call Secretariat electronically via e-mail)	17 September 2013
Evaluation procedure - eligibility checks - national evaluation	17 September – 1 October 2013
Contracting	2 October – 9 October 2013
Research implementation possible from	October 2013
Expected latest start of projects	1 November 2013

The maximum project duration is three (3) years.

## 4. Eligibility for funding

Applicants must meet the following requirements in order to be eligible for funding:

- EUPHRESCO II eligibility criteria as outlined in chapter 4.1.
- National funding organisations' eligibility criteria (please consult national rules in Annexes 3 and 4), see chapter 4.2.

### 4.1 EUPHRESCO II eligibility criteria

Each *Expression of Interest* application must

- Involve a transnational consortium with partners from Slovenia and Denmark. See also the specification (Annex 1) regarding involvement of third countries (non EU member states).
- Applications to be written in English, using the EUPHRESCO II *Expression of Interest* template which can be downloaded from the [Call website](#) and has to be filled in completely.
- Be submitted electronically and to be received before the deadline of the call (8 July 2013, CET 17:00)
- Comply with the *formal requirements* of the call (as outlined in this document)
- Meet the technical specifications outlined in the call specification (Annex 1)

### 4.2 National (organisational) eligibility criteria

Applicants must be eligible in terms of the funders' normal eligibility criteria. Eligible costs will be determined by the rules of each funding organisation. The national funding organisation's specific information can be found in the national rules, see Annexes 3 and 4 and the total maximum funds available are detailed below.

## 5. Submission and evaluation of proposals

### 5.1 Submission of application

Application is a two-stage process. In stage one (this stage) *Expressions of Interest* shall be submitted according to the terms of this 'Applicants' Guide' and in ANNEX 2.

*Expression of Interest* must be received electronically by the Call Secretariat by 8 July 2013 (17:00 CET), by e-mail to [amla@fi.dk](mailto:amla@fi.dk) with CC to [perm@fi.dk](mailto:perm@fi.dk). No hard copies will be required.

The application form is the *Expression of Interest* template that can be downloaded from the [call website](#).

The contact person (Partner 1) is responsible for submitting a PDF-version of the completed *Expression of Interest* on behalf of all the partners. The consortium leader must also submit a short CV listing up to five key relevant publications.

After stage one, a successful consortium will be invited to submit a more detailed full proposals (stage 2) See call schedule (Table 2). Guidelines and forms for the second stage will be provided at the appropriate time.

Note that the funders are not obliged to invite any full proposals from the Expressions of Interest (stage 1) nor to fund any projects from invited full proposals (stage 2).

### **5.1.1. Call Secretariat**

A Call Secretariat has been set up at DASTI (EUPHRESKO II partner) to assist the national funding bodies during the implementation of the call and the follow-up phases until the funded research projects have ended. The Call Secretariat is responsible for the administrative management of the call.

Contact information for the Call Secretariat:

DASTI – Danish Agency for Science, Technology and Innovation  
Contact person: Anna Laybourn

E-mail: [amla@fi.dk](mailto:amla@fi.dk)

Tel: +45 72 31 83 98

## **5.2 Eligibility check**

### **5.2.1. EUPHRESKO II Call Secretariat eligibility check**

The eligibility check, to be conducted by the Call Secretariat, will be an administrative procedure that will use the criteria outlined in chapter 4. Expressions of Interest that do not meet these criteria will not be considered for funding.

### **5.2.2. National (organisational) eligibility check**

Applications meeting the eligibility criteria outlined in chapter 4 will be checked by the responsible national funders for the eligibility criteria as listed in chapter 4.2. Expressions of Interest that do not meet these criteria will not be considered for funding.

## **5.3 Evaluation of Expressions of Interest**

### **5.3.1. Process of evaluation**

Those *Expressions of Interest* that pass the formal eligibility requirements will be subject to evaluation by the funders or their representatives.

The objective of the evaluation process is to invite full proposals from consortia's *Expressions of Interest* which have a good scientific merit and meet the specified requirements.

All *Expressions of Interest* submitted shall be treated confidentially by the EUPHRESKO II Partners and any of their appointed reviewers.

### **5.3.2. Evaluation criteria**

Evaluators will use the following criteria for evaluation of the *Expressions of Interest*.

