Globalstars call with Japan

Globalstars

FROM 14 OCTOBER 2025 TO 21 JANUARY 2026

Eureka is the world's biggest public network for international cooperation in research and development (R&D) and innovation, present in over 45 countries. It is a decentralised intergovernmental organisation aiming to boost the productivity and competitiveness of industries by funding and supporting international collaborative market-driven R&D projects.

This call for projects has been launched by Japan and the United Kingdom national funding bodies following Eureka's Globalstars framework.

Apply from: 14 October 2025

Submission Deadline: 21 January 2026

National funding procedures: 27 April 2026 or after

Projects can begin (expected): 1 July 2026

About this call

Countries

Austria, Belgium (Flanders), Canada, Denmark, France, Israel, Japan, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Norway, Singapore, South Africa, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom

Funding information

This call is open for all R&D projects, excluding technologies associated with nuclear power and drug discovery. Examples of scope include, but are not limited to: quantum technology, artificial intelligence, robotics, semiconductors, electronics, energy and environment, biotechnology, new materials, medical devices, aerospace, mining, and other industrial technologies.

Eligibility criteria

Eureka has eligibility criteria for organisations participating in a Globalstars consortium:

- Your project idea must represent international cooperation in the form of a specific project.
- You must direct your project towards researching or developing an innovative product, process or service with the goal of commercialising your project results.
- Your project must have a civilian purpose.
- Your consortium must include at least two independent legal entities, from Japan and a minimum of one other Eureka country listed in this call.
- No single organisation or country can be responsible for more than 70% of the project budget.
- The duration of a project must be between 12 to 36 months.

- Prior to the start of the project, participants are required to have signed a project consortium agreement on the execution of the project and commercialisation of the project's results. This must be sent to the relevant national funding agencies after the results of the evaluation have been communicated and before project activities are conducted.

This call for projects has additional criteria for organisations to be eligible to receive funding. Please see the country section for more information.

Available support

Austria

Austrian funding agency, Austrian Research Promotion Agency (FFG), funds R&D costs for all companies through the FFG General Programme, with cooperation opportunities for universities and research institutions.

Funding is available as a non-repayable grant with a budget of 1.5 million euro for the whole call. There is no maximum funding (grant) per project. The amount of funding available depends on the type of organisation applying.

Type of organisation	Amount of funding available
Startups, small companies, and small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs)	Up to 60% of eligible project costs
Midcap companies	Up to 50% of eligible project costs
Large companies	Up to 40% of eligible project costs
Research organisations or universities	Up to 50% of eligible project costs

`Additional steps for applications from Austria`
In addition to the Eureka application, Austrian participants must submit a separate national application by 21 January 2026 to FFG General Programmes (*Basisprogramm*) **via eCall on the FFG website**.

Austria has additional evaluation criteria for this call:

- Within the framework of the national call, FFG funds experimental development activities carried out by Austrian organisations. The evaluation of the Austrian Eureka project part is conducted by FFG internal experts.
- The final overall evaluation with regard to all criteria is carried out by the *Basisprogramm* Advisory Board. Funding decisions are taken in **seven meetings per year**. For detailed information please contact the Austrian Eureka NPC.

`Additional eligibility criteria for applications from Austria`
- Funding primarily supports market-oriented research activities that are not bound to specific thematic areas, with a particular focus on "Experimental Development" (Technology Readiness Levels 5-7).
- The project must comply with both the Eureka Globalstars guidelines and the applicable national criteria as specified in the call guidelines.

For more information, please **visit the website of FFG**.

Belgium (Flanders)

Belgian funding agency, Flanders Innovation & Entrepreneurship (VLAIO), funds R&D costs for startups, small companies, midcap companies, SMEs, and large companies participating in this call.

