

EHA Kick-off Grant 2026

Application Guide

The call for applications closes on September 1st, 2026 at 16:00 CEST

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Required Information and Documents

Before submitting your application, please make sure to provide all the necessary information and upload all the required documents. Please use the [correct application form](#) customized for an EHA Kick-off Grant on Fluxx. If in doubt, contact us before submitting your application.

Fluxx

- ☐ All EHA grant applications are processed through the EHA Portal: [Fluxx](#)
Note: Please note that the EHA Portal is not the same as the [MyEHA Portal](#)
- ☐ If you do not have a Fluxx account, please note that registrations are processed within two business days and late submissions due to late registrations are not accepted
- ☐ If you already have a Fluxx account, please update your "User Profile" before starting the application
Note: If your affiliated institution has changed since the first time registered on Fluxx, please let us know
Note: Even if you enter your new institution name manually, the country of your first affiliation will be automatically connected to your application

Applicant Information

- ☐ You must provide a valid name, your email address and institution information
- ☐ Your institution must be an academic research center or proven equivalent in a [less-represented](#) country in Europe
- ☐ You must have a full time appointment in your affiliated institution
- ☐ Ensure that you have an active 2026 EHA membership before submitting your application
- ☐ You must have a mentor
Note: If you are an independent researcher, please consider our [Bilateral Collaborative Grant](#)
- ☐ Please provide the details of the Administrative Authority that read and agreed to the EHA Research Grant Agreement template and eventually will be the signatory if you get the funding
Note: In case of personnel changes in your institution, it is possible to revise the details of the Administrative Authority after you submit your application

EHA Policy on double awarding

- ☐ You must declare that you do not have an [active EHA grant](#) at the time of the application deadline

EHA Research Grant Agreement

- ☐ You and your institutions must acknowledge and accept the conditions as set out in the EHA Kick-off Grant Agreement template

Personal Statement

- ☐ Personal statement is optional, there is no set format

Project Proposal

- ☐ Provide a proper title
- ☐ If you applied for a Kick-off Grant before, please provide an explanation
- ☐ Please select **up to two** research areas that best match your project, if you select more than two research areas, your application will be returned to you
- ☐ You can copy the "Rationale for the project" from your Project Proposal

Publications and Employment

- ☐ Provide information regarding publications, education and employment
- ☐ Describe your current position and mention the start date
- ☐ Make sure to enter all the earned degrees; the dates will be automatically retrieved from your "User Profile" so please check your profile to ensure the date is correct
- ☐ If you are [out-of-scope](#), please provide an explanation and mention the duration in months, if you are in doubt, please contact us

Budget

- ☐ Do not exceed the maximum allowed budget, otherwise your application will be automatically ineligible
- ☐ Use the "Budget for this EHA Grant" button to enter each budget item and the corresponding amount as a total for the entire grant period
- ☐ Once you save, your budget will be shown under "Budget Snapshot", which automatically calculates your total budget
Note: Please make sure your "Requested Budget" matches the total amount shown in your budget snapshot
- ☐ Provide detailed explanation of each budget item in the following section - "Justification of expenses per year" - and explain how you will use each budget over the two years
- ☐ Supported costs: partial salary of the applicant, lab consumables, small equipment, other
- ☐ Not-supported costs: overhead costs, personnel costs, excessive travel, redundant costs covered by other funding
- ☐ Mandatory costs: your application will be ineligible if it does not include these costs
 - EHA Congress attendance: Maximum €2,000 (at least one EHA Congress)
- ☐ Provide information about other funding sources that are relevant to your application

Required Documents**1. Project Proposal**

- ☐ Use the provided [template](#) for your project proposal, adhere to page limits and save it as a PDF file and name it: "FirstName.LastName_ProjectProposal.pdf"
Note: Your application will be ineligible if you do not use the template

2. Collated Support Letters

- ☐ Collect the mandatory support letters
- ☐ Letter from mentor: on institute letterheads and must include: (max two pages)

- a description of the mentoring plan
- ☐ Letter from department head: on institute letterheads and must include: (max one page)
 - a description of the institutional commitment and facilities to support the project
 - a description of how the proposed project will fit into the research of the department
 - a statement agreeing to the grant agreement template
 - a statement explaining how to cover overhead costs

Note: Your application will be ineligible if your institutional letter does not include these last two statements

Note: If your mentor is also the department head, you can submit one letter that covers all of the above points (1 and 2) and this letter should be no more than three pages long

- ☐ Institutional Support: on institute letterheads and must include: (max one page)
 - a statement agreeing to the grant agreement template

Note: Your application will be ineligible if your institutional letter does not include this statement

- ☐ Combine all letters into one PDF file and save it as "FirstName.LastName_SupportLetters.pdf"

Note: please do not upload the letters separately

Review

- ☐ Optional: you can provide up to two external reviewers to include or exclude

Is your application complete? Then, you can submit your application.

Important! Applications that do not contain all of the above-mentioned requirements will be returned to the applicants. If in doubt, please contact us before submitting your application.