

## Upcoming deadlines

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*tentative dates/call not yet opened		EEA Grants and Norway Grants have different deadlines each year, depending on which countries are involved in the call.

For more detailed information, please follow the links above.  
New calls and events are highlighted in **yellow**.

## Upcoming events

Date	Event details
3-4 Jun 2024 (Kristiansand, NO)	<b>NORA Annual Conference 2024 (link)</b> “The NORA Annual Conference is an annual event that aims to gather the Norwegian research community within the field of Artificial Intelligence and create a platform where invited speakers and participants can share research, ideas, theories, models and new perspectives, and interact with peers from the field.”
10 Jun 2024 (Bergen, NO)	<b>CEDAS Data Science in Practice (link)</b> The program will include interesting talks from both academia and industry, as well as a case study where participants can try to solve an exciting problem themselves. For more details please follow our event website, which will be continuously updated. Registration deadline: 16 May.
10-11 Jun 2024 (Jönköping, SE)	<b>SCAI'24 - The 14th Scandinavian Conference on AI (link)</b> “The 14th Scandinavian Conference on AI (SCAI'24) invites researchers and industry practitioners working on all facets of AI to submit their research. Organised as a joint venture by the Swedish AI Society (SAIS) and Norwegian AI Society (NAIS), the event invites researchers from all over the world to participate in ongoing discussions.” Registration deadline: 2024-05-12.
21-22 Oct 2024 (Helsinki, FI)	<b>Nordic AI Meet 2024 (link)</b> “The main purpose of the symposium is to provide a platform for AI researchers in early careers to exchange ideas, build collaborations and form a nordic approach to building AI solutions for the societal good.”

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## Funding details

### EU-funding



29.08.2024 (not yet opened)	Research project	<b>ERC Advanced Grant (link)</b> ERC Advanced Grants are for established, leading principal investigators pursuing groundbreaking, high-risk/high-gain projects. Find out more about ERC-AdG on this website.
23.10.2024	Coordination and Support	<b>COST (link)</b> “Participants are invited to submit COST Action proposals contributing to the scientific, technological, economic, cultural or societal knowledge advancement and development of Europe. [...] A COST Action is an interdisciplinary research network that brings researchers and innovators together to investigate a topic of their choice for 4 years. COST Actions are typically made up of researchers from academia, SMEs, public institutions and other relevant organisations or interested parties.”
20.11.2024 (not yet opened)	Research and Innovation Action	<b>Security topic 2 - Post-quantum cryptography transition (link)</b> “The advent of large-scale quantum computers will compromise much of modern cryptography, which is instrumental in ensuring cybersecurity and privacy of the digital transition. Any cryptographic primitive based on the integer factorization and/or the discrete logarithm problems will be vulnerable to large-scale quantum-powered attacks. The digital data/products/systems that derive their security ultimately from the abovementioned primitives will be compromised and must be upgraded - including their replacement when needed- to quantum-resistant cryptography. The massive scale of this foreseen upgrade shows that preparations are needed today in order to widely implement the relevant mitigations in the future. Many companies and governments cannot afford to have their protected communications/data decrypted in the future, even if that future still seems distant. There is a need to advance swiftly in the transition to quantum-resistant cryptography.  Post-quantum resistant cryptographic algorithms should be deployable in a dynamic manner in order to quickly react to new quantum computer developments. Recommendations for post-quantum cryptography have already been published, but have to be maintained up-to-date, Proposals received under this topic should contribute to developing coordinated European recommendations for the transition to post-quantum cryptography across the EU.  The identification and analysis of potential regulatory aspects and barriers for the developed technologies/solutions is encouraged, where relevant.”
21.01.2025 (not yet opened)	Research and Innovation Action	<b>Energy topic 2 - Critical technologies for the future ocean energy farms (link)</b> “Projects are expected to address at least one of the following areas: ... 3. Artificial Intelligence (AI) in ocean energy technology development. Develop or apply advanced simulation of ocean energy systems. Use of big data with analysis of data streams, application of big data methods and machine learning, including artificial intelligence, or digital twin models for the design, installation, operation and decommissioning of ocean energy devices.”

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### RCN-funding



Open-ended deadline	Research	<b>FRIPRO/groundbreaking research</b> The Research Council of Norway has published information about the current FRIPRO (groundbreaking research) calls on their website. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Researcher Project for Experienced Scientists (FRIPRO)</li> <li>• Researcher Project for Early Career Scientists (FRIPRO)</li> <li>• Three-year Researcher Project with International Mobility (FRIPRO)</li> </ul> The calls have no explicit submission deadline. Please note the criteria for a waiting period after submission and a quarantine depending on the evaluation score.
24.04.2024	Coordination and support	<b>Support for Forskningsdagene (link)</b> The Research Council of Norway has announced a support scheme for activities to be carried out as part of the upcoming Forskningsdagene.