VLAIO funds development projects (an innovative idea that can lead to successful business in the short term, but there are still some challenges to overcome in developing this innovation) and research projects (an innovative idea that requires new knowledge and research and, in some cases, new development activities). Funding is available as a grant with an open budget for the whole call. The maximum funding (grant) per project is 500,000 euro.

Type of organisation	Amount of funding available
All company sizes	Basic funding rate of 25% of eligible project costs supplemented with additional premiums related to the company size and whether there is an actual international collaboration between at least 2 independent enterprises.

Only Flanders-based companies can apply for funding via subsidies. Flemish and foreign academic partners or research institutes can be funded by VLAIO if their expertise is crucial for the Flemish partner (company) and if they are subcontracted by this company.

Eligible costs and **funding rates for development projects**:

- Staff and other costs related to the development project can be funded with a 25% to 60% subsidy of the project budget, with a minimum budget equivalent to a support of 25,000 euro and a maximum of 500,000 euro.
- Companies applying for funding may supplement their funding percentage with additional premiums related to the company size and whether there is an actual international collaboration between at least 2 independent enterprises.

Eligible costs and **funding rates for research projects**:

- Staff and other costs related to the research project can be funded with a 25% to 70% subsidy of the project budget, with a minimum budget equivalent to a support of 100,000 euro and a maximum of 500,000 euro.
- Companies applying for funding may supplement their funding percentage with additional premiums related to the company size and whether there is an actual international collaboration between at least 2 independent enterprises.

`Additional steps for applications from Belgium (Flanders)`
In addition to the centrally submitted Eureka project application, participants from Flanders are required to submit a full national application with a project plan and budget to VLAIO. Depending on their project type applicants are asked to refer to the **website for research projects** or the **website for development projects** for submission. The deadline to submit the VLAIO application is 30 January 2026 at 12:00 Central European Time.

Flemish applicants must contact VLAIO for an **eligibility and a pre-check** of their project ideas and will receive support by VLAIO advisors.

Additional eligibility criteria for applications from Belgium (Flanders)

- You project, process, or service must be innovative and there must be a technological risk involved.

Canada

Canadian funding agency, National Research Council of Canada Industrial Research Assistance Program (NRC IRAP), funds R&D costs for SMEs participating in this call.

Funding is available as a contribution agreement with an open budget for the whole call. The maximum funding amount per eligible Canadian SME is 500,000 Canadian dollars. In addition to the Canadian SME, additional Canadian organisations (research institutes, universities, research and technology organisations, large enterprises and other companies) may participate on a self-funded basis or as subcontractors.

The NRC applies risk-based measures to safeguard its research, as well as the projects and organisations it funds, from potential interference, misappropriation, or misalignment with the interests of Canada. These measures include, amongst other national security considerations, determining whether any of the individuals or organisations involved in activities supported by NRC funding are currently affiliated with, or receiving funding or in-kind support from any of the organisations on the **Named Research Organization (NRO) list**, published by Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada. The NRC will not directly fund projects where there is a current affiliation with an NRO.

Type of organisation	Amount of funding available
SMEs	Up to 50% of eligible project costs

Additional steps for applications from Canada

Canadian applicants must complete the following steps to submit an application:

1. Canadian applicant must register by **3 November 2025** on the **NRC IRAP call for proposals announcement webpage** to request an Expression of Interest (EOI) form.
2. Complete and submit the EOI form to NRC IRAP by **13 November 2025**. We strongly recommend Canadian applicants complete the EOI phase as early as possible, in order for NRC IRAP to confirm the firm's potential eligibility for funding before assembling and submitting a proposal. Only qualifying applicants will be invited to submit the Eureka Network project proposal application form and required documents in collaboration with their project partners. The lead Canadian SME applicant will be provided with all required templates to be completed along with the Eureka Network project proposal application form.

For national requirements and further information of funding, eligibility and evaluation criteria Canadian applicants are asked to **refer to the NRC IRAP call for proposals announcement webpage**.

