Crisis - Perspectives from the Humanities

Information about the call

The *Crisis* call is a joint initiative of the HERA network and the CHANSE programme.

HERA, The Humanities in the European Research Area, is a network of 26 national funding agencies committed to leading and developing funding opportunities for humanities researchers in Europe.

CHANSE, Collaboration of Humanities and Social Sciences in Europe, is a programme supporting research in the area of Humanities and Social Sciences implemented by 27 research funding institutions from 24 European countries and coordinated by the NCN.

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Meeting agenda

1. Call theme

   Wojciech Sowa, Jagiellonian University, Krakow, HERA Network Board, Chair

2. Call eligibility requirements

   Malwina Gębalska, National Science Centre, Poland, CHANSE Programme Coordinator

3. Outline Proposal submission, EPSS System

   Carmen Kivistik, Estonian Research Council, Estonia

4. Proposal evaluation and selection

   Jessica Illera Clavijo, State Research Agency, Spain

5. Question & Answers

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Call for proposals

Crisis – Perspectives from the Humanities

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02 Call theme

Crisis – Perspectives from the Humanities

We wish to invite transnational consortia to submit humanities-led proposal which will address innovative outlooks on the phenomena of crises past and present. Proposed research may draw upon insights and methodologies from a wide spectrum of arts and humanities disciplines. Although humanities-driven, consortia are able to involve contributions from other research domains where appropriate. Proposals may involve investigating a variety of perspectives from one or several of the following sub-themes.

Different understandings of crises

Proposals focusing on the conceptualization of crisis may investigate how all crises have a discursive dimension. Proposals could address: if a theory of crisis is possible and what advantages the concept has over other rival ones? How crisis is used in particular contexts, what tensions are generated and effects created? The significance of crisis within different cultural traditions, the transcultural exchanges and their impacts on understandings; narratives of crisis; critical research theories or methodologies that have caused crises in the Humanities resulting in major conceptual transformations and research on the impact of human activities on climate and the environment from a humanities perspective.

Crises and the human response

In both media and politics, the term 'crisis' is and was frequently used to dramatize a situation, to generate the perception of a looming threat or impending disaster, which creates a risk of escalation on the basis of polarised emotional reactions. Proposals could investigate the questions: how do/did media, politics and other entities contribute to the escalation or/and de-escalation and resolving of crises? How do/did some assertions of belonging create, contribute to or respond to crises? Is the concept of crisis an effective tool for analysis and explanation in the political, cultural, intellectual and economic domains?

The representation of crises

Proposals might investigate the evolving representations (or poetics) of crises, i.e., the changing representations of crisis resulting from transformations of heritage and cultural memory. Proposals could address: the immediate responses to and different representations of crises in literature, philosophy and the arts; the extended forms of commemoration, post-memory reinterpretations; whose vision of crisis is represented in the media, literature and the creative and performative arts and why are they chosen?

Knowledge Exchange:

Knowledge exchange (KE) is a two-way process which brings together academic staff, users of research and wider groups and communities to exchange ideas, evidence and expertise. It is a process of working collaboratively and is most effective when these relationships are established at the very start of the proposal.

Knowledge exchange activities are a crucial dimension to any proposed research project. In addition to the networking that takes place among academic partners and broader dissemination activities aimed at wider academic audiences, projects are also expected to develop links with stakeholders outside academy in order to maximise the societal benefit of the research. For example, collaborations may include the public sector, voluntary, community and charitable organisations, policy makers, the creative, cultural and heritage sectors, broadcasters, museums, galleries, business, industry, and practitioners (e.g. in the creative and performing arts). Collaborations should be meaningful for all partners involved and enable joint learning throughout the duration of the project and beyond. Public engagement activities may also be included to promote a wide understanding of the nature and impact of "crisis". You should evidence how partnerships are equitable, ethical, responsible and meaningful.

Knowledge exchange perspective should be included in the application, and we encourage applicants to explore, from the outset and throughout the life of your project and beyond, who could potentially benefit from your research and what you can do to help make this happen. Proposals should therefore include concrete plans for collaboration and knowledge exchange, demonstrating potential audiences, how these activities will add significant value to the research, and how your knowledge exchange activities will be monitored and evaluated throughout and beyond the project.

