

Global Centers (GC): Use-Inspired Research Addressing Global Challenges through the Bioeconomy

- Call opens 13 March and closes 11 June 2024.
- Five-year funding period, e.g., 1 Jan 2025 31 Dec 2030.
- NSF plans to fund 5–7 Global Centers consortia. Min. 5 million US dollars per each national consortium partner.
- Lead Agency Opportunity, in which the NSF acts as the lead agency.
- 6 partner countries (US, Canada, Finland, Japan, Korea, UK), 10 organizations.



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RCF related basic information

- RCF funding for the call: 3 million euros (BF: 7 million).
- Finland is prepared to fund two 5 million euro Finnish consortia. RCF and BF awards may complement each other.
- Proposals must have significant research involvement from at least Finland and the US.
- Support will be provided on relevant thematic areas represented by the thematic areas of the Finnish Research Flagships.
- Finland applicants are advised to contact the RCF and/or BF as early as possible.



Thematic areas of Finnish Research Flagships

- Artificial Intelligence
- Digital Precision Cancer Medicine
- Inequalities, Interventions and New Welfare State
- Materials Bioeconomy
- Photonics
- Wireless Communication Technologies
- Forest-Human-Machine Interplay

- Atmosphere and Climate
- Gene, Cell and Nano Therapy
- Immune System
- Quantum Technology
- Mathematics in Imaging and Modelling
- Education
- Digital Water Competence



The application & decision making procedure

1. FI partner sends an 'Intention to Submit' form to the RCF (flagship@aka.fi)



2. RCF assesses the eligibility of the applicant/site of research/research plan



3. The US partner submits the full proposal to the NSF

As soon as possible

Deadline 11 June 2024

5. Peer review for proposals at the NSF



6. Selections for funding (NSF+RCF)



7. Invitation for FI partner to submit proposal to the RCF

June-July 2024

Late August / September 2024

Projects start in early 2025 at the latest



RCF: Special funding for international collaboration in highperformance computing 2024

- Call opens April 3rd and closes May 8th, 2024.
- Funding period: Jan 1st, 2025 Dec 31st, 2027. Funding: ca. 6.5 million euros.
- For individual teams or consortia. Up to EUR 500,000 award for Finnish team / PI.
- Application must include at least one international collaborator from at least one of the countries/regions specified in the call text:

"The funding granted will support international research collaboration that makes use of European cooperation in using EuroHPC's high-performance computing resources, cooperation in using the **LUMI supercomputer** with partners in the US states of **Texas** and/or **Colorado** and/or researchers from the **NASA** and/or research teams in Japan or the UK."

• The funding is based on Finland's strategic partnerships with the aforementioned countries/regions.

