

## Background Information for Expert Panel candidates

This joint call was initiated under the premise that attaining secure food and nutrition supply in the future will require a transition from current linear food production, to sustainable, cyclical oriented systems (on land and sea) that also respond to consumers demand for a diverse, healthy, safe and attractive diet. The two ERA-NETs have built a network with 21 funding bodies from 18 countries/regions that are committing 9.585.000 € for the call. The Call Announcement with more information can be found on the submission website (<https://www.submission-susfood-era.net/sf-co-jointcall>).

### Background Information about the Expert Panel Assignment (EP)

The International Expert Panel (EP) will be constituted by assigning 3 available experts per each proposal from the pool of experts. One of these experts will act as a rapporteur. The Call Office will inform all experts that have been selected (based on the proposal numbers and subjects). Members of consortia submitting proposals cannot be evaluators to avoid conflict of interest.

Experts willing to take part in the evaluation of the joint call proposals have to fill in the “CV Template for Experts” and send it to the Call Office ([e.capolino@politicheagricole.it](mailto:e.capolino@politicheagricole.it) and [n.hassan@fz-juelich.de](mailto:n.hassan@fz-juelich.de)). Additionally a standard CV is welcomed.

A detailed guideline for evaluators will be provided at a later stage. Some necessary information for the experts about the scope, timeline, conditions and requirements is given below.

#### 1. Scope of the joint call

The proposals must create an added value for sustainable and organic food systems in line with the objectives of both ERA-NETs. The applicants are encouraged to follow multi-actor, multi-disciplinary and system approach in context of the call topics:

**Topic 1: Resource-efficient, circular and zero-waste food systems**

**Topic 2: Diversity in food from field to plate**

**Topic 3: Mild food processing**

**Topic 4: Sustainable and smart packaging**

#### 2. Timeline

The call involves a 2-stage procedure with submission and selection of pre-proposals and, subsequently, invitation of shortlisted consortia to submit full proposals. Experts have to be available for evaluation, according to the following timeline.

| Event                                    | Date                          |
|--|-------------------------------|
| EP assembly                              | 11 September – 2 October 2020 |
| Assignment of proposals to evaluators    | 4 November – 18 November 2020 |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Step Evaluation (Online) | 18 November – 13 January 2020 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Step Evaluation (Online) | 30 March – 22 May 2020        |
| EP Meeting (Attendance Requested)        | First week of June            |

### 3. Conditions and requirements

#### **Proposal volume:**

Pre-proposals: approx. 10 pages with 5 pages of project description  
approx. 5-12 pre-proposals per expert

Full-proposals: approx. 25 pages with 20 pages of project description  
approx. 4-8 full-proposals per expert

#### **Reimbursement:**

Pre-proposal: 50 € per proposal (online evaluation + being rapporteur)

Full-proposal: 100 € per proposal (online evaluation + being rapporteur)

250 € evaluation meeting attendance

Travel costs will be reimbursed (accommodation and travel)

#### **Special roles:**

##### *Chair*

The Call Board and Call Office will nominate a chair person among the experts, who needs to be available during the whole time of evaluation process (step 1 and 2) and will be reimbursed with 1.000 €. Besides the overall tasks of evaluators, the chair has the following special tasks:

- Support in case of unclear evaluation results (disagreement among the 3 experts assigned)
- Chairing the evaluation meeting
- Guiding the overall evaluation of proposals with the goal to receive sound ranking lists per topics
- Attending the final CB selection meeting (if needed)

##### *Rapporteurs*

Each proposal will have a rapporteur appointed from among the experts who were assigned to it. All experts will be required to act as rapporteur in 2-4 proposals and attend the evaluation meeting (only 2<sup>nd</sup> step) to present the proposal and the online evaluation results. The rapporteur is also responsible for summarizing the joint evaluation result including comments or conditions, which will be passed to the applicants.