Additional eligibility criteria for applications from Canada

- Your project consortium must include at least one eligible Canadian SME and one eligible Japanese partner.
- Your organisation must be an incorporated, profit-oriented small or medium-sized enterprise (SME) in Canada (defined as having 500 or fewer full-time equivalent employees).
- Your project must benefit all partners and all partners must participate.

- You must have the objective to grow and generate profits through development and commercialisation of innovative, technology-driven new or improved products, services, or processes in Canada.
- Canadian SME applicants must be eligible for funding as NRC IRAP clients before they can be considered for funding through this call for proposals. For more information on NRC IRAP eligibility and becoming an NRC IRAP client, please contact NRC IRAP at 1-877-994-4727.

For more information, please **visit the NRC website**.

Denmark

Danish funding agency, Innovation Fund Denmark (IFD), funds R&D costs for SMEs, large companies, research organisations, and universities participating in this call.

IFD provides funding to projects within critical and digital technologies Funding is available as a grant with a maximum budget of 2 million euro for the whole call. The maximum funding amount per Danish participant is 300,000 euro. The maximum funding amount per project for all Danish participants, if the project has two or more Danish participants, is 500,000 euro. The amount of funding available depends on the type of organisation applying.

Type of organisation	Amount of funding available
Small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs)	Up to 75% of eligible project costs
Large companies	Up to 65% of eligible project costs
Research organisations or universities	Up to 90% of eligible project costs

`Additional steps for applications from Denmark`
After the central application deadline has passed, IFD will request applicants to upload a pdf file of their application with annexes via the national e-grant platform. The invitation is normally sent out within 2-4 weeks after the application deadline. Please contact IFD if you do not receive an invitation

`Additional eligibility criteria for applications from Denmark`
- Your project consortium must include at least one Danish SME.

All Danish organisations directly involved in activities in the projects are eligible to apply for funding from IFD. For further information on funding and eligibility please refer to **the IFD guidelines** or visit **the website of IFD**.

`Additional evaluation steps for applications from Denmark`
Denmark has additional evaluation criteria for this call:

- IFD collects 3-4 evaluations from external evaluators focusing on the same themes as Eureka: Impact, excellence, quality and efficiency of implementation, and overall perception.

France

French funding agency, Bpifrance, funds R&D costs for startups, small and midcap companies, and SME's participating in this call.

Funding is available as a loan with an open budget for the whole call. The maximum funding (loan) per project is 3 million euro. The amount of funding available depends on the type of organisation applying.

Type of organisation	Amount of funding available
Startups	Up to 80% of eligible project costs
Small and midcap companies, small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs)	Up to 60% of eligible project costs

Research organisations and universities may participate as subcontractors. Companies with more than 2,000 full-time equivalent employees are not eligible for funding but like other organisation types not mentioned above may partake via self-funding in compliance with the guidelines of this call.

`Additional steps for applications from France`
Before applying, you must contact your *Chargé d'Affaires Innovation* in your Bpifrance Regional Office to discuss the application with them.

Submit your national application ("*demande d'aide à l'innovation*") on the Bpifrance En Ligne platform by 21 January 2026. You will need to submit financial and technical documents requested by your *Chargé d'Affaires Innovation*.

For more information, please **access the website of Bpifrance**.

`Additional eligibility criteria for applications from France`
- Your project consortium must have at least one company.
- Your project, process, or service must be innovative and there must be a technological risk involved.
- Your project must benefit all partners and all partners must participate.

For more information, please **visit the website of Bpifrance**.

Israel

Israeli funding agency, the Israel Innovation Authority (IIA), funds R&D costs for SMEs, large companies, research organisations, and universities participating in this call.

Funding is available with an open budget for the whole call. There is no maximum funding amount per project. The amount of funding available depends on the type of organisation applying.

Type of organisation	Amount of funding available
Small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) and large companies	Up to 50% of eligible project costs
Research organisations or universities	Up to 50% of eligible project costs

`Research organisation or university`
Universities and research organisations may only participate as subcontractors in this call.