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05.06.2024 (call not yet opened)	Innovation	<p><b>Industrial PhD scheme (link)</b></p> <p>“The Research Council has established the Industrial PhD Scheme to boost research efforts and long-term competence-building for Norwegian trade and industry through the recruitment of doctoral candidates. [...] Under this call, funding will be provided for at least 49 Industrial PhD projects. Of these, funding will preferably be awarded to: 2 projects of relevance to Maritime, 2 projects of relevance to ICT security and cryptology, 10 projects within the field of Artificial Intelligence, 35 Industrial PhD projects open to all themes and industries.”</p>
07.06.2024 (call not yet opened)	Collaborative research	<p><b>AI centres (outline) (link)</b></p> <p>“Denne skisseutlysningen kvalifiserer til å sende inn fullstendig søknad til utlysningen av sentre for kunstig intelligens (KI-sentre). Formålet er å mobilisere til prosjektideer og stimulere til samarbeid for å utvikle konkurransedyktige søknader til KI-sentre. Det er obligatorisk å sende inn skisse. Søknad til hovedutlysningen må bygge på en eller flere av de innsendte skissene.”</p>
18.09.2024 (call not yet opened)	Research & Innovation	<p><b>Centres for Research-based Innovation (SFI, stage 1) (link)</b></p> <p>“The Centres for Research-based Innovation (SFI) develop expertise that is important for innovation and value creation. Long-term research in close cooperation between R&amp;D-active companies and prominent research groups will strengthen technology transfer, internationalisation and researcher training. The centres have been established for a maximum period of eight years. The SFI centre will be announced in 2024, where funding will be announced for at least eight centres through a two-stage application process.”</p>
00.01.2025 (call not yet opened)	Collaborative research	<p><b>AI centres (main) (link)</b></p> <p>“Formålet med utlysningen er å etablere fire til seks forskningscentre for kunstig intelligens (KI-sentre) som skal utføre forskning på kunstig intelligens av høy kvalitet og adressere viktige utfordringer i samfunns- og næringsliv. KI-sentrene skal samlet dekke de tre sporene – konsekvenser, teknologi og innovasjon. De tre sporene overlapper og må sees i sammenheng. Innsendelse av skisse til skissefristen 7. juni 2024 er obligatorisk og er første del i søknadsprosessen til denne utlysningen. Søknader til denne utlysningen som ikke er basert på en innsendt skisse sendt inn innen skissefristen, vil bli avvist.”</p>
00.00.2025 (call not yet opened)	Research & Innovation	<p><b>Centres for Research-based Innovation (SFI, stage 2) (link)</b></p> <p>“The Centres for Research-based Innovation (SFI) develop expertise that is important for innovation and value creation. Long-term research in close cooperation between R&amp;D-active companies and prominent research groups will strengthen technology transfer, internationalisation and researcher training. The centres have been established for a maximum period of eight years. The SFI centre will be announced in 2024, where funding will be announced for at least eight centres through a two-stage application process.”</p>
Open-ended deadline	Coordination and support activity	<p><b>Support for events (link)</b></p> <p>The RCN co-funds events across a variety of scientific areas. Please follow the link to find out more about this funding scheme.</p>
Other relevant portfolios and funding schemes		<p>It is recommended to check the portfolio websites regularly and to read through the respective strategic plans.</p> <p>Selected portfolios that could be relevant for the department’s researchers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ground-breaking research</li> <li>• Enabling technologies</li> <li>• Energy and Transportation</li> <li>• Health</li> <li>• Innovation</li> </ul> <p>Larger funding schemes that also could be of interest:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>SFF (Norwegian Centres of Excellence scheme)</b>: funding scheme for targeted, focused, long-term research of high international calibre, with researcher training and international collaboration as important secondary objectives</li> <li>• <b>SFI (Centres for Research-based Innovation scheme)</b>: funding scheme for research-driven innovation that shall enhance knowledge and technology transfer, internationalization and researcher training</li> <li>• <b>INFRASTRUKTUR (National Financing Initiative for Research Infrastructure)</b>: support for establishing new and/or upgrading existing research infrastructures</li> <li>• <b>FORSKERSKOLE (Scheme for National Researcher Schools)</b>: support for establishing research schools (PhD level)</li> </ul> <p>Other funding mechanisms:</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>NÆRINGSPHD</b>: industrial PhD scheme; companies who want to increase/broaden their research-related activities, networks and expertise can apply via this scheme for funding for a doctoral candidate</li> <li>• <b>OFFPHD</b>: public sector PhD scheme; employers in the public sector can apply for funding for employees who want to pursue a doctoral degree</li> <li>• <b>UTENLANDSSTIPEND</b>: overseas research grants for PhD candidates and Postdocs financed by the RCN and affiliated with an ongoing project (for at least 24 months); research stays abroad need to be between 3 and 12 months</li> </ul>
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## Other funding



