



ENLIGHTEN YOUR RESEARCH @ EAP



COMBINING SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

The Call for Participation is open for Eastern Partnership research collaborations to submit Enlighten Your Research proposals • deadline Friday, 16 March 2018.

EYR@EaP is a programme that promotes the use of computer network resources to foster international collaborations, and accelerate the research and discovery process. To further promote the benefits these resources to researchers, we are challenging researchers to stretch the boundaries of their science and collaborate with other countries to perform experiments enabled by the national research and education network (NREN) infrastructures, services and support.

All research, and arts and humanities disciplines are invited to submit proposals, and we would especially like to invite **high-performance computing users and researchers working in eHealth and cybersecurity** to submit project proposals from the Eastern Partnership region, which includes Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, the Republic of Moldova and Ukraine.

Example infrastructure services and resources include (but are not limited to)

- Network services
- Cultural heritage digitisation
- Cloud resources
- Compute resources in collaboration with **PRACE**, **PSNC** and **SURFsara** (if collaborating with a European or Dutch institution)
- Guidance on open data and open science with **OpenAIRE**.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS?

The final projects for EYR@EaP2018 will receive:

- Support and advice on the use of network services and end-to-end network connectivity.
- Connections to e-infrastructure resources through the EaPConnect Partners.

If your final proposal is selected for the EYR@EaP2018 program, you (the main applicant) will be invited to go to the EaPConnect Annual Conference, EaPEC'18 in Chisinau, Moldova and will be able to present your research project at this conference.

NEED HELP FINDING INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATORS?

There are many organisations in Europe seeking or willing to collaborate! From image analysis and synthesis with the Institut de Recherche en Informatique de Toulouse, in France to robotics, algorithms and modelling at PSNC, in Poland, researchers in Netherlands, Germany, Estonia and many others. There are many opportunities to collaborate!

Send an email to research_eap@geant.org and we may be able to help find the right collaborators.

HOW CAN YOU SUBMIT?

The submission for the initial project proposal is very light-weight and will close on 16 March 2018.

The first draft proposal is submitted electronically by answering these questions in an online form:

1. What is your primary research objective?
2. Do you need to collaborate with other researchers in different countries?
3. Presently, what technology do you use in your research?
4. In the next 1-2 years, what technology could you use to accelerate your research?

We kindly ask you to submit a proposal if you are a researcher that:

1. Wants to collaborate or already collaborates internationally;
2. Can benefit from access to advanced networks and compute facilities;
3. Can benefit from collaboration with engineers and (support) experts to improve your research workflow.

Visit www.eapconnect.eu/research to find all the details of the program.

IMPORTANT DATES

| TIME | EVENT |
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| Thursday, 1 February 2018 | Call for Participation Opens for 1st round proposals |
| Friday, 16 March 2018 | Deadline for 1st round proposals close |
| 17 April 2018 | Committee reviews and selects proposals |
| Friday, 4 May 2018 | Notification of 1st round proposals are sent via email |
| May - June 2018 | Consultation meetings with researchers and experts will be held |
| Tuesday, 3 July 2018 | Final proposals are due |
| Wednesday, 1 August 2018 | Awarded proposals are announced |
| Dates TBD | Award Ceremony at the EaPEC'18 conference in Chisinau, Moldova |
| December 2018 - December 2019 | Awarded projects are implemented |

If you have any questions please contact research_eap@geant.org

ABOUT THE ORGANISING PARTNERS

The Eastern Partnership (EaP) is a regional and multilateral initiative between the EU and its six Eastern partners: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, the Republic of Moldova and Ukraine. The partnership aims to provide support and assistance for reforms in the region in the fields of democracy, human rights, market economy, sustainability and governance.

The EYR@EaP partners provide and develop high-quality network services for all higher education and research institutions in their respective countries. The EYR@EaP organizing committee consists of a number of partners from the European National Research and Education Network (NREN) community.