`Additional steps for applications from Israel`
The full application must also be submitted through the Israel Innovation Authority portal. For further information, please **access the website of IIA**.

Additional eligibility criteria for applications from Israel

- Your project consortium must have at least one company.
- Your project, process, or service must be innovative and there must be a technological risk involved.
- You must be an R&D-performing company registered in Israel.

For more information, please **visit the website of IIA**.

Japan

Japanese funding agency, the New Energy and Industrial Technology Development Organization (NEDO), funds R&D costs for SMEs participating in this call.

Funding is available as a grant with a maximum budget of 2 billion Japanese yen for the program period. The maximum funding (grant) per project is 100 million Japanese yen.

Type of organisation	Amount of funding available
SMEs	Within ⅔ of eligible project costs

Other organisation types may also join the project as subcontractors and/or joint research partners.

Additional eligibility criteria for applications from Japan

- Your project consortium must have at least one company.
- Your project, process, or service must be innovative and there must be a technological risk involved.
- Must be an unlisted Japanese small or medium-sized company with your main research and development operations based in Japan, and their principal investigator must be a resident of Japan. Other companies, research institutes, universities, or other entities may also join the project as subcontractors and joint research partners, if the project is represented and applied by Japanese business operators with the conditions above.
- Must be able to confirm that the ratio of R&D expenses to net sales is at least 5% or above, based on their most recent financial statement at the time of application.

Additional steps for applications from Japan

You can apply from 14 October 2025 until the submission deadline on 21 January 2026.

In addition to the centrally submitted online Eureka project application, applicants must also submit a national application **on the NEDO website** by 21 January 2026 at 12:00 noon Japan Standard Time, along with the supporting documentation listed in the guidance for application.

If an approved project participant company is listed after the project starts, funding will be terminated as the requirements are no longer fulfilled at that time.

For more information, please **visit the website of NEDO**.

Lithuania

Lithuanian funding agency, Research Council of Lithuania, funds R&D costs for startups and small companies, SMEs, midcap companies, research organisations, and universities participating in this call.

Funding is available as a grant with a maximum budget of 1.5 million euro for the whole call. The maximum funding (grant) per project is 300,000 euro. The amount of funding available depends on the type of organisation applying.

Type of organisation	Amount of funding available
Startups	Up to 80% of eligible project costs
Small companies and small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs)	Up to 80% for industrial research Up to 60% for development work
Midcap companies	Up to 75% for industrial research Up to 50% for development work
Research organisations or universities	Up to 100% of eligible project costs

The Research Council of Lithuania funds joint research–business projects.

Eligible costs are:

- **Personnel costs:** salaries, social security, and other taxes paid by the company
- **Business trip costs:** for up to two trips
- **Materials and similar current asset costs:** less than 20%
- **R&D services acquisition costs:** less than 15%
- **Equipment, devices, and similar fixed asset costs or depreciation:** less than 20%

- **Patenting services**
- **Certification of the R&D product costs**
- **Indirect costs (overhead):** 3%

Additional steps for applications from Lithuania

Lithuanian applicants must first submit their international Eureka project application (in English), on the Eureka Smart Simple system. During the national call, Lithuanian participants must submit a national project application (in Lithuanian) to **the Research Council of Lithuania**, along with the international Eureka project application and other documents specified in the national rules. The Lithuanian national application must be submitted jointly by a higher education institution or research organisation, together with a Lithuanian SME. The international project can be organized according to consortium needs.

The higher education institution or research organisation is required to provide justification for its non-economic activities, specifically independent research and development (R&D) activities. A signed consortium agreement is required upon approval before the actual start of the project. It should include, amongst others, the ownership and use of know-how and intellectual property rights (IPR) settlements.

