



Seed Money Grant 2021 Latin American Center Zurich

Who can apply?

Members and associated members of the LZZ employed by, studying or researching at the UZH. Associate members of the LZZ, employed by or affiliated to a Swiss university.

Priority will be given to early stage and junior researchers (MA, PhD students and postdocs).

Researchers affiliated to the UZH and those that have no other funding available will be given priority. Nonetheless, all junior researchers working at Swiss universities are encouraged to apply.

Each member can only submit one proposal per call.

Eligible are project proposals –to instances such as SNF or EU programs, but not only– where the Latin American Center of the University of Zurich is the co-coordinator (or plays a substantial role), and which will be submitted no later than December 2022.

For what purpose?

This Seed Money Grant is aimed at researchers working towards bigger funding project applications, with interdisciplinary approaches.

Topics should have a clear relation to Latin America, but do not need to be restricted exclusively to the region. Interdisciplinary approaches are encouraged.

For what amount of money?

Funding can be claimed for a maximum of CHF 4'000.

The LZZ will decide on the amount granted, depending on the final number of grants given. Only one or two proposals will be granted, subject to available funding.

This is a pilot call that might not be continued in the future.

What may the grant cover?

This Seed Money Grant is intended to support researchers with a one-time payment that will help them cover some of the costs incurred during the preparation of a project grant submission.

How to apply?

The proposal should be sent as a PDF file, including:

- Title of the project, date of submission



- Researcher or researchers (name, institutional affiliation, contact details)
- Call to which the researcher(s) aim to apply and deadline
- Supervisors & Partners, co-sponsors and/or institutions co-supporting, if any
- Description of the project idea and of the envisaged results (max. 600 words)
- Impact: What impact would the project have and for whom?
- Work schedule
- Rough budget and planned use of the Seed Money Grant, including total amount requested to the LZZ

Only complete proposals submitted by email to elena.rosauro@uzh.ch will be considered. Languages: English, Spanish, German.

When to apply?

Deadline for submission: October 15th, 2021.

Expected announcement of results by the end of November, 2021.

Evaluation process:

All complete proposals will be reviewed by members of the LZZ Steering Committee and guest external evaluators, who will recommend funding or not.

The suitability of the proposals will be based on the relevance of the project within the objectives and philosophy of the LZZ, the quality and feasibility of the project, and its interdisciplinary approach.

Decisions are final, and will be communicated by email.

Disclaimer: The number of grants the LZZ can support per year is limited. The LZZ reserves the right to reject proposals or to approve only a part of the requested amount of money.

Once a project is granted Seed Money:

The LZZ should not be a mere source of money. It rather promotes the idea of building up constructive collaborations with researchers. According to our personnel and time resources, the LZZ is willing to engage in the project as co-coordinator.

These conditions apply:

- The LZZ must be mentioned in the final application submitted to the funding institution(s). If there are graphic materials the logo of the LZZ must be visible.
- The applicants are responsible to share all information and materials about the project with the LZZ.
- Changes in the project or work schedule have to be communicated to the LZZ.

Please check personally with the coordinator of the LZZ how to manage the granted financial support.

State: July 2021