- 1 Quality of proposed research

- 1 Experience and expertise of the transnational consortium
- 2 Project management capability
- 3 Experience and expertise of consortium
- 4 Proposed outcomes (benefits and dissemination)

## 6. Call Funding

### 6.1 Funding mode

The funding mechanism for this topic is virtual common pot. This implies that each country funds only its national component of the transnational project. Subcontracting within the call is allowed if this is essential to delivering the projects objectives and optimal outcomes, provided that national funding rules allow for subcontracting.

### 6.2 Budgets available

This topic includes Denmark (DASTI) and Slovenia (MoaAFF) as funding partners with a virtual common pot. Therefore, Danish and Slovenian applicants need to form transnational consortia and submit a common *Expression of Interest*.

Applications that are not transnational will not be eligible.

See available budget frame, including overhead, in Table 3.

Table 3. Available budget frame (including overheads).

	Funding Partner	Topic Budget
1.	DASTI (Anna Laybourn, amla@fi.dk)	125,000 €
2.	MoAFF (Jana Erjavec, Jana.Erjavec@gov.si)	70,000 €
	<i>Total maximum budget for this topic:</i>	195,000 €

There are 3 NC partners involved in this topic, see Call specification in ANNEX 1 for total budget frame of Stage 2 application and final project, including budget frame for NC-partners.

## ANNEX 1: Call specification

### ***Monochamus* spp., insect vectors of *Bursaphelenchus xylophilus***

#### **Background**

*Monochamus* spp. are vectors of the pinewood nematode *Bursaphelenchus xylophilus*.

*Monochamus* spp. (non-European) is listed in 2000/29 EC (Annex I/AI) and in EPPO A1list *B. xylophilus* is listed in 2000/29 EC (Annex II/AI) and in EPPO A2 list and in Turkey, Russia, Ukraine. In the EPPO region, PWN has established in continental Portugal where his main vector is *Monochamus galloprovincialis*), and there are two recorded incursion in Spain. Beetles of *Monochamus* emerging from PWN-infested trees/wood are able to carry PWN and transmit it to non-infested trees during maturation feeding. Theoretically, hitchhiking beetles could present a risk of introducing PWN to new areas/countries but there lacks information on hitchhiking *Monochamus*. In Europe several *Monochamus* species are present, for ex. *M. sartor*, *M. urussovii*, *M. carolinensis*, *M. notatus*, *M. sutor* and *M. saltuarius* There is lack of information on the incidence of many of those species in Europe. In some countries *Monochamus* species have very seldom been recorded and here is information lacking on which other longhorned beetles are replacing *Monochamus* in these areas and to which extend these might be vectors of the pinewood nematode. Lack of information of incidence of *Monochamus* spp. could be owed to lack of effective and comparable monitoring methods. Many bark and wood-boring insects are known to be attracted by host odours, and commercial baits are based on host monoterpenes ( $\alpha$ -pinene) and ethanol. There is a need for development of new semio-chemicals monitoring methods for the insect vectors of PWN and other saproxylici nsects which are potential vectors of PWN.

In general is missing more generic information on the vectors in the genus *Monochamus*, particularly in those countries where a wider range of species are found or where they are only very seldom recorded, probably random dispersing specimens from other areas. Furthermore is missing basic biological data on flight distances and total dispersal over the lifetime of the adult beetle and common methods of monitoring.

In case of introduction of the pinewood nematode into new countries these information are indispensable for risk assessment and emergency measures.

The life cycle of the PWN and the vectors as well as the host susceptibility might change with latitude and with the change in host species and density. This project will gather and process available information for best prediction of damage risk.

#### **The overall aims of the transnational project**

The project should yield the following products:

1. Generic work on the biology of *Monochamus* species and/or other saproxylic potential vectors of PWN particularly in those countries where a wider range of species are found. This might

- include flight distances and total dispersal over the lifetime of the adult beetle and mapping of incidences in project partner countries.
2. Incidences of *Monochamus* species and/or other saproxylic potential vectors of PWN in some partner countries.
  3. Monitoring strategy, hereunder new semio-chemicals monitoring methods for *Monochamus* species and other potential vectors of PWN.
  4. Relationship between forest management and population density of *Monochamus* species (for example types of silviculture intensity treatments, the presence of trophic material in the forest, fragmentation of forest and its influence to population density of *Monochamus* spp.).
  5. Risk analysis of where the first introduction of the pine wood nematode would occur in non-infested countries.
  6. Molecular identification methods for species of *Monochamus*.
  7. Emergency measures.