Additional eligibility criteria for applications from Lithuania

- Your R&D project consortium must include a Lithuanian university or another higher education institution/research organisation, and at least one Lithuanian SME and an industrial partner based in Japan.
- Your project, process, or service must be innovative and there must be a technological risk involved.
- The project must start at Technology Readiness Level (TRL) 5 and must reach TRL 7 to 9 by the end of the project.

For more information, please **visit the website of the Research Council of Lithuania**.

Additional evaluation steps for applications from Lithuania

Lithuania has additional evaluation criteria for this call:

- The project applications will be evaluated by national R&D experts of RCL. The evaluation for funding, which includes financial and legal eligibility as well as compliance with state aid rules is conducted by another state agency.

Luxembourg

The Luxembourgish funding body, the Ministry of Economy, funds R&D costs for startups and small companies, medium-sized and large companies participating in this call.

Funding is available as a grant with an open budget for the whole call. The amount of funding available depends on the type of organisation applying and the type of innovation activities carried out.

Type of organisation	Amount of funding available
Startups and small companies	Up to 80% of eligible project costs
Medium-sized companies	Up to 75% of eligible project costs
Large companies	Up to 65% of eligible project costs

Eligible costs are:

- Internal staff costs
- Depreciable and non-depreciable equipment and material costs
- Subcontracting costs (to a certain extend)

Please **visit Luxembourg's information** portal for further criteria.

`Additional steps for applications from Luxembourg`
National project application must be submitted **via Luxembourg's online portal** with all **required documents**.

`Additional eligibility criteria for applications from Luxembourg`

- Justified technological challenge addressed in the project
- Incentive effect (your project may not start before the national submission deadline)
- Financial viability of the implementation plan
- Demonstrated positive impact on the national economy
- Compliance with the European criteria on state aid eligibility (i.e. not be considered an undertaking in difficulty)

Support for the preparation of national project applications is available via the national innovation agency, Luxinnovation. For more information, please **visit the website of Luxinnovation**.

Norway

Norwegian funding agency, the Research Council of Norway (RCN), funds R&D costs for SMEs, large companies, research organisations, and universities participating in this call.

For Norway, the call is only open for projects within the energy sector. Projects receiving funding shall support long-term and sustainable development of the energy system. Norwegian applicants must contact the Research Council of Norway to confirm the fulfilment of this requirement before applying.

Funding is available as a grant with a budget of 1.2 million euro for the whole call. The maximum funding (grant) per project is 600,000 euro. The amount of funding available depends on the size of the company and the type of R&D activities.

Type of organisation	Amount of funding available
Small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) and large companies	Up to 50% of eligible project costs

Norwegian and foreign research organisations and other expert communities may participate as R&D suppliers, with responsibility for carrying out R&D work on behalf of the companies in the project.

`Additional steps for applications from Norway`
Visit the website of RCN for **general terms and conditions** for R&D projects from Norway, and more information on **calculating payroll and indirect expenses**.

`Additional eligibility criteria for applications from Norway`

- Applicants must be registered in the Norwegian Register of Business Enterprises and have economic activity in Norway. Public enterprises that carry out activities of an industrial or business nature may also serve as the formal applicant.

- Sole proprietorships cannot be the formal applicant in this call but may partake as a partner.
- Applicants and their partners must be independent of each other.
- All partners must have identified costs in the project, but they may choose not to have the costs covered through the award.
- Aid cannot be granted to **undertakings in difficulty** within the meaning of EEA law.

For more information, please **visit the website of RCN**.

Singapore

Singaporean funding agency, Enterprise Singapore, funds R&D costs for SMEs (including startups) and large companies participating in this call.

Funding is available as a grant with an open budget for the whole call. There is no maximum amount of funding (grant) per project. The amount of funding available depends on the type of organisation applying.

