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# 4EU+Synergy projects

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Charles University supports teams collaborating within the 4EU+ Alliance through the 4EU+ Synergy Projects scheme. Academic staff and students of Charles University may apply for financial support for collaboration with colleagues from at least two other 4EU+ universities ( [Heidelberg Universität](#) , [Paris-Panthéon-Assas University](#) , [Sorbonne Université](#) , [Københavns Universitet](#) , [Université de Genève](#) , [Università degli Studi di Milano](#) and [Uniwersytet Warszawski](#) ).

Through this funding, academic staff and students can implement **joint research, educational, and innovation activities** with partner universities, organise meetings, and develop new forms of cooperation in science and education.

**Applications may be submitted twice a year, by 15 April and 15 October.** The project duration may range from **12 to 36 months**, with the amount of funding determined by the length of the project. Whether a project is classified as academic or student depends on whether the principal investigator is a member of CU academic staff (employee of Charles University) or a CU student. The project end date must fall within the period 1 January – 31 August.

## AMOUNT OF SUPPORT

- up to **CZK 300,000** for **12 months of project duration** (academic projects)
- up to **CZK 150,000** for **12 months of project duration** (student projects)

Funds may be used in accordance with the [harmonized rules for the utilization of funds and reimbursement of expenses for 4EU+ projects](#) for travel expenses, personnel costs (for CU employees with employment contract), and other costs (student stipends, material expenses, travel of external participants, catering, and more).

*! Please note that funds cannot be used during the month of December.*

## WHO CAN APPLY

- **Academic staff of Charles University** employed at a minimum of 0.5 FTE
- **Students of Charles University** (full-time or part-time, across all levels of study)

Each project must involve at least two additional 4EU+ partner universities, in addition to Charles University.

## WHAT CAN BE FUNDED

Financial support is intended for activities that strengthen cooperation within the 4EU+ Alliance.

Funding may be used for:

- organising meetings with international partners (conferences, workshops, etc.)
- joint research and educational projects
- developing materials that support alliance collaboration in education, such as learning resources and digital platforms

Supported areas:

- research and science
- education
- innovation
- activities with global outreach and the university's "third mission"

Funding cannot be used as complementary financing for other projects.

All projects must align with the [4EU+ Strategy 2025–2035](#) and correspond to one of the four selected thematic areas ( [Flagships](#) ) of the 4EU+ Alliance:

1. Urban Health and Demographic Change
2. Europeanness: Multilingualism, Pluralities, Citizenship
3. Digitisation – Modelling – Transformation
4. Environmental Transitions

or must focus on issues related to the European higher education sector and the development of an alliance ecosystem within the European Education Area.

## Submitting an Application

Calls for proposals are held twice a year. Applications must be submitted via the [online form](#) by **15 April** or **15 October**.

Attachments required with the application:

- Confirmation of partner involvement
- Confirmation that the faculty has been informed ( [faculty administrative coordinator](#) )
- Completed budget table
- For student projects: approval from the supervisor (for doctoral students) or from the programme guarantor (for other students)

## Evaluation

Projects are evaluated by appointed members of the Rector's Board according to the following criteria:

- Project quality
- Alignment with the strategic objectives of Charles University and the 4EU+ Strategy, including partner involvement
- Feasibility of the objectives and appropriateness of the budget
- Planned sustainability and continuation of the project

Each criterion is scored on a scale from 1 to 5, where 1 is the highest rating. Only projects with an average score between 1 and 2 may receive funding, depending on the number of submitted proposals and the available budget.

Results are communicated via email immediately after the decision is made, and no later than two months after the application deadline. Funding allocation does not constitute a legal entitlement.

## Related Forms and Links

- [Rector's Measure](#)
- [Rules for the use of 4EU+ funding](#)
- [4EU+ Strategy 2025-2035](#)
- Application Form
  - [Online Form Link](#)
  - [PDF Form](#)
  - Budget Table (*WILL BE AVAILABLE IN MID-JANUARY 2026*)

## Contact

If you have any questions, please contact your [4EU+ faculty coordinators](#) or the [4EU+ Local Office at Charles University](#).