### Preliminary statements of the participating partners proposed content contribution

#### EUPHRESCO partners and proposed content contribution

	Partner and funder provider	Proposed content research contribution
1.	DASTI, Denmark Contact: Anna Munch Laybourn, amla@fi.dk	See next section
2.	SI-MAE, Slovenia Contact: Ivana Erjavec, Jana.Erjavec@gov.si	See next section
3.	ILVO, Belgium Contact: Martine Maes, martine.maes@ilvo.vlaanderen.be	Survey of <i>Monochamus</i> spp present -phytosanitary status of indigenous and exotic <i>Monochamus</i> spp -their potential as vectors for <i>Bursaphelenchus</i> -development of monitoring strategy & emergency measures.
4.	INRB, Portugal Contact: Edmundo Sousa, edmundosousa@inrb.pt	Studies on biology of <i>Monochamus galloprovincialis</i> including emergency and flight period and flight distances. Development of monitoring strategy
5	NVWA, Netherlands Contact: Jan Schans, j.schans@minlnv.nl	Survey of <i>Monochamus</i> spp at locations with high risk of introduction and surrounding natural environment

#### The common Slovenian-Danish VP call text

Joint Slovenian-Danish research consortia's contribution to the transnational project must include topic 1 and 2 and some of the other topics mentioned below.

1. Monitoring methods and strategy. Development of specific monitoring methods for *M. galloprovincialis*, *M. sutor*, *M. sartor*, *M. saltuarius* and other saproxylic insects, which are potential vectors of PWN, for the benefit of plant inspection services.
2. Incidences. Mapping of incidences of *Monochamus* species in Denmark and in Slovenia. In case the genus is very seldom recorded, a supported hypothesis of why is demanded.
3. Life cycle studies. Data on hatching phenology of different species of *Monochamus* in different regions of Slovenia, the development of larvae of *Monochamus* spp. under controlled conditions flight distances and/or other relevant life cycle factors are demanded.
4. Generic biological knowledge. The project should contribute to the more generic work on the genus *Monochamus*, particularly in those countries where a wider range of species are found or where other wood boring insects have occupied the habitat, including analysis of geographic vector/host tree relationships across Europe and relationship between forest management and population density of *Monochamus* species.
5. Diagnostic. Molecular genetic identification of *M. sutor*, *M. sartor*, *M. saltuarius* and *M. galloprovincialis*.

#### EUPHRESKO Call partners, funding mechanism and budget for the topic

Country	Partner <sup>a</sup>	Funding mechanisms <sup>b</sup>	Topic Budget <sup>c</sup>
Denmark	DASTI (Anna Laybourn, amla@fi.dk)	VP	125,000 €
Slovenia	MoAFF (Ivana Erjavec, Jana.Erjavec@gov.si)	VP	70,000 €
Belgium	ILVO (Martine Maas, martine.maes@ilvo.vlaanderen.be)	NC	70,000 €
Portugal	INRB, Portugal (Edmundo Sousa, edmundo.sousa@inrb.pt)	NC	10,000 €
Netherlands	Netherlands (Jan Schans, j.schans@minInv.nl)	NC	25,000 €
	<i>Decided funding mechanism for this topic:</i>	Mixed VP and NC	
	<i>Total of budget for this topic:</i>		300,000 €

<sup>a</sup> Partner and (Contact person).

<sup>b</sup> VP = Virtual Common Pot. NC = Non-competitive. Please refer to the Applicants guide for further explanation.

<sup>c</sup> Available budget for this topic. Applicants can only be funded by the own country.

The maximum project duration is three (3) years.

## **ANNEX 2: Guidelines for completion of the *Expression of Interest***

Partner 1 in the *Expression of Interest* will be the primary point of contact between research project members and the Call Secretariat. Please add all project partners, by adding as many rows as needed in the *Partner table* in *Expression of Interest*.