26.04.2024	Coordination and support	<b>UiB Global Challenges</b> UiB has issued a call within its strategic area “Global Challenges”. Funding covers meeting, seminar and travel costs needed to develop cross-disciplinary research activities. Proposals need to include concrete plans for research collaboration and future grant applications. Employees at Postdoc, researcher, Assoc./Professor level with UiB as their main employer can apply. At least 2 UiB faculties need to participate in an application to this call. For more detailed information, please contact Stefanie Meyer.
09.05.2024	Innovation	<b>SPIRE (link)</b> SPIRE funds are strategic funds used to facilitate international research collaboration. You can apply in two different categories: 1) international research collaboration to promote external funding applications, and 2) invitation of guest researchers. Please have a close look at the eligibility criteria and proposal requirements on the SPIRE website. If you plan to apply for guest researcher support, then please consult the department’s information site about our <a href="#">guest researcher routines</a> and register your guest(s) prior to submitting your SPIRE proposal. When submitting your SPIRE proposal, please indicate if you have obtained approval from the department to invite this guest in case you are awarded SPIRE funds. Proposals need to follow the template (see website) and have to be sent to Stefanie Meyer by 9 May 2024.
22.05.2024	Research, Mobility	<b>Akademiaavtale (link)</b> Akademiaavtalen is an agreement between UiB and Equinor, and calls for Researcher Projects and Mobility have now been released. The priority areas include: Offshore wind; Carbon Capture, Utilisation and Storage; Subsurface studies; Artificial Intelligence. Please inform Stefanie Meyer about any planned applications as soon as possible.
04.06.2024	Research	<b>NordForsk Arctic Sustainability (link)</b> “The Nordic countries have teamed up with Canada and the USA to launch a NordForsk call on the sustainable development of the Arctic. The call is two-stage, and the deadline for pre-proposals is 4 June 2024. [...] The main aim of the call is to support research collaboration among participating countries in the Arctic region to bring forward new knowledge on how to ensure the sustainable development of the Arctic. The objective is to jointly fund interdisciplinary research projects of the highest international quality, with potential for impact and societal relevance, and with clear added value from multilateral collaboration. The call has no thematic priorities, but three keywords can inspire applicants when developing their research ideas into proposals: Security, Natural Resources, and/or Societal Changes.”
10.06.2024	Coordination and support	<b>Young CAS (link)</b> The Young CAS Grant “is the funding opportunity offered to early career scholars below the age of 40. Recipients of a Young CAS Grant receive funding and support for their research project and gain valuable experience in organising multiple workshops and a two-month research stay at the Centre.”
01.06.2024 01.12.2024	Internship	<b>Erasmus+ internship (link)</b> Funding scheme for students/PhD students who would like to receive non-academic training in the form of an internship (2-12 months duration).
15.09.2024 20.01.2025	Mobility funds	<b>Erasmus+ staff mobility (link)</b> Mobility funding for up to 2 months to take part in staff training weeks, lab visits, job shadowing, language courses etc. All UiB employees, including PhD cand. and technical/administrative staff, can apply.
15.09.2024 20.01.2025	Mobility funds	<b>Erasmus+ teaching mobility (link)</b> Mobility funding in connection to teaching/education activities (lectures, seminars, supervision etc.) for all UiB employees, including PhD cand., Postdocs and temporary employees.
01.10.2024 (call not yet officially announced)	Mobility funds	<b>Fulbright stipends for researchers (link)</b> The Fulbright Program annually allocates funds to Norwegian researchers from all research fields to help them teach or conduct research in the US.

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01.10.2024 (call not yet officially announced)	Mobility funds	<b>Fulbright stipends for master and PhD students (link)</b> The Fulbright Program annually allocates funds to Norwegian students who wish to do all or part of their master or PhD studies in the US.
01.10.2024	Sabbatical	<b>Sabbatical &amp; travel support (link)</b> All at least 50%, permanently employed professors and associate professors can apply for a sabbatical and, if relevant, related travel funds.
15.01.2025 (call not yet opened)	Running costs	<b>Nansenfondet (link)</b> “Ordningen består av seks stiftelser som har et felles styre og som forvaltes etter de samme reglene. [...] I samsvar med de enkelte fonds vedtekter kan det søkes om midler til blant annet drift, forskningsutstyr, faglige reiser og vitenskapelig assistanse. Innen realfag og medisin prioriteres vanligvis støtte til drift og mindre utstyrsenheter. Det forutsettes at prosjektleder eller veileder søker for sin forskningsgruppe.”
EEA Grants and Norway Grants	-	“The EEA and Norway Grants (link) are funded by Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway. The Grants have two goals – to contribute to a more equal Europe, both socially and economically – and to strengthen the relations between Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway, and the 15 Beneficiary States in Europe. [...] The Grants are composed of two funding schemes – the EEA Grants and the Norway Grants. The main difference between the two lies in where the funding comes from and which countries receive the funding.”

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