Type of organisation	Amount of funding available
Small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs)	Up to 50% of eligible project costs
Large companies	Up to 30% of eligible project costs

`Additional steps for applications from Singapore`

- Visit the **Business Grants Portal (BGP)**.
- Locate the grant titled “EDG (Co-Innovation Programme)” and click “Log in to apply”.
- Log in to BGP using CorpPass.
- Under the list of calls, select "Eureka-Globalstars Japan Call".
- Complete the application form and include the necessary supporting documents where specified. This will include:
    - Latest ACRA business profile (retrieved within six months from application date).
    - Applicant’s latest and previous two years audited financial statements (Company and Group level), or official management account.
    - Relevant key quotations (e.g., equipment & software, materials & consumables, professional services).
- Submit the completed form by the application deadline on 21 January 2026.

`Additional eligibility criteria for applications from Singapore`

- Your project consortium must have at least two companies.
- Your project must benefit all partners and all partners must participate.

Furthermore, applicants from Singapore must:

- Be a business entity registered and operating in Singapore.
- Have at least 30% of their ordinary shares held by Singapore Citizens/Permanent Residents, determined by the ultimate individual ownership.
- Be financially capable of seeing the project through to completion.

For more information, please **visit the website of Enterprise Singapore**.

South Africa

South African funding agency, Department of Science and Innovation (DSTI), funds R&D costs for SMEs, large companies, research organisations, and universities participating in this call.

Funding is available as a grant with an open budget for the whole call. The maximum amount of funding (grant) per project is 300,000 euro. The amount of funding available depends on the type of organisation applying.

Type of organisation	Amount of funding available
SMEs	Up to 75% of eligible project costs
Large companies	Up to 50% of eligible project costs
Research organisations	Up to 50% of eligible project costs
Universities	Up to 80% of eligible project costs

Eligible costs and funding rates:

Each project will go through a financial negotiation process with DSTI to determine the exact percentage of funding they will receive. The funding sum will be transferred in tranches in accordance with the project duration.

`Additional steps for applications from South Africa`
Applicants must inform South Africa's National Project Coordinator of their interest to submit a proposal and share their project outline 6 weeks before submitting their project.

To be considered for national funding applicants are required to submit a national funding application form to DSTI (**info.eureka@dsti.gov.za**) within 7 days of the closing date of this call on 21 January 2026. The application form will be sent to applicants after their first meeting with DSTI.

`Additional eligibility criteria for applications from South Africa`
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 if they are a partner to an SMEs. Projects are to be led by SMEs.

DSTI will prioritise funding to SMEs and project teams with Black participants, women, and young innovators/scientists as part of the South African transformative targets.

Furthermore, for participants from South Africa:

- Your project consortium must have at least one company.
- Your project must benefit all partners and all partners must participate.
- Your project, process, or service must be innovative and there must be a technological risk involved.

For more information, please **visit the website of DSTI**.

South Korea

South Korean funding agency, Korea Institute of Advancement of Technology (KIAT), funds R&D costs for startups, small companies, SMEs, midcap companies, large companies, research organisations, and universities participating in this call.

Funding is available as a grant with an open budget for the whole call. The maximum funding (grant) per project is 1 million euro. The amount of funding available depends on the type of organisation applying.

Type of organisation	Amount of funding available
Startups, small companies, and small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs)	Up to 67% of eligible project costs
Midcap companies	Up to 50% of eligible project costs
Large companies	Up to 33% of eligible project costs
Research organisations or universities	Up to 100% of eligible project costs

Additional steps for applications from South Korea
National project application must be submitted online **via the Korean application system**. The national application must include both the Eureka project application and a national project proposal. Please refer to the national call text **on the KIAT website** for the additional document.

Additional eligibility criteria for applications from South Korea

- Your project consortium must have at least one company.
- Your project must benefit all partners and all partners must participate.
- You project, process, or service must be innovative and there must be a technological risk involved.

For more information, please **visit the website of KIAT**.

Spain

Spanish funding agency, Spanish Centre for Technological Development and Innovation (CDTI), funds R&D costs for SMEs and large companies participating in this call.