A guide to Knowledge Exchange is available at: Public Engagement, Knowledge Exchange and Impact: A Toolkit for HERA Projects (heranet.info)

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GENERAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

❑ Countries participating in the call:

Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czechia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Ireland, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom

❑ Relevance to the call

❑ Project duration: 24-36 months

❑ Research project proposal can apply for funding up to a **maximum amount of 1 500 000,00 € (please also check if** national caps are applied)

❑ Applications <u>in English</u> submitted via Electronic Proposal Submission System (EPSS)

❑ Project consortium composed of a **min. of 4 and a max. of 6 Principal Investigators from min. 4 countries participating** in the call

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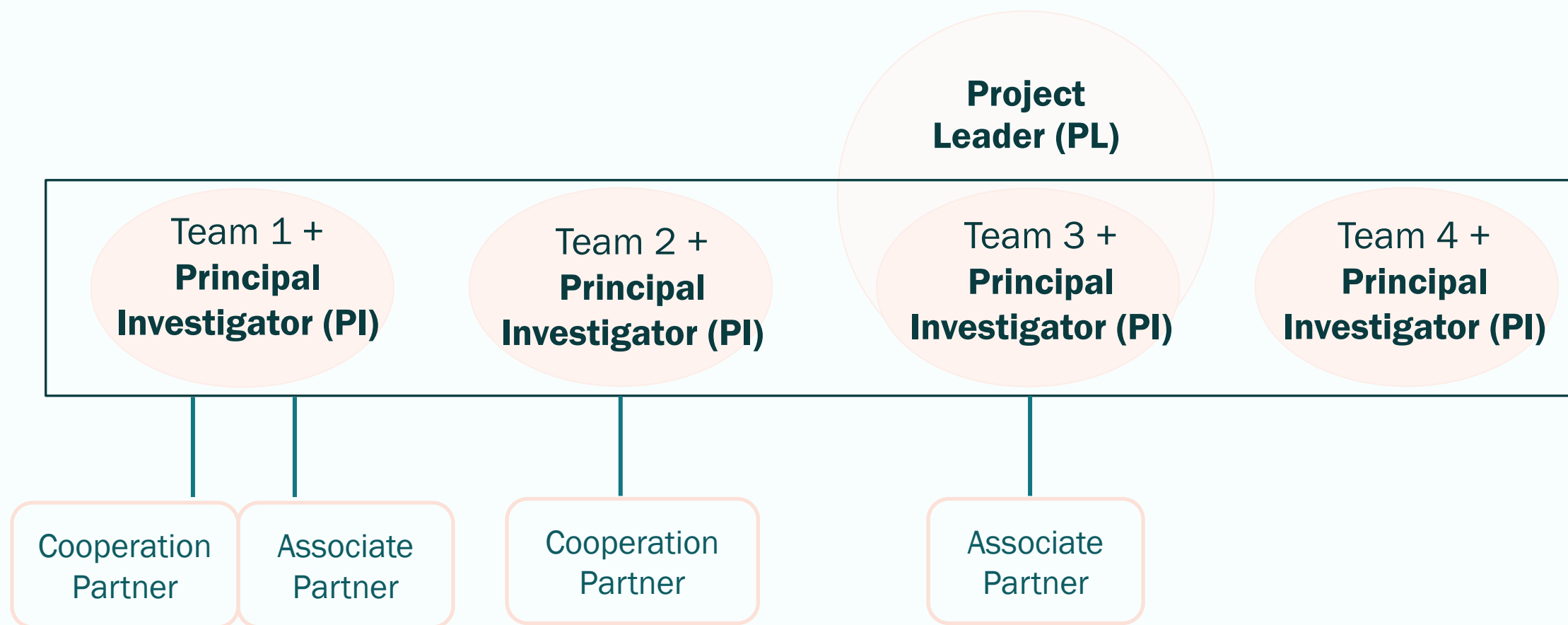
At least **4** and a maximum of **6** Principal Investigators, from minimum **4** different countries participating in the call.

1 Principal Investigator takes a role of the Project Leader

Associate Partners (APs)
- stakeholders responsible for supporting Knowledge Exchange activities
- **each consortium must include at least one AP**

Cooperation Partners
- partners from non-Crisis Call countries/organisations not eligible in the call

Project team additional information:

❑ **Involving Ukrainian researchers in the applying consortia** – possible funding opportunities for Ukrainian researchers were included in national/regional eligibility requirements of **Poland, UK.**

❑ **Exclusion of Russian and Belarussian entities from collaboration with applying and funded consortia** – these entities have been excluded from cooperation with funded projects following the EC requirement.