Each transnational consortium will submit one common *Expression of Interest* specifying the tasks per partner. A submitted PDF-version of *Expression of Interest* will consist of

- List of all partners and details
- Sections (max 1 page each – written in Font Arial 10 pt. or Times New Roman 12 pt.), covering;
  - o Research/Project Approaches
  - o Project Management and Quality Assurance
  - o Expertise and Experience of the consortium's organisations
  - o Dissemination and Benefits
- The project contact person must submit a short CV along with the *Expression of Interest*. (max 1 page including 5 most relevant publications)

## ANNEX 3. National Annex: Denmark - DASTI

### Annex for applicants in Denmark

The Danish Agency for Science, Technology and Innovation (DASTI) is promoting public research and engaging scientific collaboration between public and private science.

#### Eligibility and national funding modalities

Applications to this call will be collaborative research projects as defined in the EUPHRESKO II document *Call Text and Applicant's Guide* for the Second Call. DASTI will fund project parts of scientists based in Denmark in the framework of the DASTI Guidelines under conditions specified below.

Apart from the rules and procedures defined in the document *Call Text and Applicant's Guide*, scientists seeking DASTI funding for project parts within EUPHRESKO II, Collaborative Research Projects need to consider the following points:

The Danish Council for Strategic Research's rules for budgeting etc. are to be followed. The document "*Guidelines - the Danish Council for Strategic Research's rules for budgeting, grants etc. relating to transnational calls*" is available electronically on the DASTI website at:

<http://fivu.dk/en/research-and-innovation/councils-and-commissions/the-danish-council-for-strategic-research/dsf-filer/guidelines-transnational-calls-february-2013-1.pdf>.

The Danish Council for Strategic Research may fund activities at public-sector, and also private-sector institutions and enterprises may, to a certain extent, receive funding through the Danish Council for Strategic Research. Funding to the private sector is subject to the restrictions stated in the national guidelines.

Applications will only be met if the application contributes to the purpose of promoting Danish research in a European context. Funding can be awarded to researchers working with basic research within production and technology sciences, focusing on application-oriented solutions to problems or new ways of meeting the needs of society. All researchers who have obtained a PhD or similar qualifications via their research may apply for this funding. Funding may only be awarded for specific delimited research activities. Thus, funding will not be awarded to permanent activities, such as fixed operating expenses and permanent position salaries. It is not possible to award funding for already completed activities.

## **ANNEX 4: National Annex: Slovenia - MoAFF**

### **Annex for applicants in Slovenia**

The Slovenian Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Food (MoAFF) is promoting with public funds research projects in the field of agriculture, which include topics in plant protection. Co-funding of research in the context of this call is based on:

- Zakon o raziskovalni in razvojni dejavnosti (Ur.l. RS št. 22/2006-UPB-1, 61/2006-ZDru-1, 112/2007, 9/2011 in 57/2012 – ZPOP-1A),
- Resolucija o raziskovalni in inovacijski strategiji Slovenije 2011-2020 (Ur.l. RS št. 43/2011), Uredbe o normativih in standardih za določanje sredstev za izvajanje Nacionalnega raziskovalnega in razvojnega programa (Ur.l. RS št. 74/2004, 32/2005, 26/2006 in 80/2007, 89/2008 in 102/2009),
- Zakon o kmetijstvu (Ur.l. RS, št. 45/2008 in 57/2012),
- Pravilnik o kriterijih za ugotavljanje izpolnjevanja pogojev za vodjo raziskovalnega projekta (Ur.l. RS št. 41/2009 in 72/2011);
- Pogodba ERA-NET EUPHRESKO II št. 266505 z dne 6.5.2011

### **Eligibility and funding national provisions**

Applications to this call will be joint research projects, as defined in public Call II for co-financing of transnational research projects under the initiative EUPHRESKO II.

MoAFF will co-finance the participation of its national partners in the project, in accordance with their national funding rules, under the conditions specified below.

Proposals for research projects in this call can be submitted by Slovenian partners in the international consortium with Danish partners, namely research organizations that qualify on research and development activities in accordance with the applicable rules.