Funding is available as a loan with an open budget for the whole call. There is no maximum amount of funding (loan) per project. The amount of funding available depends on the type of organisation applying.

Type of organisation	Amount of funding available
Small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs)	Up to 85% of eligible project costs
Large companies	Up to 85% of eligible project costs

Universities and research organisations may participate in this call as subcontractors.

Additional steps for applications from Spain
Submit a formal R&D international project application **through CDTI's website** by 21 January 2026 including the Eureka Application form (in English) and the draft consortium agreement (optional). Additional documents in Spanish, containing detailed information on the Spanish participants, may be requested depending on the specific type of funding requested by the company.

Additional to this application, each Spanish applicant willing to receive public funding from CDTI will have to submit a funding application at the same time as the international application also through CDTI's website. A full technical proposal (in Spanish) must be attached to these

applications. Deadline to submit this second application is 28 January 2026. If the funding applications are not submitted in time, the international project may be rejected. Your project may not start before you have submitted the funding applications to CDTI.

Funding conditions for Spanish partners may vary depending on the nature of the project and the beneficiaries. For more information please **access the CTDI website**.

Additional eligibility criteria for applications from Spain

- Your project must be in the area of industrial research and/or technological development.

For more information, please **visit the website of CDTI**.

Sweden

Swedish funding agency, Sweden's Innovation Agency (Vinnova), funds R&D costs for startups, small companies, SMEs, midcap companies, large companies, research organisations, and universities participating in this call.

Swedish participants can apply for grants according to Vinnova's general terms and conditions for grants. **State aid rules apply** to organisations that carry out economic activities. The rules on state aid for research, development and innovation are stated in the European Commission's General Block Exemption Regulation No 651/2014 (GBER). In this call, article 25 in GBER applies, with support for Industrial research and experimental development.

Funding is available as a grant with a maximum budget of 5 million Swedish krona (around 458,200 euro) for the whole call. The maximum funding (grant) per project is 2.5 million Swedish krona (around 229,100 euro). The amount of funding available depends on the type of organisation applying.

Type of organisation	Amount of funding available
Startups	Up to 50% of eligible project costs
Small companies	Up to 80% of eligible project costs
Midcap companies and small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs)	Up to 75% of eligible project costs
Large companies	Up to 65% of eligible project costs
Research organisations or universities	Up to 100% of eligible project costs

Costs for consulting services from outside parties may constitute a maximum of 20 percent of a project party's budget. Indirect costs may constitute a maximum of 30 percent of personnel costs. Universities, university colleges, and certain research organisations and government agencies have higher maximum limits depending on the type of activities.

More Information on terms and conditions for funding and eligible costs is **available on the Vinnova website**.

Additional steps for applications from Sweden

In addition to the centrally submitted online Eureka project application, Swedish participants of the international consortium must also **apply on Vinnova's e-services**. Only Swedish participants of the consortium should be included.

The complete Eureka application form of the international project consortium, including all partner forms, project budget and a Gantt diagram of work packages, must be submitted as project description in the application to Vinnova. A CV of the Swedish project coordinator should also be submitted as appendix to the application.

All Swedish participants must fill in the "Participant Approval" form before project start.

All participants in the international Eureka project shall enter into a Consortium Agreement and it should be by the due date of the first Vinnova status report. It shall include the participants' mutual commitments, conditions concerning rights to foreground and background information, and issues significant to the cooperation.

Applicants are recommended to reach out to Sweden's contact person early in the application process.

Additional eligibility criteria for applications from Sweden

Vinnova funds projects within 6G, connectivity, open, high-performance programmable networks and Open RAN. Applications within either one or a combination of the mentioned themes are welcome. Project may receive funding for 16 months but are allowed to continue for 36 months.

The participant seeking funding from Vinnova must be a Swedish legal entity. A foreign organisation that has a branch or establishment in Sweden is considered to be a Swedish legal entity. Natural persons or individual companies cannot participate as project partners.