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To facilitate consortia building, a Partner Search Tool

is provided at https://www2.ncn.gov.pl/partners/chanse/

CHANSE Call Partner Search Tool

This is a match-making section for **CHANSE, HERA and NORFACE: Crisis and Wellbeing calls**.

To PUBLISH your offer of collaboration, complete the Expression of Interest form below. If you are an individual researcher or a representative of a research team, searching for a project to join, select: Partner looking for project. If you want to build a consortium around an existing project, select: Project looking for partner.

To FIND partners for your project ideas, search the database using keywords or action buttons below.

For any questions please contact: chanse@ncn.gov.pl

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Latest partners

1. **University of Rijeka, Faculty of Economic and Business, Center for Health economics and Pharmacoeconomics** from HR [read more »]
   Submitted: May 23rd, 09:51

2. **Mary Immaculate College, University of Limerick** from IE [read more »]
   Submitted: May 23rd, 09:51

3. **University of Deusto** from ES [read more »]

Registration form

Call (You can choose just one theme) *

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Type of Expression of Interest *

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Key words (max. 5 separated by semicolons) *

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Brief description of your expertise / expertise you are looking for *

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Brief description of your project / the project you would like to join *

Project Leader, PL

- Preparation of the proposal and its intellectual agenda
- Communication with Principal Investigators
- Submission of the proposal via the EPSS system
- Communication with the Call secretariat
- Management of the project
- Reporting on behalf of the consortium to the Secretariat
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Principal Investigator, PI (incl. Project Leader)

- Leading research activities at their institution
- No more than one PI per university/research institution
- In a national team led by PIs there can be more team members (senior, PhD or post-doc researchers, statisticians, etc.)
- Submits their CVs which will be assessed by the reviewers (CVs of other team members not included)
- Please check eligibility of your PI and their institution with National/Regional Eligiblity Requirements
- Receives funding from their National/Regional Funding Organisation
- Reporting to national organisation (if required)

A researcher can participate as PI or PL in one *Crisis* call proposal only!

One person can be PI or PL in only one proposal in *Crisis* Call and *Enhancing Well-being for the future* call organized jointly by NORFACE and CHANSE
The same project application cannot be submitted under these two calls.

Associate Partners (APs)

- stakeholders responsible for supporting Knowledge Exchange activities

- each consortium must include at least one Associate Partner

Cooperation Partners

- researchers from non-Crisis Call countries/organisations not eligible in the call

- Some Funding Organisations allow for costs dedicated to AP and CP (travel costs, subcontracting, etc.)

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CALL DOCUMENTATION:

1. CALL ANNOUNCEMENT

2. OUTLINE PROPOSAL FORM & FINANCIAL PLAN EXCEL SHEET

3. NATIONAL/REGIONAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

4. FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS & GLOSSARY – supporting documents

AVAILABLE AT CHANSE website:

https://chanse.org/announcement-of-the-call-crisis-perspectives-from-the-humanities/

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Call announcement:

KEY FACTS AND FIGURES

- General information
- Funding organisations' contributions in the call and national caps

AIMS AND SCOPE

- Call theme description
- Knowledge exchange and impact

GUIDELINES FOR APPLICANTS

- Projects' team structure
- General eligibility requirements (eligible applicants, project duration, etc.)
- General information about eligible budget
- Submission, evaluation and selection procedure
- Timeline

MANAGEMENT OF PROJECTS

- Consortium Agreement
- Open Access
- Reporting
- Information for funded projects (Personal Data Processing, Call Secretariat, National Contact points)

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Outline Proposal form (including Financial Plan) completed directly in the EPSS system

1. Basic information about the proposal's title, duration, etc.

2. Project's summary (will be used to select reviewers/experts for the proposal), 2000 characters

3. Basic Information about PL, PIs and their host instiutions

4. Information about Associate Partners (AP) and Cooperation Partners (CP)

    + attachment(s): letter of committment for each AP and CP (scan of a signed letter)*

5. Ethical issues, 3500 characters

6. Financial Plan for each PI (incl. PL)

7. Attachments:

- Project Description – in the *Outline Proposal description* section in the EPSS, 5 pages

- CVs of PL and PIs (1 page for each) – in the CV section in the EPSS

* Head of Department letter of support for UKRI participants (if required)

National/Regional Eligibility Requirements

- must be met by all PIs (national teams)

- Please check requirements regarding eligibility of PIs and their institutions

- Make sure what are the eligible costs and if caps on funding are applied

- In case of doubts please contact your national/regional contact point (lists included in the Call announcement)

