

# INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY

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CALL 2025

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→ This is a call for cutting-edge research projects that seek to improve understanding of a fundamental question in ICT.

## Scope of the Call

This call is open to researchers from all areas of ICT. Projects should address fundamental, hypothesis-driven research questions, develop and apply cutting-edge methodology, and present a clearly defined research plan. Project topics may range from theoretical computer science to the intersection of ICT with other domains (e.g. health, energy, industry, transport, finance and other societal issues). Proposals should focus on advancing basic knowledge in ICT while laying the foundations for future high-impact applications. Projects may be focused within a single discipline or be interdisciplinary in nature.

## Who can apply?

- Core research team of up to three principal investigators (PIs)
- The coordinating PI must be based at a university or research institute in Vienna
- Co-PIs may be based outside of Vienna (funding limited to 20% of total budget)
- Co-PIs from Lower Austria may apply for up to 49% of the overall budget (Joint Project)

## Project Duration

24 – 48 months

## Funding

- Call budget: € 8 million
- Project budget: € 500,000 to € 800,000 (Joint Projects up to € 880,000)
- Personnel and non-personnel costs may be claimed
- Maximum 25% non-personnel costs
- Up to 20% overhead costs

## Timeline

- Short Proposal deadline: February 11, 2025, 2pm CET
- Full Proposal deadline: May 6, 2025, 2pm CET
- Applicant response phase: between August 11 – 24, 2025 (exact dates TBD)
- Expected funding decision: September 2025
- Project start: latest January 2026

## Process

- Two-stage selection process
- International jury and peer review
- Application via WWTF Funding Portal