



Palacký University
Olomouc



Palacký University Aurora Alliance Minigrants 2021 Application form

About UP's Aurora Alliance Mini-grants

International Division of Palacky University Olomouc (UP) is launching Aurora Alliance Mini-Grant Programme to further support the development of the European Universities strategic partnership goals of the Aurora Alliance. This scheme aims to strengthen the cooperation of Palacky University Olomouc with other eight Aurora Alliance university partners **beyond the current project activity scope**.

It primarily offers an opportunity to UP Faculties, Education and Research Centres to engage in academic and professional cooperation across the disciplines within the Aurora Alliance. The scheme supports the bottom-up approach and invites academicians and professional staff to build the working teams with Aurora partners by prioritising their own international academic collaboration ambitions.

The character of the support

Mini-grants will support initial project development and cooperation of small-scale education, research and professionalization projects. They are aimed at supporting the cooperation of the Faculty/Department/Research or Education Institute and Centres at UP with partners of choice at one or several of the Aurora Alliance member universities and the four associate partner universities in Centraleastern Europe. Cooperation should relate to one or more of the Aurora Pilot Domains as well as the Sustainable Development Goals, and demonstrate relevance to Aurora Alliance Mission.

Duration and length

Mini-grants programme aims to have three calls – February 2021, January 2022, January 2023. The first call in February 2021, is aimed as initial support of project start and will allow the successful projects to commence in April 2021. The following two calls will be open to support both continuation of the commenced projects and the new mini- projects each year.

Expected outcomes

UP's Aurora Alliance Mini-Grants scheme will run from 2021 until 2023, offering an opportunity to diverse projects to be developed by UP academicians and supported by varying small-scale grants. The expected outcomes are an increased international academic collaboration further strengthening the Aurora Alliance sustainability. Grants amounts range from 50.000-100.000 CZK.

Procedure and Selection Criteria

Project Application Form found here is to be submitted to Aurora Central Team by 29th March (First Call Opening on 16th of February 2021). Aurora Central Team with a Selection Committee consisting of Vice-Dean for Internationalisation will announce the successfully awarded projects by April 14th 2021.

Selection criteria consist of the following assessment domains:

- Relevance (Aurora Relevance as per Quality of Consortia, Pilot Domains, SDGs, Aurora Mission);
- Significance (Academic/ Professional: disciplinary/institutional/ service-enhancing; incl. projects outputs in the wider community/ challenge-focused);
- Feasibility (Consortia quality incl. team quality, Project implementation plan and roles); and
- Cost-effectiveness (appropriateness of the costs, value for money).

Title of the project	
Duration of the project	
Faculty/Department/Institute/Centre	
Participating Aurora Partner Universities	<input type="checkbox"/> VU <input type="checkbox"/> UEA <input type="checkbox"/> UI <input type="checkbox"/> CBS <input type="checkbox"/> URV <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> UDE <input type="checkbox"/> UNINA
Participating Associate Partners	<input type="checkbox"/> NUKK-Ukraine <input type="checkbox"/> UPJŠ/Slovakia <input type="checkbox"/> NR-Bulgaria <input type="checkbox"/> UT/N.Macedonia
PI of the project at UP (incl. email address)	
Pilot Domains (one or more):	<input type="checkbox"/> P1 Sustainability & Climate Change <input type="checkbox"/> P2 Digital Society & Global Citizenship <input type="checkbox"/> P3 Health & Well-being <input type="checkbox"/> P4 Culture: Diversity & Identity
Project promotes learning outcomes to achieve one / more of the following SDGs:	<input type="checkbox"/> SDG 1: No Poverty <input type="checkbox"/> SDG 2: Zero Hunger <input type="checkbox"/> SDG 3: Good Health and Well-Being <input type="checkbox"/> SDG 4: Quality Education <input type="checkbox"/> SDG 5: Gender Equality <input type="checkbox"/> SDG 6: Clean Water <input type="checkbox"/> SDG 7: Affordable and Clean Energy <input type="checkbox"/> SDG 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth <input type="checkbox"/> SDG 9: Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure <input type="checkbox"/> SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities <input type="checkbox"/> SDG 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities <input type="checkbox"/> SDG 12: Responsible Consumption and Production <input type="checkbox"/> SDG 13: Climate Action <input type="checkbox"/> SDG 14: Life below Water <input type="checkbox"/> SDG 15: Life on Land <input type="checkbox"/> SDG 16: Peace, Justice Strong Institutions <input type="checkbox"/> SDG 17: Partnership for the Goals
Core team members (Contact details and short 100 words BIOs of core staff per each university)	

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<p>Project type (one or more):</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Education <input type="checkbox"/> Research <input type="checkbox"/> Professionalization	
<p>Abstract of the project (max 250 words)</p>		
<p>Project description with aims and expected outcomes (max 1000 words)</p>		
<p>Project implementation plan, staff roles and Consortia structure</p>		
<p>Other Financial Sources (Has your project team already received financial support from any of the Aurora Institutions or other sources? Please specify.)</p>		
<p>Required total budget (in CZK)</p>		
<p>Cost categories</p>	<p>Travel costs, transport Inc. Accommodation, daily sustenance</p>	
	<p>Organization of joint events</p>	
	<p>Staff cost (needs to be justified)</p>	
	<p>Other (fieldwork costs, working materials etc.)</p>	
<p>Short justification of the budget (max 500 words)</p>		