COSTS

- **Typical costs categories:** employment (PL, PIs, and other Project Team Members, e.g. Ph.D. students, researchers, administrative personnel, etc.), equipment, travel and meeting costs, consumables, dissemination and knowledge transfer costs as well as the overheads
- **All costs** must be **eligible** according to **National/Regional Eligibility Requirements of the respective Funding Organisation**
- The total project's budget **requested must not exceed 1 500 000,00 € across all participating partners**
- **Costs must be listed and briefly justified in the** *Financial Plan* **section in the EPSS system**
    - Each PI has their own budget sheet

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Help-desk: National Science Centre, Poland

Contact point: crisis@ncn.gov.pl

OUTLINE PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

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EPSS SYSTEM

Joint application

Project Leader (PL)

| Team 1 + **Principal Investigator (PI)** | Team 2 + **Principal Investigator (PI)** | Team 3 + **Principal Investigator (PI)** | Team 4 + **Principal Investigator (PI)** |

Funding Organisation | Funding Organisation | Funding Organisation | Funding Organisation

TRANSNATIONAL LEVEL application assessment:

- **ELIGIBILITY CHECK by the** Call Secretariat
- **MERIT-BASED evaluation by** international Review Panel and external referees

NATIONAL LEVEL formal assessment of the application

Deadline for submission in the Electronic Proposal Submission System (EPSS) - September 21st, 2023, 14.00 CET

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Calls for Proposals

HERA and CHANSE: "Crisis - Perspectives from the Humanities"

NORFACE and CHANSE: "Well-being - Enhancing well-being for the future"

Welcome to CHANSE 2023 EPSS

CHANSE 2023 EPSS - an Electronic Proposal Submission System for submitting and evaluating project proposals.

Sign in

EPSS

1. Click „Sign in" button

2. Choose „Create your EPSS account"

3. Fill in the form + accept the checkbox bellow
   = Create new user account

4. Once created account, you can Sign in into EPSS anytime

5. Once logged in you should choose „For applicants" where you can create new proposal or join a proposal (If you are a Principal Investigator, please enter the invitation code you received from your Project Leader)

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proposal in this call. While it is technically possible to create (or to be invited to join) several prop
will not be able to submit a proposal in case she/he or any of the Partner's Principal Investigators
another project proposal that has been submitted to the Call Secretariat.

Click on a proposal number for more information.
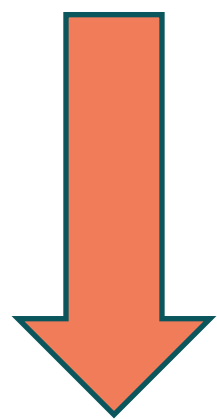
Create new proposal   Join a proposal

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The content of the proposal should be written in English. Incomplete proposals or proposals that do not adhere to the National/Regional Eligibility Requirements will be rejected and will not be evaluated!

The proposal can be submitted by the Project Leader multiple times before the Outline proposal submitting deadline on 2023-09-21 14:00 CEST (local time in Brussels, Copenhagen, Paris). Only the very last submitted copy will be used by the Call Secretariat. It is not possible to edit / submit the proposal after this deadline. Time remaining until the deadline in your time zone - https://time.is/1400_21_September_2023_in_Paris ⬚

Use the links below to view / edit different parts of the proposal. Please note that an incomplete proposal cannot be submitted by the Project Leader. Make sure you complete any missing parts and fix any detected problems well before the proposal submitting deadline.

1. General information - edit proposal title, acronym, duration, keywords, disciplines, and summary of the project
2. List of Partner Principal Investigators - add or remove Principal Investigators, change the order of PIs
3. Partners' details:
   - Project Leader - Partner 1 - Carmen Kivistik <carmen.kivistik@etag.ee>
     - Partner's details
     - Financial Plan
     - CV of the Principal Investigator
     - Preview this part of the proposal
4. Associate and Cooperation partners - describe associate and cooperation partners, upload their commitment letters
5. Ethical Issues - describe any foreseeable ethical issues, enter 'None' in case there aren't any
6. Outline proposal description - upload Outline proposal description
7. Preview / submit entire proposal - view the entire proposal and check its completeness; and when ready, submit the proposal to the Call Secretariat. All PIs should also view this page as some validation error messages related to the Financial Plan of the Project are only displayed on this page.