Funding is not granted to organisations that are insolvent or undergoing liquidation or corporate restructuring, or that have unpaid debts with the Swedish Enforcement Authority or payment notices. If the organisation is a limited liability company, half or more of the share capital may not be used up.

Vinnova takes credit information on all applicant who are not public actors. In this regard, funding is not granted to organisations with the lowest credit rating of C. Organisations applying for funding for personnel costs must be registered as an employer with the Swedish Tax Agency by the time the grant decision is made.

Furthermore, for participants from Sweden:

- Your project, process, or service must be innovative and there must be a technological risk involved.
- You must conduct project activities in Sweden.

For more information, please **visit the website of Vinnova**.

United Kingdom

UK funding agency, Innovate UK, funds R&D costs for small, medium-sized, and large companies, research organisations, and universities participating in this call.

Funding is available as a grant with a maximum budget of 2 million British pounds for the whole call. The maximum funding (grant) per project is 600,000 British pounds. The amount of funding available depends on the type of organisation applying.

Type of organisation	Amount of funding available
Small companies	Up to 70% of eligible project costs
Medium-sized companies	Up to 60% of eligible project costs
Large companies	Up to 50% of eligible project costs
Research organisations or universities	Up to 100% of eligible project costs

Additional eligibility criteria for applications from United Kingdom

- Your project consortium must be led by one company.
- Your project must benefit all partners and all partners must participate.
- Your project, process, or service must be innovative and there must be a technological risk involved.
- Up to 20% subcontracting is allowed.

For more information, please **visit the website of Innovate UK**.

How to apply

Application process

1. Contact your ministry or funding agency through Eureka's website to discuss your project idea, finances, eligibility and procedures.
2. Create an account on our application portal (one per consortium) and select the funding opportunity you want to apply to.
3. To apply, use the portal and complete one application form per consortium in English. Additionally, request that other partners fill out a partner form.
4. Submit a GANTT chart, a signed co-signature form (available for download on the platform), and any other required attachments.
5. We will check your application for completeness and eligibility before reviewing it using a standard evaluation procedure. If successful, your project will receive a Eureka label.
6. Your country or region's ministry or funding agency may conduct another evaluation performed by experts and based on national regulations.
7. The final step is to complete and sign a consortium agreement. We recommend that you seek legal advice when drafting your consortium agreement.

Important: Your national or regional funding body may need you to complete additional steps to apply to this Globalstars call. If you do not provide the information required by your national or regional funding body, you may render yourself ineligible to receive public funding.

Evaluation process

1. Impact
   - Is the market properly addressed (i.e., size, access and risks)?
   - Is the value creation properly addressed (i.e., employment opportunities and environmental and societal benefits)?
   - What are the competitive advantages of your project (i.e., strategic importance, enhanced capabilities and visibility)?
   - Are your commercialisation plans clear and realistic (i.e., return on investment, geographical and sectoral impact)?

2. Excellence
   - What is the degree of innovation? (i.e., is the proposed product, process or service state-of-the-art? Is there sufficient technological maturity and risk)?
   - How is new knowledge going to be used?
   - Is your project scientifically and technically challenging for consortium partners?
   - Is the technical achievability and risk properly addressed?

3. Quality and efficiency of implementation
   - What is the quality of your consortium (i.e., balance of the partnership and technological, managerial and financial capabilities of each partner)?
   - Is there added value through international cooperation?
   - Is your project management and planning realistic and clearly defined (i.e., methodology, planning approach, milestones and deliverables)?
   - Is your cost structure reasonable (i.e., costs and financial commitment for each consortium partner)?

4. Overall perception

   Experts will list three positive and negative points about your application and state whether they recommend your project for public funding. Your ministry or funding agency may carry out a further evaluation according to national/regional rules before allocating funding to organisations.

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