# GLOBALSTARS CALL FOR PROPOSALS FOR JOINT R&D PROJECTS WITH KENYAN INSTITUTIONS

## **SOUTH AFRICA**

South Africa, through the Department of Science and Innovation will allocate a budget of 600 000 Euro for the call. Total budget for each project will be at maximum funding of between 150.000 and 200.000 Euro per project.

# SPECIFIC NATIONAL/ REGIONAL RULES

Funding is available to registered companies and SMEs as per South African definition. Science Councils and Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) are also eligible to apply and should collaborate with SMEs as partners. Projects are to be led by SMEs. The DSI will prioritise funding to SMEs and project teams with blacks, women and young innovators/scientists as part of the South African transformative targets.

Potential applicants must inform the National Project Coordinator of their interest to submit a proposal and share the project outline before submitting the project.

## **ELIGIBLE COSTS AND FUNDING RATES**

Each project will go through a financial negotiation process with the national funding body, (DSI) to finalise the exact percentage funding. The funding will be transferred in tranches in accordance with the project duration. Co-funding between the SA participants and the DSI to be as follows:

- SMEs Up to 75%
- Science Councils and Universities up to 80%
- Large Companies Up to 50%

## **ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS REQUIRED**

To be considered for national funding the applicants will be required to submit a national funding application form and submit to the DSI as per closing date of the EUREKA call. The application can be obtained at the following website: https://www.eurekanetwork.org/open-calls/globalstars-kenya-2023 (SA-Eureka national coinvestment Application)

## SCOPE

This call invites consortia to apply high quality R&D projects within all technology fields. However, the participating countries in particular welcome project proposals in the fields of:

- Sustainability
  - \* circular and bio-based economy
  - \* clean energy
  - \* clean water and sanitation
  - \* agro economy
- Health
  - \* improving life style and living environment
  - \* shift curative to preventive

# YOUR PROJECT SHOULD

- address preferably one of the fields mentioned in the call description and
- demonstrate the potential to research or develop a product, service or process for commercialisation.





#### TIMEFRAME

- 31 January 2023 Call opens
- 30 April 2023 Submission deadline 12:00 CEST
- 12 May 2023 Consensus meeting on eligibility

Please note that additional national applications might be required (see text below for more details)

- Onwards 15 September 2023 Applicants informed on evaluation results
- Onwards September 2023 Eureka label procedure and approval.
- Onwards September 2023 National funding decision
- Onwards September 2023 early 2024 Project Start

#### **ELIGIBLE KENYAN INSTITUTIONS**

- Kenyan public and private research centers and institutes, training institutions, departments of R&D, industrial establishments and relevant implementing bodies are eligible to apply;
- · Applicants must have wide knowledge and experience in the National Research Priority areas;
- The applicants must have demonstrated competence and experience in their grant application areas;
- Applicants must be in possession of at least a master's degree or equivalent experience in a relevant area or be innovators recognized by the Kenya National Innovation Agency;
- The Principal Investigator must be a Kenya citizen;
- · Non Kenyans may apply under a Kenyan Principal Investigator;
- All applicants must be affiliated to a recognized Kenyan research institution and in case of a university or research institution, they must not be on an extended unpaid leave;
- Partnering and collaborative institutional or corporate entities must formally indicate willingness to release staff involved in the project, have the facilities to implement the project or indicate how the facilities will be availed.

Funding R&D at industry level will be to researchers in institutions who will have identified specific products within a formal firm for further development. Such grant proposal will be accompanied by the industry approval specifying clearly the roles between the researcher and the industry in an effort to enhance Research to Commercialisation in Kenya. Grants will be channelled through the researcher's institution and accounted for by the particular institution.

Research-related costs: Researchers may request for funds for the following categories of expenditure:

- · Daily Subsistence Allowance for field activities for professional and non-professional personnel;
- Research equipment;
- Consumables;
- Essential infrastructure/upgrading;
- · Costs of prototype production;
- Project management costs must not exceed 7.5%;
- Project mobility costs must not exceed 20% of the total budget.

## **BUDGET (FOR KENYAN INSTITUTIONS)**

The total amount available for this call is 595,000 Euros. Each project will be funded up to a maximum of 85,000 Euros. Funding will be made available for a maximum of 3 years.