8. Optional step - view the Financial Plan - save the financial plan of the entire project in MS Excel format if needed

Project Leader view

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- Partners' details:
    - Partner 2 - Carmen Kivistik <kivistikcarmen@gmail.com>
        - Partner's details - partner's details
        - Financial Plan - project costs and funding request by project years and cost categories
        - CV - upload CV of the Principal Investigator
        - Preview - check if there is any missing information in your part of the proposal
- Preview entire proposal - view the entire proposal and check its completeness. All PIs should view this page as some validation error messages related to the Financial Plan of the Project are only displayed on this page.

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Partner view

- PL creates their account and starts preparing the proposal in the EPSS

- Each PI (non-PL) must create their account, join the proposal (using the code from the PL) and fill in their data

- PL can edit all sections of the proposal

- PI can see preview all sections of the proposal

- PL submits the proposal on behalf of all PIs

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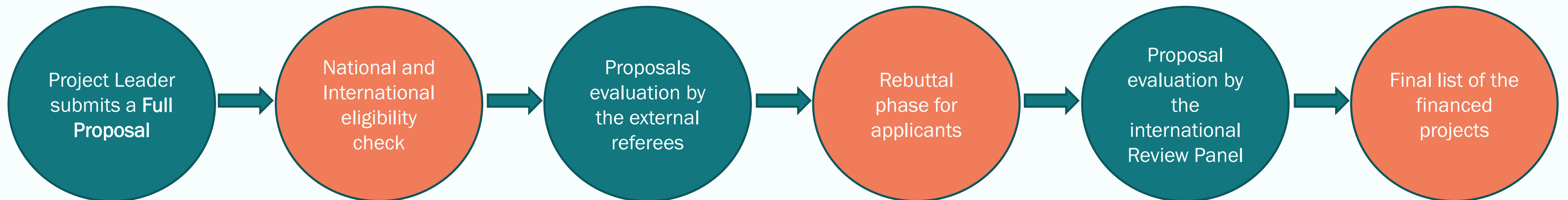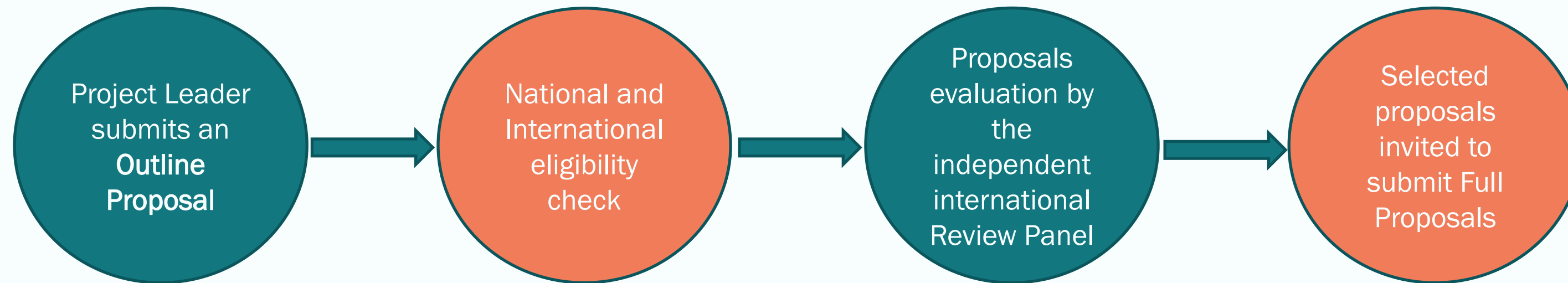
EVALUATION CRITERIA (1)

Relevance to the theme "Crisis" and evidence of humanities-led approach (30%)

(threshold 3/5)

- the fit to objectives, key and priorities of the call

Potential for research excellence (40%)

(threshold 3/5)

- sound concept and quality of objectives

- progress beyond the state-of-the-art

- quality and effectiveness of the research methodology, data collection and associated workplan

EVALUATION CRITERIA (2)

Potential impact of the proposed research (15%) (threshold 3/5)

- the scientific impact

- the extent to which the research proposed is likely to be of value to stakeholder communities

- appropriateness of measures for the dissemination and/or exploitation of transnational projects results, and management of intellectual property

Quality and efficiency of the implementation and management (15%) (threshold 3/5)

- appropriateness of the management structure and procedures

- quality and relevant experience of the individual participants

- quality of the consortium as a whole (including complementarity, as well as a balance in terms of gender, academic age, and geographical diversity)

- appropriate allocation and justification of the resources to be committed (budget, staff, equipment)

The RP will look into ethics issues included in submitted proposals (if applicable) and provide relevant recommendations or guidelines for applicants.