In addition to the rules and procedures, defined in this call, Slovenian partners must comply with the following national terms and conditions:

- to this call can only take part applicants, who are in the databases of Research and development activities in the Agencija RS za raziskovalno dejavnost (hereinafter: the Agency) and meets the conditions prescribed by Zakon o raziskovalni in razvojni dejavnosti (Uradni list RS, št. 22/06-UPB1, 61/06-ZDru-1 in 112/07, 9/11 in 57/12 - ZPOP-1A).

Conditions that must be met by applicants to this call are defined in Zakon o raziskovalni in razvojni dejavnosti (Uradni list RS, št. 22/06-UPB1, 61/06-ZDru-1 in 112/07, 9/11 in 57/12 - ZPOP-1A), Pravilnik o kriterijih za ugotavljanje izpolnjevanja pogojev za vodjo raziskovalnega projekta (Uradni list RS 41/09 in 72/11) (hereinafter: Pravilnik o kriterijih),

These listed documents are an integral part of the call documents and are published on the Agency's website <http://www.arrs.gov.si/sl/akti/>.

(1) A research project is carried out by research group, which consists of the project manager, research and professional and technical staff.

If the research group consists of several project sub-research groups from various research organizations, the applicant can only be one research organization, where the project research manager is employed. The applicant must have a signed agreement on mutual rights and obligations with other participating research organizations.

The national project manager must be employed in an organization, which is the applicant to the project. Condition must be met before the contract is signed.

(2) The national project manager must satisfy the conditions for the project manager:  
National project manager (for apply research project) may qualify for the research project manager, specified in the second indent of the first paragraph of Article 29 of Zakon o raziskovalni in razvojni dejavnosti and in Pravilnik o kriterijih if:

1. Achieves a minimum of 40 points from scientific publications, which are set out in the regulations governing the indicators and criteria of scientific and professional performance in the last five years.
2. Demonstrates citations as specified in the 2nd the first paragraph of 3 Article Pravilnika or has evidence of transfer of own research into practice (patents, technologies implemented, sold computer programs carried out important structures or products, etc.; COBISS type 2.02 2.03 2.04, 2.06 2.07, 2.12, 2.13, 2.14, 2.15, 2.16 , 2.17, 2.20, 2.21, and 2.24) or proven work at national scientific corpus or collection.
3. Shows a minimum total score of scientific publications, citations and documented collaboration with other funders in the last five years.

In determining the minimum number of points (A1 + A2 + A3 + A4) from the 3 point from first paragraph of 3 Article of Pravilnik o kriterijih is to calculate the rating of A3 into account the data set for 2008 - 2012. Limit the sum A1 + A2 + A3 + A4 for this call is taken in the field of biotechnology in the Metodologija ARRS za ocenjevanje prijav za razpise, published in year 2013 (<http://www.arrs.gov.si/sl/akti/metod-common-12.asp>), namely:

- the Applied Project:  
A1 + A2 + A3 + A4 = 2.5 biotechnology and biology
  - Applied project, if from the project manager's attainment of the PhD thesis passed more than 10 years:  
A1 + A2 + A3 + A4 = 2.0 biotechnology and biology
4. Project managers can apply with a lower overall rating A1 + A2 + A3 + A4 if they show their exceptional achievements within the A '(A' > 0).

(3) MoAFF, based on data from SICRIS at the closing date of the call for project managers, will verify compliance with the requirement of rating A1 + A2 + A3 + A4.

(4) Slovenian researchers participating in an international project under this call must be mentioned by name, their skills must be is clearly apparent in application.

(5) Terms of Slovenian partners must be met and are subject to verification in the first stage of the tender. In the event that any of the above conditions is not met, the evaluation is not performed, the application is rejected. If the MoAFF notes that the applicant submits false information, the application shall be rejected. If the Ministry during its examination of the application did not find that the information put forward by the applicant is incorrect, and it finds out at any time during the call procedure or at any later time, the Ministry can cancel the contract with the recipient of funds and require repayment of funds in accordance with the terms of the contract.

(6) Funds under this call may be granted to the Slovenian researchers for activities that are not funded from any other public sources. Eligible for funding will be only the costs that will be incurred after the contract with the selected Slovenian partners.

Research topics and themes, application and evaluation of applications will follow the procedure that is defined in the EUPHRESKO II document *Call Text and Applicant's Guide*.