PROPOSAL SELECTION

Based on the **list of project recommended for funding** to the Funding Organisations by the Review Panel, a **final list** of projects selected for funding **will be approved by the Crisis Call Board (all Funding Organisations participating in the call).**

Criteria for selecting ex aequo proposals:

- If possible, each Funding Organisation funds at least one project;
- The projects involving partners from the Widening Countries and/or projects demonstrating gender balance in the composition of Principal Investigators should be prioritised.

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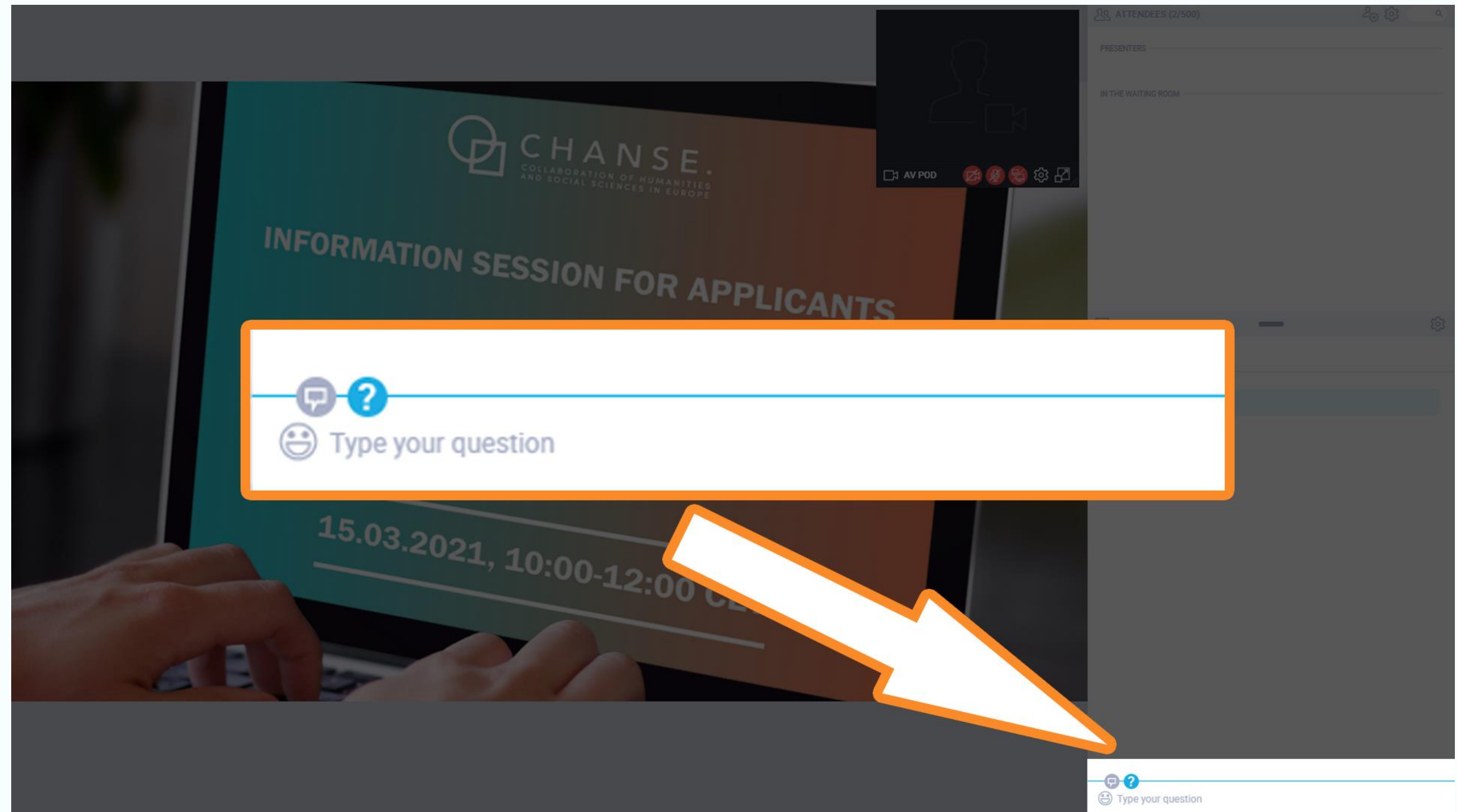
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